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# North Carolina legalizes industrial hemp



This photo shows the fibrous nature of a hemp stalk (*Cannabis Sativa*).

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## SCOTT MCKIE B.P. ONE FEATHER STAFF

**I**ndustrial hemp is now legal in the state of North Carolina. NC Senate Bill 313 became law on Saturday, Oct. 31 and calls for a pilot program for the growing of hemp throughout the state.

The bill was passed on Sept. 29 in the North Carolina Senate by a vote of 42-2 (6 absent) and has sat on the governor's desk since. On Saturday, Gov. McCrory allowed the bill to become law without his signature. He

explained his decision in a written statement, "After discussion with Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler, I have decided to allow Senate Bill 313 to become law without my signature. Despite the bill's good intentions, there are legitimate concerns I would like to address."

He further stated, "The legislation tasks a new commission to establish from the ground up a regulatory structure to reintroduce a crop to North Carolina. Although there is a clear intent to ensure this program supports agriculture and

research goals, a strong regulatory framework to safeguard against abuse is critical to its success and the safety of North Carolinians...we want to ensure that farmers and researchers participating in this program are provided clear guidance to safeguard their investment of time, land, and money to produce this crop. We want to get this right."

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians will soon start a feasibility study on the possible legalization of cannabis for industrial hemp uses, medicinal

uses and recreational uses. The Tribal Council passed a resolution, submitted by a group of EBCI tribal members called Common Sense Cannabis, in Annual Council on Thursday, Oct. 29 calling for the feasibility study.

Joseph Owle, a member of Common Sense Cannabis, commented on North Carolina's decision to legalize industrial hemp, "Common Sense Cannabis views Senate Bill 313, that was allowed to become law by Governor McCrory by note vetoing it, as progress for North Carolina in the right direction. This action further demonstrates the tribe's need to produce a feasibility study on Cannabis opportunities for the tribe. Now, at least one legal question can be clarified in regards to industrial hemp. Perhaps the tribe has an opportunity to partner with the state on research around hemp."

Owle added, "We would like to thank the One Feather for submitting a question to the public asking for feedback on the resolution that was passed during the last Annual Council session on the cannabis feasibility study resolution and where the public would like to see the tribe lead: personal use, medicinal and/or industrial. From the comments, it is apparent



there is overwhelming support for a cannabis initiative of some kind for the EBCI.”

The North Carolina Industrial Hemp Association released a statement on Monday, Nov. 2 regarding the state’s decision, “The law creates the North Carolina Industrial Hemp Commission which will coordinate with the Department of Agriculture to create the legal and administrative framework for hemp cultivation in North Carolina.”

The Association said its goal will be to work closely with the Commission “to help promote the interests of North Carolina farmers in this newly established industry.”

The N.C. Hemp Commission, according to the legislation, will be comprised of five members including the following: N.C. Commissioner of Agriculture (Steve



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### **Cannabis Sativa grows in a field.**

Troxler) or the Commissioner’s designee, one General Assembly appointment recommended by the Senate President Pro Tempore (Phil Berger), one General Assembly appointment recommended by the

Speaker of the House (Tim Moore), one Governor appointment, and one Commissioner of Agriculture appointment.

Bill 313 states in part, “The General Assembly finds and de-

clares that it is in the best interest of the citizens of North Carolina to promote and encourage the development of an industrial hemp industry in the state in order to expand employment, promote economic activity, and provide opportunities to small farmers for an environmentally sustainable and profitable use of crop lands that might otherwise be lost to agricultural production.”

According to the National Congress of State Legislatures (NCSL), in addition to North Carolina, a total of 13 other states have “statutes establishing commercial industrial hemp programs” including: California, Colorado, Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Montana, North Dakota, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia.



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# A goldmine in trash

**ROBERT JUMPER**  
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

**O**n Oct. 12, Cameron Cooper, retail development specialist for the EBCI Commerce Department, gave Tribal Council an update on an economic development opportunity that could be a boon for the Cherokee economy and ecology through tapping in to a renewable resource. Cooper's previous position was energy program coordinator for the tribe.

The US Department of Agriculture describes the process called pyrolysis, "Pyrolysis is the heating of an organic material, such as biomass, in the absence of oxygen. Because no oxygen is present the material does not combust but the chemical com-

es three products: one liquid, bio-oil, one solid, bio-char and one gaseous (syngas). ([www.ars.usda.gov](http://www.ars.usda.gov).)"

According to Cooper, who addressed Council to report on a second phase of a project involving the feasibility of a pyrolysis production facility on the Qualla Boundary, this initiative is part of a "waste to energy" concept. In the beginning, the idea was to take waste and process it into a gas to run generators which, in turn, would produce electricity. Cooper explained that waste plastics was the best opportunity for good output, higher quality gas, from a facility like this. Plastics produce a higher quality of bio-oil for energy production and also, as a by-product, bio-char, which may be used for compost, road materials or similar uses.

Cooper requested funding to do a waste

characterization study in preparation for a trial in a pyrolysis project from the Department of Energy and Mineral Development, a subdivision of the Economic Development sector of the Department of the Interior. They were awarded \$40,000.

Using that and some existing funds, the study was completed and it was determined that Cherokee has access to enough biomass to sustain a one-ton unit (one ton per hour).

As an example of the potential of this size

unit, Cooper explained that within a single month, a one-ton pyrolysis machine could produce enough diesel fuel in two weeks to run the entire Cherokee Boys Club fleet of vehicles for a month.

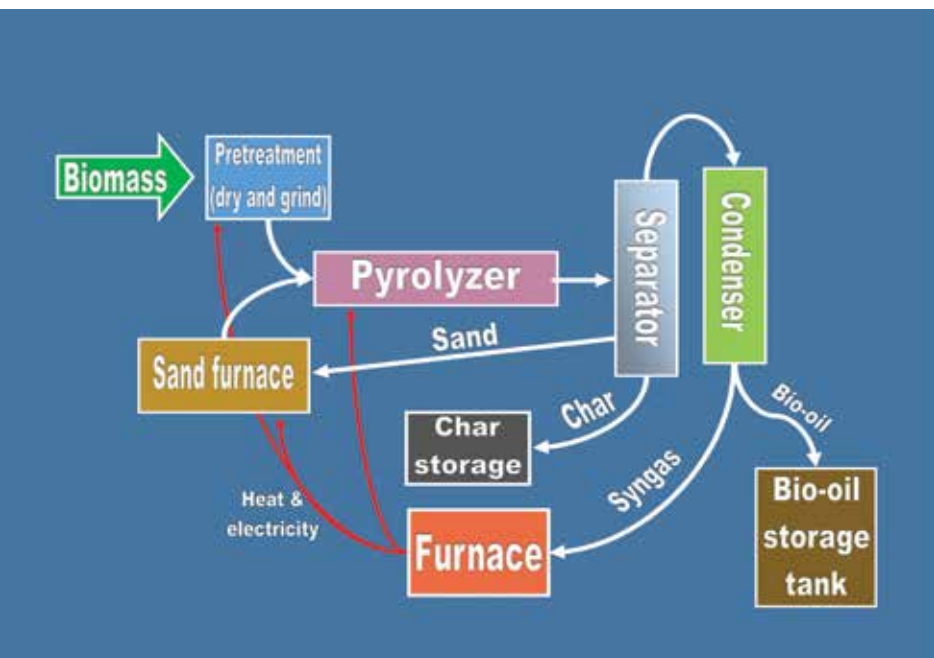
Cooper then met with the leadership at

Cherokee Boys Club to check the interest in pursuing the opportunity. The Boys Club currently has a contract to haul waste and could be impacted by a facility that uses waste being on the Boundary. They collaborated to look at ways that any negative economic impact could be mitigated through soliciting other municipalities to have their waste materials hauled to Cherokee for use in the pyrolysis project. Instead of making less work, the project would create more jobs on the Boundary and at the Boys Club through recycling efforts and transport.

The next step is to do a short-term actual test using the process in a smaller (100 pounds per hour) pyrolysis unit. The grant received for this phase was \$410,000. Equipment will be brought in and processing will take place. Tribal Waste Management has already set aside biomass or "feed stock" materials for the project and the equipment is scheduled to arrive any day.

Cooper also set in motion, with the filing of a third grant request (\$318,000), a prolonged test of pyrolysis equipment for a three month run in the near future. The goal will be to try out different feed stocks to see what will work best in Cherokee. In that way, according to Cooper, a solid business plan may be developed to present to Tribal Council, so that the Tribe may determine if it wishes to pursue this as a government initiative or work with an entrepreneur who could develop the concept into a business. Cooper emphasized that all money expended on developing this project were grant funds with no monetary cost directly to the tribe.

Since the material is not incinerated, there is little to no negative environmental impact. The biomass is "melted", not burned, to separate the biomass into its core components. The process does not create any odor. The project has the potential to create a new revenue stream, increase available energy resources and create jobs. Cooper commented that there may need to be a "ramping up" of the tribe's recycling efforts in order to facilitate a project of this nature.



Graphic by Robert Jumper/One Feather

## A schematic of the pyrolyzer process

pounds (i.e. cellulose, hemicellulose and lignin) that make up that material thermally decompose into a combustible liquid, called pyrolysis oil (bio-oil), though there are some permanent gases (CO<sub>2</sub>, CO, H<sub>2</sub>, light hydrocarbons). Thus pyrolysis of biomass produc-



# December per capita up more than \$300

The per capita distribution for EBCI tribal members for December 2015 is more than \$300 (before taxes) more than the December 2014 amount. This year's per capita raw amount is \$5,595 before taxes according to a post on Facebook by Principal Chief Patrick Lambert. He related that there will be a mandatory tax of \$44 withheld on those who do not have voluntary withholding so the total will be \$5,551.

The after-tax withholding amount for those with voluntary withholding is \$4,756 which is \$314 more than last year's amount of \$4,442.

"I want to say thank you to all the casino/gaming workers for this revenue for and on behalf of our enrolled members," Chief Lambert wrote, "and, also to the many workers on the tribal side who make sure there is proper accounting and disbursement of the per cap to you. I look forward to being able to get the checks out to you and hope you have a great upcoming holiday season!"

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## MICHIGAN

**BURT LAKE** – The Burt Lake Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians is seeking federal acknowledgment through a Congressional bill. The group's petition was rejected by the BIA in 2007. "The Burt Lake Band has a long and well-documented history in Michigan and they deserve to be recognized as the sovereign nation they are," said Rep. Debbie Dingell (D-Mich.) who was one of the sponsors of H.R. 3848, the Burt Lake Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Reaffirmation Act.

- *Indianz.com*

## NEBRASKA

**MACY** – The Omaha Tribe of Nebraska approved three referendums on Tuesday, Nov. 3 that will allow the tribe to look into marijuana usage and growth on the reservation. The referendum, which only served as guidance to the tribal government and didn't legalize marijuana, asked member's permission for the tribe to look into its use for medicinal use, recreational use and use of industrial hemp. "We're going to look to work with agencies and various other legal entities to ensure that whatever the tribe is able to do is done appropriately," Vernon Miller, Omaha Trib-

al Council chair, told the Sioux City Journal. Miller added, "This is another step in protecting and ensuring sovereign actions for our people as a sovereign nation."

- *Sioux City Journal*

## NEW MEXICO

**ALBUQUERQUE** – Three people have been indicted under the Indian Arts and Crafts Act for allegedly selling items made in the Philippines as being American Indian-made. Nael Ali, 51, Mohammad Abed Manasra, 53, and Christina Bowen, 41, were named in the indictment involving items sold in three stores including: Gallery 8 in Albuquerque, Galleria Azul in Albuquerque and Galleria Azul in Scottsdale, Ariz. U.S. Attorney Damon P. Martinez said in a statement, "The cultural heritage of American Indians is precious national resource and it is critically important that we provide the proper respect to those whose creations are seen by some as simple retail commodities to be exploited for profit." Ali owns all three stores in question. All items were misrepresented as being Navajo-made including some which was attributed to being made by Calvin Kee, an imaginary "Navajo artist".

- *Indianz.com*

## NEW YORK

**BUFFALO** – The Seneca Nation is set to enter the



Photo courtesy of Brandon Stephens/USET

## EBCI leaders participate in USET opening

**Leaders of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians are shown participating in a fire ceremony at the opening of the recent USET Meeting hosted by the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians. Shown (left-right) are Yellowhill Rep. Anita Lossiah, Chairman Bill Taylor, USET Vice President Randy Noka, Vice Chief Richie Sneed, Principal Chief Patrick Lambert, and USET President Brian Patterson.**

medical marijuana industry following a tribal referendum vote on Tuesday, Nov. 3. By a vote of 448-364, tribal members approved the idea. "Of course, there's an interest," Maurie John, Seneca Nation president, told WGRZ. "I think individuals have gone ahead and done what they want to do in the area with the state. I think the tribe is now monitoring." A time frame for when a medical marijuana system will be in place on the reservation has not been set.

- *WGRZ*

## WASHINGTON, DC

Karen Diver, chairwoman of the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, has resigned as chair and will move to Washington to become a Special Assistant for Native American Affairs at the White House. "I am

excited by the opportunity to have a wider impact in Indian Country under President Obama's administration, which has shown unprecedented support for Indian Country," she wrote in her resignation letter. Diver takes over the position left vacant by Jodi Gillette (Standing Rock Sioux) who left in May to join a law firm. President Obama previously named Diver to a panel on climate change.

- *Native News Online*

## WASHINGTON, DC

Adidas announced it is joining the effort to eliminate American Indian mascots during the White House Tribal Nations Conference on Thursday, Nov. 5. "High school social identities are central to the lives of young athletes, so it's important

to create a climate that feels open to everyone who wants to compete," Mark King, president of Adidas Group North America said. Adidas also released the following statement, "Of the more than 27,000 high schools across the United States, approximately 2,000 of them use names that cause concern for many tribal communities." At Thursday's Conference, Valerie Jarrett, a senior advisor to President Obama, commented, "That's a great example of corporate leadership." Adidas has set up the following email for high schools interested in changing their mascot to contact, mascotchange@adidas.com. Adidas has agreed to provide design support and financial assistance to those high schools.

- *Indianz.com*



# Tribe selected for Tribal Access Program for crime data

**C**HARLOTTE – The Department of Justice announced on Thursday, Nov. 5 the first 10 tribes to participate in an initial User Feedback Phase of the Tribal Access Program for National Crime Information (TAP), a program to provide federally recognized tribes the ability to access and exchange data with national crime information databases for both civil and criminal purposes.

In the Western District of North Carolina, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has been selected to participate in this initial phase of the TAP.

“As one of the tribes selected to participate in the initial phase of TAP, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and its criminal justice agencies will gain greater access to federal crime information databases and crime solving tools that can be used to effectively serve and protect their communities,” said Jill Westmoreland Rose, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina. “My office has a strong history of working closely with our tribal counterparts, and through this program we will continue to support our tribal partners’ mission of keeping the citizens of the Qualla Boundary safe.”

In addition to the EBCI, the User Feedback Phase will grant access to national crime information databases and technical support to the following tribes: the Cherokee Na-

tion of Oklahoma, the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community of Michigan, the Oneida Indian Nation of New York, the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona, the Suquamish Indian Tribe of the Port Madison Reservation of Washington, the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Reservation of Idaho, the Tulalip Tribes of Washington, the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla of Oregon, and the White Mountain Apache Tribe of the Fort Apache Reservation of Arizona.

“This innovative program will allow an unprecedented sharing of critical information between tribal, state and federal governments, information that could help solve a crime or even save someone’s life,” said Deputy Attorney General Sally Quillian Yates. “This initial phase of TAP will help us understand the information gaps and the best ways to use this service to strengthen public safety in Indian country. The TAP program is a reflection of the Justice Department’s commitment to the government-to-government relationship, to overcoming barriers, and building strong partnerships with American Indian and Alaska Native people. The department will continue to work with Congress for additional funding to more broadly deploy the program.”

TAP will support tribes in analyzing their needs for national crime information and help provide appropriate solutions, including a state-of-the-art biometric/biographic computer workstation

with capabilities to process finger and palm prints, take mugshots, and submit records to national databases, as well as the ability to access the FBI’s Criminal Justice Information Service (CJIS) systems for criminal and civil purposes through the Department of Justice. TAP will also provide specialized training and assistance for participating tribes.

This initial phase, funded by the Office of Justice Programs’ Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking (SMART) and supported with technical assistance from the Office of the Chief Information Officer, will focus on assisting tribes that have law enforcement agencies. In the future, the department will seek to address the needs of the remaining tribes and find a long-term solution.

While in the Tribal Law and Or-

der Act of 2010 Congress required the Attorney General to ensure that tribal officials that meet applicable requirements be permitted access to national crime information databases, the ability of tribes to fully participate in national criminal justice information sharing via state networks has been dependent upon various regulations, statutes and policies of the states in which a tribe’s land is located. Therefore, improving access for tribal law enforcement to federal crime information databases has been a departmental focus for several years. In 2010, the department instituted two pilot projects, one biometric and one biographic, to improve informational access for tribes. The biographic pilot continues to serve more than 20 tribal law enforcement agencies.

*- Department of Justice*

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## FOOTBALL

# Braves finish season strong at Hayesville

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**H**AYESVILLE – The Cherokee Braves (4-7) finished the 2015 regular sea-

son with a strong victory over the hosting Hayesville Yellow Jackets (3-8) on Friday, Nov. 6 with a final score of 45-28.

The high scoring affair was led by Tye Mintz, Braves sopho-

more quarterback, who finished with a QB rating of 141. He completed 8 of his 12 pass attempts for 126 yards, and 2 touchdowns. Mintz also led the Braves rushing attack with 146 yards on 17 carries.

hard until the end and we had to stay composed and work hard to get the win. Hopefully, this will get us on a roll and give us momentum going into the playoffs next week.”

The Braves defense forced a

line. With their back against the wall, Mintz connected to Jason McMillan, Braves senior wide receiver, on a 33-yard strike to give the Braves a fresh set of downs at the 35-yard line. A few plays later, Mintz connected to McMillan again for a 9-yard touchdown pass, capping off a 97-yard scoring drive. The point-after was no good, and the Braves took a 6-0 lead at the 4:14 mark in the first quarter.

The Braves forced another Yellow Jacket punt on their second possession of the night. A few plays later, Mintz found the end zone with an 11-yard touchdown run as time expired in the first quarter. A successful point-after kick by Dodge Crowe put the Braves up 13-0 at the end of the first quarter.

At the 3:27 mark in the second quarter, Hayesville RB Braxton Cox, scored on a 14-yard run. The point-after was no good to make the score 13-6. Cherokee would answer back a few minutes later as Mintz connected to McMillan again on a 26-yard pass with 1:04 left in the second quarter. The point-after failed and Cherokee took a 19-6 lead at halftime.

The Braves received the ball to start the second half and wasted little time getting back on the board as Mintz ran 55 yards for a score at the 10:53 mark. The point-after failed and the Braves led 25-6. A few



AMBLE SMOKER/One Feather

**Tye Mintz (#1), Braves sophomore quarterback, eludes two Hayesville defenders on a run during Friday's game.**

punt on the Yellow Jacket's first possession and took over inside the Cherokee 5-yard line. After an illegal procedure penalty against the Braves, Cherokee began their drive at the 3-yard



possessions later, Hayesville's Kyle Rhinehardt connected to Braxton Cox on a 3-yard pass for a touchdown. A 2-point run by Josh Harris brought the score to 25-14 at the 0:50 mark of the third quarter.

On the next possession, Isaiah Evans, Braves freshman running back, scored on a 1-yard touchdown run. A successful point-after kick by Dodge Crowe put the Braves up 32-14 at 9:37 in the fourth quarter. Hayesville answered back on the next possession with a 44-yard touchdown pass from Rhinehardt to Cox to bring the score 32-21 at the 7:30 mark. Cherokee's next possession was capped off by a tough 8-yard touchdown run by Evans. A failed point-after put the Braves up 38-21.

The Yellow Jackets returned the kickoff to about midfield and began

**Braves head coach Kent Briggs talks to his players following Friday's win.**



putting together a strong drive into Cherokee territory. However, a fumble at the Cherokee 27-yard line was picked up and returned for a 73-yard touchdown by Logan Teesateskie, Braves senior Linebacker. Justin Brady booted the extra-point to put the Braves up 45-21 at the 3:54 mark.

Hayesville's Rhinehardt would connect to Josh Harris on a 13-yard touchdown pass late in the

fourth quarter to bring the score to 45-28. The Braves would recover an on-side kick by the Yellow Jackets and ran the victory formation to close out the game with a final score of 45-28.

"We played as a team, and I feel pretty good going into next week (NCHSAA Playoffs)," said McMillan after the game. "I think we finally clicked and we're hoping to do good next week."

Kennan Panther, Braves senior linebacker, related, "This is my last year going out in a Cherokee Braves uniform. I'm going to make sure our team is ready to play next week. We are going to focus on what we did wrong tonight and fix the mistakes for next week."

Teesateskie added, "We did well, but we could have executed better tonight. I'm looking forward to playing in the playoffs and hopefully making it to state. We're going to work hard all week."

When asked how he feels about the team this year, he had one word, "proud."

With the victory, Cherokee secured the number 9 seed and will travel to the number 8 seed Andrews Wildcats on Friday, Nov. 13 at 7:30pm for the first round of the NCHSAA playoffs.

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# Lambert takes sixth at Regional Meet

**S**WANNANOA – Cherokee's Darius Lambert, Smoky Mountain Conference runner-up, took sixth place at the 1A West Regional Cross Country meet held at Asheville Christian on Saturday, Oct. 31 with a time of 17:18.62. Alexander Hayden, Thomas Jefferson, won the regional championship with a time of 16:47.50 followed by Andrew Guazzerotti, Pine Lake Prep., at 16:49.86 and Smoky Mountain Conference champion Adam Urbaniuk, Hayesville, in third with a time of 17:04.27.

On the girl's side, Robbinsville's Shawnda Martin, Smoky Mountain Conference champion, won with a time of 19:32.80. She bested Blakely Moore, Highlands, who came in second at 20:00.08 and Hunter Cashion, Community School of Davidson, who took third

with a time of 20:06.94.

## Girls Results

- 1 – Shawnda Martin, Robbinsville, 19:32.80
- 2 – Blakely Moore, Highlands, 20:00.08
- 3 – Hunter Cashion, Community School of Davidson, 20:06.94
- 4 – Rachel Ferrier, Pine Lake Prep., 20:11.81
- 5 – Shelby Hyatt, Swain, 20:25.07
- 53 – Shelby Wolfe, Cherokee, 24:21.91

## Team Scores:

- 1 – Pine Lake Prep. 61
- 2 – Community School of Davidson 72
- 3 – Swain 72
- 4 – Robbinsville 78
- 5 – Lincoln Charter 114

## Boys Results

- 1 – Hayden Alexander, Thomas

Jefferson, 16:47.50

2 – Andrew Guazzerotti, Pine Lake Prep., 16:49.86

3 – Adam Urbaniuk, Hayesville, 17:04.27

4 – Parker Chatham, Swain, 17:16.16

5 – Tucker Price, Robbinsville, 17:16.91

6 – Darius Lambert, Cherokee, 17:18.62

65 – Brock Powell, Cherokee, 20:20.85

69 – Josiah Lossiah, Cherokee, 20:33.74

## Team Results:

- 1 – Community School of Davidson 46
- 2 – Pine Lake Prep. 88
- 3 – Swain 97
- 4 – Hayesville 106
- 5 – Lincoln Charter 107

- One Feather staff report



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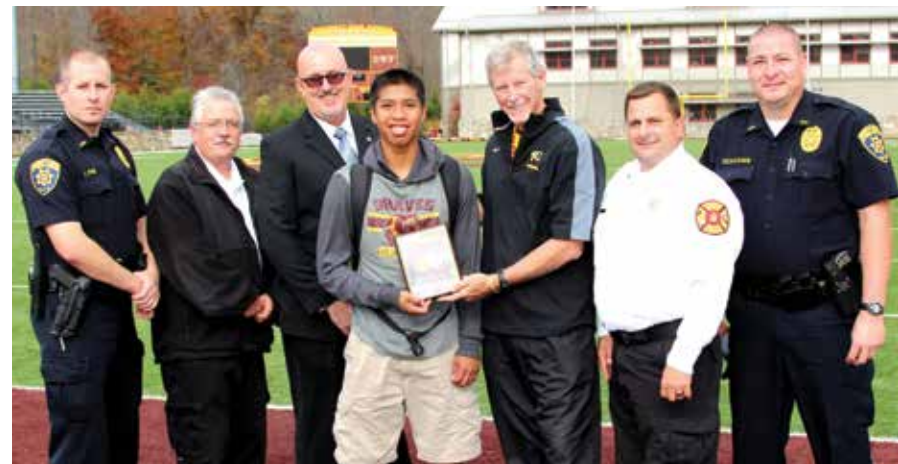
**Cherokee's Darius Lambert, Smoky Mountain Conference runner-up, took sixth place at the 1A West Regional Cross Country meet held at Asheville Christian on Saturday, Oct. 31.**



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## Player of the Week (Oct. 26-30)

**Logan Teesateskie, Braves senior linebacker, was named the EBCI Emergency Management Player of the Week for the week of Oct. 26-30 for his contributions in the game against the Robbinsville Black Knights on Friday, Oct. 30.**



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## Player of the Week (Oct. 19-23)

**Jason McMillan, Braves senior wide receiver, was named the EBCI Emergency Management Player of the Week for the week of Oct. 19-23 for his contributions in the game against the Andrews Wildcats on Friday, Oct. 23.**

# Museum offering workshops on fish nets, feather capes

**T**he Museum of the Cherokee Indian is offering workshops on making fish nets and feather capes Nov. 13-14. These workshops will take place in the Ken Blankenship Education and Research Wing of the Museum. Materials for nets will be provided. Workshops are

sponsored by the Museum and the North Carolina Arts Council.

Participants will learn knotting techniques for making nets, which have been part of Cherokee tradition for more than 9,000 years. On Friday, Nov. 13 from 9am - 3pm, the basic technique for making a net will be taught, and participants will

learn to make a rectangular net like those used for fishing. On Friday evening, Nov. 13, from 6-8pm, the techniques for sorting feathers and attaching feathers to nets will be taught. On Saturday, Nov. 15 from 9am - 3pm, techniques for shaping nets into a cape will be taught, so that participants can make the netted bases for feather capes.

All workshops will be taught by Deborah Harding, Carnegie Natural History Museum. Harding worked with the Museum to make the feather cape for the Emissaries of Peace exhibit in 2006, based on research by Barbara Duncan. The workshop size is limited to 15 people.

To register, visit the Museum Store or call 497-3481 ext. 208. The cost is \$25 for all three workshops for EBCI members. Info: [bduncan@cherokeemuseum.org](mailto:bduncan@cherokeemuseum.org).

- Museum of the Cherokee Indian



Photo courtesy of the Museum of the Cherokee Indian  
**This photo shows the detail of the knots used in the netting.**

**Former Miss Cherokee Kara Martin models a traditional Cherokee feather cape made on a netted base.**  
(SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather)



# New Kituwah announces honor roll, perfect attendance lists

The New Kituwah Academy announced its honor roll and perfect attendance lists for the first nine weeks on Wednesday, Nov. 4.

## A Honor Roll

**3rd grade:** Naomi Taylor

**5th grade:** Andi McCoy

## A/B Honor Roll

**3rd grade:** Hailee Velazquez-Lossiah, Anasette Cooper, Cecily Swimmer, Cameron Jackson, Marilyn Swayney

**4th grade:** Eva Welch, Champ

Maney

**5th grade:** Milli Bryson

**6th grade:** Haley Smith, Praire Toineeta, Joryn Walker

## Perfect Attendance

**Kindergarten:** Morgan Hernandez, Kiara Sneed

**1st grade:** Mack Burgess, Kaden Stephens

**2nd grade:** Samuel Hernandez, Alex Motola, Alexis Motola, Moke Tafoya

**4th grade:** Champ Maney

**6th grade:** Abigail Taylor

- New Kituwah Academy



Photo courtesy of Bruce Welch

## Junaluska places in first-ever USET Transit Rodeo

Dennis Junaluska (2nd from left), EBCI Transit driver, took first place in the Mini-Van Division and second place in the LTV Cut Away Division at the first-ever USET Transit Rodeo held in Choctaw, Miss. on Oct. 25. The event was organized by EBCI Transit and Choctaw Transit. EBCI Transit officials stated, "This event was a success and EBCI Cherokee Transit would like to thank Chief Patrick Lambert, USET, Brandon Stephens of USET, Jeremy Bell and Choctaw Transit and staff, EBCI Cherokee Transit staff, Poarch Creek Transit, Tee Pee Village and Five Sisters Gifts for donations for silent auction and door prizes, and the drivers and judges that made this trip to participate in this USET Transit Rodeo." The other drivers in the photo with Junaluska were not identified by the submitter.

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## TRANSIT'S WEEKLY SHOPPING TRIPS

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### **Wednesday – Sylva**

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WCU photo

### **Hicks receives Professional Award from WCU**

Former Principal Chief Michell Hicks (center), recipient of the WCU Alumni Association's Professional Achievement Award, is congratulated by Frances Owl-Smith, association president (left), and Marty Ramsey, WCU's director of alumni affairs, at a recent Homecoming Brunch .



Photo by Kristy M. Herron/EBCI Commerce

### **Tribe wins brochure award**

The staff of the Cherokee Welcome Center poses with an award the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians received for its travel brochure. The brochure, designed by Element Advertising using photos from Raven's Eye Media, was a 1st Place Regional Winner in the International Association of Professional Brochure Distributors 2015 International Best Brochure Competition. Brochures were evaluated on headline quality, construction, content and overall appeal. The brochures are distributed all over the region and are available locally at many establishments including the Welcome Center. Shown (left-right) are Chris Watty, Josie Long, Joletta Crowe, Mariah Mahan and Faye Pheasant.



## House to be burned for training

Tribal Housing has provided a two-story house located at 53 Long View Lane off of Long Branch for Cherokee Fire & Rescue to use for a series of training fires before allowing the structure to burn to the ground. The house will be burned on Saturday, Nov. 21 starting at 8am. The house is condemned. The ground underneath is moving and Housing has received a FEMA grant to stabilize the site.

- Cherokee Fire & Rescue

## Qualla Boundary Historical Society October meeting report

The Qualla Boundary Historical Society gathered for its monthly meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 27. The following members were elected as officers: Robin Swayney, president; Mary Wachacha, vice president; Roberta Gloyne, secretary; Anita Finger-Smith, treasurer; and Paige Tester, reporter.

EBCI GIS Manager David Wyatt was the October presenter for the group. He spoke about the EBCI's Integrated Geographic Information System Parcel Data Conversion Project. Attendees learned how GIS and other technologies are being used to better understand the history of tribal land transactions.

The next Historical Society meeting will be on Tuesday, Nov. 24 at 6:30pm at the Qualla Boundary Library. Dr. Brett H. Riggs, Sequoyah Distinguished Professor of Cherokee Studies at Western Carolina University, will be the November speaker.

Info: Robin Swayney, 497-6725, or Mary Wachacha, 788-1196

- Paige A. Tester

## Christmas Check deadline

The deadline to submit statements for handicapped and/or disabled EBCI tribal minors, under the age of 18, who are eligible to receive a Christmas Check is Wednesday, Nov. 25. Eligible minors must submit a statement signed by a doctor indicating that the child is handicapped and/or disabled and a new statement must be submitted each year.

The deadline for eligible EBCI tribal members between the ages of 18 and 60 years of age, who waive their per capita check but would like to receive a Christmas check, is Wednesday, Nov. 25. Eligible tribal members must submit a statement that has been signed by a doctor indicating that they are handicapped and/or disabled. A new statement must be submitted each year.

Statements can be turned into the TOP Office, located beside the Council House, or faxed to (828) 497-5927 (Attn: Kelly Sampson). Be sure to include EBCI enrollment numbers on all statements. Info: Kelly Sampson 359-7023 or Kelly Dills 359-7024.

Senior Citizens do not have to submit anything to receive a Christmas Check. Checks will be mailed to all EBCI tribal members who turn 60 years of age or older by Dec. 31. Christmas Checks will be mailed to the same address that per capita checks are mailed to.

- TOP Office

## Upcoming DNA testing schedule

The following dates are available to schedule appointments for DNA collection:

• Thursday, Nov. 12

- Friday, Nov. 13
- Monday, Nov. 16
- Tuesday, Nov. 17
- Monday, Nov. 23
- Tuesday, Nov. 24

Please check with the EBCI Enrollment Office 359-6465 prior to scheduling to make sure you are eligible for enrollment. The local collection site is at the EBCI Tribal Enrollment office located at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. Appointments will be scheduled by the staff of 1 Family Services from 9-11:30am and 1-3pm.

To schedule an appointment at the local collection site, contact Michelle, Tribal Enrollment, 359-6463. To schedule an out-of-town appointment, contact Amber (918) 685-0478. All DNA questions should be directed to the staff of 1 Family Services.

- EBCI Enrollment Office

## Cherokee Lights & Legends food booth info

EBCI Destination Marketing is now accepting applications for food booth vendors for the upcoming Cherokee Lights & Legends event at the Cherokee Fairgrounds. The event is set for Dec. 5 – Jan. 2, 2016 from 6-6pm on Thursdays, Friday and Saturdays during that time span. It will be closed from Dec. 24-26. Vendors will be selected by menu. The menus must consist of a variety of foods (i.e. candy apples, baked goods, hamburgers, hotdogs, soups, hot chocolate, etc.). Only the first 10 completed applications will be accepted Nov. 9-13 until 4pm each of those days and can be picked up at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Only four of the 10 applications will be selected as vendors based on the menus provided. There will be a fee of \$200 to obtain a food

booth and a \$125 deposit which will be given back once the event has finalized and the booth has been cleaned. Any other fees, including those for a health inspection, are the responsibility of the vendor.

- EBCI Destination Marketing

## Lions Club 2016 calendar ads

The Cherokee Lions Club has openings for advertisements for this coming year's (2016) calendar. If you would like to help this community organization and buy an ad (\$50), contact Butch Sanders, Cherokee Lions Club president, 736-3239. Also, see any Lions Club member if you have a name or names (birthday dates) to go with this year's calendar.

- Cherokee Lions Club

## College Horizons program taking applications

College Horizons, Inc. is a non-profit organization that supports the higher education of Native American students by providing college and graduate workshops. Two programs are offered in the summer. College Horizons services current 10th-11th grade high school students and Graduate Horizons services college students and college graduates. For 2016, two College Horizons programs will be held including one at Amherst College in Amherst, Mass. on June 18-24 and a second one at Lawrence University in Appleton, Wisc. on July 9-15. Info: (505) 401-3854, info@collegehorizons.org, www.collegehorizons.org

- College Horizons

## OBITUARIES

### Robert "Bob" Alexander Smith

Robert Alexander Smith, 71, known as "Bob" went to be with the Lord on Monday, Nov. 2, 2015, with his loving family by his side at his home in the Birdtown Community, Cherokee. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Dorothy McCoy Smith.

He was an E5 Sgt. Vietnam Veteran serving a total of three years in active service (1968 – 1971) including one year in the Vietnam War. During this time, he received several recognitions, including medals and badges. He retired after 30+ years from the Cherokee Boys Club where he was the construction manager and completed several homes and projects for the EBCL.

Bob was well known for being a "car craftsman" and "sculptor." He loved his shop where he would be found sitting in his barber chair getting a vision of the many projects he constructed. Bob was known in every state for being Bob as himself and/or the craftsman he was. He was the President and proud member of the Cherokee Rodders Car Club, WNC Truck Club and organized many car shows over the years beginning in the early 80s. In the early 70s, he operated Rainbow Raceway, Newport Raceway and Smoky Mountain Raceway; he loved dirt track racing. Bob was simply one of a kind and his smile will never be replaced.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Gladys Reed Griffin and Rass Smith; and brother, John Ross Smith.

In addition to his wife, Bob was survived by one daughter, Bobbi Lynn Smith of Cherokee and one

son, Travis Kent Smith and his wife Kelly Cleona Smith and three grandsons, Zachary Alexander Smith, Kenton Rayce Smith and Koen Dash Smith who always called him "Pops." He will be greatly missed by a host of close friends, in-laws, and all others who knew him. The pallbearers will be members of the Cherokee Rodders Car Club and WNC Truck Club.

The family will be holding a visitation at Crisp Funeral Home in Bryson City from 6-10pm on Wednesday, Nov. 4. A funeral service will be officiated by Pastor Bo Parris at 10am on Thursday, Nov. 5 at Crisp Funeral Home with burial at the Bird Hill Road Cemetery located on Adams Creek with military graveside rights conducted by the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post # 143.

### Maggie Lossiah

Maggie Lossiah, 80, went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, Oct. 15, 2015 while among her loving family at the Cherokee Indian Hospital.

She was the daughter of the late John Rome Lossiah and Charlotte (Welch) Lossiah, both of the Cherokee community. She was a member the Straight Fork Baptist Church of the Big Cove Community and a life-long resident of Cherokee. She worked for Vassar as a seamstress in her past and with the Cherokee's Retailer making arts and crafts. She also worked for a short time at the Cherokee Trout Farm. Privately, she made her own arts and crafts which she sold through the Qualla Arts and Crafts Co-Op. She was a kind and loving mother who was a mother figure to all. It was said she'd never let anyone go hungry!

Maggie is survived by her

children, daughter, Genoa Lossiah of Cherokee; son, Thomas Lossiah with wife Charlene of Clyde; daughter, Charlene Lossiah of the home; brothers, Jack Lossiah and Willard Lossiah of Cherokee; sisters, Jane (Lossiah) Taylor and Dorothy (Lossiah) Thompson; aunts Elsie Watty, Molly Herbold and Annie French; one grandson, John Nathaniel Lossiah; and several nieces and nephews.

Along with her parents, Maggie is preceded in death by brothers, Paul, Charlie, Larch, Homer, John-Adam, Noah and Woodrow; sisters, Mary, Luzene, Frieda, Frances, and Martha; Nephews, Tony Lossiah and John Russell Lossiah; and great nephew, Cylas.

Funeral services were held at Straight Fork Baptist Church on Monday, Oct. 19. Rev. Charles Ray Ball, James "Blue Jay" Sequoyah, and James "Red" Bradley officiated. Burial followed at the Lossiah Family Cemetery. Pallbearers were Little Ed, Perry Shell, Dwayne Bird, Eddie Hill, Jerry Taylor, Arab Bradley, Dennis Taylor, Earl Martin, Kirk Lossiah, Albert Martin, Maury Lossiah and Nolan Crowe.

### Manuel Henry Watty Sr.

Manuel Henry Watty Sr., 76, of Cherokee, passed away Saturday, Oct. 31, 2015 at the Cherokee Indian Hospital with his loving family by his side.

He was born Dec. 19, 1938 in Cherokee to the late Jessan Watty and Wallie Pheasant Watty.

Manuel honorably served in the US Army during the Vietnam Cold War Era as a construction equipment operator and an engineer equipment operator. He made his way through life as a fish hatcheries manager.

He is survived by four children, Manuel H. Watty Jr, Marlene W. Arch, M. Stephen Watty, and Kevin R. Watty, all of Cherokee; one sister, Wanda W. Bradley; and seven grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Manuel was preceded in death by three brothers, Jerome Watty, David Watty, and Steven Watty; and one sister, Winona Reed.

Graveside services were held Wednesday, Nov. 4 at the Wolfe Family Cemetery in the Big Cove Community with Rev. Charles Ray Ball officiating. Military honors were provided by the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Watty family.



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## THANK YOU LETTERS

### Maney family says thank you

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to all the support we received during the loss of our father, Donald Edward Maney. We are especially grateful to our immediate family members who came by to express their condolences and to be there with us during our time of loss: Aunt Stacy and Dianne, Lisa Penick and Amanda Moore, Charla Crowe, Kenny and Dianne Panther, Annette and Kevin Jackson, Nancy Maney, John Henry and Delores Maney, Pinhead and Joann Kalonaheskie. You are all special to us and will always be remembered as such.

And, thank you to all of our

friends who came by and reminisced with us. Jenn and Bear Driver, we love you for making us laugh. Tara and Tiff Reed, thanks for being such good friend. Duke McCoy, you have always been a good friend to Donny. Thank you to the Big Cove stickball team and wives for your support and to John Grant for always being a friend. Monica Bryson, you are the greatest. Nikki Chiltoskie, you always have funny stories to tell. Drew Grant, one day you will be a golf pro. Richie Bottchenbaugh, you are like a brother to us, and Michelle Thompson, you are such a great friend.

Thank you to those of you who brought food, Family Support Program, Aunt Stacy and Dianne, Granny Nanny, Recreation Department and Tiff and Tara Reed. The flowers were beautiful. The kind words you left us and the financial support was greatly appreciated. We love each and every one of you.

Last, but not least, Foreman Bradley, we appreciate the messages you brought to the services.

*Stephanie, Donny, and  
Frances W. Maney*

### Family of Maggie Lossiah thanks community

The family of Maggie Lossiah would like to take this time to say thank you to everyone who has showed support to us, not only in her passing but also during the months she was in the hospital. Your willingness to help and generosity will never be forgotten. Maggie was a very special lady to everyone she met. She enjoyed singing with her family for many years.

Thank you to everyone who brought food and drinks, sent flowers, sat with her while she was in the hospital, the doctors and nurses (here in Cherokee and at Mission),

the preachers who conducted her services (Blue Jay Sequoyah, Charles Ray Ball, Red Bradley and Bo Parris), to all the singers and church groups (those who came to the hospital and to her visitation), to the crews that were sent by Tribal Construction, to her nephews, great-nephews and Big Cove Free Labor friends who served as pall bearers and to the staff at Long House Funeral Home.

There were many helping hands, too many to list, so please don't be offended if you're not mentioned by name. The family knows who you are and that's all that matters. Maggie is now at rest. She is reunited with her family in Heaven!

*Sincerely,  
Thomas and Charlene, Genoa,  
Charlene and her grandson,  
John Lossiah*

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## Cherokee High School announcements

### CHS Graduation Project Presentations

On Thursday, Nov. 19, Cherokee High School seniors currently enrolled in senior English will present their graduation projects. The first round of presentations will begin at 4pm.

### CHS to Hold Salvage Saturdays

Cherokee High School will hold three Salvage Saturdays: Nov. 14, Dec. 5 and 12, from 9am – 1pm. These days are designed for students to engage in test

preparation, make-up time, and complete any course assignments. Lunch will be provided, but no official transportation will be available. If transportation is an issue, please let us know. Parents, if you would like your student to participate, please sign up with his/her teacher or with administration. CHS number: 554-5030.

### Upcoming CHS Events

Blood Drive – Nov. 16

Career and Technical Education Career Fair – Nov. 24

Christmas Band Concert - Dec. 10 at 7pm

- Cherokee High School

# One Feather deadline Friday at 12noon



## Church Events

**Whittier Community Thanks-giving Service. Nov. 25** at 7pm at Whittier United Methodist Church. Rev. Shane Silvers will bring the Thanksgiving message. Everyone is invited to attend.

## General Events

**Indian Dinner benefit for Jerry Sherrill. Nov. 12** at 10am at Yellowhill Community Building. Menu will consist of fried chicken, bean bread with fatback, steamed cabbage, and fried potatoes or potato salad with drink and dessert included. Plates are \$8. Delivery is available for four or more orders. Info: 736-5042, 269-8671, or 269-8182

**3rd Annual Cherokee Women's Day. Nov. 14.** More information to come.

**Swain County Democratic Party meeting. Nov. 14** at 10am at Swain County Training Center on Buckner Branch in Bryson City. There will be signs on US19 West and Buckner Branch directing participants to the Training Center. Info: Rocky Sampson 736-1950 or Gwen Bushyhead 736-3043

**Waterfall Photography lecture. Nov. 14** at 2pm at the Methodist Church of Cullowhee located on the WCU campus. Everette Robinson will speak to the Sylva Photo Club about photographing wa-

terfalls. The cost is \$5 for visitors (applied to membership) and free for Club members. Membership to the Club is \$20/year, \$10 for students. Info: (828) 293-9820, [sylvaphotoclub@gmail.com](mailto:sylvaphotoclub@gmail.com), [www.sylvaphotoclub.wordpress.com](http://www.sylvaphotoclub.wordpress.com)

**BIA Wildland Firefighter rookie class. Nov. 16-20.** Classes will include S-130, S-190, S-110, L-180 and online classes. The online link to the classes is: [Training.Fema.Gov](http://Training.Fema.Gov). A physical will be needed prior to employment and it will be scheduled and paid for by the government. Info: Sam Blythe 497-5004 Monday through Friday 7:30am to 4pm.

**Jackson County Democrat-**

**ic Party meeting. Nov. 17** at 6:30pm at party headquarters on Mill St. in Sylva. All Democrats are welcome. The agenda includes discussion of the Nov. 3 election results, plans to keep headquarters open during 2016, and final details of the annual gala set for Dec. 4 at the Balsam Mountain Inn. Info: [www.jacksondemocrats.com](http://www.jacksondemocrats.com)

**Birdtown Community Club meeting. Nov. 19.** This regular monthly meeting is being held then instead of the fourth Tuesday. The Cherokee Indian Police Department's Dike Sneed and the Drug Task Force will be doing a presentation. Everyone is invited to attend. It is a potluck so bring your favorite dish.



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**Paul's Diner**  
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11am - close

**Newfound  
Lodge  
Restaurant**  
(Thursday)  
11am - close

If you serve Indian Dinners and would like your restaurant listed, send info to [scotmckie@nc-chokeee.com](mailto:scotmckie@nc-chokeee.com).



**Jan's 2015 Christmas Bazaar has not been cancelled. It is set for Dec. 3-4** at the new Painttown Community Building. Info: Jan 497-2037

**Indianpreneurship Business Course. Jan. 9 – Feb. 9** from 6-9pm every Tuesday evening in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. This five-session course covers business essentials to business start-up. Participants will learn marketing research, finances, tax information, and much more. Upon completion, participants will have written a complete Business Plan, Marketing Plan, and a Cash Flow to help you start your business. If you need a loan for startup monies, you may be able to obtain a business loan from The Sequoyah Fund. There is a \$60 non-refundable fee to purchase the Indianpreneurship Book. Info: Kimberly W. Rosario 359-6719 or kimbwinc@nc-chokeke.com

## Health/Sports Events

**American Cancer Society Relay for Life of Cherokee kick-off event. Nov. 12** at 6pm at First Citizens Bank Cherokee Crossing (next to Food Lion). The Relay for Life event itself is scheduled for

Saturday, April 30, 2016 from 4-10pm at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Info: Carrie Shuler 788-3525, carrie.shuler@cancer.org

**22nd Annual N.C. Native American AA Conference. Nov. 12-15** at Acquoni Expo Center. Raffles, t-shirts, money drum, talking circles, speakers, a mini-powwow and more. Registration begins on Thursday, Nov. 12 at 12pm. Registration is \$45 at the door and is free to all EBCI tribal members (bring EBCI enrollment card).

**Choose to Live Suicide Awareness Rally. Nov. 17** from 1-2:30pm at Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. This event, hosted by the Cherokee Youth Council and Cherokee Central Schools, will feature Supaman (Christian Parrish) and Sarah Scott, former co-president of UNITY. This event is for seventh graders and up and all teens are invited.

**Cherokee Turkey Strut. Nov. 21** at 12pm at Acquoni Expo Center. Registration starts at 10:30am with race starting at 12pm. Walkers and runners welcome with proceeds going to New Kituwah Parent Group. Cost: \$15 (\$20 after

Nov. 15) for adults, \$5 for children under 12 and elders 60+. Register online at [www.runsignup.com](http://www.runsignup.com)

## Upcoming Pow Wows for Nov. 13-15

*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.*

**Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Veteran's Day Wacipi. Nov. 13-15** at Dakota Magic Casino & Convention Center in Hankinson, ND. Emcees: Jerry Dearly, Vince Beyl. Host Drums: Ridge Runners, Iron Boy. Info: Danielle DeCoteau (605) 268-1765

**16th Annual Veteran's Honor Dance. Nov. 13** at VA Medical Center in Oklahoma City, Okla. MC: Tim Tallchief. Head Southern Singer: Willard Poncho Walker. Info: Candy Fish Klump (405) 456-3808, Tempie Nichols-Road (405) 456-1129

**UVU Pow Wow. Nov. 13-14** at UVU Grande Ballroom in Orem, Utah. MC: Alex Shepherd. Host Drum: Blacklodge. Info: Shaina Snyder (801) 935-1693, nwa.uvu@gmail.com

**Oklahoma State University Pow Wow. Nov. 14** at Payne County

Expo Center in Stillwater, Okla. MC: Chris Hill. Head Southern Singer: Will Kemble. Info: Veronica Arredondo (405) 744-0401, (469) 254-9117, veronica.arredondo@okstate.edu

**1st Annual Trading Moon Pow Wow. Nov. 14** at University of Central Missouri Student Rec. Center in Warrensburg, Mo. MC: Ed Smith. Head Southern Singer: Alex Esau. Info: tradingmoon@ucmo.edu

**Tuscon Indian Center Children's Social Pow Wow. Nov. 14** at Safford Athletic Field in Tuscon, Ariz. MC: Ryan Rumley. Host Drum: Pumpkin Vyne. Info: Mario Valencia (520) 884-7131 ext. 200, mvalencia@ticenter.org; or Marlene F. Jose (520) 884-7131 ext. 234, mjose@ticenter.org

**26th Annual Houston, TX Native American Championship Pow Wow. Nov. 14-15** at Traders Village in Houston, Texas. Emcees: Darrell Moore, Harold Rogers. Head Southern Singer: Larry Cozad. Info: Traders Village (281) 890-5500, doresey0307@yahoo.com, jfgdfan@yahoo.com, www.tradersvillage.com

**Honor Veterans Pow Wow. Nov. 14-15** at Agency Longhouse in Warm Springs, Ore. MC: Macky Begay. Info: Preston Meanus (503) 997-9577

## Applications being taken for Christmas Store

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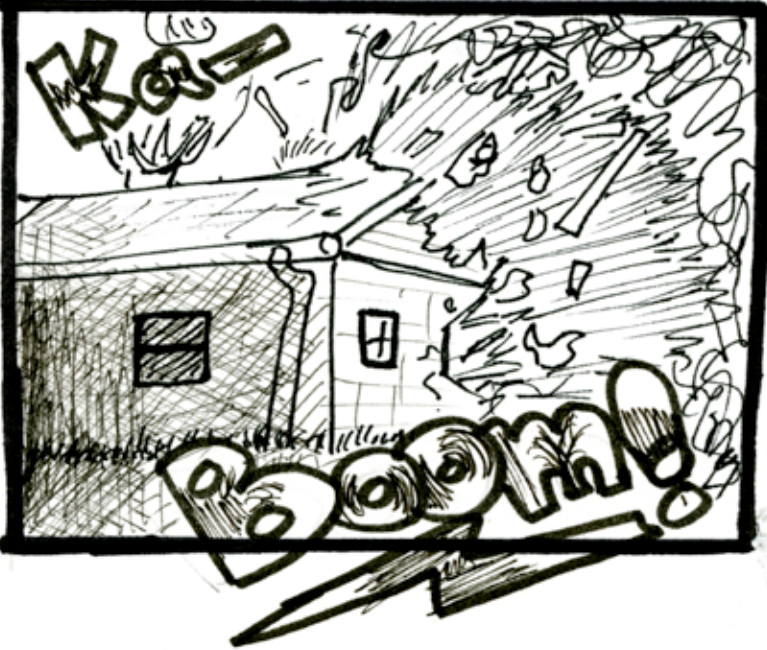
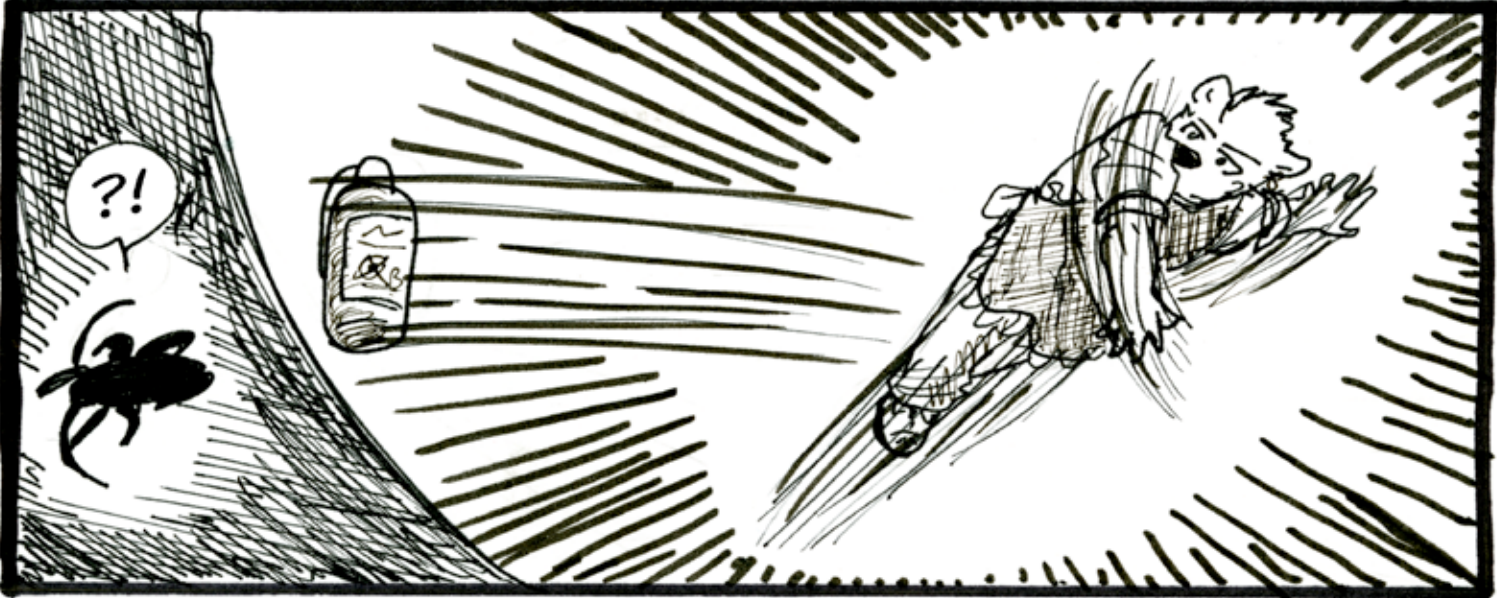
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# Diversify

**ROBERT JUMPER**  
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

**T**he Principal Chief recently released the figures for our individual per capita checks, and the numbers are up. Roughly, we will be seeing an extra \$300 (over previous December). Thanks to the dedicated work of the tribal government, casino management and personnel, it looks like it has been another prosperous year for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

In order to continue the growth that Cherokee has enjoyed, we cannot continue to depend on one industry to supply the revenue necessary to sustain economic development. Great things have been accomplished with the funds we have generated though casino revenue, levy collection and grants. Community buildings, hospital construction, tribal housing and many other needed municipal projects have grown from the income from the tribe's efforts in gaming. And, our tribal programs do an excellent job of identifying research and development funding, but grants will not sustain the tribe as those have done in decades past. We have grown in size and need beyond the resources that may supplied by grants.

But, speaking from an economic development standpoint, we are a "one-pony show" (others might say "we have our eggs in one basket"). While it is an

awesome generator of jobs and cash, our gaming operation is vulnerable to poaching. We have enjoyed a long of run of monopolizing the gaming tourist.

But, threats to that monopoly have been appearing with alarming regularity. Regular media reports indicate a continued and growing effort to establish an adult gaming footprint to our east in North Carolina and in states that surround us to our west. The tribe has already successfully defended a first wave of small, independent video game

making. Another group, Common Sense Cannabis, presented a very reasoned, rational approach to the possibility of considering cannabis, in some form, to become a cash crop for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

In a recent conversation with some marketing professionals, I suggested that tourism in Cherokee needs more product development than advertising enhancement. If we intend to target the family audience with our tourism efforts and depend

We have competent leadership that can facilitate diversification of our revenue streams to into a solid foundation of growth for future generations.

operations in North Carolina. The reach of those video game "bars" was significant enough to show an impact to tribal gaming revenue, and that is just one battlefield.

Many of the very positive benefits that our people enjoy depend on a strong, consistent revenue stream, and the best way that we may protect our revenue stream for the future is to turn a stream into many streams. A good sign that the next generation of leaders are thinking about the need to diversify are two recent ideas that were brought before Council in recent weeks.

Pyrolysis, the process of gleaning renewable energy from our waste products, looks to be a possible new industry in the

on family visitation as a revenue stream, the quality and quantity of "things to do" must increase.

We, as a tribe, have the minds, capability and resources to create sustainable economic development. It is not an accident that we are an economic leader in the southeast, bringing jobs and money to Cherokee and surrounding counties. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has been celebrated by the state and nation for its successes in revenue and job creation. We have competent leadership that can facilitate diversification of our revenue streams to into a solid foundation of growth for future generations. All the ingredients are there. It is time to get the job done.



# Tallulah Mound...was the price too high?

When the decision was made to purchase the Tallulah Mound property, it seemed that a couple, if not all council members, were a little bit confused about the price.

Some would say that all tribal members would be confused when it comes to the purchase price of deceased tribal members. In fact, as former Tribal Council Chairwoman Henry stated, "Our history is priceless, and so I don't see how you could put a value on that".

Were all legal remedies exhausted in acquiring this property?

Cherokee County - Snowbird Rep. Jones stated that the average price for land in that area was \$5000 per acre. Big Rep. McCoy stated that "everyone thinks we're swimming in money". This would lead people to believe that "modern



Photo courtesy of TJ Holland/Junaluska Museum

**During its Budget Council session on Sept. 8, the Tribal Council approved legislation to purchase 12 acres in Graham County on land known as the Tallulah Property, home to the historic Cherokee town of Tallulah and a mound, for \$170,000.**

day atrocities" are still being committed against our people by price gouging sacred land.

Did our legal department check

into the "Native American Graves Protection Repatriation Act" or the "National Historic Preservation Act"? Both pieces of legislation

were put in place for "pieces of property" to be protected and possibly returned to the tribe due to the historical, cultural, and religious significance to the tribe.

If anything, through negotiations with State and Federal Government officials, we could have acquired the land at or below fair market value, which we all know is well below the inflated price of \$170,000.

Shouldn't we exhaust the legal remedies and legislation that were put in place to protect us and our rights?

With that being said, "Was the price too high?"

*Harold R. Rattler  
Manchester, KY*

*(Editor's note:  
This letter was edited for length.)*

## Cherokee Indian Hospital has a No-Smoking Policy

**CASEY COOPER**

You may remember a couple of months ago the EBCI Tribal Council passed an ordinance prohibiting smoking on any part of the Cherokee Indian Hospital Campus. I wanted to remind the public of this ordinance and to ask for your help in keeping our hospital campus smoke free.

This ordinance is an important step in helping positively affect our community's health. But, we can't take this tremendous step without you. Please remember that smoking is not allowed anywhere and there are no cigarette butt cans at our new facility. We want keep our new facility clean, but we need you as our partner in this.

Smoking is a personal decision which can

also have a serious effect on others. Recently, a patient entered our facility, passed through several smokers and was overcome with an asthma attack. This created a critical situation for some-

rently smoke and would like to stop, we can help. Please ask your health care provider for information and we will join you in this journey to a smoke free life.

**Soon, the consequences of smoking on our campus will be enforced with legal action.**

one who had no choice in the smoking issue. Our community deserves a health care facility which is free from hazards to their health.

Soon, the consequences of smoking on our campus will be enforced with legal action. Please don't be the first tribal member to receive a citation for violating a tribal ordinance which prohibits smoking on our campus. If you cur-

We look forward to seeing you when we open in our new facility on Nov. 16! You are also invited to join us for The Great American Smoke Out on Nov. 19! We are here to serve you and your family and we take that responsibility seriously.

*Cooper is the chief executive officer of the Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority.*

## Poll Responses

Note: The following comments were made on the Cherokee One Feather Facebook page and website to our weekly poll question: ***Do you think the EBCI should legalize cannabis for the following? (Industrial hemp uses, Medicinal uses, Recreational uses, Industrial Hemp and Medicinal uses, All of the above, or No - Not at all)***

**Mary Long:** Yes, for medicinal uses.

**Swann Rattler:** All of the above...not only would I open a shop selling hemp woven hats and bags and such, but I would also sell quality buds at quality prices.

**Deborah Lambert:** Yes, for medicinal uses. However, if they approve it for recreational, etc., it should be sold and controlled by the EBCI and not individuals. All proceeds should go into the per cap fund.

**Christina Terrell:** I think it should be legalized for all uses. I think it is less dangerous than alcohol for recreational use (in moderation), has great purpose medically and would be a great money maker for the tribe. It would also open up the job market for more people who can't get a decent job right now.

### Cherokee One Feather Poll of the Week Results

#### Do you think the EBCI should legalize cannabis for the following?

Industrial Hemp Uses	1%
Medicinal Uses	10%
Recreational Uses	1%
Industrial Hemp and Medicinal Uses	8%
All of the above	53%
No, not at all	27%

Question of the week now up on [theonefeather.com](http://theonefeather.com):  
**Would you be in favor of a staggered payment plan for the EBCI Minor's Fund distribution?**

**Christin Murphy Cooper:** For medicinal uses

**Ned and Stephanie Welch:** All of the above, and I agree that it's revenue should go into the per capita fund.

**Jah Works Farm:** Yes, for industrial hemp and medicinal and no on recreational unless you want to be overrun with tourists; worse than the casino crowd.

**Christina Huntsman:** All of the above, but the tribe definitely needs the revenue to go into per capita funds and tribal programs as well. As a tribe, we could pave the way for North Carolina to legalize marijuana as well!

**Caroline Roland Hornbuckle:** All of the above. I'd rather see people smoke weed than od (overdose) on pills and other drugs.

**William Laney:** Don't matter, they will do what they want as always.

**Nicole Aidif:** All of the above

**Robert K. Rambo:** Open the door at all to marijuana and the place will be overrun by pothead stoners, dealers and criminal elements from outside. Worth the greed to make more money? Nope.

**James Rimes:** It already is legal! The question is should you encumber the people and feed them pills and alcohol?

**Christopher McCoy:** If there is a way to curb the use of other addictive drugs as stated in the research given to us, then we should heavily consider it's impact in our community. I remember every elected candidate running on that issue of looking for ways to help our people with addiction, and this could be one of the steps. As far as full legalization, I would like to see what the study shows as far as economic impact and see a plan for how to control the sales and revenues of that process. I could see money going into education, treatment and even per capita distribu-

tions.

**Sherri Ross:** Yes, so many-good reasons to make it legal. It's better than alcohol and all other meds that have major side effects.

**Tyler Kan:** All of the above!

**Matt Bryant:** All of the above. The tribe, along with the casino and any other job that tested for marijuana on the reservation, should be required to use a new testing method similar to a breathalyzer that could determine if the person was currently under the influence of marijuana making the hair and urine tests obsolete.

**Austin Reed:** All of the above

**Fawn Young:** All of the above

**Sam Blythe:** Medical and industrial yes. As much as I used to love getting stoned back in the day, I'd have to vote no on recreational. Controlled and grown by the tribe for those purposes instead of letting anyone grow their own patches. There are too many ways for this to backfire for rec use, and there's even a bill introduced to cut all federal funding to any tribe that grows marijuana.

**Faye B. Worley:** Industrial and medical uses, but there has to be tight controls for

medical because it could be a problem if not strict rules for medical use.

**Raven Tramper:** I think it should be legal to help the tribe like it's helped other states. It would save us keeping a job year-round and pull us out of debt.

**Kyle Pheasant:** All of the above

**Carolynn Rachel Swisher:** Yes, I think all of the above. Marijuana should be legal. It will help so many people and keep everyone peaceful and keep everyone that is sick stop being sick. It helps people out so much. It helps you eat. It helps you sleep too.

**Kells N Stan Wildcat:** All of the above!

**Shawn Saunooke:** Yes, legalize it. Only issue it to enrolled members that qualify and have it imprinted on their enrollment card with classification that you, as the user, are qualified to have it. All others shall be charged that do not have the qualification on their enrollment card and will be subject to fines. Problem solved.

**Jesse Leibfried:** All of the above

**Keith McLean Sr.:** All of the above

**Tonya Anello:** All



**Connie Welch:** All of the above  
Ed Janus: A resounding yes for tribes...do it to ‘dis R.J. Reynolds, Lorillard, Phillip Morris...these big corps want monopolies on anything. Do it now.

**Tina Marie Crane Elliot:** All of the above

**Claudette Whitney Conner:** All of the above! We can benefit in so many ways...ways to fund more programs on our own, treatments of countless illnesses regardless of age (more safely than pain pills) and even create jobs for us! Too many positives to not take a minute to sit back and consider it honestly.

**Regi Hood:** All of the above

**Stephen George:** No, not at all

**Laurel Cooper:** All of the above

**Jeremy Wilson:** Yes. We need to break away from the “pothead” stigma. Anyone who has taken the time to look into the plant’s benefits, understands it is a good idea. Even if it were recreationally legal, you can be smart about it. Smoke responsibly.

**Melissa Lillard:** All of the above. Why not boost our economy?

**Hayley Edwards:** All of the above. It would make it a better place. It definitely does not hurt anyone. Side effects: hungry, happy, sleepy. That’s it. So, let the goodvibes start, and you’ll see hte difference.

**Neil Ferguson:** All of the above. Then, take the resources wasted on pot enforcement and focus them soely on meth, pills, heroin, etc. (i.e.

the things that are killing our kids). Plus, few things work better than MJ to alleviate the suffering from cancer treatments.

**Daniel Griffin:** All of the above

**Mi-Sti Tramper:** All of the above. Not only is it medically beneficial, but it’s also economically beneficial. It would also allow the PD to focus more on drugs far more dangerous than a plant. I’ve never heard of someone dying of a pot overdose.

**Angie Bird:** I think it should be legalized.

**Pamela Edge:** All of the above. The tribe should benefit from all avenues of the upcoming new industry.

**Brittany Hampton:** All of the above; medicinal use at the very least!

**Norma West-Craig:** Not at all

**Nina Shell:** Yes to all

**Barbara Wood:** Will cause more trouble for law enforcement and citizens. No!

**Casey Morgan:** Yes to all

**Megan Terrell:** All of the above

**Robin Bennett:** All of the above

**Jw Gigi D-Morgan:** All

**Evie K. Owle:** All of the above

**Joyce Rose Justice:** All of the above!

**Callie Phillips:** Yes, all of the above

**Matthew Hobbs:** Everything... yes. It’s already legal. It’s becoming a rhetorical question, really. It’s coming down to just removing the obtuse politicians from office that refuse to comply with their citizens.

**Michael Owle:** All of the above

**Jamile Shaheen:** Do you have any idea how many jobs there will be? Just one shop can employ 12 people and make over \$800,000 a year. I live in Colorado, and I can tell you I bring in over \$80,000 a week.

**Lillian Byrd:** All of the above

**Shayne LeMaster:** All of the above

**Natasha Pheasant:** All of the above

**Citrus Bigwitch:** Medical use only!

**Nancy Long:** All of the above

**Nellie Brady:** Yes, all of the above!

**Stephen Gammon:** All of the above. I feel it will reduce the amount of pill use on our rez.

**Elizabeth Soap:** All of the above

**Brenda Monceaux:** For medical

**Danny Owl:** All of the above. Cannabis oil has been doing amazing things for people’s health. Evidence shows from areas that have already made it legal that hard drug and crime is on a steady decline. I (would) rather deal with stoners

than meth heads any day of the week.

**Roberta Gloyne:** Medicinal

**Caroline Vasquez:** All of the above!

**Agasga N Edmond Owle:** All of the above!

**Candi Hull:** All

**Donna Sue Walkingstick:** All of the above

**Glenda Bolton:** Definitely...it is a great medical substance, also a recreational one.

**Donna Rogers:** All

**Adam Owl:** All of the above

**Charlene Leaver Kerce:** Yes, all of it

**Gabriel Reed:** No, not at all

**Justin Jumper:** Medical use only

**Sierra Hornbuckle:** Yes, all of the above!

**Jaicelynn Dalyla Shanelle Beck:** All of the above!

**Belva Smith:** No, not at all

**Ashley Almond:** All of the above

**Diana Scruggs Smith:** Need more info before decision. On recreational uses, will there be weed shops everywhere? And, can anyone from any state buy it making Cherokee like the middle man when they resell it?

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More Poll Responses

**Debi Bourgeois:** All

**Pamela Travel Clark:** Yes, all of it

**Doris Pritchard:** Yes

**Isaiah Storm Gilchrist-Myers:**  
Yes, all of the above!

**Kelsey N Crowe:** All of the above.  
It heals. It don't kill.

**Leigh Gunter:** All of the above.  
People will use less pills on rez.

**Stefanie W. Arch:** All of the  
above!

**Sara Catt:** All of the above

**Bug Swimmer:** All of the above!  
Get rid of the pills. No more  
overdosing, no more junkies, no  
more needles randomly laying all  
of Qualla Boundary, and lower the  
crime rate!

**Billie Potter:** All of the above

**Amanda Long:** All

**Briana Linn:** All of the above

**Faye McCoy:** Industrial and me-  
dicinal, positively yes. Recreational  
I think needs to be studied more.

**Breanna Nichole Lucas:** All of  
the above

**Nancy Brady:** Medical use

**James Bradley:** All of the above

**Hannah Cheyenne Vaught:** All  
of the above

**Rachael Christine Armachain:**

All of the above

**Vanessa Tiger:** All of the above

**Tina George:** All of the above.  
First, medical, then so on. I use  
marijuana in treatment for my  
PTSD and my bipolar and manic  
moods. For years, I took every  
combination of "cocktails" and so  
on that my doctor prescribed. As  
a result, I dealt with terrible side  
effects, keeping me from holding  
down a job and functioning a  
"normal" life. I began using it for  
my illnesses, stopped all use of  
prescriptions. I work. I function. I  
contribute, and I am out living my  
life.

**Tracy Crowe:** All of the above

**Dawnina Jump:** All of the above!

**Caine Lambert:** All of the above

**John Toineeta:** Yes, to all only  
if 50 percent of profits go to the  
people like the casino profits are  
supposed to.

**Debra Hoppe:** Yes

**Phillis McDowell:** No!

**David A. Stamey:** All of the above

**Rosie Gregory:** All of the above

**Jatanna Feather:** All of the above.  
I also lived in Colorado in 2012  
where I had a medicinal marijuana  
card and also was there when it be-  
came legal in 2013 for recreation-  
al. Yes! I voted yes! Haha...come  
on Cherokee, it helped me!

**Seth Littlejohn:** All of the above.  
You see how it has boosted the  
economy for the states that have

already made this move. The tribe  
is all about making money so why  
not jump on this opportunity? I  
also believe the profits would very  
much help all of our programs, per  
capita checks and help us expand  
our tribe as a whole. Plus, it gives  
people a reason to stray away  
from the hurtful things they put  
into their bodies such as alcohol  
and other hard drugs - drugs that  
destroy people's lives. It will open  
up many doors for the tribe to do  
better.

**Mickayla Solorio:** Yes, all of the  
above

**Jennifer Thomas:** Yes

**Janett Swisher Owens:** All of the  
above

**Cindy Groenewold:** All of the  
above!

**Joseph Smith-Hornbuckle:** Yes...  
need to get these kids off meds so  
they will stop overdosing.

**Brenda Huskey:** All of the above,  
better than drinking alcohol!

**Monica Walk:** I feel it should be  
legal for all purposes, with restric-  
tions, to help lower crimes and  
opiate uses. No, it won't fix any-  
thing, but it can take the heat off of  
a "drug" that is considerably lower  
risk than overdosing on anything  
else. It's a lot better of an alterna-  
tive than alcohol.

**Melanie McNamara Stirling:**  
Yes, all of the above

**Ian Gilchrist-Myers:** Yes, all of  
the above

**Debra Long:** Yes! You do know

what kind of revenue that will  
bring?

**Alisha Gabrielle Lawz:** Medicinal  
only until we see how it affects the  
population. Obviously, many peo-  
ple are already using it recreation-  
ally as well as the actual drugs that  
are destroying families and killing  
numerous people per year. So, in  
comparison to the others, weed  
is pretty harmful. I agree with  
some of the other comments about  
smoking responsibly.

**Qiana Powell:** I think all of the  
pros and cons need to be looked  
at - all of them - which is what the  
feasibility study would do, and then  
I think it should go to a referen-  
dum vote for the people to choose  
what they want to have legalized in  
Cherokee.

**Destini Nicole:** Heck yeah!

**Megan Murcia:** All of the above

**James Gloyne:** All of the above

**Shaderick Wolfe:** All of the  
above!

**Reginald B. Stacy:** All of the  
above! Bigger per caps...

**Mary L. Rodriguez:** All of the  
above!

**Anne Blalock Sears:** All of the  
above

**Pris N Ryan:** All of the above!

**Mark Myers:** I feel like it's a great  
concept, but I am curious to see  
how surrounding law enforcement  
agencies would treat. I'd hate to  
have it legalized on so many levels  
only to be forced to go through a



checkpoint any time I wanted to leave the reservation. Who knows? It could be a total non-issue, but worth thinking about.

**Jennifer Smith:** Medical use only

**Kristina Alyse:** All of the above!

**Ashley Anderson:** All of the above

**Bailey Littlejohn:** People here will still do pills even if this is legalized. I do have friends that already smoke this stuff. I just now finally got used to not hearing about how they got high every day. But, oh well, we will see what happens.

**Tyler Rivera:** All of the above

**Christus Cedillo:** I think all of the above. Medical, if anything there are a lot of people that could use it for pain and for other medical reasons only if they need it. It's honestly safer than pills. I know in California you can only get eight grams at a time only if you need it and no more. And, there are other ways besides smoking. There are different ways to get the medicine people need.

**Cecilia Sequoyah:** All of the above

**Jason Jumper:** All of the above

**Dennis Mirakel West:** All of the above

**Virginia Massingale Spurling:** Medicinal use

**Sara Bird:** It should be legal.

**Svnoyi Crowe:** Legal

**Tracy Bradley:** All of the above

**Izzy JannaLeigh Maney:** All of the above

**James Vernon:** Sure do

**Denili Awo'haliuhyoha:** Yes!

**Linda LaRose:** Yes, all natural things should be legal. When we were free, we were.

**Jess Hernandez:** All of the above!

**Barbara Starr Scott:** No, not at all.

**Destinie Nicole Owle:** All of the above

**Patrick West:** Medical use only!

**Philicia Pheasant:** Definitely! There are a few tribal members that have medical issues like cancer, people that are diabetic, etc.; it can help in many different ways.

Researchers have come to find out it helps drug addiction. Most people will probably say otherwise, but do some research! It saves, not kills as does alcohol and drug overdose.

**Jeanie Hyatt:** All of the above

**Rena McCoy:** All of the above

**Jo Ann Tidwell:** Yes, all of the above before the corporations make a monopoly of it. Get control now.

**Trista Welch:** All of the above. I saw how much it helped my grandmother when she was suffering from pancreatic cancer. I have friends that were taking numerous medicines a day and came off of all of those once starting medical marijuana. They live in different states. One suffered from migraines and the other from extreme anxiety and ADHD.

**Kathleen Gentry Hill:** Yes please!

**Kina Swayney:** All of the above

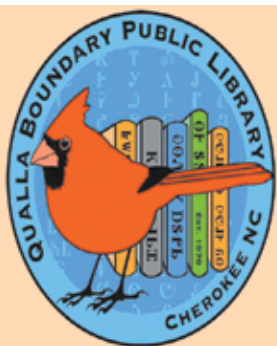
**Thomas Gomez:** All of the above. I have a family member with cancer. When they can't eat, smoke helps them get their appetite. Also, it helps with their pain because the chemo hurts them. So, I'm all for it!

**Michael Zepeda:** It needs to be

legal. I would rather see a joint in someone's hand than a beer and cigarettes.

**William Ledford:** Industrial hemp has no psychoactive properties. It is an amazing plant that can be used to fabricate hemp seed foods, hemp oil, wax, resin, rope, cloth, pulp, paper, and fuel - a wonder material. Better than soy. The medicinal uses for cannabis are abundant. The geneticized strains of marijuana today can be used without any kind of high. Marijuana has long been stigmatized as a drug in the same category as heroin, but research has unveiled it's uses. We would be unwise not to explore the benefits and leave the voodoo and bad reputation to the closed-minded individuals. It's time to recognize marijuana as perhaps manna from heaven.

**Wayne Beaver:** Now, there are other plants that can be used for everything Mr. Ledford (above) mentioned, but they don't get you high. That being said, legal cannabis would still have to be regulated - an age limit for instance. I wouldn't want my children or grandchildren smoking it. Personally, I don't think you should be allowed to drive while under the influence of pot, but I would rather be behind someone on the road smoking a joint than on a cell phone.



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## FOR RENT

**For Rent - House in Ela**, 2 bedroom 1 bath with storage area. No pets, references/ background check required. \$650 month/ \$650 deposit. 488-8752. **11/12pd**

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**For rent - 2br. 1bath house** in Ela w/storage room. No pets, references and background check. Required \$550 a month, \$550 deposit. (828)488-8752. 12/30pd

## REALTY

### Birdtown Community

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

Troy Douglas Anthony, Philip Sampson Armachain, Sarah Allen Ben, Jerry Russell Blankenship, David Shawn Blanton, Jesse James Blanton, Frank William Bradley, Jr., Roland Nathaniel Bradley, Tashina Nicole Parker Bradley, Donald Carl Cline, Lillie Marlene Tolley Cline, Melissa Renee Cline, Margaret Ethel McCoy Crowe, Gail Lynn Crisp DeHart, Victoria Anne Frankiewicz, Edith Paulie Cooper Fisher, Kandace Rhean Griffin, David Lawrence Jay Huskey, Sheila Naomi Haigler Hyatt, Corey Michael Jenkins, Freida Louise Otter Jenkins, Jerry Michael Jenkins, Genevieve Reed Lambert, Patricia Ann Lambert, Sarah Rosalie Cabe Lewis, John Dewitt Long, James Myron Long, David Eugene McCoy, Joseph Curtis McCoy, Ray Anthony McCoy, Thomas Jay McCoy, Reena Lashanda Murphy, RYANNE Kariiece Oocumma, Donna Lee Queen Owl, Cherylene Rattler Owle, Joey Thomas Owle, Phillip Charles Pheasant, Shirley Jean Lambert Reagan, William Preston Roach, Dennis Brandon Shuler Bobbi Lynn Smith, William Lawson Smith, Zachary Alexander Smith, Reggie Scott Stanberry, Angie Christine Owle Swayney, Angela Lynn McCoy Taylor, Franklin Terry Taylor, Eugene Thompson, Raymond Jesse Taylor, William Thomas Thompson, Wilson Thompson, Jr., Kathleen Wildcatt, Curtis Lee Wildcatt, Edison Wildcatt, Bernard David Wilnoty, Michele Annette Mathis Wilnoty, Brittany Lynn Wolf, Mary Winona Wolfe Youngbird, Parent or Guardian of Leslie Lee Taylor

### Agreement to Divisions

Carla Marie Sneed Ballew, Megan Michelle Cunningham, Dennis Ray James, George Milton James, Jacob

Pete Johnson, Jackie Lee Johnson, Buddy Thomas Lambert, Doris Earlene Lambert, Eric Thomas Lambert, James Dewayne Lambert, Patricia Eldean Sneed Lambert, Peggy Rosalie Lambert, Melissa Ann Maney, Frankie Nelle James Patencio, Mary Edith Reed Smith, Howard Vincent Sneed, Rena Janet Johnson Wachacha, Mary Louise Sneed Welch, Joseph Lloyd White

If you've submitted a survey application that is over a year old and the survey is not complete, please visit the BIA Realty Office to update your survey application.

### Proposed Land Transfers

Elnora Ann Long Nations to Brooke Melanie Thomsphon for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 834 (Part of Parcel No. 760), containing 17.324 acres, more or less.

Lula Lovelle Taylor Davis and Kenneth George David to Ricky Sim Queen for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 128, containing 0.9 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Douglas Swimmer and Cynthia Louise Williams Wilnoty and Selena Lisa Marie Swimmer to Dwight Swimmer for Painttown Community Parcel No. 144, containing 35.4 acres, more or less.

Sonya Frances Cline McCoy to William Allen McCoy, II for 3200 Acre Tract Community Parcel No. 174-A (Part of Parcel No. 174), containing 1.000 acre, more or less.

David Shawn Blanton to Jesse James Blanton for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 828-C (Part of Parcel No. 828), containing 2.00 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Dennis Brandon Shuler and Reena Lashanda Murphy to Sheila

Naomi Haigler Hyatt for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 712 (Part of Parcel No. 82), containing 0.916 acre, more or less.

Gerald Jack Bradley, Hugh Edward Bradley, Stephanie Bradley Hornbuckle, Brandi Leigh Cooper, Braelyn Johnay Bradley Murphy (Minor) and Marley Christine Murphy (Minor) to Maranda Ruth Bradley for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 449-A (Part of Parcel No. 449), containing 0.500 acre, more or less.

Gerald Jack Bradley, Hugh Edward Bradley, Stephanie Bradley Hornbuckle, Brandi Leigh Cooper, Braelyn Johnay Bradley Murphy (Minor) and Marley Christine Murphy (Minor) to Maranda Ruth Bradley for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 449-C (Part of Parcel No. 449), containing 3.452 acres, more or less.

## SERVICES

**Need help clearing land** for a house site? Call Disco 554-5811. **11/12pd**

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# EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS



For deadlines and applications call 554-6388. 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 November 20, 2015 @ 4 pm**

1. Detention Officer- CIPD (2 positions) (\$30,320-\$37,900)
2. Community Health Representative/ CHR (\$23,040-\$28,800)

Applications and Job Descriptions can be obtained in the EBCI Human Resources Department Located on 810 Acquoni Road Cherokee, NC 28719

### **The Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority has the following jobs available:**

FT ADULT CASE MANAGER / BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
FT EMPLOYEE SPECIALIST / BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
FT NETWORK/VOIP ADMINISTRATOR  
FT CNA / ER  
PTI HOUSEKEEPER / CHEROKEE COUNTY  
FT PHYSICIAN / ER / FAMILY CARE CENTER / PEDS  
FT MEDICAL LAB TECH / MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIST  
FT LPN / OUT PATIENT  
FT LPN / JUSTICE CENTER - ICC

Applications and job descriptions are available at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Human Resources Office, Monday – Friday from 8:00am - 4:00pm. For more information please call 828 497-9163 and ask for Teresa Carvalho or Deb Toineeta. These positions will close November 20, 2015 @ 4:PM. Indian preference does apply and the original CIHA job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. **11/19pd**

**Mandara Spa at Harrah's Cherokee is seeking energetic, career-minded individuals for the following positions:** Female Spa Host (2 positions available), Massage Therapist, Cosmetologist. Applications available at the Spa front desk or by email. Candidate must be able to pass pre-employment drug test. Contact Lauren Crowe, 828-497-8550, laurenw@mandaraspa.com. **11/12pd**

### **JOB ANNOUNCEMENT CHEROKEE BOYS CLUB**

POSITION: Auto Body Technician-Refinishing

ORGANIZATION: Cherokee Boys Club, Inc., P. O. Box 507, Cherokee, NC 28719 (52 Cherokee Boys Club Loop, Cherokee, NC 28719)

DEPARTMENT: Shop/Body Shop

OPENING DATE: November 12, 2015

CLOSING DATE: November 25, 2015

REQUIREMENTS: High School Diploma, GED, or Equivalent Combination of Education, Related Experience or Training is necessary. Must possess a valid North Carolina Driver's License.

Application and job description can be picked up from the Receptionist at the Information Window of the Cherokee Boys Club between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (828-497-9101).

Selected applicants must complete pre-employment and ongoing random drug tests. Must comply with drug-free workplace rules and CBC Board policies in regards to the drug-free policy.

Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate.

**11/19**

### **JOB ANNOUNCEMENT DEPARTMENT MANAGER**

Organization: Cherokee Boys Club, P. O. Box 507, Cherokee, NC 28719; (52 Boys Club Loop)

Department: Cherokee Children's Home (Goose Creek Road)

Opening Date: November 4, 2015

Closing Date: November 18, 2015

REQUIREMENTS:

Education: Bachelor's Degree in Human Resources or Social Work Related Field; Master's Degree Preferred

Other: Valid NC Driver's License required

Experience: Five years' supervisory and management experience required; experience working with Microsoft Office Suite required

Application and job description can be picked up from the Receptionist at the Boys Club Information window between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday (828-497-9101).

The selected applicant must submit to a pre-employment drug screen and local, state, and federal civil and criminal background and sexual offender screens. Payroll direct deposit is mandatory.

Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate.

**11/12pd**

**The Cherokee One Feather will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 26-27 for the Thanksgiving Holidays. We will re-open on Monday, Nov. 30 at 7:45am.**

**JOB ANNOUNCEMENT LEAD TEACHER**

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

DEPARTMENT: Child Care Department (Agelink)

OPENING DATE: November 4, 2015

CLOSING DATE: November 18, 2015

REQUIREMENTS: Must have GED or High School Diploma, NC Child Care Credentials 1 and 2

Application and job description can be picked up from the Receptionist at the Boys Club Information window between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday (828-497-9101).

The selected applicant must submit to a pre-employment drug screen and local, state, and federal civil and criminal background and sexual offender screens. Payroll direct deposit is mandatory.

Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate. **11/12**

**LEGAL NOTICES**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 15-057

**In the Matter of the Estate of  
Nannie Odessa Morris**

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: January 22, 2016

Amber Cruz, 5030 Travis Powell Lane, Powell, TN 37849. **11/12pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 15-059

**In the Matter of the Estate of  
Edgar Hugh Roberts**

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  
Kaitlin Brooke Roberts, PO Box 1037, Whittier, NC 28789. **11/12pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 15-061

**In the Matter of the Estate of Iva  
Lee George Wright**

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  
Benjamin Wright, P.O. Box 65, Whittier, NC 28789. **11/12pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File No. EST 15-065

**In the Matter of the Estate of  
Edward Francis Jackson**

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: January 27, 2016

Lula Jackson, PO Box 257, Cherokee, NC 28719. **11/19pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 15-063

**In the Matter of the Estate of  
Anthony Edward Lossiah**

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.  
Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM FIRST PUBLICATION  
Candida Lossiah, PO Box 1282, Cherokee, NC 28719. **11/18pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 15-062

**In the Matter of the Estate of  
Donald E. Maney**

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 FIRST PUBLICATION  
Stephanie Maney, 74 Don Maney Road, Cherokee, NC 28719.

**11/25pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 15-067

**In the Matter of the Estate of  
Shirley Welch**

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: February 10, 2016  
Alfred Welch, PO Box 1522, Cherokee, NC 28719. **12/2pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 15-056

**In the Matter of the Estate of  
Shon Davis George**

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: February 11, 2016  
Shon Kevin George, 100 Hornbuckle Mountain Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **12/2pd**



# Jones-Bowman

## Leadership Award Program Fellows

### Serving Others and Enriching Their Community

The holiday season is always a busy time filled with work, shopping, gatherings and family traditions. For the Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Fellows, the holidays provided a time to make new traditions – giving their time to a worthy cause.

*"During the middle of December, the Jones-Bowman Fellows spent time giving back to elders in the community for their group project," said Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program Coordinator Alicia Jacobs. "They wanted to give back to elders this year by sharing in the holiday spirit. It was time spent giving back and an opportunity to gain knowledge for our students."*

The 2014/2015 Jones-Bowman Fellows are Kayla Smith, Carmen Johnson, Alexa Armachain, Josh Gossett, Devyn Smith, and Tim Swayney.

The Fellows spent time with Ms. JoAnn Catalster Eslinger from the Yellow Hill Community. They decorated her tree and also a tree they had bought.

*"Miss JoAnn also offered her advice for us anytime we needed," said Jones-Bowman Fellow Kayla Smith, "This year's project was a wonderful one and allowed us to give back and spend time with this amazing lady."*

The Fellows also presented Ms. Eslinger with a Jones-Bowman handmade Christmas ornament, made by Fellow Josh Gossett, along with a Christmas gift basket. *"The group project this year was amazingly beneficial and enriching," said Gossett.*

*"The group project was an awesome experience for me as a member of Jones-Bowman," said Fellow Tim Swayney. "Ms. Eslinger gave me great wisdom on never giving up on my dream that I have my mind set on."*

Fellow Alexa Armachain agrees. *"Ms. Eslinger expressed how she was proud of us and our accomplishments which helped encourage me to keeping working hard toward my own goals," she said.*



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For more information on the Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program, contact Alicia Jacobs at the Cherokee Preservation Foundation  
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