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**Family Safety takes home top honors at SOAR Awards**

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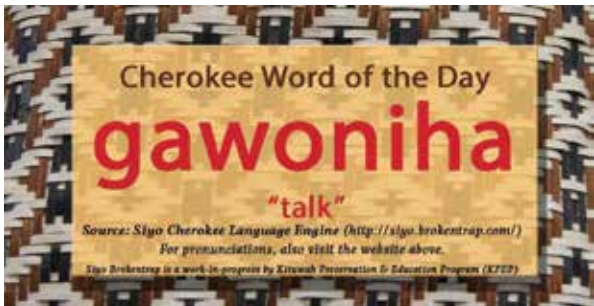
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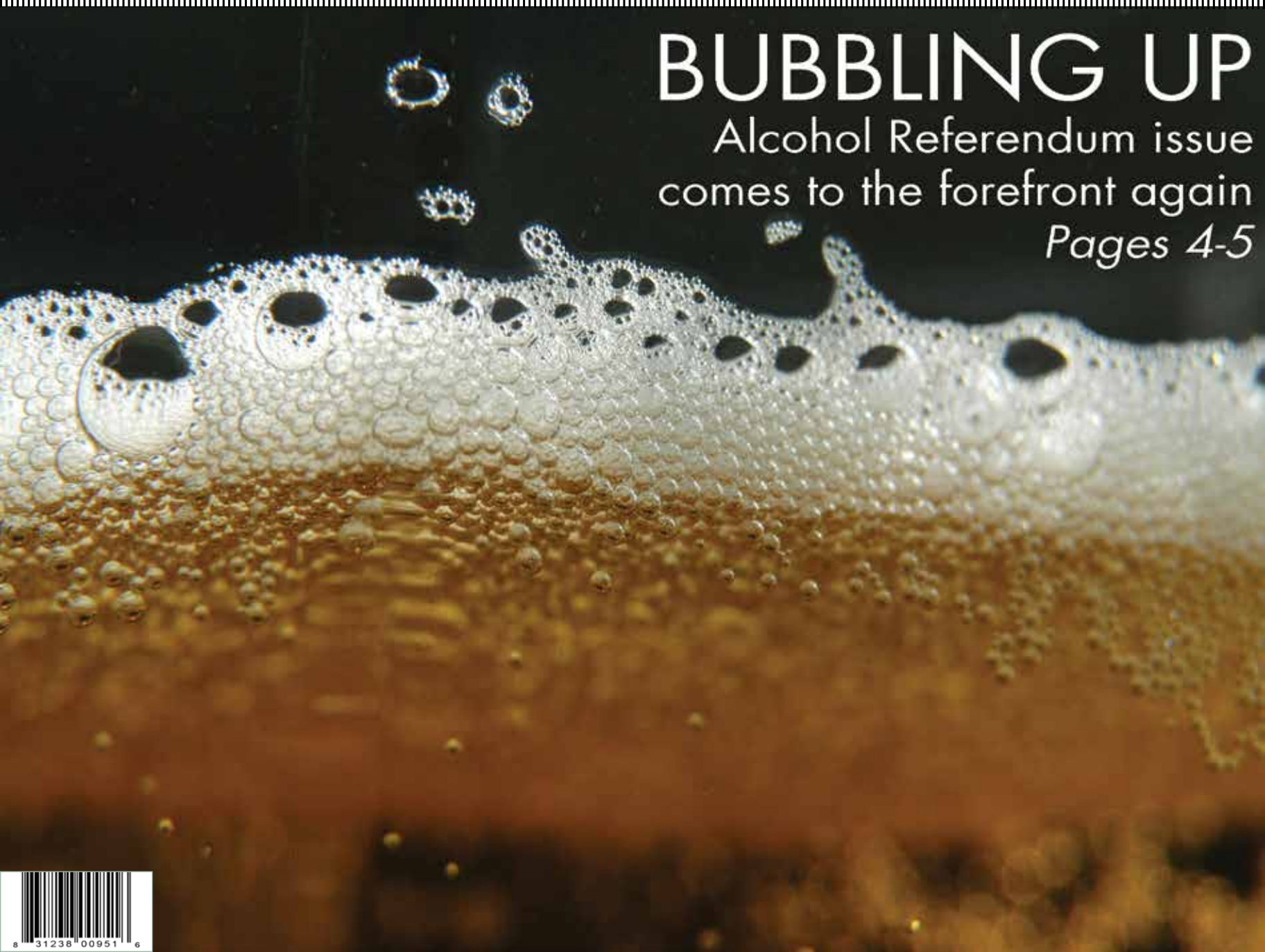
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# Family Safety Program wins top SOAR Award

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The EBCI Family Safety Program won the top award as the 5th Annual SOAR (Success in Operations, Accountability, and Reporting) Awards were given during the regular Tribal Council meeting on Thursday, Nov. 2. The program won the prestigious Chief Noah Powell Fiscal Excellence Award, and eight other tribal programs were recognized for their fiscal responsibility by the Tribal Audit Committee.

“The Family Safety Program provides services to children and families to protect their safety and to keep families intact and functioning to the highest level possible,” Rebecca Claxton, Office of Internal Audit, said of the winning program. “To effectively provide these essential services, the program uses an integrated team model approach and results-based accountability to ensure cases are handled promptly and properly. The program is proactive in developing and maintaining working partnerships with other organizations; and through a competitive, national process was one of eight selected for the Quality Improvement Center for Workforce Development at the University of Nebraska – Lincoln.”

Claxton continued, “To help support and further its cause, the program seeks federal and other funding and obtained direct IV-E funding of over \$600,000.”

Sunshine Parker, EBCI Public Health and Human Services Division health services director,



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**AWARD:** Mark Bumgarner (left), an independent CPA and vice chairman of the Tribal Audit Committee, presents the Chief Noah Powell Fiscal Excellence Award to Sunshine Parker, on behalf of the winning EBCI Family Safety Program, in an awards ceremony for the 5th Annual SOAR Awards during the Tribal Council meeting on Thursday, Nov. 2.

stated, “Family Safety Program was two years old on Oct. 1 of this year, and we’re looking by the end of December having 35 licensed foster homes. Next year, we want to increase that to 50.”

She praised the Family Safety staff for their hard work and diligence. “Without them, we would have nothing. They work constantly...we provide on-call services, so we have someone on-call every single day of the week, every single night. We have a worker and a supervisor on-call. We have behavioral health integrated into our system and we provide services to our families any time they need them.”

Sharon Blankenship, Office of Internal Audit chief audit execu-

tive, spoke on the significance of the Chief Noah Powell Award and commented, “The highest level award is named in honor of our 21st Principal Chief who believed in his people and what they could accomplish.”

During Thursday’s award ceremony, three programs were given Fiscal Commitment Awards including: Tribal Trout Hatchery, Tsali Care Center, and Cherokee Indian Hospital Physical Therapy. A total of five programs received Fiscal Recognition Certificates including: Tribal Realty Services, Cherokee Indian Police Department – Corrections, Cherokee Bottled Water, Cherokee Fire & Rescue, and Cherokee Tribal Lifeline Program. Claxton read parts of the program’s

nominations during the event. Following are parts of those from the other eight winners:

## **Tribal Trout Hatchery (Fiscal Commitment Award)**

“To ensure an inventory of healthy fish to stock, the program has initiated many upgrades to the current facilities. In addition, the program has improved internal tracking and reporting of operations. The program’s efforts have resulted in decreased mortality, more reliable water supply, increased production levels, and better planning. The program stocks 235,000 lbs. of fish per month and averages \$735,000 annually from fishing licenses. The program has also improved collectability and lowered accounts receivable by 60 percent from FY15.”

## **Tsali Care Center (Fiscal Commitment Award)**

“The program wrote a plan to change the way it is paid resulting in exemption from the state’s Prospective Payment System of reimbursement. The program also identified an error the state made by not reimbursing for capital expenditures. The program is now reimbursed at the Federal Medical Assistant Percentage of 100 percent of cost, a difference of \$100 per patient per day. The program also recaptured \$1.6 million for FY14 through FY17 from the state.”

## **Cherokee Indian Hospital Physical Therapy (Fiscal Commitment Award)**

“Appointments are established for patients based on the availability of the therapists. The program

discovered, through an assessment of hours worked, a high level of non-productive staff hours due to cancellations and no-show appointments which equated to a cost of two full-time positions and lost revenue. The program instituted a series of performance-improvement projects to improve 'kept appointment' rates. Appointment show rates have improved, non-productive staff hours have decreased and net service patient revenue has increased."

**Tribal Realty Services  
(Fiscal Recognition Certificate)**

"Tribal Realty Services was established in efforts to bring realty services into the Tribe and away from the Bureau of Indian Affairs. To work towards this important initiative, the program has begun

building the necessary foundation by identifying staffing solutions and developing policies and procedures."

**Cherokee Indian Police  
Department – Corrections  
(Fiscal Recognition Certificate)**

"Corrections is responsible for protecting the public by confining offenders in controlled facilities. While confined, the program offers inmates rehabilitation opportunities such as GED classes and other training and prevention classes which have helped lower the number of re-offenders."

**Cherokee Bottled Water  
(Fiscal Recognition Certificate)**

"To minimize costs and drive revenues, the program optimizes order size to reduce deliveries; drop

ships when feasible; and recovers costs by selling recyclable pallets and 5-gallon bottles. This has resulted in a 12 percent increase in Gross Profit Margin from FY15 to FY17."

**Cherokee Fire & Rescue  
(Fiscal Recognition Certificate)**

"This past year, the program has responded to close to 2,000 calls and has conducted public education to over 5,900 adults and children. In addition, they have completed 6,389 hours of training; conducted more building fire inspections; and created a fire investigation division. As a result, the program has seen a decrease in structure fires, no fires in commercial buildings, and better fire response outcome protecting \$5.1 million of \$6 million at risk."

**Cherokee Tribal Lifeline  
Program  
(Fiscal Recognition Certificate)**

"The Cherokee Tribal Lifeline Program, which provides devices for fast reliable access to help for those who may require it, was transferred to Cherokee Home Health in 2016. Upon the transfer, the program inventoried lifeline units, renegotiated the contract price, managed client 'wait list', and developed a process improvement plan. This has resulted in immediate savings of \$1,000 for inactive accounts; a 40 percent reduction in the monthly rate; device installation within 24 hours; increased client safety; ensured stewardship; and enhanced reporting."

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# Overwhelming support for alcohol referendum shown at meeting

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The issue of alcohol sales on tribal lands of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is once again in the forefront, and Painttown Rep. Lisa Taylor introduced legislation, during an Annual Council session on Oct. 26, calling for a referendum vote on alcohol sales outside the property of Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort. Overwhelming support for the idea of holding a referendum was shown by tribal leaders and community members at a Tribal Council work session held on the night of Monday, Nov. 6 at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds.

"My intent for submitting this resolution was for the people to have a say and whether they approve or disapprove of having alcohol on the Boundary," said Rep. Taylor who noted she's had numerous people in her community express their support for the referendum idea.

More than five years ago, in April 2012, EBCI tribal members voted on four questions dealing with alcohol sales, and only one – allowing individual communities the right to vote on alcohol through a referendum – was passed. Alcohol sales started at Harrah's Cherokee Casino in 2009 following a referendum vote on that issue.

Much like the discussion at the Oct. 26 meeting when the legislation was introduced, talk centered on the Blue Ridge law, a state measure agreed to by Tribal

Council, which allows alcohol sales in restaurants located within 1.5 miles of an entrance or exit ramp of the Blue Ridge Parkway. Several businesses in Cherokee, located within that distance, have already been issued permits under that provision.

"Many people in my community have approached me upset with those permits being issued," said Rep. Taylor who added that the issuance of those permits, in her opinion, was "the wrong move to make."

Early in the discussion on Monday night, the issue of the resolution itself was discussed. Michael McConnell, EBCI interim attorney general, stated that the resolution, as submitted, did not have a proper referendum question in the verbiage. "My role in this is not to press the issue for or against the sale of alcohol," he noted. "My role in this is to present the issue to the people according to tribal law if Council says, 'yes, we are going to have a referendum'."

Tribal leadership was unanimous in their support for having a referendum.

"It's a very emotional issue for a lot of people," said Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed. "There's been a lot of damage that people have sustained in their lives. At the end of the day, the referendum gives the vote to the people. I'm in full support of a referendum vote."

He did add, "I do want to reiterate the point I made before, if we repeal the so-called Blue Ridge portion of our ordinance, the state

could repeal all sales on the Boundary."

States were given the right to regulate alcohol sales, even on federal Indian lands, in the 21st amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley called for unity. "We need to quit dividing our Tribe. We're going to have to become one Tribe again. Our people, they're asking for a referendum. Some are for, some are against...but, they're the ones that are adamantly asking for us to vote again...I think, as a whole, we need to let the people voice their opinion."

He went on to say that drugs are the biggest issue affecting the Cherokee community.

During Monday's discussion, many tribal members spoke on the referendum issue and others addressed their concerns and opinions on alcohol itself.

Joey Owle, Wolftown Community, said he found the arguments against alcohol expansion "regressive" in nature. "It's something that is not going away. It is here. We have a package store just off the Boundary, and those folks are now millionaires. I hope we can move forward with a referendum that will allow for a tribal package store or breweries."

Amy Walker, a tribal elder from the 3200 Acre Tract, commented, "We always hear the side of economics. Money doesn't buy all things. But, that's usually the first argument that we hear is that everyone else is making money off

of this so let's not get behind."

She added, "I would like for our people to have a safe place in this community. If we all intend to make money, maybe we should just have prostitution here. That's a money-maker. To me, alcohol ranks right up there with prostitution in my book. For me, I say no. Let's keep it there at the casino."

Peggy Hill, a tribal elder from the Yellowhill Community, noted that Drowning Bear, a Cherokee leader after the Removal, banished alcohol. "He was a leader, and he was a person to prohibit, in his words, the destructive white man's liquor."

She noted that drinking was "unacceptable" when she was younger. "There were very few that indulged in alcohol."

Hill said the Tribe should follow the example of Drowning Bear, "One hundred and eighty-eight (188) years later, alcohol among the Eastern Band is still, for the most part, still unacceptable."

Jatanna Feather, Birdtown Community, noted, "Both sides of my family have suffered from alcoholism and not just that, but diabetes. I don't agree with alcohol being here because I don't think that it was made for native people. I don't think it's safe for the ones that don't have control."

She advocated for the Tribe heading in a different direction than expansion of alcohol sales. "If we're going to go to the way of economics, then we need to go towards marijuana. You can make a lot more money and put that

towards other programs.”

Sheila Standingdeer, Big Cove Community, also advocated for medical marijuana as an economic boost. “I don’t know why we haven’t jumped on that. I say we plant every field full of it, hemp, marijuana...we are natives. These are plants. Why get alcohol that kills people? We are sovereign. We can have that here.”

Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle agreed, “There’s a tremendous amount of money to be made on

this. There are wonderful places to grow this stuff, but I think that would have to be a referendum issue too.”

David Jumper, Wolfstown Community, said the alcohol issue should take the back-burner. “It’s more than just alcohol. We have a drug epidemic.”

He added, “I think the drug epidemic needs to be addressed before this even comes up...don’t even put it out for referendum. The people spoke years ago.”

At the end of the meeting, Tribal Council representatives thanked the community for their input.

“I enjoy hearing what the people got to say,” said Birdtown Rep. Albert Rose. “It does need to go to a referendum and let the people vote on it.”

Rep. Taylor commented, “It’s been a good discussion. I’ll stand by what the people say in the referendum.”

Big Cove Rep. Perry Shell

commented, “I know every family here has suffered in one way or another from alcohol. I think a lot more discussions are going to be needed.”

He said clarifying the language is very important. “What is key is what is actually in the question.”

The resolution is set to be discussed again in the regular Tribal Council meeting scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 7.

## Financial Exploitations:

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FSP Adult Protective Services Unit suggests watching for the following warning signs of suspicious behavior that may indicate potential elder and disabled adult financial exploitation:

- Sudden changes in bank account or banking practice.
- Unexplained withdrawal of a lot of money by a person accompanying the victim.
- Adding additional names on a bank signature card.
- Unapproved withdrawal of funds using an ATM card.
- Sudden changes in a will or other financial documents.
- Unexplained missing funds or valuables.
- Providing substandard care.
- Unpaid bills despite having enough money.
- Forged signature for financial transactions or for the titles of property.
- Sudden appearance of previously uninvolved relatives claiming their rights to a person’s affairs and possessions.
- Unexplained sudden transfer of assets.

If these sound familiar, contact the  
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Family Safety Program Adult Protective Services Unit:

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Daytime phone (828) 359-1520

After hours contact Cherokee Dispatch at (828) 497-4131 and ask to speak to an *Adult Protective Services On-call Worker*.

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- **REMOVE** flammable materials (wood piles, propane tanks) within 30 feet of your home’s foundation and outbuildings, including garages and sheds. If it can catch fire, don’t let it touch your house, deck or porch.
- Wildfire can spread to tree tops. **PRUNE** trees so the lowest branches are 6 to 10 feet from the ground.
- **KEEP** your lawn hydrated and maintained. If it is brown, cut it down to reduce fire intensity. Dry grass and shrubs are fuel for wildfire.
- Don’t let debris and lawn cuttings linger. **DISPOSE** of these items quickly to reduce fuel for fire.
- **INSPECT** shingles or roof tiles. Replace or repair the shingles that are loose or missing to prevent ember penetration.
- **COVER** exterior attic vents with metal wire mesh no larger than 1/8 inch to prevent sparks from entering the home.
- **ENCLOSE** eaves and screen soffit vents using 1/8 mesh metal screening to prevent ember entry.

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# Four in marriage fraud conspiracy plead guilty

A federal criminal bill of indictment, unsealed in June, charged 12 individuals with marriage fraud conspiracy and related charges, for entering into sham marriages for the purposes of evading United States immigration laws. Now, four of those individuals have pleaded guilty in the case.

Kaila Cucumber, Kevin Swayney, Jordan Littlejohn, and Jessica Gonzalez – all of Cherokee – have pleaded guilty to felony marriage fraud [8 USC 1325(c)] according to information from the U.S. Attorney's Office. The charge carries a sentence of up to five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine per count. A date for sentencing

has not been set as of press time.

According to allegations contained in the criminal bill of indictment, beginning in or about June 2015, and continuing through December 2016, in Swain and Jackson counties, the defendants engaged in a fraudulent marriage scheme, in which foreign nationals paid to enter into fraudulent marriages with United States citizens, in order to secure lawful, permanent residence in the United States. The indictment alleges that Ruth McCoy, Golan Perez and Ofir Marsiano arranged the sham marriages by connecting United States citizens, including Cucumber, Gonzalez, Littlejohn, and Swayney,

with non-citizens, including Ilya Dostanov, Ievgenii Reint and Yana Peltz. The non-U.S. citizens typically would pay between \$1,500 to \$3,000 in exchange for the services.

As alleged in the indictment, once paired, the U.S. Citizens and the non-citizens would travel to Sevier County, Tenn., and enter into fraudulent marriages with each other. According to the indictment, in most cases, after obtaining their marriage certificates, the non-citizens did in fact apply for adjustments to their immigration status based on their marriages to their U.S. spouses. The indictment further alleges that, at times, McCoy and Timothy Ray Taylor also acted

as "sponsors" for the non-citizens' applications for adjustments to their immigration status and in exchange they received additional monetary compensation.

McCoy, Marsiano, Perez, and Taylor have continued their trials. The investigation was led by the FBI. Assistant U.S. Attorney Daniel Bradley, of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Charlotte, is prosecuting the case. John A. Strong, Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Charlotte Division joins U.S. Attorney Rose in making today's announcement.

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## Cherokee Indian Police Dept. report for October 2017

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Arrests - 77

Traffic Citations - 108

Traffic Accidents - 53

### Drugs Seized

29.5 gr. Methamphetamine -

\$3,540.00

35.5 gr. Heroin - \$14,080.00

Total Street Value of Drugs Seized

= \$17,620.00

- Cherokee Indian Police Dept.

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# Cherokee Preservation Foundation awards 41 grants

The Cherokee Preservation Foundation recently awarded 41 grants for 2017 for a total of more than \$5.8 million. Grants were awarded to partners that meet the Foundation's mission of improving the quality of life for the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indian (EBCI) and the surrounding region.

The 2017 grants include:

- Cherokee Central Schools to implement Qualla Education Collaborative plans for a blended learning model and E-STEM curriculum.
- Cherokee Historical Association to support revitalization of the Unto These Hills play.
- Cherokee Boys Club to diversify its operations.
- Cherokee Boy Club to support the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute in its first year.
- Friends of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park for sustaining existing National Park Service field trip program in NC and TN to include Cherokee cultural activities.
- EBCI Enterprise Development to continue Indianpreneurship training.
- Qualla Arts & Crafts to expand and upgrade artisan archives.
- North Carolina International Folk Festival to enhance the annual Folkmoot Festival with performances and special events from Cherokee artisans.
- Sequoyah Birthplace Museum to focus on events, educational programs and maintain capacity while the museum is being renovated.
- Western Region Education Service Alliance to expand STEM-E curriculum in elementary schools in Cherokee and surrounding counties.
- Community Foundation of Western North Carolina to provide training,

learning opportunities, and resources to nonprofits and community groups in Qualla Boundary and WNC.

- Snowbird and Cherokee County Services to establish a cohesive language program in the Snowbird community.
- EBCI Division of Commerce to enhance marketing efforts for Cherokee.
- Western Carolina University Cherokee Studies Department to support the Cherokee language program as an integral partner in the Cherokee language revitalization initiative.
- Revitalization of Traditional Cherokee Resources (RTCAR) to protect traditional artisan resources for future generations.
- Cherokee Boys Club: Right Path to continue implementation of the Right Path Adult Leadership Program.
- Cherokee Boys Club: Cherokee Youth Council to promote Cherokee cultural leadership training, youth empowerment activities, and regional youth council development.
- EBCI Natural Resources to enhance cultural lands management and grow cultural and environmental education for EBCI members, neighbors, and visitors to the Nikwasi-Cherokee Cultural Corridor.
- Mainspring Conservation Trust for building on the planning previously supported by the Foundation to build facilities at the Cowee Cultural Corridor hub.
- American Indian Science and Engineering Society to increase interest and competency in science, technology, engineering, math, and computer science.
- North Carolina Symphony to allow Cherokee Central Schools and Kituwah Preservation and Education

with education music curriculum materials and training for youth choirs.

- North Carolina Trail of Tears Association to educate the public on WNC historical aspects of the Trail of Tears.
- Cherokee Boys Club to demonstrate a clean-burn used-oil furnace.
- Southwestern Commission to market agricultural and food-related products in the seven westernmost counties of NC and on the Qualla Boundary.
- EBCI Kituwah Preservation and Education Program to support Cherokee Language preservation through continued learning, adult immersion, archiving, teacher training, community outreach, and more.
- Big Cove Women's Group Revitalization Project supporting additional cultural classes in the Big Cove community.
- Big Y Community Free Labor Group to support their efforts to purchase major capital equipment.
- The Museum of the Cherokee Indian to continue implementation of the business plan and Cherokee Friends program.
- Cherokee Boys Club: Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program to support implementation of the program within the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute.
- Snowbird Cherokee Traditions for the Snowbird summer language camp and adult evening classes.
- Sequoyah Fund to make loans to entrepreneurs and continue financial education through new programs.
- Asheville Art Museum for planning a shared Cherokee exhibition with the Museum of the Cherokee Indian
- Stecoah Valley Arts, Crafts and Education to develop a plan for a

Cherokee exhibit

- Western Carolina University to create an interactive exhibit on Cherokee language and culture in the WCU Bardo Arts Center.
- Some of the grants included funding from RTCAR (Revitalization of Traditional Cherokee Resources), part of the Foundation. These include:
  - Graham Revitalization Economic Action Team (GREAT) to support Phase II of a "living laboratory" on Sweetwater Creek Greenway at Robbinsville High School.
  - Highlands Biological Station to improve the Cherokee garden and Cherokee-related programming at the station.
  - Mainspring Conservation Trust to continue bird monitoring, research, and education at Tessentee Bottomland Preserve, EBCI's Cowee Mound, and Welch Farm property in Andrews.
  - Western Carolina University Cherokee Studies Program to create a community mapping project on the Qualla Boundary.
  - Swain Arts Center to provide a summer arts camps for students at two Swain County elementary schools.
  - North Carolina Arboretum Germplasm Repository to develop, test, and publish material supporting Cherokee traditional harvesting methods. This grant should help expedite access to harvesting on National Park lands.
  - Chattooga Conservancy to continue implementing a management plan at the Chattooga Town site and create an additional arrangement in the Chattahoochee National Forest.

- Cherokee Preservation Foundation

## FOOTBALL

# Bulldogs top Braves, Cherokee stills gets top seed

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Sometimes football can be a funny sport. Murphy (9-2) defeated Cherokee (10-1), giving the Braves their first

45-7.

All three teams shared this year's Smoky Mountain Conference title, and following Friday's Cherokee - Murphy game, the three team's head coaches pulled numbers out of a hat to determine conference ranking going

- Murphy game was another of those where the stats sheet doesn't tell the story at all. The two teams were almost identical in a lot of ways including: total offense - Cherokee 317 yards, Murphy 330 yards; number of plays - Cherokee 51, Murphy 49; yards per play - Cherokee 6.2, Murphy 6.7; time of possession - Cherokee 24:06, Murphy 23:54; and penalties - Cherokee 11 for 120 yards, Murphy 9 for 85 yards.

Cherokee was led by Tye Mintz, senior quarterback, who completed 10 of 21 passes for 147 yards and carried the ball 12 times for 30 yards. Isaiah Evans, junior running back, ran the ball 15 times for a tough 139 yards, and he caught four passes for 34 yards. He got into the end zone twice on the night with an 8-yard run in the third quarter and a 13-yard touchdown reception from Bobby Crowe with 18 seconds left in the contest.

Crowe also led the team defensively with six tackles on the night followed by Holden Straughan and Damian Blanton with 4.5 each.

Murphy was led by Slade McTaggart who carried the ball eight times for 103 yards. Half of his carries resulted in touchdowns as he scored on runs of 14, 1, 36, and 6 yards respectively. Kadrian McRae scored on a 6-yard run as well for the Bulldogs.

The first half started out being dominated by both defenses with both teams having two three-and-outs to start. The first quarter ended scoreless, and it was midway through the second before the first points were put up on the board as McTaggart scored his first.

McTaggart added two in the third and Evans scored his first in the same quarter. The Bulldogs led 21-6 going into the fourth.

The fourth saw Murphy outscore Cherokee 14-6, the same as the third quarter point differential, to take the 35-12 win.



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**MATCH-UP:** Cherokee's Bobby Crowe (#7), sophomore, goes in for a tackle on Murphy's Slade McTaggart. Crowe led Cherokee with six tackles, and McTaggart led the Bulldogs with eight carries for 103 yards and four touchdowns.

loss of the season, 35-12, at Ray Kinsland Stadium on Friday, Nov. 3. Earlier in the season, Murphy lost by two points (29-27) to Swain County and Cherokee defeated Swain

into the playoffs. Cherokee drew a "1" for the top seed followed by Swain County and Murphy.

With that being said, Friday's Cherokee



# The Cherokee H.S. Arena does not exist

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

There is no place known as the CHS Arena. It doesn't exist. It is the Charles George Memorial Arena. It is not the CHS Arena or the high school arena or simply the arena.

That college-level complex, home to Cherokee basketball and volleyball and other school events, was named in honor of a great American hero.

PFC George, one of only 28 American Indians to receive the Medal of Honor, threw himself on an enemy grenade, saving his comrades at the expense of his own life on Nov. 29, 1952 near Songnae-dong, Korea.

"Death comes to all, but great achievements build a monument which shall endure until the sun grows cold," said Ralph Waldo Emerson, noted American poet.

As long as we remember the deeds of great heroes such as PFC Charles George, his legacy of heroism and service will endure until the sun grows cold.

That's why it is so important to remember him properly and use the full name of the complex named in his honor. Now, don't get me wrong, I'm not necessarily talking



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**HERO:** A life-size statue of Medal of Honor recipient PFC Charles George stands guard over the Cherokee Veterans Park. This year's Veterans Day celebration and observance will be held on Saturday, Nov. 11 at 11 am at the Yellowhill Activity Center.

about everyday usage such as a student asking another student where an event is going to be. "Oh, it's in the arena."

I'm talking about official mentions of the facility. I've seen flyers and event listings in other media outlets that state that such-and-such event will be held in the CHS Arena. That's what I'm talking about.

A Veterans Day event will be held at the Yellowhill Activity Center on Saturday, Nov. 11 at 11 am. I'll be there, as I am every year, with camera and

notepad in hand covering the event. I always enjoy the event although attendance does vary from year-to-year. It does sadden me though that the organizers of the event think that the Yellowhill Activity Center will hold everyone.

Unfortunately, I think it will as well. But, I wish that organizers had to reserve the Charles George Memorial Arena due to the huge influx of people attending the event each year. Maybe one day that will be the case.

As we approach the

**Rank and organization:** Private First Class, U.S. Army, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment, 45th Infantry Division.

**Place and date:** Near Songnae-dong, Korea, 30 November 1952.

**Entered service at:** Whittier, N.C.

**Born:** 23 August 1932, Cherokee, N.C.

**G.O. NO.:** 19, 18 March 1954.

**Citation:** Pfc. George, a member of Company C, distinguished himself by conspicuous gallantry and outstanding courage above and beyond the call of duty in action against the enemy on the night of 30 November 1952. He was a member of a raiding party committed to engage the enemy and capture a prisoner for interrogation. Forging up the rugged slope of the key terrain feature, the group was subjected to intense mortar and machine gun fire and suffered several casualties. Throughout the advance, he fought valiantly and, upon reaching the crest of the hill, leaped into the trenches and closed with the enemy in hand-to-hand combat. When friendly troops were ordered to move back upon completion of the assignment, he and 2 comrades remained to cover the withdrawal. While in the process of leaving the trenches a hostile soldier hurled a grenade into their midst. Pfc. George shouted a warning to 1 comrade, pushed the other soldier out of danger, and, with full knowledge of the consequences, unhesitatingly threw himself upon the grenade, absorbing the full blast of the explosion. Although seriously wounded in this display of valor, he refrained from any outcry which would divulge the position of his companions. The 2 soldiers evacuated him to the forward aid station and shortly thereafter he succumbed to his wound. Pfc. George's indomitable courage, consummate devotion to duty, and willing self-sacrifice reflect the highest credit upon himself and uphold the finest traditions of the military service.

11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month this year, take a moment to thank a veteran. If you can, try to take an hour or two to attend the Veterans Day event here in Cherokee or try to attend one elsewhere.

And, the next time you enter the Charles George Memorial Arena for a basketball game or other

event, take a moment and read the Medal of Honor Citation that is emblazoned on the wall. It can be found at the top right of this article as well.

And, the next time you speak of the venue, please use the full name – Charles George Memorial Arena – as it honors a true American and Cherokee hero.

# Tribal member planning a triathlon for Cherokee

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

**K**allup McCoy II likes to push himself. The EBCI tribal member from the Birdtown Community, who has been in sobriety and recovery for seven months as of Saturday, Oct. 28, has become a triathlete and hopes to bring a sprint triathlon event to Cherokee in the spring. He has been working with Jolene Matthews, a celebrity personal trainer who has worked with the cast of the “Real Housewives of New Jersey”.

Matthews reached out to McCoy after seeing a recent article in the Cherokee One Feather about his Rez Recovery Riders group (<https://theonefeather.com/2017/10/tribal-member-former-addict-starts-rez-recovery-riders/>).

“We’re going to gear the event towards the fight against addiction as she’s a recovering addict as well,” McCoy noted. “She asked me if I thought it would be better to do it up there in New Jersey or down here, and I told her, ‘with my community and my people right now, I think we need it down here.’”

All of the particulars of the event are being worked out now including date, time, place, course layout, etc. “I was thinking of starting it in Ela Lake with a half-mile swim, and then getting on our bikes and riding through Birdtown, and then finishing with a run in town.”

When asked of his newfound passion for triathlon and extreme endurance sports, McCoy commented, “I just read a quote recently that I love because it applies to my recovery. ‘Recovery

is an endurance race.’ When you get tired you sit down and rest, but you’ve got to keep going. You obviously cannot quit. And, that’s why I’m going to keep tackling these things for myself, for my family, for my recovery family, and I want everyone to know who’s battling substance abuse addiction that I’m doing my best to show them that I care and that anything is possible by continuing to put God first and through hard work and dedication.”

He hopes triathlons will take off in Cherokee, especially among the recovery community. “We already have some people who do them...and your fitness, your diet, your exercise, all of that goes right along with your sobriety. It’s just teaching yourself discipline. If you can get up, take care of your body, eat the right things, then you don’t really want to put anything bad into your body.”

As part of his effort to push himself physically and mentally, McCoy applied to be a part of the 2018 Remember the Removal Ride. “I was automatically disqualified because I have a felony conviction on my record.”

Since he won’t be able to join in the Removal ride, he has formulated another plan. “I’m going to run to Oklahoma in June. Everybody says I’m crazy, but when I say I’m going to do something, I try to see it through.”

He plans to run the same route that is traversed annually by the Remember the Removal Ride, the northern route of the Trail of Tears. “I’m going to start at the beginning of June. I’ve got the private financial backing already. I

just want my community to know they’re a big reason why I’m doing all of this. I just want them to look at me and say, ‘look how hard he’s working’. I want to be a good role model.”

McCoy further explained his reasoning, “I know the run to Oklahoma is crazy, but if I can inspire just one person it’ll be worth it.” He addressed Tribal Council on Thursday, Nov. 2 in an effort to have the Remember the Removal bike ride policy looked at for future riders. “I understand rules are in place, and I’m not holding anyone personally accountable for that, and my actions I have to live with that. With that being said, we need to have things in place so people can be involved in an honorable event like this and they can represent their Tribe...as long as they’re doing A, B, and C, why not let them be involved?”

He advocated for more programs for EBCI tribal members in recovery. “I just think we need to have all of these things now. Let’s quit talking about it and let’s do it.”

Big Cove Rep. Richard French commented after McCoy, “We all have addiction in our families. We have all lost loved ones to this... we can sit in here and preach all day long about the problem we have, but then once they try to help themselves, we’re slamming the door in our own people’s faces. And, then they have nowhere to run except back to their old friends and that same situation.”

He said it would be an honor for McCoy’s Rez Recovery Riders group to be on the Removal ride. “That would be an accomplishment for these young men and women that

are trying to better themselves...I’d love to see you in that ride also.”

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, a Remember the Removal ride alumni, said it isn’t that Cherokee Choices, a tribal program which helps to facilitate the ride, or any other program isn’t in full support of tribal members in recovery. “The issue with the Remember the Removal Ride is this; that is not a program that the Eastern Band does on its own. So, that program was started by the Cherokee Nation in 1984.”

Chief Sneed said members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians have only been participating for the past seven years. “Part of the MOU agreement that we have with the Cherokee Nation is they have guidelines in place, and we have agreed to abide by those. One of them is that if you have a felony conviction, you cannot participate.”

He said the Tribe might be able to see about that rule going forward, but noted, “As it stands today, that rule is on the books. So, we can look to amend that.”

Several Council representatives, including Wolftown Rep. Jeremy Wilson, a Removal ride alumni, and Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle advocated for McCoy to possibly think of taking a group of his own in the future.

“That might be something we can look at in the future,” said Rep. Owle., “to help these people who are in recovery.”

For more information about any of the programs McCoy is involved in, contact him on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/kallup.mccoyii.3>



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## CROSS COUNTRY

# Lambert finishes 15th at state meet

**KERNERSVILLE** – Darius Lambert, a junior member of the Cherokee High School cross country team, finished 15th in the boys 1A state cross country championship at the Ivey Redmon Sports Complex in Kernersville on the morning of Saturday, Nov. 4. Lambert, who qualified for the meet with a ninth place finish at the 1A West Regional Meet, finished Saturday's race with a time of 17:24.96.

Conrad Philips, Pine Lake Prep, won the boys race with a time of 16:09.70 followed by Lucas Brown, Queens Grant, 16:36.89 and Drew Zink, Lincoln Charter, 16:44.91.

Bishop McGuinness won the boys state team title with a score of 51 followed by Lincoln Charter 95 and Franklin Academy 103. Hayesville came in fourth with a score of 132 and Robbinsville finished sixth with a score of 181.

Caitlyn Burkett, Franklin Academy, won the girls state championship with a time of 19:16.94 followed by Abigail Hemric, North Stokes, 19:46.39 and Emy Cloutier, East Carteret, 20:14.40. Franklin Academy won the girls state team title with a score of 36 followed by Lincoln Charter 74 and Murphy 123. Robbinsville placed seventh with a score of 187.

Other top 50 finishers in the boys race from the Smoky Mountain Conference included:  
6 – Gavin Morgan, Hayesville, 16:55.22  
13 – Jonathan Ray, Rosman, 17:22.08  
24 – Luke Walters, Robbinsville, 17:39.10  
31 – Justin Race, Hayesville, 17:50.51  
34 – C.J. Anderson, Hiwassee Dam, 17:56.34  
36 – Tucker Price, Robbinsville, 18:02.27  
39 – Gunnar Ruthig, Robbinsville, 18:08.71  
40 – Ryelan Snowden, Hayesville,

18:10.10

Other top 50 finishers in the girls race from the Smoky Mountain Conference included:  
8 – Peyton Wood, Murphy, 20:28.80  
16 – Emma Pindur, Swain County, 20:59.47  
21 – Ava Barlow, Robbinsville, 21:14.09  
23 – Natalie Graves, Murphy, 21:35.05  
24 – Anna Riddle, Robbinsville, 21:37.70  
46 – Abigail Knight, Robbinsville, 22:20.59  
47 – Grace Hill, Murphy, 22:21.41  
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## Blue Ridge Pageant in Cherokee

The Blue Ridge Scholarship Pageant was held at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center on the evening of Saturday, Nov. 4. The opening segment featured cultural presentations by members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

(SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)



**VOICE:** Former Miss Cherokee Taran Swimmer sings the Cherokee National Anthem.



**PRIDE:** Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed spoke of the important role that women play in Cherokee society.



**OUTFIT:** Tsini McCoy, an EBCI tribal member from the Birdtown Community, models her traditional Cherokee outfit. She was a 2016 Blue Ridge Carolina Princess.



**HONORED:** Rosie McCoy (center), from the Birdtown Community, was presented with the 2017 Woman of Achievement Award.



**STORYTELLER:** Former Miss Cherokee Amorie Gunter tells the story of the ballgame between the animals and the birds.



**TALENT:** Cece Lambert, a member of the Cherokee Chamber Singers, sings a solo number at the beginning of the show.

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**GARDENERS:** The efforts of gardeners and community clubs were recognized at the EBCI Cooperative Extension Community Awards and Volunteer Appreciation Banquet held at the Yellowhill Activity Center on the night of Thursday, Nov. 2. Bill Smith (right), Yellowhill Community, is shown receiving the 1st Place Adult Garden award from Ronald "Chumper" Walker, EBCI Cooperative Extension director. A full listing of awards was not available by press time.



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## Cherokee Middle School Honor Roll - 1st Quarter

### 6th Grade

**Principal's Honor Roll:** Jasmine Robertson, Seshadri Pratama, Ann Toineeta, Jenna Cruz, Jimya Driver, Carys Holiday, Madison Ledford, Dayvian Pheasant, Evonne Stamper, Hermione Ward, George Saunooke, Shelby Solis, Roxi Bark, Leondes Garcia, Gabriel Terrell, Laura Martinez, Samuel Postoak, Jayle Creson, Collin Ledford, Ezra McGaha, Creedon Arch, Bud Mathis, Isaac Welch, Breydan Ensley

**Alpha Honor Roll:** DeLaina Mills, Siddalee Thomason, Adrian Armachain, Brody Barker, Kayd-Lynn Bradley, Janna Girty, Julia Gonzales, DJ Hornbuckle, Niyahi Mora, Kyria Swayney, Olivia Swayney, Jalie Bowling, Littlehawk Reed, Lupita Toineeta, Dyami Saunooke, Emily Swayney, Awee Watty-Ivey, Ileyeni Wolfe, Jaylynne Brady, Ezequiel Martinez, Tahlaya Thompson

**Beta Honor Roll:** Danica Hill, Jodie Bird, Triniti Littlejohn, Alexzaya Lossie, Evan Nations, Maribel Armachain, Lilianna Bigmeat, Phillip Garcia-Calhoun, Elias Griffin, Shernan Kalonaheskie, Emily Blankenship, Ashton Cucumber, Angelyn Kalonaheskie, Aliah Locust, Carl McCoy Jr, Awee Walkingstick, Bayley Wright, Jamaya

Balderas, Boie Crowe, Preston Davis, Marianna Martinez, Tristen McCoy, Maria Panther, Gabriel Crowe, Kalina Hicks, Kaiden Lambert, Trevan Lambert, Ofelia Garcia, Brendan Lambert, Javian Martin, Hunter Hendrix, Treyton Queen, Juliana Maney, Dante Taylor, Sateva Youngdeer

### 7th Grade

**Principal's Honor Roll:** Lilah Reynolds, Mason Long, Ariyonna Hill-Maney, Alexis Smith, Mahala Allison, Idalis Crowe, Walker Clapsaddle, Braylon James, Cavan Reed, Keneil Saunooke, Nessa Smith, Ellise Stamper, Dominyk Arch, Katherine Armachain, Jolie Locust-Pheasant

**Alpha Honor Roll:** Adia Frady, Alessandra Martinez, Oztin Swayney, Fala Welch, Alyxandra Armachain, Nora Garcia, Rachel Maney, Alessandra Oocumma, Walika Sexton, William Hartbarger

**Beta Honor Roll:** Jaden Armachain, Kalina Blanton, Isaiah Crowe, Zechariah Maney, Destiny Siweumptewa, Davyn Broome, Catherine Cline, Terrell Locust, Jacklin Lossiah, Bititste Pepion, Connor Pheasant, Acacia Reed, Hayden McCoy, Joseph Smith, Dacian Tafoya, Makyla Taylor-Hernandez, Elexia Bird, Kensen Davis, Brantley George, Autumn Greene, Avlin Welch, Tanin Esquivel, Brystyn Littlejohn, Calvin Lossi-

ah, Xavier Otter, Syllas Pete, Kaella Hornbuckle, Jaelyn Lossiah, Ashlea Parker, Trent Parsons, Kaniah Reed, Darius Saunooke, Mya Seqyouyah, Kaden Smith, Ayden Thompson, Kamia Wiggins, Tyler Wolfe, Kayandra Youngdeer, Amiya George, Brandon Martinez, Cristofer Rivera, Hezekiah Bird, Kenton Hill, Aida Martinez, Dasgigidi Hill, Chloe Lambert, Emma Anthony, Ava Galanick, Kyra West, Rae Littlejohn, Julius Bolden

### 8th Grade

**Principal's Honor Roll:** Evan Caley, Takota Sexton, Caedance Smith, Johnny Bradley, Tehya Littlejohn, Rayna Ricks, Kegan Curtice, Miranda Lopez, Eli McCoy, Vivian Ross, Tevy West

**Alpha Honor Roll:** Kaelin Jones, Abigail Taylor, Malakai Fourkiller-Raby, Keeifer Taylor, Caidyn French, Betty Lossiah, Makala McGaha, Joshua Smith

**Beta Honor Roll:** John Queen, Marcus Armachain, Luther Standing Bear Light in the Lodge, Summer Crandall, Gabriel Jarvis, Jamice Mora, Chandler Shelton, Mylisa Mathis, Alayna Morgan, Aria Foerst, Phoebe Rattler, Eric Salavar, Lucian Davis, Aaliyah Queen, Donna Thompson, Makala Davis, Jae Lossiah, Alverta Henson, Mackenzie Reed

## OBITUARIES

### Kathleen Moore "Kitty" Byrd

ASHEVILLE - Kathleen Moore Byrd ("Kitty"), 88, of Asheville, NC died peacefully on Saturday, Sept. 23, 2017.

She was born June 15, 1929 in Webster, WV the daughter of the late Dane Wood Moore, Sr. and the late Linnie Brown Patrick.

She was a Registered Nurse graduate of Elizabeth Buxton Hospital School of Nursing in Newport

News, VA in 1949 and later went on become a Nurse Practitioner. She retired from the Cherokee Indian Hospital in Cherokee after serving the Cherokee people for 30 years. She was made an honorary member of the Cherokee Tribe.

She was preceded in death by her husband Samuel Lakes Byrd of Bryson City, NC; brother Dane Wood Moore, Jr. of Morgantown, WV; and brother, Marion Edward Moore of Shepherdstown, WV. She is survived by her daughter Judy B. Russell and son-in-law Charles B. Russell of Asheville, NC and

stepson Richard E. Byrd and wife Kathy H. Byrd of Whittier, NC; two grandsons, their children and several nieces and nephews.

After retiring, Kitty knew the Lord was calling her to serve Him with her nursing skills in the Mission field. Her missions included two years in Ethiopia and two years in Kazakhstan. She also served Him in many short-term mission assignments including South Africa, Moldova, Ukraine, Belize, Rio de Janeiro, Alaska and New York, as well as being part of a clown ministry.

There will be a memorial

celebration on Saturday, Nov. 11 at 1:30pm at Merrimon Avenue Baptist Church, 283 Merrimon Avenue, Asheville, where she was a long time member. Pastor Larry Basinger will officiate.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the John F. Keever, Jr. Solace Center online at [https://4046.thankyou-4caring.org/carepartnersfoundation.org/support-us\\_give](https://4046.thankyou-4caring.org/carepartnersfoundation.org/support-us_give) or mailed to CarePartners Foundation, 20 Rotary Drive, Asheville, NC 28803.

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## Cherokee High School 1st Quarter Honor Roll

### 9th Grade

**Principal's Honor Roll:** Shalyn Barker, Judson Bradley, Eeyannah Catolster-Sexton, Ryanne Junaluska, Dreyton Long, Mattie Maney, Shania Mathis, Destiny Mills, Rocky Peebles, Caden Pheasant, Zoey Walkingstick, Syrena West, Trent Wolfe, Dylan Woodard

**Alpha Honor Roll:** Samantha Cole, John D. Crowe, Maya Cruz, Jonathan Frady, Marcela Garcia, Rhyan Girty, Hayley Keever, Julian Littlejohn, Shashoni Panther, Rosa Reyes, Daniel Thompson, Deante Toineeta, Felicity Watty, Emma Wolfe, Rashonda Wolfe

**Beta Honor Roll:** Diamond Alvarez, Braylon Arch, Ethan Armachain, Justus Armachain, David Bushyhead, James Davis, Caleb Eggen, Ayden Evans, Kyle Galanick, Jacob Hill, Jiah Lossiah, Kalista Luther, David Maney, Richard Mata, Serbando Mata, Lorenzo Ramirez, Adam Reed, Maria Reyes, Paulo Sadongei, Christina Saunooke, Silas Sequoyah, Dakota Siweumptewa, Naomi Smith, Abigail Space, Rossi Wachacha, Kayleigh Wolfe

### 10th Grade

**Principal's Honor Roll:** Raylen Bark, Tierney

Bradley, David C. Hartbarger, Kimberly Hendrix, Acecia Lambert, Brian Littlejohn-Bigmeat, Breanna Mangold, Dorian Reed, Brandon Wolfe  
**Alpha Honor Roll:** Maiya Davis, Mykel Lossiah, Ella Montelongo, Cameron Nelson, Taylor O'Kelley, Marcus Owle, Macy Swayney, Anita Trantham

**Beta Honor Roll:** Destiny Bernhisel, Taylin Bowman, Aiyana Cruz, Hawk Ensley, Christopher Gammon, Devy George, Jacob Griffin, Toby Johns, Michael Kalonaheskie, Austin Ledford, Christina Lee, Logan Lequire, Lauren Luther, Jacob Norton, Shiah Pheasant, William Pheasant, Cameron Reed, Sterling Santa Maria, Rider Sneed, Staci Spicer, Bessie Swayney, Amaya Toineeta

### 11th Grade

**Principal's Honor Roll:** Jazlyn Dunn, Kyler Hill, William Hornbuckle, Joaquin Layno, Cameron Maney, Juanita Paz-Chalacha, Shirley Peebles

**Alpha Honor Roll:** Jalyn Albert, Isaiah Evans, Moira George, Jerod Honwyte, Danicka Huskey, Terence Ledford, Jamie Lossiah, Tihjah Lossiah, Blake Smith, Seth Smith, Jacob Sneed, Emma Stamper

**Beta Honor Roll:** Isaiah Armachain, Tyline Blanton, Jayden Crowe, Syllas Davis, Annie

Durant, Joshua French, Chayton Hernandez, Marianna Hornbuckle, Darius Lambert, Jarron Lossiah, Josiah Lossiah, Dylan Mangold, Landen Messerly, Brianna Murphy, Juakina Perez, Dustin Pheasant, Niobie Redus, Malakai Tooni, Alyssa Tramper, Kylee Tramper, Tiffany Walkingstick, Amaris Watty, Aweeusti Watty, Carla Wolfe

### 12th Grade

**Principal's Honor Roll:** Chace Andrews, Marley Bradley, Courtney Owle, Robin Reed, Tiarra Toineeta, Macie Welch, Shanenon Wolfe, Shelby Wolfe

**Alpha Honor Roll:** Samuel Esquivel, Latika French, Shawn Larch, Samantha Lee, Kaley Locust, Jami K. Lossie, Tye Mintz, Lidia Ramirez, Ashley Schaal, Anya Walsh

**Beta Honor Roll:** Shannon Albert, Jonah Bernhisel, Tristin Bottchenbaugh, Isaiah Bowman, Demetryus Bradley, Raymond Bradley, Oshaunacee Brady, Timiyah Brown, Elias Bryant, Carrie Conseen, Jessie Crowe, Riley Crowe, Ayla Cruz, William Davis IV, Josilynn Driver, Damian Esquivel, Brennen Foerst, Jordan Grant, Aubrey Little, Elijah Maney, Cherith Owle, Zakarias Perez, Zian Rosario, CeAnna Saunooke, Xavier Siweumptewa, Kyra Sneed, Holden Straughan, Jeremy Swayney, Jerome Thompson, Natasha Walk



Photo courtesy of Kelly Murphy/New Kituwah

**PERFECT:** The following students (left-right) had perfect attendance at the New Kituwah Academy Early Childhood program for the month of October: Marijane Tafoya, Misha Slee, Sean Slee, Sean Slee, Tatum Jackson, Trinnity Arch, Tyrion Bustos. Not pictured – Zarah Dawkins



# Cherokee Heritage Day at Museum to celebrate Hunter Moon

Visit the Museum of the Cherokee Indian on Saturday, Nov. 11 for a day of fun activities celebrating the Cherokee month of Nvdadegwa, known as the “Hunter’s Moon.” Activities are free of charge, sponsored by the Museum and the North Carolina Arts Council, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary. Activities are suitable for all ages and will be happening from 11am – 4pm. Everyone is

welcome.

“We hope that people will come and bring their families to enjoy the day and learn a little more about Cherokee culture,” said Barbara R. Duncan, Education Director at the Museum. “They can meet Cherokee people who know a lot about their traditions, who really enjoy talking with visitors.”

The day provides hands-on activities, demonstrations, and will

end with sessions of storytelling. A dance workshop will be held on the green in front of the Museum, weather permitting. Food will be available 10am - 5pm from Nikki’s Fry Bread. All presenters are EBCI tribal members.

As a special event for the Hunter’s Moon, Deino Panther and the Cherokee Archery Club will be providing archery demonstrations and information throughout the

day. Visitors can make a Cherokee stamped pot in workshops taught by Jarrett Wildcatt at 11am and 2 pm. Visitors can participate in traditional Cherokee dances at noon, and listen to storytelling at 3pm. Throughout the day, Cherokee arts and crafts will be demonstrated in the Lobby.

Info: 497-3481 ext. 1003 or [www.cherokeemuseum.org](http://www.cherokeemuseum.org).

- Museum of the Cherokee Indian



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**ROYALTY:** The junior royalty of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians introduced themselves to Tribal Council during the regular meeting held on Thursday, Nov. 2. They are shown (left-right) outside of the Tribal Council House as follows: Little Miss Cherokee Araceli Martinez-Arch, Junior Miss Cherokee Dvdaya Swimmer, and Teen Miss Cherokee Raylen Bark.



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**OFFICERS:** The Digali’l Native American Student Organization at Western Carolina University has selected its 2017 officers including: Shana Lambert (top left), president; Driver Blythe (top right), vice president; Ashley Oxendine (bottom left), secretary; and Cassidy Galaviz (bottom right), treasurer. Lambert, Blythe, and Galaviz are EBCI tribal members and Oxendine is a member of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina.



# Patty Grant retires from Cherokee Indian Hospital

Cherokee Indian Hospital said goodbye to Patty Grant, a behavior health consultant who retired with 19 years of service to the Tribe and the hospital, on Oct. 20.

“God has blessed me in so many ways,” Grant said. “To have this opportunity to work here at home with my own community, I just hope that I didn’t disappoint Him.”

After graduating from Nazarene University in Oklahoma with a bachelors’ of arts degree, she received certification as a substance abuse counselor and returned to Cherokee in 1993 to work at the Unity Treatment Center. After six years, she received a full scholarship to the School of Social Work at Washington University in St. Louis, Mo., graduating in the spring and started working with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in 2001.

Grant remembers when Analenisgi was located in a small wing at the Tsali Care Center with a staff of 17, and she watched how the program services had expanded and saw how mental health and substance abuse gained significance within the Tribe. “I’ve always



Cherokee Indian Hospital photo

**RETIREMENT:** Patty Grant, MSW (center), shown with Cherokee Indian Hospital Substance Abuse Task Force members as they pose with their 2012 IHS National Behavioral Health Achievement Award, retired from the hospital last month.

believed that the Analenisgi staff and services are heads and shoulders above other mental health programs in the state and even in Indian Country. We continue to look forward to the Snowbird residential treatment center and other services that are in the works.”

With change also comes new leadership. “I have great faith in Freida Saylor, who just recently became the new clinical director of Behavior Health,” said Grant. “I

know Frieda has worked hard growing up in this community. She continued to set her goals and followed her dreams to realization and that is empowering for others.”

Grant also gives credit to Doug Trantham and his staff for coming on board when they did to help build and develop program services, which she calls a dream come true for the Tribe.

“I want to say thank you to Dr. Michael Toedt, Vickie Bradley, Su-

san Leadingfox, Casey Cooper and others who have been instrumental in my professional success. I am thankful for them and their support was very important to me,” she said. “Thank you to Tribal Council and the CIH Governing Board for putting substance abuse and mental health as a priority. It has been such a long needed service and I cannot thank them enough.”

Reflecting back on this chapter in her story, Grant offered advice to those who are just starting their career in social work, “One of my former social work professors, Eunice McDowell, once said ‘the better you know yourself, the better social worker you’ll be.’ I took that to mean if we have not resolved issues in our own lives it will be difficult for us to be effective with those we work with.”

Looking toward the future, her plans include spending time with her husband. “We are going to fishing first,” she said with smile, “and, then hopefully we can do some traveling.”

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So, as he let go of the mic, he said, “All you really need is One Feather” and then he just walked off the stage.

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**Household Size (FPIR Net Monthly Income Standards)**

|   |           |                                     |
|---|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 | (\$1,165) | 6 (\$2,975)                         |
| 2 | (\$1,514) | 7 (\$3,323)                         |
| 3 | (\$1,862) | 8 (\$3,672)                         |
| 4 | (\$2,220) | *Each additional member (+\$349.00) |
| 5 | (\$2,598) |                                     |

**EBCI Per Capita and Per Capita Loans are NOT considered as income at this time. Please, feel free to contact the Tribal Foods Office (828-359-9751) for detailed eligibility requirements and to schedule an appointment. Thanks from the TFDP Staff.**

## **Per Capita Loan checks**

All EBCI tribal members who applied to receive loan assistance from the Per Capita Loan program in the month of November can expect delivery of loan checks on Thursday, Nov. 9. Due to the Veteran's Day Holiday observed on Friday, Nov. 10, checks will be mailed on Wednesday, Nov. 8.

- EBCI Treasury Division

## **Handicapped and Disabled Christmas Check program guidelines**

All applicants must be EBCI tribal members between the ages of birth to 59 years old and must be handicapped and/or disabled. A statement from Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Disability (SSD) is required. Doctor's statements will no longer be accepted. Applications must be submitted by Friday, Dec. 1 at 4:30pm. Applications can be picked up at the Tribal Council House. Info: Celia Smith 359-7011, cecsmith@nc-chokeee.com

- Office of the Principal Chief

## **Bear information sought by Fish and Wildlife**

Bear season is now open and will run through Sunday, Dec. 31. Please report your take to Cherokee Natural Resources along with the first premolar tooth (or allow them to extract it) to determine age. Freeze or keep other samples on ice that could decompose. If possible, Natural Resources wishes collect a little hair, weight, location, sex and the effort it took to harvest (number of hunters in party and hours put in). There will be a \$500 draw from those that submit samples and information. Submit samples and information at their office at 1840

Painttown Road, next to Cherokee Bingo. Info: 359-6110, ebcifw@gmail.com

- Cherokee Natural Resources

## **Senior Citizens Fuel Assistance applications**

The EBCI Senior Citizens Program has begun accepting Fuel Assistance Applications.

Applications will be available at Tsali Manor, Snowbird, and John Welch Senior Centers. If you are applying for Electric Heating Assistance, bring a current bill and the last four digits of the Social Security number of the individual whose name the bill is in as well as your EBCI enrollment card. If you do not use the contract companies, it is your and your company's responsibility to get your delivery invoices turned in to the program.

- EBCI Senior Citizens Program

## **Frell Owl Award nominations being sought**

This marks the 31st year that the Cherokee Boys Club Board of Directors will publicly recognize a person or persons with the Frell Owl Award. The Frell Owl Award is given to those who best exemplify the character and accomplishments of the late Frell Owl, Cherokee educator and civic leader, and to those who have significantly contributed to the welfare of Cherokee children and families.

Past recipients of this award are: John Crowe, Stella Kanott, the Crowe Family, Ray Kinsland, Pearl and John Reagan, Betty Crisp, Jerri Kinsland, Mary Chiltoskey, Dora Reed, Marie Junaluska, Sharon and David Crowe, Ernestine Walkingstick, Jody Adams, Gary Maney, Mary Sneed, Mary Mantooth, David McCoy, Glenda Crowe, Denise

Ballard, David McQueen, Skooter McCoy, Johnson "Booger" Arch, Kathy Wolfe, Carmaleta Monteith, Roy Lambert, Sandy Owle, Lana Lambert, Catherine Blythe Sanders, Will Poolaw, Lou Johnson, and Wilbur Paul.

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

The closing date for receiving nominations is Wednesday, Nov. 8. You may pick up a nomination form from the Receptionist at the Boys Club's Information Window. Return the nomination form and any support documents (marked confidential) to Jeannie Arkansas, Cherokee Boys Club, P. O. Box 507, Cherokee, NC 28719 or deliver to the Cherokee Boys Club at 52 Cherokee Boys Club Loop, Cherokee, NC 28719. Info: 359-5508

- Cherokee Boys Club

## **Cherokee Christmas Parade information**

The Cherokee Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday, Dec. 9 at 5:30pm. This year's theme is "Christmas at Home". Float line-up is from 1:30-4:30pm and floats will be judged throughout the parade route. Judging will be based on lighting, music, creative, and theme. First place wins \$1,000; second wins \$600, and third wins \$400. The Parade route will begin at the Cherokee Bear Zoo, go through downtown, turn right onto 441 N and take a left at the traffic light by the Museum of the Cherokee Indian and disband behind Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual, Inc. Parade entry forms, liability release forms, and W-9 forms may be picked up at the Cherokee

Welcome Center, and entries will be accepted until Friday, Dec. 8 at 4pm. Info: Josie Long, Parade coordinator, 359-6491, josilong@nc-chokeee.com; Cherokee Welcome Center 359-6490, travel@nc-chokeee.com

- Cherokee Welcome Center

## **Cherokee National Historical Society hosting genealogy workshop**

**TAHLEQUAH, Okla.** - In recognition of Native American History Month, the Cherokee National Historical Society is hosting a genealogy workshop on Nov. 18 at the Ho-chee-nee Chapel on the grounds of the Cherokee Heritage Center.

Educational sessions feature information on early Cherokee history, missionaries and schools, Trail of Tears detachments, online resources and more.

The workshop runs from 8:30am - 4pm, with a 45-minute break for participants to have lunch on their own.


The cost to attend is \$40 for Cherokee National Historical Society members, \$50 for pre-registered nonmembers or \$60 for those who pay at the door.

Proceeds from the workshop will support the Cherokee Family Research Center's 2018 Ancestry Conference. Participants will receive a complimentary tote bag along with handouts for each session.

Registration is limited to 40 people on a first-come, first-served basis.

Info: (918) 456-6007, ext. 6162, gene-norris@chokeee.org or ashley-vann@chokeee.org

- Cherokee Nation



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**WILLIAM LEDFORD**

**W**e, Indian Country and music fans, have lost two giants. Both are irreplaceable.

A founding member of AIM, the American Indian Movement, Dennis Banks, has walked on. Dennis Banks was one of my inspirations in the struggle to regain our pride and status as human beings and real people. Think of Dennis Banks and always remember the Caravan of Broken Treaties, Wounded Knee and the Longest Walks. Keep your eye on us Dennis. We always need your guidance.

It's been a sad time for me and many others who enjoyed the music of Tom Petty. Tom Petty departed this world at the age of 66, kinda young in people years but very old in rocker years. He leaves behind a catalog of wonderful music with the Heartbreakers and the Traveling Wilburys, plus his collaborations with Stevie Nicks and many others. I'm happy that my wife and I were able to see Tom Petty in concert. I left the arena very hoarse (I knew all the words and "sang" them very loudly) and very happy. Rest in peace Tom. We're all gonna miss you.

With Aaron Rodgers' injury, it would seem that Green Bay's season might be over already along with his year. He was driven into the turf by a legal,

but very overzealous, hit by a Vikings player resulting in a Tony Romo-like broken collarbone requiring possibly season-ending surgery. Of course it ends his season. After healing, he'll have to work his injured shoulder back into playing condition, yep, he's done. I say Green Bay's season is over because I watched as much as I could of Brett Hundley's performance before I stated, "Geez, this is worse than fingernails on a chalkboard, make it stop!" Kaepernick, calling Colin Kaepernick...

It never stops...I'm so tired of the BS...when will it stop? The Great Divider is at it again. This time the country's largest cyberbully was picking on hurricane ravaged Puerto Rico and its people. Besides engaging in a one-sided Twitter war with the mayor of San Juan because she asked for assistance that he decided was already there, the POTUS also decided, and expressed, that the destruction and death didn't equal a real catastrophe like Hurricane Katrina. He also stated to Puerto Rico's governor that they were wreaking havoc on our national budget (hello... we don't have one yet). He also tried to educate others about geography. Remember this? "Puerto Rico is an island...surrounded by a lot of water...ocean water..." I don't know if he intentionally tries to come off as a buffoon, a rube, but he does such a darn good job convincing me. Then again, to his credit, he does toss a mean roll of paper towels.

Speaking of cyberbullying. In news from the Bizarro world, Melania Trump, the FLOTUS, America's top legal immigrant, has created a First Lady cause for herself and is speaking out against cyberbullying. What tha...? Does she not see the irony here? Does she even know what the word irony means? I suppose not.

Harvey Weinstein, the heavyweight producer of some of Hollywood's biggest hit movies and major financial donor to the Democratic Party, was recently fired from his own company, thrown out of the Motion Picture Academy and might be criminally charged for a long, long history of sexual abuse and alleged rape of actresses in Tinseltown. He has been described as "deplorable", "a monster" and "a predator". The list will continue to grow, stay tuned. The flies are starting to fall.

Fox News host Sean Hannity made a big bunch of rude noise over the length of time it took before the Clintons and Obamas denounced Weinstein. Sometimes, when you have no inkling of a person's true nature you get all of the facts before you make a damning statement. Hannity has no problem running stories before all of the facts are in. He also had no problem with the actions of Roger Ailes, Bill O'Reilly, or Donald Trump for the same offenses but somehow that subject never comes up.

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## Facebook Weekly Question Responses

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

**The idea of having a referendum on the issue of alcohol expansion on the Qualla Boundary was discussed by Tribal Council last week. Do you feel this decision of whether or not to expand alcohol sales on tribal lands should be made by Tribal Council or through a referendum vote?**

**Joshua Rory Welch:** The people matter the most. But, this is something I never understood, what's the point of having a Council if we push all the touchy issues out to the public? We trust them to make decisions, but if that decision is a big one, then all of a sudden we don't trust them...vote it and move on.

**Candy Johnson:** That's a hard question even though there are two choices. Do we let the people vote? Or, do we trust our Council members? The Casino would not be here if Council had not decided. I don't think Council has the backbone to make the decision. I think we need alcohol sales but controlled by the Tribe where the Tribe makes the profit not the rich get richer. How much money has the Tribal ABC Borad given back to the Tribe?

**Evan Watty:** Council should make the decision, that's why we voted them in, or are we paying them to hand decisions to us?

**Keri Brady:** Vote it in and let's move on to something else. my goodness. Might as well pass it, people get it anyways, we might as

well profit from it.

**Jimmy Bradley:** Referendum vote

**Dennis Ray Burgess:** Flip a coin and shut up.

**Helen Snow:** It's been voted down by the people time and time again. They should stop trying to get it passed.

**Franklin Owl:** Referendum vote would probably be shot down if it's not what the current administration wants anyway. If we all let our Council members know how we feel then they should be trusted to make the best decision.

**Connie Welch:** Alcohol is a stone's throw away. We are surrounded by it. If we had alcohol, it would only boost our economy and maybe some good restaurants would decide to build here. Take it away and we all stand to lose money on our percaps. Bryson City fought alcohol for years and wasted away. But, now look how their little town is thriving and growing. I don't drink, but I don't hold it against those who do. We need more businesses here not just a casino. Don't hold our economy back. I want my reps to support alcohol sales.

**Melanie Parton:** Alcohol would not boost our economy any more than it has boosted our percap checks like they said it would when we ok'd it for the casino. The only thing it will "boost" is our heartache, headache and line the pockets of those greedily waiting for it to happen.

**Rose McCoy:** I agree with Joshua Rory Welch and Connie Welch.

**Utsilugi Galanvdy:** I'm going to make an unpopular opinion here, but quit using the elders as a crutch for your counter argument. People say, "The elders don't want it" and they swear by that as gospel, but that's only because it's a convenient crutch.

How many of these people listen to or follow our elders examples any other time? Most times, folks want to interact with our elders when dropping their kids off with them for long periods of time. I, for one, get sick of the double standard so many use. I'm all for our elders and our elders teachings in Duyvgta. I'm just playing the role here of somebody who notices the double standard.

With all that said, bring alcohol to the Rez. We've already made certain people millionaires when they set up shop right on the boundary line.

**Kim Sneed Lambert:** Everyone should have right to vote. And, then we should abide by the results.

**Henry N Susie Dover:** With the absence of trust due to the choices of our administration, trust is something that won't come easily and some changes that may effect all. People deserve and should have a voice, but if it is decisions and Council is held to make these decisions, then Council representatives should at least offer a meeting to discuss and talk, asking for communitie's choices to support or decline and vote with the majority choice. But, either way, questions need to be asked with a clear trust and worthy answers of who would be in control/secure regulations of alcohol sales and distribution? Will all sales permits be required? Would

it be for restaurants only or including individual sales available at every store who applied for permits? And, how will the Tribe, as a whole, benefit as in jobs? And ,how would it increase our economy?

**Selene Pheasant:** Please, please people, we have a right to vote on this issue. Times are changing, but I, as an elder, would feel much safer if we keep alcohol and alcoholics off the Boundary. I know that some would agree and some would not.

**Rory Howe:** Rather than reinventing the wheel, how have other reservations handled this sensitive issue? Good points have been brought out by both sides, but if the reservation allows such a vote then I'd like to see the majority of the registered voters cast their ballots. Alcohol sales is never a win-win. Permits should be reasonably priced and fairly distributed. Limiting the number of permits might be a way of controlling the arguments against alcohol. Compliance or lack of regulations is another way of control. Whatever decision is made, it's not going to be popular with everyone. Good luck!

**Lea Wolf:** Referendum vote; we are the ones who should be getting to decide. We have enough problem where addiction is the culprit. We don't need to shoe the little ones how easy it will be to get it. Our traditions and customs teach us that we should not bring harm to ourselves.

**Bailey Littlejohn:** Why don't we talk about something important for once and build a new venue for a better music scene for the people who like music besides country?

**Frances Walkingstick:** Referendum

**Gerri W. Grady:** Definitely referendum vote. Decisions that impact the Tribe such as this should be made through referendum. The people should be given a chance to share their view through a vote.

**Paula Maney:** Referendum vote

**James Russell:** All these nay sayers not wanting alcohol on the Boundary; let the Council decide to vote it in. From a financial and economic standpoint, it would make total sense to vote yes and have it on the Boundary. I want to see our Tribe grow and prosper not shrivel up and die. If we want to get away from being dependent on the casino's money this is the first step. Pass it; let's move on.

**Debi Lee:** Why? Council has shown us a lot. It doesn't matter what the people want. They do what they want.

**Michelle Bradley Wesley:** Alcohol and alcoholism have been on the reservation since I can remember. People walk to purchase it at Catamount. That's how easily accessible it is now. I think it should be expanded on tribal lands. The sale of alcohol would help to economically develop our Tribe. Then, more variety of franchised restaurants would be willing to bring business here. However; my personal opinion is it should be up to the people.

**James Hatfield:** Our Tribal Council has spent the last 40 years trying to shield our people from alcohol and look how well that's worked out? We need to allow it, make sure

our law coincides with state law which is in the U.S. Constitution, and tax it. This is how 99 percent of America does it. This should be done by referendum. Make sure the language coincides with federal and state law though.

**Maryanne Thompson Canales:** Referendum

**Zacchaeus Maney:** Yes! I changed my mind. I want alcohol! Or, should I say I want to see better restaurants!

**Maranda Bradley:** Alcohol does not need to be here.

**Devola Stevens:** People have access to alcohol whether it's on the reservation or not obviously. So, either give the people a chance to vote or not, but stop beating a dead horse by going back and forth by doing what you want, regardless what the people's choice is.

**Angie Kephart:** Historically, it's been looked down on as the poison for our Tribe. No one wants alcohol to be abused and cause so much addiction and turmoil. However, we have beer wine and liquor sales just at the reservation line. These non-tribal members who own the stores are benefiting from the sales of the alcohol. If we have alcohol sales reservation-wide, our Tribe would benefit from the sale of alcohol. Unfortunately, the abuse of alcohol will continue no matter where the alcohol is sold. The elders and most of the tribal members are admired for keeping the passion alive to protect our people.

**Kerra Welch Driver:** What does it matter? If we vote no, the Council of Chief will turn around and do

the opposite!

**Ava Sneed:** Referendum, please!

**Greta Lane:** Does it matter? I think it's been proven our votes on issues don't matter.

**Barry Craig:** Business-wise, without it, we cannot compete with the neighboring towns.

**Robert Reid:** It's not going to matter. If they want it bad enough, they'll pass it whether we vote no or not. (The) people's vote doesn't matter anymore. The Council does what they want. They never listen to the tribal members anyway.

**Mary Ward:** It doesn't matter what we want. Council will do whatever they want.

**Karen Savage:** By Tribal Council

**Onita Bush:** Who will benefit from beer and wine and strong liquor being sold on the Boundary? How many enrolled members have restaurants or tennis courts? How many of the people will get the profit? More jobs? Yeah, more cops, counselors, doctors, nurses...yep, Snowbird has a new treatment center. Yes, it will fill up fast. How will that save money?...referendum vote.

**Michael Zepeda:** Alcohol should have never been allowed in the casino. And, this is why. I've said this before and I'll say it again. Until marijuana is legal here, I don't think alcohol should be legal here. Because when I see a man walking with a bottle of liquor I go the other way. I see a man smoking a joint I'm not worried he'll hurt me. And, that is the problem with alco-

hol. Some people say it shows the real you, but I promise you it does not. I have family that are really good people. But, every time they touch alcohol they turn into something that I just don't recognize. We keep saying it's already here. Well, maybe that is the problem. We need to push it back out! By the way, you should go to the casino and see how many Cherokee people are sitting in Essence Lounge. Not many. Because most of the Cherokee people that go out to drink are banned from the casino because of disturbances.

I also want to add a comment about marijuana. I personally don't smoke, but if you wanted to bring something into the Tribe that made us real money that would be it. No other place near here allows marijuana just like no other place near here allows gambling. The Tribe could control the growth of the marijuana and then distribute it through businesses owned by tribal members. That would boost our economy.

**Jeanell Youngbird:** Does it matter what we think? Council will do what they want.

**Crystal R. Rhynes:** This is kind of an interesting conversation considering how the opioid epidemic has hit Cherokee. They sell alcohol half a mile from my house. When I was a kid they didn't. People just drove to Bryson. We still had alcoholism and the only businesses who profited were not owned by Indians. Wait...that is still the case. It's blind to think serving alcohol at Rancho Viejo is going to make much of a difference considering the Catamount beer store has three truck deliveries a day...

## Cultural Events

**Cherokee Heritage Day. Nov. 11** from 11am – 4pm at Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Dance workshop, archery demonstration, Cherokee dances, storytelling and more in celebration of the Hunter's Moon. Info: 497-3481 ext. 1003 or [www.cherokeemuseum.org](http://www.cherokeemuseum.org)

**Upcoming Cherokee Studies lectures.** The 1st Annual James A. Cooper Memorial Lecture in Cherokee Studies entitled "Reminiscences of Cherokee Fieldwork: Vintage Wine from Aged Casks" will be presented at the WCU UC Theater on Monday, Nov. 13 at 3:30pm and at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian Ken Blankenship Education Wing on Tuesday, Nov. 14 at 4:45pm. These events are free and open to the public and are being presented by Western Carolina University College of Arts and Sciences, WCU Cherokee Studies Program, Museum of the Cherokee Indian, and the Qualla Boundary Historical Society. The lectures will be delivered by Dr. Raymond D.

Fogelson, Professor emeritus, University of Chicago and author of "The Cherokee Ball Game: A Study in Southeastern Indian Ethnology" and "The Cherokees: A Critical Bibliography". Info: Brett Riggs (828) 227-2443, [bhrriggs@wcu.edu](mailto:bhrriggs@wcu.edu)

## General Events

**Big Y Community Veteran's Appreciation Breakfast. Nov. 10** at 9am at Big Y Community Room. Drop-in to share some coffee and a meal and good fellowship.

**Contemporary Native American Art Symposium. Nov. 10** from 9am – 4pm at WCU Bardo Arts Center in Cullowhee. Immediately following from 5-7pm is an exhibition reception for "Return from Exile: Contemporary Southeastern Indian Art". The reception features live artist demonstrations and traditional Cherokee food tastings. Following the reception is a ticketed keynote performance by A Tribe Called Red. Info: [www.arts.wcu.edu/symposium](http://www.arts.wcu.edu/symposium)

**Swain County Democratic Party Bryson City 1 and 2 Precincts meeting. Nov. 13** at 6pm at Swain County Democratic Party Headquarters at 122 Everett Street in Bryson City. Agenda items include Swain County Headquarters (keeping a headquarters open) and town elections. All are welcome. Info: 488-1118

**Swain County Schools Native American Parent meeting. Nov. 14** at 5:30pm at Birdtown Gym community room. Stephanie Treadway, Swain County Schools finance officer, will be available to discuss the Impact Aid Grant. Cindy Chandler, Tribal Treasury manager of Minor's Fund, will be available to discuss any questions or concerns with the Minor's Fund Distribution. Refreshments will be served.

**Jackson County Democratic Party meeting. Nov. 14** at 6:30pm at party headquarters at 500 Mill Street in Sylva. Congressional District 11

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# WNC FLY FISHING TRAIL WEEKLY FISHING REPORT



NOVEMBER 6-12, 2017



| WATERSHED   | STOCKING                             | PRODUCTIVITY      | ACTIVE SPECIES   | HATCHES                            | FLY/BAIT  |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--|------------------------------------|---|
| <b>Tuckaseigee River</b>                                  | Stocked Oct. 3-4.                    | All Day           | Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout, Brook Trout, & Smallmouth Bass | BWO, Midges, Dark Stone, Crane Fly | BWO, Y2Ks, Mop Flies, San Juan Worms, Girdle Bugs, Dally Llamas, Woolly Buggers, Egg Pattern                |
| <b>Chattooga &amp; Whitewater Rivers</b>                  | N/A                                  | Morning & Evening | Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout                                 | BWO, Crane Flies, Stoneflies       | Stimulators, Elk Hair Caddis, BWO, Stoneflies, Dally Llamas, Girdle Bugs, Woolly Buggers, Pheasant Tails    |
| <b>Inside GSMNP Oconaluftee River &amp; Small Streams</b> | Follow posted regulations-wild trout | Morning & Evening | Rainbow, Brown, and Brook Trout                            | BWO, Stoneflies, Midges            | Pheasant Tails, Elk Hair Caddis, Orange Stimulator, Dark Midge, Woolly Bugger, Girdle Bugs, Blue Wing Olive |

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| MONDAY, NOV. 6                     | TUESDAY, NOV. 7                    | WEDNESDAY, NOV. 8                  | THURSDAY, NOV. 9                   | FRIDAY, NOV. 10                    | SATURDAY, NOV. 11                  | SUNDAY, NOV. 12                      |
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| GOOD                               | AVERAGE                            | AVERAGE                            | AVERAGE                            | AVERAGE                            | AVERAGE                            | AVERAGE+                             |
| 2:19 AM-4:19 AM<br>2:49 PM-4:49 PM | 3:20 AM-5:20 AM<br>3:50 PM-5:50 PM | 4:21 AM-6:21 AM<br>4:51 PM-6:51 PM | 5:20 AM-7:20 AM<br>5:49 PM-7:49 PM | 6:16 AM-8:16 AM<br>6:43 PM-8:43 PM | 7:10 AM-9:10 AM<br>7:35 PM-9:35 PM | 8:00 AM-10:00 AM<br>8:24 PM-10:24 PM |

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candidate Dr. Scott Donaldson will present his views and platform. The meeting is open to all Democrats. JCDP monthly meetings include all precinct officers and party executive officers, as well as representatives of auxiliary organizations (Men's club, Democratic Women, Young Dems). Info: jacksondems.com

**Community Dance. Nov. 18** at 7:30pm at Yellowhill Community Activity Center. Dance to country music and rock and roll by the Rick Morris Band. Snacks available. This event is sponsored by the Dance Association for North Carolina Communities (DANCC).

**Cherokee Community Chorus practice on Thursdays** from 6-8pm at Cherokee Baptist Church. The Chorus is practicing for their Christmas Cantata. "We appreciate the Cherokee Baptist Church for letting us practice at their Church on Thursday evenings," Chorus officials noted. "We invite all who are interested to come and join us. If you have family or friends who are interested in the Chorus, please spread the word."

**Surviving the Holidays seminar. Dec. 10** from 4-6pm at First Baptist Church of Bryson City. People who have experienced the death of a loved one, as well as separated and divorced people, will benefit with practical holiday survival strategies. A total of 14 leading Christian counselors, authors, and pastors are featured in the print and video materials, purchased from <http://www.griefshare.org/holidays>. To register, contact Judy Hensley 488-2679 no later than Nov. 30 to allow time for ordering books and the preparation of holiday goodies and beverages.

### Health/Sports Events

**Volleyball Clinic. Nov. 11-12** at Charles George Memorial Arena. This free clinic, open to grades 5-11, is being run by the WCU Women's Club Volleyball Team. Players will be divided by skill and experience, so new players are welcome. Nov. 11 from 9am - 12pm and Nov. 12 from 1-4pm.

**Cherokee Indian Hospital Durable Medical Equipment (DME) open house. Nov. 15** from

1-2pm at Cherokee Indian Hospital, second floor, Dental Clinic waiting area. Light refreshments, door prizes, facility tour.

**Cherokee Turkey Strut. Nov. 18** at Kituwah Mound. Registration at 10:30am, race at 12pm. Walkers and runners welcome. Fee: \$15 (\$20 after Nov. 13), \$5 for children under 12 and seniors 60+. Proceeds go to the Cherokee Braves Booster Club. Register online at [www.runsignup.com](http://www.runsignup.com)

**Cherokee Healing and Wellness Coalition meeting. Nov. 21** at 11:30am at Agelink Ernestine Walkingstick Conference Room. Everyone is welcome to bring your lunch and join in making plans for next year to promote wellness, recovery for adults, and substance abuse programs focused on youth. Info: (828) 331-8688 or 497-9498

**Free Yoga Class Schedule.** Ginger Lynn Welch Complex Community Rooms. Gentle Yoga on Mondays from 12-1pm. All Levels Flow Yoga on Tuesdays from 12-1pm. Both of those classes provide an option to leave at 12:45pm. Evening Yoga on Tuesdays at 5-6pm. Mats and props provided for all classes. No classes on tribal holidays. Sponsored by Cherokee Choices: A Diabetes Prevention Program. Info: Robin 359-6785, [robibail@nc-chokeee.com](mailto:robibail@nc-chokeee.com)

### Upcoming Pow Wows for Nov. 10-12

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

**Native American Veteran's Association 16th Annual Veterans Appreciation and Heritage Pow Wow. Nov. 11-12** at South Gate Park in South Gate, Calif. MC: Bobby Whitebird. Host Northern: Blue Star. Host Southern: Hale & Company. Info: Paul Quintana (747) 230-7176, [Quintana.paul@yahoo.com](mailto:Quintana.paul@yahoo.com), [www.navavets.org](http://www.navavets.org)

**Veterans Day Pow Wow. Nov. 10-11** in Choctaw, Miss. Host Southern: Shoti Ikbi. Guest

Northern: Big Soldier Creek. Info: (601) 663-7637

**Meskwaki Nation Veterans Day Pow Wow. Nov. 11** at Meskwaki High School in Tama, Iowa. MC: Matt Bear. Info: (641) 481-5374, visit: <https://www.meskwaki.org/event/veterans-day-powwow-2017/>

### Community Club Meetings

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

**Big Cove Community Club** meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Big Cove Rec. Center. Info: Chairman Butch Hill 497-7309, Vice Chairman Joe Red Cloud 269-6130, Secretary Lavita Hill 736-3126, or Treasurer Lisa Hardesty 788-1646

**Birdtown Community Club** meets the last Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. Potluck starts at 5:30pm, meeting starts at 6pm. To reserve the building for your special occasion, call Faye McCoy, treasurer, 226-5194 (\$50 fee with \$20 key deposit).

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

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

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

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

### Community Groups

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

### Support Groups/Meetings

**Cherokee Diabetes Support Group.** This group, for community members with diabetes or pre-diabetes and their family and friends, meets at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Demonstration Kitchen on the first Tuesday of each month from 4:30-5:30pm. Info: Nilofer

Couture, MPH, RD, LDN, CDE, 497-9163 ext. 6459 or Nilofer. Couture@cherokeehospital.org

### AA and NA meetings in Cherokee.

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

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

### Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly class schedule

**Monday:** Community Culture 11:15am – 12:30pm; Stressed No More 2-3pm; Nar-Anon 6-7pm (1st and 3rd Mondays); CoDA 6-7pm (2nd and 4th Mondays)

**Tuesday:** Recovery Thru Art 8:45-9:45am; Healthy Relationships 11am – 12pm; Employment Work-

shop Series 11am – 12pm (2nd Tuesday); Family Support Skills 1-2pm; Surviving Emotions 2-3pm

**Wednesday:** Managing “Monkey Mind” 10-11am; Recovery is Happening Now 11am – 12pm; My Self, My Boundaries 2-3:30pm; Family Support Skills 5-6pm; HIV/AIDS/Hep C Support Group 5:45-6:45pm (2nd and 4th Wednesdays)

**Thursday:** Life Recovery Bible Class 9-10am; Connections with Brene’ Brown 10-11am; Managing “Monkey Mind” 11am – 12pm; Improve Self-Esteem 1-2:30pm

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

### CIHA Bariatric Support Groups

meet every second Thursday of the month at Snowbird Clinic from 11am – 12pm (Chrystal Frank) and every second Thursday of the

month at Cherokee Indian Hospital from 12-1pm (Nilofer Couture) and 4:30-5:30pm (Linda Johnson). Groups are led by registered dietitians. Info: CIHA Nutrition Dept. 497-9163 ext. 6459

### Cherokee Cancer Support Group

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

Submit your event flyers and information to Scott at scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com or message it to us on the One Feather Facebook page.

### TURKEYS: Commentary by William Ledford from page 21

Trump is accused of much of the same behavior but tosses it off as “locker room talk”. Not sure what locker rooms Trump has frequented but I’m thinking that Ailes, O’Reilly and Hannity were always invited. Maybe Weinstein was there. Along with Bill Cosby and Clarence Thomas.

Finally, in the world of You Can’t Make This Stuff Up, I was recently reading about a helicopter pilot dropping live turkeys out of his aircraft during an annual “turkey trot” somewhere in Arkansas. It seems that this thing has been going on for a few years and complaints have been filed. The FAA stated that they’ve heard the complaints but haven’t yet intervened because the birds aren’t considered “projectiles”. It all reminds me of an episode of “WKRP In Cincinnati” where the radio station was doing the same thing. Onsite, Les Nessman reported, “The turkeys were hitting the ground like bags of wet cement! Oh the humanity.” And Arthur Carlson, returning to the station very dazed, stated, “As God is my witness, I thought turkeys could fly”. Well, they can’t. Therefore...projectiles.

See you next time. Gotta go catch a flying turkey.

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

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# CHEROKEE DAY OF CARING

EVENT DATE: THURSDAY, MAY 17TH 2018.



The Cherokee Day of Caring (CDC) Committee is currently taking nominations for projects now through the last day of February for this coming year's Day of Caring on Thursday, May 17th 2018. This day otherwise known as Ga-Du-Gi or "Free Labor", consists of volunteers from different organizations coming together to help tribal members improve their homes, yards, gardens and other buildings. Once nominations are received the CDC committee will assess nominations and select projects that can be completed within a six-hour window and that meet guideline specifications.

## Nomination Criteria:

- ◆ Nominated person must be an EBCI enrolled tribal member
- ◆ Residence must be located in one of the ten EBCI communities



## Please submit all nominations to:

**DEB OWLE AT CHEROKEE PRESERVATION FOUNDATION**

Phone Contact: (828)497-5550

EMAIL: [dowle@cherokeepreservation.org](mailto:dowle@cherokeepreservation.org)

**"AS PEOPLE, WE'VE ALWAYS HELPED EACH OTHER. THAT'S HOW WE WERE RAISED."**

## BUYING

Buying Ginseng – NC Licensed, Wild Ginseng Dealer will pay high price for quality wild root. (828)524-7748. 11/30

## FOR RENT

2BR, 1 bath mobile home. Quiet park in Ela, no pets. References/background check required. \$450/month, \$450/deposit. 488-8752. UFN

## FOR SALE

Business for sale by owner. Family owned/operated campground, established in 1965. Located on the Cherokee Indian Reserva-

tion, within walking distance of downtown Cherokee and Harrah's Casino. Within one mile of most major attractions in Cherokee. On approximately 12 acres, the campground consists of 11 cabins, 11 bunkhouses, and 33 campsites, including 23 FHU sites. Serious inquiries call 828-736-2765 for an appointment. Must be an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. 11/16pd

Waterfront or view improved building sites by owner, state road, gated sites, cut well, electric, three bedroom, septic, in dock, southern exposure, private. 788-6879. 11/9pd

Home in Cherokee; Share 3

bedroom House, ½ expenses, call (828)788-1871. 11/16

Two-bedroom tiny house on wheels, <https://tinyhouselistings.com/listing/fredericksburg-va-12-luxury-rustic-tiny-house-for-sale-by-owner/>. Brand new. \$65,000. Scroll down below photos in link for particulars. 11/16

The Lambert Tapes – Volume Three. This third volume completes the transcription of taped conversations with the late Cherokee historian, Carl Glenn Lambert. The book is a unique collection and preservation of Carl's personal stories and historical accounts of Cherokee history. The book is available in E-book and hardback copies from Lulu.com, Amazon, and other leading book sellers. Autographed copies are available for less cost directly from the author, Barnett R. Wilson, 6536 Dwight-

ware Blvd., Charlotte, NC 28227. \$36 includes mailing. Note, copies of Volumes One and Two are also available for the same price. 11/23

## SERVICES

Law Office of Shira Hedgepeth, Tribal Legal Advocate, For representation, call 828.585.5044 or email [shira@legal-decisions.com](mailto:shira@legal-decisions.com). Find us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/legaldecisions>. 11/16pd

## YARD SALES

Indoor Yard Sale. Nov. 11 from 7am – 1pm in the dining room at Tsali Manor.

Yard sale at Ela Baptist Church in Bryson City. Saturday, Nov. 11 from 8am – 2pm. Breakfast available.

## Happy 8th Birthday "Pep" November 6th



*You are a charming young guy.*

*We love you bunches, Gail, Gar, Kendra, and all your cousins*

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[www.wetip.com](http://www.wetip.com)

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North Carolina Crimestoppers:  
Macon County (828) 349-2600  
Jackson County (828) 631-1125

A reward of up to \$10,000 may be offered by the State of North Carolina or the Bureau of Indian Affairs

Arson K-9 Dante of the Haywood County Fire Marshal Office and Clyde Fire Department





**Cherokee Central  
Schools Position  
Openings**

**• Elementary  
Teacher -  
NC Teaching license  
required.**

*Applicants who have retired from EBCI or other affiliated entities must wait a period of 6 months before applying for employment. Applicants who have accepted the Early Retirement Incentive Plan (ERIP) from EBCI or affiliated entity must wait 3 years before applying for employment.*

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**EASTERN BAND OF  
CHEROKEE INDIANS**



For deadlines and applications call 359-6388. Indian Preference does apply. A current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a Tribal application.

**POSITIONS OPEN**

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

**Closing Monday, November 20, 2017**

1. Cook – QB HS & EHS – PHHS (\$23,616 - \$29,520)
2. Early Childhood Language Specialist Assistant (Part-time) (Multiple) – Kituwah Academy – CERS (\$25,830 - \$32,288)
3. Laborer (Multiple)– H.E.L.P. – Housing (\$23,616 - \$32,288)
4. Housing Rehab & Property Manager – H.E.L.P. – Housing (\$49,200 - \$61,500)
5. Maintenance Tech – H.E.L.P. – Housing (\$31,078 - \$38,848)
6. Library Aide – Snowbird Community Library – Snowbird/Cherokee County Services (\$23,616 - \$29,520)
7. Family Safety Program Manager – Family Safety – PHHS (\$64,206 - \$80,258)
8. Cook - Qualla Boundary HS-EHS (\$23,616 - \$29,520)

**Closing Friday, November 10, 2017**

1. Office & Human Resource Administrator - Qualla Boundary HS & EHS - PHHS (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
2. Family Safety Social Worker - Family Safety - PHHS (\$41,082 - \$51,353)
3. Transportation / Facilities Coordinator - Qualla Boundary HS & EHS - PHHS (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
4. Supplies Buyer - Purchasing - Treasury (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
5. Driver - Transit – Administration (\$23,616 - \$29,520)
6. Accounts Payable Processor I - Higher Education & Training - CERS (\$23,616 - \$29,520)
7. Collections Processor - Qualla Housing (\$28,372 - \$35,465)
8. Early Childhood Language Specialist Assistant - Kituwah Academy - CERS (\$25,830 - \$32,288)
9. Special Events Assistant - Destination Marketing - Commerce (\$28,372 - \$35,465)
10. Paramedic Part-Time (Multiple) - EMS - Operations (\$10.33 - \$12.91 per hour)
11. Paramedic Full-Time (Multiple) - EMS - Operations (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
12. Operator and Maintenance Mechanic (Multiple) - Waste Water - Administration (\$31,078 - \$38,848)

Download Applications and Job Descriptions and Apply Online at:  
**[www.ebci.com/jobs](http://www.ebci.com/jobs)**

## EMPLOYMENT

**Administrative Assistant/Gift Shop Manager, Sequoyah Birthplace Museum**, full time, benefits. Work week 40 hours with some weekend work. College degree preferred. Minimum 3 year supervisory/retail experience. Send resume and cover letter to Administrative Assistant, PO Box 69, Vonore, TN 37885. No phone calls. **11/9pd**

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

Part Time Intermittent – Phlebotomist

To apply, visit [careers.cherokee-hospital.org](http://careers.cherokee-hospital.org). If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close on November 09, 2017 at 4:00pm. Indian

preference does apply. **11/9pd**

**TERO COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE OPENINGS (2)**  
SEEKING PROFESSIONAL RESUME AND QUALIFICATIONS FROM INTERESTED ENROLLED MEMBERS TO SERVE ON TRIBAL EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS OFFICE COMMISSION BOARD.  
SUBMIT RESUME TO ATTN: CURTIS WILDCATT, INTERIM DIRECTOR TERO  
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT MR. WILDCATT AT [curtwild@nc-cherokee.com](mailto:curtwild@nc-cherokee.com)  
Original resume may be submitted to the TERO office or mailed directly to Attn: TERO PO Box 455  
CHEROKEE, NC 28719  
EMAILED RESUMES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.  
Must be received or post marked by November 16, 2017. **11/16pd**

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

Maintenance Mechanic  
Benefits Specialist

To apply, visit [careers.cherokee-hospital.org](http://careers.cherokee-hospital.org). If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close November 9, 2017 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. **11/9pd**

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

CMA/LPN – Snowbird Clinic  
Integrated Classroom Skill Builder  
Dental Clerk  
Benefits Specialist  
EVS Specialist  
Pharmacy Technician  
Part Time Regular Hygienist – Satellite Locations

To apply, visit [\[hospital.org\]\(http://hospital.org\). If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close on November 16, 2017 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. \*\*11/16pd\*\*](http://careers.cherokee-</a></p></div><div data-bbox=)

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

Optometrist  
Physician- Emergency Room  
Master Level Therapist- Snowbird Residential Treatment Center (3 Positions)  
Pedodontist  
Residential Technician - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center (2 Positions)  
RN Supervisor – Tsali Care Center  
RN– Tsali Care Center  
Emergency Hire Dental Assistant II (2 Positions)  
Residential Supervisor - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center  
Kitchen Specialist - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center  
Part Time Regular RN - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center

To apply, visit [careers.cherokee-hospital.org](http://careers.cherokee-hospital.org). If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions are open until filled. Indian preference does apply. **11/9pd**

**Housekeeping wanted at Smoky Mountain Inn & Suites**, Call 828-497-1649 and Stonebrook Lodge 828-497-2222 for more information. Must apply in person. **11/16pd**

### **LEGAL NOTICES**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 17-061

**In the Matter of the Estate of Heath Oocumma**

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION  
Patricia S. Oocumma, 29 Heath Heights, Cherokee, NC 28719. **11/9pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 17-050

**In the Matter of the Estate of Lucy Lee McLaughlin**

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION  
Lizzie M. Bernal, P.O. Box 2278, Cherokee, NC 28719. **11/9pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 17-060

**In the Matter of the Estate of Joseph R. French**

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

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1. Is the book of Obadiah in the Old or New Testament or neither?  
2. From Matthew 9, after Jesus healed a paralyzed man, what did the man pick up and carry home? *Brother, Bed, Mother, Cart*  
3. Which book begins, "And the Lord spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai"? *Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy*  
4. What is the largest number specifically mentioned in the Bible (KJV)?  
Hundred thousand, Thousand thousand, Two hundred thousand thousand, Thousands of millions  
5. According to Acts 25, what title belonged to Agrippa? *Priest, Apostle, King, General*  
6. In Exodus 7, what river was turned into blood? *Red, Galilee, Marah, Nile*

ANSWERS: (1) Old; (2) Bed; (3) Numbers; (4) Thousands of millions; (5) King; (6) Nile

*Wilson Casey's 2018 Golf Trivia box calendar makes a great gift. It's available in stores and online at [RSVP.com](http://RSVP.com).*

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Delores L. Shell, P.O. Box 1535, Cherokee, NC 28719. **11/9pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 17-064

**In the Matter of the Estate of**

**Geraldine W. Walkingstick**

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION  
Mary Welch Thompson, P. O. Box 2065, Cherokee, NC 28719.

**11/16pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 17-065

**In the Matter of the Estate of  
Jose Martinez Jr.**

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

Jose Martinez Sr., P.O. Box 44, Cherokee, NC 28719. **11/23pd**

Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 17-066

**In the Matter of the Estate of  
Megan Judi Terrell**

All persons, firms and corpo-

rations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

Suzanne Terrell, P.O. Box 2882, Cherokee, NC 28719. **11/30pd**

**BIDs, RFPs, etc.**

**Request for Proposals**

**Project Title: Dora Reed Headstart Bathroom and Entry Remodel**

This is a "Request for Proposals" from General Contractors or teams with experience in planning, design, and construction of commercial remodel projects.

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Project Management Program, is soliciting proposals from general contractors for the planning, design and construction of a bathroom and entry remodel for the Dora Reed Headstart Center located at 897 Acquoni Rd, Cherokee, NC.

The design-build project description and "RFP" will be provided to any interested party upon request. All questions, comments or requests for materials should be addressed to Chris Greene, Program Manager at 828-359-6703 or by email at [chrigree@nc-choerokee.com](mailto:chrigree@nc-choerokee.com). The deadline for submitting proposals is 2:00 p.m. on 11/13/2017.

Indian Preference (as defined by the Tribal Employment Rights Office, TERO) applies for this RFQ. Davis-Bacon wage scales and reporting will be required as well. **11/9pd**

**CHEROKEE DEPT OF  
TRANSPORTATION**

**Long Range Transportation Plan  
(LRTP)**

CDOT would like to invite the public to attend the next Roads Committee meeting for discussion of the Long Range Transportation Plan. Roads Committee meets every third Monday of the month at 9:00am in the Council Chambers. **11/16pd**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS  
EBCI Cherokee Cultural & Technology Innovation Assessment  
(CCTIA) focused on Business  
Incubator**

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) invites firms and consultants with expertise in completing a Cherokee Cultural & Technology Innovation Assessment (CCTIA) focused on Business Incubators to submit proposals for completing the assessment and recommendations for the business incubator for the

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in Cherokee, North Carolina.

The complete scope of work to be provided by the firm to be hired as Contractor is part of a complete RFP document which may be obtained by contacting Sabrina S. Arch, Enterprise Development Specialist, at the EBCI Enterprise Development Department, at 828-359-6708. [sabrarch@nc-choerokee.com](mailto:sabrarch@nc-choerokee.com).

Completed proposals are due in the offices of the EBCI Enterprise Development Department by the close of business on Thursday, November 30, 2017. They should be sent to Sabrina S. Arch, Enterprise Development Specialist – Enterprise Development Department, 810 Acquoni Rd., Suite 137, Cherokee, NC 28719. Proposals must be submitted as required in the RFP.

First preference will be given to qualified TERO contractors. **11/16pd**



**Cherokee Animal Shelter**

OPEN MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 7:45 AM to 4:30 PM  
DOGS AND CATS AVAILABLE NOW AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION  
42 LEE TAYLOR ROAD

**497-6091**

# COMMUNITY DAY

FOR EBCI MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

FREE meal and Native American sketch comedy show, The 1491s!

- Elders Luncheon (age 59.5+) at Selu Garden Café with seating from Noon – 3pm with free valet service at the hotel. Register at Snowbird, John Welch and Tsali Manor Senior Centers.
- Dinner at Chefs Stage Buffet available from 1pm to 9pm.
- Make dining reservations by calling 497-7777 and mention “Community Day Dinner”. Please be prepared to give your EBCI enrollment number.
- The 1491s begin at 7:30pm in the Event Center (show may not be suitable for children). For tickets, visit [Ticketmaster.com](http://Ticketmaster.com) and use the code “EBCI”.
- Dinner and ticket reservations limited to 6 per person. If planning to attend the show, please make dinner reservations between 1pm and 6:30pm.
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