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Cherokee Lights & Legends Christmas event set to kickoff



New Kituwah holds 1st Annual Pow Wow

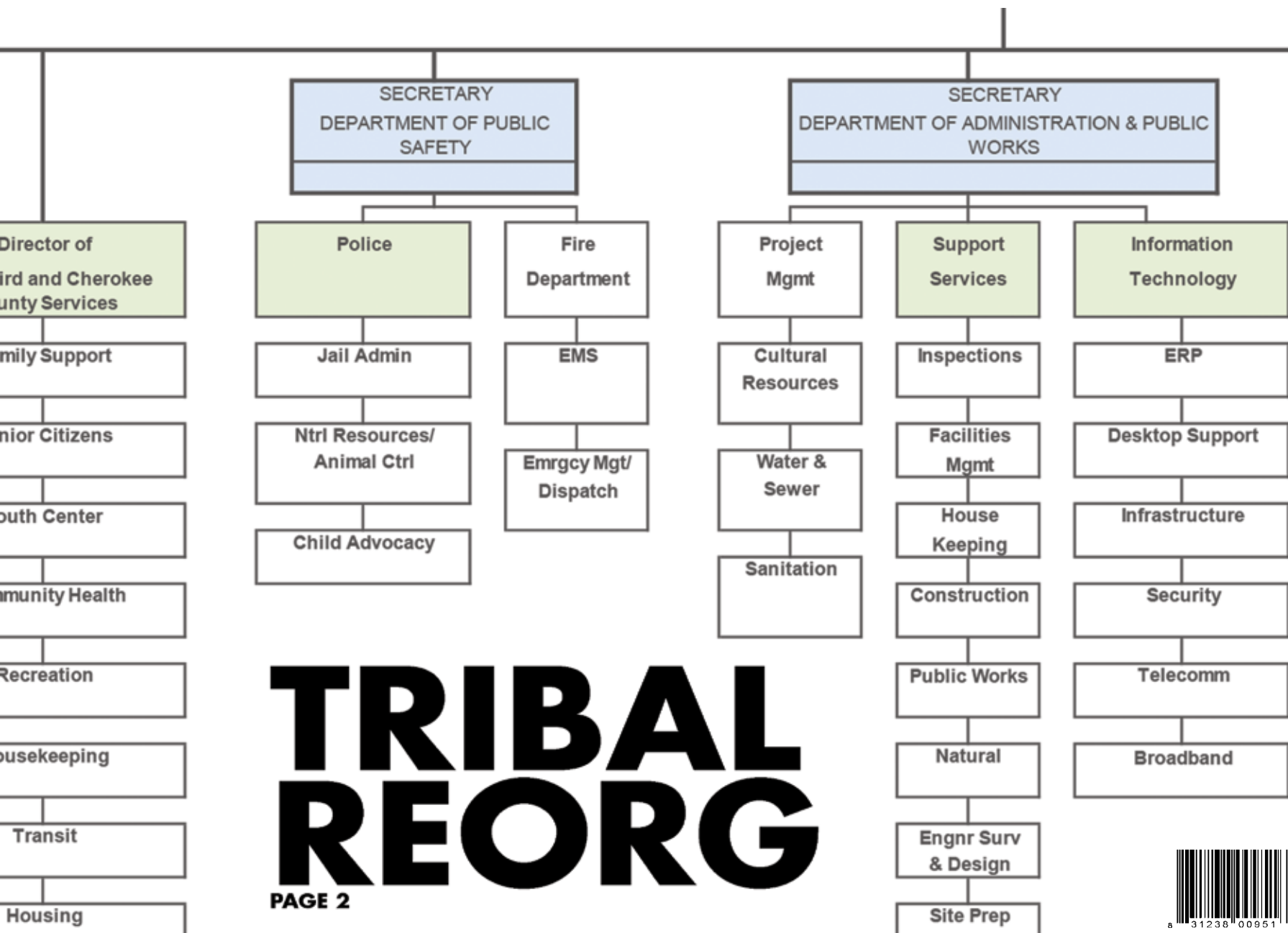


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Chief Lambert proposes budget, new work chart

Principal Chief Patrick Lambert is proposing a new budget for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians for FY2016 as well as a new organizational chart for tribal programs.

"The revised budgets were developed from the previous budgets that were presented in July by each program," Chief Lambert

done without costing a single job or anyone taking a pay cut or any program services being cut!"

Former Principal Chief Michell Hicks proposed his FY2016 budget on July 28 to the tune of \$557 million.

In his memo, Chief Lambert disputed that amount, "We also identified that the

almost \$8,000,000."

The new organizational chart combines some programs and divisions and eliminates the deputy level positions and replaces them with secretary level positions. "Every program remains intact and fully funded but may be repositioned for better accountability and efficiency...the new org chart is structured in such a way to maximize efficiencies and to place programs into a Department with similar functions and responsibilities."

The new Departments, all headed by a Secretary, include: Department of Housing, Department of Treasury, Department of Transportation, Department of Human Resources, Department of Commerce, Department of Public Safety, Department of Administration and Public Works, Department of Public Health and Human Resources, Department of Education, and Attorney General.

Chief Lambert also reported in his memo that over \$300 million in fund balances were found to exist throughout the tribal budgets. "A fund balance is where a program has more money than it needs for the year's operation and is then allowed to 'sit' on that extra amount and let the balance keep climbing. We, therefore, have begun the strategic use of those fund balances, and this allows us to be able to better utilize our capital."

- One Feather staff report

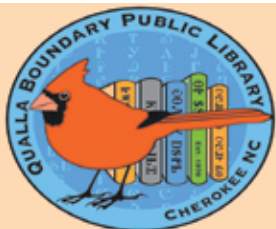
"We took each of those and looked at them from a 'needs-based' approach using true historical amounts expended previously in each line item and used that number to give us a truer needs-based number."

- Principal Chief Patrick Lambert

wrote in a memo to tribal employees on Sunday, Nov. 22. "We took each of those and looked at them from a 'needs-based' approach using true historical amounts expended previously in each line item and used that number to give us a truer needs-based number. We also applied the concepts of fiscal responsibility and made some reductions in excessive line items that have been subject to waste and abuse, such as travel, etc."

Chief Lambert said his team was able to "identify and cut" \$30,397,313 from the budget. "That is a huge number, and it was

previous administration understated the actual number for the budget by over \$22 million. There were a few key expenses left out of the previous budget including the loan repayments that are set to begin this year for the new Hospital and the new Waste Water Treatment Plant, and also, they did not include the cost for the new Drug Treatment Center. So, the reconciled budget number we began working from was \$580.2 million. We have, therefore, captured those costs and included them in our new budget, and we are still able to have a positive balance of



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Tribal Council Agenda – Thursday, Dec. 3

Call or Order by Chairman Bill Taylor, Prayer, Roll Call, Orders of the Day, Reports and Announcements

2015-1203 – Recognition of retired employees – Oscar Hicks and Phyllis Ashenfelter

2015-1202 – Request for Time – Roseanna Belt, WCU Cherokee Center

2015-1165 – Tabled Ord. No. 7 (2015) Sect. 18B-112 – Tribal Alcoholic Beverage Control

2015-1205 – Tabled Ord. No. 28 (2015) Cherokee Code Chapter 150 – Administrative Procedure Act

2015-1204 – Tabled Ord. No. 29 (2015) Sect. 130A-7 – EBCI Public Health and Human Services (PHHS) Family Safety Advisory Board

2015-1208 – Tabled Ord. No. 32 (2015) Sect. 117-15 – Tribal Council Pay and Retirement Plan

2015-1206 – Tabled Ord. No. 33 (2015) Laws necessary to authorize and support Tribal Public Health and Human Services administration of comprehensive vulnerable adult welfare services

2015-1209 – Tabled Ord. No. 37 (2015) Section 117-38 Legislative Reading Ordinance, form of ordinances

2015-1210 – Tabled Ord. No. 38 (2015) 16C-6 Minors and other legal incompetents (per capita payments)

2015-1207 – Tabled Ord. No. 44 (2015) Sect. 16-C Revenue Allocation Plan for distributable net revenue from gaming operations

2015-1211 – Approval of FY2016 Budget

2015-1212 – Cherokee Code be amended to include Executive Branch and a Legislative Branch

2015-1213 – Sect. 117-31 Amendments to Planning Board

2015-1214 – Appointments to

Intertribal Timber Committee

2015-1215 – Transit Program of the EBCI be authorized to apply and accept funds from the Federal Transit Administration and receive up to \$593,541 for budget period 10/1/2015 – 9/30/2016

2015-1216 – Kituwah Preservation & Education Program be authorized to submit application package to the Cherokee Preservation Foundation (CPF) in the amount of \$274,000 for fiscal years 2016 and 2017 for a total project of \$640,295

2015-1217 – Two (2) appointments to TERO Commission for four-year terms beginning October 2015 and ending September 2019

2015-1218 – Tribal Council appoints one (1) person to TERO Commission for a two-year term

2015-1219 – Appointment of a Cherokee Police Commission

2015-1220 – Appointment of two members to the Balsam-West FiberNET, LLC


2015-1221 – Appointments to TABCC (Tribal Alcohol Beverage Control Commission)

2015-1222 – Attorney General instructed to develop an ordinance for Council's consideration on taking the next step to banish and possibly disenroll members of the Tribe who are convicted of manufacturing, selling and distributing illegal drugs

Emergency Resolutions and Banishment Items as necessary

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Jackson receives Native Health Service Award

During the Native American EXPO at Western Carolina University on Tuesday, Nov. 10, Lou Jackson (right), an EBCI tribal member from the Snowbird community, was awarded the Western Carolina University's Appalachia and Native Health Service Award. Jackson, shown receiving the award from Dr. Lisa Lefler, worked for Indian Health Service for 28 years and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians for six years at the Snowbird Clinic. While working at Snowbird, she, with Dr. Lisa Denzer, started the Snowbird Diabetes Prevention Camp, which emphasized nutrition, physical fitness, and culture. Along with her brothers and sisters, Lou helped create the Ed Jackson Scholarship Fund. Named in honor of her father, the scholarship is dedicated to student athletes from Robbinsville High School.



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Native News by State

CALIFORNIA

TUOLUMNE – A bomb threat was reported at the Black Oak Casino Resort, owned by the Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians, on Monday, Nov. 16. Deputy Robert Lyons, Tuolumne County Sheriff's Office, told The Union Democrat that the threat was a false alarm. "Apparently, it was a false alarm, and everybody is clearing. Al O'Brien, Black Oak Casino's director, told the paper, "We evacuated the property. We have swept the entire casino." The incident occurred at 4pm and workers began re-entering the building at 5:30pm with patrons allowed back in thirty minutes afterwards.

- The Union Democrat

MICHIGAN

MT. PLEASANT – Members of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan is set to repatriate remains of 31 individuals and 15 funerary objects from the University of Michigan's Museum of Anthropological Archaeology in Ann Arbor, Mich. The tribe's Zibiwing Cultural Society has been working on the repatriation for several decades. Native News Online reported that the repatriation will occur in partnership with the Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians (Gun Lake Tribe) through a NAGPRA grant. Jonathan B. Jarvis, NPS service director, told Native News Online, "The work funded by these grants is a step toward addressing past violations of the treatment of human remains and sacred objects

of native peoples, while restoring the ability of American Indian and Native Hawaiian peoples to be stewards of their own ancestral dead and cultural heritage."

- Native News Online

MICHIGAN

MT. PLEASANT – The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan announced on Wednesday, Nov. 18 that it is set to give its semi-annual 2 percent distribution from funds derived from Class III gaming to surrounding counties. The tribe operates the Soaring Eagle Casino and Resort and the Saganing Eagles Landing Casino and plans to give the following to counties: \$2.1 million to Isabella County; \$780,000 in Arenac and Northern Bay County. "I am proud of the funding that we have provided in the past and am very hopeful for the opportunities in the future," Steve Pego, Tribal Council Chief, told the Midland Daily News. The tribe received a total of 401 requests for the funding this year.

- Midland Daily News

NORTH DAKOTA

GRAND FORKS – The University of North Dakota changed its sports nickname on Wednesday, Nov. 18 to the Fighting Hawks. In 2012, the university retired its Fighting Sioux nickname to avoid possible NCAA sanctions. "Obviously, it's far from over," UNC President Robert Kelley told the Grand Forks Herald. "We've got a lot of work

still to do, but the big part of getting through the selection of the new name is over." In an online vote on the matter, Fighting Hawks received 57 percent of the 27,378 votes cast and beat out Roughriders in second place. Leander "Russ" McDonald, former tribal council chairman of the Spirit Lake Sioux and UND alumni, commented, "It's so important to have a safe and equitable environment on these different campuses to concentrate on education rather than concentrating on ethnicity and races."

- Grand Forks Herald

WASHINGTON, DC

Senator Richard Burr (R-NC) introduced the Lumbee Recognition Act, a bill that would grant the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina federal recognition, on Tuesday, Nov. 17. "The Lumbee tribe has been seeking federal recognition for more than a century," he said in a statement. "I am proud to reintroduce this legislation so that 55,000 members of the Lumbee community in North Carolina receive the same rights and benefits as members of other federally recognized tribes. Federal recognition for the Lumbee tribe is long-overdue, and I will continue my efforts to ensure the Lumbee tribe finally gets the recognition they deserve." The 1956 Lumbee Act prohibits the group from going through the BIA recognition process.

- Sen. Richard Burr's office



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FOOTBALL

Braves among WNC season stat leaders

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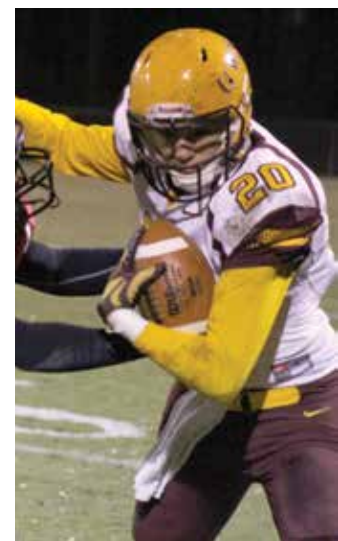
Tye Mintz, Braves sophomore quarterback, is #5 in western North Carolina in passing. He finished the season completing 149 of 283 passes for 1,872 yards, 17 TD, 15 INT.



Jason McMillan, Braves senior wide receiver, is #6 in western North Carolina in receiving. He finished the season with 50 receptions for 750 yards and 13 touchdowns.



Kennan Panther (#36) and Logan Teesateskie (#52), Braves senior linebackers, are among the top tacklers in western North Carolina. Panther finished the season at #3 with 158 (13.2/game) and Teesateskie finished at #8 with 138 (11.5).



Holden Straughan, Braves sophomore wide receiver, is #16 in western North Carolina in receiving. He finished the season with 33 receptions for 404 yards.



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Tribe to host 2nd Annual Cherokee Lights and Legends Christmas event

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

Again this year, the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds will be decorated in tinsel and lights. Enjoy a winter wonderland with light tunnels guiding guests to each of the Cherokee legend sculptures that were custom-made for Cherokee and for this event.

The centerpieces will be the uniquely

the grounds and enjoy the walking tour of the Lights and Legends sculptures and displays.

A big hit at last year's event, the ice-skating rink, will be returning. It is a synthetic 40' by 80' rink that does not require freezing water and can be skated upon regardless of weather conditions. Adults and children that skated at the event last year said that they had fun and enjoyed their experience on the synthetic "ice". Thirty-minute sessions are \$5. The Fairgrounds will have skates available at no

photo with Santa. Santa will be available for pictures at the event through Saturday, Dec. 19.

The EBCI Commerce Department has made several changes to make the event more "user-friendly". There is no admission fee to enter the Fairgrounds and enjoy the light and sculpture displays. Several activities have been move into the Exhibit Hall so that families may enjoy the games, rides and Santa in a climate-controlled environment. Activities in the Exhibit Hall include a 9-hole miniature golf course, face painting, balloon animals, a 16-foot inflatable kids' slide, an inflatable rainbow kids' castle. All of these activities are available for \$7 per person. Everyone is welcome in the Exhibit Hall; only those participating in activities pay the fee. There will also be free popcorn and cotton candy inside the Exhibit Hall. Some activities in the Exhibit Hall will require a signed liability release form and the form will be available at the entrance to the Exhibit Hall.

The event will offer "bundle" pricing this year. For \$15, an attendee may enjoy the activities in the Exhibit Hall, a 30-minute skate session and a photo with Santa, which saves \$2 per person.

One of the new features this year, Par-T-Pets will be on hand to help design a stuffed animal for anyone wishing to take home a customized "pet". This activity is similar to the Build-A-Bear factory at the Asheville Mall. A Par-T-Pet will be \$10 and is not included in the bundle pricing.

Cherokee food vendors will be available on the Fairgrounds with great local and fast foods for the evening. Prices will vary depending on the vendor. A large tent and tables be set up near the food booths for dining.

The 2nd Annual Lights & Legends Christmas event kicks off at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on Saturday, Dec. 5.

(Photos by Kristy M. Herron/EBCI Commerce)



Cherokee legend sculptures, including a mountaintop clan feature (24 feet in height) and depictions of Cherokee legends like "How the Bear Lost His Tail". These sculptures are professional renderings with sharp detail. There will also be a life-sized Nativity scene and a 40-foot, fully lit Christmas tree. There is no admission fee to enter

additional charge. A signed liability release form will be required for skating and the form will be available at the rink.

Santa and his helpers will be back this year so families will have an opportunity to get a picture with Santa (in a nice sleigh and holiday background). For \$5, individuals will receive a CD containing one

Each night of the Cherokee Lights and Legends Christmas event, from 7-9pm, a Cherokee Bonfire will be held on the Fairgrounds. As is the tradition during the summer, EBCI tribal members will be at the bonfire, telling stories of the Cherokee people and sharing cultural and historic information about the land and communities of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

New Year's Eve Fireworks will be shot at 9pm on Thursday, Dec. 31. The fireworks display will be visible from the Fairgrounds. The Sound of Music Disc Jockey Service will be on hand throughout the event, providing seasonal music and making announcements. On the evening of Dec. 31, Sound of Music will provide musical patriotic background leading up to the fireworks display.



Patrons go through the light exhibits at last year's event.

Bring the family and the EBCI Commerce Department promises holiday cheer as the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians hosts its 2nd annual Cherokee Lights and Legends Christmas event. Scheduled to kick off Saturday, Dec. 5, the hours of operation will be from 6-9pm. The opening will be just after the

Cherokee Christmas Parade, which begins at 5:30 pm. Also, on Saturday, Dec. 5 at 6:30 pm, there will be an official lighting ceremony for the 40-foot Christmas tree as part of the kick-off. Principal Chief Patrick Lambert and Vice Chief Richard Sneed are scheduled to be on-hand to light the tree and exchange

Christmas best wishes with event guests.

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each week after that (beginning Thursday, Dec. 10 and ending Saturday, Jan. 2, 2016), holiday activities continue at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. The hours are 6-9pm throughout the event. Cherokee Lights and Legends Christmas will also be closed Dec. 24-26. Tickets will be sold in the exhibit hall and at the ice skating rental booth, and the main entrance gate at the front will be the only point of entry to the event. All other gates will be closed.

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CHS students enjoy Indian dinners

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

In recognition of Native American Heritage Month, the Cherokee High School Cultural Program served Indian dinners on Thursday, Nov. 19. The program served to over 400 students, faculty and a few community members who just heard about it through the grapevine.

"We served all of the students and about 80 teachers," said Alyne Stamper, CHS Cultural Program, "and, a few of them came back twice."

Stamper went on to say, "November is Native

American Month, and we try to do something every week, and this week was native food...we had bean bread, homemade hominy with pinto beans, bear roast with mushrooms and gravy, deer stew, and a homemade sauerkraut."

"We were supposed to have squirrel, but my hunters didn't come through so we didn't have squirrel. We had squirrel last year."

Funding for the food came from the CHS Cultural Program.

Stamper added, "We try to make them proud of who they are, and some of them don't eat these foods."

Daniel Griffin, 12th grade, gave the food a

flowering review. "I liked the pinto beans. They were delicious. The bear meat was cooked just right. The sauerkraut was delicious, and the bean bread was good. I liked it with some salt."

Griffin said he enjoys Indian food at this house regularly. "We had frybread and chili last night."

He has learned how to make a few of the dishes himself including frybread and chili, pinto beans and sauerkraut.

Summer Wilson, 10th grade, commented, "I wish my family could cook like this."



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

Cherokee High School seniors Kenny Griffin and Daniel Griffin were among over 400 students, faculty and community members who received Indian dinners at the school on Thursday, Nov. 19.



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Photo by Sky Sampson/Cherokee Youth Council

Youth Council hosts Suicide Awareness Assembly

The Cherokee Youth Council hosted a suicide awareness assembly on Wednesday, Nov. 17 at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center.

The assembly included two guest speakers: Sarah Scott, former UNITY president, and award-winning rapper/speaker Christian Parrish (better known as Supaman). "The youth pulled together this entire event by planning and implementing ideas to keep teens engaged on the topic of suicide and by also encouraging them for the future," said Sky Sampson, Cherokee Youth Council program manager. "They also included discussion around depression which is so often left out. We are so blessed to be able to share with native teens from the Qualla Boundary, and we want to continue to talk about these issues in the future." Shown (left-right) front row - Ayden Evans, Jullian Rubio, Seth Ledford, Evie Cotterman and Dallas Bennett; back row - Nola Pina, Sarah Scott, Jackson Warshaw, Christian Parrish (Supaman), unknown, Hunter Radford and Haley Cooper. Please call 1-800-SUICIDE if you are having thoughts of suicide.

Time to dance

The 1st Annual New Kituwah Pow Wow was held at the New Kituwah Academy on Friday, Nov. 20. The Awohali Singers, a northern singing group from Cherokee, provided the music for the event. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)



Miss Cherokee report for October

TARAN SWIMMER
MISS CHEROKEE 2015

Si-yo, I would like to take this time to thank the people who have helped me with preparing for the Miss Cherokee Pageant and who have been absolutely amazing once I was crowned. I first of all would like

always there to encourage me to do the best I can, thank you for always loving me unconditionally. To my Momaw and Popaw, thank you for always keeping me in your prayers and supporting me in whatever I do. Aunt Tracy, thank you for making me laugh when things seemed hard and discouraging. Uncle Jerry, thank you

I have so many wonderful cousins who have been so supportive as well. Heather Younce, thank you for helping me find shirt patterns and designs for my wool wrap skirt, and thank you for making sure that I had the right type of accessories that I needed. To Micah Swimmer, thank you for helping me with speaking our

you to Carrah Swimmer for helping me with my hair and encouraging me backstage. To Courtney, Gina, and Gabe, thank you for always being so encouraging and loving. Big thanks to Jayan and Shane Swimmer for driving me in the parade and for not running over my candy throwers. Thank you to my cousins who have shown support whether you are here in Cherokee or far off. To my great aunts: Rina, Flora, Gig, and Mary, thank you for your encouraging words and the love that you always show me. Sean, April and Vivian, thanks for all the supportive messages you sent. Paisley Raby, thank you for doing my hair the night of the pageant. I definitely want to send a big thank you to my church family at Yellow Hill Baptist Church and to my pastor, Forman Bradley. I know you all keep me in your prayers and are so very supportive.

The CMS volleyball team, thank you for your love, loyalty and support. I encourage you all to work hard on your academics and your athletics. You can achieve anything if you believe in yourself. I was told that the only person who can keep you from achieving your goals is you.

To all of my former high school, middle school and elementary teachers, thank you for all of the kind words and knowledge you have shared. To my Magic Makers, Radonna and Madison Crowe, you are



Photo courtesy of Tina Swimmer

Miss Cherokee 2015 Taran Swimmer (2nd from left) is shown at the Harvest 5K and Half-Marathon in Cherokee in Saturday, Oct. 31. Shown (left-right) are: Principal Chief Patrick Lambert, Swimmer, Junior Miss Cherokee Abigail Taylor, Little Miss Cherokee Madison Ledford and Teen Miss Cherokee Blake Wachacha.

to thank my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for never leaving me nor forsaking me. To my mother, Tina Swimmer, who is

for always keeping me in your prayers and always being willing to help me out with whatever I need.

language. Thanks to Dvdaya Swimmer for accompanying me with my talent and being my little stage coach. Thank

so awesome and so much fun to be around. You both kept me laughing and made the stress go away.

I am so blessed to not only have family and friends in Cherokee, but I also have a family at Western Carolina University. Thank you to Lori Wooten and your family for the support and encouragement. Emily Jones, Kristin Collins, Kristin Bolejack, and Phoebe Brook, thank you for always being there for me and being such awesome friends. I also want to thank the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, the Big Cove Community, and 3 Sisters Enterprise for sponsoring me. Thank you to Stacy Ledford for taking my pictures this past month. The royalty board has been amazing. They have been patient with me and have given me so much support and encouragement as I get ready to take on this amazing position

as your 2015 Miss Cherokee. I am so thankful to God for putting so many wonderful people in my life and I know He has more that I will meet on this journey. I know I may have left some people out but please know that I appreciate everyone in my life.

My journey has begun, and I would like to share with the communities some of the events that I have had the privilege to attend the month of October.

On Oct. 13, I was presented to Principal Chief Lambert, Vice Chief Sneed and the Tribal Council. I look forward to working with our tribal government.

On, Oct. 14, I had the honor of attending the ribbon cutting for our new Cherokee Indian Hospital. What a blessing for our tribe, our new hospital is remarkable and I am very proud to have been a part

of this wonderful event.

On Oct. 16, I was asked to join the newly elected and elected school board members and the newly crowned Teen Miss Cherokee Blake Wachacha, Junior Miss Cherokee Abigail Taylor, and Little Miss Cherokee Madison Ledford for the coin toss at the beginning of the Cherokee Braves football game against Rosman. Once we took the field I was then asked to flip the coin to see who would receive or kick off to start the football game.


On Oct. 24, I had the privilege to attend Cherokee Day at Mars Hill University along with Teen Miss Cherokee and Little Miss Cherokee. Some of the Cherokee High School cheerleaders and their Coach Madison Crowe were also there and they took part in the half time show. It was a lot of fun and I am thankful for the invite.

On Oct. 27, I attended the Snowbird Halloween Festival and the Big Cove Halloween Festival. I had an amazing time at both events and enjoyed meeting all the young and older people from the communities.

On Oct. 28, I had the honor of attending the Ned Long Day and enjoyed fellowshiping with everyone there.

On Oct. 31, I had the privilege to hand out the participation medallions to all the participants in the harvest run (5K & half marathon) as they crossed the finish line.

Thank you to everyone who invited me to attend your event and I look forward to many more. If you would like to have me attend an event please send your requests to the following link ebcimisscherokee@gmail.com.



KNOW THE LAWS ON LIGHTS

Per NC GENERAL STATUTE:

§ 20-130.1. Use of red or blue lights on vehicles prohibited; exceptions.
(a) It is unlawful for any person to install or activate or operate a red light in or on any vehicle in this State. As used in this subsection, unless the context requires otherwise, "red light" means an operable red light not sealed in the manufacturer's original package which: (i) is designed for use by an emergency vehicle or is similar in appearance to a red light designed for use by an emergency vehicle; and (iii) can be operated by use of the vehicle's battery, vehicle's electrical system, or a dry cell battery. As used in this subsection, the term "red light" shall also mean any forward facing red light installed on a vehicle after initial manufacture of the vehicle.

§ 20-130.3. Use of white or clear lights on rear of vehicles prohibited; exceptions.
It shall be unlawful for any person to willfully drive a motor vehicle in forward motion upon the highways of this State displaying white or clear lights on the rear of said vehicle. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the white light required by G.S. 20-129(d) or so-called backup lights lighted only when said vehicle is in reverse gear or backing. Violation of this section does not constitute negligence per se in any civil action. (1973, c. 1071.)

MISSING CHILDREN



MISSING SINCE NOVEMBER 2014

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

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

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

All three children are believed to be with their non-custodial mother, Shira Raman Mattocks, 26, from Cherokee.

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

VETERANS CORNER

Sergeant Major David Leon Plaster

Sergeant Major David Leon Plaster is a retired United States Marine Corps Veteran and EBCI tribal member from Whittier. He served with the US Marines for 24 years and retired in 2005 with the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marine Air Ground Task Force Training Command.

SGM Plaster served in Operation Desert Storm and Operation Iraqi Freedom, as well as, having been stationed at several different Marine Corps Bases both in the United States and overseas.

SGM Plaster's primary occupation specialties were Low Altitude Air Defense Gunner, Drill Instructor, and First Sergeant/Sergeant Major.

SGM Plaster's military education includes Staff non-commissioned Officer Career Program, Drill Instructor, Staff Non-Commissioned Officer Advanced Program, and War Fighting Skills Program/Tan Belt.

SGM Plaster received a long list of decorations and awards including: Pistol Sharpshooter Badge, Combat Action Ribbon with Device, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation w/2 Device, Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal w/6 Device, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon w/8 Device, Korean Defense Service Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal w/1 Device, Marine Corps Drill Instructor Ribbon, Kuwait Liberation Medal (Saudi Arabia), National Defense Service Medal w/1 Device, Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kuwait), Expeditionary Medal – Marine

Corps, Armed Forces Outstanding Unit Award, Presidential Unit Citation, Navy Unit Commendation w/1 Device, Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation w/3 Device, Meritorious Service Medal, Letter of Appreciation, Meritorious Mast (2), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal, and Marine Corps Martial Arts Qualification.

SGM Plaster's most memorable moment of the Marine Corps Service was the day he was promoted to First Sergeant/E-9, when his stripes were pinned by his senior Drill Instructor from basic training sixteen years later from his entry into the US Marine Corps.

His personal thoughts on his military career were, "Freedom is not free. Military service gives us the ability and training to hold



Photo contributed

SGM David Leon Plaster, USMC (Ret.)

ourselves to a high standard. Military service not only trains us to operate weapon systems, but to be good citizens and to give back to society. Service gives us a sense of belonging. Service allows us to pay something back by mentoring the younger troops and making sure

they are prepared."

SGM Plaster is a member of the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 and is serving as a full time Jackson County Veterans Service Officer.

- Warren Dupree, Post 143



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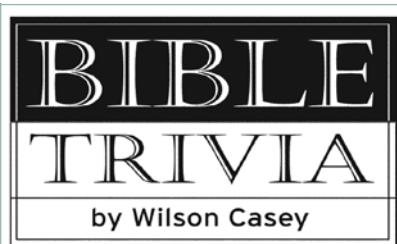
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Park offers Black Friday hiking options

Great Smoky Mountains National Park is inviting visitors to join them for ranger-led hikes across the park on Friday, Nov. 27. Hikes will be offered in the Cataloochee, Elkmont, and Cades Cove areas of the park.

"I hope you have the chance to Find Your Park over the Thanksgiving holiday," said Superintendent Cassius Cash. "The park offers the perfect place to take a stroll with your family or find a quiet place for reflection. I encourage you to spend some time in your park and am thankful for our dedicated staff, volunteers, and partners for making these special hiking opportunities available."



1. Which book of the Bible mentions the word "thanksgiving" the most times at eight? *Genesis, Nehemiah, Psalms, Isaiah*
2. From Leviticus 22, a sacrifice of thanksgiving is most meaningful when it is ... ? *Sincere, Often, At your own will, Extravagant*
3. What items of food and drink did Jesus give thanks for at the Last Supper? *Figs/water, Bread/wine, Fishes/nectar, Honey/milk*
4. In 1 Thessalonians 5:18, "In every thing give thanks: for this is the ___ of God"? *Power, Will, Gratitude, Travail*
5. Where was Jonah when he prayed with the voice of thanksgiving? *Fish's belly, Aboard ship, In the wilderness, Mountaintop*
6. Whose thanksgiving is expressed in Philippians 4:10-20? *Paul, John the Baptist, James, David*

Answers

- 1) Psalms; 2) At your own will; 3) Bread/wine; 4) Will; 5) Fish's belly; 6) Paul

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The park has over 800 miles of trails to explore throughout the year with every season offering its own special rewards. During late fall and winter, the absence of deciduous leaves opens new vistas revealing stone walls, chimneys, and foundations. These reminders of past communities allow hikers to discover a glimpse of history along park trails.

"It is due to the generosity of individuals giving to Friends of the Smokies that allows us to support programs like these special hikes, improve trails, support educating kids, and help park resources," said Holly DeMuth, Friends of the Smokies North Carolina Director.

The following hikes are being offered on Friday:

• 10am – Hike to Abrams Fall in Cades Cove

Join park staff for a 5-mile, roundtrip hike to one of the largest waterfalls in the park. The hike is rated moderate with several steep, rocky sections. Expect four hours total for the hike. Participants will learn about the parks 2,900 miles of streams, wildlife that depend on the stream, and the significance of Abrams Creek to the diversity of the park. Meet at the Abrams Falls trailhead, halfway around the Cades Cove Loop Road at 10am.

The program is subject to cancellation if the weather is bad. Info: Cades Cove (865) 448-4104.

• 10am – Little Cataloochee Trail near Cataloochee

The 5-mile, roundtrip hike on the Little Cataloochee Trail is rated moderate but does have several steep sections. The trail follows an old road that provided access between Big Cataloochee and Little Cataloochee in the past. Stops on the hike include the Hannah cabin, the Little Cataloochee Church and cemetery, and the Cook cabin as well several former homesites. The ranger leading the hike will have historic photos and maps of the area to share with participants. The guided portion of the hike will end after 2.5 miles at the restored Cook family cabin. Participants can return to their cars at their own pace or further explore the area. Meet at the parking area on the left just after entering Cataloochee Valley. From there, participants will follow the ranger and drive five miles to the Little Cataloochee trailhead. The best route into Cataloochee is Cove Creek Road which is accessible from Hwy. 276 near its intersection with Interstate 40. Participants driving to the area on I-40 should use Exit 20 (Hwy. 276

exit) and immediately turn right on to Cove Creek Road. The drive from Hwy. 276 into Cataloochee is 10 miles. Cove Creek Road is a winding, two-lane road and includes a four-mile section that is unpaved. Info: Oconaluftee Visitor Center 497-1904.

• 9am – Cucumber Gap near Elkmont

This easy, 4.8-mile roundtrip hike follows the river through a beautiful, cove hardwood forest. Participants will learn about the rich history of the area including the logging operations of the Little River Lumber Company. Expect 3-4 hours total for the hike. One river crossing may be required. Meet at the Little River trailhead at 9:00 a.m., 7 miles west of Sugarlands Visitor Center in Elkmont. Info: Sugarlands Visitor Center (865) 436-1291.

What to bring: Weather in the Smoky Mountains can be unpredictable, especially in the fall. Rangers recommend participants dress in layers, wear sturdy shoes, and bring rain gear. Participants should also bring a bag lunch, snacks, and plenty of water.

- NPS

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Photo by Renissa McLaughlin

New Kituwah honors veterans

The New Kituwah Academy held their annual Honor the Veterans Day on Friday, Nov. 13. "The students and staff are thankful to the members of the Steve Younger Post 143 for attending the event for the past four years," said Renissa McLaughlin, New Kituwah manager. "The event gives the students an opportunity to show their appreciation to our veterans. This year, we were fortunate to have the reigning Miss Cherokee Taran Swimmer join us for the flag raising ceremony."

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OBITUARIES

Minda Faye Armachain



Minda Faye Armachain, 54, of Cherokee, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2015 at her home after an

extended illness with her family by her side.

She was born April 23, 1961 in Cherokee to the late Nellie Screamer Armachain.

Minda was a loving mother and loved her grandchildren.

She is survived by her significant other, Jeff Blackfox; two daughters, Kristan Blackfox and Cassandra Blackfox; one son, Steven Bird; one brother, Rickie "Bud" Armachain; two very special nieces, Roberta Bird and Alexa Armachain; three grandchildren, Dylan Wachacha, Ethan Armachain, and Shaelynn Postoak; special mother-in-law, Nancy "mammaw" Bigmeat; and special friends, Thelma Bird, Faye Wilnoty, Michelle and Dave Wilnoty.

In addition to her mother, Minda was preceded in death by one

daughter, Linda Marie Armachain; seven brothers, Bill, Lacy, John, Robert, Tom, and Martin Armachain and Jerry Taylor; and three sisters, Katherine Taylor, Annie Ruth Tramper, and Rachel Armachain.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Nov. 20 at the Rock Springs Baptist Church with Rev. Greg Morgan officiating. Burial followed at the Armachain Family Cemetery on Swimmer Branch.

Pallbearers were be Chayton, Mikhal, Isiah, Steve, Flex, and Charlie Boy.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Armachain family.

Shaleyn Amayah Ledford

Shaleyn Amayah Ledford, infant daughter of Shane Ledford and Shelena Thomasson woke in Heav-

en on Monday, Nov. 16, 2015.

She is survived by her parents and a brother, Syler Crayton Ledford of the home; maternal grandmother, Cynthia Thomasson; maternal grandfather, David and Kris Thomasson; paternal grandfather, Virgil Ledford; paternal grandmother, Daphne and Bobby Evans; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

A funeral service was held on Saturday, Nov. 21 at 11am in the chapel of Appalachian Funeral Services, with burial following in the Dillard Cemetery on Hillcrest Street in Sylva.

An online registry is available at www.appalachianfuneralservices.com



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Reservation-Wide Christmas Lighting Contest

The annual Reservation-Wide Christmas Lighting Contest will be sponsored by the EBCI Division of Commerce and the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office. Each Community Club will sponsor their own lighting contest, and the first place winners from these communities will be submitted to the Community Development Coordinator.

To enter the contest in your community, please contact the following community officers:

- Big Cove – Butch Hill
- Big Y – Bunsey Crowe
- Birdtown – Jody Taylor
- Painttown – Lula Jackson
- Snowbird – Roger Smoker
- Tow String – Raymond Matthews
- Wolftown – Tuff Jackson
- Yellowhill – Reuben Teesateskie
- Cherokee County – Frank Herron
- 3200 Acre Tract – Renissa McLaughlin

Judging for this contest will be Thursday, Dec. 10. Prizes include: first place, \$300; second place, \$200; and third place, \$100.

Info: Tammy Jackson, community development coordinator at EBCI Cooperative Extension Office, 359-6934

- Tammy Jackson

Painttown Community Christmas Lighting Contest

Rules for contest:

1. Call or email Lula Jackson 736-1511 the name and direction to home no later than Thursday, Dec.
2. Must be a resident of Painttown Community
3. Contest is for exterior decorations only, including decorations in windows that are visible from the exterior.
4. Judging based on “curb appeal” as viewed from the road only. Therefore, only those decorations seen from the roadside of the property will count.
5. Judging criteria will include
 - a. Unique design and creative use of lights and decorations
 - b. Display and placement of deco-

rations

c. Overall presentation

d. 1st place winner, \$100; 2nd place winner, \$75; 3rd place winner, \$50

6. Winners will be notified on Saturday, Dec. 5 and the first place winner will be submitted for the Reservation-wide contest.

7. Reservation Wide contest winners will be notified on Friday, Dec. 11.

- Painttown Community Club

Wolftown Community Club news

The Wolftown Community Club is getting ready for the 2nd Annual Community Building Decorating Contest. The Club will be working during the evenings and weekends to finish the decorating and every-

one is invited to help. The Judging is set for Dec. 3 or 4.

The Community is also asking people to participate in a Memorial Tree or Wreath Lighting in memory of a loved one. “All you do is decorate a Christmas tree in your yard with clear lights, or if you don’t have a tree, a wreath with clear lights and hang it on your door or house,” said Tammy Jackson, Wolftown Community Club. To participate, contact Mary Jackson 497-9096. Tammy Jackson added, “With your permission, we would like to come and take pictures for the scrapbook. When someone drives by your house and sees the tree or wreath, they will know the lights are shining bright in someone’s memory.”

The next regular Community Club meeting is set for Monday, Dec. 7 at 7pm.

- Wolftown Community Club

THANK YOU LETTER Family of Bob Smith expresses appreciation

The family of Bob Smith would like to express our deep appreciation to those who offered such kindness, support and messages of sympathy and comfort to us in our tie of sorrow. Your many acts of kindness such as visiting with us, offering prayers, sending all the beautiful flowers and cards meant so much to us all during this time. We would like to acknowledge a huge thank you to all of those that brought food and came to our home to sing during his home stay and passing. We appreciate each and every one of you that helped us when we needed it most.

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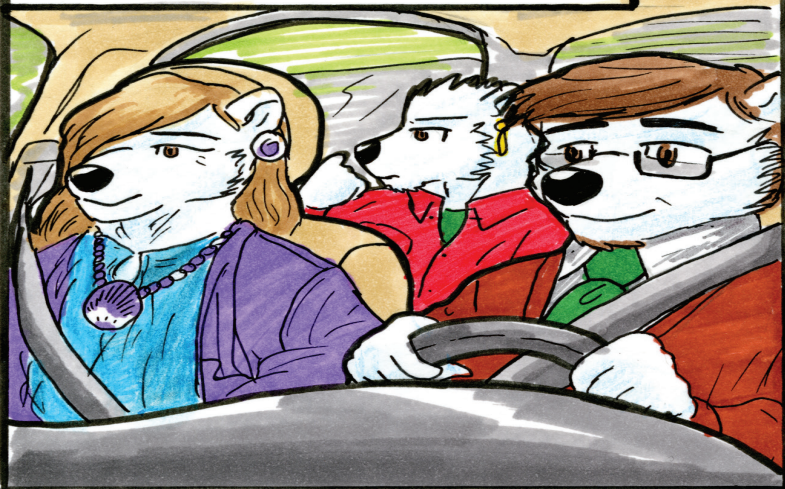
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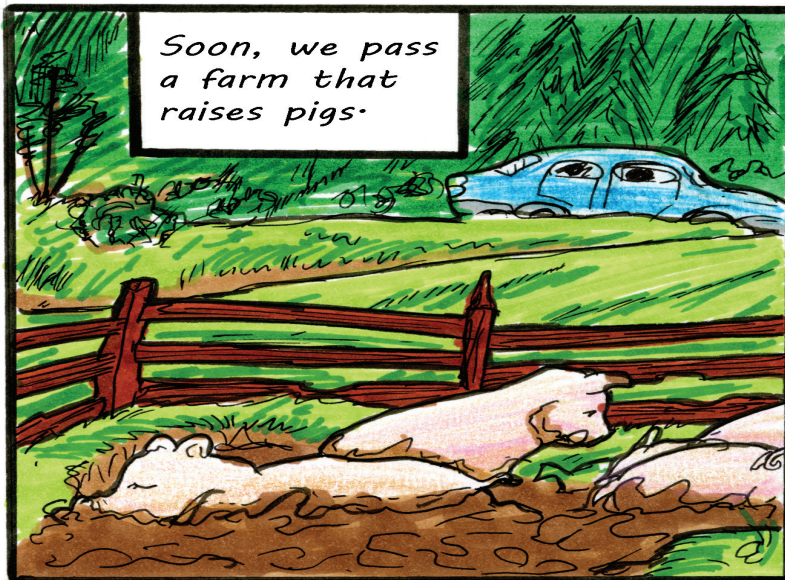
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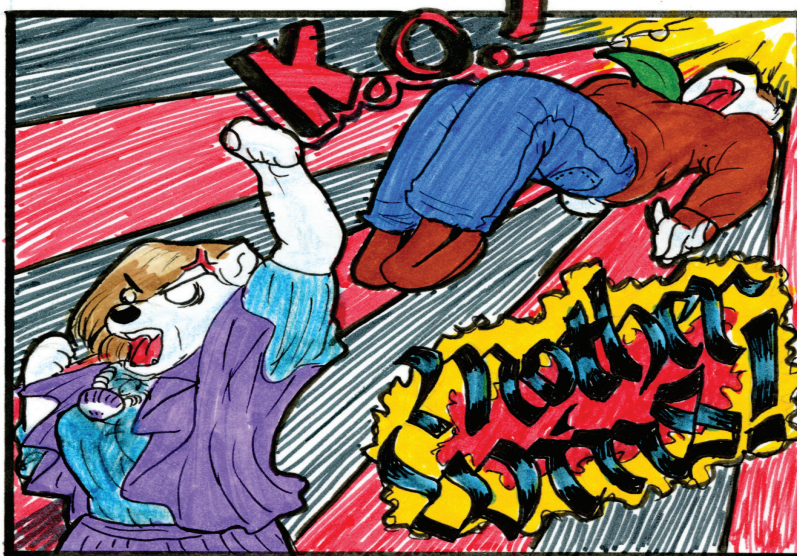
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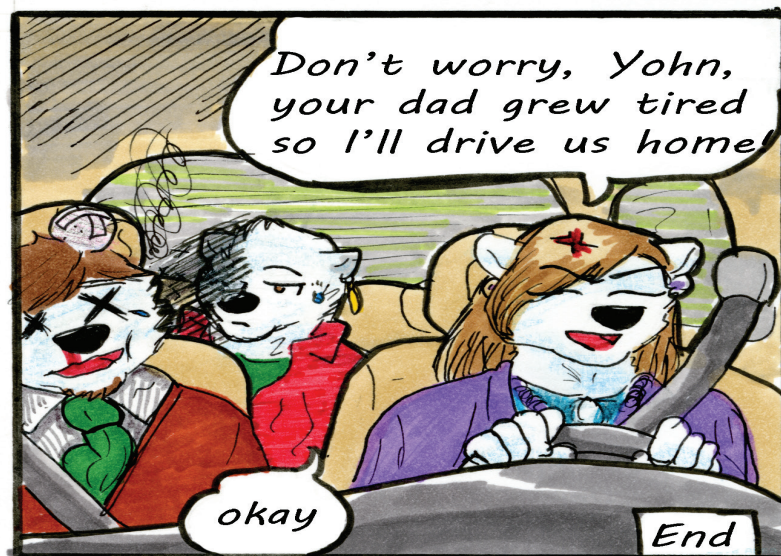
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General Events

Big Y Community Thanksgiving

Dinner. Nov. 26 from 12:30-2:30pm at Big Y Community Gym. The community will provide the turkey, mashed potatoes, green beans and rolls. Bring your favorite dish or dessert.

Small Business Management

Series. Dec. 1, 3, 15 and 17 from 6-9pm in the Ginger Lynn Welch Large Conference Room. The four classes will cover the following: Principles of Small Business Management (Dec.1), Small Business Financial Management (Dec. 3), Managing Employees (Dec. 15), and Managing Your Small Business Assets (Dec. 17). Info: Hope 359-5005 or <http://www.sequoyahfund.org/program-registration.html>

Jan's 2015 Christmas Bazaar

for Dec. 3-4 at the new Painttown Community Building. Middle School will attend on Thursday, Elementary School on Friday. Info: Jan 497-2037

Cherokee Community Chorus

Christmas Cantata. Dec. 6 at 3pm at Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. The Cherokee Community Chorus will present "Mary, did you know?" The performance is free and open to all. Info: Mary Wachacha 788-1196, Frella Beck 736-4181, or Terresa Sweet 736-1256

Cherokee Indian Hospital Veterans Memorial Re-dedication.

Dec. 7 from 1-4pm at Cherokee Indian Hospital. The Charles

George VA Medical Center will also host an enrollment for all veterans. Bring your DD214 to enroll for VA benefits and receive a chance to win prizes.

Swain County Democrat Cherokee-Whittier Precinct Potluck and Meeting. Dec. 7

from 5-6:30pm at Birdtown Gym. Ham, rolls and drink will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert. All Cherokee-Whittier Precinct Democrats and Independents are welcome. Info: Bob Catt, president, 736-9500 or 497-4119

Holiday Bazaar. Dec. 10-11

from 3-9pm daily at Barkers Creek Community Building. Admission is free. Info: (828) 226-7814, <https://www.facebook.com/events/868630886585238/>

December 2015 Per-Capita

Spend Down. Dec. 15 from 8am - 4pm at 43 John Crowe Hill Road. This event is sponsored by the Supplemental Health Insurance Program. Bring in your per-capita stub if you have any voluntary deductions withheld through the tribe.

Indianpreneurship Business

Course. Jan. 9 - Feb. 9 from 6-9pm every Tuesday evening in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. This five-session course covers business essentials to business start-up. Participants will learn marketing research, finances, tax information, and much more. Upon completion, participants will have written a complete Business Plan, Marketing Plan, and a Cash Flow to help you start your business. If

you need a loan for startup monies, you may be able to obtain a business loan from The Sequoyah Fund. There is a \$60 non-refundable fee to purchase the Indianpreneurship Book. Info: Kimberly W. Rosario 359-6719 or kimbwinc@nc-chokeee.com

Health/Sports Events

World Series of Poker Circuit Events. Nov. 26 - Dec. 7

at Harrah's Cherokee Casino. Circuit events are scheduled for that time starting with one Nov. 26 at 4pm. Event buy-ins range from \$65 to \$1,675. Players can register for the first event on Thanksgiving Day at the Event Center Promotions Desk starting at 12pm. Info: (844) 777-7711

Upcoming Pow Wows for Nov. 20-22

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

45th Annual Poarch Creek

Indian Thanksgiving Pow Wow. Nov. 26-27 at Poarch Creek Indian Reservation in Atmore, Ala. MC: Neil Lawhead. Host Drum: Medicine Tail. Info: (251) 368-9136, <http://www.poarchcreekindians.org>

Cabazon XXXIV Indio Pow

Wow. Nov. 27-29 at Fantasy Springs Special Events Center in Indio, Calif. Emcees: Tonia Jo Hall, Tito Ybarra. Host Drum: Bad

Medicine. Info: Judy Stapp (760) 238-5770, jstapp@cabazonindians-nsn.gov, or Jim Red Eagle (951) 318-6872, jredeagle@hotmail.com

2nd Annual Sobriety Contest

Pow Wow. Nov. 28-29 at Private Tom Chief Memorial Centre in Brokenhead Ojibwe Nation, Manitoba, Canada. MC: Wilfred Abigois. Info: Delores Chief-Abigois (204) 485-0601

32nd Annual Pow Wow. Nov.

28 at California State University in Northridge, Calif. MC: Bobby Whitebird. Host Northern: Changing Spirit. Host Southern: Southern Nation. Info: (818) 677-5060

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Antioch Baptist Church. Coopers Creek Road.

Beacon of Hope Baptist Church. 352 Whittier School Rd. (828) 226-4491

Bethabara Baptist Church. 1088 Birdtown Road. 497-7770

Big Cove Missionary Baptist Church. 6183 Big Cove Road. 497-4141

Big Cove Pentecostal Holiness Church. 7710 Big Cove Road. 497-4220

Calico Church of Christ. Big Cove Community. 497-6549

Cherokee Baptist Church. 812 Tsalagi Road. 497-2761, 497-3799 (fax)

Cherokee Bible Church. Olivet Church Road. 497-2286

Cherokee Church of Christ. 2350 Old Mission Road and Hwy. 19. 497-3334

Cherokee Church of God. 21 Church of God Drive. (828) 400-9753

Cherokee Church of the Nazarene. 72 Old School Loop off Big Cove Road. 497-2819

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church. Located behind the Wolfetown Gym. 674-2690

Cherokee United Methodist Church. Hwy 19 – Soco Road. (336) 309-1016, www.cherokeemission.org

Cherokee Wesleyan Church. Hwy 19 across from Happy

Holiday Campground. 586-5453

Christ Fellowship Church. Great Smokies Center.

Ela Missionary Baptist Church. Hwy 19 South.

Goose Creek Baptist Church. 631-0331 or 497-3512

Jesus is the Light Full Gospel Ministries. 1921 US 441 N. 736-9383

Living Waters Lutheran Church. 30 Locust Road. 497-3730, prjack@frontier.com, lwcherokee@frontier.com

Macedonia Baptist Church. 1181 Wolf-town Rd. 508-2629 dconseen@gmail.com

Olivet United Methodist Church. 811 Olivet Church Road. 497-5249

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. 82 Lambert Branch Road. 736-5322

Piney Grove Baptist Church. Grassy Branch Road. 736-7850.

Rock Hill Baptist Church. (828) 356-

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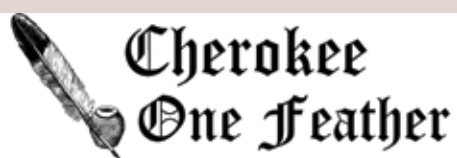
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Do American Indians Celebrate Thanksgiving?

DENNIS W. ZOTIGH

I n thinking about my earliest memories of elementary school, I remember being asked to bring a brown paper sack to class so that it could be decorated and worn as part of the Indian costume used to celebrate Thanksgiving. I was also instructed to make a less-than-authentic headband with Indian designs and feathers to complete this outfit. Looking back, I now know this was wrong.

The Thanksgiving Indian costume that all the other children and I made in my elementary classroom trivialized and degraded the descendants of the proud Wampanoags, whose ancestors attended the first Thanksgiving popularized in American culture. The costumes we wore bore no resemblance to Wampanoag clothing of that time period. Among the Wampanoag, and other American Indians, the wearing of feathers has significance. The feathers we wore were simply mockery, an educator's interpretation of what an American Indian is supposed to look like.

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Thanksgiving myth has done so much damage and harm to the cultural self-esteem of generations of Indian people, including myself, by perpetuating negative and harmful images to both young Indian and non-Indian minds. There are so many things wrong with the happy celebration that takes place in elementary schools and its association to American Indian culture; compromised integrity, stereotyping, and cultural misappropriation are three examples.

When children are young, they are often exposed to antiquated images of American Indians through cartoons, books, and movies. But Thanksgiving re-enactments may be their most active personal encounter with Indian America, however poorly imagined, and many American children associate Thanksgiving actions and images with Indian culture for the rest of their lives. These cultural misunderstandings and stereotypical images perpetuate historical inaccuracy.

Tolerance of mockery by teachers is a great concern to Native parents. Much harm has been done to generations of Indian people by perpetuating negative and harmful images in young minds. Presenting Thanksgiving to children as primarily a happy time trivializes our shared history and teaches a half-truth. And while I agree that elementary-school children who celebrate the first Thanksgiving in their classrooms are too young to hear the truth, educators need to share Thanksgiving facts in all American schools sometime before high school graduation.

Let's begin with Squanto (aka Tisquantum), a Patuxet, one of more than 50 tribes who formed the Wampanoag Confederacy. Around 1614,



when he was perhaps 30, Squanto was kidnapped along with others of his people and taken across the Atlantic Ocean to Malaga, Spain, where they were sold into slavery. Monks in Spain bought Squanto, shared their faith with him, and made it possible for him to find his way to England in 1615. In England, he worked for shipbuilder John Slany and became proficient in English. In 1619, Squanto returned to his homeland by joining an exploring expedition along the New England coast. When he arrived at the village where he has been raised, all his family and the rest of his tribe had been exterminated by a devastating plague.

What about the Pilgrims? Separatists who fled from England to Holland seeking to escape religious persecution by English authorities, and who later booked passage to North America, are now called "Pilgrims," though Americans did not widely use the term until the 1870s. In November 1620, the Mayflower dropped anchor in present-day Provincetown Harbor. After exploring the coast for a few weeks, the Pilgrims landed and began building a permanent settlement on the ruins of Squanto's Patuxet village, now renamed New Plymouth. Within the first year, half of the 102 Pilgrims who set out from Europe on the Mayflower had perished. In desperation, the Pilgrims initially survived by eating corn from abandoned fields, raiding villages for stored food and seed, and robbing graves at Corn Hill.

Squanto was introduced to the Pilgrims in the spring of 1621, became friends with them, and taught them how to hunt and fish in order to survive in New England. He taught the Pilgrims how to plant corn by using fish as fertilizer

and how to plant gourds around the corn so that the vines could climb the cornstalks. Due to his knowledge of English, the Pilgrims made Squanto an interpreter and emissary between the English and Wampanoag Confederacy.

What really happened at the first Thanksgiving in 1621? The Pilgrims did not introduce the concept of Thanksgiving. The New England tribes already had autumn harvest feasts of thanksgiving. To the original people of this continent, each day is a day of thanksgiving to the Creator. In the fall of 1621, William Bradford, the governor of the Plymouth Colony, decided to have a Plymouth harvest feast of thanksgiving and invited Massasoit, the Grand Sachem of the Wampanoag Federation, to join the Pilgrims. Massasoit came with approximately 90 warriors and brought food to add to the feast, including venison, lobster, fish, wild fowl, clams, oysters, eel, corn, squash and maple syrup. Massasoit and the 90 warriors stayed in Plymouth for three days. These original Thanksgiving foods are far different from the meals prepared in modern Thanksgiving celebrations.

Squanto died in 1622, but Massasoit outlived the era of relative peace in colonial New England. On May 26, 1637, near the present-day Mystic River in Connecticut, while their warriors were away, an estimated 400 to 700 Pequot women, children, and old men were massacred and burned by combined forces of the Plymouth, Massachusetts Bay, and Saybrook (Connecticut) colonies and Narragansett and Mohegan allies. Colonial authorities found justification to kill most of the Pequot men and enslave the captured women and their children. Pequot slaves were

sent to Bermuda and the West Indies. In 1975 the official number of Pequot people living in Connecticut was 21. Similar declines in Native population took place throughout New England as an estimated three hundred thousand Indians died by violence, and even more were displaced, in New England over the next few decades.

Looking at this history raises a question: Why should Native peoples celebrate Thanksgiving? Many Natives particularly in the New England area remember this attempted genocide as a factual part of their history and are reminded each year during the modern Thanksgiving. I turned to the Internet to find out what Native people think of Thanksgiving. Here are some of the responses:

I was infuriated when my daughter's school had a mock feast complete with papermache headdresses and pilgrim hats!

When they did that 2 my kids in elementary I TORE those items up and signed my kids out of school for that day.

For thanksgiving I was the Indian. Umm Go figure . . .

Someone took a picture of me in front of the class and to this day...it bothers me. Don't get the whole making a fest in school.

Tonight I have to lead a children's Bible class, and they want me to theme it around Thanksgiving. I will, but it's not going to be about the happy pilgrims and all that stuff. Thankfulness to God is one thing, but elevating pilgrims to hero status is out of the question.

When my daughter Victoria was in grade school she had a teacher give them the assignment to write a report on Thanksgiving Dinner, and Victoria wrote hers as to why our family doesn't celebrate Thanksgiving.

Victoria got an F on the paper, and I threatened to go to the school board if the principal didn't get it changed. Victoria got an A and the class got a lesson on Native American heritage.

Ignorance and not near enough education in the school systems! It is very sad that a majority of what is taught is very superficial and the dark aspects of our history are neatly tucked away. Very sad!

Considered a day of mourning in our house.

For skins [American Indians], Thanksgiving should be The Last Supper.

The United American Indians of New England meet each year at Plymouth Rock on Cole's Hill for a Day of Mourning. They gather at the feet of a statue of Grand Sachem Massasoit of the Wampanoag to remember and reflect in the hope that America will never forget.

Do I celebrate Thanksgiving? No, I don't celebrate. But, I do take advantage of the holiday and get together with family and friends to share a large meal without once thinking of the Thanksgiving in 1621. I think it is the same in many Native households. It is ironic that Thanksgiving takes place during American Indian and Alaskan Native Heritage Month. An even greater irony is that more Americans today identify the day after Thanksgiving as Black Friday than as National American Indian Heritage Day.

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Poll Responses

Note: The following comments were made on the Cherokee One Feather Facebook page and website to our weekly poll question: ***Are you in favor of alcoholic beverages being available in restaurants or at events on the Qualla Boundary?***

Lena Salazar: No!

Noyv Gagvmv: No!

Alana B. Davis: Yes

Gary Teesatuskie: Yes

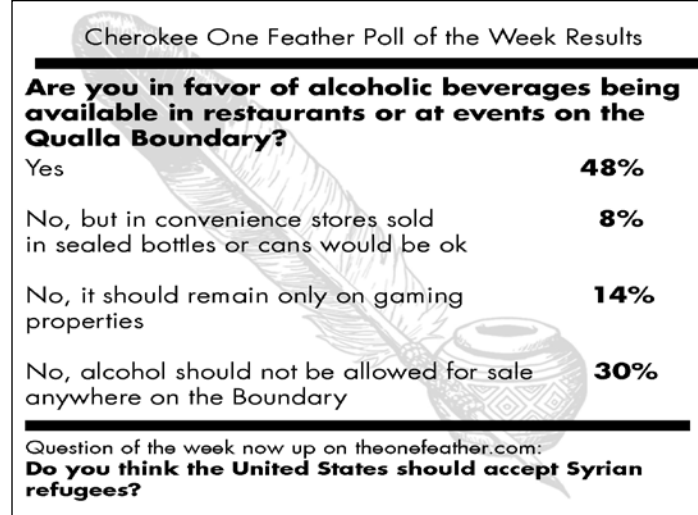
Mickayla Solorio: No! Unfortunately, not every adult knows how to drink responsibly. Every alcoholic has a different temper. Not all are happy drunks. You have your angry, crazy, etc., and one cannot ensure that they will not get behind the steering wheel not only endangering their own lives but the innocent lives of others. For all those saying yes, I pray that you or none of your loved ones ever fall victim to a drunk driver. God Bless.

Helen Snow: No!

Tanya Russo Smith: Yes

Mary Long: Have we not voted on this before? The answer is no.

Neil Ferguson: No. How many more times will this



come up?

Foreman Bradley: No

Bugg Swimmer: No, that's what the casino is for.

Shannon Ross: Yes. Why not? It's available at the casino or people go right across the Boundary to get it. Our tribe has made that man a millionaire in just a short time when all that money could have been being spent in the tribe's economy. Just my opinion. I live in a town where it's sold on every corner; no problems here... lol...I do understand why people would say no, but from a business point of view it helps the businesses and economy. Money flow in people...that's what we want!

Janett Swisher Owens: No

Chris Parker: Money over the health of the nation? I do not think so.

Waleyla Diana: No

Kyle Pheasant: Sure. Let's put that new jail to some use and fill them cells.

Tyler Kan: No

Joey Owle: Yes. We are missing out on an economic opportunity.

Erica Pheasant Hull: Yeah, they go over the limit to get it anyways. Might as well keep the money here.

Amber Sneed: No

Roman West: Yes sir!

Dama Owle: Yes

Chris Reed: Restaurants: Yes. While there would be drawbacks, ultimately, it would give tourists and locals more incentive to dine at restaurants outside of the casino property. It could be up to the individual restaurant owner/operator to determine if they want to stock/supply alcohol. Events: As long as there are rules and regulations in place to make sure people are drinking responsibly (i.e. limit two drinks per person, event specific

bracelets, ID checks, etc.).

Cec N Taylor Biddix: I think it's a good idea to serve alcohol. That's a lot of revenue we could be adding to our nation! If an EBCI member wants to purchase alcohol they will do so! Might as well sell it on the Boundary! Make money off of the non-Natives as well!

Darick Frady: No

Wayne Wolfe: Long overdue!

Harley Young: Yes!

Rikki Larch: No

Pamela Marks: Yes! Whittier does not realize the loss of revenue if they could issue liquor licenses along 441 North. We would have a couple of decent restaurants and a few great chefs could open up little bistros.

Laurel Cooper: Yes. In order to bring in more chain restaurants and to let our independent ones compete, it is a necessary component.

Christopher McCoy: I'm torn. I voted no in the last referendum, but feel like with controls and money coming back to treatment and even distribution to the people through per cap, we can manage it without it being a monster like it sounds to everyone.

Patrick West: No thank you!

Donny Owle: Everyone wants weed but no alcohol. Tell me how that makes sense. I vote yes.

Candler Cooper: Absolutely

Rosalie Cabe Lewis: Yes, yes, yes

Robert Waldroup: Yes

Anne Blalock Sears: Yes

Angel McKinney: Yep

Roberta Gloyne: No

Deborah Lambert: Let's not pretend alcohol is not here already. Do you close your eyes when you pass the Catamount?...I don't like it, but we can't play ostrich and stick our heads in the sand. The bad part is Jackson County gives us nothing back for education, prevention, treatment, or law enforcement. At least if we sold it we could fully fund these programs.

Mary Crowe: No

Utsilugi Galanvdy: Most say no like a no is having any impact as it is at the moment. Keep saying no and it is literally a small walk from the corner at McDonald's over to Catamount with the same results anyone fears would happen here. A yes does

one thing and one thing only, it provides money to go to the nation's economy. It doesn't bring some crazy amount of alcoholism as alcoholism is already here. Alcohol is here on the Qualla (Boundary). There has been nothing that has stopped it and there is nothing that will ever stop it. Might as well draw up a business plan and make it legal, apply a tribal tax to it and bam, income. Making alcohol legal on the Rez could also open up room for micro-breweries much like Nantahala Brewery, Flat Tire, etc. That, in and of itself, will provide jobs to the Rez, bring in more tourism, etc. I have a hard time seeing how this is something that is anything but a positive.

Rosa Maney: No

Billy Wible: No, no, no

Michelle Bignault: No way

Mara Nelson: Adults have the right to choose if they would like to have a drink with their meal. If one has a problem, it goes way beyond this issue. We live on tribal land. We aren't a daycare. The tribal levy that this would create would benefit many tribal programs, including treatment for those with alcohol problems.

Zacchaeus Maney: Yes! The ones that say no, ya'll are the reason we can't have good things like an Applebee's, Olive Garden or a place where you can get a nice steak. If these drunks want alcohol, they are going to get it...I have even heard tourists say, "Is this all you have... fast food?" So, my vote is yes!

Michael Zepeda: This is why we should have never let the casino do

it. It's the same reason they justified Catamount's license. It's also the reason they will justify it everywhere - greed over family. I am 100 percent for marijuana, but alcohol is just bad for our environment and our families. We should have never allowed it in the casino.

Jerry Maney: Yes

Desire SnowyOwl: I love a glass of wine with my dinner, but not to impair me to drive nor everyday. It's about choices and how, as a whole, the tribe can benefit. We always have and will have substance abuse because there is a larger root to be doled out and taken care of (education, jobs, income, etc.). Do not base a decision on religion. With all due respect, I'm not even going to go into it, this is a religion imposed upon you many generations back, but use the resources at hand to help the community not the egos.

Don James: Yes. As adults, we should be able to make our own life decisions. It really is that simple.

Ron Walker: Alcohol will make more money. Have a designated driver or offer a taxi service to prevent DUIs or drunk driving. Have a limit on the number of drinks served to a person. But, it is up to the voters.

Wayne Beaver: I can only speak from my own observations and experience. I've never seen anything good come from alcohol consumption. I have seen families break up because of alcohol, hangovers, people die, throw up, wreck vehicles, false bravery, act disruptive, and the list goes on. People do stupid stuff on alcohol.

Gerri W. Grady: The people should decide these issues through referendum vote.

William Ledford: I don't think that we need alcohol being sold at restaurants or at Unto These Hills, but we need to remove our heads from the sand and realize that tribal members, and tourists, are going to go to Bryson City, Sylva, or Waynesville and bring back some beer and booze. We need to stop sending our money to these places that wanted us gone not that long ago. And, we can use some of the proceeds for our detox and rehab centers. Closing our eyes and hoping it will go away only worked when we were children.

Lillie Seagle: Yes, but at a limit.

Selene Pheasant: I vote no because we learn by example as young people. What the adults do, so will our children. I did not support alcohol in the casino, and I

do not support alcohol being served in restaurants on the Boundary. As a group leader for the Latter Day Saints Church of Jesus Christ addiction recovery program, I hear stories of how addiction can and does destroy lives. I agree there is no harm done if the alcohol stays in the bottle, but ultimately, it will not. Please do not question re-opening the dry county issue. It will not help anyone, just destroy your bodies, your lives and kidneys. We have enough problems with diabetes and heart disease. I really am disappointed in our society if we continue to press this issue.

Tejas Kerbow: People should vote on it; however, why not build a structure in the lower parking across from the old IGA? There could be a parking garage with shops and restaurants either on top or below it. A good example would be some of the areas in Buckhead/Atlanta. This would allow for a multi-use approach to the same footprint of land.



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Sabrina Caroline Saunooke to Laura Elizabeth Crowe Littlejohn for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 637-Q (Part of Parcel No. 637-I), containing 2.000 acres, more or less.

Luther George Goings and Lydia Louise Taylor to Lauren Christian Goings for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 280-A (Part of Parcel No. 280), containing 1.000 acres, more or less.

Joshua Boyd Lossiah to William Lawson Smith for Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 139-J (Part of Parcel No. 139-H), containing 1.592 acres, more or less.

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Alfred Welch, PO Box 1522, Cherokee, NC 28719. **12/2pd**

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Shon Kevin George, 100 Hornbuckle Mountain Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **12/2pd**

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In the Matter of the Estate of Marcella Wilnoty Saine

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Gracia Lorrene Parra-Rubio, 355 Lucy Long Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **12/10**

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Marlene Armachain, 429 Swimmer Branch Road, Cherokee, NC 28719.
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