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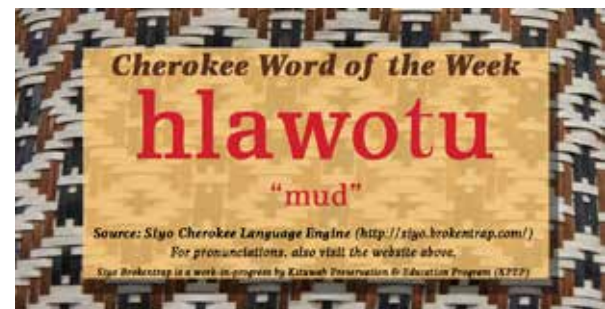
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Cherokee holds Veteran's Day Ceremony

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America's past and present servicemen and service-women were honored during a Veteran's Day Ceremony on Saturday, Nov. 10 at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Hosted by the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143, the event was held a day earlier than the usual Veteran's Day (eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month) due to church services on Sunday.

"Veteran's Day is a special day, a day for reflection and appreciation for the sacrifices that have been made for our freedom," said Lew Harding, Post 143 Commander, during his welcoming remarks. "The rows of white headstones in cemeteries around the world stand in silent tribute to these brave men and women. Sometimes, in the fast-paced lives that we live it's easy to take for granted the freedoms that we enjoy. These freedoms were paid for with the lives of men and women that some of us did not know. By honoring our veterans here today, we say a collective thank you for their service and their sacrifice. As they have honored us with their service, we can honor them by continuing to uphold the freedoms for which they so valiantly fought."

He went on to say, "We honor these veterans here today and the fallen heroes of all generations. This American flag is a national treasure. It is our symbol of our national unity. Together with the flags of our native peoples, it represents our priceless heritage of freedom. We must, all of us, honor



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First Sergeant Charles Penick, U.S. Army veteran, leads the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 Color Guard in the opening of a Veteran's Day Ceremony at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on the morning of Saturday, Nov. 10.

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During Saturday's event, Post 143 gave several awards starting with the Legionnaires of the Year which included: Warren Dupree, David McQueen, Gregory Hunt, and Clyde Harrison. Special American Legion Distinguished Achievement Awards were presented to Sgt. Randall "Red" Murff and Pfc. Reuben Taylor, both World War II veterans. Murff served as a bombardier on a B26 in the U.S. Army Air Corps and received two Distinguished Flying Crosses and nine Air Medals. Taylor, an elder

of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians who served in the 82nd Airborne Division, participated in the Battle of the Bulge and received the Bronze Star and Purple Heart among other decorations.

Robert Jumper, One Feather editor, received the American Legion Distinguished Achievement Journalism Award and David "Skooter" McCoy, who has served the Tribe in various capacities including with Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort, Cherokee Central Schools, and the Cherokee Boys Club, received the American Legion Distinguished

Achievement Leadership Award.

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, a U.S. Marine Corps veteran, gave the keynote address at Saturday's event and commented, "Liberty and honor, hope and freedom – these are powerful words that resonate at a visceral level within the heart of every human being."

He said that life with liberty is all many of us have ever known. "For the majority of us, liberty is not a luxury that has any price tag attached to it. We have, for the majority of our lives, enjoyed the rights, the benefits, and the luxuries



Private First Class Reuben Taylor (left), an EBCI tribal elder and World War I veteran, is presented with an American Legion Distinguished Achievement Award from Chief Sneed.

of liberty with little or no direct cost to ourselves. And liberty, like every other good thing, if not reflected upon for its value and its fragility will tend to be taken for granted – treated not as a precious gift, purchased at the greatest cost, but instead as a mere entitlement freely provided by some unseen hand. There are, however, those amongst us who are the keepers of the flame of liberty, those who understand the eternal value of this precious gift that we have been entrusted with. These are the warriors of our society.”

Chief Sneed said that true warriors do not seek praise for themselves or their actions. “When honor is bestowed upon them, they humbly reply ‘I was only doing my duty’.”

Dupree and Randell Crowe gave a brief presentation on Cherokee Code Talkers during World War I.

Dupree read excerpts from a paper written by Captain John Stanley entitled “Personal Experience of a Battalion Commander and Brigade Signal Officer, 105th Field Signal Battalion, in the Somme Offensive, September 29 – October 12, 1918”

which outlines how Cherokee soldiers used their language to send messages that were undetected and unbroken by the Germans.

Capt. Stanley wrote that he tried, several times in vain, to explain to his commanders the dangers in using English over the telephone lines which were used as radio technology was not yet in use. In speaking of a meeting of signal officers, he wrote, “...at this meeting I pointed out to the Division Signal officer that the old 1st N.C. Regiment which was split up at Camp Sevier, SC in 1917 and its personnel assigned to the 119th and 120th Infantry Regiments, contained quite a number of Cherokee Indians which were now somewhere in the division, and that in my opinion, if a number of the most intelligent of them were placed at each telephone, and that they transmit all messages in their native tongue, I felt sure that even a battalion commander could use them in transmitting messages to his company commanders in perfect safety.”

He added, “The matter was taken up with the division com-



Sgt. Randall “Red” Murff (left), a World War II decorated veteran who served in the U.S. Army Air Corps, receives an American Legion Distinguished Achievement Award from Big Cove Rep. Perry Shell, a U.S. Army veteran.

mander, and the next day found every command post from brigade forward, including some company command posts, a telephone with a Cherokee Indian beside it. Needless to say, there were no further messages interrupted by the enemy that we heard of.”

Capt. Stanley went on to write, “From then on until October 12, 1918, at which date I was ordered back to the United States as an instructor, the Cherokees were kept on the job with continued success, and I understand were used until the end of the war.”

Following this historical presentation, Sgt. Gregory Hunt and Chief Sneed presented Vietnam-era Service pins to any veteran who served in that time period who was present and had not previously been honored.

During Saturday’s event, Legionnaire Phyllis Shell, U.S. Army veteran, sang a moving rendition of “It’s an Honor to Serve”. The event concluded with a placing of a wreath by Chief Sneed, Col. Bob Blankenship (Ret.), Sgt. Gregory Hunt, and Sergeant First Class Clifford Long.

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- Lew Harding, Steve Youngdeer
American Legion Post 143
Commander

Tribe's state/national representatives stay same

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With mid-term elections completed and votes counted, the tribe's representation in Washington and Raleigh will remain the same. A new chairman of the Swain County Board of Commissioners, Democrat Ben Bushyhead, a tribal member, was elected, as was a new 119th N.C. House District representative Democrat Joe Sam Queen (D-Haywood). However, sheriffs in Swain and Jackson counties, 11th Congressional District representative, N.C. House 120th District representative and N.C. Senate 50th District remain unchanged.

Turnout for the midterm elections was lighter across the state with a rate of 52.38 percent compared to 68.98 percent in 2016. For Jackson County turnout was 52.37 percent compared to 66.98 percent in 2016. For Swain County turnout was 51.14 percent compared to 58.85 percent in 2016. Graham County's turnout was 59.02 percent compared to

65.92 percent in 2016. For Cherokee County turnout was 47.13 percent compared to 59.86 percent in 2016.

Mark Meadows (R-N.C.) was easily reelected to serve another term in congress. He defeated Phillip Price (D-N.C.) by a vote of 177,230 - 115,824. Price did win one of the precincts where most Cherokee residents vote. In the Whittier/Cherokee Precinct Price led 631-594. Meadows carried the Qualla Precinct 761-714.

For the N.C. 50th Senate District, incumbent Jim Davis (R-Macon) defeated challenger Bobby Kupperts (D-Macon) 48,195- 31,679. For the Cherokee precincts: Kupperts carried Whittier/Cherokee 655-576, but Davis prevailed in Qualla 765-755.

Kevin Corbin (R-Macon) handily won reelection against Aaron Martin (D-Clay) 25,536- 9,231 for the N.C. House 120th District (Cherokee County and Snowbird communities are in this district), but Queen defeated incumbent Mike Clampitt (R-Swain) 15,537- 14,166. Queen prevailed in both

Qualla and Whittier/Cherokee precincts. He took Whittier/Cherokee 745-514 and Qualla 813-709.

Bushyhead won the Democratic nomination in May, and no Republican was challenging him. He had a write-in challenger in Mitchell Jenkins (not named and his votes could have been counted with other write-ins), but Bushyhead prevailed 3,250- 818. Support for Bushyhead was heavy in the Whittier/Cherokee precinct where he won 1,001-41.

Tribal member and Democrat Brad Letts defeated a challenge from fellow Democrat Mark Melrose to hold on to his seat as a Superior Court Judge District 30B (Haywood and Jackson counties). That vote was 16,914-14,017. The vote in Haywood County, where Melrose resides and holds a legal practice, was close with Letts winning 9,556-9,296. In Jackson County, where Letts resides, the vote was 7,358-4,721. The Qualla precinct heavily favored Letts 455-161.

Republican Swain County Sheriff Curtis Cochran won another

term as he defeated Democratic challenger Rocky Sampson, a tribal descendent, 3,354-1,895. The vote, however, was closer in the Whittier/Cherokee precinct with Cochran winning 640-639.

Democrat Chip Hall defeated Republican challenger Doug Farmer 8,850-5,959 to get another term as Jackson County Sheriff. In Qualla, the vote was for Hall 898-600.

Swain County Commissioners candidates who won were: Democrat Danny Burns, Republican Kevin Seagle and Democrat Roger Parsons.

Winning Jackson County Commissioner candidates were Democrats Gayle Woody and Boyce Dietz.

The ballot initiative for a ¼ cent sales and use tax passed in Swain County 2,787-2,337 with Whittier/Cherokee voting in favor 628-590.

Full election results can be obtained online at: https://er.ncsbe.gov/?election_dt=11/06/2018&county_id=0&office=FED&contest=0.

Cochran defeats Sampson to win re-election

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A tribal descendant's bid to unseat an incumbent sheriff in Swain County failed. Republican Sheriff Curtis Cochran defeated Democratic challenger Rocky Sampson by a vote of 3,354 to 1,895. Sampson, whose father was on the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians roll, kept it close in the Whittier/Cherokee precinct where most

Qualla Boundary Swain County residents vote as Cochran won that precinct 640 votes to 639.

Cochran said on his Facebook page, "The 2018 election is over, and I have been blessed by the Lord and by the confidence of the voters of this great county to have the honor of serving as your Sheriff for another term. Thanks to everyone that voted, worked in my campaign and braved the nasty weather this morning because they too wanted the people of Swain County to continue with the dedicated law enforcement by the men and women of the Swain County Sheriff's Office."

Sampson posted on his page, "I want to take a minute to thank everyone that helped me with this campaign. We worked hard and honest, and we will continue to do so. I truly appreciate all the people that came out to vote and those that worked for our campaign. I have enjoyed meeting all the people and making a lot of very good friends. I was asked if I had regrets. The answer is no. Would I change anything? Absolutely not. I pray God bless and protect each and every citizen of Swain County."

Tribe submits finalized Water Quality Standards to EPA

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The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has submitted its finalized Water Quality Standards (WQS) document to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for approval. After undergoing a draft and public comment phase, the finalized WQS was presented to EPA officials in the Office of the Principal Chief on the morning of Thursday, Nov. 8.

"I'm very proud of our team at Environmental & Natural Resources for really taking the lead on this and really getting something on paper that gives our program that ability to ensure that our waters are protected for future generations," said Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed who praised the Tribe's relationship with the EPA.

The 36-page WQS document begins with an introduction that states, "The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians recognizes tribal waters are the source of life, tranquility, and prosperity. Tribal waters include, but are not limited to, streams, rivers, natural springs, and wetlands that support a diverse array of environmental, cultural, and economic values. The Tribe recognizes that protecting these waters requires a strategic and



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The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians turned in a finalized Water Quality Standards application to EPA officials in the Office of the Principal Chief on the morning of Thursday, Nov. 8. Shown, left to right, are Joey Owle, EBCI Secretary of Agriculture & Natural Resources; Trey Glenn, EPA Region 4 administrator; Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed; Michael Bolt, EBCI Water Quality Section supervisor; Hannah Smith, EBCI Office of the Attorney General; Mike LaVoie, EBCI Natural Resources manager; and Suzanne Armor, acting EPA Region 4 Indian coordinator.

integrated approach across all tribal watersheds to encourage prudent use of the Tribe's water resources and enhance its quality and productivity."

The EPA will review the finalized standards and give their final ruling in around 60 days. Once approved, the Tribe will have the same footing as a state in regards to water quality regulation. According to the EPA, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians began this process several years ago and received the status of "treatment in a manner similar to a state" on Jan. 26, 2015.

"Our mutual goal is to protect human health

and safeguard the environment, and the Eastern Band of Cherokee is blessed to oversee such wonderful natural resources," said Trey Glenn, EPA Region 4 administrator. "These Water Quality Standards and the consideration of that is a very important step in the protection of those resources, to ensure that this generation and future generations will be able to enjoy the beautiful resources that you have now."

Michael Bolt, EBCI Water Quality Section supervisor, said the Tribe is a leader in Indian Country on many fronts including protection of natural resources. "This standards

application gives us protection for water quality. Water is the essence of life, and it's so intertwined in the tribal culture and it's got to be one of the highest priorities for us to keep it in good shape. That's what this application is really all about."

When approved, the Tribe will become the 45th federally recognized tribe in the country to have federally-approved Water Quality Standards. "These are not just proud words on a dusty shelf, these are real, live standards that we can use," said Bolt. "They're a tool in a toolbox. We look forward to seeing this come to fruition...we have a unique

place in this universe, and we're at the headwaters of these beautiful streams. Everyone else will benefit from us being able to protect them. Our neighbors in North Carolina will be thankful that we'll be able to protect them."

The EBCI Water Quality Standards document also states, "The Water Quality Code states that the DANR (Department of Natural Resources) is responsible for establishing water quality standards to facilitate the following management goals:

1. restore, maintain, and enhance the water quality for all beneficial uses of tribal waterbodies;
2. protect human health, social welfare, aquatic life, wildlife and the economic well-being of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians;
3. ensure that no contaminants are discharged into Cherokee waters from either point sources or non-point sources without being given the degree of treatment or control necessary to prevent pollution;
4. establish numeric and narrative standards that provide a legal basis for water pollution control; and
5. encourage prudent use of the Tribe's water resources and enhance its quality and productivity as state in goals of the Cherokee Legacy Plan."

Letts reelected superior court judge

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Tribal member Bradley B. Letts will continue to serve as a superior court judge for district 30B after he defeated fellow Democratic challenger Mark Melrose. The vote was 16,914 to 14,017 from voters in Haywood and Jackson County. Voters in the Jackson County's Qualla precinct heavily favored Letts by a vote of 455 to 161.

"I'm humbled and honored that my hometown of Cherokee would support me in such an overwhelming fashion," Letts said. "It's something I will always cherish." Letts expressed gratitude to his supporters. "Your vote validates my work in the court system over the past two decades," he said. "And for those that voted for my opponent I want to thank you for your willingness to openly consider the issues in this race and your participation in the electoral process. The outpouring of kind words, positive comments, and congratulations is simply stunning. I am honored to be able to represent everyone from Haywood and Jackson counties in

our court system. I have always taken this responsibility seriously and will continue to shoulder the heavy burden and discharge the duties in the positive, professional, honest manner that the position of judge requires."

Melrose, a Waynesville attorney, likewise, thanked his supporters on his Facebook page. "Unfortunately, I lost the election yesterday," he said. "I am truly grateful for all the support throughout both counties. I have talked face to face with thousands of people during this campaign. I have been saddened by stories of addiction and loss that we must address but encouraged by the words and efforts of so many people who want to help. I've laughed with old friends, made countless new friends, and learned many lessons. What I have been reminded of over and over is why my family and I love living precisely here. The beauty of these mountains cradle kind, generous and loving people unmatched anywhere in the country. I am not sure what God has in store for me next, but I am excited to find out. Thank you again."

This was an election where

Melrose questioned Letts' being allowed to "moonlight" as a Tribal Supreme Court justice and his fairness in the courtroom. Letts said the Cherokee tribal court is one of the premier tribal courts in the U.S. "I'm proud to be able to work for the tribal court. The fact that Mark Melrose takes issue with me hearing three cases in five years clearly demonstrates it was a nonissue and only political noise that he tried to distract the public with."

It also open old wounds as Melrose represented the man who fatally gunned down tribal member and State Trooper Shawn Blanton, who had a newborn son struggling to survive in the neonatal intensive care unit at the time. Edwardo Wong, II, received life in prison without parole after being convicted of first degree murder in Blanton's death. Melrose wasn't listed on Principal Chief Richard Sneed's list of candidates who have supported the tribe or pledged support of the tribe.

Blanton's widow, Michaela Blanton Lowe, pointed out that Melrose volunteered to represent Wong. "Please let me be clear," she states in a Facebook post. "I do not

say this simply because he VOLUNTEERED to the the (sic) court-appointed attorney for the man who murdered my husband, but I say that because of THE PERSON HE HAS SHOWN HIMSELF TO BE." She said Melrose gloated after Wong received life instead of the death penalty. "I never once publicly spoke negatively of neither my husband's murderer nor of Mark Melrose in more than 10 years, but something needed to be said because I would have never forgiven myself if I did not speak up and he become (sic) judge."

Letts said, "That was an issue I did not raise or discuss." Melrose could not be reached for comment by press time, but in the Oct. 22 edition of the Waynesville "Mountain-er," Melrose responded, "When I accepted the Wong case, I didn't know Trooper Blanton," he said. "I didn't know his family, and I had no connection to him at all. I didn't know the defendant, and I didn't know anything. It was the right thing to do, and as a result of accepting that case, I had two people immediately quit as employees in my office, and I had threats made toward me."

Injured girl from Robbinsville bus crash recovering

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CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. – One of the victims of the school bus wreck in Robbinsville is recovering in Erlanger Health System Children's hospital in Chattanooga, Tenn. after breaking her back in six places. Ten-year-old Enjoli Wig-

gins was on the bus that ran off the road near Franks Creek on Nov. 2. The bus rolled over and landed in a creek. All aboard were injured, but Enjoli endures pain as she slowly recovers from broken vertebrae.

Her mother Phylicia Leshore said despite her injuries, Enjoli's prognosis for walking again is good. Her spinal column wasn't damaged. "It could've been a lot worse."

Right now Leshore said her daughter's caregivers are trying to manage her pain. "It's one

step closer to getting her home."

Leshore said everyone and the community has been supportive. As for how she's been coping she said, "I'm the best I can be right now. Somebody has to be strong for her."

A gofundme page has been set up to raise money to help with Enjoli's family's expenses. It can be found at <https://www.gofundme.com/bringing-enjoli-home>.

Midterm elections a good day for native female candidates

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President Donald Trump's opposition to and lobbying against tribal sovereignty has been well-documented. He's appeared before a congressional subcommittee making unsubstantiated claims that Indian gaming was riddled with organized crime. He approved the Dakota Access Pipeline, something that tribes across the nation opposed on treaty rights grounds, and his administration has removed one tribe's land from trust, reduced sacred land protection and has redefined tribes as racial rather than governmental entities. And more threats to sovereignty lie on the horizon through the courts.

With the election of two Native American women to the House of Representatives, Indian Country has likely gained two powerful allies in the fight to protect tribal sovereignty. This was the first time a Native American woman has been elected to congress, and the election Nov. 6 elected two native



Photos contributed

Sharice Davids (D-Kan.), a member of the Ho-Chunk Nation, defeated incumbent Kevin Yoder.

women.

Sharice Davids (D-Kan.), a member of the Ho-Chunk Nation, defeated incumbent Kevin Yoder (R-Kan.) in a deeply conservative state. She not only makes history as the first Native American woman to be elected to the House, but she's also the first openly gay representative elected in Kansas. "From the beginning, this campaign has been built on bringing new leaders to the table and new voices to the table," Davids said in her victory speech.



Deb Haaland (D-N.M.), a member of the Laguna Pueblo, soundly defeated challenger Janice Arnold-Jones (R-N.M.)

She attributed her success to hard work, opportunities and obtaining a quality public education. She also said she'll represent all of Kansas, and it doesn't matter how Kansan voters cast their ballots. "Come January, I see every single person. I listen to every single person."

Deb Haaland (D-N.M.), a member of the Laguna Pueblo, soundly defeated challenger Janice Arnold-Jones (R-N.M.) to fill the seat vacated by New Mexico's Democratic governor-elect Michelle Lujan Grisham. In her

victory speech she said, "I want to tell everyone in this room, the single moms, the people drowning in student debt, black and Hispanic and Native American and Asian communities who've been under attack, trans and LGBTQ people who deserve never to be erased, disabled folk fighting for dignity and independence, folks trying to keep a roof over their children's heads and food on the table to ensure your child gets a shot in life, I see you. I'm listening. I love you. We fight together, and I will bring that fight to congress."

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed said having both in the House will be a benefit to tribes across the country. "This is a historic win for not only these women but for all native nations in the United States," he said on his Facebook page. "As many of you are aware, Indian Country has seen increasing attacks on our sovereignty. I am proud of these women for their courage to run and am excited about having them working to protect Indian Country."

McMahan to stay as Jackson County chair

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

SYLVA – Democrat Brian McMahan will remain as chairman of the Jackson County Board of Commissioners after he defeated Republican challenger Ron Mau by a vote 8,475-6,393. Had Mau prevailed, EBCI Tribal Secretary of Operations Jeremy Hyatt was tapped to fill the remainder of Mau's term as commissioner, and Jackson County

would have joined Swain County in having a tribal member elected to its government. Democrat Ben Bushyhead was elected to serve as Swain County's chairman.

McMahan took the Qualla precinct, where most of the Tribe's Jackson County residents vote, 822-683.

McMahan released a statement through Facebook, "We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the voters of Jackson County for your vote of confidence and trust. Let us now resolve to come together

as a community and work together for the benefit of all the people. Thank you."

Mau said in a Facebook post, "Although the result wasn't how we hoped, thank you to all who voted. The good news: I'll continue to serve as commissioner representing District 3 and will continue to represent you."

Democratic Commissioner Boyce Dietz will be joined by newly-elected Democratic Commissioner Gayle Woody, who defeated long-time incumbent Republican

Charles Elders 8,049-6,882. Dietz and Elders were two of four incumbents up for reelection.

Hyatt wished the elected leadership of Jackson County well. "It was an honor be considered a potential appointment to the Jackson County Board of Commissioners," he said. "I do look forward to finding new opportunities to build and nurture relationships between the (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) and Jackson County, and I wish nothing but the best for the elected leadership of Jackson County."

Chief Sneed recognizes Post 143 Color Guard

The Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 Color Guard is assigned the prestigious honor of protecting the regimental colors during events, meetings, and funerals for veterans in Cherokee and in western North Carolina. To date, Post 143 has posted the colors for 98 events this year with 24 of those events being burials of veterans. Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed presented each Color Guard member with a jacket on Wednesday, Nov. 7 signifying their service in appreciation for their volunteer efforts on behalf of the Cherokee people.

"I offer my sincerest appreciation for all the work these gentlemen do on behalf of the Cherokee people," said Chief Sneed. "They volunteer their precious time to ensure the EBCI is represented pro-

fessionally and honorably. I would like to extend my thanks to each of these individuals and I hope each of you enjoy the gift presented."

Color Guard/Honor Guard Members include: Jeff Marcum US Navy 1968-1974; Warren Dupree US Navy, US Coast Guard, US Army 1967-2009; Samuel Lambert US Navy 1966-1971; Gregory Hunt US Marine Corps 1980-1988; Martha Brindle US Army 1974-1976; Principal Chief Richard Sneed US Marine Corps 1986-1990; Albert Crowe US Navy 1982-1990; Charlie McCullough US Army 1974-1991; Lewis Harding US Navy 1957-1969; David McQueen US Army 1967-1970; Doug Swayney US Army 1978-1983; Jim Babcock US Army 1960-1962; Ray West US Navy, US Air Force, and US Army 1954-1961; Ernie Panther



Photo by Ashleigh Stephens/EBCI Public Relations

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed (right), a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, presents a Color Guard jacket to Albert Crowe who served in the U.S. Navy from 1982 to 1990.

US Air Force; Jimmie Arch US Army 1977-1980; David Ledford US Army 1968-1970; and Charles

Penick US Army 1974-1995.
- Office of the Principal Chief release

Principal Chief's Report for Nov. 9

By **PRINCIPAL CHIEF RICHARD G. SNEED**

Shiyo tribal members! The past few weeks have been very busy for myself and my staff. We were involved with Halloween events, regional meetings, and serving the needs of enrolled members.

On Monday, Oct. 29, I was invited to attend a Trail of Tears and National Park Service joint Sign Dedication at the Nantahala Outdoor Center (NOC). This sign marks the point where the Trail of Tears intersects the Appalachian Trail on the campus of the NOC. I welcome any opportunity to educate the general public regarding the history and culture of the Cherokee people. This sign is such an opportunity, giving hikers on the Appalachian Trail some education regarding the Trail of Tears and the plight of our ancestors.

This past week, I attended several meetings

and events. Regional Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency Trey Glenn visited the EBCI on Thursday, Nov. 8 to tour the Qualla Boundary, specifically learning more about our natural resources and the ways we preserve and protect those resources. This meeting provided our Water Quality experts the chance to present the EBCI Water Quality Standards packet to the EPA. The Environment and Natural Resources Division has been developing these standards over the past few years, and gives the programs the authority and tools to protect the water quality of the EBCI streams and rivers. I am incredibly proud of this program for the completion of this work to protect our resources, especially our water.

Tribal and regional leaders in the judicial realm of our communities gathered this past Thursday to discuss issues surrounding Drug & Human Trafficking. This convening was held to bring different individuals and programs together to provide an update regarding their work and ul-

timately to encourage partnership building and strengthening the communication efforts of all involved. I was pleased to speak to the group, but was even more pleased to listen in on the important work these individuals do on behalf of the most vulnerable amongst us.

I ended the week by joining the EBCI Education Program for lunch to show my appreciation for their work to help our students navigate the enrollment and payment processes of the college or university of their choice. This program was incredibly taxed this year, experiencing an increase in students participating the program while being short staffed. However, they gave their time and effort to make sure each student was handled with proper consideration and respect.

My office is always available to assist you if you have any need or request. Please call 359-7002 if I may be of service to you.

Sgi!

Swain County elects tribal member chairman

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BRYSON CITY – Despite a challenge from write-in candidate Mitchell Jenkins, Democrat Ben Bushyhead prevailed to become the Chairman of the Swain County Board of Commissioners. Bushyhead had already been a commissioner in the county and touted an enhancement of the relationship between the county and the tribe. Bushyhead won overwhelmingly by a vote of 3,250 - 818, which didn't specifically name Jenkins.

In the May primary Bushyhead defeated incumbent Democrat Chairman Phil Carson by a vote of 818 – 560 in a race with a 18.33 percent turnout.

Bushyhead said of his general election victory that the citizens wanted a change that had already started. With 80 percent of the vote going in his favor, he said, "I think we're walking in with a clear mandate." He said among his goals is to be accessible. His phone number will be published, and people can call him, meet with him and share ideas. "It's to return the power of the government back to the people."

Bushyhead won overwhlmingly in Swain County's Whittier/Cherokee precinct, where most of the Qualla Boundary Swain County residents vote. He got 1,001 votes to 41 write-ins.

CIPD Arrest Report for Oct. 29 – Nov. 4

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

Sequoyah Jr., Gary Len – age 34

Arrested: Oct. 29

Released: Oct. 29

Charges: Simple Assault, Criminal Mischief to Property, Child Abuse in the Second Degree (three counts)

Smith, Kathy Sussan – age 44

Arrested: Oct. 29

Released: Oct. 29

Charges: Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property, Obtain Property False Pretense, Misdemeanor Conspiracy

Taylor, Edward Dwayne – age 30

Arrested: Oct. 29

Released: Oct. 29

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Miles, Christopher Allan – age 36

Arrested: Oct. 30

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Felony Possession Schedule VI Controlled Substance, Child Abuse in the Second Degree, Contributing to the Delinquency of a Juvenile

Cline, Gregory Lee – age 42

Arrested: Oct. 31

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Probation Violation

Owle, Leigh Ann – age 41

Arrested: Oct. 31

Released: Nov. 3

Charges: Called & Failed

Panther, Rodney Allen – age 31

Arrested: Oct. 31

Released: Nov. 1

Charges: Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance, Providing Drugs to Inmate, Aiding and Abetting –

Misdemeanor

Price, Brittany Taylor – age 24

Arrested: Oct. 31

Released: Oct. 31

Charges: Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance, Aggravated Possession of Marijuana

Queen Sr., Hugh Nolan – age 54

Arrested: Oct. 31

Released: Nov. 1

Charges: Aggravated Weapons Offense

Standingdeer, Michelle Dawn – age 33

Arrested: Oct. 31

Released: Oct. 31

Charges: Driving While License Revoked, Willful violation of Court Order

Teesateskie, Summer – age 22

Arrested: Oct. 31

Released: Nov. 3

Charges: Domestic Violence Bodily Injury

Tramper, Kenneth Lee – age 39

Arrested: Oct. 31

Released: Nov. 5

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Cucumber, Saith St. Christopher – age 23

Arrested: Nov. 2

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Assault Inflict Serious Injury

Larch, Allen Francis – age 62

Arrested: Nov. 2

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

McCoy, Jessica Myraah – age 24

Arrested: Nov. 2

Released: Nov. 3

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor (two counts)

Thompson, Johnny Lee – age 31

Arrested: Nov. 2

Released: Not released as of report

date

Charges: Dangerous Drugs (two counts), Providing Drugs to Inmate, Failure to Obey a Lawful Order

Locust, Brittany Nicole – age 26

Arrested: Nov. 3

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Breaking and/or Entering, Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Rivera, Alex Livorio – age 26

Arrested: Nov. 3

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Breaking and/or Entering, Aggravated Weapons Offense, Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Assault with Deadly Weapon with Intent to Kill Inflicting Serious Injury

Driver, Jim – age 33

Arrested: Nov. 4

Released: Nov. 4

Charges: Assault on a Female

Lambert, Kiri Deeann – age 33

Arrested: Nov. 4

Released: Nov. 4

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Morgan, Tyler Joseph – age 19

Arrested: Nov. 4

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Assault on a Female, Assault by Strangulation

Tribal Court Report

Judgment Summary for Oct. 31
Taylor, Trudy Louise

14-10.64 Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle – Dismissed, Failure of Prosecuting Witness to Appear and Testify

Wildcatt, Karson Tame-Jex

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Dismissed with Leave to Refile

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

VETERANS CORNER



An airman's life

*Maj. Donald Rose (Ret.)
served all over the world*



"I dreamed of flying airplanes; I dreamed of becoming a courageous soldier; I dreamed of finding a beautiful girl to accompany me through life; I dreamed of love, happiness, children, grandchildren, education, wealth, and a long life."

- Donald Rose, USAF Major, Retired

Major Donald Rose (Ret.), an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, is a veteran of the Korean War, Vietnam, the Cold War, and the Cuban Missile Crisis. He was born on the Cherokee Reservation in 1932 as the oldest of 12 brothers and sisters. He attend-

ed the reservation boarding school through the 10th grade. In June of 1949, at the age of 17, he enlisted in the United States Air Force and began a 25-year career that helped fulfill his childhood dreams. After basic training at Lackland AFB, Texas and communications specialist schooling at Keesler AFB, MS., his first duty assignment was to the 1935th AACS Squadron at Bluie West One, Greenland in 1950.

"My tour in Greenland was a unique experience," Maj. Rose wrote in his book "Lucky Duck". "I was 18 when I arrived at the remote base that housed a short runway and refueling station within walking distance of the edge of the Greenland Ice Cap. For six months of the year, 25 of us were assigned to an ad hoc Range Station on a tiny coastal Island. We operated a direction finding system, air traffic control, reported weather observations and forecast. Our jobs were critical to the safe flight of aircraft across the North Atlantic. We helped save quite a few aircraft during my time there."

1952 was a busy year for him, and on Oct. 11 of that year he married Carolyn Voyles and they began a family. They had five children during their moves from base to base. "Carolyn and the kids became experts at packing and moving." At Biggs Field, Texas he flew as a radio operator on B-29s with the 97th bomber wing. He completed transition training into the KC-97 aerial refueling aircraft at Kelly, AFB, Texas and was assigned to the 26th Air Refueling Squadron at Lockbourne AFB, OH.

"I should have been discharged in June 1952, but because of the Korean War, my tour of duty was



Photos contributed

Maj. Rose, then a 2nd Lt., is shown with his Officer Candidate School class marching in a parade on April 24, 1959 in San Antonio, Texas.



Rose, at age 17, is shown at the end of his basic training.

involuntarily extended. I was promoted to Sergeant and began flying long missions to refuel B-50 Bombers, F-80 and F-84 fighters, and the B-45 bombers. The bombers were loaded with high octane aviation fuel and the aircraft had a history of crashing. We lost a lot of them and they took a lot of good men with them."

He then served a tour in French Morocco at Ben Guerir Air Base supporting Strategic Air Command unit rotations, then to Base Flight at Pinecastle AFB in Florida, followed by Radar Maintenance School at Keesler AFB in Mississippi where he became an instructor. Maj. Rose was a Staff Sergeant with nine years in grade when he decided to apply to Officers Candidate School. He continued his education at night school earning enough college credit to be accepted to Officers Candidate School (OCS) in 1959. He graduated OCS with a commission of 2nd Lieutenant. He earned his Navigator

Wings and from there attended Electronic Warfare Officer school in Mississippi. After completing survival training and B-52 transition training, he was assigned as an Electronics Warfare Officer in the B-52 force with the 97th Bomb Wing at Blytheville, AFB, Arkansas, in October 1961.

One year later, October 1962, was the most intense period of the Cold War with the Soviets and the Cuban Missile Crisis. On Oct. 22, 1962 Strategic Air Command (SAC) went to DEFCON III. All military bases and personnel were ordered to high alert and combat ready. The 97th Bomber Wing at Blytheville placed two B-52s on airborne alert. The two B-52s carried Nuclear, AGM-28 Hound Dog and ADM-20 Quail missiles. Then as tensions grew SAC went DEFCON II. The President informed the Russians that if they did not agree to remove missiles from Cuba and turn their forces back from their approach on the United States that



Major Donald Rose (Ret.), then a Captain, is shown serving in the B-52 force with the 97th Bomb Wing at Blytheville, AFB, Arkansas.

a military response might be taken. Both bombers were in the air as part of the alert force and were in the air awaiting orders.

"I was the Electronics Warfare Officer. As our mission began, our flight crew knew that our base was a primary Soviet target and that our families would not survive a nuclear exchange. Our aircraft carried 4 Quail missiles in the bomb bay and a Hound dog missile on each wing. We were combat ready and awaiting orders as we flew a scheduled rotation path from our base to Eastern Canada then West to the coastline of Western Canada and Alaska, refueling along the way. We were in the air 25 hours. President Kennedy issued the Stand Down order three hours before we were to begin our mission if the Russians did not comply. That's how close we were to Nuclear war." The crew received an Outstanding Unit Award.

By 1967, Maj. Rose was assigned to the Intelligence Division at SAC Headquarters in Omaha, Neb. His principal duty was analysis of threat to SAC aircraft operating in Southeast Asia. In April 1970, he began his overseas tour in Vietnam with the 7th Air Force. He



Rose is shown in Vietnam in 1970.

then returned to SAC HQ in 1971 and served as Chief of the Intelligence Requirements Section until his retirement as a Major in 1974. "The day I left to go to war is burned into my memory. As I taxied out of Eppley Field, I could see the kids staring at me. It's an emotional and stressful experience for a family. Most of what I did there I prefer to leave there. It was a year of mixed emotions. You are never as alive as when you know that each day may be your last. Witnessing the death of friends and fellow comrades extracts a heavy toll. Knowing you are killing others from the deck of a B-52 Bomber, even when you cannot see them, is taxing on one's conscience. "

He added, "The scariest times were the up-country visits to fire support bases. There you were living in bunkers and ditches, surrounded by concertina wire, mines, flares and the enemy. Attacks came with marked suddenness, mostly at night. I felt lucky to make it home."

He flew numerous combat missions during the Vietnam conflict and was awarded the Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal, Air Medal, and numerous service medals.

- *Special to the One Feather*

Big honor for Big Y

Big Y Community named a Community of Promise; other tribal communities honored

ASHEVILLE - The WNC Honors Awards is built on a 69-year-old tradition of recognizing rural community development clubs for their innovative ideas and grassroots solutions. The culmination of this year's program occurred at a luncheon held in Asheville on Saturday, Nov. 3 with 240 community leaders from 13 counties and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

The Big Y Community received the designation of Communities of Promise and received a cash award of \$1,000. Awardees in this category are chosen because of the initiatives implemented by the community that show promise and can be replicated around the region.

Big Y was honored for their efforts in outreach to their community. Their Facebook page has over 700 followers, is updated



Photos courtesy of rbmcgee portraits

Big Y members, left to right, Tara Reed Cooper, Charlotte George, Trudy Crowe, and Brianna Lambert are shown being presented the Communities of Promise award by Lumpy Lambert, Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino & Hotel general manager, during an awards ceremony in Asheville on Saturday, Nov. 3.

twice weekly, and provides information on events and happenings at Big Y. The resource corner in the community center provides a forum to leave flyers and contact information for events that are easily accessible by walking in the community area. To stress the importance of cultural

revitalization, classes are held on traditional foods such as gritted bread. In partnership with the New Kituwah Academy, Big Y hosted an 8-week Cherokee language class for adults. New high-speed internet in their building provides reliable internet access for the community, particular-

ly students.

Engaged Communities receive a cash award of \$500 and are involved in numerous programs impacting their residents. The Cherokee County Indian Club and the Wolfstown Community Club both received this honor.

Participating Commu-

nities receive a cash award of \$250 each for their successful projects implemented during the past year. Big Cove, Snowbird, Towstring, and Yellowhill communities received this designation for the year.

"We should all be grateful for the dedication rural communities put into making the mountains a place we can all be proud to call home," shared Linda Lamp, WNC Communities executive director. "For over 68 years, the WNC Honors program has served as an inspiration for continuing and replicating community success."

Sponsorships from Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort, Harrah's Valley River Casino & Hotel, Biltmore Farms, Inc., Duke Energy, Mission Health, The McClure Fund, First Citizens Bank, Buncombe County Farm Bureau, Carolina Farm Credit and Wells Fargo brought in a record amount of \$40,500 to award to the 65 community centers and clubs in the region.

- WNC Communities

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JOSEPH MARTIN/One Feather

This house on Blythe Hill Street was reduced to a brick shell after a controlled burn was conducted Tuesday, Nov. 6. The One Feather was once housed at 12 Blythe Hill Street, two houses down from this location.



JOSEPH MARTIN/One Feather

Members of the Water and Sewer team carry their Chief Noah Powell Excellence Award as they addressed Tribal Council Nov. 1. The Office of Internal Audit and Ethics handed out its 2018 awards for "success in operations, accountability and reporting" (SOAR) at the Nov. 1 session of Tribal Council. The awards are given to programs that demonstrate noteworthy fiscal accomplishments and efforts. This year internal audit gave three awards for recognition certificates, three awards for commitment and the Chief Noah Powell Excellence Award. The excellence award was given to Water and Sewer. Fiscal Commitment Awards were given to TERO Mothertown Healing Program, Project Management and Junaluska Leadership Council for the Fire Mountain Trail System and to the Legal Assistance Office. Programs receiving the recognition certificates were Surveillance and Security, Enterprise Development and to the Attorney General's Office for the Integrated Domestic Violence Intervention Program.



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

Warren Dupree, Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143, cleans a bronze statue of PFC Charles George, Medal of Honor recipient, located at the Cherokee Veterans Park, on the afternoon of Wednesday, Nov. 7. To read more about PFC George and the statue project, visit: <https://theonefeather.com/.../pfc-charles-george-exhibit-ope...>



Photo by Tyler Goode/SCC

Teen Miss Cherokee Juakina Perez, Little Miss Cherokee Morgan Hernandez, and Junior Miss Cherokee Destiny Siweumtewa are shown with Dr. Don Tomas (back row), SCC president, at a Veteran's Day event at the college on Monday, Nov. 12.

Cherokee Elementary School
Honor Roll (3rd-5th) – 1st Nine Weeks
3rd Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Aliyah Watty, Darien Jenkins, Drake Cruz, Jessica Arsana, John Calvin Gloyne, Laylah Thompson, Thomas Levi Smith, Zoe De Los Reyes

A Honor Roll: Kahmera Pheasant

B Honor Roll: Briann Teesateskie, Camaron Oocumma, Darian Oocumma, Derick Owle, Dezmund Shelton, Dyani Standingdeer-Mejia, Eva Hill, Felix Lossiah, Houston Reed, Ivan Morales, James Martinez, James Smith, Jeremiah Locust, Joe Garcia, Kahya Cucumber, Karmelita Montelongo-Huertaper, Keaton Locust, Khloe Cucumber, Kiarra Caley, Ledaina French-Bird, Lilly Lossiah, Loshi Frady, Lydon Gloyne, Maddalen Mendia, Maia Lane, Marcelita Swayney, Rayden Locust, Ryleigh Postoak, Taleeah Murphy, Vladimir Owle, Wakinyan Raines

Merit Honor Roll: Alana Squirrel, Alex Antone, Audree Edwards, Cainyan Welch, Caius Littlejohn, Colton French, Geli Caztro-Wachacha, Haley Locust, Jayanna Thompson, Jay Jay Ledford, Jess Walkingstick, John Wayne Dills, Keysa Collins, Meikka Pheasant, Noah Dossett, Olivia Huskey, Preston Roach, Zailiana Blythe

4th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Aleiyah Hull, Chloe Locust, Denver Porterfield, Jamee McMillan, Johnny Long, Livia Crowe, Nayaa Addo, Tymius Allison, Utsela Saunooke

B Honor Roll: Adriana Rojas, Anie Mora, Annie Trampler, Aubree Grimes, Ava Walkingstick, Aya Driver, Carlito Huerta-Perez, Christian Grant, Christian Martinez, Dante Bigwitch, Dawson Panther, Deanna Long, Dillon Beam, Elizabeth Tedrick, Emilee Brady, Julian Lanning, Kailayana Hornbuckle-Standingwater, Kayla Guillen, Kingston Welch, Kiowa George, Kyitan Johnson, Kymani Foalima, Joscelyn Stamper, Madigan Welch, Marley Crowe, Martin Arteaga, Reginald Hyatt, Rodridgo Santiago, Teela Ross, Trennan Calhoun, Zaynon Taylor

Merit Honor Roll: Alexis Grimes, Emily Maney, Philip Saunooke, Sage Bark, Shataya Chambers, William Ellwood

5th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Dawson Clapsaddle, Samantha Toineeta

A Honor Roll: Lexcy Ortiz, Lilia Jarvis, Payton Driver, Sara Toineeta

B Honor Roll: Blake Wolfe, Charlie Guillen-Swayney, Chaske Raines, Chloe Owle, Colby Lossie, Danelle Bushyhead, Da-wo-ni Dv-di-s-di, Dominic Arch, Gabriel Dial, Hunter Mathis, Javan Garcia, Jayden Trampler, Jessie Wildcat, Josilyn Ledford, Kieaira Ensley, Korbin Sampson, Marleigh Aguilera, Matix Stamper, Mychaela Lambert, Nakaiya Hill, Owen Bird, Shawnee Kirkland, Tayvin Bark-Cruz

Merit Honor Roll: Aiyanna Locust, Gabby Smith, Jayvin George, Joshua Hornbuckle, Kayla Morgan, Keith Smith, Krenston Armachain, Zachary Seay, Zayden Crowe

Cherokee Middle School Honor Roll – 1st Nine Weeks
8th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Maria Fourkiller-Raby, Braylon James, Mahala Allison, Zechariah Maney, Katherine Armachain, Autumn Greene, Mason Long, Keneil Saunooke, Emma Taylor, Kaden Trantham, William Bailey, Walker Clapsaddle, Terrell Locust, Alexis Smith, Ellise Stamper, Allyson Reed

Alpha Honor Roll: Ariyonna Hill-Maney, Idalis Crowe, Lilah Reynolds, Jolie Locust-Pheasant, Alessandra Oocumma, Cavan Reed, Brianna Carter, Hayden McCoy, Darius Saunooke

Beta Honor Roll: Acacia Reed, Aida Martinez, Kaniah Reed, Nessa Smith, Oztin Swayney, Aiden Wolfe, Adia Frady, William Hartbarger, Tyler Wolfe, Dominyk Arch, Davyn Broome, Nicholas Cole, Alyxandra Armachain, Jaden Armachain, Brantley George, Jaylan McCoy-Bark, Walika Sexton, Jaelyn Lossiah, Avlin Welch, Fala Welch, Anna Bigwitch, Jacklin Lossiah, Rachel Maney, Alessandra Martinez, Brandon Martinez, Bitiste Pepion, Kamia Wiggins, Kensen Davis, Connor Pheasant, Cristofer Rivera, Joseph Smart, Tanis Esquivel, Trent Parsons, Chayme Cucumber, Jaylynne Esquivel, Brystyn Littlejohn, Emma Anthony

7th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Jasmine Robertson, Leondes Garcia, Seshadri Pratama, Ann Toineeta, Levi Winter, Jenna Cruz, Isaac Welch, Samuel Postoak, George Saunooke, Shelby Solis, Gabriel Terrell, Breydan Ensley, Olivia Swayney

Alpha Honor Roll: Adrian Armachain, Madison Ledford, Dayvian Pheasant, Jayle Creson, Carys Holiday, Robert Lambert, Roxi Bark, Janna Girty, Keegan Crow, DeLaina Mills, Hermione Ward

Beta Honor Roll: Dillon Bigwitch, Elias Griffin, Dyami Saunooke, Ezra McGaha, Boie Crowe, Abigail Ledford, Evonne Stamper, Davisia Teesateskie, Bayley Wright, Laura Martinez, Niyahi Mora, Makenzie Rattler, Tahlaya Thompson, Roseanna Correa, Julia Gonzales, Mato Grant, Evan Nations, Marty Roach, Cassius Ross, Emily Swayney, Lupita Toineeta, Phillip Calhoun-Garcia, Siddalee Thomason, Ezequiel Martinez, Littlehawk Reed, Jonathan McCoy, Marla Panther, Trevan Lambert, Carl L. McCoy, Liliana Bigmeat, Tristen McCoy, James Swayney, Chase Calhoun

6th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Alexis Davis, Dacia Warrington, Kyla Moore, Shawnee Bushyhead, Brett Elders, Amila Lossie, William Epps Welch, Addison Welch, Jada Cruz, Gideon Freeman, Amiya Lequire, Thomas Seqouyah, Josiah Teesateskie, Tyrus Thompson, Haylie Woodard, Ariyanna Toineeta

Alpha Honor Roll: Kaniah Wolfe, Nevayah Panther, Sadie Rivera-Gomez, Erin Rogers, Elliott Shell, Cameron Squirrel, Selu Swayney, Kendra Arch, Isabella Jones, Vincent Owle, Kedrick Panther, Elijah Squirrel, Keaton Arch, Emery Driver, Corbin Freeman, Matthew Garcia-Wahnetah, Kiri Hill, Aaliyah Reed, Brandon Santiago, Kai Saunooke, Cecily Swimmer, Chanttin Trampler, Louisa Walkingstick, Falon Welch, Thomas Parsons

Beta Honor Roll: Joseph Porter, Joselyn Long, Luke Smith, Josiah Sneed, Addi Taylor, Eliana West, Tricyus Calhoun, Chayton Ledford, Dallin Panther, Dalton Burgess, Tazavian Byfield, Julian Caztro-Wachacha, Savian Davis, Joshua Phillips, Kaitlyn Tahquette, Abbygail Wildcatt, Lillian Blythe-Ramos, Malachi Driver, Michel Gayosso, Arthur Locust, Josiah Sherrill, Samuel Welch, Shalina Blanton, Isabell Fourkiller-Raby, Ayosta Lossie, Julianne Smart, Briar Standingdeer, Jessie Catolster, Evan Standingdeer, Alvin Swayney, Xavier Sanchez, Kieran Wolfe, Natalie Bradley, Billy Hicks, Xain Maney, Zachariah Rattler, Jacquiline Gayosso, Justina Watty, Elijah Lineberry, Sean Henderson

OBITUARIES

Freida W. Panther

Freida W. Panther, 62, of Cherokee, passed away Sunday, Nov. 4, 2018.

She was an avid UNC fan, white oak basket maker, and an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee.

Freida was preceded in death by her parents, Simpson Welch and Agnes Lossiah Welch, and one brother, Sam Welch.

She is survived by her husband of 44 years, Floyd E. Panther; her children, Virgil Panther (Marie), Janell Panther, Roberta Panther McCoy (Carl), Sharri Panther, JR Panther, Alma Panther, Kyna Panther, Darius West (Samantha), Kelsey N. Crowe (Rolo), and Bekah Panther; she was a loving grandmother, which they called her "Nana", to: Carl "Mater" McCoy, Adam Panther, Ayden and Alyssa Queen, Hallah, Kedrick, Qinyen and Joseph Panther, Jax and Jex Panther, Tye and Shane West, Sophie, Chloe, and Loshi Crowe, Perry Arkansas, Damian Blanton, and Brennan Laney; also survived by two great grandbabies, Keagan Arkansas and Kaius Blanton; brothers from Cherokee, James Welch (Donna), Joe Welch (Totsie), Jesse Welch, Davis Welch (Doolie), Charlie Welch (Pat), Abe Welch (Brittany), Tommy Welch, and Mickey Welch; two sisters, Mattie Wildcatt and Sharyn Panther (Sam); and several nieces and nephews from the Panther and Welch families.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Nov. 9 at the Straight Fork Baptist Church. Pastor James "Bo" Parris officiated. She was taken home on Straight Fork Road where she was laid to rest. Pallbearers were nephews of the Welch / Pan-

ther family.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Panther family.

Edbert Wilson Walkingstick

Edbert Wilson Walkingstick, 60, of Cherokee, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2018. He lived on the 3200 Acre Tract and retired as transportation coordinator at Dora Reed Headstart after 35 years of service.

Wilson was preceded in death by his father, Russell Walkingstick; a brother, Allen Walkingstick; a sister, Juanita Hornbuckle; and grandmothers, Ollie Jumper and Alice Walkingstick.

He is survived by his wife, Jonnie Walkingstick; his mother, Annie Arch of Cherokee; two sons, James "Woody" Walkingstick (wife Brooke) and Stephan Walkingstick; one daughter, Shelly Head of Shelby; grandchildren, Melina of Shelby, Zoey and Kale (Buzz) Walkingstick of Sylva and their mother Brandy Rattler (husband Jon); one brother, Mike Walkingstick (wife Joann); three sisters, Martha Sampson of Whittier, Margaret Walkingstick of Cherokee, and Melinda Walkingstick (Agustine) of Whittier; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, one aunt, and friends also survive.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Nov. 9 at Boiling Springs Baptist Church. Pastors Gil Breedlove and Dan Conseen officiated. Burial followed at the Birdtown Cemetery. Pallbearers were Woody Walkingstick, Stephan Walkingstick, Austin Sampson, Stanley Ledford, Kurt Stewart, and Tim Hull.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Walkingstick family.

Julia Leigh Bushyhead

Julia Leigh Bushyhead (aka Juls,

Judo, JuJu) of Alexandria, Va., died in her residence of cardiac arrest on Thursday, Nov. 1, 2018. Her light went out but her shine lingers on and sparks in the hearts of all who knew and loved her.

She is survived by Jake Ryan, her sweet French Bulldog (who will live with his grandma); mother, Yvonne F. Bushyhead of Cherokee; two sisters she adored, Beverly R. Bushyhead of St. Paul, Minn. and Denise B. Curlee of Chapel Hill; her nieces and nephews, Kyle Bushyhead, Matthew Curlee, Loren and Hana Bushyhead, and Ty Curlee.

Important people are her best friend, Leigh Hathaway Roy from Broken Arrow, Okla. and the late Bridget Steele, who undoubtedly was waiting with open arms on the other side.

Julia loved her classmates and popular life at Tahlequah High School in Tahlequah, Okla. As was Julia she then focused on her future 123 percent!

She earned a Communications degree at American University in Washington, DC and immediately

landed her dream job at Conus Communications in Washington. Julia then mastered another love... marathon running. First, she finished the Marine Corps Marathon. When she learned she was only four minutes from qualifying for the Boston, she put 123 percent into that goal. Her second marathon was Chicago where she qualified to run the Boston. She surprised herself by finishing the Boston with an awesome time and got a tattoo to prove it!

Julia loved everything about living in Mount Vernon and the DC life! Her happiest days were working at Apple as a Briefing Coordinator. Her loves were traveling, running, tennis, she sent the best gifts and thoughtful cards, and you...her friends meant everything.

Julia would hate us to mourn, but instead would want us to... run, play tennis, do something we always wanted but never had the courage. Do it for Julia! And, from those of us closest to Julia - please take addiction seriously.

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Cherokee Beloved Women Committee seeking noms for members

The Cherokee Beloved Women Committee is seeking nominations for committee members. Nominations will be accepted now until Wednesday, Nov. 21 with the term of service being Dec. 1, 2018 to Nov. 30, 2020. The Beloved Women Committee is leading the effort to define the contemporary qualifications, commitments, and stipulations of the "Beloved" honor. It will be responsible for the development of and oversee the nomination process and events for the Beloved title.

Candidates for the Committee must demonstrate leadership abilities, a record of committee or other volunteer service, a strong interest in preserving and revitalizing Cherokee culture, effective com-

munication skills, and reliability in following through on commitments and meeting deadlines.

To nominate someone for the Committee, submit a letter of nomination including the nominee's resume to the EBCI Office of the Principal Chief, ATTN: Kimberly Smith or via email at: ksmit102@vols.utk.edu. Prior to submission, please discuss your nomination with the candidate to determine interest and willingness to serve as a member of the Beloved Women Committee.

Once a nomination is submitted, a seated committee member will follow up with the nominee to confirm interest. All completed nominations received prior to the deadline with confirmed interest will be reviewed for selection. The seated committee members must

select two nominees, one female and one male. Announcement of selection will take place the last week of November.

Info: Kim Smith 788-7183 or ksmit102@vols.utk.edu
- Cherokee Beloved Women Committee

4-H Public Speaking prog.

The EBCI Cooperative Extension Program is offering a 4-H Public Speaking program for ages 10-18. There are 32 categories in the state competition and unlimited topics. The local meeting dates for the program in 2019 are: Jan. 24, Feb. 21, March 28, April 25, and May 23 (each meeting is 5 – 8pm). The District Competition is set for June 15, 2019 (location to be announced), and the State Competition is set for July 20, 2019 at N.C. State University in Raleigh. 4-H enrollment

forms must be completed to register. Info: Sally Dixon, 4-H agent, srdixon@ncsu.edu

- EBCI Cooperative Extension
4-H Program

Nominations being taken for Frell Owl Award

This year marks the 32nd year that the Cherokee Boys Club Board of Directors will publicly recognize a person or persons with the Frell Owl Award. The award is given to those who best exemplify the character and accomplishments of the late Frell Owl, Cherokee educator and civic leader, and to those who have significantly contributed to the welfare of Cherokee children and families.

Past recipients of this award are: John Crowe, Stella Kanott, the Crowe Family, Ray Kinsland, Pearl

Cherokee One Feather Halloween Contests THANK YOU!

We just wanted to say "thanks" to all who submitted photos and stories to our Spooky Story and Monster Photo Contests. The staff and readers had a blast reading and seeing your submissions. We couldn't have pulled it off without you and our great contest sponsors including...

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Anyone may submit a nomination. Any person or persons may be nominated with the exception of current Cherokee Boys Club Board Members.

The closing date for receiving nominations is Friday, Nov. 16. You may pick up a nomination

form from the Receptionist at the Boys Club's Information Window. Return the nomination form and any support documents (Marked Confidential) to Ashford Smith, Cherokee Boys Club, P. O. Box 507, Cherokee, NC 28719 or deliver to the Cherokee Boys Club at 52 Cherokee Boys Club Loop, Cherokee, NC 28719. Info: 497-9101

- Cherokee Boys Club

QHA change in late-fee amount

Effective Saturday, Dec. 1, the monthly late fee for all Qualla Housing Authority Programs shall be \$25 per month. This is a change from the present late fee amount. All other terms of tenancy shall remain as presently in effect. Info: 359-6320

- Qualla Housing Authority

Meet and talk about WCU Master of Social Work program

The community is invited to meet and talk with faculty and students from the Western Carolina University Master of Social Work program on Thursday, Nov. 29 from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Qualla Java Café. Discuss a change in an admission requirement to the program, Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training with \$10,000 stipend, and other funding opportunities. Info: Sky Sampson, 497-7920, snsampson@wcu.edu

- WCU

Attention SSI recipients

If you are an EBCI tribal member and you received a per capita check, the deadline for your per capita receipts to be turned in to the Franklin Social Security Office is Thursday, Dec. 13. This deadline has been set in order to avoid a lapse in benefits. Save all your receipts and bring in per capita check stubs if you have any mandatory/voluntary deductions withheld. All receipts must be dated for December 2018 to be counted towards your December 2018 spend-down. The EBCI SHIP Office, located at 43 John Crowe Hill Road, is available to receive your receipts with office hours Monday – Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Regina Wood, Social Security representative, and EBCI SHIP staff will be in the EBCI Public Health & Human Services Administration Building large conference room on Dec. 13 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. to receive your per capita spend-down receipts. Info: 359-6180, 359-6183, or 359-6187

- EBCI SHIP Office

THANK YOU LETTERS

Thank you to Cherokee community

Dear Cherokee One Feather,

I'm writing this to give a big thank you to all the wonderful people my wife, Ann, and I have met, and the friends we've made, over the years we've been coming to Cherokee. What a wonderful community you have with a great culture, and warm, friendly welcoming people. I personally have experienced a more Christ-like attitude in Cherokee as anywhere I've ever been in 41 states in my 60 years. Even though we are not tribal members, you've always made us feel welcome. We have really enjoyed learning about your history and culture through the museum and the many events that are held throughout the year. There is not enough space to name everyone we are so grateful to, but I'm sure you know who you are. We are proud that so many folks on the Boundary have enjoyed our glazed pecans and cashews over the last six years and we appreciate being included in so many local events.

A heartfelt S'gi, Gvyalielitsehi!

Randy and Ann Saliga,

"The Nut People From Maggie"

Thanks from the Maney family

The family of Johnnie Ruth Maney would like to express our deepest appreciation to our family and friends who showed such overwhelming compassion during our loss. We can't begin to thank you individually but please know that we appreciate each and every act of kindness shown. We would like to thank Rock Springs Church for all you did, the grave diggers, singers, those who brought food, and especially those of you who prayed. Again, humbly, we thank you...

BEN BUSHYHEAD

Thanks You

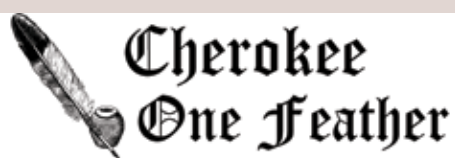
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Doing the same things and expecting a different outcome

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

Someone once said the very definition of insanity is to continue to do things as we have always done them and expecting change. As a Tribe, we don't particularly like change. If you watch our government meetings, you will see that we resist change, sometimes at the cost of progress. How many times have you heard a leader say, "Well, that is the way we have always done it," even though the action might be in a legal gray area or outdated practice?

Another common saying is "If it ain't broke, don't fix it." The implication is that if a practice is producing positive results, it should be left alone. The problem with that logic is that while something might be working, it may not be operating at peak efficiency. There may be a better way in which a practice or process may be more productive and produce a more significant benefit for the people. While it may work, it is not working to its highest potential.

Some leaders of our Tribe, during their campaigns, said that they thought term limits were a good idea for elected officials. Others said that they preferred not to have them because they felt like as long as the voters were happy with them, they should remain in office. Popularity has never been a good measure for competence and integrity for any position. And when you are talking about the future of a nation, tribal members should be looking for intelligence, experience, and a heart for the community, not someone who makes you feel good for now - the health and wellbeing of the Tribe years and decades, not days and weeks. Fresh ideas and innovation take courage and persistence. Even the most resilient candidate will eventually grow tired and complacent.

I am speaking of no sitting Council member or Executive Office member as I write this. It's not about people. It is about processes. Many of our current government meetings have at least one comment of "we are doing it this way because, when it has come up in the past, this is how we did it." Many important decisions in our public meetings have been decided based

on precedent. Many leaders, in the absence of the rule of law, will depend on precedent, ("an earlier event or action that is regarded as an example or guide to be considered in subsequent similar circumstances"), to make decisions. The problem with governing via precedent is that, in many cases and as times change, the way we did it before won't work or may even be contrary to a fair and rational outcome. It is highly unlikely that a situation requiring a resolution will exactly match a case a decade later. Policies and even laws need a periodic review to ensure that they still apply in today's culture.

A group is now trying to put the finishing touches to a revolutionary project for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. A serious effort to bring forth a document written by the people, for the people, has been in progress for several months and it is based on previous attempts to install a constitution for several years. Within the draft constitution, some changes to the terms of Tribal Council seats are proposed. These changes are critical, in my opinion, to helping resolve ongoing challenges for those representing the people. The document calls for staggered, four-year terms and details how that may take place. There is a lot of meat to this part of the proposed constitution, even getting into how fair compensation for the services of representatives will be achieved and term limits. Kudos to the committee for their forward thinking and courageous approach to the drafting of a governing document.

A priority needs to be placed on resolving outdated and contradictory language in the Cherokee Code. In what was probably an effort to make law that would address a broad range of behavior, law and process were left so ambiguous that it is sometimes challenging to apply. Attempts to change the Code, like removing the Personnel Policy from under the protection of the tribal law, have now weakened tribal employee and tribal member protections. Ordinances are enacted into law with no clear path to enforcement when the law is violated, mainly when the violation is made by

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COMMENTARY
Please stop driving distracted

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

The other day, I was standing outside of the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex for a few minutes waiting on my wife to pick me up for lunch. While there, I observed five instances of people driving while distracted. Four people were looking at their phones, either texting or maybe even full-on looking at Facebook, and one young lady was putting her hair into a high ponytail – both hands off the wheel.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), a total of 3,450 people died in 2015 and over 391,000 were injured in vehicle crashes involving distracted drivers in the year 2016 (the most recent studied years). The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety reports “the fatal crash rate for teens is three times greater than for drivers age 20 and over”. The Virginia Tech Transportation Institute reported in 2009 that

“text messaging made the risk of crash or near-crash event 23.2 times as high as non-distracted driving”.

The NHTSA defines distracted driving as “any activity that diverts attention from driving, including talking or texting on your phone, eating and drinking, talking to people in your vehicle, fiddling with the stereo, entertainment or navigation system – anything that takes your attention away from the task of safe driving”.

Statistics from the NHTSA say that a vehicle traveling 55 m.p.h will travel nearly 100 yards, the length of a football field, in just five seconds. So, think how far you’ll travel down the road in the time you glance down to read that text message or take a bite from your hamburger.

As I’ve stated, distracted driving takes various forms, but the one we see most often involves a cell phone. And, I’m not picking on young people at all, but they seem to be the demographic most affected by distracted driving. The AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety reported in a 2015 study that almost 60 percent of “moderate to severe” vehicle crashes involving teens were the result of distracted

driving.

According to the Governors Highway Safety Association, a total of 16 U.S. states “prohibit all drivers from using hand-held cell phones while driving” and 38 states “ball all cell phone use by novice drivers”. North Carolina does not have a ban on hand-helds, but it does restrict usage by drivers under 18. There is also a ban in the state on all text messaging while driving and well as cell phone usage by school bus drivers.

There is no text that cannot wait for you to pull over. No text is worth getting into a serious accident and possibly injuring yourself or others. Just pull over.

Barbara Harsha, Governors Highway Safety Association executive director, was quoted in an article appearing in The Nation’s Health, a publication of the American Public Health Association, “Driving a car is a very complex task. It requires your complete attention. All it takes is a glance away for more than two seconds and you can get into serious trouble.”

Please, just wait and pull over for that text. Your life and everyone else’s is worth more.

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an elected or appointed official. For years, we have been talking about cleaning up the Code. Regardless of whether we adopt a new governing document, the Code must be clear in defining the law of the Tribe and the direction of the Tribal Council and Executive Office, without contradiction or ambiguity.

When I started writing this, it was going to be about term limits, something we have talked about for years as a good thing, but for the years that we have discussed it, it hasn’t happened. It is a tool that would benefit the community and those who choose to serve our community by being elected officials. Some, if not all, of our elected leaders, add to the pressures of the demanding jobs of leading our nation, the concern of

doing things to get elected every two or four years.

In the case of Tribal Council, a four-year term would reduce the pressure to be in perpetual “campaign mode.” They would be able to help the constituency focus on long-term goals and have time to produce more substantive results, which should be more critical to Cherokee voters than short-term gratification. Much of the first year of a new elected official’s term is spend learning mechanics and protocols. The four-year term would give more time for more productivity. Term limits would provide a mandatory break for both the elected official and the community, allowing other talented community members the opportunity to serve and infusing fresh ideas into the political process. These changes to the terms are not punitive

in any way. Consideration of them is not a criticism of the great men and women who have served. It is a way to enhance the powers of the seats for the betterment of the Cherokee community. As public servants, we must focus our efforts on the provision of the best leadership practices, even if the change makes us uncomfortable. That goes for elected leaders and those of us in tribal government and entity management.

As always, the future is up to you. Tribal member, you are the constituency so often talked about in front of the cameras at the Council House. We can let things stay the same and wish things would change, knowing that without doing things differently, we are hopelessly committed to repeating outcomes. Or we can do things differently, taking a bold step forward into the future of our Tribe.

Editor’s Note:

During the Veterans Day ceremony on Nov. 10, it was my high honor to accept a certificate of recognition for journalistic excellence from the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143. To be recognized by these incredible men and women is humbling to least. I am very proud of this award and thankful to Commander Lew Harding for his kind words and for the support of Post 143. The award included a certificate, signed by Principal Chief Sneed, Commander Harding, and past Council Chairman Bob Blankenship, that will cherish for the rest of my life. There was also a generous monetary award that I am donating back to the Post to help continue their amazing service to our community and the veterans of the armed forces, who so richly deserve our love, respect and support.

Yes, Robert is still here

JOSEPH MARTIN
ONE FEATHER STAFF

I've been back at the One Feather for nearly three months now. When I applied for the opening, I was confident. I was editor for 11 years of this publication, and it had its ups and downs. I was proud of what I accomplished at this paper. I, of course, was more than qualified for the reporter job that opened up, and after a few years of being out of the work force at my own choosing, it was time for me to go back to work.

I didn't leave my previous term

at this publication under the best circumstances. The elected leadership of this tribe at that time and I had differences of opinion as to what role the One Feather should play in the community. Since coming back I've run into all those who were instrumental in the end of my tenure as the editor. All my conversations have been cordial. I want them to know I bear no ill will. I wish you all the best. That was 11 years ago. I've gotten other jobs, and I've moved on.

I also come into this job with no agenda other than to do what a journalist is supposed to do.

There are typically opposing sides to things in Cherokee. To one side, often referred to as the "radicals," I appreciate your support in the past and present, but if you're expecting a mouthpiece to advocate your side, you'll be disappointed. To the other side, take comfort in the fact that I have no agenda against your side. And to the business community, know that I have an immense amount of respect for what you do. It isn't easy. The fact is, to all sides, there's common ground out there, and I kind of would like to help you find it. My agenda simply is to find the truth, find the facts and use them to tell the stories so people can be informed and make informed decisions. That's it. That's all it ever was.

I've been asked about "Rants and Raves" coming back. For one, that isn't my call, but even if it was, the answer would be no. I'd be willing to discuss why with anyone personally, but I don't want to do it here.

The other thing I've often encountered since returning is I'm asked, "What happened to Robert (Jumper, the editor)?" I'm kind of amused at it, but I wonder what's prompting those questions as well.

I was hired to be the One Feather reporter. I'm not the editor this time. Jumper is still the editor, and he's my boss. I'm perfectly OK with that. I also have no desire to "take over."

That's not to say I haven't had some adjusting to do. The paper is now in tabloid format. It was broadsheet when I was last here,

and I had never worked for a publication that was in tabloid format. Personally, I prefer broadsheet, but this is an adjustment I'm making easily. Print versus online is more of an issue than it was. Our online and social media presence allows us to break news as it happens, and it opens up an additional revenue stream. I will say the One Feather seems to have made the adjustment better than I've seen with other publications.

It's also hard for me to turn off the editor at times and let Jumper run the show. Jumper is not as quick to pull the trigger on some issues as he tends to be more diplomatic than I was, but that's not a bad thing. He also has a good grasp on the business side of the paper, which is one area, frankly, where I had room for improvement. Personally, I think our styles actually complement each other.

However, on the issues I consider most important, Jumper and I, along with reporter Scott Brings Plenty, Advertising Sales Coordinator Philenia Walkingstick and Subscription Clerk Sally Davis, are very much on the same page. We're strong believers and supporters of transparency, openness and the role the press plays in keeping tribal government accountable to its constituents.

All of this said, I'm glad to be back. I appreciate the support and encouragement I've gotten, and I'm happy to be working with this staff. Oh, and to William Ledford, I'm proud to give your birds something to aim for. Goals are important.



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WHEN: Thursday, November 29, 2018 from 4:30-5:30 p.m.



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Sidewalk issues still exist

The sidewalk issue still exists unfortunately. No sidewalks! The people are walking more because it is a health issue in this day and time, mainly because of the dreaded disease diabetes! So, look up and around yourself... do you care that you're losing your friends and relatives to this monster disease? I do and am trying to call this great destruction to everyone's attention.

I'm asking every time I get the chance to talk to someone that I think might be instrumental to join and try and get sidewalks where they can, to do it before it's too late! Please! I know it will be awhile before I can enjoy walking again because of the stroke I had two years ago. But, I am looking forward to that with all my heart. Also, like I said, I'm tired of losing friends and loved ones. I got to speak at the last get together we had for our cousin, Robert Youngdeer, and I mentioned that it would be good to name the sidewalk in his honor. He smiled. That's the last time I got to see my sweet cousin smile. Sad, we are going to miss this great person and his wife Alyne. Thank you both for all the good things you did. You two set a good example of how people should live. Thank you for being with me on trying to get our sidewalks. Like my husband said, "It's not like we were trying to set sidewalks on the Navaho Reservation".

Thank you editor.

Annette Fish

Birdtown Community

P.S. The memory blocks are a good thing to have too. There are great people all over the reservation that we can have written on the sidewalk - loved ones that we have lost and want to remember always. Our first cousins as brothers and sisters where we grew up so close...I know in Oklahoma they call their first cousin their brother or sister. My husband thought that way. So, don't forget the sidewalk. The one in Birdtown is a real safety factor and lot of people are in agreement. So, let it be known, don't just let a few plead for safety for a sidewalk...thanks again, Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas to you.

COMMENTARY

Don't drink the Kool-Aid....issue.

WILLIAM LEDFORD

Finally, the elections are over, the regular commercials are back on TV including those ads for meds that have so many side effects that you'll need more meds for the side effects. At last, there is peace in the land. At least until Trump proclaims that he had everything, or nothing, to do with the results. So far he's been uncharacteristically quiet. I look forward to late 2018, not in the same way as I looked forward to late 2016 but at least the doom and gloom is fading away. Wish Trump would fade away.

I read the commentary titled "A different perspective for Indian voters" (November 1, 2018 edition of the One Feather) extoling the accomplishments and achievements of Trump and the GOP over the last 2 years. Much of the author's words appear simply to be verbatim regurgitation from the Ingraham, Hannity and Carlson shows and that paragon of honesty and virtue, Rush Limbaugh. Reading his letter made me realize that the Fox News Kool-Aid is just as bad for you as the Jonestown Kool-Aid. Don't drink the Kool-Aid.

The commentary presented some bold statements and because of one in particular I would like to request that someone on the One Feather staff take some of their valuable time and find where President Trump has "done more for Native citizens than just about any other President in recent history." I ask because when I research the subject, all that I find are things like, "termination for tribes rearing its ugly head again, the theft of sacred land for oil exploration, the failure to re-authorize the Violence Against Women act, the Keystone and Dakota pipelines, etc". Maybe if you're a member of the Nation, or the Chickasaws or any other of the Okie 5, life under Trump is good but not in the rest of Indian Country. No, I'm sorry but, Trump really does hate Native people.

The Tax Cuts, something all Republicans seem to be happy with, benefit mainly the richest and the poorest of Americans. They cut the taxes of people with loopholes and good attorneys and those who get refunds every year, you know, the poor people who live on minimum wage and don't pay taxes. People like me who've worked hard

for decades to get to an income level to feel sorta, kinda comfortable, still pay the brunt of the taxes in this country. We got absolutely no relief from these tax cuts (Fact). Why do you think Trump recently announced new tax cuts to benefit us, the middle class? I still find it humorous that dirt poor Republicans are happy that their tax cuts expire in 2 more years while the tax cuts for the wealthy are permanent. Voodoo economics is a funny concept. Never works but the GOP keep throwing it at us. Again I say, stay away from the Kool-Aid.

NM and Kansas made history by electing the first Native women to the House of Representatives. Congratulations to Deb Haaland (Laguna Pueblo), Yvette Herrell (Cherokee Nation) and Sharice Davids (Ho-Chuck Nation). Odd fact. Only Haaland and Davids campaigned with their Native heritage held high, the other was quiet about her heritage since she ran in a highly conservative section of NM that I call Extended Texas and was outed by the ABQ Journal. Probably didn't want to be called Pocahontas by the rednecks that live down there.

Now, on to something completely different. I am appalled that our leaders feel the need to proclaim to the world how much we're getting on Per Cap Day. There are a lot of hucksters, slicksters and gangsters out there who need no extra invitation to prey on our people. I could be wrong, it has happened but, I think that we may be the only tribe that announces our proceeds like this. Yeah, I know the amount is a big deal but it's our big deal. Here's a thought, if you feel there's a need to inform or proclaim to the People about this private subject, set up a hotline or something, the pass-code could be the individual's enrollment number or something else more private. Our money is our business, let's keep it that way.

OK, I'm done. It's time to go stand in front of my mailbox and wait for my big ol' check to come in. No, I forgot, I get direct deposit, I'll go stand in front of my bank and wait. That sounds perfectly normal and not at all alarming to the people inside. See ya next time. Maybe.

Ledford is an EBCI tribal member currently residing in Albuquerque, NM.

Benefits/Fundraisers

Benefit for Eddie and Sonya Lossiah. Nov. 15 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. All proceeds will go to assist Eddie and Sonya as he recovers from health issues he's underwent recently. Menu: Poor Man's Dinner - fried bologna, macaroni and tomatoes, pintos and hominy, fried potatoes, cornbread w/water for \$8. Delivery unknown at this time. Info: Lou Johnson 788-2853 to place all orders.

Benefit Indian Dinner for Rachel Littlejohn. Nov. 16 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Yellowhill Activity Center. Menu: chicken, fatback, bean bread, cabbage, fried potatoes or beans & hominy, dessert, and a

drink. Cost: \$10. Info: 736-5285

Church Events

Revival. Starts Nov. 11 at Old Antioch Baptist Church on Wrights Creek. Everyone is welcome.

Cultural Events

Native American Heritage Month events at Western Carolina University.

- **Rock Your Mocs Awareness Walk. Nov. 13** from 11:45am - 12:30pm at the UC Fountain. Everyone is welcome to join the walk. The first 50 people to arrive will receive a free prize. Wear your moccasin and/or traditional clothing in solidarity with a social movement across the United States designed to raise awareness of Indigenous

people and show cultural pride. - **"Reel Injun" film night. Nov. 13**

from 4 - 6pm at University Center Theater. Film and discussion of Native American stereotypes in Hollywood and the challenges many tribes have faced.

- **Blowgun and Atlatl Activity. Nov. 26** from 11:30am - 1:30pm on Blue Ridge Lawn. Experience the craft and demonstration of Cherokee blowgun and atlatl hunting. The first 50 participants will have a chance to try out these materials and shoot at an open target.

- **"Bridging the Gaps between Technology and Native People". Nov. 27** from 1:30 - 3pm at University Center Theater. This session will include a short summary of how tribes are becoming technological-

ly savvy with their language and others parts of their world. Info: WCU Cherokee Center 497-7920 or 497-2529 or email Sky Sampon, director, snsampson@wcu.edu

Cherokee Language Classes at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum. Mondays including Nov. 12, 19, and 26 from 6 - 8pm at the Museum located at 576 Hwy. 360 in Vonore, Tenn. Beginner and advanced beginner classes taught by EBCI tribal members Lou Jackson and Jayme "Brett" Jones. Info: Sequoyah Birthplace Museum (423) 884-6246 or seqmus@tds.net

Cherokee Heritage Day. Nov. 10 from 10am - 4pm. Hunter encampment, genealogy, flintknapping, atlatl, bow and arrow, story about Kanati, Nikki's Frybread booth. Blowgun competition at 1pm, register by 12pm. Info: 497-3481, www.cherokeemuseum.org

General Events

Veteran's Appreciation Breakfast. Nov. 12 at 9 a.m. at the Big Y gym. Info: Bree Lambert 788-3308

Community Dance. Nov. 17 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Dance to the old-time tunes featuring the Legends in their own Minds Band. Admission: \$8/singles or \$15/couples. Snacks will be available.

Jackson County Democratic Party meeting. Nov. 20 at 6:30 p.m. at party headquarters at 500 Mill Street in Sylva. The meeting is open to all Democrats. JCDP monthly meetings include all pre-

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binct officers and party executive officers, as well as representatives of auxiliary organizations (Men's Club, Democratic Women, Young Dems). Frank C. Burrell, chair of JCDP, will preside. Info: <http://jack-sondems.com>

Big Y Community Thanksgiving Potluck. Nov. 22 at 12:30 p.m. at Big Y Community Building/ Gym. Community will provide turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, and green beans. Feel free to bring a side dish or dessert to share. Community leaders said, "We have much to be thankful for and we would like to share our community dinner with anyone who needs somewhere or someone to have dinner with."

Health and Sports Events Cherokee Life Recreation's 1st Annual Flag Football Turkey Bowl. Nov. 24 at 10am at Wolf-town Soccer Field. \$80 per team, \$10 per person. 5-on-5 with an 8-man roster. Info: Donald Jackson donajack@nc-chokeee.com, 497-9649; Bree Lambert, brialamb@nc-chokeee.com, 736-6781

Cherokee Alzheimer's Support Group. Dec. 4 at 5:30 p.m. at Tribal In-Home Care Services at the Beloved Women's & Children's Center second floor. A Christmas dinner will be held at this meeting. This group is presented by The Alzheimer's Association Western Carolina Chapter. Info: 359-6860

Community Groups Constitution Committee meets on Monday from 6 -8pm at the Shawn Blanton EOC Building in the IT Conference room. All are welcome to attend. Info: Lloyd Arneach 269-6498, Bo Lossiah

508-1781

Upcoming Pow Wows for Nov. 16-18

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.

20th Annual Pahrump Inter-tribal Social Pow Wow. Nov. 16-18 at Petrack Park in Pahrump, Nev. MC: Michael Reifel. Host Northern Drum: Scout Society. Host Southern Drum: Hummingbird. Info: (775) 209-3444, pahrumpwow@yahoo.com

2nd Annual Los Angeles Pow Wow. Nov. 17 at Grand Park in Los Angeles, Calif. MC: Arlie Neskahi. Host Northern Drum: White Cloud. Host Southern Drum: Hale & Company. Info: Pat Lopez p505pada@aol.com

Sacred Springs Pow Wow. Nov. 17-18 at Meadows Center in San Marcos, Texas. Host Northern Drum: Eagle Point. Host Southern Drum: Cozad. Info: Maria Rocha (512) 393-3310, maria.rocha@indigenoucultures.org

52nd Annual Louisiana Indian Heritage Association Pow Wow. Nov. 17-18 at Lamar-Dixon Expo Center in Gonzales, La. Head Singer: Mike Sahwnee. Info: (504) 650-0462, jbelleranger51@hotmail.com, www.liha-webs.com/

Support Groups Cherokee Living Well and Diabetes Talking Circle. This group, for community members with diabetes or pre-diabetes and

their family and friends, meets at Tsali Manor on the third Thursday of each month from 12 - 1pm. Info: Nilofer Couture, MPH, RD, LDN, CDE, 497-9163 ext. 6459 or Nilofer.Couture@chokeeehospital.org.

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

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly schedule

Monday:
Wrap: 9:15 - 10am
Finding Tohi: 10 - 11am
Cherokee Culture: 11am - 12:30pm
Step by Step: 1:30 - 2:30pm
The 12 Steps of Yoga (located at Cherokee Choices): 2:30 - 4pm
Recovery Support: 4:30 - 6pm
Hi-De-Nv (Come with me) Recovery Support Group: 5 - 6pm
Tuesday:
Emotions: 9 - 11am
Life Recovery: 3 - 4pm
Wednesday:
Wrap: 9:15 - 10am
Wild Wednesday: 10:15am - 12pm
Adulting 101: 12 - 1pm
Healthy Boundaries: 1 - 2pm
Soulfit: 2 - 3:30pm
Staff Meeting: 3:30 - 4:30pm
We Belong: 5 - 6pm
Peacemaking Support Circle: 5 - 6pm
Thursday:
Life Recovery: 8:30 - 9:30am
Staff Meeting: 9 - 10am
Mindfulness Crochet: 10:30am - 12pm
Creative Writing: 1 - 3pm

Employment Skills: 3 - 4pm
Friday:
Wrap: 9 - 10am
Creative Recovery: 9 - 11am
Courage to Heal: 11am - 12pm
Fit for Recovery : 12:45 - 2:15pm
Cherokee Language & Culture: 2:30 - 4pm
All classes are open to clients of Analenisgi. The only classes that are open to the public are: Life Recovery, Recovery Support, Two Spirit and Peacemaking Support Circle. Info: 497-6892.

CIHA Bariatric Support Groups meet every second Tuesday of the month at Snowbird Library from 11am – 12pm (Chrystal Frank) and every second Thursday of the month at Cherokee Indian Hospital from 12-1pm in the Soco Gap Training Room. Groups are led by registered dietitians. Info: CIHA Nutrition Dept. – Nilofer Couture 497-9163 ext. 6459, Linda Johnson ext. 6317, Chrystal Frank ext. 6806, or Jean Walborn ext. 7569

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 M - F 10am – 2pm and provides counseling and support services to cancer patients that may include supplies, travel, and meals. Info: 497-0788

Cherokee Alzheimer's Support Group meets the first Tuesday of every month from 5:30 – 6:30pm at In-Home Care Services in the Beloved Women's & Children's Center second floor). This group is presented by The Alzheimer's Association Western Carolina Chapter. Info: 359-6860



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Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements



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

Part-Time Bus Driver - Bus and Truck Department

Truck Driver - Construction Department

Carpenter Helper/Mason Helper
Construction Department

Lead Teacher - Agelink Child Care

Teacher's Aide - Snowbird Child Development Center

Administrative Asst. - Cherokee Children's Home

Part-Time Resident Counselors-Cherokee
Children's Home
Closes November 21

Opening Date: October 24, 2018

Closing Date: November 7, 2018

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.



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All home games will be played in the
Charles George Memorial Arena.

Game times:
JV Girls - 4 p.m.; JV Boys - 5 p.m.;
Varsity Girls - 6:30 p.m.; Varsity Boys - 8 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 27 - at Franklin
Fri., Nov. 30 - vs Hayesville
Tues., Dec. 4 - at Murphy
Fri., Dec. 7 - vs Robbinsville
Tues., Dec. 11 - vs Rosman
Fri., Dec. 14 - at Swain
Sat., Dec. 15 - at Lincoln Charter
(No JV Girls)
Thurs., Dec. 20 at Rabun Co. (JV girls at 3pm)
Dec. 27-29 Daytona Beach Sunshine Classic (Var. Girls)
Dec. 27-29 Eastern Alamance High School (Var. Boys)
Fri., Jan. 4 - vs Franklin
Sat., Jan. 5 - at Glenn High School (Var. Boys)
Tues., Jan. 8 - vs Blue Ridge
Fri., Jan. 11 - vs Andrews
Tues., Jan. 15 - at Highlands
Fri., Jan. 18 - at Hayesville
Tues., Jan. 22 - vs Murphy
Fri., Jan. 25 - at Robbinsville
Tues., Jan. 29 - at Rosman
Fri., Feb. 1 - vs Swain
Tues., Feb. 5 - at Blue Ridge
Fri., Feb. 8 - at Andrews
Tues., Feb. 12 - vs Highlands
Feb. 14-22 - BSMC at Robbinsville
Tues., Feb. 26 - State Playoffs start



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POSITIONS OPEN

Closing Monday, November 19, 2018

- 1. Teacher** - Qualla Boundary EHS/HS - PHHS (L7 \$31,078 - \$38,848)
- 2. Driver** - Transit - Support Services (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)

Open Until Filled

- 1. Medical Social Worker** - Tribal In Home Care Services - PHHS (L10 \$41,082 - \$51,353)
- 2. Telecommunicator (Multiple)** - Public Safety Communications Center - Public Safety (L7 \$31,078 - \$38,848)
- 3. Certified Nursing Assistant** - Tribal In Home Care Services - PHHS (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
- 4. Director of Information Technology** - I.T. (L15 \$64,206 - \$80,258)
- 5. Conservation Outreach Coordinator** - Natural Resources - Agriculture & Natural Resources (L9 \$37,474 - \$46,843)
- 6. Detention Officer** - Corrections - CIPD (L7 \$31,078 - \$38,848)

Please attach all required documents

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

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EMPLOYMENT

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Optometrist
Dental Assistant II
Physician – Emergency Room
Director of Managed Care
Computer Specialist I
Certified Nursing Assistant – Tsali
Care Center (7 Positions)
CNA Medication Aide – Tsali Care
Center (2 Positions)
RN – Tsali Care Center (3 Positions)
LPN – Tsali Care Center
RN Supervisor – Tsali Care Center (2
Positions)
Driver/Medication Aide – Tsali Care
Center
PTI CNA – Tsali Care Center (6
Positions)
PTI RN – Tsali Care Center (3 Posi-

tions)
PTI LPN – Tsali Care Center (3 Posi-
tions)
Ward Clerk – Tsali Care Center (3
Positions)
Cook – Tsali Care Center
Cook Aide – Tsali Care Center
To apply, visit careers.cherokee-
hospital.org. If you have questions,
contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital
HR department at 828-497-9163.
These positions are open until filled.
Indian preference does apply.

Kituwah Economic Development
Board (KEDB), A Tribal Develop-
ment Limited Liability Company an
enterprise of the Eastern Band of
Cherokee Indians
Job Posting
**POSITION TITLE: Kituwah Eco-
nomic Development Board, LLC
Office Administrator**

COMPANY: KEDB, LLC
FLSA: Exempt
SALARY: Consistent with Experience
REPORTS TO: CEO
CLOSING DATE: Until Filled
Office Administrator Job Summary
The Office Administrator is the
focal point of responsibility and
accountability for all administrative
functions for the KEDB. Ensures
all KEDB meetings are coordinated
and all required materials be sent to
Board members in advance to ensure
efficiency. Responsible to ensuring
meeting minutes are transcribed and
available for approval prior to subse-
quent Board meetings. Responsible
for managing the office, responding
to Board and CEO administrative
needs. Office Administrator will
ensure all required documents are
filed and stored in an easily ac-
cessible manner. May supervise

others. Ensures all administrative
functions operate effectively and
efficiently. Proven ability to operate
independently and leverage resourc-
es to achieve results. Professional
appearance and demeanor required.
Confidentiality is paramount. This
position reports directly to the CEO.
KEDB, LLC Summary

KEDB, LLC (the “Company”) is a
recently formed limited liability com-
pany wholly owned by the Eastern
Band of Cherokee Indians (“Tribe”).
The Company is wholly owned by the
Tribe and is chartered under Tribal
Law. The Company is governed by
a Kituwah Economic Development
(KEDB) Board of Directors (“Board”),
which is appointed by the Principal
Chief and confirmed Tribal Council.
The Board hires a Chief Executive
Officer (“CEO”). The KEDB, LLC is a
holding company and the bulk of its
investment activity will be conducted
through subsidiary corporations.
**Qualifications: Education and/or
Experience**

- Bachelor's Degree from a four-year
accredited college or university pre-
ferred and five to seven years related
experience in office administration
required.
- Experience in Microsoft Word, Ex-
cel, Powerpoint, Access required
- Knowledge of EBCI operations and
systems preferred.
- Preferred knowledge and experi-
ence working in a Native American
business environment.
- This position will report directly to
the CEO
- Proven track record of working col-
laboratively to ensure resources are
allocated appropriately to achieve
results

Confidential Data

Has access to all personnel files,
and budgetary information, this in-
formation must remain confidential
at all times.



STAFF OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

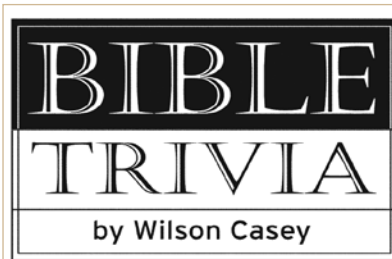
Internal Auditor
Building & Environmental Services Supervisor
Building & Environmental Services Manager
Director of Assessment
Intensive English Program Academic Coordinator/Instructor
RNPC Grant Direct - Time Limited/Grant Funded (Asheville)

FACULTY OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

Assistant Professor (History-Early America, Nursing)
Instructor of Cherokee Language
Instructor/Health Services Coordinator

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1. Is the book of 3 Corinthians in the
Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Who was praised for his beauty
“from the sole of his foot even to the
crown of his head”? *Absalom, Elisha,
Pekah, Tola*
3. What camp saw 185,000 of its
soldiers slaughtered by an angel of the
Lord? *Assyrian, Midianite, Philistine,
Persian*
4. From Genesis 1:30, what is the
first color mentioned in the Bible?
Purple, Red, Green, Yellow
5. Which city's wall fell down flat at
the shout of Joshua's army? *Tarsus,
Jericho, Corinth, Sardis*
6. From 2 Chronicles 34:1, who was
8 years old when he began his reign?
Abijam, Rehoboam, Marcus, Josiah

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Absa-
lom; 3) Assyrian; 4) Green; 5) Jeri-
cho; 6) Josiah

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Mental /Visual/Physical Effort:

Subject to frequent interruptions (phone and in person) requiring varied responses. While performing the duties of this job, standing, walking, sitting, reaching and bending are required. Must have manual dexterity, visual acuity and be able to speak and hear.

Environment: Works in a normal office environment.

Responsibility for

Accuracy: A high degree of accuracy is required in typing correspondence and memos. Accuracy is also needed in phone discussions, in receiving and relaying messages. Proofreading and editing would detect most errors. Revision of conversion sheets is done, if not correct, regarding salary, grade, I-9s, signatures, etc. Undetected errors could result in confusion and damage relations with other departments.

Resourcefulness & Initiative:

Follows well defined office and tribal procedures and guidelines. Initiative is required to maintain accuracy, establish work priorities, and meet schedule time frames
The KEDB is an entity of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and preference will be granted to members of the EBCI under the Tribal Preference Ordinance.

Salary commensurate with experience - \$45,000+

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Please submit resume & salary requirements to: Kituwah Economic Development Board, c/o Paula J. Wojtkowski, Secretary of Commerce
PO Box 460, Cherokee, NC 28179
Or paulwojt@nc-chokeee.com

11/15pd

**CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL
AUTHORITY has the following
jobs available:**

Tribal Option Clinical Director

Crisis Response Supervisor

To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close November 15, 2018 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. **11/15pd**

**CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL
AUTHORITY has the following
jobs available:**

Data Coordinator – Performance Improvement

Emergency Hire Registered Nurse – Behavioral Health

Certified Medical Assistant – Primary Care

To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close November 22, 2018 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. **11/22pd**

MANDARA Spa Job Postings

Position: Massage Therapist

Job Description: The Massage Therapist role is to provide and maintain the highest standards of massage therapy and recommendations for home care. A massage therapist must provide excellent guest care, and create a feeling of rest and relaxation for spa guests, resulting in high retention and increased treatment and retail sales.

Applicants must possess a current NC massage license, applicants must be self motivated and responsible. Required to have open availability, work evenings, weekends, and holidays.

Position: Cosmetologist

Job Description: To provide high quality, professional hair and nail services to clients. Educate the guest regarding home maintenance and the benefit of additional services.

Applicants must be self motivated and responsible. Required to have open availability, work evenings, weekends, and holidays. Able to maintain a professional appearance at all times. Able to maintain work station in accordance with North Carolina State Board sanitation/sterilization procedures. Must have a current NC cosmetology license. We are currently offering a sign on bonus for this position.

For more information, contact Bruce Taylor, Spa Director 828-497-8550. **11/22pd**

LEGAL NOTICES

**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
PROCESS BY PUBLICATION**

EBCI THE CHEROKEE COURT
CHEROKEE, NC

FILE NO.: DV 18-012

MELISSA KOMENDA v.

STEVEN HAMPTON

TO: STEVEN HAMPTON

TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTIVE ORDER. You are required to make defense to this pleading not later than December 3, 2018, said date being 40 days from the first date of this publication, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This is the 22nd day of October.

Tim Lewis, Attorney for Plaintiff,
EBCI Legal Assistance Office, PO Box 2280, Cherokee, NC 28719
828.359.7400, N.C.G.S._1A-1, Rule 4(j1). **11/15pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File No. EST 18-072

In the Matter of the Estate of

Robert D. Parker

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

Robert Claude Parker, 6888 South East 88th Blvd., Okeechobee, FL 34974. **11/15pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File No. EST 18-073

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Elizabeth Ann Owle Crowe**

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

Gene Crowe Jr., 95 Dewitt Owle Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719. **11/15pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File No. EST 18-074

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Raymond Owle III**

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

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

appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.
Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS
FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-
TION
Madge Owle, P.O. Box 179, Cherokee,
NC 28719. **11/15pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 18-077
**In the Matter of the Estate of
Robert Edward Long**
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 PUBLICA-
TION
Kay Sherrill Long, 2022 Bigwitch
Road, Cherokee, NC 28719..
11/22pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 18-076
**In the Matter of the Estate of
Mollie W. Herbold**
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 PUBLICA-
TION
Kerry L. Jachim, P.O. Box 2444,
Cherokee, NC 28719. **11/22pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File No. 2018 E 000103
**In the Matter of the Estate of
GWYNDOLYN C AYERS**
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 PUBLICA-
TION
Vicky Lynn Jenkins, P.O. Box 956,
1854 Birdtown RD, Cherokee NC
28719. **11/29pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 18-078
**In the Matter of the Estate of
Robert S. Youngdeer**
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 PUBLICA-
TION
Merritt E Youngdeer, 37 Goose Creek
Rd, Cherokee NC 28719. **11/29pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 18-077
**In the Matter of the Estate of
Johnnie Ruth Maney**
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 PUBLICA-
TION
Leslie Shannon Swimmer, P.O.
Box 2096, Cherokee, NC 28719.
11/29pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 18-008
**In the Matter of the Estate of
Bernice Welch Lambert**
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 PUBLICA-
TION
Amanda Sue Lambert, 201 Adams
Creek Road, Cherokee, NC 28719,
11/29pd.

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS
BY PUBLICATION
EBCI THE CHEROKEE COURT
CHEROKEE, NC
FILE NO.: DV 11-028
CLEO DYER
v.
DANIEL DYER
TO: DANIEL DYER

TAKE NOTICE that a pleading
seeking relief against you has been
filed in the above-entitled action. The
nature of the relief being sought is
the RENEWAL OF A DOMESTIC VI-
OLENCE PROTECTIVE ORDER. You
are required to make defense to this
pleading not later than December
24, 2018, said date being 40 days
from the first date of this publica-

tion, and upon your failure to do so,
the party seeking service against you
will apply to the Court for the relief
sought.
This is the 14th day of November,
2018.
Tim Lewis, Attorney for Plaintiff,
EBCI Legal Assistance Office,
PO Box 2280, Cherokee, NC 28719
828.359.7400
N.C.G.S._1A-1, Rule 4(j1).
12/29pd

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

**Commercial Timber Harvest As-
sessment and Planning Project**
The EBCI Natural Resources pro-
gram is soliciting services for the
implementation of assessment, plan-
ning and monitoring activities for
multiple commercial timber harvest
projects on EBCI trust lands. Contact
Mike LaVoie at (828) 359-6113 or
by email at michlavo@nc-cher-
okee.com to receive a Request for
Qualifications package. Deadline
for submission of qualifications is
11/19/18. **11/15pd**

**RFP for EBCI-Facility
Management for testing
& inspection**
EBCI – Facility Management is
seeking Request for Proposal from
experienced/licensed/certified ser-
vice company who can be responsi-
ble for all aspects of the testing and
inspecting of fire alarms, sprinklers,
kitchen hood, suppression gas sys-
tems and extinguishers of thirty-six
(36) Tribal Buildings. Respondents
will be asked to write a detailed scope
for developing and managing pursu-
ant to the requirements as outlined
in detailed. Request for Bid available
upon request.
For a detailed copy of the com-
plete proposal, please contact:
Justin French, Manager

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
120 Lee Taylor Road, P.O. Box 455,
Cherokee, NC 28719
Phone: (828) 359-6957 / (828) 736-1266

Email: Justfren@nc-cherokee.com
The deadline for submitting bids will be at 12:00 PM on November 16, 2018.

The selected entity shall be required to follow any and all requirements of the Tribe and the Tribe's Employment Rights Office (TERO) and other applicable rules and regulations. **11/15pd**

Advertisement for Bids

PROJECT: BIG COVE COMMUNITY BUILDING for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

BRIEF PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The project consists of a new 3,785 square foot, community facility that

includes a large, open multi-purpose room, kitchen, storage, restrooms and multi-functional classroom. There is a 20' x 32' detached Porte Cochere. The project is located at the existing Big Cove Community Center site and includes demolition of existing parking lot and construction of new. Future site work and new Gymnasium are in a future phase, reference the "Boundary of Construction" per Civil and Architectural Site drawings.

The EBCI is requesting separate sealed bids from General Contractors to provide construction services for the above project. The project site is located at 8715 Big Cove Road, Cherokee, North Carolina 28719. Bids will be received by: 2:00 pm local time 11 December 2018 at which time and place bids will be opened in accordance with TERO procedures.

Any bid received after this time will not be considered. Please be advised that Indian preference (TERO) regulations apply to the bidding and award of this contract. It is the responsibility of the contractor to insure delivery and receipt by the Project Management Program. Bids sent by mail should be directed to the attention of:

Program Manager: Chris Greene
Email: chrigree@nc-cherokee.com
Phone: (828) 359-6703

Courier Delivery: Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Attn: Chris Greene, Project Management Program, 810 Acquoni Road, Suite 118-A, Cherokee, NC 28719
BID PACKAGE INFORMATION:
Designer: Johnson Architecture, Inc.
Contact: Emily Haire
Email: ehaire@jainc.com
Phone: (865) 671-9060

Complete plans and specifications for this project can be obtained digitally from the Architect: Johnson Architecture, Inc. (contact information above) or at the following Plan Rooms:

Reed Construction Data Norcross, Georgia, T: (800) 901-8687
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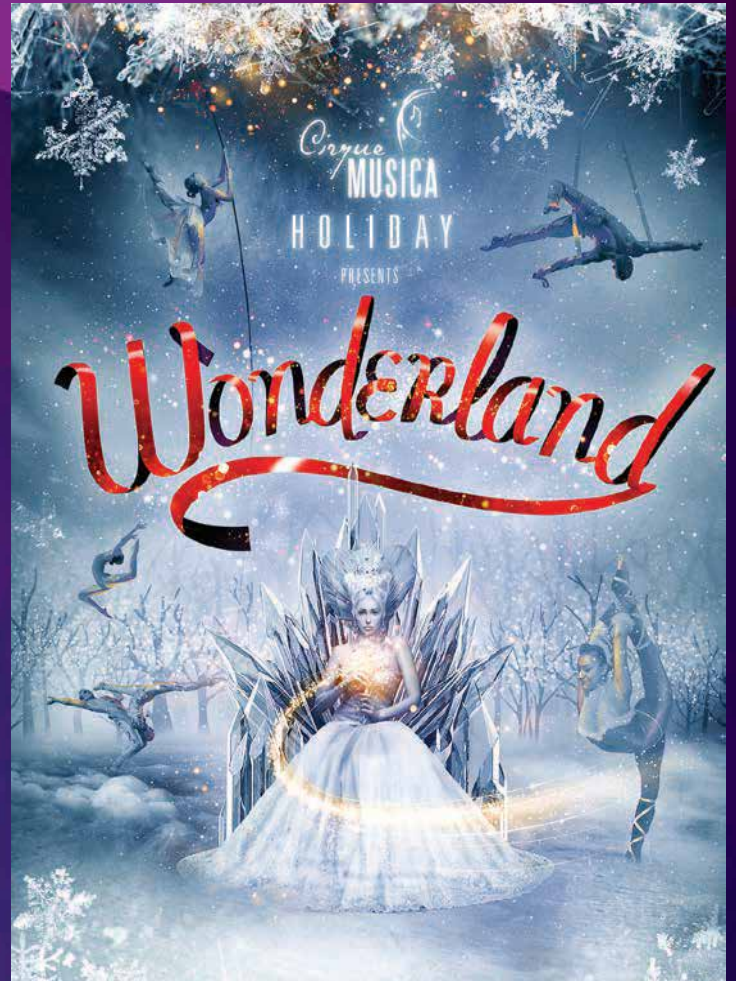



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