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Constitution could come before voters in 2019

JOSEPH MARTIN
ONE FEATHER STAFF

Those behind the latest effort to bring a new constitution to a vote plan for that to coincide with the principal chief's election next year. Ever since the Charter and Governing Document was adopted in 1986, it's been a point of contention whether the Tribe should be operating under it.

Anita Lossiah, a policy analyst for the Tribe's Legal Division and former Tribal Council representative for Yellowhill, said based on the low turnout for the last alcohol referendum held, which was outside of a general election year, more people would likely show up to cast a ballot to approve or reject a constitution. "You have a better turnout with the general election."

Currently tribal council members, chiefs, judges and justices swear oaths to uphold it as the governing document. However there have been questions ever since it was adopted about its legality.

The Charter became law after a resolution was introduced to adopt it. Prior to that, the Tribe operated under the Lloyd Welch Constitution, the governing document that was adopted in the late 1800s.

The Indian Reorganization Act (IRA) became federal law in 1934, but the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, while moving toward operation under the law, never finalized it. Lloyd Welch and the state charter of incorporation remained the Tribe's governing documents until the Charter was adopted by an act of Tribal Council in 1986.

Since then, a number of efforts to get a governing document adopt-

ed have happened, but only once has it gone to a vote. That was in 1999, and the constitution for that election failed.

The latest effort started with a community member in Yellowhill wanting to discuss the governing documents, and Lossiah said. "It just sort of grew."

This constitution won't have to be adopted through a secretarial election, according to constitution committee member Lloyd Arneach Jr. Putting the vote for this document at the same time as the chief's election could increase voter

The proposed constitution keeps much of the elements of tribal government in place. However, there are some notable differences from the current Charter and tribal code:

- Term limits for council members – The document limits a representative to two consecutive two-year terms;
- Staggered terms for council members – In 2021, the first election after adoption, if that happens, the candidate with the second largest number of votes serves a two-year term then will run to serve for four years, which will stagger the terms

ment of elected officials;

- Voter recall procedures – Voters are given the right to recall election officials in special elections;
- A provision for civil rights is recognized.

"To me the most significant change is identifying individual rights," Lossiah said. She also noted the strengthening of the balance of power. "That is vital also."

Arneach said the communities have taken this issue upon themselves and come up with a document to be put before the voters. Now they're going before the communities and educating. "This is an agreement by the people on how they're going to be governed. It's a document for the people, by the people. This isn't coming out of politics. This is coming out of the communities."

The document isn't final yet. Tribal members still have a say in what will be final. "We're still in the community input part of it," said Lossiah. All tribal voters are encouraged to read the document. It's available online at <http://sgadugi.org>, in small and large print.

Lossiah encourages everyone to read the document and look at it as a whole. If voters agree with most of it, they should vote to pass it she said, and that would be an improvement. "It's for all the communities to look at and review, read, provide comments and concerns."

For those without internet, or would otherwise like to obtain a printed copy, they're available at the Qualla Boundary Public Library or Extension Office. They can also call Bo Lossiah 508-1781 or Lloyd Arneach Jr. 269-6498.

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- Lloyd Arneach Jr., Constitution Committee

participation. "As long as a certain percentage of the Tribe votes for the constitution, it is adopted by the Tribe," said Arneach.

Lossiah concurred. "We're not an IRA Tribe." Secretarial elections would only be required for IRA Tribes' constitutions, she said. "We do our own thing under our own sovereignty."

of council members. In relation to term limits, such a representative will be limited to six consecutive years;

- Oaths would be sworn to protect and defend the newly adopted constitution as oppose to the Charter and Governing Document;
- Impeachment procedures – It spells out procedures for impeach-

Cold medicine killer gets life for wife's murder

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RALEIGH – In a case that received national attention, a man who claimed cold medicine caused him to kill his wife pleaded guilty to first degree murder Friday, Oct. 5. Matthew Phelps, 29, of Raleigh, claimed he took too much Coricidin, an over-the-counter cold medicine, and he awoke to find his wife Lauren Ashley Nicole Hugelmaier, 29, dead, covered in blood with a knife on the bed on the night of Sept. 1, 2017. Phelps will spend the rest of his life in prison.

Hugelmaier was the niece of Jim and Debbie West of Cherokee and John and Barbara West of Cherokee.

The News & Observer of Raleigh reported that Phelps admitted to stabbing Hugelmaier more than 100 times. The autopsy showed that she had been stabbed or slashed 123 times.

Phelps called 911 himself. "I think I killed my...", Phelps stated to the dispatcher. When he asked Phelps what he meant, he answered, "I had a dream, and then I turned on the lights, and she's dead on the floor." When the dispatcher asks how, Phelps answered, "I have blood all over me, and there's a



KILLER: Matthew Phelps was sentenced to life in prison on Friday, Oct. 5 for the Sept. 1, 2017 murder of his wife, Lauren Ashley Nicole Hugelmaier.

bloody knife on the bed, and I think I did it."

When the dispatcher asked Phelps when he woke up, he answered, "I took more medicine than I should have. I took Coricidin." He told the dispatcher that sometimes it makes him feel good and helps him sleep. Phelps sounded distraught and could be heard weeping on the recording.

However, the News & Observer reports that Phelps and Hugelmaier would frequently argue, often about Phelps' spending, and that Phelps would get violent with her, including dragging her through a



Lauren Ashley Nicole Hugelmaier

hallway by her hair, which led to their divorce.

Phelps' plea agreement was to a life sentence without the possibility of parole, taking the possibility of the death penalty off the table. Hugelmaier's obituary described her as one who loved her nephews, someone who was full of life and someone who will be greatly missed.

Emotional family members gave impact statements at Phelps' hearing. Hugelmaier's father Dale Hugelmaier said with Phelps

listening, "How could he do this to us when we treated him like a son." Mother Laurie Hugelmaier said, "The actions of Matthew James Phelps have forever changed me."

Family member Mary "Missy" Crowe said, "Words cannot be expressed on how I feel about this monster who killed our beautiful Lauren! My heart hurts with her mother and father and sister and her aunts and uncles. I take comfort in knowing that Lauren is in Heaven singing praises with the saints."

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Cherokee Boys Club installs new Board

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

The Cherokee Boys Club installed its new Board of Directors on the morning of Monday, Oct. 1 in an event at the Chestnut Tree Inn. Tara-Reed Cooper, Tiffani Reed, Benny Graves, Ashford Smith, and June Wolfe took the Oath of Office, administered by Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, as family members and friends held the Bible for them. The Board members will serve from Oct. 1, 2018 to Sept. 30, 2020.

Dreyton Long, a student at Cherokee High School, took the Oath as the Board's student representative and Shelly Brown and Doris Johnson were installed as the Board's business representatives.

"The Cherokee Boys Club has been a hub of our community for over 70 years," said Chief Sneed who praised the work put in by Ray Kinsland, retired Boys Club general manager, over the years. "Ray is a pillar of the community, and the Boys Club was his passion. The Tribe, and the people of our Tribe, were and still are his great love."

He told the Board that there will be challenges ahead. "Because of laws and policies that are in place that require insurance to be provided for, the cost of doing business has increased dramatically. The challenges that we face, as leadership, both with the Tribe, the Club, the hospital, the school, all of the service areas for our Tribe; we're going to have to be extremely diligent in our work. We're going to have to be conservative in our decision-making."

Chief Sneed, a former teacher at



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

BOARD: The Cherokee Boys Club installed its new Board of Directors during an event on the morning of Monday, Oct. 1 at the Chestnut Tree Inn. Shown (left-right) are – Tara Reed-Cooper, Board member; Tiffani Reed, Board member; Ashford Smith, Board member; Dreyton Long, student representative; Benny Graves; Board member; Shelly Brown, business representative; Doris Johnson, business representative; June Wolfe, Board member; Big Cove Rep. Perry Shell, Tribal Council representative on Board; and Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed.

Cherokee Central Schools, told the crowd that he is always grateful for the benefits he has and said he used to tell his students, "The best thing that you can do when you graduate high school is take full advantage of the Higher Education program that the Tribe provides for you. Leave. Go get your education, and then stay gone for about five years. Go live out in the world. Have a mortgage. Pay property taxes. Pay to have your trash removed. Pay co-pays on an insurance policy when you go to the doctor. Pay co-pas on pharmaceuticals when you go to the drug store. Pay for your propane. Pay for all the things that everyone else in the world has to pay for, and when you come back

you will see clearly how blessed we are to be members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians."

He added, "And, I told them if you don't do that then everything that we have here as a blessing will become an entitlement for you and you will be worse off for it...moving forward from this point, I would challenge each and every one of us to search you own heart and your own mind about how we view the blessings that we have."

Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley said he's been involved with the Cherokee Boys Club and the Board since high school. "I know the importance of this role. Going forward, I know you're all going to have a hard row to hoe to get started, but

the Boys Club motto is 'By Prayer and by Work'. I thank you for your service."

Information from the Cherokee Boys Club states a brief history of the organization. "The Cherokee Boys Farm Club was established at the Cherokee Boarding School in 1932. Two years later, the Cherokee Motor Club was founded. When the Boarding School closed in 1954, the two Clubs were continued by the Cherokee Day School. The Clubs were combined in 1958 and continued to grow. On May 4, 1964, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians incorporated the Cherokee Boys Club as a non-profit self-supporting tribal enterprise."

Missing hiker's body found in Park

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

CLINGMANS DOME – The body of a missing hiker was discovered Tuesday, Oct. 2 in the Huggins Creek drainage area near Clingmans Dome in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Mitzie Sue “Susan” Clements, 53, of Cleves, Ohio, was reported missing Sept. 25. Officials and crews from more than 50 agencies, including the Cherokee Indian Police Department and Tribal EMS, assisted National Park Service rangers in the search through rugged, steep terrains.

According to a release from Great Smoky Mountains National Park Spokesperson Julena Campbell, Clements’ death is under investigation, but there is no foul play suspected. While a cause of death has yet to be announced, temperatures had highs in the 40s, and any temperature under 50 degrees poses a risk for hypothermia.

“Our deepest condolences go out to the family, friends, and co-workers of Susan during this difficult time,” said Superintendent Cassius Cash. “We are grieving with the family and hope that yesterday’s recovery helps provide some closure as they begin their own grieving process. I am inspired by, and extremely grateful for, the tireless work of our park staff, as well as the generous assistance provided by dozens of agencies and well-trained search and rescue organizations.”

Clements’ family released this statement: “(We) want to specifically thank the National Park Service for their incredible efforts. The



Mitzie Sue “Susan” Clements

cooperation shown between more than 50 agencies was amazing, comforting and very supportive. Every piece of the operation, including the scientific fronts, logistical parts and the emotional support provided to us was very impressive. (We) want to especially thank Jared St. Clair, chief ranger; Joe Pond, incident commander; James Latendresse, operations chief; and Florie Takaki, family liaison for their dedication and support. We also want to thank the countless other people who helped look for Susan. This includes the ground searchers, pilots, drone operators, dog trackers, technicians, EMS providers, the many teams of tactical climbers and rescuers and the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency. (We) greatly appreciate the intense work they performed for us, and we will be eternally grateful.”

The Tribe’s emergency workers joined about 175 people, from Tennessee and North Carolina, who helped search for Clements in some of the park’s roughest terrain. Tribal EMS Chief Anthony Sequoyah said EMTs were sent to help with the safety of the search crews, who were searching 500 miles of park



NPS photo

TOUGH SEARCH: This photo demonstrates the difficulty searchers had in locating missing hiker Mitzie Sue “Susan” Clements. Much of the terrain for the search area near Clingmans Dome is steep and heavily wooded.

land, much of it steep and heavily wooded. “It was a very intense

search.” Sequoyah said, “Tribal EMS sends our condolences.”

CIPD Arrest Report for Sept. 23 – Oct. 1

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

Brady, Wendy Pearl – age 41

Arrested: Sept. 24
Released: Sept. 28
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor (two counts)

Rivera, Alex Livorio – age 26

Arrested: Sept. 24
Released: Sept. 27
Charges: Assault on a Female

Wahnetah, Samuel – age 23

Arrested: Sept. 24
Released: Sept. 24
Charges: Second Degree Trespass

Wolfe, Jordan Leigh – age 23

Arrested: Sept. 24
Released: Sept. 24
Charges: Obstructing Justice, Simple Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance

Bradley, Alfred Donald – age 42

Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Possession with intent Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule I Controlled Substance

Garcilita, Reyna Angelica – age 22

Arrested: Sept. 25

Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Obstructing Justice

George, Adrian Shane – age 28

Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Sell Schedule I Controlled Substance

Griffin, Nancy Suzanne – age 53

Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Sell or Deliver Schedule II Controlled Substance

Littlejohn, Justin Tyronne – age 31

Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Obstructing Justice, Sell or Deliver Controlled Substance Minor under 13

Magna, Rafaelita Cecilia – age 23

Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Sell and Deliver Schedule II Controlled Substance

Murphy, Leslie Michelle – age 25

Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Sept. 25
Charges: Manufacturing and Selling Schedule I Controlled Substance

Queen, Christopher Terron – age 22

Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Sept. 26
Charges: Obstructing Justice

Raby, Jeremy Justin – age 38

Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Sept. 27
Charges: Possession with intent

Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule I Controlled Substance (three counts)

Rattler, Zachariah Lightning – age 40

Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Possession with intent Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule I Controlled Substance (three counts)

Sherrill, Terri Lehua Harrison – age 54

Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Taylor, Heather Lee – age 30

Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Possession of Schedule I Controlled Substance, Probation Violation

Tramper, Kenneth Lee – age 39

Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Sept. 25
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Wahnetah, Dylan Keith – age 32

Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Sept. 26
Charges: Obstructing Justice

Ward, Tammy Lynn – age 47

Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Sell and Deliver Schedule II Controlled Substance

West, Roman Gregory – age 39

Arrested: Sept. 25

The Cherokee One Feather would like to thank

Chris McCoy and the staff of EBCI Communications

for including our FB page in their video coverage of the Cherokee Indian Fair. Their team provided excellent coverage of the Fair, including the parade, and all of the pageants. Because of their efforts, many of our people who could not attend these events got to see friends and loved ones at the Cherokee Indian Fair live from the Cherokee. Thank you! Great work!



Released: Sept. 25 Charges: Sell or Deliver Counterfeit Controlled Substance	date Charges: Possession Schedule I Controlled Substance, Probation Violation	Pheasant, Natasha – age 22 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Sept. 26 Charges: Possession Drug Paraphernalia	Charges: Misdemeanor Larceny, Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court
Wildcatt, John Travis – age 27 Arrested: Sept. 25 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Sell and Deliver (not specified in report)	Griffin, Kenny Edward – age 20 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Sept. 26 Charges: Possession with intent Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule VI Controlled Substance; Child Abuse in the Second Degree	Price, Kaitlyn Brooke –age 25 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Sept. 28 Charges: Sell Heroin	Salazar, Sandra Diana – age 37 Arrested: Sept. 27 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Possession with intent Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule II Controlled Substance; Trafficking in Methamphetamine; Deliver Schedule II Controlled Substance
Wilnoty, William Jarrett – age 36 Arrested: Sept. 25 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Sell Schedule I Controlled Substance	Hicks, Cortney Leigh – age 27 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor, Probation Violation	Taylor, Mary Elaine – age 25 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Sell Heroin	French, Kelly Sharaine (Long) – age 32 Arrested: Sept. 28 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Breaking or Entering
Beck, Jaicelyn Dalya – age 19 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor, Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance	Lambert, Emily Brooke – age 32 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Possession Schedule IV Controlled Substance, Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance, Probation Violation	Thomas, Hunter Trey – age 28 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance	Ledford, Chelsea Shantelle – age 24 Arrested: Sept. 28 Released: Sept. 28 Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree
Brady, Tobius Stalin – age 19 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Sept. 26 Charges: Called and Failed	Locust, Starlina Maria – age 38 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Sept. 26 Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor	Waldroup, Crystal Lynn – age 24 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Sept. 27 Charges: Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance	Paul, Jason Leroy – age 23 Arrested: Sept. 28 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Driving While License Revoked, Possession Stolen Property
Crowe, Cassandra Lynn – age 26 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Sell Schedule II Controlled Substance	Mahsetky Jr., Patrick Martin – age 39 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Sept. 29 Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor	West, T'keiah Rhiann – age 24 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Sell Heroin	Postoak Jr. Johnnny – age 41 Arrested: Sept. 28 Released: Sept. 28 Charges: Abandonment and Failure to Support Spouse and Children
Cucumber, Bobby Joe – age 40 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Possession with intent Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule I Controlled Substance	McCoy II, Timothy Jason – age 27 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Possession with intent Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule II Controlled Substance	Cline, Dawn L. – age 42 Arrested: Sept. 27 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Manufacture Schedule II Controlled Substance	Bernal, Lizzie Renee – age 43 Arrested: Sept. 29 Released: Sept. 29 Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor
Ensley, Brooke Lea – age 28 Arrested: Sept. 26 Released: Not released as of report		Queen, Christopher Terron – age 22 Arrested: Sept. 27 Released: Not released as of report date	Cisneros, Jose' Ines – age 40

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ARREST: Cherokee Indian Police
Dept. report, from page 7

Arrested: Sept. 29
Released: Not released as of report
date
Charges: Child Support Purge

Ivey Jr., Jacob Jackson – age 36
Arrested: Sept. 29
Released: Not released as of report
date
Charges: Failure to Appear on
Misdemeanor, Assault on a Female
(two counts), Assault Inflict Serious
Injury, Communicating Threats

Johnson, Anthony Dean – age 40
Arrested: Sept. 29
Released: Sept. 30
Charges: Intoxicated and Disruptive

Miller, Joshua Alexander – age 25
Arrested: Sept. 29
Released: Sept. 29
Charges: Intoxicated and Disrup-
tive, Disorderly Conduct, Resisting
Public Officer

Salazar, Berdina Paulette – age 60

Arrested: Sept. 29
Released: Not released as of report
date
Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-
demeanor

Taylor, Trudy Louise – age 25
Arrested: Sept. 29
Released: Sept. 29
Charges: Driving While License
Revoked

Wachacha Jr., Herman – age 35
Arrested: Sept. 29
Released: Not released as of report
date
Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-
demeanor

Watty, Ariello Jo – age 33
Arrested: Sept. 29
Released: Not released as of report
date
Charges: Possession with intent
Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule
I Controlled Substance; Failure to
Obey a Lawful Order of the Court

Watty, Dalisa Daniela – age 24
Arrested: Sept. 29

Released: Not released as of report
date
Charges: Sell Schedule I Controlled
Substance

Welch, Kelsey Anne – age 27
Arrested: Sept. 29
Released: Not released as of report
date
Charges: Probation Violation,
Failure to Obey Lawful Order of the
Court

**Buchanan, Justin Nathaniel – age
22**
Arrested: Sept. 30
Released: Sept. 30
Charges: Driving While Impaired

Postoak, Kogee Louise – age 33
Arrested: Sept. 30
Released: Sept. 30
Charges: Probation Violation

Wolfe, Jordan Leigh – age 23
Arrested: Sept. 30
Released: Not released as of report
date
Charges: Probation Violation

Otter, Kerry Hawk – age 32
Arrested: Oct. 1
Released: Oct. 1
Charges: Breaking and Entering,
Injury to Real Property

Tribal Court Report

Judgment Summary for Sept. 26

CROWE, Sherry Lynn
14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass
- Dismissed, Failure of Prosecuting
Witness to Appear and Testify

ROGERS, Keeley Jeneen
14-5.3 Telephone Harassment -
Dismissed, Failure of Prosecuting
Witness to Appear and Testify

THOMPSON, Nneka Santana
20-28 Revoked License - Report
Infraction

WAHNETAH, Dylan Keith
14-70.17 Obstructing Justice - Dis-
missed with Leave to Refile



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Armachain crowned 52nd Miss Cherokee

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On the first night of the 106th Cherokee Indian Fair, Mystikal Spirit Walela Armachain was crowned the 52nd Miss Cherokee. Armachain, 18, a member of the Deer Clan from the Big Cove Community, won the pageant held on the beautiful fall evening of Tuesday, Oct. 2 at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds.

Melah Perkins, 19, a member of the Deer Clan from the Wolfstown Community, was named first runner-up, and Brianna Jumper, 21, a member of the Long Hair Clan from the Wolfstown Community, was named second runner-up.

Armachain spoke about the drug recovery efforts in the community for her platform and said she has teamed up with the RezHOPE group in the past few months. "We went throughout the community to raise awareness for our future. I know what it's like to come from a family of drug addiction. Believe me, it was not easy at all."

She went on to say, "I want to make a change for our younger generation to understand that we are better, stronger, and braver than any drug that could harm our people. We will stand for drug recovery to build a better future for our people, for our Tribe..."

Perkins began her platform speech on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women (MMIW), "Four out of five Native American women experience violence today. This is a scary statistic that should not be taken lightly. But, unfortunately, in the United States it is. In Washing-



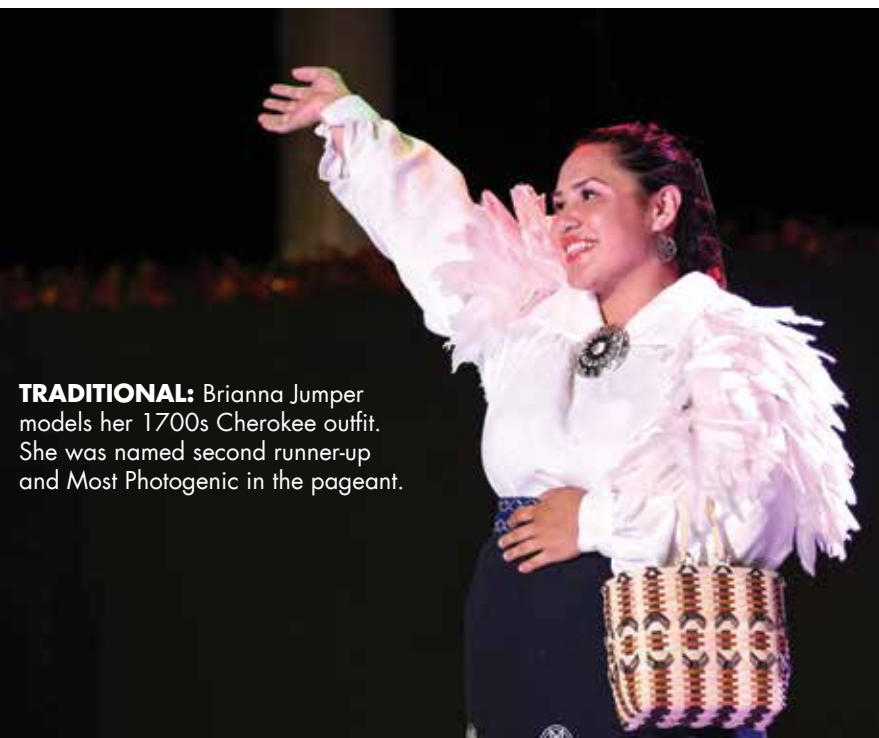
CROWNED: Mystikal Spirit Walela Armachain was crowned Miss Cherokee during a pageant at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on the evening of Tuesday, Oct. 2. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

ton state, Native Americans make up 2 percent of the population but make up 5 percent of the missing persons cases. I strongly believe that it is way past due that the public be aware of these horrific statistics."

Wearing a red dress in honor of the MMIW movement, she commented, "In 2016, five thousand two hundred and seventeen (5,217) Native American women experienced violence. Eighty-four (84) percent of Native American

and Alaska Native women experienced violence. Murder rates for Native American women are ten times the national average...I plan to use my title to advocate for those who have lost their voices."

"Honor and respect, I associate



TRADITIONAL: Brianna Jumper models her 1700s Cherokee outfit. She was named second runner-up and Most Photogenic in the pageant.

these words with our tribal elders,” said Jumper who spoke on the importance of caring for the elderly in the Cherokee community. “Our senior citizens have knowledge that is imperative to our culture and traditions. Tribal elders are the reason we are here, and we owe them our thanks.”

She added, “We, as Cherokee people, need to realize that our elders carry our most important information regarding our past our future.”

The talent portion of this year’s pageant was varied with Armachain playing a traditional flute and telling the origin story of the flute, Perkins performing the Cherokee Knee-Deep dance, and Jumper demonstrating how to properly clean a fish.

During the pageant, nine former Miss Cherokees were honored with embroidered sashes commemorating their reign including: the late Dorothy McCoy Smith (1963-64), Faren Sanders Crews (1966-67), Penny Otter-Huntsman (1968-69), Patty Grant-Edgemon

(1969-70), Loretta Hornbuckle-Kirby (1970-71), Shirley Swayney-Cloer (1971-72), Pearl Bradley (1972-73), Rowena Teesatuskie (1973-74), and Lawanna Cooper-Almond (1974-75).

All former Miss Cherokees were also honored on stage during the event. Armachain was also named Miss Congeniality and Jumper won the Most Photogenic Contest.



IMPORTANT MESSAGE: Wearing a red dress in their honor, Melah Perkins speaks about the importance of awareness of the Missing and Murdered Indigenous women movement.



TITLE: Miss Cherokee 2017-18 Faith Long shared memories and thoughts on her year-long reign.

Perez crowned Teen Miss Cherokee

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

Culminating a day of activities during Children's Day of the Cherokee Indian Fair, Juakina Perez was crowned the new Teen Miss Cherokee. The pageant was held at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on the clear, fall evening of Wednesday, Oct. 3.

Perez, 17, a member of the Wolf Clan from the Big Cove Community and a senior at Cherokee High School, was also named Miss Photogenic in the pageant. Destiny Mills, 15, a member of the Wild Potato Clan from the Wolftown Community and a sophomore at Cherokee High School, was named first runner-up in the pageant as well as Miss Congeniality. Aliyah Bigmeat, 17, a senior at Swain County High School from the Wolftown Community, was named second runner-up.

Following introductions, the pageant began with each contestant answering a cultural question. Bigmeat was asked to explain the Cherokee clan system and commented, "The Cherokee clan system is a traditional social organization. It is also matrilineal meaning you get your clanship from your mother. It is important for spiritual guidance and traditional medicine ceremonies. Although I was not born into a clanship, it is important to me to one day be accepted and adopted into a clan. That way, I can pass my clanship and traditions down to my children."

Mills was asked what the title of Beloved Woman means to her. She related, "A Beloved Woman is a designation bestowed upon Cher-



CROWNED: Juakina Perez, a member of the Wolf Clan from the Big Cove Community, was named the 2018-19 Teen Miss Cherokee during a pageant held at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on the evening of Wednesday, Oct. 3. She was also named Miss Photogenic. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

okee women who hold the highest respect for their service to the communities, their integrity, and their good character. She has passed down her knowledge of traditional foods, medicines, Cherokee language, and, most importantly, she lives a clean and Godly lifestyle that we should all try to emulate."

Perez was asked who her role

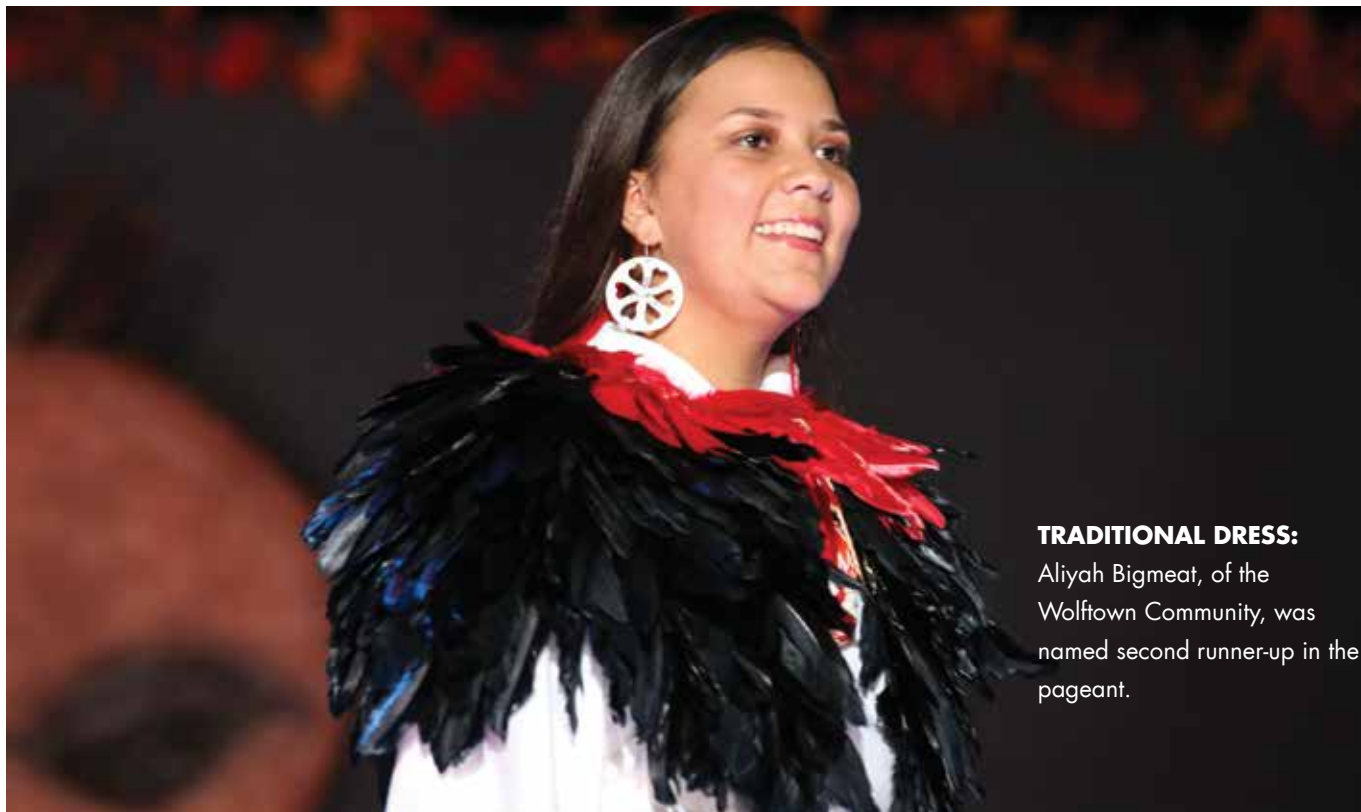
model is and why. She said, "My role model is my mother, Suzette Sanchez. She is my best friend, whether it is a good or bad day. She is a single parent to me and my four siblings. She has often gone without to fulfill our needs. Mom, I want to take the time to say, 'Sgi! Thank you!' for everything you do for me. I love you so much!"

In the talent portion of the pageant, Bigmeat told the Cherokee legend of the first woman; Mills recited the Lord's Prayer in Cherokee, English, and American Sign Language; and Perez performed the Cherokee Corn Dance with Nathaniel Crowe.

The event was dedicated to the memory of Dorothy McCoy Smith,

of the Birdtown Community, who was the first person to hold the Miss Cherokee title. “The pageant at the time was based on public speaking and formal wear,” said Yona Wade, who served as the MC for the pageant. “Dorothy was crowned in 1963 as the Indian Princess. This year, in honor of Dorothy, we will be crowning the winners (of the Teen, Junior, and Little Miss pageants) in former Miss Cherokee crowns...the Pageant Board takes great honor in promoting and preparing the younger generations to one day take the role of Miss Cherokee.”

Perez was crowned by Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed in the crown of Kara Martin who was Miss Cherokee in 2007-08.



TRADITIONAL DRESS:

Aliyah Bigmeat, of the Wolftown Community, was named second runner-up in the pageant.



TRADITIONAL: Destiny Mills, a member of the Wild Potato Clan from the Wolftown Community, was named second runner-up and Miss Congeniality in the pageant.



GOOD YEAR: Teen Miss Cherokee 2017-18 Raylen Bark, who celebrated her 16th birthday on the day of the pageant, spoke about the good times and trips taken during her year-long reign.

Siweumptewa named Junior Miss Cherokee

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Destiny Siweumptewa, 14, a member of the Long Hair Clan from the Birdtown Community, was named 2018-19 Junior Miss Cherokee during a pageant held at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on the night of Thursday, Oct. 4. Nevayah Panther, a member of the Bird Clan from the Birdtown and Big Cove Communities was named first runner-up, and Jenna Cruz, a member of the Long Hair Clan from the Birdtown Community, was named second runner-up.

Siweumptewa was named Miss Congeniality and Janna Girty, a member of the Wolf Clan from the Birdtown Community, was named Most Photogenic.

The young ladies introduced themselves wearing outfits of their choice, each describing why they chose their particular dress.

Cruz wore a 16th century style Cherokee outfit consisting of a twined skirt and drop-shoulder feather cape. "Throughout the years, our people have changed, evolved, and modernized, but one thing that hasn't changed and that's the Kituwah blood running through our veins. We are here on our homeland with our culture waiting to be carried on. Through oppression and colonization, our culture had disappeared. If we continue to stand together, we can revitalize all that was lost."

Girty, wearing a jacket emblazoned with syllabary characters, said she wore it to honor those, including herself, who have gone through speech therapy. She noted



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JUNIOR MISS: Destiny Siweumptewa, a member of the Long Hair Clan from the Birdtown Community, was named 2018-19 Junior Miss Cherokee during a pageant held at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on the evening of Thursday, Oct. 4.

that the letter 'r' gave her difficulties. "I was so embarrassed. I didn't want to read out loud or talk in front of a class or pronounce my last name. After I spent two years working with my speech pathologist Allie, I strengthened and retrained my tongue."

Rayven Hughes, a member of

the Wild Potato Clan from the Birdtown Community, wore a doctor's coat. "I aspire to become a medical doctor to help our people."

Panther wore a brightly colored outfit covered with words. "My outfit of choice reflects the strong characteristics that make me the young lady that I am today. The

words on my outfit reflect who I am and are what makes me what I am now. I am bold and strong. I am a daughter and a sister. I am blessed and unique. I am funny and smart. I am cute and stubborn. I am sporty and artsy. All these words make up who I am and so much more."



SMILES: Nevayah Panther, a member of the Bird Clan from the Birdtown and Big Cove Communities, is all smiles as she models her traditional Cherokee outfit. She was named first runner-up in the pageant.

Siweumptewa wore a red jingle dress and commented, “It represents three important things to me – my Cherokee and Hopi native culture, my family, and my love of art. In both native cultures, red stands for fire and my red dress represents the fire that burns inside of me for success. All of the other colors hold special meanings to both tribes. It took approximately 25 hours to complete my dress. One of my greatest memories is sitting at my great-grandmother’s feet placing ribbon on all 200 jingles. Every time I move or dance in my jingle dress, it takes me back to that day.”

During the talent portion of the pageant, Cruz demonstrated how to do the Cherokee Pottery Friendship design through a painting, Girty explained traditional Cherokee basketry techniques, Hughes sang a song in the Cherokee language, Panther performed the Cherokee Peace Pipe Dance, and Siweumptewa sang “Amazing Grace” in the

Cherokee language and performed it in American Sign Language.

Former junior pageant title holders were honored during Thursday’s pageant including: Keyonna Hornbuckle Owle, Little Miss Cherokee 1989; Consie Blankenship Girty, Little Miss Cherokee 1986 and Junior Miss Cherokee 1991; Sharon Queen, Junior Miss Cherokee 1992; Amanda Wolfe Moore, Little Miss Cherokee 1993, Junior Miss Cherokee 1997, and Miss Cherokee 2008; Kara Martin, the only person to hold all four titles, Little Miss Cherokee 1996, Junior Miss Cherokee 1999, Teen Miss Cherokee 2004, and Miss Cherokee 2007; and Samantha Crowe-Hernandez, Junior Miss Cherokee 1998, Miss Cherokee 2005.

Like the other junior pageants, Siweumptewa was crowned with a former Miss Cherokee’s crown – that of Miss Cherokee 2008 Amanda Wolfe Moore.



TRADITIONAL: Jenna Cruz, a member of the Long Hair Clan from the Birdtown Community, models her traditional Cherokee outfit. She was named second runner-up in the pageant.



FAREWELL: Junior Miss Cherokee 2017-18 Dvdaya Swimmer waves to the crowd during her farewell presentation and giveaway.

Hernandez named Little Miss Cherokee

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Morgan Hernandez, a member of the Deer Clan from the Big Y Community, was named 2018-19 Little Miss Cherokee during a pageant at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on the evening of Thursday, Oct. 4. She was also named Miss Congeniality and Most Photogenic.

Hailey Winchester, from the Birdtown Community, was named first runner-up, and Aria Toineeta, from the Wolftown Community, was named second-runner-up.

For their talent, Winchester performed a contemporary dance from the 2007 production of "Unto These Hills", Hernandez performed the Cherokee Bear Dance, and Toineeta told the story of the first flute. Kennedy Moore, of the Big Y Community, did a presentation on the three sisters (beans, corn, and squash) and performed the Cherokee Corn Dance; and Genevieve Raya, a member of the Bird Clan from the Wolftown Community, told the Cherokee story of Spearfishing.

During the opening introductions, the young ladies wore outfits of their choice and each described their reasons. Winchester, a student at New Kituwah Academy, wore a traditional Korean outfit to honor part of her heritage and encouraged everyone to be proud of who they are and honor each other. Hernandez, a student at New Kituwah Academy, wore a litter pick-up outfit and told of the importance of recycling and keeping a clean community. Toineeta, a student at New Kituwah Academy, wore her soft-



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LITTLE MISS: Morgan Hernandez, a member of the Deer Clan from the Big Y Community, was named 2018-19 Little Miss Cherokee during a pageant held at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on the evening of Thursday, Oct. 4.

ball uniform and spoke of the game and its importance to her. Moore, a student at New Kituwah Academy, wore her football uniform to make the point that "girls can do anything – even play football". Raya, a student at Swain East Elementary, wore an outfit supporting the Wolftown Stickball Team and spoke of the team and its importance in her life.

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titles, Little Miss Cherokee 1996, Junior Miss Cherokee 1999, Teen Miss Cherokee 2004, and Miss Cherokee 2007; and Samantha Crowe-Hernandez, Junior Miss Cherokee 1998, Miss Cherokee 2005.

Like the other junior pageants, Hernandez was crowned with a former Miss Cherokee's crown – that of Miss Cherokee 1984 Mollie Grant.



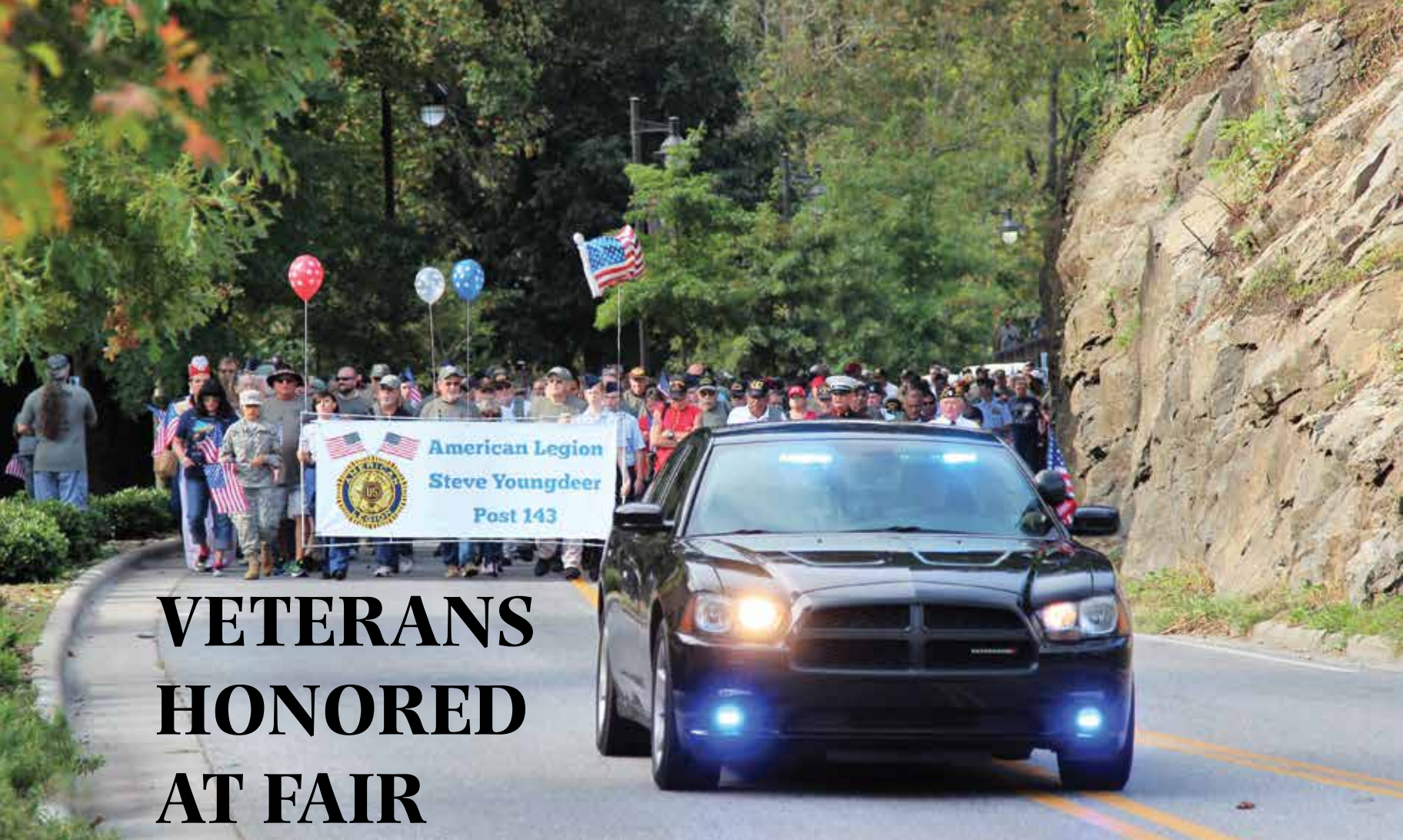
DANCER: Hailey Winchester, of the Birdtown Community who was named first runner-up in the pageant, is shown modeling her traditional Cherokee outfit. For her talent, she performed a contemporary dance from the 2007 production of "Unto These Hills".



HAPPY: Aria Toineeta, of the Wolfstown Community, smiles after receiving her second runner-up trophy.



FAREWELL: 2017-18 Little Miss Cherokee Araceli Martinez-Arch told the crowd of her year and the places she traveled.



VETERANS HONORED AT FAIR

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HONOR: The American Legion Steve Youngdeer Post 143 leads the 2nd Annual Veterans Walk which was held in conjunction with Veteran's Day at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on Friday, Oct. 5.



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SERVICE: Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed (left) pins a Vietnam Service pin on Charles Penick during the Veteran's Honoring Ceremony at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds.



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PATRIOTIC: Participants in the Veterans Walk carry American flags as they make their way to the Fairgrounds.



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LEADER: Maj. Gen. Arnold Fields (Ret.), U.S. Marine Corps, was the keynote speaker for Friday's event at the Fairgrounds. At the time of his retirement he was serving as the Deputy Commander of Marine Corps Forces in Europe.



JOSEPH MARTIN/One Feather

SERVICE: Maj. Gen. Fields (Ret.) shakes hands with Warren Dupree, Steve Young-deer American Legion Post 143, who served in the Vietnam War and the Gulf War.



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NATION: Dvdaya Swimmer, Junior Miss Cherokee 2017-18, sings the Cherokee National Anthem at the beginning of the program.



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UNIFORM: Other than the Dr. Pepper, James George models an authentic WWI Army uniform.

Cherokee Indian Stickball



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YOUTH: The Wolftown and Big Cove youth teams (10-12 years) played on Children's Day at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on Wednesday, Oct. 3. Final Score: Big Cove 12 Wolftown 1.



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ELDERS: Several leaders of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians including Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed (left) and Wolftown Rep. Bo Crowe (green shorts on right) participated in the Elders Stickball game at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on Thursday, Oct. 4. Final Score: Big Cove 12 Yellowhill 6.



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ROUGH: As evidenced by the blood and bruises on some of the player's bodies, you can tell that the game between Wolftown and Birdtown on Wednesday, Oct. 3 at the Unity Field was a tough one. Final Score: Wolftown 12 Birdtown 11.



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CLOSE: There were several dramatic runs and tackles in a close game between the Hummingbirds and Big Cove at the Unity Field on Thursday, Oct. 4. Final Score: Hummingbirds 12 Big Cove 10.



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STICKBALL: The Big Cove and Wolftown teen stickball teams played at the Unity Field on the afternoon of Saturday, Oct. 6. Final Score: Wolftown 12 Big Cove 2.



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MEN'S GAME: The Hummingbirds and Wolftown stickball teams played at the Unity Field on the evening of Saturday, Oct. 6. Final Score: Hummingbird 12 Wolftown 1.



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HAPPY: Nori Luck Taylor, third place winner in the 9 – 12 months division, gets a helpful start from her grandfather, Tom Belt, during the annual Cherokee Indian Fair Baby Crawling Contest on the morning of Wednesday, Oct. 3.

Baby Crawling Contest winners

The annual Cherokee Indian Fair Baby Crawling contest, hosted by the Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley and the Office of the Vice Chief, was held at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on the morning of Wednesday, Oct. 3. Following are the winners:

6 – 9 months division: 1st – Waloshi Gloyne, 2nd – Blossom Hicks, 3rd – Emberlyn Beck

9 – 12 months division: 1st – Jeremiah Brown, 2nd – Jeriah Williams, 3rd – Nori Luck Taylor

12 – 16 months division: 1st – Jax Wachacha, 2nd – Grayson Sneed

2018 Cherokee Indian Fair Baked Goods winners

Photos by Scott McKie B.P./One Feather



BEST IN SHOW: Martha Reed Wolfe holds a squash casserole that won her a Best in Show and Blue Ribbon in the 2018 Cherokee Indian Fair Baked Goods contest hosted by the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office. She is shown at the Extension office receiving her award on the afternoon of Monday, Oct. 1.

Following are the winners of the 2018 Cherokee Indian Fair Baked Goods competition hosted by the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office:

YOUTH DIVISION

Traditional Bread: 1st (Best in Show) - Alex Motola, chestnut bread; 2nd - Alexa Motola, bean bread; 3rd - Wanei Sneed, bean bread

Cookies: 1st - Vladimir Drake Owle, 2nd - Wakin-yan Walker Raines, 3rd - Keaton E-La-Ni Arch



FAMILY: Becky Walker (left) won a Blue Ribbon for her apple cake in the adult division, and her son, Kudesgi Jackson, holds cupcakes made by his sister, Tsawayugi Jackson, who won a Blue Ribbon in the youth division.

Cupcakes: 1st - Cameron G. Jackson, 2nd - Tayah Jae Bird, 3rd - Kennica Lynn Bradley

Muffins: 1st - Vladimir Drake Owle, 2nd - McKenzie Bird, 3rd - Vincent Damien Owle

Cake: 1st - Tayah Jae Bird, 2nd - Madilyn Bird, 3rd - Vladimir Drake Owle

YOUNG ADULT DIVISION

Traditional Bread: 2nd - Jalen Motola, chestnut bread

Cookies: 1st (Best of Show) - Ellijah Bryant, 2nd - Mahala Bird, 3rd - Emily

Nicole Bradley

Cupcakes: 1st - Katherine Abra Armachain, 2nd - Isaiah Runningwolfe Armachain

Muffins: 1st - Maiya E. M. Blythe, 2nd - Milli Bryson

Cake: 1st - Jalen Motola, 2nd - Katherine Abra Armachain, 3rd - Rachel M. Blythe

SENIOR ELDERS DIVISION

Homemade Bread: 2nd - Bessie Welch

ADULT DIVISION

Bean Bread: 1st - Matilda



TRADITIONAL: Charlotte George's lye dumplings won a Blue Ribbon in the adult division.

Calhoun, 2nd - Charlotte George, 3rd - Patricia Calhoun

Chestnut Bread: 1st - Patricia Calhoun, 2nd - Mary Edith Wolfe Lambert, 3rd - Matilda Calhoun

Lye Dumplings: 1st - Charlotte George, 2nd - Frances Maney

Banana Nut Bread: 1st - Elnora Thompson, 2nd - Martha Reed Wolfe, 3rd - Matilda Calhoun

Casseroles: 1st (Best of Show) - Martha Reed Wolfe, 2nd - Stephanie Maney, 3rd - Leslie Swimmer

Pound Cake: 1st - Sharon Owle, 2nd - Trudy Ella Welch Lambert, 3rd - Stacy Bessie Wallace

Apple Cake: 1st - Becky

Walker, 2nd - Madeline Nicole Pretty Walker Welch, 3rd - Shaylene Welch

Other Cakes: 1st - Sharon McCoy, 2nd - Vicki Leigh Wicker Dietzel, 3rd - Stephanie Maney

Cream Pie: 3rd - Madeline Nicole Pretty Walker Welch

Fruit Pie: 1st - Martha Reed Wolfe, 2nd - Joanna Martin, 3rd - Stephanie Maney

Other Pies: 1st - Tsali Clay James Welch, 2nd - Nancy Brown, 3rd - Lucille Wolfe

Diabetic Food: 1st - Stephanie Maney, 2nd - Tamara Thompson, 3rd - Stacy Bessie Wallace

Any Baked Item not in other categories: 1st - Stacy Bessie Wallace, 2nd - Frances Maney, 3rd - Vicki Leigh Wicker Dietzel



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WOOD CHOPPIN': Geneva Watty, an EBCI tribal elder, took first place in the Women's 56+over Wood Chopping Competition at the Cherokee Indian Fair Community Day at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on the afternoon of Saturday, Oct. 6. She took first by chopping 20 pieces, and Julia Lossiah took second with 13. Bunsey Crowe won the men's competition (under 56) with 21 pieces followed by Kazdyn Saunooke in second place with 19. Kelly Arch won the women's competition (under 56) with 18 pieces followed by Kassandra in second place with 15.



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STRONG: Ashley Martin prepares her first attempt in the Women's Hammer Throw competition during the Cherokee Indian Fair Community Day on Saturday, Oct. 6 at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. She won first place with a throw of 55' 7". Laura Crowe took second place with a throw of 53' 4".



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THE CHASE IS ON: Children participate in the Greased Pig Chase during Children's Day of the Cherokee Indian Fair at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on Wednesday, Oct. 3.



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CHUCKIN' IT: Kasdan Saunooke won first place in the Men's Heavy Throw Competition on the Cherokee Indian Fair Community Day on the afternoon of Saturday, Oct. 6 at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. He won with a throw of 47', and A.J. Crowe took second place with a throw of 43'.

No rain on this parade... well, not much anyways

106th Cherokee Indian Fair kicks off with parade

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ROYAL WAVE: As rain droplets fall, Mystikal Spirit Walela Armachain waves to the crowd during the parade held on the afternoon of Tuesday, Oct. 2. Later that evening, she was crowned 2018-19 Miss Cherokee.



Parade Winners

Community Floats

- 1 - Wofltown
- 2 - Big Y
- 3 - Birdtown

Tribal/Business Floats

- 1 - RezHOPE Recovery
- 2 - Cherokee Indian Hospital
- 3 - Cherokee Life Recreation

Youth/Childcare

- 1 - Cherokee Youth Center
- 2 - Qualla Boundary Head Start
- 3 - Cherokee Central Schools

Grand Prize Winner
Wofltown
Community



SMILE: Morgan Hernandez, of the Big Y Community, was crowned Little Miss Cherokee on the evening of Thursday, Oct. 4.



GRAND MARSHALS: Hugh Lambert, a 2011 Remember the Removal Ride alumni, rides in the parade. The RTR alumni served as Grand Marshals for the event.



COMMUNITY: Bunsey Crowe, Big Y Community Club chairman, drives a tractor pulling the Community's float which took second place in their division.



BIG WINNER: Tuff Jackson (center in white shirt), Wolfstown Community Club chairman, throws candy to the crowd ahead of the Wolfstown Community Float which took first place in their division and the overall Grand Prize.

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FOOTBALL

Big second half propels Braves over Tigers

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ROSMAN - With the annual Cherokee Indian Fair in full swing at home, the Cherokee Braves (4-3) traveled to the Rosman Tigers (2-6) on the evening of Friday, Oct. 5. After trailing 9-7 at the half, Cherokee came out and put on an offensive show in the second half while playing stifling defense to take a 34-17 win.

"I've got to give Rosman some credit," said Kent Briggs, Braves head coach. "They played a great game in the first half, and they've got a lot of weapons. We had to go out there and play well to be in the game in the first half. We didn't do everything right, but we played hard. It was a tight game, but the difference was we came out in the second half and played like we can play. We played to win instead of not to lose."

That mentality is resonating through the team. "I think that has been what has sort of cost of us sometimes this season. We had three losses, but I feel that the losses were because we were worrying more about losing than going out there and winning it. Tonight, in the second half, we had to decide, 'are we going to do that or are we going to go out and win?', and I think our guys went out there and did it."

Coach Briggs said that some of the second string players are making key contributions to the team. "We've had to have some guys step up. We've had some key injuries.



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TOUGH: Cherokee's Terence Ledford (#22) breaks through two Rosman tacklers en route to a touchdown in the second half of a game at Rosman on Friday, Oct. 5. On the night, he rushed 11 times for 58 yards and a touchdown.

Everybody's having to play roles that they haven't played before, and I was really proud of our guys the way they came out and played

those roles and helped this team win a game."

Cherokee's passing game was on point in the second half with

Bobby Crowe, junior quarterback, coming into the game in the third quarter and completing 9 of 9 passes for 226 yards and 2 touch-

downs. Cade Mintz, Braves junior wide receiver, was the main target of the night with 6 catches for 166 yards and 1 touchdown. Michael Bernisel, Braves senior wide receiver, had 3 catches for 61 yards and 1 touchdown, and Blake Smith, senior wide receiver, caught 3 passes for 39 yards.

Terence Ledford, Braves senior running back, rushed 11 times for 58 yards and a touchdown.

The Braves defense held tight all game long allowing only one touchdown per half for the Tigers. Cherokee was led by Ledford with 12 tackles followed by Kyler Hill 11, Isaiah Armachain 10, Joaquin Layno 10, Masih Catolster 9, and Mintz 6. Hill also had an interception on the night.

The Braves got on the board first as Isaiah Evans, senior running back, ran for a 1-yard run at the 2:53 mark of the first. Rocky Peebles, Braves senior kicker, hit the point-after and Cherokee led 7-0.

Rosman's Marcus Stamey hit a 25-yard field goal midway through the second, and they followed that up three minutes later as Hooper Thomas caught a 4-yard touchdown pass from Luke Stewart. The two-point failed and Rosman led 9-7 at the half.

Crowe came into the game in the third and threw a 77-yard touchdown to Mintz on his first pass of the game. Peebles added the extra point, and Cherokee re-took the lead 14-9 and would not relinquish it.

With two minutes left in the quarter, Ledford ran 4 yards for a score. The point-after failed, and Cherokee led 20-9.

Early in the fourth, Crowe punched it into the end zone on a 1-yard dive. Peebles added the extra point, and Cherokee led 27-9 with just over nine minutes left in the game.

Four minutes later, Crowe connected with Bernhisel on a 20-yard touchdown pass to seal the game for the Braves. Peebles added the point-after kick and Cherokee led 34-9.

The Tigers would add one more score late as Stewart hit Samuel Chappell on a 27-yard touchdown pass. The two-point conversion was good and Cherokee led 34-17 which is how the game would end.

Cherokee plays host to the Andrews Wildcats on Friday Oct. 12 at Ray Kinsland Stadium.



PICK: Cherokee's Kyler Hill (#23), senior, takes the ball up field after an interception. He also had 11 tackles in the game.



LEAP: Cherokee's Cade Mintz (#10) dives for yardage between Rosman's Hooper Thomas (#1) and Joshua Voris (#15). On the night, Mintz caught 6 passes for 166 yards and 1 touchdown.

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COMMUNITY



PHILENIA WALKINGSTICK/One Feather

GOLD BELL: The Cherokee Central Schools School Board was presented the Gold Bell Award recently from the NCSBA (North Carolina Schools Board Association). The Cherokee School Board received the award because every member received at least 12 hours of training between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018. They are shown (left-right) at their regular meeting on Monday, Oct. 1 at Cherokee Central Schools including: Charlotte Saunooke, School Board chairperson; Big Cove School Board Rep. Karen French-Browning; Yellowhill School Board Rep. Jennifer Thompson; Gloria Griffin, School Board vice chairperson; Big Y School Board Rep. Dick Crowe; and Wolfetown School Board Rep. Isaac (Ike) Long. Cherokee Central Schools was among two in District 8 to receive the award along with Asheville City.



Drone photo by Jason Kemmerer/EBCI Communications

REPAIRS: The Cherokee Post Office will be undergoing roof repairs. These repairs will be remedied on a one to two month timeline. They will include fixing leaks and removing dilapidated equipment from the roof. The public will see construction crews in and outside of the building for the proposed timeline. This facility is now under the management of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians through the Building Rental program.

Senior Citizens Heating Assistance applications

The EBCI Senior Citizens Program is now accepting Heating Assistance Applications. Applications will be available at Tsali Manor. If you are applying, bring a current bill and the last four digits of the Social Security number of the individual whose name is on the bill. Also, bring your EBCI enrollment card. Info: Krisna Ashe, Tsali Manor social services supervisor, 359-6294

- EBCI Senior Citizens Program

H.E.L.P. Fuel and Emergency assistance

Family Support Services, located at 73 Kaiser Wilnoty Road in the Beloved Women's and Children's Building, is taking all applications for individuals who desire and qualify for assistance through the H.E.L.P. program.

Also, all heating applications are now being accepted. Applicant must be a disabled EBCI tribal member under the age of 59 ½ or the parent to a permanently disabled minor child who is an EBCI tribal member and resides in the home. Applicant must bring their disability statement or social security statement as well as EBCI enrollment and social security cards for everyone in the household.

Info: Family Support Services
359-6092

- Family Support Services

Higher Education deadline

The final day for new students to submit paperwork to EBCI Higher Education for the spring semester 2019 is Monday, Oct. 15. Info: 359-6650, www.tsalagied.com

- EBCI Higher Education

4-H Public Speaking program

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

*- EBCI Cooperative Extension
4-H Program*

Heating applications for Family Support Services

EBCI Family Support Services is now taking heating applications for the following programs:

- LIHEAP & Tribal Housing (indigent or low income) – Please note that Tribal Heating (indigent) takes heating application the whole month of October. No applications are taken the months of November, December, and January, and then reopens February through March 30, 2019.

Required:

1. Completed application
2. EBCI Enrollment card for all household members
3. Social Security card for all household members
4. An affidavit from enrollment will also be accepted
5. Account number from heating company
6. Custody/Guardianship paper (if applicable)
7. Income verification for all household members

- HELP Heating Required:

1. Completed application
2. Enrollment card for all household members
3. Social Security card for all household members
4. An affidavit from enrollment will also be accepted
5. Disability statement from Social Security
6. Account number from heating company
7. Custody/Guardianship paper (if applicable)

Info: Family Support Services
359-6092

- EBCI Family Support Services

THANK YOU LETTERS

Thank you for support

Native Street Machines car club would like to say thank you to the following people or businesses for all the help and support you showed during the Benefit car show held Sept. 1 for our local veteran David Ledford: Tribal Council representatives Bo Crowe, Richard French and David Wolfe; Richard "Whiskey" Driver for the tattoo gift certificate; Tunney Crowe at Crowes Quality products and Native Clan Designs; Ben Reed at Front Porch bakery and Deli; O'Reillys Auto Parts in Sylva; Advance Auto Parts in Sylva; Autozone in Sylva; Cherokee McDonalds; Terry Holt at River Valley Store; Thomas at Wise Guys Pizza; Napa Auto Parts; Granny's Kitchen; Alan at Alan's Jewelry and Pawn; Parts City, Pepsi Cola Company; the Steve Young-deer American Legion Post 143 for the use of their facilities and the Auxilary Ladies. Also, thank you to the following for their monetary donations: the Stephens family, Gary Wiggins, and Jack Gloyne. The trophies for the car show

winners were unique and well designed. They were designed by the following people: Phillip Pheasant, Dike Sneed, and Altered Concepts. You guys have some wonderful talent and a big heart. Thank you. To our car, truck and bike enthusiasts, we appreciate you coming out to the show to enter your rides or just come to look.

Most of all, thank you club members for helping out at the show: Frank and Heather Driver, Dee and Sam Toineeta, Renee and Eddie Cole, David and Phillip Pheasant. If I have forgotten to mention any names, please forgive me and know that your help was greatly appreciated. Again, thank you all so much. Sincerely,

**Diane Driver
Patsy and David Ledford**

Wolftown says thanks

The Wolftown Community Club would like to thank all the volunteers who helped with the float/booth preparation, parade and all who donated candy. All your hard work paid off! Wolftown received Grand Prize & First Place on the float and Second Place on the booth! We appreciate all the help, we couldn't have done it without you!! Again, thank you!

The Community Club will be having a bingo & box supper fundraiser on Saturday, Oct. 13 from 6-9 p.m. So come out, try your luck & have a good time! Our next community club meeting will be on Tuesday, Oct. 9 at 5:30 pm. We will be having a potluck dinner and electing new officers for the coming year. The meat will be provided so bring your favorite side dish/dessert. Please plan to attend and support your community!

Tammy Jackson, Secretary
Wolftown Community Club

OBITUARIES

Robert “Bob” D. Parker

Robert “Bob” D. Parker, 57, of Cherokee, passed away Monday, Oct. 1, 2018 after an extended illness.

Bob was a member of the Cherokee Methodist Church and a self-employed mechanic and truck driver.

He is survived by his son, Robert “Bo” Claude Parker of Okeechobee, Fla.; one daughter, Kansas Leigh Parker of Cherokee; two grandchildren; sister, Claudette “Cookie” P. Williams of Willis, Texas; brother, Ben D. Parker of Cherokee; close family friend, Annie Dale Lawrence; and several nieces, nephews, and countless friends.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Claude and Jean Craig

Parker; grandson, Christopher Henry Parker; brothers, Donald L. Parker, Michel J. Parker, and Claude E. Parker; sisters, Mary Ann “Susie” Parker and Louise Parker; grandparents, Ben and Flora Parker, Don and Bertha Craig; and special mention Emmaline Cucumber.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Oct. 5 at the Cherokee Methodist Church with funeral services to follow at 1 pm. Pastors Steve Phillipi and John Feree officiated. Burial followed at the Craig Cemetery. Pallbearers will be among family and friends.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Parker family

Dorothy “Boots” P. Swimmer

Dorothy “Boots” P. Swimmer,

89, went home to the Lord Sept. 28, 2018 from injuries sustained in a car accident.

She was the daughter of the late Ben and Kina Powell. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 64 years, Isaac D. Swimmer; one son, David P. Swimmer; one grandson, Tsa-ni A. Youngdeer; and a great grandson, Cayden T. Lossie.

Boots was lovingly known to a couple of her grandsons as “Granny Grump” and to many simply as “Mom”. Boots was a home maker. She worked as a guide at the Indian Village for a number of years. She was an avid bead worker, and a master maker of pickled beans, krout, and anything that could be pickled, canned, or frozen.

She is survived by sons, Ben, William, and James (Dean) Swimmer (wife Lola); her daughters, Bobbi and Russell George, Kina Swimmer, Anita Thompson, Bonnie and Barney Youngdeer of Cherokee, Dinah and Jerry Melton of Puryear, Tenn.; 10 grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren; and many special friends.

Funeral services were held at Long House Funeral Home on Tuesday, Oct. 2. Pastors Bobby Watts and James “Bo” Parris officiated. Burial followed at the Ike Swimmer Cemetery. Pallbearers were among family and friends.

John Moses Harlan

John Moses Harlan, 39, of Cherokee, passed away Sunday, Sept. 30, 2018.

He is survived by his father, Moses Lossiah; several Harlan family aunts and uncles and several Lossiah family aunts and uncles; and many cousins.

John was preceded in death by his mother, Angela Harlan; and

his grandparents, John and Vivian Harlan.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, Oct. 3 at Long House Funeral Home. Pastor James “Bo” Parris officiated. Burial followed at the Wrights Creek Baptist Church Cemetery. Pallbearers were among family and friends.

Larkin Fourkiller

Larkin Fourkiller, 78, of Franklin, passed away Sept. 29, 2018, battling cancer.

He was born in Tahlequah, Okla., the son of Judge Fourkiller and Daisy England Fourkiller.

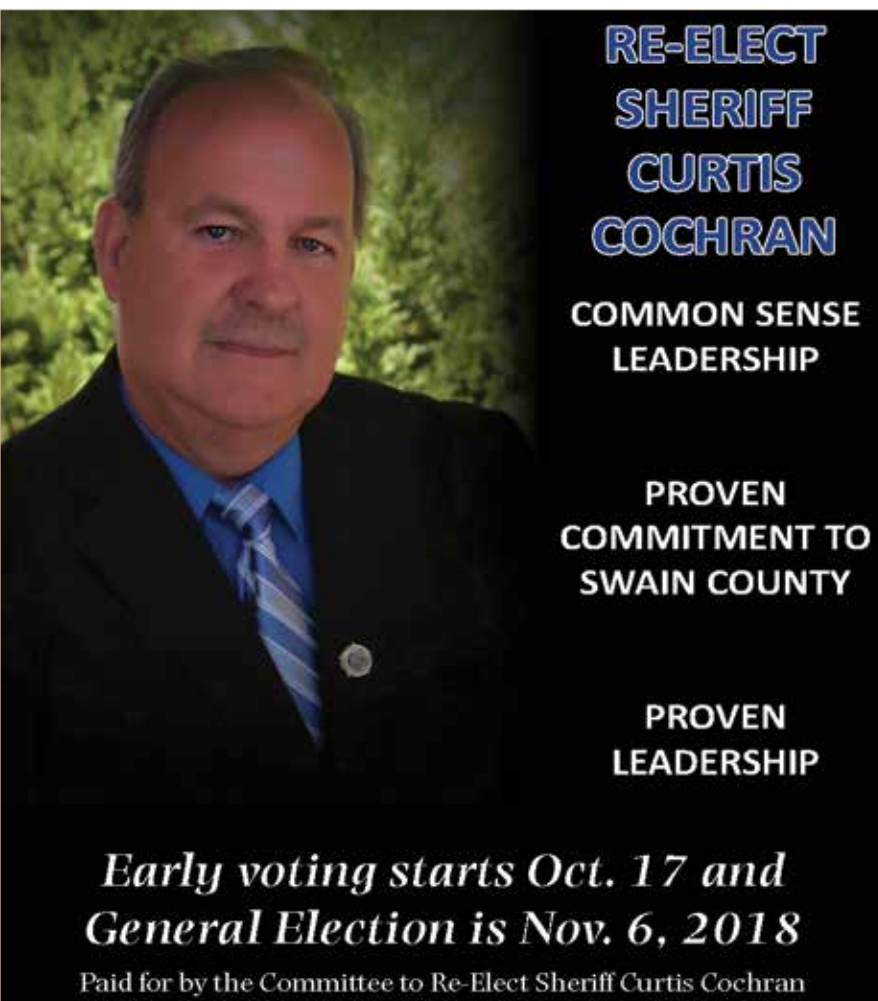
In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his brothers, Billy Fourkiller, Commodore (Red) Fourkiller, and his sisters Florence Soap, JoAnn Maclamore, Jon-Ann Wolf, and Marie Fourkiller Wilson, and a daughter Tonya.

He is survived by two sons, Larkin and Shawn, and daughter Sherry of Kokomo, Ind., and Paislee Fourkiller-Raby of Cherokee, 13 grandchildren, and three great grandchildren.

Larkin, a full-blooded Western Cherokee, was taken from the home around age 8 and placed into Winedot boarding school and later returned to graduate from Stilwell High School, Stilwell, Okla. After school he pursued masonry and moved from Okla., to Kokomo, Ind. He continued to use his masonry skills throughout his lifetime.

In 1974, he moved to Cherokee and contracted for, and bricked, the first 200 native American government homes built on the Qualla Boundary.

Larkin was well known in the five western North Carolina counties. He was a fluent speaker and taught the Cherokee language in local schools. Larkin enjoyed



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playing golf and watching Oklahoma University football, and also making fine jewelry.

He loved this area for its mountains and beauty and enjoyed sitting on the back porch of his cabin in the Cat Creek area overlooking his pond for the last 22 years. His charisma allowed him to communicate with people and also wildlife. Larkin's ability to make you feel special was a knack that served him well. He was also a spiritual man who believed in eternal life.

Upon Larkin's request, his remains are being donated to MedCure, a company who will study his body to help understand the native-American anatomy.

A celebration of his life was held Saturday, Oct. 6 on the Oconaluftee Island Park in downtown Cherokee. All friends and relatives are invited. Condolences can be sent to fourkiller4@gmail.com.

Larkin did not want a formal funeral. He looked at the word funeral and pronounced it "FUN-u-all." (I had FUN you all.)

Dianne Sue Wildcatt

Dianne Sue Wildcatt, 54, of Cherokee, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2018 at the Cherokee Indian Hospital after a brief illness.

She is survived by her children, Elisha Wildcatt, Jami Kirkland (husband James Marlin Panther), Chris Kirkland, Stephen Kirkland (wife Erin), and Carrie Wildcatt; 13 grandchildren, Byron Locust, Laila Locust, Jalee Panther, Marla Panther, Arthur Locust, Shawnee Kirkland, McKyan Panther, Blake Sequoyah, Khloe Sequoyah, Parker Kirkland, Ohnalise "Timbi" Panther, Addison Wildcatt, and Jaxson Wildcatt Kirkland; sisters, Hattie Milholen, Melitia Lossiah, Sally Davis, and Kathleen Mendez; aunt,

Gwen Wildcatt; brother-in-law, Soberio; and several nieces and nephews.

Dianne was preceded in death by her parents, Boyd (Bodie) Wildcatt and Bessie Jackson Wildcatt; brothers, Johnson Lee Wildcatt, Abraham Wildcatt, and Jack William Wildcatt; one sister, Lucy Wildcatt; niece, Amy Arch; grandbabies, Danner and Danya Kirkland; and uncle Raymond Jackson.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, Oct. 7 at 2pm at Long House Funeral Home. Pastor Dan Conseen officiated. Burial followed at the Ben Family Cemetery on Fisher Branch in the Birdtown Community. Pallbearers were Stephen Kirkland, Byron Locust, Dee Dee Wildcatt, Christopher Kirkland, Richie Kirkland, and Johnny Wildcatt.

Robert "Squinch" Edward Long

Robert "Squinch" Edward Long, 77, of Cherokee and Stanley, NC passed away Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2018.

He loved his family and loved fishing. He was a master carpenter for many years and a machinist at Gaston County Dyeing Machine Company. He was a member of TERO Board for several years. He loved his Yorkie Bo.

Squinch is survived by his wife of 50 years, Kay Sherrill Long; two children, Laraine Josie Long and Leonard Long (wife Rose); six grandchildren, Samuel Lloyd Owle "Jim Bob", James Edward Owle "Joe Don" (wife Keyonna), Tre Owle, Miranda Ray Long Stamper (husband Rob), Michelle Lynn Long, and Madison Hye Long; nine great grandchildren; brothers, James "Butch" Long (wife Carol), Charles Hornbuckle, David Hornbuckle,

Paul Hornbuckle (wife Mary); sisters, Glenda Crowe (husband Mark), Rosie Hornbuckle, Gaynelle Saturday, and Sherry Hornbuckle; also surviving are many nieces, nephews, and cousins in Cherokee and Robbinsville.

Squinch was preceded in death by his parents, Ed Anderson and Laura Long Hornbuckle; one brother, Glenn Long; and two sisters, Marilyn "Sis" Crowe and Danita Chiltoskie.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A colleague might offer to open a door for you professionally. But before you walk through it, be sure this "favor" isn't attached to an obligation you might find difficult to discharge.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your creativity, your persistence and your reliability could lead to a major career shift. Be sure to use that other Taurean trait, your practicality, when discussing what the job offers.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A changing situation might require some adjustments you might not have been prepared to make. However, flexibility in this matter could be the best course to follow at this time.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You're in a period of fluctuating moods, which is not unusual for the Moon Child. Your emotions stabilize by the 26th. Meanwhile, try to hold off making major decisions until then.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) That keen sense of perception helps you hunt down those minute details that others overlook. And, of course, your Leonine ego will accept the expected praise with good grace.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Be careful not to be confrontational when raising a work-related issue. Better to make a request than a demand. And, of course, be prepared to back up your case with facts.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, Oct. 6 at the Rock Springs Baptist Church. Pastors David McClure and Scott Chickalee officiated. Burial followed at the Long Cemetery on Bigwitch. Pallbearers were Samuel Lloyd Owle "Jim Bob", James Edward Owle "Joe Don", Tre Owle, Rob Stamper, Jim Owle, and Dave Stamper.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Long family.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your ego might be hurt when a colleague turns down your offer to help. But accept it as a rejection of your offer, not of you. A friend from the past could re-emerge by week's end.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A flow of positive energy turns a work project you didn't want to do into something you actually love doing. Now, take that attitude into your social, intimate life — and enjoy what follows.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Working hard to meet your professional goals is fine. But don't neglect your private life, especially where it concerns your more cherished relationships.

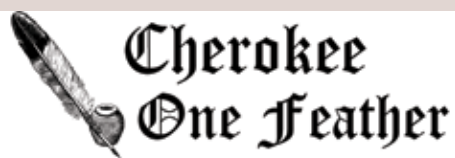
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) "Patience" remains the key word in dealing with an emotionally sensitive situation involving a close friend or family member. Help comes your way by week's end.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) With new information coming in, it's a good time to rethink some of your goals without taking suggestions from others, no matter how well-meaning they might be.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Making progress on your project is relatively easy in the early part of the week. A problem could arise mid-week. But all goes swimmingly once it's resolved.

BORN THIS WEEK: Holding fast to your principles, no matter what, inspires others to follow your example.

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2019 Tribal Elections

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

Although to make law, the election year has been shortened to begin January; we are now within 12 months of our tribal elections. At that time, we will be selecting our leaders. The offices of Principal Chief, Vice Chief, and every Tribal Council seat will be elected. Other important and often neglected seats to be filled within our tribal organizations are those of half the School Board. Candidates for all these seats will be on the ballot in September 2019.

Candidate filling is just five months away (March 2019). Those with the ready cash and the ability to pass the Election Board's background

check will be put before us for consideration to be leaders of our Tribe. They will make law, interpret law, enforce law,

and decide who has jobs, how your health care is handled, what kind of education your children will receive, what your golden years will look like, influence financial stability and quality of life for the 16,000 plus members of the Tribe and thousands of others whose lives are impacted by the decisions of our tribal government.

Elected officials serve at the pleasure of the people. Each one of us who goes to the ballot box each election cycle plays a part in electing Chief and Vice Chief positions. Each community member going to the polls selects who will serve as their representative on Council and School Board. You, the member of the community, have a duty to choose those who will serve your interests to the best of their ability for the years to come.

Electing our government officials is a weighty responsibility. Those we select will be tasked with doing what is best for the entire Tribe. They should be familiar with the needs of the people and have the wisdom and heart for the good of the people to

strategize and execute plans to meet those needs. And, while they may be selected by a smaller segment of the community, they must govern with the needs of the entire Tribe in mind. If their thoughts are on pleasing a select few, our elected officials will not address the growing needs of the many.

Our leaders will be managing the tribal budget, which fluctuates between \$250 and \$300 million annually. Multiple programs providing hundreds of services will need wise guidance in using those funds to the betterment of the tribe for today and our tomorrows. Those controlling the purse-strings need to have the expertise in accounting and program management to ensure that they can lead through tightening and loosening those strings at the right time and for legitimate need.

The quality of the leadership of this Tribe depends on you.

Who can best govern this nation? Who has the integrity? Who has the wisdom? Who has the education?

Who has the experience? These are the questions each member of our tribe must answer in the coming months. An election should not be able to be purchased for a personal favor or pocket change. Your vote is too important for that. The future of the Tribe hangs in the balance every time you go to the polls. For those who claim that it doesn't matter what you say because they are going to do what they want anyway, elections are so that you may say something that will be heard. Nothing speaks louder to a servant-leader than the voices of his/her constituents.

The quality of the leadership of this Tribe depends on you. Don't wait until the last minute to start your decision-making process. Some of our tribal members have already commented that they will be running for seats of leadership in our government. Some are easily assumed will be running for seats. Begin your analysis now. Think globally,

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not just in individually families or communities. Think about what you want your Tribe to look like in 5, 10, even 20 years. If you have children, grandchildren, what kind of legacy will your vote leave for them?

Deliberate voting requires sacrifice. It will require that you pay attention to the words and actions of those who will be seeking seats of power. You will have to research character, education, and experience.

Would you make a good servant-leader? Could you stand for the right of the people and do the right thing for the people, even at the cost of being unpopular? Because, if you think you would be, you should be getting in the game now. It isn't that I don't think we

have good, competent leadership now. It isn't that I think we don't already have the best. The reality is, it doesn't matter so much what I think as it does what we think collectively.

There will be many who will not cast a vote who are eligible. Again, there are the "doesn't matter what I think they are going to do it their way" thinkers who would rather concede to be victims than to attempt to make change and risk failure. There are those that live too far away to get back here to cast and don't meet the criteria for absentee. There are those who have physical and other limitations that may prevent them from registering or voting absentee. If you know someone like this and can help them to vote, please do. The more voices that are heard in the election, the more unified and satisfied with the results we all will be.

The Cherokee Indian Fair this year was fantastic. The weather was the best I have seen in years of participating in the Fair. I told someone that it almost didn't seem like Fair-time at all with the warm weather and lack of significant rain. Tuesday, spectators lined the streets to see the spirit of Ga Du Gi parades down our streets. On Wednesday, that same spirit was evident with all the children on the Fairgrounds. Thursday, two large tents were overflowing with our spirit that flows from our elders and the same was true on Friday with our veterans. And on Saturday, the spirit of unity showed forth as our people came out to celebrate the community. The Fair is an example of bringing resources and expertise together to create something uniquely Cherokee to the people, in a way that we enjoy and share. I overheard people talking who

don't see or talk to each other all year long. But they find each other at the Fair. Any old wounds are mended. Any old quarrels settled. It is an opportunity to unify and begin again.

The Cherokee One Feather will be holding candidate forums/debates at the Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center in June, after the primary. That will be one of many opportunities to get to the know the candidates for the general election, another educational opportunity for voters.

May the 2019 election, as in past elections, be a time when we concentrate on the good of the tribe in unity. It is something that may only be accomplished if we all work together to achieve it. If we make it our mission to vote wisely, we will reap the benefits. If we don't, then we will reap what we have sown.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Medicare and the 2018 elections

On July 30, 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed into law legislation that established the Medicare and Medicaid programs. Are you or someone in your family receiving Medicare benefits? If so, you are among many others currently benefitting from this program. The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) projects that health care costs will keep rising above the rate of inflation.

Your vote in the November election could help to determine whether you or your family and friends face increased costs for Medicare and reduced benefits. Neither U. S. Senators Burr nor Tillis are up for election this year but all U. S. House of Representatives are up for election or re-election. In our district, incumbent Mark Meadows is being opposed by Phillip Price.

In a recent AARP Bulletin, four questions for candidates about Medicare were listed. They are:

1. Do you believe Medicare should be cut as a way to reduce the budget deficit?
2. Do you favor converting Medicare to a voucher program?
3. What changes would you make to ensure that individuals continue to get promised benefits?
4. Do you support expanding coverage to include hearing, vision and dental care?

The candidates for Congress are deeply divided on the question of Medicare benefits and costs. Ask Meadows and Price the above questions. Please consider carefully which one represents what is best for your family and how you and your family might be affected by increased costs and reduced benefits.

Mary A. Herr
Cherokee

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Time to clear up the governing document confusion

JOSEPH MARTIN
ONE FEATHER STAFF

Is the Charter and Governing Document legally our governing document or isn't it? This is a question that has continued ever since it was adopted, by Council resolution, in 1986. Legal or not, it wasn't adopted by the tribe through a vote of adult tribal members in an election at the time, and that's problematic. It's what consistently clouds the issue of the document's validity.

This certainly was a problem during my last term at the One Feather, and it's one that continued throughout my tenure. I still remember the letters from the late Nancy "Longtongue" Long questioning the current governing document, oftentimes referring to the Lloyd Welch Constitution as our official constitution.

The old Eastern Cherokee Defense League was constantly harping on the constitution issue, and I'm willing to bet if I called up defense league co-founders Mary "Missy" Crowe or Lisa Montelongo, I'd probably still get an earful about it.

Since I first started at this publication in 1996, only once has a constitution come up for a vote of the people. That was in 1999,

where a committee of tribal members from each community worked together to draft a constitution. They worked hard to come up with something that addressed tribal members residing off trust land and how to properly represent them. They addressed the weighted vote. Their constitution was a solid document, but it failed by a large margin. There were plenty willing to go out and urge voters to reject it. In fact, it would be fair to say that some voters rejected the document without even reading it.

There have been some attempts to address this by trying to get some kind of constitution to a vote. Former Woltown Rep. Susan Toineeta has brought it up, and so did the late former Vice Chief Carroll "Pee Wee" Crowe. Former Principal Chief Patrick Lambert put one out. Whatever the efforts were, even to the point of drafting a document, they went nowhere.

The problems with the current Charter and Governing Document are this:

- It only provides for two branches of government. While we do have a tribal court system (set up in the Tribal Code), its powers and limitations are not defined in the governing document, and its scope can be changed through a tribal council ordinance, and that brings us to the

next point.

- The checks and balances in place are questionable at best. In fact, the document gives council power (land issues, estates) that would be better served through the courts.
- There is no provision affirming the civil rights of tribal members. That's important, because part of limitation of power is affirming the rights of tribal members to hold their representatives, legislative and executive, accountable. Tribal Council's recognition of the federal Indian Civil Rights Act of 1968 can always be rescinded, if it even gets enforced in the first place.
- The current system of weighted votes doesn't fully address the issues of equal representation of all communities in the way that a bi-cameral legislature would. As it occurred in the United States' founding over whether we'd be better served through equal representation by state or with more representatives in states with higher populations, it seems such a system would better serve the Tribe than the weighted vote. But this is one area where a small chance of reaching consensus exists, if any chance exists at all.
- It continues to be a source of contention, particularly when trying to regulate qualifications for office.

Will this document be some-

thing that pleases everyone? No, of course not. Will most have portions of the document they find disagreeable? They will. Does disagreeing with a portion of the document justify killing the whole, for which most of it is agreeable? No, it doesn't.

The beauty of most constitutions is that they're amendable. Should the need to do so arise and most voters agree with the change, it will happen. Don't throw the baby out with the bath water.

It's crystal clear that there is a need for a document with no ambiguity, that spells out all checks and balances, sets the powers of all three branches of government, and will recognize the civil rights for which all tribal members have been ordained.

The current group pushing a constitution seems to have come up with a good document. It's also a time when the constitution being put before the people actually came from the people, not politicians, not their appointed committee members, the people. It actually started with one lone member of the Yel-lowhill Community who wanted to discuss our governing documents. It's time to end the confusion; give the power to the people and adopt a real constitution.



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EBCI Legal Assistance also handles child custody representations under certain conditions.
Please call to determine if you qualify and if the program can represent you.

Benefits and Fundraisers

Benefit for Dinah Jumper. Oct. 12 from 11am – 1pm at Yellowhill Activity Center. Menu: Hamburger steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, and drink for \$8. All proceeds will go to assist Dinah as she's unable to work due to a procedure she had on her leg.

Church and Religious Events

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Fantastic Potato Bar. Oct. 14 from 11:45am – 2pm at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Sylva. Drinks and dessert included. Dine-in or carry-out: \$8 for adults, \$5 for children. Info: Glenda Jarrett, regent, 488-3348

Cherokee Church of God Revival. Oct. 14-19 (or longer) at 6pm nightly at the church.

Cultural Events

Kananesgi Basket and Carving Festival.

Nov. 3 from 10am – 4pm at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Accepting vendors. This is open to any EBCI tribal member who makes baskets, weaponry, carvings, instruments, or wood burnings. Demonstration stipends available. To register, call Tonya 359-5545

General Events

Wolftown Community Box Supper and Bingo on Saturday, Oct. 13 from 6 - 9pm. (Submitted by Tammy Jackson, Wolftown Community Club secretary)

Cherokee Community Chorus. The Cherokee Community Chorus will hold its first practice for the 2018 Christmas Program on Thursday, Oct. 11 from 6 - 8pm at the Cherokee Baptist Church located at the traffic intersection in Cherokee across from Kentucky Fried Chicken. Everyone who likes to sing and enjoys the camaraderie of other people who love

to sing are encouraged to join the Chorus. There is no audition. Everyone and anyone who wishes to join is welcome. Info: Mary Wachacha 497-5350, Frella Beck 497-3671, or Teresa Sweet 736-1256

Swain County Democratic Party meeting.

Oct. 16 at 6pm at Swain County Senior Center at 125 Brendle Street in Bryson City. All are welcome. Info: Brenda Donargo 488-1118

Jackson County Democratic Party meeting.

Oct. 16 at 6:30pm at party headquarters at 500 Mill Street in Sylva. The meeting is open to all Democrats. JCDP monthly meetings include all precinct officers and party executive officers, as well as representatives of auxiliary organizations (Men's Club, Democratic Women, Young Dems). Frank C. Burrell, chair of JCDP, will preside. Info: www.jacksonsdems.com

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WEEKLY FISHING REPORT

OCTOBER 8-14, 2018

WATERSHED	STOCKING	PRODUCTIVITY	ACTIVE SPECIES	HATCHES	FLY/BAIT
Tuckaseigee River	Stocked Oct. 2-3	Morning/Evening	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout, Brook Trout, Smallmouth Bass	Caddis and Stonefly	Eggs, Woolly Buggers, Hares Ears, Hot Bead Frenchies
Chattooga & Whitewater Rivers	N/A	Morning/Evening	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout	Terrestrials, Yellow Sallies, Caddis	Caddis, Inch worms, Beetles, Walts worm
Inside GSMNP Oconaluftee River & Small Streams	Follow posted regulations-wild trout	Morning/Evening	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout, and Brook Trout	Terrestrials, Yellow Sallies, Little Green Stones, Sulfurs	Ants, Beetles, Caddis, Frenchies, Walts worms, Girdle bugs

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BEST FISHING TIMES BASED ON THE LUNAR CYCLE

MONDAY, OCT. 8	TUESDAY, OCT. 9	WEDNESDAY, OCT. 10	THURSDAY, OCT. 11	FRIDAY, OCT. 12	SATURDAY, OCT. 13	SUNDAY, OCT. 14
BEST	BEST++	BETTER	GOOD	AVERAGE	AVERAGE	AVERAGE
12:41 AM-2:41 AM 1:06 PM-3:06 PM	1:32 AM-3:32 AM 1:52 PM-3:57 PM	2:22 AM-4:22 AM 2:46 PM-4:46 PM	3:11 AM-5:11 AM 3:36 PM-5:36 PM	4:01 AM-6:01 AM 4:26 PM-6:26 PM	4:51 AM-6:51 AM 5:16 PM-7:16 PM	5:41 AM-7:41 AM 6:06 PM-8:06 PM

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of 3 Kings in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Who said, "I indeed baptize you with water, but He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit"? *Matthew Mark, John the Baptist, Luke*
3. Jesus says that you have to do this to see the kingdom of God? *Love one another, Be born again, Do what's right, Tithe*
4. From Leviticus 14, how long was a "clean" person required to remain outside their tent? *1 night, 2 nights, 4 days, 7 days*
5. What town or city was Saul of Tarsus near when he converted to Christianity? *Damascus, Assos, Corinth, Gaza*
6. Which apostle's mother-in-law is referred to as being healed of fever? *Peter, Judas, James, Andrew*

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) John the Baptist; 3) Be born again; 4) 7 days; 5) Damascus; 6) Peter
Comments? More Trivia? Visit www.TriviaGuy.com

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4-H “It’s Electric” program. Oct. 17 and 25 and Nov. 7 from 5:30 – 8pm at EBCI Cooperative Extension Office. Must attend two of the three sessions. All material provided, ages 11+. Prepare an Electric Project Book, and the top two winners get a free trip to 4-H Electric Congress in July 2019. 4-H enrollment forms must be completed to participate. Info: Sally Dixon, 4-H agent, srdixon@ncsu.edu

Jess and John Swayney Family Reunion. Oct. 27 at 12pm at Yellowhill Activity Center. Bring a covered dish. Info: Annie Owens 497-4041

Health and Sports Events

Archery at Big Y Gym. Each Tuesday at 6pm. All shooters are welcome. Deino and Allen, both certified instructors, will be assisting.

Painttown Men’s and Women’s Basketball League. Sign-up until Thursday, Oct. 11. Entry fee: \$350 men, \$250 women. Games will be played on Sundays starting Oct. 14. 10-person roster limit. All games will be played at Painttown Gym. Registration forms are available at Painttown Gym and can be emailed upon request. Info: 359-3345

Cherokee Cancer Support Group 20th Year Anniversary. Oct. 11 at 5:30pm at Betty’s Place at 40 Goose Creek Road. Cancer survivors and their families are invited to enjoy a catered dinner at 5:30pm. RSVP by Sept. 15 to 497-0788. If no answer, please leave a message.

WCU Catamount EBCI Appreciation Day. Oct. 13 at 3:30pm (kick-off) at EJ Whitmire Stadium. Food and fun available for all EBCI Western Carolina University alumni at the Gate 6 Hospitality Tent beginning at 1pm. Pre-game traditional Cherokee stickball across the river on the Intramural Field at 2pm – game by the Kolanvy Indian Ball Family. \$10 tickets for the event; tribal discount tickets only available at the WCU Cherokee Center until Oct. 11 at 4pm. Info: Sky Sampson 497-7920, snsampson@wcu.edu

Community Groups

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

Constitution Committee meets on Monday from 6 -8pm at the Shawn Blanton EOC Building in the IT Conference room. All are welcome to attend. Info: Lloyd Arneach 269-6498, Bo Lossiah 508-1781

Support Groups

Cherokee Living Well and Diabetes Talking Circle. This group, for community members with diabetes or pre-diabetes and their family and friends, meets at Tsali Manor on the third Thursday of each month from 12 - 1pm. Info: Nilofer Couture, MPH, RD, LDN, CDE, 497-9163 ext. 6459 or Nilofer.Couture@cherokeehospital.org.

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

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly schedule

Monday:

Wrap: 9:15 - 10am
Finding Tohi: 10 - 11am
Cherokee Culture: 11am - 12:30pm
Step by Step: 1:30 - 2:30pm
The 12 Steps of Yoga (located at Cherokee Choices): 2:30 - 4pm
Recovery Support: 4:30 - 6pm
Hi-De-Nv (Come with me) Recovery Support Group: 5 - 6pm

Tuesday:

Emotions: 9 - 11am
Life Recovery: 3 - 4pm

Wednesday:

Wrap: 9:15 - 10am
Wild Wednesday: 10:15am - 12pm
Adulting 101: 12 - 1pm
Healthy Boundaries: 1 - 2pm

Soulfit: 2 - 3:30pm
Staff Meeting: 3:30 - 4:30pm
We Belong: 5 - 6pm
Peacemaking Support Circle: 5 - 6pm

Thursday:

Life Recovery: 8:30 - 9:30am
Staff Meeting: 9 - 10am
Mindfulness Crochet: 10:30am - 12pm
Creative Writing: 1 - 3pm
Employment Skills: 3 - 4pm

Friday:

Wrap: 9 - 10am
Creative Recovery: 9 - 11am
Courage to Heal: 11am - 12pm
Fit for Recovery : 12:45 - 2:15pm
Cherokee Language & Culture: 2:30 - 4pm

All classes are open to clients of Analenisgi. The only classes that are open to the public are: Life Recovery, Recovery Support, Two Spirit and Peacemaking Support Circle. Info: 497-6892.

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

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

Cherokee Alzheimer’s Support Group meets the first Tuesday of every month from 5:30 – 6:30pm at Tsali Manor. This group is presented by The Alzheimer’s Association Western Carolina Chapter. Info: 359-6860

New enrollees of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (April 1 - Sept. 30 2018)

This is a list of new enrollees of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians who were officially enrolled between April 1- Sept. 30, 2018 who, unless otherwise prohibited by Tribal law, are eligible to receive a per capita distribution of distributable net gaming revenue for the period of April 1 - Sept. 30, 2018. This list is being published according to Cherokee Code Section 16C-4.

Alden Kyler Acheson
Angelina Marie Adams
Jesse Roman Douglas Adams
Kaylin Juliann Arch
Sean Julius Arch
Benson Cash Arkansas
Addison Grace Autrey
Jason Damon Bahe
Kylo Tobias Bark
Stacey Guadalupe Batres
Emberlyn Vera Beck
Connor Lane Bible
Lucas Phil Biddix
James Kai Bigwitch
Audrey Leigh Birchfield-Caldwell
Briar Grace Bird
Obie Finn Blankenship
Nalayah Ray Blanton
Tanner George Bolaños
Ku'ulei James Bone
Kyler Marie Brady
Luna Seraphina Brady
Paulette Lottie Brady
Keira Jade Bridges
Collin Randall Mitchell Brown
Jeremiah Dallas Brown
Maliyah Hope Brown
Paxton Michael Cable
Nakos Von Calhoun
Bellamy Tyler Tsa-Tsi Castillo

Dara Niweseah Tahmahkera Cody-nah
Isabella Loretta Cole
Aaliyah Jade Collins
Benjamin Deonta Collins
Kane Grayson Collins
Jacinea Marielle Contreras
Chieftain Rhys Craig
Rachel Alexandra Crotts
Elvis Agares Crowe
Saige Blair Crowe
Dominic Albus Cruz
Nadia Zendaya Cruz
Blossom Pearl Darnell
Hudson Fischer Deas
Kyler Keith Dougherty-Littlejohn
Jayda Devony Elgo
Scott Edward Everhart III
Zim Ettie Runt Flippo
Margarita Flores-Ledford
Keith Zyran Whisper Franks
Ellis Jamison George
Kimber Kreedance George
Leighton Cole George
Oliver Mack Freeze Gloyne
Waloshi William Gloyne
Leland Kane Goforth
Stetson Shane Goguen
Portia S. Gordon
Drew Henry Greene
Max James Greene
Tobias Allen Griffin
Scarlett Marie Griffith
Sloane Kelty Hampton
Blossom Lily Hicks
Tanner Vaughn Higgins
Jada Olivia Hill
John Dillenger Hornbuckle
Kloelynn Aurora Huskey
Kyler Anthony Huskey
Maurice Jordon Jackson
Harlyn Tynley James
Lincoln Cruz James
Kyson Shawn Jenkins
Deanna Meekah Johnson
Jordan Taylor Jumper

Whaylin Monroe Junaluska
Whitley Saylor Junaluska
Benjamin Thomas Kile
Hazel Rey Lanning
Stryder Virgil Ledford
Valeria Von Ledford
Skyler Renee Litton
Xerena Miandah Locust
Carver Henry Long
Yara Francine Long
L'Ree Aliyena Lossie-Cline
Jose Ramon Maciel Jr.
Avery Storm Martinez Bowers
Zeldon John Martinez
Lakelyn Ga-La-Lv-Di McCoy
Mischa Adley McCoy
Emma Brielle McKinney
Braison Miles McMillan
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Riley Ray Morris
Konchance Loma May Morris-Jenkins
Ashley Nicole Nance
Matthew Hunter Nance
Louis Antonio Navarro
Axel Reed Orr
Ryker Unido Amadayis Owle
Claudia Danielle Padron
Liam Cole Pensavalle
Jesse Zeke Pepion
Lainey Harper Faith Phillips
Braxton Gage Plummer
Kason Skyler Poe
Koen Benjamin Poe
Cherokee Rose Poplett
Ryanna Marie Poplett
Jericho Rexx-Andrew Queen
Lilianna Emiley Ramirez
Emmanuel Raul Ramos
Royce Royale Ramos
Anna Beth Rattler
Kymani Reed
Allana Stainez Rhinehart
Mackenzie Alice Nicole Rhinehart
Laura Ellen Rissmiller
Wa-Le-La Jae-D Roland

Saiden Michael Rose
Khya Leilani Sanchez
Mhya Amelia Sanchez
Sunshine Aray Sauerbrei
Jasiah Jaxon Saunooke
Laurel Anne Saunooke
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Kortni Rosalee Sills
Izabella Teresa Marie Smith
Khadijah Dreyton Soap
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Aliyah Christine Swayney
Onie Nyla Swimmer
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Anson Hale West
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EBCI Dispatch will not inform any individual over the telephone if a particular police officer, firefighter, paramedic or any other employee is working. If you would like to contact their respective agencies/departments for non-emergency related reasons, here are some of the most sought out department telephone numbers:

Cherokee Indian Police Department: 359-6600
Cherokee Fire & Rescue: 359-6584
Cherokee Tribal EMS: 359-6450
EBCI Animal Control: 497-6091
Natural Resources Enforcement: 359-6168
EBCI Family Safety: 359-1520
Cherokee Tribal Court: 359-1068
Cherokee Tribal Magistrate's Office: 359-6697
Cherokee Tribal Detention Facility: 359-6692

Other Telephone Numbers

National Suicide Prevention Hotline:
 1-800-273-8255
Domestic and Sexual Violence Hotline:
 488-5527/1-800-264-9611
Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority: 497-9163
Analenisgi: 497-6892
Cherokee Immediate Care Clinic: 554-5555
Tribal Council House: 359-7000
DaVita Cherokee Dialysis Center: 497-6866
Cherokee Transit: 269-5790



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FOR SALE

LAND FOR SALE – BLACK ROCK CREEK COMMUNITY; Great home sites and acreage available 15 minutes from Harrah's casino. 1.6 to 9 acre tracts just outside the Reservation in Jackson County, NC. Seller financing available at great terms. Contact Bruce Nelson (954) 232-8375. 11/22pd

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**TUESDAY,
OCT. 30
5:30PM -
8:30PM**

Old Cherokee High
School track on
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**** Must be in costume
to Trick-or-Treat*
No outside bags.
A trick-or-treat bag
will be provided.**



For more information:

Public Health and Human Services 359-6180
Radonna Crowe 359-6181 or radocrow@nc-cherokee.com



Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings

(Open until Filled):

- **Speech Language Pathologist Independent Contractor** - Must have a valid NC Speech Language Pathologist License. Masters of Science in Speech Language Pathology from an accredited program. Successful completion of National Certification Examination. 1 year of verifiable, supervised professional experience within the last 3 years. To learn more about this Speech Language Pathologist Job please send all resumes to the department head, elizabeth.young@ccs-nc.org or call 828.554-5128.
- **Special Education Teacher Assistant-Pathseekers** - Must have an Associate's Degree or 48 completed semester hours.
- **Full Time Occupational Therapy Assistant** - Must have an AA Degree in related field from accredited institution; must have one year experience. NC OTA License preferred.
- **Special Education Inclusion Classroom Teacher** - Must have valid NC Teaching license.
- **Part Time Custodian** - Must have high school diploma/GED.
- **JROTC Instructor** - Must have an Associate's Degree. Must be retired from the Army; must have an excellent record of military performance.
- **4 Hour Food Service Worker** - Must have high school diploma/GED.
- **Cultural Program Coordinator** - Master's degree preferred; Bachelor's degree required in Business or office related field. Work experience in business office management organization and related technical skill areas. Must have experience with budgets and grant writing. Must be social when dealing with the community. Experience with Cherokee Language and Culture preferred.

****Applicants who have accepted the Early Retirement Incentive Plan (ERIP) from EBCI or affiliated entity must wait 3 years before applying for employment.****

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or visit www.ccs-nc.org for more information.**



Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements



General Manager

Opens October, 11th 2018- Closes

October, 26th at 4:30 PM

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

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

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

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

The Cherokee Boys Club reserves the right to extend position closing dates or readvertise positions without notice.



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EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

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



POSITIONS OPEN

Closing Monday, October 15, 2018

1. **Finance & Investment Analyst** - Finance - Treasury (L10 \$41,082 - \$51,353)
2. **Family Safety Social Worker (Multiple)** - Family Safety - PHHS (L10 \$41,082 - \$51,353)
3. **Pipe Layer** - Tribal Construction - Operations (L6 \$28,372 - \$35,465)
4. **Teacher Assistant (Multiple)** - Qualla Boundary HS/EHS - PHHS (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)

Open Until Filled

1. **Senior Auditor** - Office of Internal Audit and Ethics (L14 \$58,794 - \$73,493)
2. **Medical Social Worker** - Tribal In Home Care Services - PHHS (L10 \$41,082 - \$51,353)
3. **Telecommunicator (Multiple)** - Public Safety Communications Center - Public Safety (L7 \$31,078 - \$38,848)
4. **Detention Officer** - Corrections - Public Safety (L7 \$31,078 - \$38,848)
5. **Certified Nursing Assistant** - Tribal In Home Care Services - PHHS (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
6. **Director of Information Technology** - I.T. (L15 \$64,206 - \$80,258)

Please attach all required documents

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

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EMPLOYMENT

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Optometrist
Dental Assistant II
Physician – Emergency Room
Director of Managed Care
EVS Specialist
Residential Technician – Snowbird
Residential Treatment Center
Residential Clinical Supervisor -
Snowbird Residential Treatment
Center
Certified Nursing Assistant – Tsali
Care (16 Positions)
CNA Medication Aide – Tsali Care
Center (2 Positions)
RN – Tsali Care Center (4 Positions)
RN Supervisor – Tsali Care Center
Driver/Medication Aide – Tsali Care
Center (2 Positions)

Ward Clerk – Tsali Care Center (3
Positions)

Housekeeper I – Tsali Care Center
Cook – Tsali Care Center (2 Posi-
tions)

Cook Aide – Tsali Care Center

To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions are open until filled. Indian preference does apply.

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Credentialing Clerk
RN – Snowbird Residential Treat-
ment Center
PTI RN – In Patient
Computer Specialist I
EVS Specialist

Residential Technician – Snowbird
Residential Treatment Center

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10/11. 10/11pd

MANDARA SPA – JOB POSITIONS Massage Therapist

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

treatment and retail sales.

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

Cosmetologist

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

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

For more information, contact Bruce Taylor, Spa Director 828-497-8550. 10/20pd

The TERO Office has the follow- ing Job Vacancies to post in the One Feather.

TERO Director

Job Bank Coordinator

Applications and job descriptions are available at the front office Monday – Friday from 7:45am – 4:30pm. You may contact the front office at 828-359-6421. Applications are due by 4pm on the closing date. Indian preference does apply. Deadline is October 19 @ 4:30pm.
10/18pd

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Targeted Case Manager – Family
Safety

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To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close October 18, 2018 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. **10/18pd**

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

RN – Snowbird Residential Treatment Center
PTI - Medical Laboratory Technician
Medical Technologist

To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close October 11, 2018 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. **10/11pd**

LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 18-067

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Fredrick Lee McCoy**

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

Sharon B. McCoy, 10 Copperhead Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719,
10/11pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 18-068

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Joshua Littlejohn**

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
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Deborah Littlejohn, PO BOX 1177,
Cherokee, NC 28719, **10/11pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 18-069

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Vivian Harlan**

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

Henrietta Victoria Harlan, P.O.
Box 527, Cherokee, NC 28719,
10/17pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 18-016

**In the Matter of the Estate of
GLENN DAVIS SR.**

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Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS
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Glenn Davis Jr., P.O. Box 2174,
Cherokee, NC 28719. **10/25pd**

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Cherokee, North Carolina
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**In the Matter of the Estate of
Joshua Squirrel**

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Tisa Squirrel, 776 Mountain
Noble Road, Cherokee, NC 28719.
10/25pd

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**In the Matter of the Estate of
Polly Ann Rattler**

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Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS
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Elsie Adalene Wolfe Rattler, 180
Elsie Rattler Road, Cherokee, NC
28719. **10/25pd**

**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
PROCESS BY PUBLICATION**

EASTERN BAND OF
CHEROKEE INDIANS
THE CHEROKEE COURT
CV-18-212

TO: UNKNOWN FATHER OF A
MALE CHILD, BORN OCTOBER 18,
2009 TO RESPONDENT MOTHER,
JILL CHANTAI SWAYNEY

TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought against you is as follows: TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS
Filed May 1, 2018 in EBCI Tribal Court

A written answer to the petition must be filed with the Clerk of Court within 40 days of the first publication of this Notice of Service of Process by Publication. You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than November 21, 2018. Your failure to do so may result in the Petitioner, Patricia Sequoyah Trampler, receiving the relief she seeks.

This the 10th day of October, 2018. Virginia Jordan, Attorney for the Plaintiff, 154 N. Main St., Ste. 1 Waynesville, North Carolina 28786 828-399-1912. **10/25pd**

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

**Request for Proposals General
Notice**

Qualla Housing Authority is requesting proposals from all interested qualified contractors for construction services and labor for QHA properties, including rental units on the Cherokee Indian Res-

ervation (Swain, Jackson, Graham, and Cherokee Counties).

QHA bid packages include:

- Portable Toilet Services
- Fire Extinguisher Services
- Fire Sprinkler Monitoring/Maintenance
- HVAC Installation
- HVAC Preventative Maintenance
- HVAC On-Call Services
- Pest Control Services
- Propane Gas Services

Bid packages can be picked up at the Qualla Housing Authority Warehouse located at 2234 Old Mission Road. All bids/proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope. The deadline for submissions is 4:00 p.m. on October 19, 2018. Proposals received after this time and date will be rejected. **10/11pd**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

EBCI HUMAN RESOURCES

POSITION CLASSIFICATION & COMPENSATION STUDY
Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians ("EBCI"), Human Resources Division is soliciting proposals from qualified and experienced Human Resources consultant entities to enter into an agreement to conduct a complete and comprehensive Position Classification and Compensation study of approximately 1200 Tribal employees. The study will include but not be limited to (1) a market compensation study comparing employees' base salaries with those found in the market; (2) a determination of whether there are market compensation differentials, and if so, the extent of those differentials; (3) classification of positions as exempt vs. non-exempt status consistent with Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA); (4) Hazard Pay for employees.

In addition to the above mentioned 1200 tribal employees, we are requesting a complete and comprehensive classification and compensation study for: (1) approximately 20 Tribal Boards and Committees; (2) Tribal Executive Office; (3) Tribal Council.

The complete scope of work to be provided by the firm to be hired as Contractor is part of a complete RFP document which may be obtained by contacting Tara Reed, Secretary of Human Resources, at the EBCI Human Resources, at 828-359-6390. tarareed@nc-chokeee.com. Completed proposals are due in the offices of the EBCI Human Resources by the close of business on Friday, October 12, 2018. They should be sent to Tara Reed—Secretary of Human Resources, 810 Acquoni Rd., Suite 200, Cherokee, NC 28719. Proposals must be submitted as

required in the RFP.

First preference will be given to qualified TERO contractors.

10/11pd

Requests for Qualifications

Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority Projects: Comprehensive Continuum of Long-Term Care Services – Master Planning & Site Analysis Services

The Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority is requesting qualifications for the completion of the above-mentioned project. The deadline for submitting a letter of intent will be November 8, 2018 at 2:30 p.m.

You may request the full RFQ and bid requirements for proposals through the CIHA. Please contact Lisa Crowe at (828)-497-9163 or lisa.crowe@cherokeehospital.org

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We want to share your stories.

The Cherokee One Feather would like to help you tell your stories through a column we call the "Veterans' Corner". If you or your family members would like to help you tell the Cherokee community what it was like for you while serving your community and nation, or what it has been like being a veteran, we would like to give you a forum to share your memories with the readers of the Cherokee One Feather. You don't have to be a writer. If you prefer to set up an appointment with our staff to share your moments, we will document, write, and publish your thoughts. You may send written stories to robejump@nc-chokeee.com and/or call 828-359-6482 to schedule a time for us to interview you. You may also stop by the One Feather offices at the Ginger Lynn Welch Building in Cherokee.

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YOUTH DIVISION (4-14)

BABY/TODDLER (0-3)

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PRIZES

Adult Division

Two \$25 Ruth's Chris Gift Cards
Great Smoky Mtn. Railroad Courtesy Pass for one adult and one child
Ultra-Star Family four-pack (Bowling, Arcade, Soft Drinks)
Smoky Mtn. HS Community Discount Card
Case of 8 oz Cherokee Bottled Water
Four movie passes to the Cherokee Phoenix
Fishing Derby Hat and draw-string bag
Zebco fishing rod and reel
"Cherokee History, Myths and Sacred Formula" by James Mooney
One-year subscription to the Cherokee One Feather

Youth Division

\$25 Gift Card to Ruth's Chris
Animal wood cut blank (for carving)
Ultra-Star Family four-pack (Bowling, Arcade, Soft Drinks)
Case of 8 oz Cherokee Bottled Water
Four movie passes to the Cherokee Phoenix
Fishing Derby Hat and draw-string bag
Zebco fishing rod and reel
"Cherokee History, Myths and Sacred Formula" by James Mooney

Baby/Toddler Division

Selu Garden Gift Certificate (Breakfast or Lunch for two)
Ultra-Star Family four-pack (Bowling, Arcade, Soft Drinks)
Case of 8 oz Cherokee Bottled Water
Four movie passes to the Cherokee Phoenix
Fishing Derby Hat and draw-string bag
Zebco fishing rod and reel

Pet Division

\$50 Gift Card for PetSmart
\$25 Gift Card for UltraStar Multi-tainment Center
Selu Garden Gift Certificate (Breakfast or Lunch for two)
Fishing Derby Hat and Draw-String Bag
Zebco Fishing Rod and Reel
Two movie passes to the Cherokee Phoenix

Submit your Halloween costume photos to us to win prizes! Photos will go into four albums at the One Feather Facebook page, and the photos with the most likes in each category win!!

Send photos to Scott at scotmckie@nc-chokeee.com or message them to us on our Facebook Page.

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