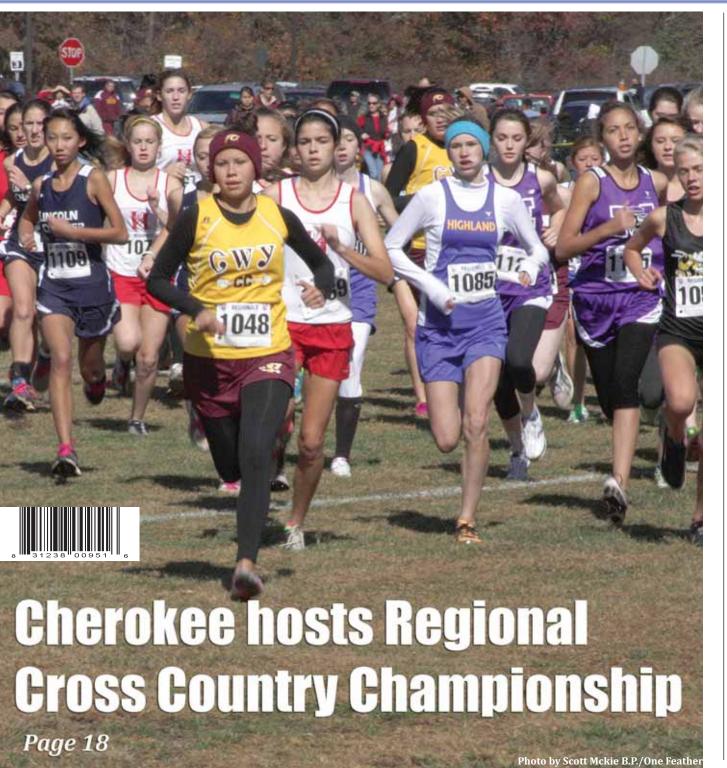




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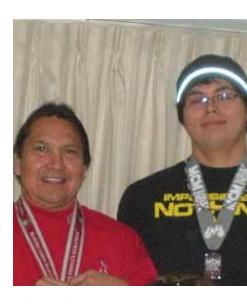
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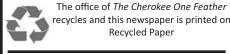
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Chief's Community Report

By PRINCIPAL CHIEF MICHELL HICKS

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This Fall season has been a busy one, offering much opportunity to sit down with the



Deputy Officers of the Eastern Band and plan for the next four years. I am very excited about the direction this Tribe is headed and with your help I know we can accomplish great things.

The past month has been busy with Annual Council and Budget hearings. Every year Tribal Council meets with finance staff and each program to go over their annual budget. As always

Tribal Council and our Finance Department work very hard to balance the Tribal budget, ensuring that the EBCI is being fiscally responsible while maintaining our employee base and our tribal services. I would like to thank our Finance Department for their diligence and scrutiny while preparing our Tribal Budget.

Wednesday, October 19th I was honored to attend the Ribbon Cutting for the Immediate Care Clinic. This clinic will give our enrolled members an added opportunity for healthcare that will have the added benefit of being more flexible to accommodate many of our busy schedules.

The Cherokee Indian Hospital held their Annual Heritage Gala this past Saturday at Harrah's Cherokee Casino and Hotel. The Heritage Gala benefits the Cherokee Indian Hospital Foundation, which ensure our Hospital has all the necessary equipment and services to provide the best possible care to our Cherokee community.

This past Tuesday I had the honor of presenting the second Cherokee Elders Book to senior citizens at Tsali Manor. This Elders Book is a collection of pictures and quotes from our elders. I will be visiting with the Cherokee County John Welch Senior Center and the Snowbird Senior Center in the coming weeks. Please contact Ashleigh Stephens at (828) 497-7029 with any questions.

Finally, I would like to share the final amount for the per capita payment this December. Last year enrolled members received \$4,099 in December and that amount has been increased by 4% to make this December's payout \$4,298. I would like to thank the wonderful staff we have at Harrah's Cherokee Casino and Hotel for their hard work and dedication.

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Madison Hornbuckle Foundation benefits from large donations

he Madison Hornbuckle Foundation has been very fortunate and has greatly benefitted from the generosity of many individuals over the past few months.

Principal Chief Michell Hicks and Vice-Chief Larry Blythe decided to hold the first-ever EBCI Inaugural Ball to celebrate the historic third term reelection of Principal Chief and Vice-Chief. Profits from this Ball were directed to the Madison Hornbuckle Foundation, which totaled over \$25,000. Nineteen companies purchased corporate tables, which raised \$20,000. Additionally, Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Hotel presented Chief Hicks and Vice-Chief Blythe with a check for \$10,000 to benefit the Madison Hornbuckle Foundation.

"I am honored to be in the position to assist the Madison Hornbuckle Foundation," said Chief Hicks. "This Foundation meets an important need in our community and in the lives of families struggling with this terrible disease. It is disheartening to hear the stories from these families about their struggles, both emotionally and financially, and this Foundation eases that burden, if only slightly."



Photo contributed Madison Hornbuckle

In addition to the Inaugural Ball the Madison Hornbuckle Foundation benefited from the second Annual Chief's Challenge. The Chief's Challenge, which is organized by Cherokee Choices, encourages physical fitness among our enrolled members in a fun and exciting race through downtown Cherokee.

This year's Chief's Challenge was a registered mile, starting at the Cherokee Bear Zoo and ending at the Cherokee Ceremonial Grounds prior to the Cherokee Fall Festival Parade. Proceeds from this race raised \$500 to benefit the Madison Hornbuckle Foundation. The Foundation would like to thank Cherokee Choices for their hard work in planning and executing this

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Walk to End Alzheimer's raised over \$5,000

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. ONE FEATHER STAFF

he Walk to End Alzheimer's held on Saturday, Oct. 15 in Cherokee raised over \$5,000. The money raised and pledged at the event, which drew over 100 participants, has just about all come in said Kristy Dotson, program associate for the Alzheimer's Association Western Carolina Chapter office in Cherokea.

"I really think it went great," she said of the walk. "A lot of people were commenting on it a few days afterwards. The most important thing to me is getting the awareness out."

She related that Harrah's Cherokee donated \$2,500 to the walk.

Dotson praised the walk committee including Pepper Taylor, Big Cove Rep. Perry Shell and his wife Phyllis. "They did a great job. They did everything they possibly could. The walk committee really pulled it together."

Rep. Shell commented, "I'm very proud of the community for their open-heartedness and support for the walk. I'd like to thank all of those that donated and sponsored the walk and those that participated in the walk."

In all, 19 walks have been organized in North Carolina this year. Several are still upcoming including one in



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

The Walk to End Alzheimer's, held Saturday, Oct. 15 in Cherokee, has raised over \$5,000. Tonya Carroll (far left) and Charlene Owle represented Team Birdtown at the event.

Hickory on Nov. 6 and one in Charlotte on Nov. 12.

The Alzheimer's Association is hosting two Regional Caregiver Educa-

tion Conferences in the upcoming weeks. The first is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 14 at the First United Methodist Church in Sylva and the second is set for Tuesday, Nov. 15 at the First Baptist Church of Murphy in Murphy.

The conferences will feature several discussions and lectures including "Medical Management of Alzheimer's and Dementia" by Blythe Sanders Winchester, MD, MPH, Cherokee Indian Hospital; "Challenging Behaviors – How Do I Cope?" by Dr. Bryan E. Connell, PhD; "Let's Talk About Dementia Care: Video Presentation and Open Dialogue" by the staff of the Alzheimer's Association Western Carolina Chapter; and more.

The Alzheimer's Association lists the following 10 warning signs for the disease: memory loss that disrupts daily life, challenges in planning or solving problems, difficulty completing familiar tasks, confusion with time or place, trouble understanding visual images, problems with words in speaking or writing, misplacing things, decreased or poor judgment, withdrawal from activities, and changes in mood and personality.

For more information on the Association office in Cherokee, contact Kristy Dotson 497-7499 or Kristy.dotson@alz.org. For more information on the conferences, call 1-800-272-3900 or infonc@alz.org.

Fighting a killer: Cherokee recognizes American Diabetes Month

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. ONE FEATHER STAFF

November is American Diabetes Month and the American Diabetes Association (ADA) is asking individuals to get involved to learn more about prevention of the deadly disease that currently affects 26 million Americans.

According to ADA, diabetes kills more people annually than AIDS and breast cancer combined. "Every 17 seconds, someone is diagnosed with diabetes," information on the ADA website states. "Recent estimates project that as many as 1 in 3 American adults will have diabetes in 2050 un-

less we take steps to Stop Diabetes."

Sheena Kanott, MPH, Cherokee Choices program director, noted, "Cherokee men and women are three times as likely to have Type II Diabetes compared to those of other racial and ethnic groups. Cherokee Choices works to help prevent Type II Diabetes by providing education, mentoring, and social support to help increase physical activity and promote well being and healthy choices, which can reduce the risk for obesity and diabetes."

The Cherokee Diabetes Program is sponsoring several walks in honor of the month. A walk will be held in Cherokee on Monday, Nov. 10, in Cherokee County on Tuesday, Nov. 15 and in the Snowbird Community on Wednesday, Nov. 16. All of the walks are scheduled to start at 10am.

"The Cherokee Diabetes Program, WCTP, and HHI are focused on assisting community members with diabetes live more productive lives," said Sally Sneed Penick, RN, Cherokee Diabetes Program manager. "We promote healthy eating and activity as the best medicine in preventing diabetes and complications from diabetes. Diabetes is a disease that requires self-management with oversight and assistance from medical providers and diabetes educators. Early treatment is always

the best treatment with diabetes. Life is Sacred, Choose to be Healthy."

According to the Cherokee Diabetes Program website, some common signs or symptoms of diabetes include: being tired all the time, always thirsty, need to urinate often, blurry vision, always hungry, sudden weight loss, sexual problems, wounds that won't heal, vaginal infections and numb or tingling hands or feet.

For more information on diabetes, contact the Cherokee Diabetes Program 497-1995, Cherokee Choices 497-1970, or the American Diabetes Association 1-800-DIABETES or visit stopdiabetes.com.

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Henry Owl Fellowship honors American Indian pioneer

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. ONE FEATHER STAFF

Henry Owl was a pioneer for American Indians. The EBCI tribal member was the first person of color admitted to the University of North Carolina and the first American Indian graduate.

He received his master's degree in history from the school in 1929. Owl's master's thesis was entitled "The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians: Before and After the Removal". The university has named a fellowship after Owl in honor of his historic achievements.

The Henry Owl Fellowship, offered through the UNC American Indian Center, funds a two-week language immersion program at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian and includes a stipend of \$1,500, tuition and living expenses.

"Henry Owl opened doors for Cherokees to seek graduate degrees and to exercise their right to vote," said Theda Perdue, UNC American Indian Center. "By doing so, he made North Carolina a more just state. UNC is pleased to honor him with the Henry Owl Fund, which will support the Henry Owl Graduate Fellowship and instructional programs in Cherokee language, history, and culture."

Owl's daughter Gladys Cardiff followed in her father's academic footsteps and has earned a doctorate and is a professor at Oakland University.



UNC Photo

The University of North Carolina has created the Henry Owl Fellowship honoring the late Henry Owl, the first person of color admitted to the university.

"My father inspired me in words and in deeds. I am made humble and also filled with inspiration when I think of how hard he worked to get a good education. For him, doing more than what was required was the norm. His aim was to excel in all that he did, whether it was academics, or sports, or singing beautifully in his deep bass voice."

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- Gladys Cardiff, Owl's daughter

"He was a modest and gentle man who believed in behaving properly and decently toward everyone he met. He had two admonishments for me and my sisters and brother that he repeated throughout his lifetime: 'Get a good education" and 'Remember who you are'. His example gave me the courage to go back to school after my two children were finished with their own college careers. I earned my doctorate and am now a professor at Oakland University with a specialty in Native American literature and in creative writing. I have had two books of poetry published and am finishing a third. I include this information simply to underscore his

legacy as a loving father who inspired me to emulate his work ethic and morals. It has been my honor to introduce students to the wonderful stories, poems, and memoirs of Native writers."

Brooke Bauer, a Ph.D. student at UNC's College of Arts and Sciences and member of the Catawba Nation, was a recipient of the Fellowship in May. "Language study enriches the understanding of American Indian culture, and makes UNC's American Indian studies concentration one of the most innovative in the nation."

Perdue wrote a paper about Owl in which she discusses his life and legacy including his fight for the right of American Indians to vote. "He (Owl) made his mark on the history of Indian civil rights when he tried to register to vote in Swain County. At first, the registrar refused to register him on the basis that he was illiterate. When Owl presented his thesis, the registrar claimed that Cherokees did not have the right to vote in North Carolina because they were wards of the government and not citizens, despite a federal law in 1924 that made all Indians citizens."

"In 1930, Owl's testimony before the Senate about the discrimination he had suffered prompted Congress to enact a law extending citizenship rights to members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, the last Indian tribe in the United States to be guaranteed the right to vote."

For more information on the Henry Owl Fellowship, visit http://gradschool.unc.edu/diversity/a mericanindian/henryowlfellowship.ht ml, (919) 843,4189 or email aic@unc.edu.

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Events planned for Native American Heritage Month

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. ONE FEATHER STAFF

ovember is Native American Heritage Month and many programs in and around Cherokee are having special

The Cherokee Central Schools have events planned all month. Each week is a different theme including: week of Nov. 1 – Celebrating Native Style, week of Nov. 7 – Celebrating our People, week of Nov. 14 – Celebrating our Lifestyle, week of Nov. 21 – Celebrating the Harvest, and week of Nov. 28 – Celebrating our Survival.

Events planned throughout the month include:

- Thursday, Nov. 3 Period Dress Day - Friday, Nov. 4 – Pendleton exhibit in CHS Library
- Tuesday Nov. 8 Tribal and Community Leader day
- Wednesday, Nov. 9 Local speaker
- Thursday, Nov. 10 at 1pm Veterans
 Celebration in the Cultural Arts Center

- Monday, Nov. 14 at 2:30pm Indian Car Paradein front of the school
- Tuesday, Nov. 15 Food and Music Day
- Wednesday, Nov. 16 at 2:30pm Games and Skills on the stickball field
- Thursday, Nov. 17 Archeology presentations in the Gathering Place
- Friday, Nov. 18 Indian Stickball on the stickball field
- Tuesday, Nov. 22 at 2:30pm Indian Market at the Courtyard
- Wednesday, Nov. 23 at 9:30am Cherokee Warriors and Intertribal pow wow

The Qualla Boundary Library has several events celebrating the month including:

- Monday, Nov. 14 at 5pm, Native American movie night featuring a showing of The Only Good Indian starting Wes Studi
- Tuesday, Nov. 15 at 9am, storyteller Marie Junaluska, Library kids room
- Tuesday, Nov. 22 at 9am, storyteller Dawn Arneach, Library kids room

Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual, Inc. has an exhibit at the WCU Mountain

Heritage Center entitled "Qualla Arts and Crafts: Tradition and Innovation". The free exhibit will be up until February 2012.

"The exhibit features interviews with several Cherokee tradition bearers," said Tonya Carroll, Qualla and Crafts. "They are Davy Arch, Darrin Bark, Karen George, John Walkingstick, Geraldine Walkingstick, Fred Wilnoty, Joel Queen, Kim Bottchenbaugh, Sylvester Crowe, Jerry Wolfe and Kathi Littlejohn. Tom Belt was also interviewed about Cherokee language."

"The exhibit has artwork items made by the interviewees and some other Cherokee artisans along with enlarged photos of prominent Cherokee artists from the 20th Century," she said.

An open house for the exhibit is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 10 from 6-8pm. Carroll related, "The open house for the exhibit is part of the Native American Expo at Western Carolina University. Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual partnered with the Mountain Heritage Center on this project and it

was funded by the Blue Ridge National Heritage Area."

The 3rd Annual Native American Expo is scheduled at WCU from Nov. 7-10 and features numerous activities and events. The Expo will kick off with a special luncheon in the third floor of the U.C. Grand Room on Monday, Nov. 7 at 12:20pm. The luncheon will feature dances by Cherokee youth and EBCI flutist Tawodi Brown.

All events listed will take place in the U.C. Grand Room third floor unless otherwise noted.

Monday, Nov. 7

- Cherokee Language Revitalization, 1:25-2:15pm
- Traditional Cherokee Stories, 2:30-3:20pm
- The First People: An Enduring Presence (photographs by Anna Fariello), 3:30-4:30pm
- Native Health Panel: Cherokee Women's Health, 6-7:30pm Tuesday, Nov. 8
- Sustaining Tradition: A Cherokee Co-

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New WCU chancellor to meet with communities

CULLOWHEE – Western Carolina University Chancellor David O. Belcher will meet members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the Swain County community in November as part of a "get acquainted tour" that will take WCU's new chief executive officer to 15 stops during a four-month span.

Belcher, who became chancellor at WCU effective July 1, and wife Susan will meet alumni and other community members from Swain County from 6 until 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, at the Calhoun House in Bryson City. The Nov. 17 event is sponsored by MedWest Health System.

The Belchers will meet alumni and other community members from the Qualla Boundary from 6 until 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 29, in the Maple Room of Harrah's Cherokee Casino and Hotel, which is sponsoring the evening's event.

The tour is designed to assist Belcher in the process of crafting a vision for the next phase of development for the university by soliciting ideas and input from alumni, benefactors, legislators and community members. It includes visits to towns and cities in the Western North Carolina region and across the state, and to Upstate South Carolina, the Metro Atlanta area and Washington, D.C.

"Susan and I are very eager to get to know the members of the Western Carolina family," Belcher said. "I need to hear their thoughts about what the university does well and about what it could do better to serve our students, our region and our state. Together, we will develop a shared vision for the future direction of Western Carolina University."

Formerly provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, he succeeds John W. Bardo, who stepped down as WCU chancellor this summer after 16 years in the position.

The schedule for the statewide tour includes stops in Jackson County; Haywood County; Macon County; Qualla Boundary (Cherokee); Cherokee, Clay and Graham counties; Greater Asheville area; Greater Hickory area; Greater Hendersonville area; Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill; Greensboro, High Point and Winston-Salem; Charlotte/Mecklenburg County; and Swain County.

Refreshments will be served at the Nov. 17 and Nov. 29 receptions.

For information or to RSVP for the receptions, contact Cindi Magill in the Office of Alumni Affairs at 828-227-7335 or magill@wcu.edu.

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NC Legislators visit Cherokee Schools

This week, NC House Legislators Susan Fisher (D-Buncombe) and Patsy Keever (D-Buncombe) visited the Cherokee Central Schools. Shown (left-right) back row – Fisher and Keever, middle row - Fala Welch, Silas Pete, Alyxandra Armachain, Kaniah Reed, Ayden Thomas and Kaella Hornbuckle; front row – Anthony Lossiah, Kenyon Martin and Darius Saunooke.

WCU, OICA announce Poster Contest Winners

or the upcoming Native American Expo, scheduled for Nov. 7-9 at Western Carolina University, WCU's Sequoyah Distinguished Professor, Cherokee Studies Program and the Oconaluftee Institute for Cultural Arts at Southwestern Community College sponsored a Poster Contest for grades K-12, WCU students and SCC students. The contest theme, "Contemporary Native Life" gave students the challenge of depicting what they felt was how Native Americans live today.

"We wanted to create a dialog within the classroom of what does it mean to be Native and how does that look today," commented Dr. Hartwell Frances, Cherokee Language Program Director at WCU.

Over 65 submissions were received in two categories, photography and 2-D, from the New Kituwah Academy, Cherokee Elementary, Smoky



Photo courtesy of Jeffrey Marley/OICA

Entries for WCU's Native Expo Poster Contest fill the OICA gallery.

Mountain High and Swain County High. For each category prizes of \$200 for 1st place, \$150 for 2nd Place, and \$100 for 3rd place were awarded.

The winners for the Photography Category were 1st place: Kaitlyn

Parker from Smoky Mountain High, 2nd place: Erin Zwick from Swain County High, and 3rd place: Christi Zollinger from Swain County High.

The winners the 2-D category were 1st place: Alexandra Treadway from

Swain County High, 2nd place: Cara Haney from Swain County High, and 3rd place: Joy Hutcher from the Oconaluftee Institute for Cultural Arts.

All the entries are on display at the OICA gallery until November. At that time they will be moved to Cullowhee and included as part of WCU's Native American Expo.

Southwestern Community College offers an Associate of Fine Arts degree program at The Oconaluftee Institute for Cultural Arts. The Oconaluftee Institute for Cultural Arts is located on Highway 19 North, behind Tribal Bingo at 70 Bingo Loop in Cherokee, NC. For more information about the Oconaluftee Institute of Cultural Arts, Southwestern Community College and the Associate in Fine Arts program, please call Jeff Marley at 828.497.3945; or on the web at southwesterncc.edu/finearts/

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Fall is for planting and planning ahead

By SARAH MCCLELLAN-WELCH **EBCI COOPERATIVE EXTENSION**

Gardening need not end when cold weather sets in. Planting, planning and garden clean-up are important gardening activities that need to be done at this time of year.

Trees, shrubs, perennials and flowering bulbs can all be planted up until the ground freezes. In fact, fall is considered the best time for planting and transplanting perennial plants. Perennials are plants that grow from their roots year after year. Examples

of perennials include daffodils, tulips, daylilies, strawberries, blackberries, raspberries, asparagus, Jerusalem artichoke, sochan, wild potato, ramps, chinkapins, grapes and blueberries. Fall is also a good time of year to till-up a garden spot for early spring planting.

The ground is often too wet to work in the winter. Plan ahead now by preparing a spot to plant mustard, turnips, kale, spinach, rutabagas, carrots, parsnips, potatoes, peas, onions and lettuce as early as March. Save on spring weeding chores by covering the fresh-tilled garden with weed barrier

fabric or plastic. When it's time to plant, simple remove the weed barrier and plant your seeds! Reuse the weed barrier between the rows to make less work in the spring garden.

Save seeds from vegetables grown this summer. Saving seeds saves money and keeps heritage varieties that you can not buy in stores from disappearing. Pumpkins, squashes, candy roasters, gourds, flour corn, beans, and peas are all easy to save seeds from for next year. At the Center of Cherokee Plants we air- dry our seeds for saving and then put them in the freezer for 2

weeks to kill any insects that may be in them. Once the seeds come out of the freezer, we air dry them again before putting them into air-tight jars and storing them in a cool dark room. Seeds will keep for many years if stored this way.

Finally, garden clean-up is a very important task to do at this time of year. Diseases and pests flourish in dead plants and weeds left in the garden over the winter. Prevent future garden pest problems by removing, or tilling-in, all of the weeds and dead plants in the garden now.

Big Cove Update

By BIG COVE REP. BO TAYLOR

Ko-la-nv-yi Kids

Kolanvyi kids would like to say thank you to the Big Cove community club, Bo Taylor, Perry Shell, and all parents and volunteers for help with the-Halloween parade. We got 2nd place! Also to Inez, vickie, and darlene for volunteering to work concession for our parents at the carnival. A special thank you to all of our Boogers, Qualla Housing, Totsie, Diane Driver, and Billy Joe Swayney for all of your help with

our Haunted Trail. We will be having a clean up Saturday Nov. 5 at 1pm.

Council Rep. Report

Perry Shell and myself are currently in Portland, Oregon attending the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI). The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians needs to maintain a presence on the national scale. I will provide and in depth report about our trip next week. We would like to extend our condolences and well wishes to the Savannah Calhoun family and

anyone else who is sick and afflicted.

We would like express a big thank you to the Big Cove community for a successful Halloween Carnival.

We had a large turnout and here are the winners for each age group.

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- 0-5 1st Elizabeth Guerro 2nd Kiri Hill 3rd Eloise Frady
- 6-9 1st Bekah Panther 2nd Dali Crowe **Dorean Martens**

10-18 1st Kathleen Long 2nd Gabby Baily 3rd Nick Hill

Adult 1st Donald Wolfe 2nd Totsi Welch 3rd Tim Hill

Perry and I will also be on travel next week to Mississippi for USET. If you need to contact us please call: Perry Shell 828-269-0926 (Cell) Bo Taylor 828-736-2947



CLUB SCHEDULE:

Sunday, November 6 – Daylight Savings Time Ends – Turn Clocks Back One

Wednesday, November 9 - Board Resolution Deadline - 8:30 a.m. Friday, November 11 – Veterans Day (Tribal, Club and School Holiday) Wednesday, November 16 - Board of Directors Meeting - 8:30 a.m. Thursday, November 17 – Safety Committee Meeting – 11:30 a.m. Thursday, November 24 - Thanksgiving (Tribal, Club and School Holiday) Friday, November 25 – Tsali Day (Tribal, Club and School Holiday) Monday, November 28 – School Furlough Day

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the Varsity Braves Football team for a great season. Congratulations to Ramius Smith, sophomore quarterback, for breaking the school record for passing yardage in one season. Congratulations to Greg Tisho, junior, who broke the school record for passing yardage received in one season and who was also the Western North Carolina passing yards received leader for a season for all WNC 1-A, 2-A, 3-A and 4-A schools.

The Braves leading rusher was Caleb Queen and was only able to play in nine games. Corbin Wright was the second leading rusher and was only able to play in eight games. The leading tackler was Greg Tisho who had 35 tackles and 103 assists. Second in tackles was Forrest Stamper with 28 tackles and 64 assists and third in tackles was Tavi Rivera with 23 tackles and 68 assists.

The Braves and their coaches did an outstanding job and never quit or gave up. Thanks to Mr. Ray Kinsland for providing these statistics.

Congratulations to the Cherokee Lady's Golf Team who recently participated in the State Regionals on October 24! The Lady Braves played 14 matches this fall with two first place finishes and three players who consistently scored in the top three. The 2011 team members are Karleigh Reeves, Teria Morgan, Elle Bradley, Destiny Owle, Micala Arch, Gabby Thompson and Kyndra Wiggins.

Congratulations to the Cross Country Team for a Great Season! Congratulations to SMC Champion Kendall Toineeta who placed sixth in the 1A West Regional Cross Country Meet held at Cherokee on Saturday, October 29. She is now qualified to participate in the State Meet scheduled for Saturday, November 5 in Kernersville, NC.

Cherokee is having an outstanding and fast school year with many accomplishments including academic, technological, cultural, extra-curricular, vocational and athletic. It is also great to see more and more Cherokee High School graduates who are graduating from college and returning to serve our school, our Tribe and our community.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS!

<u>TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 AT 2:00 A.M.</u>

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Our thoughts and prayers are with Jay Thomasson, his family and the Dugan family on the passing of Jay's mom, Jane Dugan. Jay works in the Club's Shop Department. Jane passed away on Saturday morning, October 29 after battling cancer. Donations can be made in Jane's honor to the Cherokee Cancer Support Group.

MORE CONGRATULATIONS

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Congratulations to Sam Crowe (grandfather) and Roland Crowe (greatgrandfather) of the Club's Graphics Department, on the birth of Kaiser Manuel Hernandez, born on October 24, 2011 weighing in at 7 lbs. and was 18.75" long. Kaiser is the son of Samantha and Manuel Hernandez.

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Annual Council Results - Oct. 24

Res. No. 24 - Appointments to Museum Board of Directors - Jason Lambert, Bill Boyum, Principal Chief Michell Hicks - Passed

Res. No. 25 - Request for feasibility study regarding Tribally-owned financial institution - Passed

Ord. No. 26 - Ordinance amendment regarding supervisory authority of Alcohol Law Enforcement personnel - Tabled for November

Res. No. 27 - Request for referendum re: alcohol - Amended/Passed

- TOP Office

Online payments now available at Cherokee Central Schools

With Lunchprepay.com you will not have to worry about lost lunch money again. Lunchprepay.com is a secure, easy, and convenient to apply funds directly to your student's account. With a premium membership, \$10 registration fee, you can even check the account balance and keep an eye on what your student is

You may also send money with your child to purchase items each day or deposit money directly onto their account at the register. For more information or to register visit www.LunchPrepay.com

CHS's Allied Health Science classes attend Careers Fair

ASHEVILLE - Cherokee High School's Allied Health Science Classes attended the 12th Annual Health Careers Education Awareness Conference on Oct. 11. The Conference was held at UNC-Asheville in the Wilma Sherrill Wellness Center. MAHEC's Department of Health Careers and Diversity Education and the WNC Regional Advisory Committee, which Mrs. Hess is a member, hosted the conference. The focus of this conference is to develop a coordinated effort to heighten knowledge and exposure of health careers and workforce diversity in the region. The conference objectives were to: 1) improve awareness and understanding of health career opportunities for high school students, 2) increase personal health awareness through screening opportunities and education,, 3) increase the number of minorities and economically disadvantaged populations that choose healthcare training programs and, ultimately, healthcare occupations and, 4) develop a coordinated regional network of health occupation teachers and other public, private and home school persons.

The theme of the conference was "Navigating Your Journey to a Health Career." Teck Penland, President and CEO of MAHEC, Jacquelyn Hallum, Director of Health Careers and Diversity Education, MAHEC welcomed and gave an overview of the Conference.

The Honorable Terry M. Bellamy, Mayor of the City of Asheville, spoke to the students concerning the importance of their education. Concurrent sessions followed and the students attended sessions in: Financial Aid, Laura Misner, College Foundation of North Carolina; "Are you Fit to be an American Idol?", Meg Hanshaw, Wellness Consultant; Health Careers Success: Planning and Preparation, Ned Fowler, Associate V.P. Instructor, AB-Tech Community College; Diversity in Healthcare, Brandy Mills, Nurse Educator, Mission Hospitals; "Obstacles to Avoid On Your Journey", Community Panelist: Katherine Cross, "Our Voice", Carlos Vargas, "Youth OU Tright", Capt. Tim Splain, Asheville Police Department, Christopher S. Hess, Assistant District Attorney, Buncombe County DA's Office, and Michelle Lemell, Asheville City Schools Safe & Drug Free Schools.

Following the sessions, the students attended an Interactive Career Fair where over 60-65 different health careers were represented with display booths, information, and tools of the trade.

- Cherokee Central Schools

Cherokee Central Schools menus

Friday, Nov. 4: BK - biscuit/gravy, applesauce; lunch - cheeseburger or hamburger, lettuce/pickle, French fries, fresh happle

Monday, Nov. 7: BK - sausage biscuit, pineapples; lunch - beanie weanies, mac-n-cheese, steamed green peas, peach slices

Tuesday, Nov. 8: BK - breakfast pizza, pears; lunch - ham and cheese, baked chips, carrot/celery with dip, pineapples, blue gelatin

Wednesday, Nov. 9: BK - grits, eggs, toast, applesauce; lunch - taco salad, steamed yellow corn, juicy orange wedges

Thursday, Nov. 10: BK - Belgian waffles, sausage link, strawberries; lunch chick fillet on bun, lettuce/pickle, tater tots, sherbet cup

Smokies Winter Schedule

Great Smoky Mountains National Park has announced its winter season facility closings schedule. As cooler weather approaches and visitation decreases, various facilities will close, including 7 of the 10 campgrounds, and operational hours for some visitor services will be reduced.

VISITOR CENTERS
Through the month of November, the Sugarlands Visitor Center, 2 miles south of Gatlinburg, Tenn., will open daily from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. The Oconaluftee Visitor Center, 2 miles north of Cherokee, N.C., will serve visitors from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. The Cades Cove Visitor Center located half way around the Cades Cove Loop Road, near Townsend, Tenn., will be opened daily from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. The visitor center hours for other winter months are posted on the Park's website, www.nps.gov/grsm.

ROADS

Several of the secondary roads are scheduled to close as follows: the Balsam Mountain and Heintooga Roads will close on November 1 and the twoway segment of the Roundbottom/Straight Fork Road, just outside Cherokee, will close on November 15. Parson Branch and Rich Mountain Roads will close on November 21, and Clingmans Dome and Roaring Fork Motor Nature Trail on December 1. During the winter months, the Park's two main roads, Newfound Gap (U.S. 441) and Little River, will remain open throughout the year, except for temporary closures for extreme winter weather conditions.

The Gatlinburg Bypass, Cades Covel Loop Road, Cosby Road, Greenbrier Road, Upper Tremont, Forge Creek, Lakeview Drive, and Foothills Parkway (East and West) will open and close as road and weather conditions mandate.

For more information on winter weather road conditions, contact the Park at 865-436-1200 (select option "2" and select "2" again to access road info). Those who wish to be notified of the status of the Park's four most popular roads - Newfound Gap (U.S. 441), Little River Road, Laurel Creek Road, and Cades Cove Loop Road – can receive cell phone text message alerts by texting: follow smokiesroadsnps to 40404. The public can get that same information via the Internet by going

to: www.twitter.com/smokiesroadsnps to read recent road notification postings.

Winter Schedule—two LODGING

Mt. LeConte Lodge will close for the season on November 23. CAMPING

Two of the three major campgrounds will remain open all year.
These year-round campgrounds are
Cades Cove in Tennessee and Smokemont in North Carolina. Starting November 1, they will be on a self-registration basis with a reduced number of available sites. Elkmont Campground in Tennessee will remain open through the Thanksgiving weekend and will close on December 1.

Balsam Mountain campground is already closed for the season. The six remaining self-registration campgrounds at Cosby, Cataloochee, Deep Creek, Big Creek, Look Rock and Abrams Creek, will close on November 1.

CADES COVE CAMPGROUND STORE

Cades Cove Campground Store will close on December 1. The store will be closed on Thanksgiving Day. Vending machines at the store will remain in service throughout the winter. PICNICKING

Seven picnic areas will remain open through the winter: Chimneys, Cades Cove, Cosby, Greenbrier, Metcalf Bottoms, Big Creek, and Deep Creek. Picnic pavilions at Cosby, Greenbrier and Deep Creek will be open through the winter and can be reserved at www.recreation.gov. Picnic pavilions that will close on November 1 include Twin Creeks, Collins Creek, and Metcalf Bottoms.

HORSEBACK STABLES

Smokemont Riding Stable is scheduled to close on November 1. Sugarlands Riding Stable and Smoky
Mountain Riding Stable will close on
November 28. Cades Cove Riding Stable will close on December 1. The
closing dates are dependent on
weather conditions.
HORSE CAMPS

All five horse camps--Round Bottom, Tow String, Cataloochee, Big Creek, and Anthony Creek--are scheduled to close on November 14.

-NPS

Elk Environmental Assessment Approved

GATLINBURG--Great Smoky Mountain's National Park Superintendent Dale Ditmanson announced today the approval of a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) of the Environmental Assessment (EA) on a proposed plan for managing a permanent herd of elk in the Park. The approved plan, signed on October 20, 2011, by National Park Service Regional Director David Vela, culminates a 10-year effort to reestablish elk to their native range.

In June 2010, the Park published the EA outlining the findings of an 8-year experimental elk release (2001-2008). The purpose of the EA was to determine the most appropriate and feasible approach to manage the existing elk population, currently totaling around 140 animals. The primary objective under the Preferred Alternative of Adaptive Management is to maintain an elk population within the Park that is self sustaining and allows only acceptable impacts to Park resources. "By creating a framework of flexibility, Park managers can employ a variety of management strategies to deal with a range of behaviors with the goal of preventing 'unacceptable' conditions as described in the EA," said Park Superintendent Dale Ditmanson.

Research findings from the experimental elk release indicated that the elk population was sustainable, had minimal impacts on the Park's resources, and human-elk conflicts were manageable.

Monitoring of the elk herd will continue, however, these activities will be scaled back from efforts employed during the research phase. A portion of the elk population will continue to be fitted with radio-collars and tracked, primarily the adult females and all newborn calves. Vegetation will be monitored to determine if the elk have an unacceptable impact on native plant communities. In addition, the management plan transitions responsibility for elk management issues outside the Park to the appropriate tribal, state or federal agency with jurisdiction over wildlife on those lands. Park staff will continue to work cooperatively and provide guidance and training regarding elk management, where feasible, to any agency requesting support.

The Park received 67 comments from stakeholders, agencies, and the general public during the 30-day comment period of those, 47 fully supported the project, 19 comments had specific concerns with the some of the action items in the EA, and one commenter opposed the plan. The FONSI, with public comments and Park responses, is available for review on-line at the National Park Service's Planning, Environment, and Public Comment website: http://parkplanning.nps.gov or at the Park's website at

http://parkplanning.nps.gov or at the Park's website at http://www.nps.gov/grsm/parkmgmt/index.htm.

-GSMP

BOYS CLUB: Weekly report from page 10

CHRISTMAS STORE NEWS

Every year the Family Support Services department of the Boys Club has a "Christmas Store" and "Food Pantry" to help families in need provide gifts for their children. This program is operated and funded solely by donations. As in the past, the Santa Braves will team up with the Family Support Services office to raise money, collect toys and hold food drives to provide much needed help for some of the families in our community.

Details for the fundraising efforts are not complete at this time, but plans are being made with the School's Athletic Department, Boys Club Staff, School Staff and local merchants to begin this year's campaign.

Please watch the *One Feather* for further information. If your community or your program would like to assist with Food Pantry and Christmas Store needs, contact Leslie Lossiah at the Family Support Services office – 497-6092.

OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR EMPLOYEE BENEFITS COMING SOON

Wednesday, November 16 at the Fairgrounds

Thursday, November 17 at CES Greenroom

Friday, November 18 at Snowbird Library

The purpose of these meetings is to add dependents, drop dependents, change beneficiaries, name changes, tax changes, etc.

Representatives from Blue Cross/Blue Shield of NC (Health and Dental Insurance); Community Eye Care (Vision Insurance); MetLife Insurance (Long-Term Disability, Short-Term Disability, and Accidential Death and Dismemberment); Transamerica (401-K) and AFLAC will be available to assist you with questions or to add or delete coverage.

Obituaries

Rev. William Arthur Locust

Rev. William Arthur Locust, 96, of Cherokee died peacefully on Monday, October 24, 2011, surrounded by his family. He was the son of the late Noah and Anne Burrell Locust.

In addition to his parents Rev. Locust was preceded in death by his wife Sally; a son Ernest; three grandchildren, Brittany, Patrick, and Kirk, five brothers, Homer, Lewis, Russell, Andrew, and Fred; and four sisters, Bessie, Martha, Josie and Tinny.

He is survived by three daughters, Linda Locust George and her husband John, Suzanne Locust, and Wilani Locust Taylor and her husband Bill, all of Cherokee; four sons, James W. Locust and his wife Evelyn, Arthur Locust Jr. and his wife Parshala, Frank James Locust and his wife Betty, and Jeremiah Locust and his wife Sadie, all of Cherokee; a sister, Edna Locust Hornbuckle of Cherokee; twenty nine grandchildren, forty five great grandchildren, five great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Rev. Locust was a Baptist preacher for 74 years, and as a young man made his way to and from church on a bicycle, and even in his last days was still leading souls to the Lord. He was also Council Member and worked with the Civilian Conservation Corps. Arthur was an avid sportsman and loved all things outdoors including hunting, fishing and gardening with his children, he also enjoyed making baskets. He was a good man and a great father who always lived by Psalm 37 : 23 "The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in his way." He loved his family and will be greatly

Funeral services were held Friday, October 28, 2011 at 2:00 pm at Goose Creek Baptist Church with Revs. James Gunter and Hoover Nations officiating. Burial was at the Locust Family Cemetery. Bryson City Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Online condolences can be made at www.brysoncityfuneralhome.com.

Benjamin Alex Clark

Benjamin Alex Clark, 49, passed away Sunday morning, October 30, 2011 at Charles George VA Medical Center in Asheville. A native of New Martinsville, WV, he was the son of the late Lowell Clark and the late Verda Smith. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, U. S. Navy, and worked with the Jackson County Sheriff's Department as a detention officer.

He was an avid firearms collector and a Mason. He was a member of Shoal Creek Baptist Church and a beloved husband, father, and friend. Besides his parents, he was also preceded in death by two brothers, Michael Bishop and Steve Goddard. He is survived by his wife of 15 years, Traci Henderson Clark, a daughter, Katlyn Brahmer of Whittier, a son, Michael Clark of West Virginia, one brother, Anthony Clark of Phoenix, AZ, and an uncle, James Trader.

A celebration of Benjamin's life will be held at 2pm Friday, Nov. 4, 2011 in the Chapel of Appalachian Funeral Services in Sylva. The family will receive friends an hour before the service at the funeral home. Burial with military rites will be in the Thomas Memorial Cemetery in shoal Creek, Whittier, NC. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made by donations to www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com. The donations will go to providing prepaid calling cards for soldiers serving overseas. An online registry is available at www.appalachianfuneralservices.com

Jane Kay Dugan

The world lost a beautiful woman, but heaven gained a beautiful soul.

Jane Kay Dugan, 56, of Dugan Road, Cherokee, went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, October 29, 2011. She passed at the Cherokee Indian Hospital after a five month battle with cancer.



Jane was born on February 3,

1955, at the Cherokee Indian Hospital. She was the daughter of the late James Boyce Dugan and Jessie Owle Dugan. Raised on Coopers Creek in the Birdtown Community, she attended the Swain County public school system and graduated from Swain County High School in 1973, where she was a softball player and a homecoming queen. Jane was a very strong, independent and hard working woman with a great will to help people. While she was still in school and at a very young age she started working at the Cherokee Indian Museum during the summers. And, as was the case with many people in the Cherokee Community, Jane ended up working for The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. This line of business lasted for a total of almost 27 years. Although she held many different positions with the Tribe, she started out on a work permit at the Big Cove Head Start. Also included in her professional career with the Tribe, she worked as a secretary for the Water & Sewer Department for 6 years and as a secretary for Chief Ed Taylor. Jane was most proud of her time spent as a dispatcher, where she spent 10 years giving her service to our people.

She had many passions throughout her 56 years of life, photography, Harleys, horses, cowboy boots, Pointer Overalls, family, and her beloved friends. The most important passion to her was always her son Jay Logan and later her granddaughter Jaylyn. They are what made her eyes light up and her heart warm.

Besides her parents, Jane was also preceded by brother, James Todd Dugan; nephew, Scott Sneed; greatniece, Brittany Dugan; all of Cherokee. She is survived by her son, Jay Logan Thomasson; grand-daughter, Jaylyn Nikole Thomasson; and daughter-inlaw, Brandy Thomasson of Whittier. Jane is also survived by her brothers, Jerry Dugan and John Dugan; and sisters, Joyce Sneed, Judy Hyatt, Janice Smith, Jewell Fischer, and Jackie Queen, all of Cherokee. There is also a long list of nieces, nephews, and a wealth of lifelong wonderful friends.

Services were held at the

Bethabara Baptist Church in Birdtown with Mr. Richie Sneed officiating. Visitation was held on Sunday from 6 pm to 10 pm. The funeral was on Monday at 2 pm. She was buried in the Owle Cemetery in Goose Creek on Wagon Wheel Gap Road. Serving as pallbearers were Adam Craig, Tyler Brooks, Billy Lossiah, Tommy Dills, Matt Deas & Nick Stephenson.

Donations can be made in her honor to the Cherokee Cancer Support Group.

Savannah Driver Calhoun

Savannah Driver Calhoun, 76, of Cherokee passed away on October 31, 2011 at Tsali Care Center following an extended illness. She was a member of the Straight Fork Baptist Church and a member of the Big Cove Community.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Smathers Calhoun; her parents, George Driver and Annie Bird Driver; son, Frank Calhoun; grandson, Shawn Calhoun, Jr.; brothers, John G. Driver and Wade Driver; sisters, Alyne Driver and Lydia Littlejohn.

She is survived by her children, Clement Calhoun and wife Elsie of Cherokee, William Calhoun of Cherokee, Susanna Finger of Ela, Flora Mae Shelton and husband Dennis of Sylva, Annabelle Shuler and husband Gary of Cherokee, and Shawn Calhoun of Ela; one brother, Wesley Driver of Cherokee. She is also survived by eight grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews, and great nieces and great-nephews.

The body was taken to the Straight Fork Baptist Church at 6 PM on Wednesday November 2, 2011 where it remained until the service hour of 2 PM on Thursday November 3, 2011. The burial followed the service at the Smathers Calhoun Cemetery.

The Rev. James "Bo" Parris and the Rev. Charles Ray Ball officiated. The Pall Bearers were Larch Tooni, Gary Shuler, Kevin Blackfox, Charlie Blackfox, Bear Driver, and Mike Parker.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

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Illusions and Mind Games Magic Show held

ne of the nations top storytellers and artists and three of the areas top illusionists, mentalists and magicians performed in Cherokee at the Cultural & Performing Arts Center in the Cherokee Central School on Friday, Oct. 28.

The night started with master storyteller Davy Arch who shared legends of Cherokee, including Spearfinger and Uktena. Arch is an EBCI tribal member and is an accomplished artist in a number of mediums. He is currently the manager of the Oconaluftee Indian Village. During this special seasonal event, he has been contributing his storytelling talents to the Myths and Legends Tour.

Magician Jeane Burton brings laughter and fun to any audience! Burton's exciting routines and jokes created the perfect family atmosphere. Jeane Burton is the owner of The Magic Shop in Greenville, SC.

The Southern Charmer, Master MentalistKellar O'Neil brought his mind reading miracles to the audience in Cherokee...revealing personal information about those he had never met (all while blindfolded) and shared the experience of The Mystic Teapot where audience members called out their favorite drinks and they were all poured



Photo by Robert Jumper/Cherokee Travel and Tourism Illusionist Thomas Clark levitates a table during the Illusions and Mind Games Magic Show held at the Cherokee Cultural Arts Center on Friday, Oct. 28.

from the same teapot and then given to audience members to taste their favorite beverage. Performing for over 20 years, O'Neil has appeared on television shows on NBC, CBS, ABC and

Illusionist Thomas Clark has been amazing audiences, making people appear and disappear. He is an awardwinning stage magician and actor in national television commercials for many well-known businesses. His act featured a dove production sequence and leaves left the audience baffled as drove sharp blades straight through his assistant! When Clark isn't traveling and performing, he spends his time building effects for other performers. Several members of the Cherokee community came to enjoy the night of magic. Several were about to come to the stage and participate in the show. O'Neil asked several local "assistants" as he performed exhibitions of mind reading.

Cherokee Travel and Tourism related they would like to thank Yona Wade, Joyce Dugan and Cherokee Central Schools for the use of the facility and their support in bringing this magical event to the Cultural and Performing Arts Center.

- Cherokee Travel and Tourism

Monster Bash held at Fairgrounds

undreds of ghosts, ghouls and cartoon characters descended on the Cherokee Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall for the Monster Bash on Saturday, Oct. 29. Howard Wahnetah, Fairgrounds coordinator, and the staff of EBCI Travel and Tourism department, organized the event for travelers and the local community to celebrate the harvest season and provide a fun, safe environment to relax, play games and dance the night

The Monster Bash was held in conjunction with a ten-day experience going on in Cherokee, including the Haunted Village and Ghost Walk, Haunted Village Parade, Myths and Legends Tour and Magic Show. The celebration included party games, dance and costume competitions and seasonally themed foods.

One highlight of the night was a command performance from "Elvis"



Photo by Robert Jumper/Cherokee Travel and Tourism

Christopher Watty (center) belts out "Jailhouse Rock" at the Monster Bash held last Saturday.

(a.k.a. Christopher Watty from the Cherokee Welcome Center). He belted out his famous rendition of "Jailhouse Rock". Competitions included a fastest

mummy rapping and scariest costume. Howard Wahnetah said he wished to thank all of those who assisted with putting on the event and the many

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guests who came to enjoy the festivi-

Cherokee Travel and Tourism

HORNBUCKLE: from page 4

Finally, the Madison Hornbuckle Foundation board members and Madison's family members have been selling Madison Hornbuckle tshirts to benefit the Foundation.

Corky Swayney can be contacted at (828) 788-3751 if you would like to purchase a t-shirt, short-sleeved shirts are available for \$10 each and long-sleeved shirts are available for \$15 each.

The Madison Hornbuckle Foundation is a non-profit organization under the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians that offers financial assistance to families that have children with cancer. The Foundation was established June 2010 in honor of Madison Hornbuckle who lost her young life as a result of cancer. Madison saw the devastation brought about on families that have children with cancer and wanted to find a way to improve their lives. This Foundation is working towards that goal in Madison's honor.

Foundation Chairman Corky Swayney says, "I would to thank the many individuals for all their hard work in raising money to benefit the Foundation. We work with these local families to help them in their time of need, and we appreciate all the assistance we can get in making their lives a little easier during this difficult time."

> - Madison Hornbuckle **Foundation**

Walking tour of natural, cultural resources offered at WCU

CULLOWHEE - Western Carolina University's Mountain Heritage Center and Cherokee Studies Program will sponsor a walking tour and discussion focusing on the natural and cultural resources of the Cullowhee Valley on Sunday,

Participants will meet in the Mountain Heritage Center lobby at 2 p.m. to begin the one-mile walk. Led by Jane Eastman, WCU associate professor of anthropology and director of the Cherokee Studies Program, the walk will include stops along Cullowhee Creek and the Tuckaseigee River.

Info: (828)227-7129.

- WCU

Cherokee holds Myths and Legends Tour

By ROBERT JUMPER **CHEROKEE TRAVEL and TOURISM**

Frieda Huskey, sales coordinator for Cherokee Travel and Tourism, developed and created a tour of Cherokee that highlighted many of the legends and legendary happenings in the Cherokee area.

The tour ran from Oct. 23-27 and was so popular a private party extended it for several more days. Storyteller Davy Arch created the role of a ghostly guide who rode along in the customized trailer designed for the tour.

The trailer was rigged with sound and light effects and a troupe of actors helped give the guests a unique and frightful experience. The Myths and Legends Tour focused on traditional Cherokee legends and stories of true happenings of the Cherokee area. Up to 20 guests per tour were allowed experience the Myths and Legends



TODD KENT/One Feather contributor

The trailer shown above was used for the Myths and Legends Tour which ran through Cherokee from Oct. 23-27.

Tour and several nights, the department ran as many as three tours each night.

The EBCI Travel and Tourism Of-

fice would like to thank all of those who made the Myths and Legends Tour a great success, including the many who enjoyed the tour.

MONTH: Event listings for Native American Heritage Month, from page 7

operative, 11am - 12:10pm

- Cherokee Letterpress, 12:30-1:50pm
- Du-Yu Dv-l: The Right Path Adult Leadership, 3:30-4:30pm
- The Struggle for Freedom of the Press in Indian Country, Will Chavez (Cherokee Nation), 6-7:30pm Wednesday, Nov. 9
- Cherokee Boarding School Experience, 12:20-1:20pm
- Indian Identity Panel, 3:30-5pm
- Musical performance by Arigon Starr, 6-7:30pm

For more information on the Expo,

email to ygonell@wcu.edu.

The Oconaluftee Institute for Cultural Arts (OICA) has the following events planned:

- Nov. 1-30 OICA student work will be featured in the Balsam Building Gallery on SCC's Sylva Campus.
- Nov. 14 An Introduction to Printmaking class will be held where students can learn to make prints in the Cherokee syllabary. 6-8:30pm
- Nov. 17 A reception will be held for a basket display from the Clay County Historical Society featuring Qualla Arts

and Crafts members, 4-6pm

The N.C. Museum of History in Raleigh is planning its 16th Annual American Indian Heritage Celebration on Saturday, Nov. 19 from 11am - 4pm. Several EBCI tribal members will perform at the free event including storytellers Lloyd Arneach, Sr. and his daughter Dawn Arneach. The Warriors of Anikituwah are slated to perform traditional Cherokee dances such as the Cherokee War Dance and the Eagle Tail Dance.

Pow wow style dancing will also be held with a grand entry scheduled at noon. For more information on this event, visit ncmuseumofhistory.org or (919) 807-7900.

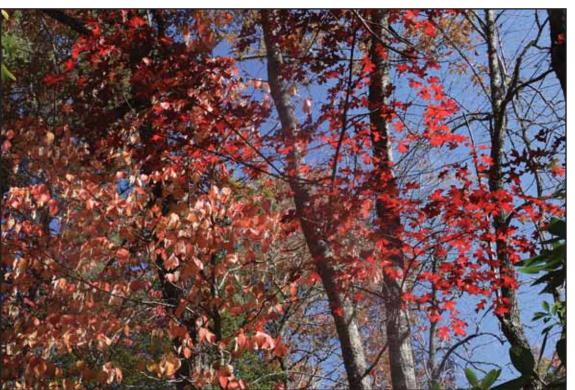






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Fall Colors
We asked our contributing photographers to send us their shots of the fall colors in and around Cherokee.



DAWN ARNEACH/One Feather contributor



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather



DENISE WALKINGSTICK/One Feather contributor



Zacchaeus Martinez is raring to go as he and his father Johnny attend the trick-or-treat event held at the Dora Reed Children's Center on Friday, Oct. 28.



Yajaira Gomez



Walela Ledford and Ashton Saylor

Photos by Scott McKie B.P./One Feather



Janna Hyatt and Sara Freeman of the Dora Reed Parent Group



Felix Lossiah



Melyssa Santiago

Smith, Tisho break records as Braves end season

ONE FEATHER STAFF REPORT

obbinsville edged Cherokee 17-14 on a cold, rainy night to end the Braves (3-8) season. But, the real story on Friday, Oct. 28 was the record-breaking seasons by QB Raymius Smith and his favorite target Greg Tisho.

Smith broke the school record with 1,526 passing yards on the season. In all, he completed 88 of 160 passes (.550 pct.) with 16 TDs and 10 INTs.

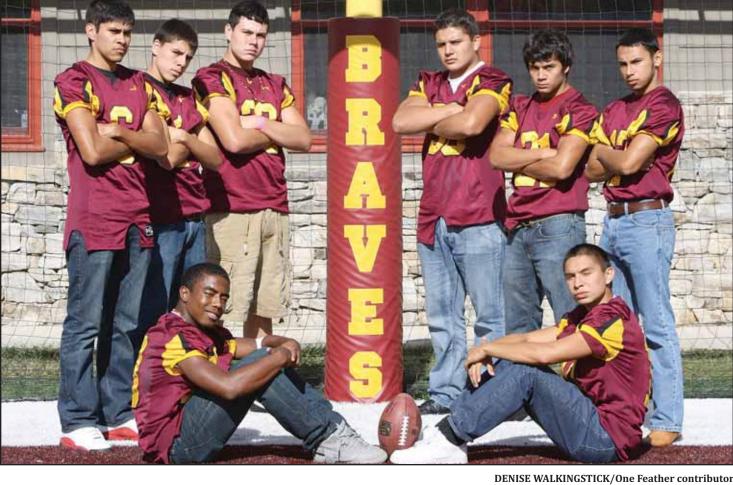
Tisho broke the school record for receiving yards in a season with 1,040. He caught 51 passes and scored 11 TDs. Tisho had the most yards in the regular season of any receiver in western North Carolina.

He also led the team in tackles with 35 and 103 assists followed by Forrest Stamper with 28 tackles and 64 assists and Tavi Rivera with 23 tackles and 68 assists.

"I'm really proud of the coaches and players," said Ray Kinsland, the "Voice of the Braves". "Those boy s and the coaches desert a great appreciation for never quitting and never giving up."

The leading rusher on the team was Caleb Queen with 507 yards on 86 carries. He was followed by Corbin Wright with 421 yards on 71 carries. Neither played an entire season with Queen playing nine games and Wright playing eight.

In Friday's game, Robbinsville got on the board first as Zack Waldroup ran for a 7-yard score. Josh Gibson added the extra point and the Black Knights led 7-0 at the 4:45 mark in the first quarter.



Cherokee's Seniors: (left-right) standing - Jay Bradley, Jeremy Wolfe, Poncho Ramirez, Forrest Stamper, Wesley Long and Gabe Mcmillan; sitting - Caleb Queen and Dre Jackson.

Several minutes later, Smith got Cherokee on the board as he took it into the end zone from one yard out. Derrick Ledford added the extra point and the game was tied 7-7.

The second quarter was scoreless and the only scoring in the third quarter would be on a 24-yard field goal by Robbinsville's Gibson which proved to

be the difference in the game.

With a 10-7 lead, Robbinsville converted a fake field goal play halfway through the fourth quarter as Dakota Crisp passed to Greg Burchfield on a 13-yard score. Gibson's kick was good and the Black Knights led 17-7.

But, the Braves would not quit. They'd make it close as Smith hit Tisho on a 19-yard touchdown pass with just over a minute left. Ledford's kick was good to make it 17-14 which is how it ended.

On the season, the Braves were outscored 198-271 and had 974 penalty yards compared to their opponent's 788.

2011-12 CHS Winter Sports Schedules

CHS Wrestling Schedule

November

16 - at Asheville School, 4pm

19 - at Banks County, Ga., 9am

21 – at Smoky Mountain, 6pm

22 – at E.Henderson/Mtn. Heritage,

29 – vs. Rabun Gap, Ga. /Franklin, 6pm

December

2-3 - King of the Mountain (Townes County, Ga.)

6 – at Patton/S. Caldwell, 5pm

9 – at Rabun Gap, Ga., 5pm

16 - vs. Rosman, 6pm

17 - Chief Osley B. Saunooke tournament, 9:30am

21 – at Owen Quad, 5pm

22 – at Franklin, 6pm

3 – at Hiwassee Dam, 6pm

6-7 - at Rock Hill (SC) Bearcat Invita-

10 - vs. Hayesville, 6pm

13 – at Murphy, 6pm

15 - James Orr Invitational (Robbinsville), 9am

17 – vs. Swain, 6pm

20 – at Robbinsville, 6pm

24 - vs. Asheville School, 5pm

27 - vs. Andrews, 6pm

February

2 - Christ School Tri

4 - Conference Tournament, home,

9:30am

7 - Dual Team First Round, TBA

8 - at Asheville School/Brevard,

11 - Regional and State Duals, TBA

17-18 - Individual Regionals, Thomas

23-24 - Individual States, Greensboro

CMS Basketball

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2011

November

3 – at Swain

7 - vs. Andrews

14 - at Hayesville

17 – vs. Hiwassee Dam 21 - at Murphy

28 - vs. Robbinsville

December

1 - at Rosman

5 – vs. Swain

8 - at Andrews

15 - vs. Hayesville

19 - at Hiwassee Dam

January

5 - vs. Murphy

9 - at Robbinsville

12 - vs. Rosman

14-16 SMC Tournament at Hayesville

* all CMS games start at 4:30pm

CHS Basketball

November

8 – at Christ School (scrimmage, boys

15 – at Franklin (scrimmage, girls

17 – at Pisgah (scrimmage)

29 - vs. Polk County

30 - at Rabun Gap, Ga.

December

2 - at Murphy

6 - vs. Robbinsville

9 - vs. Rosman

13 - at Swain

15 - at Tuscola

16 - vs. Blue Ridge

see SCHEDULES page 18

cherokee one feather

Cherokee hosts Cross Country Regionals

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

herokee High School played host to 149 runners as the NCHSAA 1-A West Regional Cross Country Regional meet was held there on Saturday, Oct. 29. Lake Norman Charter School won both the boys and the girls regional championship.

The Cherokee Lady Braves team finished sixth with an overall score of 148. The top five girls teams included: Lake Norman 35, Hendersonville 116, Robbinsville 124, Hayesville 125 and Thomas Jefferson 141.

Sarah Hardin, Lake Norman, won the regional championship with a time of 20:17.06. Her teammate Stephanie Zaino came in second with a time of 20:29.45 followed by Erin Brooks, Hendersonville, 20:33.13.

SMC champion Kendall Toineeta, Cherokee, came in sixth with a time of 21:11.74. With her finish, she qualified for the state meet scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 5 at Beeson Park in Kernersville.

"I think our team did great," said Eddie Swimmer, CHS cross country coach. "They ran their hearts out. I'm really proud of these girls. I just can't say enough good things about them."

Other Lady Braves runners included: Jordyn Thompson, 22nd, 22:46.57; Shayna Ledford, 26th, 23:09.94; Avery Mintz, 38th, 23:53.02; and Deija Burgess, 28:08.41.

The top five boys teams included: Lake Norman 37, Mitchell 100, Hayesville 108, Thomas Jefferson 129 and Murphy 135.

SMC champion Dylan Johnson, Hayesville, won the regional championship with a time of 16:51.67. He was



With a sixth place finish at Saturday's 1A West Regional cross country meet, Cherokee's Kendall Toineeta qualified for the state meet scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 5 in Kernersville. See 121 photos from this event online at www.nccherokee.com/theonefeather.

followed by Floyd Levy, Thomas Jefferson, 17:14.47 and Michael Westbay, Lake Norman, 17:15.28.

Cherokee posted three runners including: Gerald Mahan, 56th, 20:20.73; Earl Carroll, 73rd, 21:50.63; and Levi Swearingen, 77th, 22:09.02.

Cherokee has been chosen as the site for next year's Regional meet. Coach Swimmer commented, "I would like to thank everyone who helped make the 1A West Regional Cross Country Meet a great success this past Saturday including the Cherokee Roads Dept., Cherokee EMS, Cherokee Police Dept., Buford Smith, Bobby Driver and Greg Panther, Tina Swimmer and the Cherokee Athletic Booster Club, and Mr Ray Kinsland."

SCHEDULES: From page 17

21 - vs. Johnson Co., Tenn. (JV & varsity boys only)

21-23 – New Hanover Co. Christmas Classic (girls only)

28-30 - Carolina West Tournament, at home, eight games daily starting at 9:30am

January

3 – vs. Andrews

6 - at Highlands

10 - at Hayesville

13 - vs. Murphy

17 - at Robbinsville

20 - at Rosman

23 - at Hiwassee Dam

24 - vs. Swain

27 - at Blue Ridge

31 - at Andrews

February

3 - vs. Highlands

7 - vs. Hayesville

9-17 - SMC Tournament at Robbinsville

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Did you catch the Rumble?

Cherokee Chamber hosts Rumble in the Rhododendron Fly Fishing Tournament

he Cherokee Chamber of Commerce, in association with the EBCI Fish and Wildlife Department and assistance from the North Carolina Fly Fishing Team, hosted the 2011 Rumble in the Rhododendron fly-fishing tournament. This two-person team event showcased the special catch and release, fly-fishing only section of the Oconaluftee River on the Cherokee Indian Reservation. The tournament ran Oct. 21-23 with \$10,000 in prize money being awarded between first, second and third place.

Competitors from North Carolina and Georgia made up the majority of the entrants into this year's event, but participants from as far away as Pennsylvania and Colorado rounded out the field, which had 26 teams. First place in the tournament went to Paul Bourcq of Franklin and Chris Lee of Bryson City.

Tournament organizer and executive director of the Cherokee Chamber

of Commerce Matthew Pegg gets excited when he talks about the tournament. "The Rumble in the Rhododendron is a great weekend of competitive fly-fishing on a portion of the best trout water East of the Mississippi River. With that said, competitors, volunteers and spectators all share a weekend in the mountains during the peak of our fall color season, so the backdrop to the tournament was just fantastic."

Chris Lee, of
the winning team
was well prepared
for the tournament and said,
"This was a
great competition with competitors
coming in from
all across the
United States.
They had the oppor-

tunity to experience

some of the best fishing in the Smoky Mountains. My team was lucky to come out on top"

Anglers of all ages and skill levels are welcome to fish in Cherokee. The trout fishing season in Cherokee is open year round and a daily Cherokee fishing license is required.

For more information on the Rumble in the Rhododendron visit www.fishcherokkee.com or call the Cherokee Chamber of Commerce at 828-497-6700.

- Cherokee Chamber of Commerce



Photos courtesy of Cherokee Chamber of Commerce Shown (left-right) are Matthew Pegg, director of the Cherokee Chamber of Commerce and tournament organizer; the winning team of Chris Lee, of Bryson City, and Paul Bourcq, of Franklin; and Curtis Fleming, executive producer and host of the television show "The Fly Rod Chronicles with Curtis Fleming".

Trent Wolfe, of Cherokee, considers the right fly to use during the Rumble in the Rhododendron Fly Fishing Tournament held in Cherokee.



Photo courtesy of Gerri Gra

Members of the Cherokee Runners participated in the 36th Annual Marine Corps Marathon and some participated in the Marine Corps 10K. Shown (left-right) back row - Jimmy Oocumma, Kyle Swimmer, Stephan Swimmer, Thomas Benedict, Sean Grady, Chris Reed and Chad Bowman; front row - Skye Littledave, Marlene Arch and Robin Swimmer (not pictured: Gerri Grady).

Eight Cherokee Runners complete Marine Corps Marathon, six complete 10K

By GERRI GRADY CHEROKEE RUNNERS

A summer and autumn of training culminated in eight Cherokee Runners completing the 36th Annual Marine Corps Marathon.

Steph and Robin Swimmer, Sean and Gerri Grady, Jimmy Oocumma, Chad Bowman, Skye Littledave and Kyle Swimmer each completed 26.2 miles on Sunday, Oct. 30 in Washington, D.C. On the same morning, Chris Reed, Brian Driver, Thomas Benedict, Dawna Paul, Karleigh Reeves and Marlene Arch completed the Marine Corps 10K.

Thousands of spectators lined the roadways from the starting line in Arlington, Virginia to the finish line near the Iwo Jima Memorial to cheer on the 20,940 runners finishing the race. Tel-

evision star Drew Carey pulled the trigger of the starter gun then joined the marathon and completed the race in 4:37 behind Cherokee Runners Jimmy Oocumma (3:38), Kyle Swimmer (4:36) and Robin Swimmer (4:31). As runners completed the course, they were motivated by reading spectator signs such as "Worst Parade Ever (where's my candy)", "Sweat is liquid Awesome", and "Stop reading this sign

and run!"

The Cherokee Runners would like to thank family and friends for their continued support. Also, the group thanks Chief Hicks for supporting their activities though financial and transportation assistance. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, Nov. 3 at 7pm at the Age Link conference room. Anyone interested in fitness through walking or running is encouraged to attend.

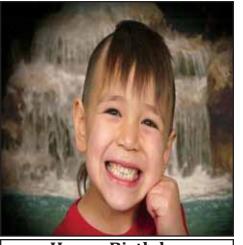


Vow Renewal

Please join Alan and Mary Jane Smith on the day of our 11th wedding anniversary as we renew our vows - - Friday, November 11, 2011 at 11:00 am at the Acquoni Baptist Chapel. We invite all our family and friends to join us. A light lunch will be served. No gifts are necessary.



Happy 7th Birthday (November 3) Love, Nannie



Happy Birthday Bubba Love, Mom & Dad



Happy 6th Birthday (November 3) Love, Nannie



Happy Birthday Aiyana Jade Love, Mom & Dad

Are you a singer, poet, or rapper? Need a studio to record in? Beats?

In town for one week only (Nov. 4th-11th) Nammy Nominated NYC based recording artist Kyra Climbingbear will be offering her services: recording engineering, vocal instruction, vocal improvisation, music tracks or beats for lease and a workshop on the do's and don'ts of Copyrights, with packages as low as \$25 an hour.

For more information or to book your session please email: climbingbeats@gmail.com or call 828.407.0514

You're Invited

WHO: EBCI Housing & Community Development

WHAT: Open House

WHEN: Tuesday, November 22, 2011

TIME: 11:00am-6:00pm

WHERE: At the brand new Heritage II housing development on Wolftown Rd at Indian Valley Drive (about ½ mile past Santa's Land on the right)

- Meet the Builders and the Housing Staff to answer your questions about modular and stick built homes
- We still have homes for sale and will be glad to assist you with: credit counseling; budget counseling; and the mortgage application process;
- Call us if you have questions and/or to make an appointment with a homebuyer coordinator:

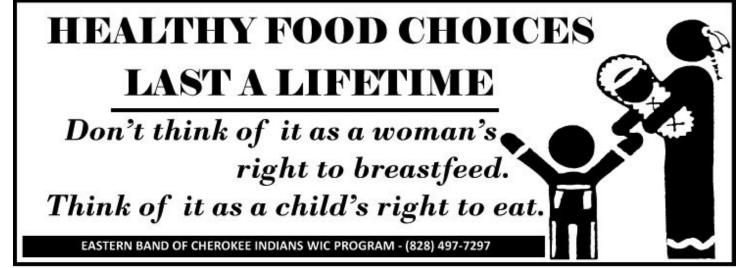
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Our new office is located at 756 Acquoni Road, adjacent to the GLW-Cherokee Life Center.

Coming Soon! Save the Date!



Happy 1st Birthday **Braelyn Johnay** Love Kylie, Chavis and Cabe



Amber Waves



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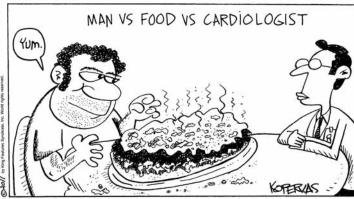




by Dave T. Phipps



by Gary Kopervas



R.F.D.

by Mike Marland





King Crossword

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- 13 Color quality
- 14 On the briny
- 15 Old com munication method

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LAFF - A - DAY



"Didn't you know? Steaks are out of season."

Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ***

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging * * * HOO BOY!

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Find at least six differences in details between panels.

HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Differences: 1. Chart name is different. 2. Eyeglasses are missing. 3. Bin has no papers. 4. Picture is missing. 5. Telephone is being thrown. 6. Doorlam is black.

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HUBERT - - By Dick Wingert



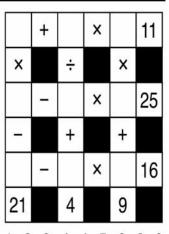
"Bathe your feet with this every night. If that doesn't work, try wearing socks."

GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

DIFFICULTY: **

* Moderate * ★ Difficult *** GO FIGURE!



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"Obedient" plant

This fall-blooming, lavender-colored native wildflower can sprout easily and aggressively in your yard, but its roots are shallow and easy to pull out. It tolerates both drought and overly-damp soils, and is a good nectar source for butterflies, bees and hummingbirds. Its name comes from how it remains in the position it is bent. Source: www.wildflower.org, plants.usda.gov

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That's Life by Taran Swimmer





















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Trading Post Classifieds, Bids, Legal Notices, and more...

FOR RENT

Trailer lots for rent in the Birdtown Community on Goose Creek. Call for information 828-497-5847. more 11/10pd

4-Bedroom House for Rent in the Birdtown Community. Call for more information 828-497-5847. 11/10pd

For Rent: 2 mobile homes in Whittier. 2 bedroom, 1 bath \$475.00 month; 2 bedroom, 2 bath, log cabin \$850.00 month; no pets. 828-497-6497. 11/3pd

For Rent- 2BR/1BA mobile home. Quiet Park in Ela. No pets, references/background check required. \$400/monthly, \$300/deposit. 488-8752. **11/17pd**

For Rent- 3 BR house. No pets. \$650/month, \$500/deposit. 828-736-1183 **11/10 pd**

Trailer for Rent or Sale. Contact: 736-3533 or 736-6031. **11/17 pd**

For Rent- 2BR/1BA trailer. No Pets. No Parties. No Drunks. If interested call 506-0454 or 736-2262. **11/24Pd**

For Rent-mobile homes: 2BR/2BA and 3BR/2BA. No pets. Call 506-0578. 11/24pd

For Rent-3 BR house. No pets. \$650/month, \$500/deposit. Call 828-458-5460 **11/3pd**

SERVICES

Pet Grooming - by Jannessa, Certified Master Groomer with 30yrs exp., at Pawsitively Pampered in Bryson City. Call (828) 788-0599. 12/29pd.

YARD SALES

Yard Sale at 80 Rock Springs Rd on Nov. 4 and 5 from 8:00-1:00. Girl and toddler boy clothes, women's coats and clothes, kitchen items, floor mats and lots more. 11/3pd

FOR SALE

Turquoise Jewelry Sale! Design your own custom gift baskets for any occasion. The Old Mill1886. 497-6536. 12/1pd

Firewood - \$50/truckload, \$10/delivery, mixed, seasoned hardwood, split. 497-0860, leave message. 12/15pd

Firewood for Sale - All Hardwoods, mixed, seasoned and green. Cut, split, and delivered. Call for price. 788-0097 or 497-6257 **11/3pd**

Firewood for sale. Call John Smith, 497-7679 or 488-2888. **01/15pd**

For Sale: Own your complete Processional Wrestling Ring for \$2,500. Call Ric Youngblood, 828-497-3556, 828-497-3748, 828-736-3229. **11/10 pd**

Business for Sale: Ol' Smoky Log Cabins, 349 Big Cove Road, riverfront property with 6 fully furnished log cabins. Will not divide. Call 828-497-6922. **11/3pd**

BUYING

Buying- Old Cherokee masks, artifacts, sterling coins. Also buying Gold, Silver and old turquoise jewelry. Must be legal owner with I.D. The Old Mill, 497-6536 for appointment. 11/17pd.

EMPLOYMENT

Quality Inn

Quality Inn of Cherokee Hwy. 441 N Bypass- Hiring for front desk position with above average pay. Must have least 2 years of experience with a franchise hotel, good communication skills. Flexible hours. Please apply in person. 11/3pd

www.nc-cherokee.com/theonefeather

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

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

Positions Open

Closing November 4, 2011 @ 4 pm

- 1. TOP/Council Assistant- TOP (\$18,140-\$22,680)
- 2. Patrol Officer- CPD (\$28,790-\$36,710) (2 Positions)
- Rental Occupancy Specialist-QHA (\$28,790-\$36,710) **Open Until Filled**
- **EMT-P (Part-time) EMS**
- **Teacher-Tribal Child Care**
- **Teacher Assistant- Tribal Child Care**
- 4. New Kituwah Academy Elem. Administrator- KPEP

Health & Medical Positions

Open until filled

- 1. C.N.A- Tsali Care Center
- 2. LPN- Tsali Care Center
- 3. LPN- PT- Tsali Care Center
- Staff RN- Tsali Care Center
- C.N.A-Home Health
- 6. RN-PRN- Qualla Youth Health Center
- CHR- CHR
- 8. Clinical Psychologist- Analensgi

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



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EMPLOYMENT

Cherokee Central Schools Position Opening

Assistant Principal, Elementary School - administrative license preferred. Middle School ISS Teacher – NC Teaching license is required Custodian – Full time position – High School diploma or GED required

Cherokeecentral.sharpschool.com Opened Until Filled 11/3

Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority Positions

The Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority has the following jobs available: 2 Emergency Hire positions: RN/In-Patient (not to exceed 3 months) & Human Resource Assistant (not to exceed 6 months). Anyone interested should pick up an application and position description from Teresa Carvalho at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Human Resources Office between the hours of 8:00am – 4:00pm Monday –Friday. This position will close November 4, 2011 at 4:pm . Indian preference does apply and a current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. 11/3

Western Carolina University Positions

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

- Director, Marketing & Promotions (#5161)
- Asst. Professor, English (#1537)
- Program Director for ABSN (School of Nursing) (#1712)
- Faculty Research Support Specialist (#4019)
- Director of Major Gifts (#1681)
- Asst. Director of the Catamount Club (#0081)
- Assoc/Asst Prof. Health & Human Sciences (#0983)
- Asst Director for Greek Life (#4262)

Please go to jobs.wcu.edu for details and to apply online. AA/EOE 11/3

Up-Coming Certificate Courses

The Education and Workforce Training Program is adding another educational component to our services and re-establishing the GED program. The program is working in conjunction with SCC to provide two certificate courses: Child Care and Office Administration.

Eligibility requirements: Must be employable. Be at least 18 years of age and out of high school. Males must be registered for selective services. Be a Native American with documented proof (EBCI members and veterans preference given). Have a high school diploma or GED certificate. Reside in our service area. Pass a drug-screening test.

For individuals who are a high school dropout the program has re-established the GED component. If being a HS dropout kept you from being served previously you may now reapply to the program.

Monetary support available while attending the educational services. Slots are Limited and Attendance will be Mandatory.

The Target Population Is Individuals: who do not have a college degree or currently attending college of any nature and Unemployed or Under Employed. Application Deadline: November 17, 2011. If you do not know if you qualify or for additional information, call 497-7485.

Classes will begin January 6, 2012 and conclude March 23, 2012. Site location is the commonly known SCC building in the Cherokee Boys Club Complex. **11/10**

Tri-County Community College Postion

Tri-County Community College is currently accepting applications for the following position:

Systems Administrator/Data Base Manager

Complete position announcement can be viewed on the college website: www.tricountycc.edu or contact: Helen Kilpatrick at Tri-County Community College, 21 Campus Circle, Murphy, NC 28906. Phone: (828) 835-4201 or e mail: hkilpatrick@tricountycc.edu. Equal Opportunity Employer 11/3

BIDs, RFPs, etc.

THE EBCI HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Is seeking qualifications from contractors who are Professional Licensed Surveyors with a cFeds certificate from the Bureau of Land Management. Requirements include but are not limited to: Provide professional surveying services by a licensed Professional Surveyor who has obtained a Certified Federal Surveyors Certificate through the Bureau of Land Management, for enrolled members of the E.B.C.I. Working through the Realty office of the B.I.A. and funded by the Housing and Community Development Divisions Survey Program. Contractor shall supply all materials and labor necessary to complete required survey work to include paper, Mylar and digital documents as required by the contract. Contractor is required to install iron pins at all turns and aluminum caps at two opposite corners of the property being surveyed. All lines will be cut out and marked with flagging to insure clear definition of the property lines. All surveys will be grid tied to North Carolina Ground Plane using Laser Instruments and Global Positioning Systems according to North Carolina and Tribal laws. All work must have a be sealed by the licensed surveyor with a minimum of ONE MILLION dollars of liability insurance as well as professional services insurance to cover the work guarantee that will be required by the contract. Workers Compensation insurance as well as a certified copy of surveying license and cFeds certificate is required. This request is for qualifications and the contract will be awarded according to qualifications for said services, as well the EBCI Housing and Community Development office has the right to reject any and all submissions based on lack of required qualifications.

More than one professional surveyor may be selected. Selections will be made based on qualifications. The work to be performed under this request is subject to Tribal Ordinance 280, Chapter 92 Tribal Business preference law. TERO certified and qualified vendors will be given preference.

Submit proposal to: Mark A. Kephart (828-557-4397) Program Manager at the Housing & Community Development office by mail at PO Box 455, or in person at 756 Acquoni Road, Cherokee NC 28719. Deadline is Friday, Nov. 4, 2011. **10/27**

THE EBCI HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Is seeking proposals from contractors who specialize in general residential rehabilitation and repairs including but not limited to removing and replacing shingled and metal roofs; plumbing and electrical repairs; remodeling bathrooms; rough and finish construction; building of decks and handicap accessible ramps.

Several building professionals/contractors may be selected. Selections will be made based on hourly price and qualifications. The work to be performed under this request is subject to Tribal Ordinance 280, Chapter 92 Tribal Business preference law. TERO certified and qualified vendors will be given preference

Submit proposal to: Robert Gahagan at the Housing & Community Development office or mail to P.O. Box 455 Cherokee NC 28719. Deadline is Monday, November 7th, 2011 by 4:30PM. For more information or questions call Robert at (828) 788-0466. **10/27**

Request for Proposals

Request for Proposals for the Development of an EDA-approved Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Document (CEDS) for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

The Office of Planning and Development is seeking firms who have completed EDA-approved CEDS Documents for federally-recognized Indian Tribes to submit proposals for completing a new CEDS Document for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. A complete description of required qualifications, scope of work, the selection criteria as well as other requirements for the submission of proposals are part of a complete RFP packet which may be obtained by contacting Doug Cole, Strategic Planner at the EBCI Office of Planning and Development, at 828-497-1677.

Written responses to this RFP must be received by mail or in person delivery not later than 4:30 PM on Monday, October 31, 2011 at the Office of Planning and Development in Suite 132 of Ginger Lynn Welch Center, 810 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. All Responses must be submitted as required in the RFP.

First preference will be given to qualified TERO contractors. 10/27

BIDs, RFPs, etc.

Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Department of Transportation 1840 Paintown Road P.O. Box 2400 Cherokee, North Carolina 28719

Phone: (828) 497-1890

Projects: Rough Branch and Miller Branch Planting/Fence Installation Enhancement Project

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed bids for the completion of Rough Branch and Miller Branch Planting/Fence Installation Enhancement project. The deadline for submitting proposals will be November 10th, 2011 at 2:30 PM.

Please be advised that all TERO rules and regulations, Tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations and laws shall apply to the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation and to the procurement of work solicited through this advertisement.

You may request the full request for bids and bid requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office, or TERO. If you have any questions or comments, please contact CDOT at (828)-497-1890. 11/3

Harrah's Cherokee Casino and Hotel

Harrah's Cherokee Casino and Hotel is accepting sealed bids on a 1997 Massey Ferguson 1547 tractor and attachments. The tractor which includes the loader bucket and backhoe attachment will be a single item with Bush hog, Fork for Bucket, and MBX720 box blade awarded separately so individuals wanting all four will have to place four separate bids. Bids must be submitted by 4:30 pm November 11th, 2011. They should be mailed to Harrah's Cherokee Casino and Hotel Attention Nick Huskey P.O. Box 777 Cherokee, NC 28719 Please identify the item you are bidding by name. The names of the equipment is listed below.

- 1. MF 1547 tractor, loader and backhoe attachment
- 2. MF Bush Hog
- 3. MF Fork for Bucket
- 4. MF MBX720 box blade

Your sealed bid should contain

- 1. The name of the equipment you are bidding on
- 2. The amount you are bidding
- 3. Your name
- 4. A phone number and address where you can be contacted.

Please be advised that the tractor with backhoe and loader attachment has a reserve of \$9,000.00 The bush hog attachment has a reserve of \$350.00, the box blade has a reserve of \$200.00, and the fork for bucket has a reserve of \$75.00 The tractor and attachments can be seen Tuesday through Friday between 10am-4pm. Please call Loraine Grant at 497-8742 to make an appointment to see equipment. 11/10

Requests for Quotes

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians **Building Construction** 810 Acquoni Road P.O. Box 455 Cherokee, North Carolina 28719

Phone: (828) 497-8137

Projects: Construction Services - Silo Restoration

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is requesting quotes for the completion of the above mentioned project. The deadline for submitting a proposal will be November 22nd, 2011 at 4:00p.m.

Please be advised that all TERO rules and regulations, Tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations and laws shall apply to the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation and to the procurement of work solicited through this advertisement.

You may request the full RFQ and bid requirements for quotes through the Building Construction Office, or TERO. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Building Construction at (828)-497-8137. 11/10

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority is currently accepting proposals from companies and contractors.

The purpose of this request is to solicit the participations of companies and contractors that have the experience and expertise in producing a strategic development and facility master plan to define the future planning and facility needs of the CIHA.

To obtain the complete RFP, contact Christina Panther, Materials & Contracting Manager. Requests for the RFP will be accepted until November 14, 2011 at

Preference in the award will be given to Indian & Alaska Native Organizations. Any companies or contractors claiming Indian preference shall give evidence, as required by the owner to support this inside the proposal. Each company or contractor will abide by Tribal Preference as pursuant in Tribal Ordinance (TERO Ordinance).

The Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority reserves the right to refuse any and all proposals.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Christina Panther, 828-497-9163 ext 6461 or via email at christina.panther@cherokeehospital.org.

LEGALS

Notice of Service of Process by Publication

CHEROKEE TRIBAL COURT Regulations Cherokee, NC In Cherokee Tribal Court

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Phillip Armachain Jr. CV 11-540 Kevin Crowe CV 11-541

Tashana Cunningham CV 11-542

Janene Flying CV 11-543

Alyssia Lindsey CV 11-544

Meredith Miles CV 11-546

Vita Reed CV 11-548

Hannah Santiago CV 11-549

Maricela Sanchez CV 11-550

Danny Swayney CV 11-551

Jamie Thompson CV 11-552 Marlena Toineeta CV 11-553

Kyle Voss CV 11-554

Darlene Wachacha CV 11-555

Sharman Wachacha CV 11-556

Willard Warren III CV 11-557

McKinnley Watty Jr. CV 11-558

Amanda Wildcatt CV 11-559

Tara Wood CV 11-560

Tracy Wolfe CV 11-561

Freddie Youndeer CV 11-562 Jarrett Youngdeer CV 11-563

Carlos Quinones CV 11-565

To the Above NamedParties: Take notice that pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: Complaint For Money Owed On Account

You are required to make defense of such pleading no later than December 5, 2011 and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) will apply to the court of the relief sought.

This is the 25th day of October 2011.

Agent for the Plaintiff: Winnie Jumper, P.O. Box 537, Cherokee, NC 28719 11/10

LEGALS

INTENT TO FILE

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Revenue Department PO Box 537, Cherokee, NC 28719

Re: Complaint for Money owed

Alicia Jones

Phillip J. Arkansas **Heather Jones** Cheryl Sequoyah Faye Bird Jonathan Lackey Brittany Sgueglia Lizzie Bernal Jack D. Smith Erica Lambert Curry Blankenship Jasmine Lambert Sadie Standingdeer Meredith Bradley Calvin Ledford Eric Swayney John Casey Brady Karla Ledford James Swayney Duane Brown Katelynn H. Ledford Karen Canalas Maggie Toineeta Salina Lee Freda Cisneros Stephen Walkingstick Lea Ann Littlejohn Tyler Crowe Talisa Lossiah Sheronda Watty Caressa Davis Luke Locust Joshua Weatherford Rachel Dover **Christy Long** Kelsey Welch Norma Driver -Welch Alicia Fouts Mary Maney Darlene Franks Reginald Welch Kyle Morgan Tracie French Willard Morrow Susan Welch Terri Welch Sarah Garrett Sherry Murphy James Haney Michael Wilnoty, Jr. Ericka Panther John D. Harris Mystical Parker Margarita Wolfe Emma Hull William Phillip Wolfe Sydney S. Sampson

Take notice that the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is seeking relief for money owed.

You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than the 10th day of November 2011 said date and upon your failure to do so the party seeking against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This the 20th day of October 2011
Winnie Jumper, Billing & Credit Clerk, PO Box 537, Cherokee, NC 28719 (828)

Public Service Notice

Troy D. Anthony

Division of Budget & Finance Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Effective November 1, 2011
Non-Sufficient Funds Policy
Payment by check for customers is an acceptable method of payment; however, when funds are insufficient to cover the amount of a check issued to the Revenue Department the following procedure will be followed:

- The check is returned from the bank indicating non-sufficient funds.
- 2. The Billing & Credit Clerk will notify the Revenue Manager and Revenue Processor and will update an internal listing of checks issued with Non-Sufficient Funds.
- 3. The Billing & Credit Clerk will notify the issuer within 10 days of notification from the bank by letter. The issuer will be given 10 business days from the date of the letter to make payment to the Revenue Department by cash, cashier's check or money order.
- 4. A fee of \$50.00 will be charged on all checks returned for non-sufficient funds.
- 5. Customers having two or more returned checks issued to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians within a calendar year will not be allowed to issue checks to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians for a period of one year and must submit all future payments by cash, cashier's check or money order.

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS
THE CHEROKEE COURT
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA
File # SP-10-165
IN RE MATTER OF:
BABY BOY DOE

Jason E. Saunooke II

TO: Unknown Parent of Baby Boy Doe TAKE NOTICE THAT an adoption proceeding has been filed regarding a minor child, born on the 23rd day July, 2004. It is alleged that you are the biological father of said child. Be further advised that if you do not respond to this notice by November 29, 2011, said date being forty (40) days from the date of first publication of this notice, the adopting Petitioner shall request that the Court enter an Order allowing this adoption to proceed without your consent and also provide that you will not receive any further notices of this adoption proceeding including the time and place of any further hearings. Your response to this notice should be sent to the Clerk for the Cherokee Tribal Court in Cherokee, North Carolina and a copy sent to the undersigned attorney. THIS the 12th day of October, 2011. LAWRENCE NESTLER, Attorney for Petitioner LEGAL AID OF NC, INC.-Sylva Office PO Box 426 Sylva, NC 28779 Telephone: 828/586-8931

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Legal Notic

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Tribal Court Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 11-066

Notice to Creditors and Debtors of Frank Raymond West

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fudicary (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 fudicary (s) listed below. Deadline to submit claims: January 20, 2012. This is the 14th day of October, 2011.

Carolyn R. West PO Box 2232

Cherokee, NC 28719 **11/3pd**

REALTY

The following is a list of tribal members that have documents to sign in the BIA Realty Office. These are land transfers from both Tribal Members and the Eastern Band by Resolution.

Snowbird Community

Claude Larry Blythe, Jonah William Bird, Jonah Brown, Leverne Brown, William Allen Brown, Sasha Darlene Jumper Castillo, Alan Chekelelee, Mary Ann Jumper Fortenberry, Deborah Diane Hall Greene, Joyce Lynn Smoker Gregory, Kathry Alaina Rattler Haney, Lucia Kendra Hernandez, Kathleen Brown Holloway, Justin Stewart Jackson, Maureen Jumper Jackson, Wanda Lee Jackson, Kathy Garrett Johnson, Tony Anthony Johnson, Jerry Brandon Jones, Kristy Lynn Lane, Ned Long, Jr., Molly Ann Smoker Lossiah, Michael Brandon Rattler, Sheldon Allen Rattler, Dennis Frederick Teesateskie, Gail Marie Wachacha, Shalana Marie Wachacha, Glenn Welch, Sr., Glenn Elliot Welch, Jr., Shane George Welch

Proposed Land Transfers

Annette Gail Panther Long to Robert Ammons Maney and Ellie Mae Locust Maney Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No 401 (remainder of Parcel No 81) containing 2.892 acres, more or less.

Carla Faye McCoy Cedillo to Ruth Marie Sequoyah McCoy Snowbird Community Parcel No 275-B (part of Parcel No 275) containing 3.304 acres, more or less. Ned Long, Jr to Jerry Brandon Jones Snowbird Community Parcel No 367-H (part of Parcel No 367) containing 1.000 acres, more or less.

Lula Ann Ledford to Mason Eugene Ledford Wolfetown Community Parcel No 893 (part of Parcel No 767) containing 0.256 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

James Francis Long and Carol Elaine Fuller Long to Nancy Elaine Wilnoty Wolfetown Community Parcel No 1370-E (part of Parcel No. 1370) containing 1.063 acres, more or less.

In observance of Veteran's
Day, the Cherokee One
Feather office will be closed
on Friday, November 11.

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<u>Happenings</u>

Cherokee Churches

Acquoni Baptist Church. 722 Acquoni Road. 497-7106. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Morning Worship 11am. Sunday Youth Meeting 5pm. Sunday Choir Practice 6pm. Sunday Evening Worship 7pm. Monday Visitation and Singing 6pm. Tuesday Women's Bible Studies 12noon and 7pm. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6pm. Pastor Ed Kilgore 497-6521 (h)

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

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

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

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

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

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

Cherokee Baptist Church. 812 Tsalagi Road. Sunday School 9:45am. Sunday Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Youth Classes Wednesday 6:30pm. Wednesday Worship 6:30pm. Pastor Percy Cunningham 497-2761, 497-3799 (fax)

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

Cherokee Church of Christ. 2350 Old Mission Road and Hwy. 19. Sunday Bible Study 10am. Sunday Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Wednesday Bible Study 6pm. Minister Jim Sexton 497-3334

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

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

Cherokee Healing Waters Mission. Sunday Evening Services 6pm, Tuesday Services 7pm, Pastor Tony Bernhisel 497-2122, Tony11110@frontier.com

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church. Wolftown Gym. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Pastor Donald Ensley

Cherokee United Methodist Church. Hwy 19 - Wolftown Road. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Praise

and Worship 7pm. Wednesday Family Night 5:30-7:30pm. Thursday Bible Study 6:30pm at Ramada Inn. Rev. Larry Ousley 497-2948

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

Christ Fellowship Church. Great Smokies Center. Sunday Service 11am. Wednesday Service 7pm. Pastor Richard Sneed 736-8912

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

Goose Creek Baptist Church. Sunday School - 10am, Sunday Worship Service 11am, Sunday Evening Services 6pm. Pastor - Bro. Arthur Locust, Asst. Pastor - Bro. James Gunter

Living Waters Church. 30 Locust Road. Sunday Service 11am. Food Pantry Open Wednesdays 1-4pm. Pastor Jack Russell 497-3730, prjack@frontier.com, lwcherokee@frontier.com

Macedonia Baptist Church. 1181 Wolftown Rd. Sunday School 10am, Sunday Morning Worship 11am, Sunday Evening Worship 6pm, Wednesday Evening Bible Study 6pm. Pastor Bro. Dan Conseen, (828) 508-2629

Olivet United Methodist Church. 811 Olivet Church Road. Sunday School 9am. Sunday Service 9:45am. Rev. Dr. Larry Ousley 497-5249, www.gbgmumc.org/olivetumnc-whittier/

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. 82 Lambert Branch Road. Saturday Service 7pm (July - October). Sunday Service 9am. Pastor Shawn O'Neal 497-9755 or 497-9498

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

Rock Hill Baptist Church. 736-6334. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Thursday Service 6pm. Pastor Red Woodard

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

welcome. Pastor Dan Lambert.

Church Events

736-4872

Clubs & Organizations

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

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

THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE



I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work.



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The Cherokee Cancer Support

Group is a non-profit organization assisting cancer patients and care-givers on the Qualla Boundary, indiscriminately. The support group meets the first Thursday of each month at 5:30pm at SAFE HAVEN, 40 Goose Creek Rd. General SAFE HAVEN hours are 10am -2pm, Monday through Friday. Info: 497-0788. Email: cherokeeCSG@gmail.com.

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

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

The North American Indian Women's Association (NAIWA)

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

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

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

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

General Event

Benefit Bar-B-Q Dinners and Yard Sale for Edward "Ed" Youngbird.

Nov. 3 at 11am at the Yellowhill Community Building. Cost is \$7/dinner which includes bar-b-q on bun, coleslaw or potato salad, baked beans, chips, and drink (regular/diet/bottled water). Delivery available for four or more orders if called in by 10am. To place an order, Mary Hornbuckle 736-7493, Lou Johnson 788-2853, Tina Oocumma 736-3533, Marsha Jackson

226-6668, Reva Bird 788-8811, Cassandra Oocumma 736-3111 or Stacy Rogers 508-0392

Relay for Life interest meeting. Nov. 3 from 5-7pm at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex community room. Plan on attending if you are interested in participating and planning for this event. Info: Angie Tharp 497-7064

Nov. 4 from 11am – 1pm at the Yellowhill Community Building. Cost is \$7/meal which includes pinto beans, fried cabbage fried potatoes corp.

Benefit for Pamela Conseen Adams.

fried cabbage, fried potatoes, cornbread, fatback and drink. Pamela is applying for disability and has been unable to work since March.

Spaghetti Dinner Nov. 5 Shoal Creek Baptist Church from 3-6pm at the Qualla Community Building on Shoal Creek Road. Cost - \$6/plate. Menu – spaghetti, breadsticks, salad, dessert and a drink Proceeds go toward the church building fund.

Haskell Indian Nations University
One-Day Reunion. Nov. 5 at the Sac &
Fox Tribal Community Center in
Stroud, Okla. This event is sponsored
by the Haskell Alumni Association of
Oklahoma. For information on the golf
scramble, call Dan Little Axe (405)
413-8443. Info: Carmen Ketcher
(918) 333-7483 or
mscarmen2009@hotmail.com

Cherokee Heritage Days Nov. 5 Ramsey House Plantation in Knoxville, TN from 10-5. They are looking for qualified Cherokee Craft and Artisans to vend. The vending fee would be \$30.00 worth of arts or crafts, which Ramsey House could include in an auction for fundraising purposes. This would be a juried event. Please call 423-884-6246, 423-519-1000 or Philenia Walkingstick at 828-497-2111, ext. 204 to sign up.

DNA testing schedule for November.

The following dates are avaible to schedule appoints for DNA collection at the EBCI Enrollment Office: Nov. 4, 8, 18 and 22. Appointments will be scheduled from 8-11am and 1-3pm. Info: Enrollment Office 497-8109, 8112, 8111 or 8110

Big Y Community Club meeting Nov. 8 will be held at 6:30pm. Topics of discussion on our agenda will include 2 staff members from the Cherokee Diabetes Center. They will be talking about their living with and controlling

diabetes program, which includes eating right and exercising activities. Ben Reed will present plans for reviving our Community Watch Program. Don Long will be discussing the Free Labor plans for the community. We also hope to have Tim Smith present to discuss scheduling for the Parks and Recreation use of our facilities. Come out and help your community grow to the best of its ability. We have started having regular Saturday night Bingo games. Bring something for a prize and have some fun. Everyone is welcome. We also are sending a gentle reminder to our Tribal Council members to attend. Remember the people who elected you into your offices.

Hand Spinning Workshop. Nov. 9 from 3-5:30pm at OICA. The instructor will be Martha Owen from Brasstown. Interested finger weavers and knitters may attend. The class is free, but space and equipment is limited so please call OICA to reserve your space at 497-3945. There will also be some bison fiber to play with.

Turkey Shoots at Jesse Welch's residence in Big Cove. Nov. 12 and Dec.
3. Concession will be provided.
Money raised will be for the Big Cove Headstart Kids Christmas Fund.

American Legion Steve Youngdeer Post 143 Nov. 11 will host a Veterans Day Ceremony on November 11. This Veterans Day event will be held at the Cherokee Fair Grounds Exhibition Hall, and will begin at 11am. Everyone is invited to attend this event to honor the Veterans of the United States Armed Forces. –Post Service Officer Warren DuPree.

American Legion Steve Youngdeer Post 143 Nov. 18 will host North Carolina District Veterans' Service Officer, Ron Putnam, Friday at Post Headquarters on Acquoni Road in Cherokee, NC. Veterans and family members who have any questions or business concerning Veterans affairs are invited to attend. Please bring all important documents with you to better understand your claims. Office hours on Friday, Nov. 18, will be from 9am-3pm. –Post Service Officer, Warren DuPree 828-508-2657.

Christmas Bazaar 2011 Dec. 1st and 2nd. Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall. For more information call Jan, 497-2037.

Book your special event at Big Y Community Building. Info: Missy

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2011

Reed 508-4001

Whittier VFW plays bingo every Monday at 6 pm for EB and 7 pm for regular game. Call 497-1106.

Health & Sports

Upcoming Blood Drives in Cherokee. Nov. 3 from 8:30am – 1:30pm at the Cherokee High School arena. Info: Mrs. Hess 554-5030. Nov. 16 from 10am – 3:30pm at the Cherokee Indian Hospital. Info: Doris Bonilla 497-9163, ext. 6498

Jackson, Swain and Qualla Boundary Autism Chapter Parent Meeting.

Nov. 8 at 6pm at Agelink. Who will be there? Parents of kids on the autism spectrum in Jackson and Swain County, including "Dreamcatcher" parents whose children attend Cherokee Central School, kids with ASD, teachers and other staff members, Autism Society of North Carolina staff and sibling volunteer child-caregivers. Info: Amy Welch (828) 538-4223 or amysue30@hotmail.com

18th Annual AA Convention. Nov. 10-13 at the Acquoni Expo Center. Registration starts on Thursday, Nov. 10 at 12noon. EBCI tribal members get in for free, but please bring your enrollment card for identification. Everyone is invited to attend this event. Info: 497-4258

All Day Regional Caregiver Education Conference. Nov. 14 at the First United Methodist Church of Sylva. Registration begins at 8am. Dr. Blythe Winchester, from the Cherokee Indian Hospital, will be the main speaker. \$10 fee per person. CEUs are available for professionals. Lunch and snacks will be provided.

All Day Regional Caregiver Education Conference. Nov. 15 at the Murphy First Baptist Church of Murphy. Registration begins at 8am. Dr. Blythe Winchester, from the Cherokee Indian Hospital, will be the main speaker. \$10 fee per person. CEUs are available for professionals. Lunch and snacks will be provided.

Community Basketball sign-ups have started for boys and girls ages 6-12. Signup at the following gyms: Big Cove 497-7172, Birdtown 554-6890, Painttown 497-3345 or Wolftown 497-4728. Termites will be girls and boys

and not co-ed.

cherokee one feather

Cherokee Braves Soccer Team ends the Season



(Pictured from left to right) Ej Carroll#9, Aiden Galloway#22, Coach Lanoue, Wade Wolfe# 23, Thomas Lossiah#12, Darius Thompson#20, Raven Frankiewicz#18, Kenzie Garcia#21, Chris Queen#25, Colby Yanez#10, Anthony Lee#11, Matt Lackey#29, Dylan Thompson#23, Levi Swearengin#8, Coach Brunn, Cole Wildcat#6, Chayton Thompson#5, Derrek Ledford#30, Dale Galloway and his wife Michelle Galloway.

SUBMITTED BY K FRANKIEWICZ

At the beginning of the soccer game between the Cherokee Braves and the Maroon Devils the team acknowledged senior Colby Yanez for his last year on the soccer team. They started off with Micah Swimmer with a opening prayer. After the prayer the team received a headband with the Connor's Heart logo in memory of the late Connor Galloway, brother of Aiden Galloway (#22) and son of Dale and Michelle Galloway. Later the family was asked to walk on the field where they received a Seven Stem Peacepipe and a frame with the teams signature and a picture of Connor Galloway with a card that said, "At times like this, we realize just

how much it means to have family, faith, and caring friends." Karyl Frankiewicz and Melisa Arch organized the memorial and the gifts. At halftime the team recognized Colby and his family for all the hard work and effort during this season. Colby had a personal goal at the beginning of the season that he was going to make 10 goals at the end of his season, he made 12 altogether at the end of the season. Later he gave Dale and Michelle \$251.00 dollars as a donation to the Connor's Heart foundation. The ending of the season the scoreboard buzzed with the score of 3-1, Cherokee Braves.

OPINIONS & LETTERS

Belated Thank You

We, the family of Lila Saunooke thank the EBCI for financial help for the funeral and the beautiful flowers sent to the funeral home. They were greatly appreciated. To those of you who came to our house and shared a word or two, and even sent flowers and cards to the funeral. I was overwhelmed by your love, compassion and care. I never knew she was loved by all of you, I was greatly touched. May God Bless you richly.

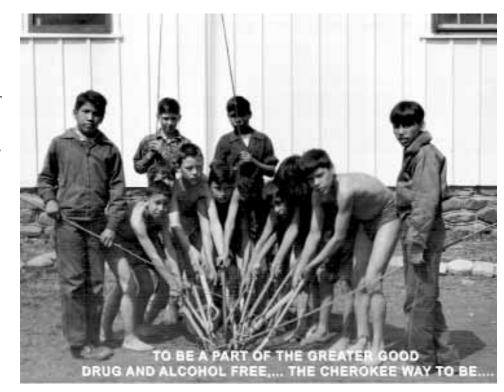
A special thanks to Pastor Cunningham for conducting the service and burial, most of all thanks to Cherokee Baptist Church for the great meal after the burial. Thank you to the Birdtown Free Labor and all those who were involved. Long House Funeral Home and staff for the great service and the snack. A heart-felt thanks to Dorothy McCoy for being there for me as they transported me to the E.R. you've been a caring neighbor. May God richly bless you and your family.

To Rock Springs Church Choir for singing songs in our home and to Pastor Morgan for sharing an uplifting message, and to the ladies for the food and meals shared, thanks. To those of you who brought food donations. Our son and his family were touched very deeply and were thankful for friends, neighbors and family, and many new found relatives. These people came to our aid and gave us support through prayers and hugs, telephone calls, cards and flowers. Keep us in your daily prayers as we face the difficult times for the holidays. Thank you and God bless you all.

Respectfully submitted, signed

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Sam and Clara and the rest of the family.



Native American Heritage Expo to be held at WCU

CULLOWHEE – The third annual Native American Heritage Expo will be held at Western Carolina University beginning Monday, Nov. 7, with events through the week.

All events are free and open to the public.

The Native American Heritage Expo, designed to explore the rich and vast culture of the Native American experience, includes artwork and presentations focused on values, traditions and social justice. The expo's series of programs, to be held in the A.K. Hinds University Center, includes guests who will discuss issues such as Cherokee health, first amendment rights of tribal newspapers and Indian identity.

The event kicks off with a free lunch at 12:20 p.m. Monday in the UC Grandroom. Jane Eastman, director of WCU's Cherokee studies program, will make opening remarks, and Cherokee youth Tawodi Brown will perform on the flute. Those interested in attending that event should RSVP to Yolany Gonell, associate director of programs for intercultural affairs at WCU, at 828-227-2615 or ygonell@wcu.edu.

The featured artist, Arigon Starr, will perform Wednesday, Nov. 9, at 6 p.m. in the Grandroom. Starr is an enrolled member of the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma and an award-winning musician, songwriter, actor, playwright and creator of the comic book "Super Indian." Starr was named "Songwriter of the Year" by the Native American Music Awards and received a nomination for "Best Country CD" from Canada's Aboriginal Peoples Choice Awards.

A reception from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, at the Mountain Heritage Center, will honor Qualla artists and celebrate the exhibit "Qualla Arts and Craft Mutual: Tradition and Innovation." The reception is free and open to the public.

Also as part of the Native American Heritage Expo, a new exhibit will be displayed in the UC titled "The First People: An Enduring Presence." This exhibit explores four different native cultures and their persistence into modern times, and includes 15 images from Anna Fariello, associate research professor and digital collections curator at WCU's Hunter Library. The gallery will be available through the end of

The WCU Department of Intercultural Affairs, WCU Cherokee Studies, the Cherokee Center and Digali'I (the American Indian student organization) are sponsoring the Native American Heritage Expo. For more information, contact Gonell at 828-227-2615 or ygonell@wcu.edu.

Following is a full schedule for the Native American Heritage Expo at WCU. Unless otherwise noted, all events are in the Grandroom of the A.K. Hinds University Center on the WCU campus.

MONDAY, NOV. 7

12:20-1:30 p.m.

Native American Expo kickoff luncheon Remarks from Jane Eastman, director of Cherokee Studies, and performance by Cherokee youth and flutist Tawodi Brown.

1:25-2:15 p.m.

Cherokee Language Revitalization

Participants will learn the history of the Cherokee syllabary and practice phonetics of alphabet and words.

2:30 p.m.-3:20 p.m.

Traditional Cherokee Stories

Learn the importance of oral traditions and hear tales by guest speakers.

3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

"The First People: An Enduring Presence Photographs"

UC Showcase Room (second floor)

This exhibit explores four different native cultures and their persistence into modern times, and includes 15 images from Anna Fariello, associate research professor and digital collections curator at WCU's Hunter Library. The gallery will be available through the end of November.

6-7:30 p.m.

Native Health Panel: Cherokee Women's Health Panelists include: Terri Henry, member of the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians; Victoria Harlan, an Eastern Band member, registered nurse and ER nurse manager of the Cherokee Indian Hospital; Aneva Hagberg, an Eastern Band member, registered nurse and director of operations of the Health and Medical Division of the EBCI; and Margaret Bender, a linguistic anthropologist at Wake Forest University.

TUESDAY, NOV. 8

11 a.m.-12:10 p.m.

Sustaining Tradition: A Cherokee Cooperative The year 2011 marked the 65th anniversary of Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual, a cooperative established to promote the work of Cherokee artisans. Over the past three years, WCU professor Anna Fariello has worked with the co-op to capture and record its history.

12:30-1:50 p.m.

Cherokee Letter Press

Participants will learn the history of the letterpress and the printing process of the Cherokee syllabary as a means of preserving the language as well as reviving lost arts. Presented by Oconaluftee Institute for Cultural Arts printmaking instructor Frank Brannon and program coordinator Jeff Marley. 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Du-Yu Dv-I: The Right Path Adult Leadership Learn how the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is implementing culturally based leadership development to reinforce the principles of selfless service. 6-7:30 p.m.

The Struggle for Freedom of the Press in Indian Country

Will Chavez of the Cherokee Nation will deliver this talk about how First Amendment rights enjoyed by U.S. newspapers do not apply to most newspapers operated by Indian nations in the United States. Tribal government funds most tribal newspapers and the chief, governor or president of the tribe may have the final say about the paper's content. The recent challenges and tests the Cherokee Phoenix has faced in maintaining a free press also will be discussed.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 9

12:20-1:20 p.m.

Cherokee Boarding School Experience

An overview of boarding school history, including the grief and trauma of cultural genocide, and a look at the movement to receive an apology for boarding school policies from the U.S. government.

3:30-5 p.m.

Indian Identity Panel

Panelists will explore different factors which have been used to define "Indianness" and how communities strive to preserve and sustain their values and traditions.

6-7:30 p.m.

Musical Performance Arigon Starr

An enrolled member of the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma, Arigon Starr is based in Los Angeles and is an award-winning musician, songwriter, actor, playwright and creator of the comic book "Super Indian."

THURSDAY, NOV. 10

6-8 p.m.

Reception for "Qualla Arts and Craft Mutual: Tradition and Innovation"

Mountain Heritage Center

In honor of the MHC exhibit "Qualla Arts and Craft Mutual: Tradition and Innovation."

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Saunooke Family donates late Principal Chief's Memorabilia



Photo courtesy of Donna Ball

Left to Right: Charles Saunooke, Donna Saunooke Ball, Sam Ball, Ken Blankenship looking at scrapbook, wrestling outfits, and other items from Chief Osley Bird Saunooke.

SUBMITTED BY BARBARA R. DUNCAN

Donna Saunooke Ball, daughter of Chief Osley B. Saunooke, recently donated a large scrapbook of clippings about her father to the Museum of the Cherokee Indian in memory of her father, who was Principal Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. She and the family also donated items including outfits from his wrestling career, two feather headdresses, a necklace, tomahawk, and other

"We are happy to have these items that come from one of our chiefs," said Ken Blankenship, Executive Director of the Museum. The Museum will digitize as much as possible of the scrapbook, and will add the items to its permanent collection. An exhibit will be mounted as well, at a later date.

Saunooke was Principal Chief of the Eastern Band from 1951-1955, and was elected again and served from 1959-1963. His first term saw the rise of tourism in Cherokee, as "Unto These Hills" outdoor drama became one of North Carolina's leading attractions. When the federal government threatened to terminate services to the Eastern Band, Saunooke and other EBCI members testified for the House of Representatives against termination and in favor of economic development and improved social services for the Qualla Boundary. Throughout both his terms as chief, he worked to bring business and jobs to Cherokee.

In addition to serving as Principal Chief, Saunooke held the title of world superheavyweight champion from 1937 to 1951. More than six feet tall and weighing more than 300 pounds, he wrestled in over 5,000 professional matches. He died in April 1965 from complications of diabetes. His widow, Bertha Saunooke, began serving on Tribal Council in 1969 and remained active in the community.

RED CROSS DONORS CAN COME HOME FOR THE **HOLIDAYS BY DONATING**

Presenting Donors May Enter A Drawing To Win One Of THREE Pairs of Delta Air Lines Domestic Tickets

Swain County - It's the time of year when thoughts turn to home and the holidays. The American Red Cross and Delta Air Lines are teaming up to make that those thoughts a reality for a few lucky blood and platelet donors.

Thursday, November 3

Cherokee High School Blood Drive in the Gym

1582 Big Cove Road, Cherokee

8:30 am to 1:30 pm

Please call Mrs. Hess at 554-5030 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

Wednesday, November 16

Cherokee Indian Hospital Blood Drive

Hospital Road, Cherokee

10:00 am to 3:30 pm

Please call Doris Bonilla at 497-9163 extension 6498 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

The Home for the Holidays campaign, which runs from October 1 to December 31, 2011, gives each person who presents to donate blood or platelets with the Red Cross an opportunity to enter a drawing for the chance to win one of three pairs of roundtrip Delta Air Lines domestic tickets.

"The Red Cross is grateful to Delta for helping us find a unique way to say thank you to blood donors," stated Joyce Brendel, chief executive officer of the American Red Cross Carolinas Blood Services Region. "Patients in area hospitals depend on the generosity of blood donors every day. The holiday periods are particularly challenging so we are especially grateful to those who roll up their sleeves this time of year."

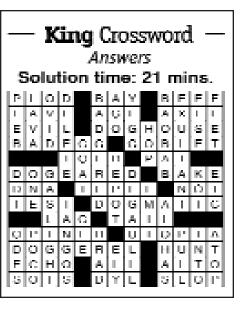
Every two seconds, someone in the United States needs blood. The American Red Cross Carolinas Blood Services Region provides lifesaving blood to patients in 103 hospitals. Approximately 1,600 people need to give blood or platelets each week day to meet hospital demand.

Blood can be safely donated every 56 days. Most healthy people age 17 and older, or 16 with parental consent, who weigh at least 110 pounds, are eligible to donate blood and platelets. Donors who are 18 and younger must also meet specific height and weight requirements.

For more information or to schedule an appointment to donate, call 1-800-RED CROSS (733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org.

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2012 Costa Rica **Eco-Study Tour**

Have you ever wanted to see exotic animals in their natural habitat, raft down a white water river to your camp for the night, fly across the top of a forest from tree to tree or visit an indigenous tribe of the rainforest? If so, the 2012 Costa Rica Eco-Study Tour is ready to help you fulfill your dreams. Applications can be picked up in the front office of your high school, or stop by the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office located at 876 Acquoni Road in Cherokee.

- EBCI Cooperative Extension

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Claims Filing Assistance

in the \$760 million Keepseagle Indian Farmer/Rancher Settlement

DATE: November 8-11, 2011 TIME: Between 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Holiday Inn Express 605 Redmond Road Pembroke, NC

Upcoming area meetings: November 14-16, Hollister, NC

What is this About?

The class action settles claims that the USDA discriminated against Native American farmers and ranchers seeking farm loans or loan servicing.

Who is Included?

The Settlement includes:

- Native American farmers who:
 - Farmed or ranched (or attempted to) any time from 1981 to late 1999.
 - Tried to get a farm loan or loan servicing from the USDA.
 - Complained verbally or in writing about how they were treated.
- Heirs of the above.

How Much Money Can I Get?

You may be eligible for a payment of up to \$50,000 or more and full or partial loan forgiveness.

To receive a payment, you must file a claim by December 27, 2011

If you can't attend a meeting, call 1-888-233-5506 for free help filing a claim.

For more information visit: www.indianFarmClass.com

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Fighting bucks
These two elk bucks were seen fighting early on the morning of Saturday, Oct. 29 in the Yellowhill Commu-

This ghoulish image was taken in the hallway across from the One Feather office. It is the result of recent spackling work in the building.



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Grand Re-Opening

The Family Dollar of Cherokee held a grand re-opening, following remodeling the store, on Saturday, Oct. 29. Shown (left-right) are back row - Tracy Reed, of Waffle House; James Blecke, store manager; Stephanie Laney, Famly Dollar employee; front - Little Miss Cherokee Deliah Esquivel.



Jui Jitsu Seminar

EBCI tribal members Jerico French (left) and Landon French (right) are shown with Brazilian Jui Jitsu Master Royler Gracie at a special seminar put on by Gracie at Tuscola High School in Waynesville on Saturday, Oct. 29. Jerico and Landon are jui-jitsu students at the Basulto Academy of Defense.

DAWN ARNEACH/One Feather contributor

A Na Le Ni Sgi Participants: To increase Public's Understanding of Dynamics of Addiction

SUBMITTED BY MAXINE HILL-STIGMAN, A NA LE NI SGI

The content in this prose poem was generated by Intensive Outpatient Program participants at Analenisgi, the mental health and substance abuse clinic in Cherokee North Carolina. Facilitators involved in its composition, Bennett Bridgers-Carlos, MFA, LCSW and Tom Hill, LPC work for the Health and Medical Division of EBCI. We hope this poem will increase the public's understanding of the debilitating dynamics of opiate addiction which is currently hijacking and harming the wellbeing of so many youth and families on this Reservation and in communities across the country.

"Roxi" is street term that refers to the opiate (narcotic) analgesic Roxicodone --or Oxycodone. This narcotic is also known as "hillbilly heroin". Individuals, states and counties have engaged in class action law-suites against the makers of this narcotic (Purdue Pharma LP). The Connecticut based pharmaceutical company has been charged with failing to adequately warn patients and physicians that Roxicodone/Oxycodone is so dangerously addictive and easily abusable, and for failing to take measures to make it more difficult to abuse-- while they engaged resources into an expensive and effective marketing campaign.

TO ROXI: A DIVORCE COMPLAINT

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If you are from a Cherokee folktale then you are Spearfinger, catching young souls when they are lost in the forest. Like Spearfinger you often provide a slow, torturous, bewildering death to your victims. And you start from the inside out. If you are a mirror, then you are the kind that distorts everything. Where we saw strength, there was weakness. Where we saw friendship and endless parties, there was a cell for solitary confinement.

If you are a devil, and you asked us in our youth to trade our bodies and our souls for a pain-free existence, told us we'd be invincible, told us we'd be rich-- then you are a worse devil than most. Because, for most of us, the trade was made without our knowing what was being exchanged.

If you are a girlfriend or a boyfriend, then only the first few dates satisfied us. You laid out promises you would never keep. You offered popularity and faithfulness. Told us freedom could only be found in rebellion. You promised to be "low-maintenance". You claimed you weren't hungry—claimed you would give and not take. You promised not to steal our per-capita checks. You promised not to steal the trust of our families, or the safety of our children.

You are the sort of date a good grandparent both despises and fears. (Many elders recognize you with great clarity-- having met addiction in its various disguises before.) They warned us of your destructive powers but you whispered: Come over here again and again. Told us you would make us feel so much better. You made these promises barely dressed-- looking too damn good in your fishnets—nets that turned out to be a dangerous trap.

If you are a spirit (and we suspect you may be) then you are the shape-shifter kind. What confused teenager could see you invisible there in a tablet passed to us free of charge one Saturday night? What harm could there be in you, we thought. You seemed so small and clean in the palms of our hands

If you are a spirit then you are a powerful kind—able to highjack an entire life to use as a mere host bodies which you eventually would control almost entirely.

(II)

When we were children we did not say to ourselves: Let's get older and steal our father's car or a small child's new Xbox. We did not say: Let's break into people's houses (people who love us). On Christmas Eve let's carry weapons and let's take all the unwrapped presents from beneath a tree lined with colorful lights.

It was never our dream to be slaves to craving, so that our strong bodies were so dependent upon your chemicals that eventually we could not even rise in the morning without your help. We had to lie there instead feeling our entire skeletons, beneath skin and tissue-- all perfectly and mysteriously made by the Creator-- sweating and nauseous, immobilized and afraid because we felt like-- bone by bone-- you were breaking us-- while we listened to our hungry children looking for something to eat in kitchens laid bare (because food stamps can sometimes be traded for a 30).

No. This was not what we wished for as children. Many of us played with our dolls carefully, tucking soft baby blankets around them, then leaning over to kiss their plastic cheeks. Many of us dreamed of putting out fires when we played with the hose on the lawn on summer days.

We were heroic then-- when we still knew who we were and could remember what we really wanted.

We did not dream of starting fires, of blackouts, fights, flashing knives in darkness so black we could barely see. We did not dream of selling the use of our bodies or fighting off cops or doctors who were only trying to do their jobs.

No. What we really wanted was plainly written upon our Christmas lists: toy kitchens, remote-control fire engines, rescue trucks, musical instruments, lots of cake, wedding dress costumes....

If you are the one we married, then we want out of the contract now. Anyway, it should be annulled. We will admit we were stupid, Roxi. We were very careless and wish now we had made different choices.

This does not, however, change the fact that you intentionally wore a thick veil and refused to reveal your true face to us until it felt too late-- because we were already beholden, already dependent and already trapped.

(Describe your true face? A venomous snake a copperhead, who would poison us until we no longer recognized our true spirit names.)

(III)

Here are some lies you told us: all discomfort is bad; we could not handle suffering; weakness is strength and strength and humility are weakness; without you we would die; without you we were worthless and shameful-- that no one would ever love us but you, that no one would forgive us. That we could never make you leave.

Eventually you required from us (like all abusers do) isolation and secrecy. We were to avoid all potential sources of healing or hope: sober friends, family, churches, meetings, clinics, and classrooms. When we came upon such places, like a siren, you would sing and hiss your seductive songs until our own thoughts seemed almost to disappear beneath the volume of overwhelming cravings.

We needed to work at least 3 jobs just to maintain you, yet in time your constant demands made us incapable of keeping even one.

Here are some things that (for a long time) you caused us to forget and miss: The sun the moon clouds and the stars. We did not notice bird song, not green leaves, not the scent of new seasons, not sky blue skies, not rippling light on the Oconaluftee, not our grandparents' hands, not how good it feels to take a walk. We forgot to sing songs about angels to our daughters at night or to read stories with heroes inside them. We forgot how good it feels to pay our own bills as they arrive, or to learn anything challenging or new. We forgot the taste of our favorite homemade pie. Forgot that lucky perfect feeling of a fish lighting upon a hook-- and of discovering mushrooms-- wishies or slicks. We forgot to bring wild greens home from the woods for our grandmothers, forgot her smile. We forgot the scent of ramps frying and bean bread and the good feeling of sticking our bare feet into cool mountain streams on hot afternoons. We forgot how much we like the sound of our baseball bat smacking a ball. We forgot the way it feels to run the bases. We forgot how to believe there is such a thing as home.

There is much more we could list here of your abuses on our bodies and our mindsbut we will not do so. We simply are tired of talking to you Roxi. You see, in the end, after some recovery time, it turns out that you are boring as well as destructive.

We are taking our lives back now, Roxi. We hereby divorce you.

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Many tasks lay ahead for us as we seek true freedom. We are making amends to those we hurt. We are gradually getting our health back. We are paying attention to what other people need.

Now when we look in the mirror we notice this: We look great without you. We can feel what we feel without listening to your lies. We are keeping our bodies and our minds moving. We are going where we find support, encouragement and hope. We are crossing thresholds into the meetings and churches you never wished us to enter.

We are not as confused now. We are able to think about what we are thinking about. We make decisions and we are taking action. We have even buried your tools, your syringes, needles, spoons, cards, and straws-- those tools of a slave master. This is not just some dream or an idea we have had. We can literally bury them with our own hands, cover them with the healing earth, and say goodbye.

We can do this because we are real again

When we look in the mirror, we can be honest: we are sorry; we are flawed. We are making many apologies. We apologize to all those living with chronic physical pain and their physicians. We regret that we have created so much mistrust and many challenges for you-- who have probably seen enough suffering and have enough challenges already.

We now can look in the daylight at all our scars. It turns out that scar tissue is stronger than unblemished skin. It turns out that being broken open can make us stronger also, if we let it.

If some days we cannot actually forgive ourselves, then we intend at least to tolerate ourselves, and one another, until a better day.

Bit by bit we are putting all we are ashamed of into the light. There is a massive amount. We are bringing out the drum. We are humbly asking that we might glimpse what the Creator already sees and knows:

Anything lost can again be found.

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