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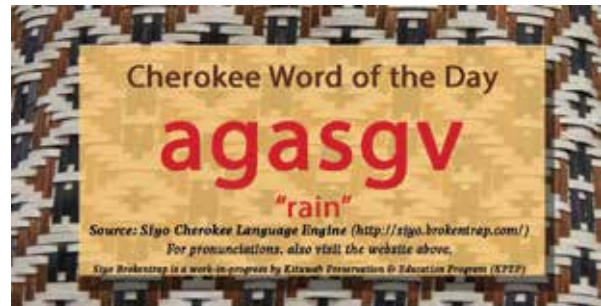
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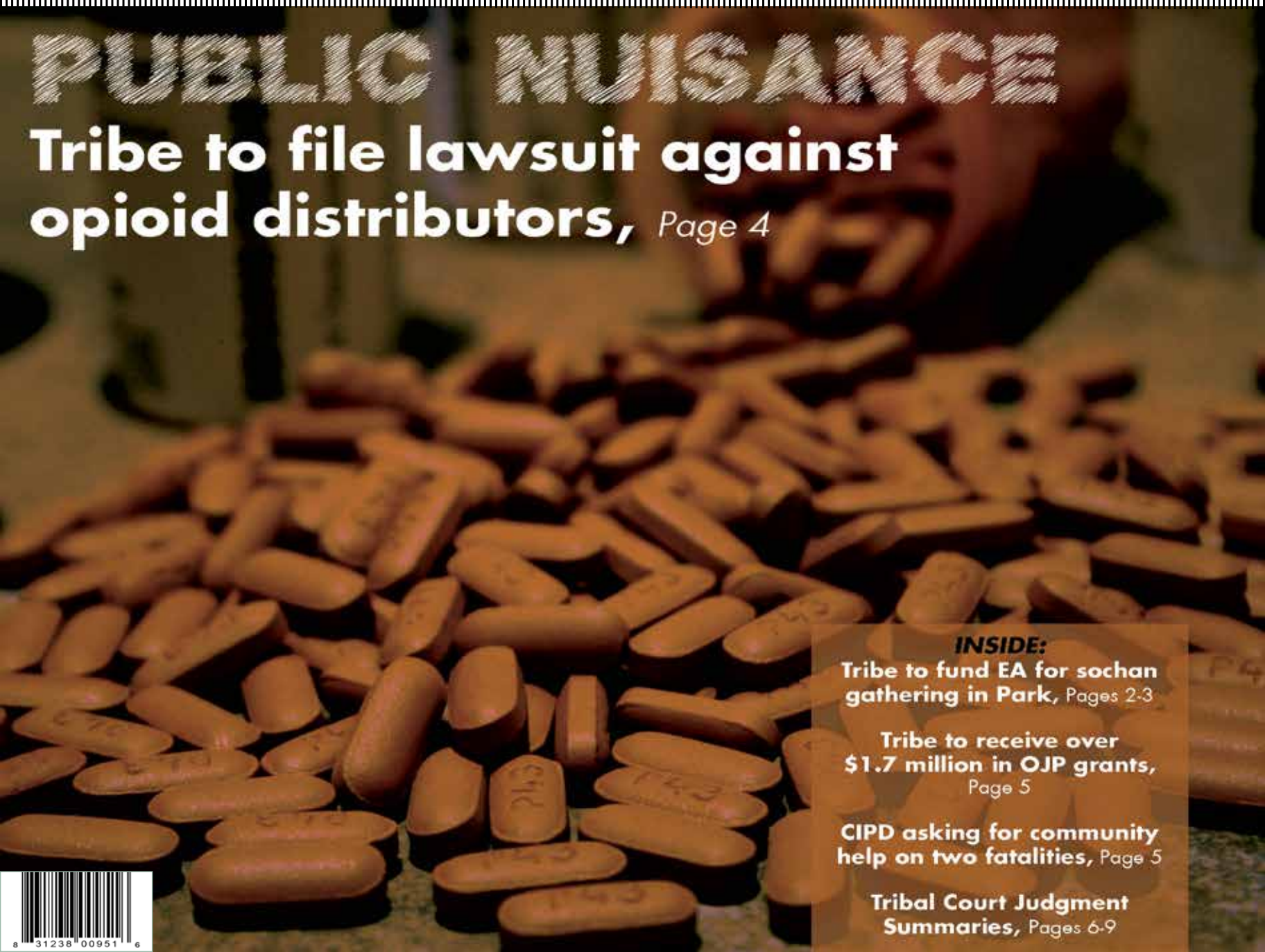
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# One step closer...

## Tribe to fund EA for sochan gathering in Park

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.  
ONE FEATHER STAFF

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is taking a step towards its members being able to legally gather sochan in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. During an Annual Council meeting on Monday, Oct. 9, Tribal Council allocated funds, not to exceed \$68,100, for an EA (environmental

assessment) on such gathering which is part of the process towards the Tribe entering into an agreement with the Park.

The National Park Service (NPS) approved changes to 36 CFR Part 2 (Gathering of Certain Plants or Parts by Federally Recognized Tribes for Traditional Purposes) in late June 2016. Tribes must enter into agreements with NPS and must have a "traditional association to lands within the national park and the plants must be gathered only for traditional purposes". The EA is required with a FONSI (finding of no significant impact).

The resolution passed by Tribal

Council on Monday was submitted by the EBCI Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources and states that the funds will be donated to the Friends of the Smokies, a non-profit organization, which shall facilitate the study.

Joey Owle, EBCI Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources, commented during discussion on the issue, "Right now, we'll need this funding to execute the largest part of this agreement which is the environmental assessment. Each plant will require a new environmental assessment to look at the harvesting techniques and impacts to the plant harvesting population...but we're going after sochan first."

During the discussion, several Tribal Council representatives questioned the amount of funding required and stated they didn't feel the Tribe should have to pay for the study.

"Well, I've got a problem with all of this," said Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke. "That's ridiculous."

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed said he originally balked at the funding as well. But, he noted that environmental groups opposed the rule change in the first place. "The fact that we got the rule change done at all was an accomplishment. The problem is that there is no funding attached to the rule change."

He added, "So, here's what we have to measure as a Tribe. Is the Eastern Band going to be a leader in Indian Country? We would be the first tribe to be able to gather in

a national park since the inception of the national park and their rules against gathering native plants."

Chief Sneed said he agreed that, in theory, the Tribe shouldn't have to pay for the study. "But, at the end of the day, environmental assessments have to be done. That's federal law. It has to be done. On the negative side, it sets a precedent that other tribes coming after us are going to have to pay as well to gather on national park lands that may be near their reservation. And, those other tribes may not have the resources that we have. But, I think on the flip side of it, if we don't take this action and move forward, then the whole rule change and all of the work on the front end was for naught. It's moot at that point because I can assure you the Trump administration is not going to fund EAs for tribes to be able to gather in the parks."

Dr. Joe-Ann McCoy, director of the Germplasm Repository at the North Carolina Arboretum, was present for Monday's discussion and noted that she and her colleagues are about to publish a sustainable harvest study on sochan. "We did nutrient panels on it and found it is as nutritious as kale. We did the sustainable harvest study. We found that the Cherokee method of harvesting actually benefits the plant, and the ones that were harvested actually produced more flower and fruit and seed than the ones that weren't harvested."

She went on to say, "It is the perfect first plant to use because it is so sustainable. It's going to be very hard to wipe this plant out."



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- Eligible to receive semi-annual per capita gaming distribution.
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- Must reside on trust land.

Applicants must apply at the HCD, Office located at 756 Aquoni Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. For more information, please contact Tina Larch, Homebuyer Services Coordinator at 828-359-6912; [tinalarch@nc-cherokee.com](mailto:tinalarch@nc-cherokee.com).

\*The First Step Home Loan Program will terminate after inventory is sold.

The Cherokee methods tend to be very sustainable, and this one is very sustainable.”

Becky Walker, an EBCI tribal member from the Birdtown Community, put the expenditure of funds into perspective. “I know that a lot of you are haggling with the amount of money that we’re proposing to put forward to this, but I invite you to think about some of the other things that we’ve spent money on that were pretty frivolous, probably meeting personal agendas. So, when you think about who we are, where our roots are, and what this land means to us, this is not just for us present-day. We’re talking about seven generations. We’re talking about your great-great grandchildren and those that are going to come and live in this community that aren’t

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- Becky Walker, an EBCI tribal member from the Birdtown Community

even born yet that will be able to gather in their ancestral homelands using the teachings of our ancestors.”

She said the funds will help for years to come. “When you look at it that way, that is an investment in our future for future generations to be able to live and eat healthier

foods, to eat foods that are organic, to eat foods that haven’t been sprayed with pesticides and hybridized and are a product of some GMO company somewhere that we don’t even know about.”

Once the rule was changed in June 2016, NPS Director Jonathan B. Jarvis said in a statement,

“The changes to the gathering rule support continuation of unique cultural traditions of American Indians and support the mission of the National Park Service. This also respects tribal sovereignty and the government-to-government relationship between the United States and the tribes.”

Director Jarvis actually visited Cherokee in 2010 and spoke with various tribal leaders and community members to hear concerns on the issue. “It became a mission of mine to fix this,” he said in a tribal consultation meeting at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center on July 16, 2010.

Once the study and formal agreement is finalized on the gathering of sochan, the Tribe will seek a similar study and agreement on the gathering of ramps.



(Pictured above Cheyenne Hoyle [middle] and Curtis Wildeatt [right])

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# Tribe to file lawsuit against opioid distributors

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In August, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians declared the opioid crisis a public nuisance. Now, the Tribe is filing litigation on the matter.

Tribal Council passed a resolution, submitted by Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, during Annual Council on Monday, Oct. 16 that approves the filing of a civil action and directs Special Counsel to take action “against all manufacturers and wholesale distributors legally responsible for causing or contributing to the opioid epidemic plaguing our Tribe”.

Chief Sneed said declaring the opioid crisis a “public nuisance” in August was the first step in establishing legal standing for the Tribe to file the lawsuit. “The foundational part of the lawsuit looks to hold the distributors responsible for the epidemic...the lawsuit is based on a DEA rule that states that distributors are required to report to the DEA anytime there is a suspicious or irregular pattern in the number of pharmaceuticals being ordered by pharmacies or doctors. This was during the height of the pill epidemic when pain clinics were popping up all over the country.”

He told Tribal Council that the opioid epidemic has claimed over

200,000 lives nationally. “That is three times the number of deaths of U.S. soldiers in the Vietnam War.”

Chief Sneed said the lawsuit is about saving lives in the future as well as helping the Tribe pay for services related to the epidemic including the Snowbird Residential Treatment Center, the new needle exchange program, and the Crisis Stabilization Unit at the Cherokee Indian Hospital – all of which total between \$6-7 million annually in costs to the Tribe.

“Should we prevail in court, any settlement funds would be designated for rehabilitation, education, and law enforcement,” he noted. “Once again, this would be the EBCI leading the way in Indian Country.”

He added, “That number is not going to come down anytime in the foreseeable future. In fact, the cost will probably increase year after year until we get a handle on this. Anything that we can do to help get funds that we, as the Tribe, have to pay for, these drug companies need to held accountable. This is a manufactured crisis.”

During discussion on the issue, Yellowhill Rep. Tom Wahnetah inquired, “Will this affect families that have lost loved ones if they choose to proceed with legal action against the pharmaceutical companies?”

Chief Sneed replied, “It would not. This is a totally separate approach, and this approach specifically deals with that DEA policy and the laws that say that the distributor has a responsibility to report any irregularities...that would be a personal injury case

that would be completely separate from this lawsuit.”

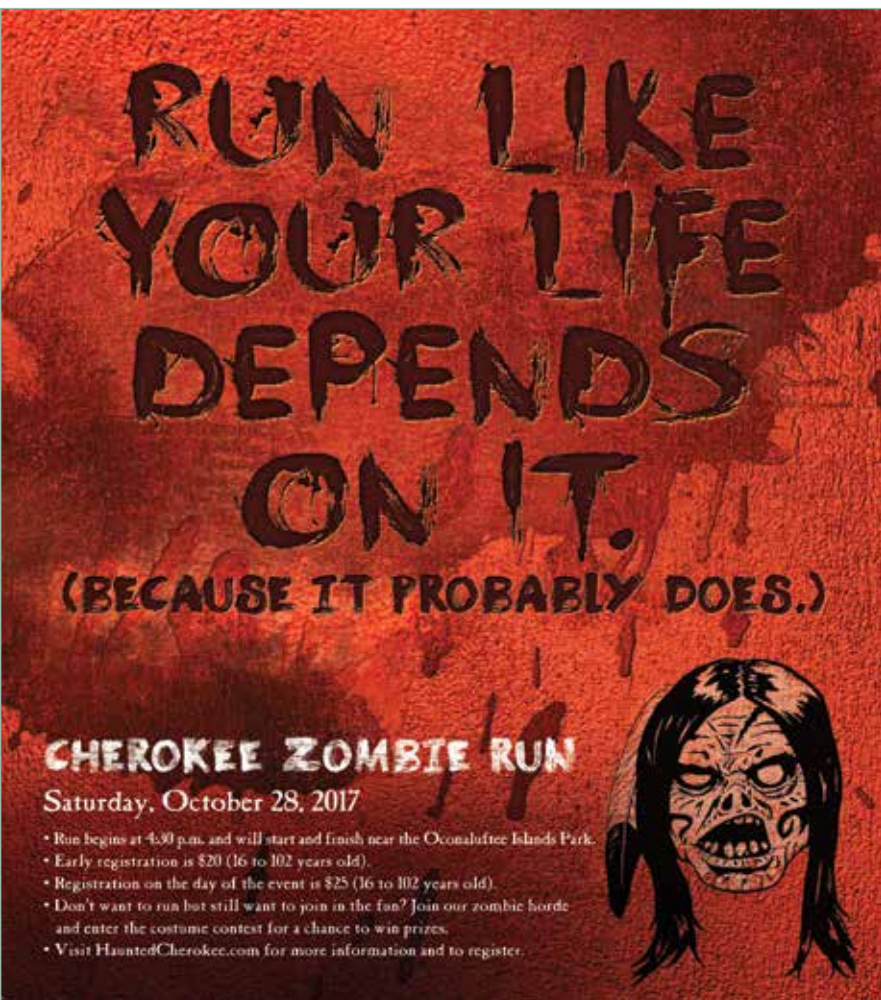
Big Cove Rep. Perry Shell commented, “It’s a scary situation what’s happening at the federal level. They’re a part of this problem. But, I see where the Cherokee Nation filed a lawsuit as well. What’s the difference in what we’re doing and have we thought about partnering up with a class action with other Indian tribes?”

Chief Sneed answered, “Their suit is different and the route that they’re going and what they’re trying to accomplish is different. Ours is based specifically on this one DEA rule that the distributors are supposed to report these irregularities in ordering.”

He went on to praise the Cherokee Indian Hospital for its efforts, “Hats off to our hospital for taking steps to make sure there is not over-prescribing happening at our hospital.”

The Cherokee Nation filed a lawsuit against six companies (McKesson Corporation; Cardinal Health, Inc.; Amerisource Bergen; CVS Health; Walgreens Boot Alliance, Inc.; and Wal-Mart) in April “charting the companies with failing to prevent the flow of illegally prescribed opioids to men, women, and children in the Cherokee Nation.”

Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Bill John Baker said at the time, “...I fear the opioid epidemic is emerging as the next great challenge of our modern era...we will also use our legal system to make sure the companies, who put profits over people while our society is crippled by this epidemic, are held responsible for their actions.”



## CIPD asking for community help on two fatalities

The Cherokee Indian Police Department issued two requests for help from the community on Wednesday, Oct. 18 involving two fatalities in Cherokee – one in September and another in August.

John Michael Arkansas (aka “Dobbs”), 57, was found lying on the roadway on Old No. 4 Road near the Cherokee Water and Sewer Treatment Plant on the afternoon of Wednesday, Sept. 6 at around 2:57pm. He later succumbed to his injuries and passed away while at Mission Hospital.

If you have any information pertaining to this ongoing investigation, you are asked to contact the Cherokee Indian Police Department 359-6600 or Sgt. Detective Jason Cable 359-6619.

Melvin Esmal Herndon, 86, of Eutaw, Ala., was found deceased by CIPD officers at the intersection of Hwy 19 and Jess Littlejohn Road on the morning of Thursday, Aug. 3 at around 7:20am. After the initial investigation, it was concluded that Herndon succumbed to injuries sustained from an apparent hit-and-run. After speaking with witnesses, CIPD officials believe the incident occurred early in the morning of Aug. 3 between 12:45-1am.

If you have any information pertaining to this ongoing investigation, you are asked to contact Traffic Sergeant Donnie Allen 359-6624.

*- One Feather staff report*

# Tribe to receive over \$1.7 million in OJP grants

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The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has been awarded three grants from the Justice Department’s Office of Justice Programs (OJP) totaling \$1,720,442. The grants will be used to combat domestic violence and improve public safety and victim services.

“For the Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Program itself, the grant will continue to fund the efforts of the program to address violence against Indian women by 1) providing transitional housing to victims, 2) coordinating outreach and awareness activities through the Intervention Project Coordinator position, 3) offering workshops targeted to tribal youth, and 4) providing a point of contact throughout the civil-legal system to aid victims through the process,” said Sunshine Parker, EBCI Public Health and Human Services Division health services director. “With this funding, the EBCI Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Program will 1) fund staff positions for a paralegal and intervention project coordinator; 2) assist clients with legal services that are avail-

able through the Domestic Violence Program, 3) fund, sustain, and improve the Transitional Housing Program, and 4) coordinate outreach services and awareness activities within the community.”

She added, “This is a partnership with the Cherokee Indian Police Department, Attorney General’s office, and other Tribal programs to plan and implement this project.”

In a joint statement, Hannah Smith, EBCI Attorney General’s Office, and Bonnie Claxton, EBCI Legal Assistance Office, related, “Two of the grants were written to work together in maximizing the Tribe’s existing resources by using data to improve outcomes in domestic violence and child abuse cases through coordination of law enforcement, the Attorney General’s office, and Public Health and Human Services. Using data will allow stakeholder programs to ensure that their resources are utilized to their full potential, thereby ensuring that our tribal members are being served to our best abilities. The goal of both grants is to measurably reduce the rates of violence and abuse over time by increasing enforcement and services to families.”

They went on to state, “A second and important initiative that the grants will provide is the education and training to develop trauma-informed systems. Systems that are trauma-informed will help improve intervention and prevention efforts around violence in our community.”

When the grant awards were announced, U.S. Attorney Jill Westmoreland Rose, stated, “Federal grants are an important funding source for a broad spectrum of agencies in the Western District (NC). Local law enforcement, non-profit service providers, community organizations, and tribal governments count on federal grants to supplement their resources, launch new initiatives, support existing programs, and provide important services to their communities.”

Other grants awarded in the Western District of North Carolina include: City of Charlotte (\$1,431,708); Mecklenburg County (\$718,794); 30th Judicial District Domestic Violence-Sexual Assault Alliance (\$600,000); Haywood County (\$450,000); and Helpmate, Inc. (\$350,000).

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# Tribal Court Report

## Judgment Summary for Sept. 20

### **AMMONS, Earl**

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea  
14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass - Dismissed on Plea  
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14-70.14 Obstructing Governmental Functions - Dismissed on Plea  
14-70.18 Providing Contraband - Dismissed on Plea  
14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest - Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea  
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14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana - Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.9 Drugs: Trafficking – Guilty Plea, 24 months active jail time, sentence shall begin at the expiration of 17CR1324 sentence  
14-95.9 Drugs: Trafficking – Guilty Plea, 36 months active jail time, credit for time served (118 days), sentence to run concurrent with any

state or federal active incarceration  
14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V - Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea

### **BIDDIX, Callie**

14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest – Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time suspended, 12 months probation, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment  
14-25.12 Disorderly Conduct – Dismissed on Plea  
14-70.18 Providing Contraband – Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea  
14-50.62(a)(1) Simple Assault (DV) – Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time suspended, 12 months probation, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment  
14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time suspended, 12 months probation, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment

### **BIGMEAT, Natasha**

14-70.14 Obstructing Governmental Functions – Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty Plea, 34 days active jail time, credit for time served (34 days)

### **CARROLL, Cheryl Leigh**

14-25.12 Disorderly Conduct – Guilty Plea, Prayer for Judgment Continued, PJC 120 days

### **CUCUMBER, Annie**

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed after Investigation  
14-95.11(d) Drugs: Possession with Intent – Paraphernalia – Dismissed after Investigation

### **DAVIS, Camille**

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty Plea, 21 days active jail time, credit for time served (21 days)

### **DRIVER, Randall D.**

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty Plea, no sentencing information provided  
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Guilty Plea, no sentencing information provided

### **ESQUIVEL-MARTINEZ, Angela Crystal**

14-10.9 Criminal Mischief – Guilty Plea, no sentencing information provided  
14-40.55 Assault With Deadly Weapon – Dismissed on Plea  
14-40.55 Assault With Deadly Weapon – Guilty Plea, no sentencing information provided

### **HORNBuckle, Ernestine Roberta**

14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed, Completed SAA  
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed, Completed SAA

### **JACKSON, Rain Edward Swimmer**

14-40.56 Assault on a Female (DV) – Guilty/Responsible, Batterer's Treatment, judgment stayed  
20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed

on Plea

### **LEDFOURD, Leslie Dawn**

14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Dismissed on Plea  
14-40.62(a)(1) Simple Assault – Guilty Plea, 30 days jail time suspended, 6 months probation, credit for time served (19 days)  
14-15.5 Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public – Dismissed on Plea

### **MARTINEZ, Angela Crystal**

20-111(2) Fictitious Registration Plate – Dismissed on Plea

### **TAYLOR, Jalen Robert**

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea  
14-20.8(1) Abusive Sexual Contact – Dismissed on Plea  
14-30.1(a)(1) Contributing to the Delinquency or Undisciplined of a Minor – Guilty Plea, 9 months jail time suspended, 1 year probation, 117 days active jail time, credit for time served (117 days), \$130 restitution ordered  
14-10.60 Larceny - Guilty Plea, 9 months jail time suspended, 1 year probation, 117 days active jail time, credit for time served (117 days), \$130 restitution ordered  
14-30.5 Child Abuse in the First Degree – Dismissed on Plea  
14-20.4 Sexual Abuse of Minor Ward – Dismissed on Plea  
14-70.14 Obstructing Governmental Functions – Dismissed on Plea

### **TEESATESKIE, Bennie**

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Guilty Plea, 120 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation  
14-05.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Guilty Plea, 120 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation  
14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea

**WELCH, Juliann**

14-10.9 Criminal Mischief – Dismissed on Plea  
14-10.11 Injuring Real Property - Dismissed on Plea  
14-2.2 Criminal Conspiracy - Dismissed on Plea  
20-7(a) No Operator's License – Guilty Plea, 8 days active jail time, credit for time served (8 days)

**WELCH, Paden R.**

14-15.6(a) Providing Alcoholic Beverages to persons under 21 – Dismissed Upon Completion of Deferred Prosecution, 30 days jail time suspended, 6 months probation, 72 hours community service, \$50 fine, \$190 court costs

**Judgment Summary  
for Sept. 27**

**BRADLEY, Erica Lea**

14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Dismissed with Leave to Refile  
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Dismissed with Leave to Refile  
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Dismissed with Leave to Refile  
14-10.60 Larceny - Dismissed with Leave to Refile  
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree - Dismissed with Leave to

Refile  
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14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree - Dismissed with Leave to Refile  
14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed with Leave to Refile  
14-95.7 Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver a counterfeit – Dismissed with Leave to Refile

**CALHOUN, Christopher Hayes**

14-30.3 Compulsory School Attendance – Dismissed, Interest of Justice

**HORNBUCKLE, Cynthia Regina**

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Guilty Plea, 30 days jail time suspended, 6 months probation, credit for time served (7 days), 12 hours community service, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment  
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea  
14-70.18 Providing Contraband – Dismissed on Plea

**LEE, Matthew Aaron**

20-140(b) Reckless Driving – Dismissed for Compliance  
14-10.11 Injuring Real Property – Dismissed for Compliance

**LONG, Rayelita Dawn**

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed after Investigation  
14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed after Investigation

14-95.10 Drugs: Importing Controlled Substance – Dismissed after Investigation

**LOSSIAH JR., Kirk**

14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Guilty Plea, 60 days jail time suspended, 9 months probation, \$120 restitution ordered

**TAYLOR, Talia**

14-95.10 Drugs: Importing Controlled Substance – Dismissed, Officer Unavailable  
14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Dismissed, Officer Unavailable  
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed, Officer Unavailable  
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed, Officer Unavailable

**WILDCAT, Craigan Stan**

14-10.51 Arson in the Second Degree – Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time suspended, 18 months probation, credit for time served (32 days)  
14-10.51 Arson in the Second Degree – Dismissed on Plea  
14-10.51 Arson in the Second Degree – Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time suspended, 18 months probation, credit for time served (32 days), defendant on intensive supervised probation  
14-10.51 Arson in the Second Degree – Dismissed on Plea  
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14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed on Plea

14-40.56 Assault on a Female (DV) – Dismissed on Plea  
14-40.62(a)(1) Simple Assault – Dismissed on Plea  
14-10.51 Arson in the Second Degree – Dismissed on Plea

**Judgment Summary  
for Sept. 28**

**BRADLEY, Calvin**

14-15.5 Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public – Guilty Plea, 61 days active jail time, credit for time served (61 days)  
14-5.7 Littering – Dismissed on Plea  
14-15.5 Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public – Dismissed on Plea

**DRIVER, Randall D.**

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Guilty Plea, 90 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, \$1,000 DARE Fine

**ESQUIVEL-MARTINEZ, Crystal**

14-2.2 Criminal Conspiracy – Dismissed on Plea

**GLOYNE, Jimmie C.**

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Dismissed, SAA Completed

**JONES, Victor Gregory**

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed with Leave to Refile  
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14-34.10 Weapons Offense - Dismissed with Leave to Refile  
14-2.2 Criminal Conspiracy - Dismissed with Leave to Refile

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**COURT REPORT:** Judgment  
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14-40.55 Assault with Deadly Weapon - Dismissed with Leave to Refile

**KEEL, Ashley Ann**

20-138.1(a) Driving While Impaired – Guilty/Responsible, no sentencing information provided

**LOSSIAH, Rebecca Leann**

20-138.1(a) Driving While Impaired – Guilty/Responsible, no sentencing information provided

20-135.2A Seat Belt Violation – Dismissed on Plea

**MARTINEZ, Angela Crystal**

20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed on Plea

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20-111(2) Fictitious Registration Plate – Dismissed on Plea

**OWLE, Kimberly**

14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed, Co-Defendant Plead

14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed, Co-Defendant Plead

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14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V- Dismissed, Co-Defendant Plea

14-95.9 Drugs: Trafficking - Dismissed, Co-Defendant Plea

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Dismissed, Co-Defendant Plea

14-95.10 Drugs: Importing Controlled Substance - Dismissed, Co-Defendant Plea

**QUEEN, Christopher Terron**

20-140(b) Reckless Driving – Guilty/Responsible, no sentencing information provided

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea

20-138.1(a) Driving While Impaired - Dismissed on Plea

20-28 Revoked License - Dismissed on Plea

**QUEEN, Ruby Marie**

14-40.59 Assault by Pointing a Gun – Dismissed with Leave to Refile

14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed with Leave to Refile

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V- Dismissed with Leave to Refile

14-40.55 Assault with Deadly Weapon - Dismissed with Leave to Refile

14-2.2 Criminal Conspiracy - Dismissed with Leave to Refile

14-34.10 Weapons Offense - Dismissed with Leave to Refile

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree - Dismissed with Leave to Refile

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14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V- Dismissed with Leave to Refile

**SMITH II, Harold Eugene**

14-60.20 Embezzlement – Guilty Plea, 45 days jail time suspended, 9 months probation, credit for time served (12 days), \$280.55 restitution ordered

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**TAYLOR, Erik Timpson Swiftwind**

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.10 Drugs: Importing Controlled Substance – Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.9 Drugs: Trafficking – Dismissed on Plea

20-111(2) Expired Registration Plate – Dismissed on Plea  
20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed on Plea

**WELCH, Shane George**

14-15.6(a) Providing Alcoholic Beverages to persons under 21 – Dismissed on Plea  
14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest – Guilty Plea, Prayer for Judgment Continued, PJJ 12 months

**Judgment Summary for Oct. 11**

**ARKANSAS, Crystal**

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea  
14-5.2 Communicating Threats – Dismissed on Plea  
14-40.50(a) Assault With a Deadly Weapon With Intent to Kill Inflicting Serious Injury – Guilty Plea, 60 days jail time suspended, 6 months probation, credit for time served (14 days), defendant completed five months of inpatient treatment  
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea

**FEATHER, Mary-Lou**

14-60.30 False Pretenses – Dismissed on Plea  
14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Guilty Plea, Prayer for Judgment Continued, PJC 6 months, \$80 restitution ordered

**FOUTS, Alicia Anne**

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty Plea, Judgment Stayed, obtain Substance

Abuse Assessment, 90 days active jail time stayed

**KEY, Christopher Paul**

14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear

**LARCH IV, William Daniel**

14-10.41 Breaking and Entering – Dismissed on Plea  
14-10.60(c) Grand Larceny – Guilty Plea, 120 day jail time suspended, 6 months probation, 24 hours community service, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment, waive court costs and fines, defendant may be moved to unsupervised probation the discretion of probation officer  
20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed on Plea  
20-111(2) Expired Registration Plate – Dismissed on Plea  
20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed on Plea

**OWL, Jessica Rain**

14-10.60 Larceny – Guilty Plea, 2 days active jail time, credit for time served (2 days), \$412.50 restitution ordered

**TAYLOR, Charles Edward**

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Guilty Plea, 90 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation  
14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Guilty Plea, 90 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation

**TEESATESKIE, Storm Tykane**

14-15.6(a) Providing Alcoholic Beverags to persons under 21 – Dismissed on Plea

14-15.5 Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public – Guilty Plea, 7 days active jail time, credit for time served (7 days)

**Judgment Summary for Oct. 16**

**JUNALUSKA, Nina Marie**

20-140 Reckless Driving – Guilty/Responsible, 60 days active jail time, defendant to serve active time for 30 weekends  
20-111(2) Fictitious Registration Plate – Dismissed on Plea  
20-28 Revoked License - Dismissed on Plea  
20-28 Revoked License - Dismissed on Plea

**LITTLEJOHN, Michael**

14-20.8(1) Abusive Sexual Contact – Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear

**MCKAUGHN JR., Ronnie**

14-40.56 Assault on a Female (DV) – Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear

**TRAMPER, Robert Lee**

14-70.14 Obstructing Governmental Functions – Dismissed on Plea  
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed, Changes in the Tribal Code  
14-10.60 Larceny – Guilty Plea, 60 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, \$380 restitution ordered  
14-10.41 Breaking and Entering – Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear  
14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear  
14-95.11(d) Drugs: Possession with Intent-Paraphernalia – Dismissed, Changes in the Tribal Code

FOOTBALL

# Braves double Black Knights in key conference win

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

**O**n paper, the offensive output by Cherokee and Robbinsville was just about identical. In fact, the Black Knights edged Cherokee in total offense 268 yards to 263. But, the difference in the ball game was scoring output as the Braves got into the end zone three times and the Black Knights didn't get there all night.

Cherokee improved to 9-0 with an 18-9 victory over Robbinsville (6-3) at Ray Kinsland Stadium on Friday, Oct. 20. On the same night, Swain Co. bested Murphy 29-27 to put Cherokee in sole possession of first place in the Smoky Mountain Conference with two regular season games left.

"I thought they played very gutsy," Kent Briggs, Braves head coach, said of his team after the game. "That's a good football that Robbinsville has. They'd only lost two games, and they lost to two very good

teams. They're very seasoned. They're very hard-nosed, and we knew it would be this kind of battle. We knew it was going to be a knock-down, drag-out and we'd have to play that kind of game, and we did."

He added, "I'm really proud of our guys that we stood the pressure that was put on us, and we came out with a victory."

Coach Briggs was especially happy with his defense who held the Black Knights to three field goals on the night. "The defense played tremendous. They had their backs

against the wall, and they kept fighting. I think our defensive game plan was excellent, and our guys played hard and rose to the occasion when they needed to. I am very proud of our entire football team, and I'm very, very proud of our defense."

Holden Straughan, senior defensive back, led Cherokee's stingy defense with 9 tackles followed by Damian Blanton with 5.5, Zak Perez 4.5, and Will Davis 4.5.

Tye Mintz, senior quarterback, led Cherokee on the offensive side of the ball. He completed 9 of 15 passes for 143 yards and two touchdowns, and he carried the ball 15 times for 90 yards and a touchdown.

The Braves' sophomore receiving duo of Cade Mintz and Sterling Santa Maria both had good nights. Cade



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**ON THE BOARD:** Tye Mintz (#1), Braves senior quarterback, drags Robbinsville's Austin Lovin (#9) into the end zone for a touchdown in the first half of a game at Ray Kinsland Stadium on Friday, Oct. 20.

Mintz caught 5 passes for 96 yards and one touchdown, and Santa Maria caught 2 passes for 31 yards and one touchdown.

Alex Bridges, Black Knights senior quarterback, completed 8 of 27 passes for 97 yards. Rylee Anderson, sophomore running back, was their workhorse on the night carrying the ball 30 times for 132 yards.

The Braves started the game with a three-and-out. Following the punt, the Black Knights started at their own 32-yard line and put together an 11-play drive that culminated in the first of three field goals on the night by Freddie Romero.

Cherokee got things going on their next possession. Starting on their own 30-yard line, the Braves put together a 9-play drive with Tye Mintz capping it off with a 9-yard touchdown run. The point-after kick failed, and Cherokee led 6-3 with 9:49 left before the half.

Robbinsville missed a field goal on their next possession. The Braves fumbled on their next possession, the only turnover of the game. Following the turnover, the Black Knights drove down and Romero added a field goal (29 yards) to tie the game at 6-6 with just under a minute left in the half.

But, Cherokee wasn't done. They drove down the field, and Tye Mintz hit Santa Maria on a 10-yard touchdown pass with 7 seconds left in the half. The point-after kick failed, and Cherokee led 12-6 at the half.

The third quarter was dominated by the defenses. The only score in that 12 minute-span was by Romero who closed the gap with a 27-yard field goal.

Going into the fourth quarter, Cherokee held a slight 12-9 lead.



**DEFENSE:** Cherokee's Holden Straughan (#20) and Joaquin Layno (#35) combine on a tackle of Robbinsville running back Rylee Anderson. Straughan led the Braves with nine tackles on the night.

Just a few minutes into the final quarter, Robbinsville attempted a 42-yard field goal that was no good. Starting at their own 20-yard line following the missed attempt, Cherokee drove 80 yards on eight plays. Tye Mintz hit Cade Mintz on a 30-yard touchdown pass to seal the deal. The point-after kick failed, but Cherokee led 18-9 which is how the contest would end.

Cherokee travels to Hayesville on Friday, Oct. 27, and Coach Briggs is stressing to his team the importance of all games from this point on. "It counts the same as this game, the same as the Swain game and all the rest of them, so we have to take it the same way. We'll enjoy this victory here for a day or two. But, come Monday, we'll have to get ourselves ready for Hayesville. We're going there, and we can't be looking ahead."



**RUNNING TOUGH:** Cade Mintz (#10), Braves sophomore wide receiver, breaks one tackle and carries a Robbinsville player on his back for a good gain. On the night, Mintz caught 5 passes for 96 yards and one touchdown.



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**SPIKE:** In a match-up of EBCI tribal members, Cherokee's Macie Welch goes up for a spike as Andrews' Cheyenne Rattler goes up to attempt a block in a match at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Tuesday, Oct. 17. The Lady Wildcats won the match in three games (25-7, 25-21, 27-25). It was Senior Night and three Lady Braves were honored including Welch, Robin Reed, and Jordan Maney.




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**SCORE:** Daniel Thompson (#17), JV Braves wide receiver, concentrates on the ball which he caught for a touchdown in the second half of a game against the Hayesville JV Yellow Jackets at Ray Kinsland Stadium on Thursday, Oct. 19. The ball was thrown by JV Braves quarterback Johnathan Frady. The Yellow Jackets won the game by a score of 43-14.

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**HONORING A LEADER:** Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed and Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley were joined by EBCI Tribal Council representatives, prior to the Cherokee vs Robbinsville game at Ray Kinsland Stadium on Friday, Oct. 20, to present Cherokee Central Schools Athletic Department with a commemorative jersey in honor of the late Vice Chief Pee Wee Crowe. Joining Chief Sneed and Vice Chief Ensley were the family of Pee Wee Crowe (shown in photo at left). Pee Wee was a Cherokee Brave, Vice Chief of the Eastern Band Cherokee Indians, and one of the Braves biggest supporters. Pee Wee served the people through the tribal government and through his support of the Cherokee Braves athletic teams. Pee Wee was a friend and supporter of many people in this community, and this jersey will be displayed in honor of Vice Chief Pee Wee Crowe.

## CROSS COUNTRY

# Cherokee hosts Conference Championship

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

Cherokee High School played host to the Smoky Mountain Conference middle school and high school cross

country championship on the beautiful, fall afternoon of Wednesday, Oct. 18. Oztin Swayney, a member of the Cherokee Middle School team, placed third in the middle school boys race and was named All-Conference.

Hayesville won the high school boys team championship, and Murphy won the high school girls title. Swain Co. won the middle school boys championship, and Hayesville won the middle school girls title.

Following are results, per Big Kahuna Timing, from each division (All-Conference was bestowed on top seven in high school and top three in middle school):

### High School Girls

- 1 – Emma Pindur, Swain Co., 20:43.84
- 2 – Peyton Wood, Murphy, 21:04.74
- 3 – Ava Barlow, Robbinsville, 21:49.93
- 4 – Sydney Bolyard, Tri-County Early College, 22:12.81
- 5 – Natalie Graves, Murphy, 22:19.06
- 6 – Avery Taylor, Murphy, 22:19.81
- 7 – Anna Riddle, Robbinsville, 22:58.22
- 13 – Dorian Reed, Cherokee, 23:51.27
- 22 – Raylen Bark, Cherokee, 25:15.55

### Team Scores

- 1 – Murphy 35
- 2 – Robbinsville 49
- 3 – Swain Co. 68

### High School Boys

- 1 – Gavin Morgan, Hayesville, 17:11.10
- 2 – Luke Walters, Robbinsville, 17:31.83
- 3 – C.J. Anderson, Hiwassee Dam, 17:35.62
- 4 – Jackson Burch, Hayesville, 17:36.54
- 5 – Jonathan Ray, Rosman, 17:37.95
- 6 – Justin Race, Hayesville, 17:42.92
- 7 – Tucker Price, Robbinsville, 17:58.71
- 10 – Rocky Peebles, Cherokee, 18:16.33
- 15 – Darius Lambert, Cherokee, 19:00.87
- 18 – Tihjah Lossiah, Cherokee, 19:27.94
- 31 – Josiah Lossiah, Cherokee, 20:17.61
- 36 – Braylon Arch, Cherokee, 21:58.01
- 40 – Dakota Siweumptewa, Cherokee, 23:14.28
- 44 – Richard Mata-Welch, Cherokee, 23:46.01

### Team Scores

- 1 – Hayesville 32



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**ALL-CONFERENCE:** Oztin Swayney, a member of the Cherokee Middle School cross country team, runs to a third place finish at the Smoky Mountain Conference Championship held at Cherokee High School on the afternoon of Wednesday, Oct. 18. With a time of 12:11.37, he was named to the All-Conference team.

- 2 – Robbinsville 55
- 3 – Murphy 69
- 4 – Cherokee 103

**Middle School Girls**

- 1 – Aynsley Fink, Robbinsville, 13:43.86
- 2 – Gracie Monteith, Swain Co., 13:50.41
- 3 – Kaysen Krieger, Hayesville, 14:03.56
- 4 – Amelia Rogers, Swain Co., 14:28.01
- 5 – Lila Roberts, Hayesville, 14:35.44
- 6 – Caroline Burch, Hayesville, 14:38.82
- 7 – Emma Beasley, Robbinsville, 14:48.81
- 17 – Laura Martinez, Cherokee, 15:58.63
- 25 – Makala McGaha, Cherokee, 16:32.63
- 28 – Madison Ledford, Cherokee, 17:11.82
- 29 – Mary Martinez, Cherokee, 17:25.10
- 30 – Boie Crowe, Cherokee, 17:25.84
- 33 – McKenzie Reed, Cherokee, 17:43.62

**Team Scores**

- 1 – Hayesville Middle 33
- 2 – Swain Co. Middle 42
- 3 – Robbinsville Middle 74

- 5 – Cherokee Middle 120

**Middle School Boys**


- 1 – Dillian Brown, Murphy, 11:34.99
- 2 – Austin San Souci, Swain Co., 11:47.81
- 3 – Oztin Swayney, Cherokee, 12:11.37
- 4 – Caleb Rice, Murphy, 12:16.82
- 5 – Dalmon King, Cherokee, 12:24.06
- 6 – Connor Lambert, Swain Co., 12:25.11
- 7 – Hunter Laney, Murphy, 12:32.20
- 11 – Cavan Reed, Cherokee, 13:15.70
- 19 – Tanin Esquivel, Cherokee, 13:53.69
- 33 – Tanis Esquivel, Cherokee, 14:56.59
- 36 – Ayden Thompson, Cherokee, 14:59.43
- 40 – Ezar McGaha, Cherokee, 15:20.89
- 41 – Jaylen Bark, Cherokee, 15:22.12
- 58 – Anthony Lossiah, Cherokee, 17:58.46

**Team Scores**


- 1 – Swain Co. Middle 35
- 2 – Murphy Middle 46
- 3 – Cherokee Middle 58



**STRONG FINISH:** Cherokee’s Rocky Peebles digs hard at the end of the race. He finished tenth in the high school boys race with a time of 18:16.33.



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<b>1</b>	<b>(\$1,165)</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>(\$2,975)</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>(\$1,514)</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>(\$3,323)</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>(\$1,862)</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>(\$3,672)</b>
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# Big apple, here we come!

## Cherokee Chamber Singers are Carnegie Hall-bound

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Since 1891, thousands of the world's best singers and musicians have performed at famed Carnegie Hall in New York City. Next spring, 26 members of the Cherokee (Central Schools) Chamber Singers will join those ranks.

The Cherokee Chamber Singers will perform six or seven pieces at the venue in March 2018 as part of WorldStride's Festival at Carnegie Hall: National Youth Choir.

"The kids have done so well at the theater part, but I wanted this year for it to be about really lifting the kid's musicianship so they were really singing well, singing musically, reading notes, and learning a deeper sense of what it means to sing in a choir," said Michael Yannette, Cherokee High School and Middle School director of choir and musical theater. "When we started this year, the theme was this is our year to really achieve a different level of musicianship. So, this was kind of a way for me to make there a reason why."

He said the improvement is already showing and showed in their two-piece audition tape they submitted to be selected to perform at Carnegie. "We wouldn't have



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**BIG APPLE:** The Cherokee Chamber Singers, shown singing at last year's Cherokee Veteran's Day observance, have been selected to sing at the world-famous Carnegie Hall next spring.

gotten this with the same audition that we did for Disney last year. There was a certain level there and that was great that they did that, but this was setting the bar higher."

The general idea to audition for the Festival came when Yannette heard that Dr. Andre' Thomas, Florida State University professor of music, would be one of the conductors. A graduate of Florida State himself, Yannette commented, "Andre' Thomas is a world famous conductor."

Yannette said the entire theme of this school year has been centered around 'excellence'. "We've just had a different year. We have had an incredible 'hit the ground

running year'. There's just been no turning back. Last year, they had such amazing things happen that they were ready. They've just been incredible."

He said the amount of time the students have put into this year and their audition for Carnegie is commendable. "These kids came not only after school...they came during Fair Week! And, another day, they were here for five hours rehearsing for this thing."

Yannette said after seeing the amount of work the students were putting in, he felt they had already won regardless of the outcome of their audition. "I was so proud of them."

But, they did win and were selected.

He said the trip will be nice, but at the end of the day, it is all about the music and improving the student's musicianship. "It's great that we're going to see New York and everything, but for me it means six or seven pieces that we're working on to build that excellence."

The exact itinerary hasn't been worked up yet, but Yannette did relate, "It is my wish for them that they get to see three Broadway shows while we are there...hopefully, they'll get the real New York City experience."



# Native Pop exhibit, workshops coming to Cherokee

Native Pop is a native art collaborative that combines contemporary art styles, bright vibrant colors, and social commentary to highlight modern day Native America. The exhibit and accompanying workshops will be evidence of a modern day Native America. "Native Pop! is a description of how us Natives have changed with the times,"

Brent Learned, one of the organizers of Native Pop, explains, "We're no longer just something that people can assume are extinct in a Natural History museum. We actually do exist, we're here, still living and telling our stories with a new perspective of how art is perceived today. It's not your traditional type of art. We've changed with the times, telling our stories and

giving new perspectives on how to tell them."

A member of the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribe, Learned will be visiting Cherokee with his fellow artists Oneka Jones, an enrolled citizen of the Te-moak Tribe of Western Shoshone; George Curtis Levi, a member of the Southern Cheyenne Tribe; and Joe Hopkins, a member of the Muscogee (Creek) Tribe of Oklahoma.

Native Pop's time in Cherokee will begin on Thursday, Oct. 26 with a reception at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center from 5-8pm. The reception will be an opportunity to meet with the artists and view their work. Refreshments will be served. The following day, the artists will work with Cherokee Central Schools students on a vari-

ety of workshops aimed at inspiring creativity and social change. On Saturday, Oct. 28, starting at 10am and running throughout the day, the workshops are open to the community. All events are free. The work will be on display through November.

Workshops will include:

1. Art Team Building: Participants work together to create a piece of art. Each participant will paint a square, that when combined will create an image.
2. Puzzle, maze, paper dolls, and coloring: Participants will explore their creative side with artist created worksheets.
3. Ledger Art Workshop: Participants will learn about the history of Ledger artwork among Native American tribes. They will then

have the opportunity to draw and paint on old ledge paper in traditional ways.

4. Stop-Motion Workshop: Participants will work with a laptop, tablet, or phone to create a movie using sculpted clay.

The artists will also participate in "live paints" where they collaborate to make an art piece in real time.

Partial funding provided for his is provided by Cherokee Preservation Foundation. The event is in partnership with Sequoyah Fund and the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center at Cherokee Central Schools.

Info: Hope Huskey 359-5005

- Sequoyah Fund



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**CROWNED:** Danasia Toineeta (left), escorted by Woody Lossiah (second from left), was named the Cherokee Middle School Homecoming Queen during festivities held at Ray Kinsland Stadium on the evening of Thursday, Oct. 19. Ellise Stamper (second from right), escorted by Zo Smith (right), was named Homecoming Princess.

# EMS Training Center graduates first class

Cherokee Tribal EMS Training Center has announced the graduation of its first class of Paramedic students. This class was offered on nights and weekends for students who were already working in the EMS field and not wishing to attend traditional college classes. The students came into class certified at the EMT level and spent 18 months completing the Paramedic training. The class consisted of a minimum of 1,000 hours spent in the classroom, skill labs, hospital clinical sites, and ambulance clinical sites.

Ten students, all working in local communities, completed the training. A graduation ceremony and pinning ceremony was held on Friday, Oct. 13 to recognize the hard work of these individuals.

“Cherokee Tribal EMS would like to thank the following clinical sites for support of this program: Cherokee Tribal EMS, Cherokee Indian Hospital Emergency Department, Outpatient and Inpatient



Photo courtesy of Cherokee Tribal EMS

**GRADUATES:** The first graduating class of Paramedic students from the Cherokee Tribal EMS Training Center are shown (left-right) with instructors: Dr. David Trigg, medical dDirector; Adam Simonds, Cherokee Fire and Rescue; Melissa Taylor, instructor; Leland Plank, Harris EMS; Kaitlyn Simonds, Swain County EMS; Garrett Taylor, instructor; Alicia Flynn, Swain County; EMS, Zachary Smith, Cherokee Fire and Rescue; Donna Taylor, instructor; Travis Scruggs, Cherokee Fire and Rescue; Rayne Meyers, Harris EMS; Ricky Marr, Harris Pediatrics; Philip Reed, Swain County EMS; Tracy Dulaney, instructor; and Reginald Perry, instructor. Not pictured is Brian Hockman, MMH Regional Transport.

Services, Harris Regional Hospital Intensive Care and Cardiopulmonary Therapy Services, Harris EMS, Swain Community Hospital

Emergency Department, Harris Pediatrics, and Tsali Care Center,” Cherokee Tribal EMS officials stated.

For information about future class offerings at Cherokee Tribal EMS Training Center, 359-6454.

- Cherokee Tribal EMS



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Photo by Sheyahshe LittleDave/CIHA public relations

**EXCELLENCE:** The Cherokee Indian Hospital IT Department has been nominated for the TribalNet Technology Industry Excellence Award which will be presented at the 18th Annual TribalNet Conference and Tradeshow scheduled for Nov. 6-9 in Phoenix, Ariz. TribalNet is an organization that hosts IT training for tribal entities around the country and hosts a national conference annually. CIHA’s IT Department, by its nomination, is recognized as one of the top three departments in their industry in all of Indian Country. Shown (left-right) front row – Sean Grady, Debbie Jefferies, Angel Squirrel, and Sasha Taylor; back row – Hugh Lambert, Bryan Panther, Mike Milholen, Delano Huskey, Jon Ruger, Grant Rogers, Ryan Murray, and Aaron Lewis.



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**CROWNED:** Araceli Martinez-Arch was crowned Little Miss Cherokee 2017-18 at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on the night of Thursday, Oct. 5. Here, Little Miss Cherokee 2016-17 Nevayah Panther, places the crown on her head.

### Little Miss Cherokee says thank you

I would like to take this time to say how truly honored I am to be your Little Miss Cherokee 2017-18! I am so excited to be able to represent the EBCI as an ambassador for my people. I would like to thank all of my family and friends for all of the support you have showed me. I am so thankful for you all! To Miss Cherokee Faith Long, Teen Miss Cherokee Raylen Bark, and Junior Miss Cherokee Dvdaya Swimmer, I look forward to spending this year with you guys and congratulations to each of you!

Thank you to my momma and little brother for pushing me and working so hard to get me ready for the pageant, my Sugar mom and Grandpa Obie for always believing in me, my cousin Israel Rodriguez for being my brave hero and also for escorting me out the night of the pageant, Richie Bottchenbaugh and Esiah Postoak for helping me with my Talent, Sarah and Teela for helping me prepare and throwing candy in the parade, my bestie Michaela and my little Bro Zachy for helping in the parade, Victoria for all the time you spent keeping mom sane and taking me to practice and to my new best buddy whether you like it or not Miss I WO DI thank you for helping me and mom stay calm and cool back stage you are awesome guhhh! Special thank you to Sew Tsa la gi, Richard and Linda Saunooke, Chantelle Frank, and Gabe Crowe for making sure I was absolutely Fabulous from head to toe! Thank you Glenn Bradley and Tribal Construction, Denny and Marsha at Lu Lu's, Myra and Kim with River Valley Campground, Happy Holiday Campground, Hungry Wolfe Deli, Countryside Chevrolet for the amazing car! Also, Mr. Bo Crowe, Wolfstown Councilman, thank you all so very much! You all made this possible!

Your Little Miss Cherokee 2017/2018  
**Araceli Martinez-Arch**



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## THANK YOU LETTERS

### Thank you for fundraiser

I would like to take this moment to humbly thank all of you who donated to me and my family at the fundraiser hosted for me by the Dora Reed Center. I was unable to attend so I don't know everyone's name but your generosity is overwhelming.

Thanks so much to all of my friends and coworkers at Dora Reed and PHHS for all of your support and well wishes. I'm truly honored to work where I do and with people who are so thoughtful. I was able to pay for expenses to Wake Forest Baptist, which I never could have afforded without all of you.

A special thank you goes out to Tina Saunooke for being one of God's angels here on earth, we are all better for knowing you!

Again, thanks to everyone for your thoughts and prayers. I humbly ask that you continue to pray for me, I've got a long journey ahead, but it warms my heart to know I have so much support! God bless all of you.

**Helen Martin**

Family Services Manager

### Dear Swain County Middle and High School Students:

On behalf of the Welcome Cen-

ter, we wish to thank you for your voluntary service at the 105th Annual Cherokee Fair Elder's Day. It is very encouraging to see so many young people caring enough to be concerned about our Cherokee Elders.

Thank you.

**Sophia Lequire and**

**Joletta Crowe**

CIF Elders Day Planners

### Thank you from the family of Conway Wildcatt Raya

The family of Conway Wildcatt Raya would like to thank the following for helping to make the Frybread & Chili Benefit a success: the Office of the Principal Chief, Perry Shell, Richard French, Ag, Darlene, Eddie, Keri, Cynthia, Marci, Cleto, Glo, Vic and Reyna, Sassy and Maverick's Tsalagi Sunshine, everyone who bought a dinner, and everyone who has sent prayers. Please forgive us if we forgot to put someone on the list. Just know we love and thank everyone. Conway is doing great. Continue to keep the family in thoughts and prayers.

### Golf Tournament organizers say thanks

There was an outstanding turnout for the 33rd Annual Cherokee Children's Home Golf Tournament

held in September at Sequoyah National Golf Course. The staff extends a very humble thank you to everyone who participated in the tournament. Many returning sponsors along with new ones were welcomed on the green. Everyone expressed their enjoyment over the two-day event.

Sponsors this year included: TABCC, EBCI/Chief Sneed, Tribal Council, Harrah's, TGC, TERO, Wells Fargo, Robins & Morton, Trane, Cuningham Group, USI Consulting, PFA Architects, Owle Construction, Alan's Jewelry & Pawn, Apex Gaming, Aristocrat, Aruze, Cherokee Electrical, Cherokee Enterprises Inc., Cherokee Preservation Foundation, Countryside Chevrolet, Chestnut Tree Inn, DBLO, Everi Games, Gary Platt Manufacturing, Georgia Swarm, Granny's Kitchen, Greenville Turf & Tractor, IGT, Incredible Tech, JCM Global, Jennifer Bates, Kemper Sports, KGM Gaming, Konami Gaming, Qualla Security, Rick Sharp Construction, Golf Board, K&B, Jae Winchester, Dixon Golf, Sysco, Western Builders of Sylva, Brent Younce, Eric Watson, and Jim Owle. All of these sponsors helped make this year's tournament a success.

The closing dinner was gra-

ciously sponsored and catered by Richard Birmingham of Memphis, Tenn., and owner of Smoky Mountain Catering. It was a great way to end a fun two days of golf.

We would like to thank everyone for making the annual golf tournament a success whether it was time, sponsorships, or raffle items. The Cherokee Children's Home budget was increased with the funds received, and for that we cannot thank you enough.

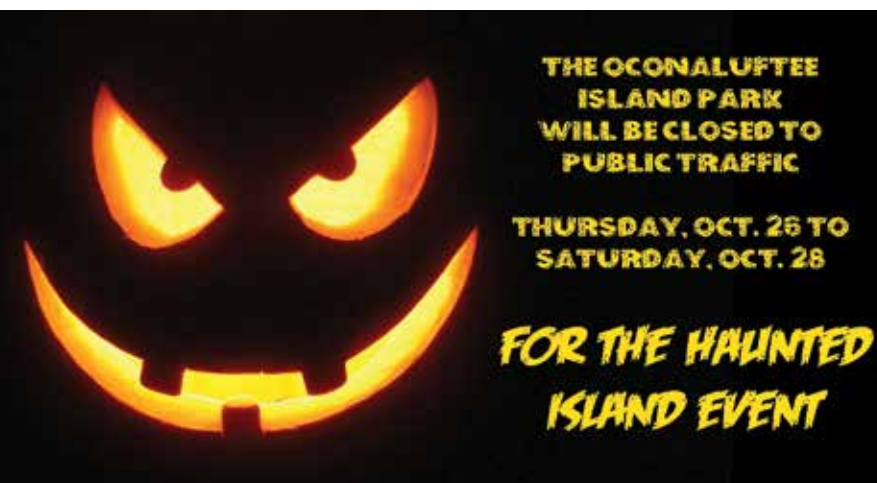
The Cherokee Children's Home is a division of The Cherokee Boys Club, Inc.

### Thank you from the family of Joseph R. French

Thank you so much to EMS and EMT for their quick response and care of our brother. Thank you to Cherokee Indian Hospital nurses and Dr. Schell. To my aunts, Luccetta and Dolores, and first cousin, Randy French, I can't thank you enough for the love, prayers, food, and just being there.

Special thanks to the pallbearers. And to all others, too many to mention, thank you for being his friend. Special thanks to Carolyn Reynolds and Four Seasons Hospice. May God bless you.

**Jay, Casper, Vi, George, Perry, Lynette**



### Welcome Center notices

The Cherokee Welcome Center at 498 Tsali Blvd. (shown left) will be closed Oct. 26-28.

The Welcome Center downtown will be open for normal hours.

## Handicapped and Disabled Christmas Check program guidelines

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

## Bear information sought by Fish and Wildlife

Bear season is now open and will run through Sunday, Dec. 31. Please report your take to Cherokee Natural Resources along with the first premolar tooth (or allow them to extract it) to determine age. Freeze or keep other samples on ice that could decompose. If possible, Natural Resources wishes collect a little hair, weight, location, sex and the effort it took to harvest (number of hunters in party and hours put in). There will be a \$500 draw from those that submit samples and information. Submit samples and information at their office at 1840 Painttown Road, next to Cherokee Bingo. Info: 359-6110, [ebcifw@gmail.com](mailto:ebcifw@gmail.com)  
- Cherokee Natural Resources

## Senior Citizens Fuel Assistance applications

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

Applications will be available at Tsali Manor, Snowbird, and John



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**HALLOWEEN SPIRIT:** This festive Halloween display, on Mount Noble Rd. in the Birdtown Community, was created by Tisa Squirrel.

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

- EBCI Senior Citizens Program

## Deadline for Yogi Crowe Scholarship approaching

The deadline for graduate and post-graduate students to request financial assistance from the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund is Wednesday, Nov. 1. Applications and eligibility guidelines are available from any of the board members, from Tribal Education or by visiting [www.yogicrowescholarship.org](http://www.yogicrowescholarship.org). Applications must be postmarked by the deadline date and mailed on or before the deadline. Info: Scholarship Fund board members: Dr. Reva Ballew, president, 631-1350; Dr. Jennifer Thompson, vice president, 507-5997; Mary Herr, secretary, 497-9498; Tamitha Fourkiller,

treasurer, 497-7034; Dr. Carmaleta Monteith 497-2717; Sunshine Parker 506-1952, Jan Smith 507-1519, or Shannon Swimmer 736-3191.

- Yogi Crowe Memorial  
Scholarship Fund

## Frell Owl Award nominations being sought

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

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

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

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

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

- Cherokee Boys Club

## Correction

From the Editor: In the Cherokee Indian Fair thank you advertisement in last week's One Feather, a name was spelled incorrectly. The correct spelling is Sophia Lequire.

# Revisions to Tribal Member Loan Assistance Program announced

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed has approved revised policies and guidelines authorizing the Treasury Division of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians to improve the per capita loan assistance program for tribal members. Under the Tribal Member Loan Assistance Program, eligible members of the tribe may apply for monthly loan assistance by voluntarily assigning a portion of their regular per capita distributions. All eligible members can request assistance up to \$500 per month under the program.

“I have asked the Treasury Division to revise the loan assistance program to be more efficient,” said Chief Sneed. “The initial rollout had some flaws, and I am happy with the progress that is being made to

build a better program. What is most important is that we do not create a system of dependency for our tribal members, however, we want programs available to assist tribal members in times of need.”

Under the revised guidelines, eligible tribal members may apply for loan assistance during established deadlines that are published by the Treasury Division. Some of the most important guidelines and policies are as follows:

- 1) Eligible tribal members include everyone who is 18 years of age or older, and who have received at least one biannual per capita distribution.
- 2) Tribal members owing a debt to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians or the Qualla Housing Authority, other than portfolio loans or down

payment assistance, will not be eligible until all debts are paid in full.

3) Once application is made and accepted for loan assistance will be recurring for the remainder of that cycle. Only one application per eligible tribal member will be accepted per cycle. A tribal member may stop the recurring assistance at any point during the cycle, however, once stopped the loan assistance cannot be restarted within the same cycle.

4) Eligible tribal members may receive up to \$500 per month in loan assistance. The amount of monthly assistance is dependent upon the historical garnishment amounts, if any, for eligible tribal members.

5) There are two loan assistance cycles: 1) October – March and 2) April – September

Tribal members must re-apply for each cycle. Applications are available at the Office of Budget & Finance.

The Treasury Division Office of Budget & Finance is responsible for the management and execution of the Tribal Member Assistance Loan Program. Cory Blankenship, Secretary of Treasury, commented, “What we found is that there are many tribal members who benefit directly from this program. Our goal is to continue to help, but also to lessen the administrative burden and opportunity for error.”

Additionally, the funding structure of the program has changed to be treated as all other garnishments and voluntary assignments. “Rather than withholding loan assistance from the overall per capita distribution each month, we send the full amount of monthly per capita distribution to the investment account,” said Blankenship. “We have been able to significantly improve our investment return in the per capita account, and because we are now sending the full amount we can optimize our returns. What that means in short is additional investment return on per capita, which benefits all enrolled members.”

Loan application deadlines and check release dates for the upcoming cycle are as follows (date of loan applications being accepted; check release date):

- Oct. 23-27; Friday, Nov. 10
- No applications accepted in November
- Dec. 11-15; Friday, Jan. 12, 2018
- Jan. 22-26; Friday, Feb. 9, 2018
- Feb. 19-23; March 9, 2018
- March 26-30; Friday, April 13, 2018

- EBCI Public Relations

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## OBITUARIES

### Judith Kay Welch Biello

Judith Kay Welch Biello, 61, of Cherokee, went home to be with the Lord, Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2017.

A native of Cherokee, she was the daughter of the late Thomas Welch and Julia Brady Welch, and wife of the late Charles Donny Biello. In addition to her husband and parents, she was also preceded in death by one brother, Tony Ray Welch.

She is survived by three children, Jennifer Sequoyah Nelson and husband Ralph of Norman, Okla., Frances Sequoyah and fiancée Neil Owle of Cherokee, and Lewis Sequoyah of Cherokee; seven grandchildren, Connor, Jeremy, Kay, Maggie, Colin, Thomas, and Chloe; two great grandchildren; one sister, Sherry Welch and Mark

Lambert; close friends Chihui Whitt, and Karla Winstead; several nieces and nephews; and a special friend Charlie Burgess.

The family received friends on Saturday at Crisp Funeral Home Chapel.

### Lois Ondrea Wahnetah Pensaville

Lois Ondrea Wahnetah Pensaville, 83, of Cherokee, made her journey Tuesday, Oct. 17, 2017. A native of Cherokee, she was the daughter of the late Samuel and Cora Wahnetah.

She was preceded in death by her grandsons, Michael Austin and Robert Lee Wahnetah; daughter, Maria Wahnetah Armachain; and siblings, Samuel Wahnetah Jr., William Johnson Wahnetah, Jean Bernhisel, Betty Joe Taylor, Sybil

Starlin, and Patty Sue Monreal. She is survived by grandchildren, Lois Ondrea Armachain, Carla and Samuel Wahnetah; children, Ricky Wahnetah, Guy Pensavalle, Franky Pensavalle, Tony Mondelli; many grandchildren and great grandchildren; sisters, Margaret Wahnetah French and husband Gary, and Charlotte Maney; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Oct. 20 at Wrights Creek Baptist Church. Brother James (Bo) Parris officiated with burial in the Yellowhill Cemetery.

### Megan Judi Terrell

Megan Judi Terrell, beloved mother, sister, soulmate and daughter lost her valiant battle against Systemic Lupus on Monday, Oct. 16, 2017, but won the war over this insidious illness.

She was preceded in death by her daddy, Mike Terrell.

She is survived by the sunshine of her life, her daughter, Izabella Wilson (Bellaboo); her loving soulmate, John Wilnoty; siblings Brian and Christina Terrell, Coleman and Tonya Terrell; two loved nephews, Christian and Gabriel; her special sister, Stormi Welch; her momma, Suzie Terrell, and several uncles, aunts, cousins and friends.

She touched the lives of so many in her 32 years on this earth. If we learn nothing else from her life and now her passing, let us learn compassion for all who suffer daily behind bright smiles, while they fight an invisible foe of autoimmune diseases! If each of us harnesses just one ounce of her strength, compassion and tenacity, the victory is hers!

When possible, in lieu of flowers donations in her name to the Lupus Foundation of American (or Lupus

Foundation of America-North Carolina Chapter) would be her desire so the battle can truly be won!

A memorial service was held on Friday, Oct. 20 at the Cherokee Methodist Church.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Terrell family.

### Marion Tooni Teesateskie

Marion Tooni Teesateskie, 71, of Cherokee, passed away Sunday, Oct. 22, 2017 following an extended illness.

She was most recently employed by the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians as an intake counselor for Juvenile Services Program. She was director of community services and served four consecutive terms as Painttown Council Representative.

Marion is survived by two sons, Bobby Teesateskie (wife Dulcie) of Dellrose, Tenn. and Bennie Teesateskie of Cherokee; six grandchildren; sisters, Helen McCoy (husband Robert) and Lillie Smith both of Cherokee; and niece, Arlyce Smith of Cherokee.

Marion was the daughter of Ike and Jennie Hornbuckle Tooni. She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Teesateskie, and one daughter, Marlene Junaluska.

Memorial services were held on Tuesday, Oct. 24 from 3-6pm at the Painttown Community Center. Burial was at the Tooni Family Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Juvenile Services Program at 85 Boys Club Road, Cherokee, NC 28719.

Long House Funeral Home is assisting the Teesateskie family.



## We want to hear from **YOU!**

Participate in the Tribal Health Survey. PHHS does this survey every 5 years to collect community input on health improvement.

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# October Economic Impact

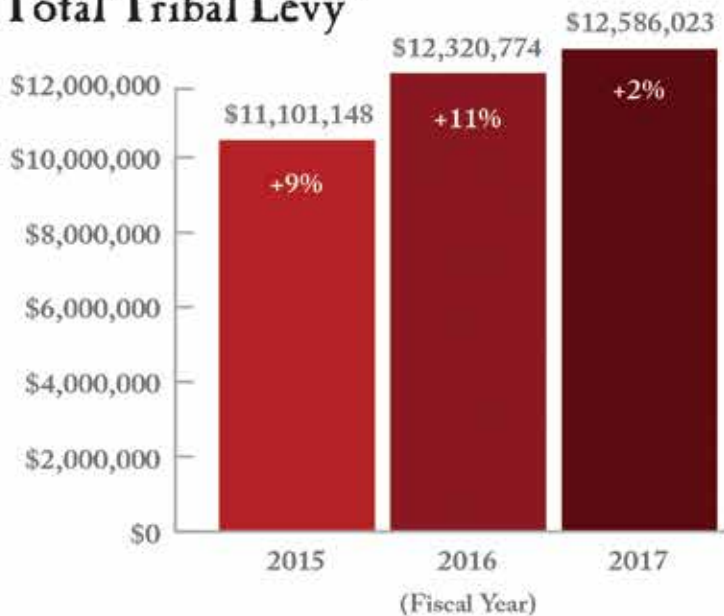


How will Cherokee affect you?

## Overview

For comparison's sake, this report covers year-to-date data (in this case, October 2016 through August 2017) for each of the years noted. It is important to note that the paid media campaign began April 15, 2017.

### Total Tribal Levy\*



\* Source: EBCI Division of Commerce.

### Total Levy and Privilege Tax Collections\*

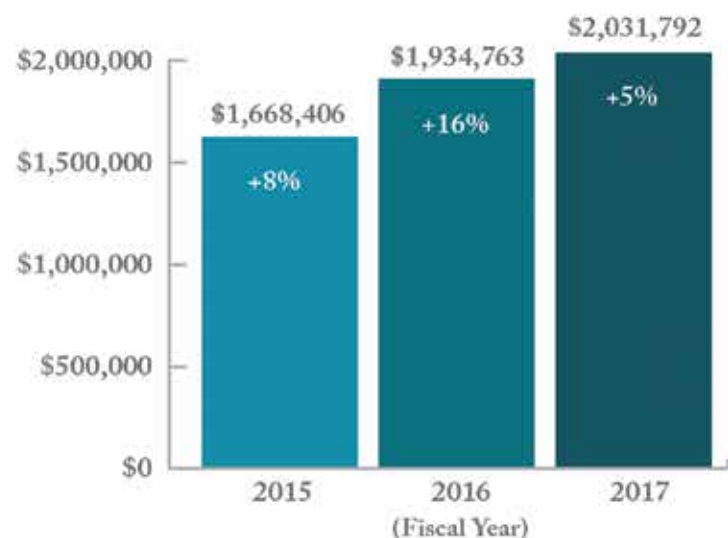
Since the EBCI Destination Marketing Organization's role is to promote overnight visitation and increase commerce amongst non-gaming entities, we have segmented them out:



\* Source: EBCI Division of Commerce.

### Total Privilege Tax\*

In the case of Privilege Tax, gaming vs. non-gaming collections are only available beginning in 2016. Therefore, data for Total Privilege Tax contains both gaming and non-gaming taxes collected.



\* Source: EBCI Division of Commerce.



# Website Analytics for VisitCherokeeNC.com\*

Fiscal Year	Sessions	% Change	Users	% Change	Pageviews
2014:	402,289	-4.6%	322,583	-4%	1,317,425
2015:	768,118	+91%	603,873	+87%	2,431,884
2016:	964,658	+26%	770,701	+28%	2,810,945
2017:	935,870	-2.9%	739,127	-4.1%	2,419,579

\*“Website analytics” is data derived from activity on VisitCherokeeNC.com. “Sessions” are periods of time that a user is active within the site.

“Users” are visitors to the site. “Pageviews” are the total number of website pages that are viewed by users.

\*Source: Google Analytics, 10/11/17



## Social Media (October 2015–September 2017)\*



Facebook

399,953 Likes



Blog

154,534 pageviews



Twitter

855,130 impressions

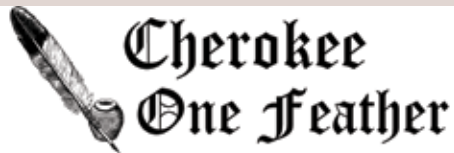
\*Source: JB Media, 10/6/17

## PR Snapshot\*

This list covers PR for September 2017.

- Celebrate fall around Asheville with 29 family-friendly events | *Asheville Citizen-Times*
- 105th Annual Indian Fair | *Mass General Store website, Smoky Mountain News, Mountain Xpress, Asheville.com, the828.com, WLOS.com*
- Smoky Mountains, TN What-to-Do Guide | *sunnydayguide.com*
- Asheville Art Museum web and e-newsletter
- Promoting art travel to Cherokee | *The Urban News*
- Things to Do | *RomanticAsheville.com*

\*Source: Suzanne Metcalf Public Relations, 10/6/17



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# Absolute service perfects absolutely

**ROBERT JUMPER**  
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

A friend of mine related a random act of kindness involving one of our NRE Officers. My friend said that the officer spotted a homeless woman sitting outside of an establishment in Cherokee. The lady had been sitting outside in the cold for hours. The officer took the time to take the woman to a local hotel and get her a room for the night. He didn't know the name of the officer or the homeless person, but my friend correctly identified the need for all of us to be more like that officer.

Treating everyone with courtesy and respect, regardless of their circumstance, is a behavior well worth emulating. This officer didn't know anyone was watching, he just saw someone in need and he did what he could to fill the need. The officer didn't call the paper or press to set up a photo opportunity. He didn't insist that the recipient of his kindness write a testimonial to be shared around the Boundary.

During a political season, as a person in the journalism profession, you prepare yourself for some unusual requests. And at the EBCCI, as we have discussed in earlier editorials, we have elections every two years and we are virtually in perpetual political season. Now, our political leaders do a lot of work for the community. That is the job. They are public servants selected, in one way or the other, to make life better for their constituencies; to do good for others. Many times, we'll get requests from candidates to cover a good deed that they are being honored for or we are asked to print a photo in which the politician or candidate really had no direct influence, but happened to be there for the photo when the story was told. The act of kindness sometimes becomes secondary to the publicity, and votes, it may generate.

My mom always taught me that motivations are important. What you do matters and why you do it matters. She always told me that when I did things for her just to get what I wanted or complying, it negated the positive of doing the thing for

her. If I tried to be intentionally seen doing things for her, she would kindly remind me of how often I didn't fulfill her direction when she wasn't looking, or I didn't think she was.

I know you have heard the old saying, "Absolute power corrupts absolutely". Attributed to a 19th-century British politician, this saying speaks to the tendency for authority, particularly unrestrained authority, to change the moral character of an individual. Here in Cherokee, we talk about the "crabs in a bucket" syndrome. The tendency of those who are in the bottom of the bucket, those who don't aspire to lead, to pull those back down who are climbing out of the bucket, those who want to move to a higher level. Well, there are also those who get to the top of that bucket and decide that the best way to stay on top is to ride the backs of others.

Even those who go into leadership with the best intentions, to be that true servant of the people, are not immune to the lure of power and the seduction of absolute control. When a person decides to run for office, they might do so for several of reasons, but ultimately, elections are won by the person or persons who are most popular. Unless it is addressed with a strict qualification criteria, elections may be won by anyone who can convince a majority of the people in a particular geography that they are likable enough to be elected. As we saw in our last tribal election, there is a large portion of the constituency that did not participate in the voting process. There is not a definitive reason for the lack of participation. Many are too far away to make the journey to the Boundary to vote. Some may have been disenfranchised due to the political controversies of the past year. Some may have even thought that their vote didn't matter and that the powers that be would do as they will anyway. We had some readership commentary on that last one.

Back to our NRE officer. He was in a position to arrest the homeless lady for vagrancy, escort her to the borders of the Boundary, or to simply ignore her plight. He didn't. In his position of authority, he

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## Facebook Weekly Question Responses

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

**Should the EBCI create a tribal license plate? If so, should the plate be required of all residents and entities on EBCI trust lands?**

**Victoria Locust:** For me, yes for the plates, but not a requirement. Let everyone have freedom of choice.

**Joshua C. Thompson:** Yes, but not a requirement

**Carrah Shawnee-Swimmer:** In Oklahoma, it's only for enrolled members of said tribe, and it's at a low cost. People of Oklahoma take pride in their tribal tags also, just throwing that out there.

**Tinker Sampson:** Yes for the plates, and only for enrolled members, but a freedom of choice.

**Darlene Swann:** Yes, and it should be a requirement.

**Randy Sisk:** I see both sides of the requirement. However, what's the reason for the plate. EBCI is a nation.

**Ben Swayney:** Yes, only for enrolled members

**Rory Howe:** Low-cost tribal tags is a great idea, but don't mandate/require the purchase or display

**Howard Paul:** Plates just for enrolled members! Buffalo Town already designed one. Also, (make them available) at a lower cost for

enrolled members like other tribal tags in other states.

**Elsie Calhoun:** Only enrolled members; but, only if they want one, don't force them on us

**Carol Pina:** Enrolled members; I would love to get one, but I think it should be by choice.

**Bambi Armachain Sneed:** Yes for the plate, but if it's a tribal tag, then I think you should have to be enrolled to get it.

**Carmalee Evans:** Just for the enrolled member

**Faye McCoy:** Yes for the tag...don't think it should be required to have one; should be a choice.

**Keri Brady:** That would be great, but by choice; people are already being dictated to enough.

**Angie Cucumber:** Yes, but for enrolled members only and not a requirement

**Tosh Welch:** Plates for enrolled members only

**Barbara Wood:** What about enrolled members who live in other states?

**Sheena Brings Plenty:** Yes, and yes! If this Tribe is truly sovereign, then they should have jurisdiction over the residents (EBCI, Indian, and Non-Indian alike) who live on tribal lands. As residents of the state of North Carolina, we are required to have NC state license plates. Why would it be different for the Tribe? Not to mention, if the tribe requires every resident to have EBCI plates, the tribe would have

another revenue stream besides the casino. Just sayin...

**Melanie Parton:** Sure, go ahead, but I don't think anybody should tell other people they have to get one. Just sell them. I'm sure there are a lot of wannabes who would love to have one. That's where you will make the big bucks.

**Mikell D. Dyer:** Really? So, you want to segregate even more but still real the all-inclusive America benefits? Where is the honor in that?

**Jaxson Jax:** (As) long as it says Native American, not American Indian

**Laura Smith:** Yes, only for enrolled members and optional

**Sam Maney:** Yeah, sure...so then the cops from Bryson and Sylva can follow us even more

**Dallas Bennett:** Yes, it should. But, the Tribe could have it's own tag office. It should also come in a variety of colors.

**Matt Bryant:** Three designs, one for enrolled members, another for non-enrolled with Cherokee addresses, and one for purchase to anyone in North Carolina with the proceeds going to the Tribe.

**Mary Ann Bugg Swayney:** I love the idea so we can proudly show what tribe we are from. But, it shouldn't be a requirement.

**Boyd Andrew Catt:** I am an enrolled member of the Eastern Band, raised and living in Lakota Territory. The plates here that designate us from the Rez county get harassed

all the time by state-side police. Tribal plates are cool, but the politics change. I hate to see our people bullied for an act of sovereignty.

**Kyra Climbingbear:** As an enrolled member, I would love tribal plates! However, as a few have already stated, tribal plates would make it easier for non-tribal members and non-tribal government officials to harass us. In reference to the tribal plates being required, this could be a problem. The requirement would only be applicable to tribal members! Our sovereignty and jurisdiction on tribal lands can only apply to enrolled tribal members. Therefore, the requirement for all residents, would be a jurisdictional conflict with the state of North Carolina over non-members (Indians of another tribe residing on our rez) and non-Indians.

**Quetseli Baker Truesdell:** A sovereign nation...go for it

**Wayne Kalonaheskie:** Sounds cool...offer a couple of choices.. would be nice...required/non-required ok, just having one is cool.

**Jonah Tee:** Yes, the plates should be just for enrolled members though.

**Johnny Postoak:** Out here in Oklahoma, you have to be an enrolled member to get a tribal tag and the vehicles have to be in the enrolled member's name to not pay the higher state taxes. For a tag, it should be state tax exempt. You only have to pay the renewal fee of 30 dollars.

**Patrick West:** Yes, but only for enrolled members!

# HAPPENINGS

Event listings are free of charge. Send your event name, date and time, location, and contact info to [scotmckie@nc-chokeee.com](mailto:scotmckie@nc-chokeee.com).

## Church Events

**Fall Harvest Festival. Oct. 25** from 4-6:30pm at Shoal Creek Baptist Church (Hwy 441N by Smokey Mountain Elementary School). Trunk or Treat, cake walk, hot dogs, refreshments.

## Fundraisers/Benefits

**Turkey Shoot. Oct. 28** at 5pm at Jess Welch's residence in the Big Cove Community. This is a benefit for the Big Cove Free Labor group. Good food, good prizes.

## General Events

**Big Cove Community Halloween Carnival. Oct. 26** from 6-9pm at Big Cove Rec. Center.

**Domestic Violence and/or Sexual Assault Candlelight Vigil. Oct. 26** at 6pm at Kituwah Mound site. Special guest speakers, singing, drum music, and prayers. This event, sponsored by the EBCI Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Program and Qualla SAFE Program, is

in support and remembrance of those affected by domestic violence or sexual assault. Info: Aileen Green 359-6830

**Swain County Genealogical Historical Society meeting. Nov. 2** at 6:30pm at Swain County Regional Business Education and Training Center at 45 East Ridge Drive in Bryson City. Bob Plott, western North Carolina author and historian, will present the story of the Plott Hound, the official state dog of North Carolina. This event is free and open to the public. Info: [www.swaingenealogy.com](http://www.swaingenealogy.com)

**Community Dance. Nov. 4** at 7:30pm at Yellowhill Activity Center. Country music and rock and roll with the Rick Morris Band. Snacks available. This event is sponsored by the Dance Association for North Carolina Communities (DANCC).

**Contemporary Native American Art Sympo-**

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

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

**Health/Sports Events**

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# WNC FLY FISHING TRAIL WEEKLY FISHING REPORT



OCTOBER 23-29, 2017



WATERSHED	STOCKING	PRODUCTIVITY	ACTIVE SPECIES	HATCHES	FLY/BAIT
<b>Tuckaseigee River</b>	Stocked Oct. 3-4.	All Day	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout, Brook Trout, & Smallmouth Bass	BWO, Golden Stonefly, October Caddis, Cream Midge	Elk Hair Caddis, BWO, Y2Ks, Mop Flies, San Juan Worms, Girdle Bugs, Daily Llamas, Woolly Buggers, Heligrammites
<b>Chattooga &amp; Whitewater Rivers</b>	N/A	Morning & Evening.	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout	BWO, Crane Flies, Stoneflies, October Caddis	Stimulators, Elk Hair Caddis, BWO, Mop Flies, Stoneflies, Daily Llamas, Girdle Bugs, Woolly Buggers
<b>Inside GSMNP Oconaluftee River &amp; Small Streams</b>	Follow posted regulations-wild trout	Morning & Evening	Rainbow, Brown, and Brook Trout	BWO, Stoneflies, Duh Caddis, Sulphurs	Pheasant Tails, Blood Midge, Elk Hair Caddis, Orange Stimulator, Dark Midge, Woolly Bugger, Girdle Bugs

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### BEST FISHING TIMES BASED ON THE LUNAR CYCLE

MONDAY, OCT. 23	TUESDAY, OCT. 24	WEDNESDAY, OCT. 25	THURSDAY, OCT. 26	FRIDAY, OCT. 27	SATURDAY, OCT. 28	SUNDAY, OCT. 29
AVERAGE	AVERAGE	AVERAGE	AVERAGE	AVERAGE+	AVERAGE	AVERAGE+
4:02 AM-6:02 AM 4:26 PM-6:26 PM	4:50 AM-6:50 AM 5:13 PM-7:13 PM	5:37 AM-7:37 AM 6:01 PM-8:01 PM	6:25 AM-8:25 AM 6:49 PM-8:49 PM	7:13 AM-9:13 AM 7:37 PM-9:37 PM	8:00 AM-10:00 AM 8:24 PM-10:24 PM	8:48 AM-10:48 AM 9:11 PM-11:11 PM

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**Cherokee Zombie Run. Oct. 28** from 4:30-6pm in the Cherokee Cultural District. The start and finish line will be near the Oconaluftee Island Park. Runners and zombies can register online at <http://www.imathlete.com>. Runner early registration until Oct. 7 is \$20 and from Oct. 8-27 is \$25. Day-of registration is \$30.

**Smokies Ski Walking. Mondays through Oct. 30** from 5:30-7pm on Oconaluftee River Trail in Cherokee. Benefits of ski walking include: increased circulation, increased upper body strength and endurance, increased heart and lung capacity, increased heart rate without increased perceived exertion, 20 percent higher metabolic rate, 30 percent decreased stress on weight-bearing joints, and better support and balance on slippery surfaces and rough terrain. Info: Robert Hawk 488-3848, [robert\\_hawk@ncsu.edu](mailto:robert_hawk@ncsu.edu)

**Cherokee Indian Hospital Durable Medical Equipment (DME) open house. Nov. 15** from 1-2pm at Cherokee Indian Hospital, second floor, Dental Clinic waiting area. Light refreshments, door prizes, facility tour.

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

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

## Upcoming Pow Wows for Oct. 27-29

*Note: This list of pow wows was compiled by One Feather staff. The One Feather does not endorse any*

*of these dances. It is simply a listing of ones occurring throughout the continent. Please call before traveling.*

**Chitimacha Pow Wow. Oct. 28** at The Pavilion at Cypress Bayou Casino in Charenton, La. MC: Herbert "Chickdog" Johnson Jr. Host Northern: War Chief. Host Southern: Bear Scout. Info: Kimberly Walden (337) 923-9923, [powwow@chitimacha.gov](mailto:powwow@chitimacha.gov)

**Red Clay Pow Wow. Oct. 28-29** at Red Clay State Historic Park in Cleveland, Tenn. MC: Faron Weeks. Host Drum: Goose Creek. Info: Tammera Hicks (423) 240-7270, [Naservice.org@gmail.com](mailto:Naservice.org@gmail.com)

## Community Club Meetings

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

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

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

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

**Snowbird Community Club** meets the first Tuesday of each month or the Tuesday before the Tribal Council meeting. Info: Roger

Smoker, chairman, (828) 479-8678 or (828) 361-3278, [rogersmoker@yahoo.com](mailto:rogersmoker@yahoo.com)

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

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

## Community Groups

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

## Support Groups/Meetings

**Cherokee Diabetes Support Group.** This group, for community members with diabetes or pre-diabetes and their family and friends, meets at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Demonstration Kitchen on the first Tuesday of each month from 4:30-5:30pm. Info: Nilofer Couture, MPH, RD, LDN, CDE, 497-9163 ext. 6459 or [Nilofer.Couture@cherokeehospital.org](mailto: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 class schedule

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

**Tuesday:** Recovery Thru Art 8:45-9:45am; Healthy Relationships 11am – 12pm; Employment Workshop Series 11am – 12pm (2nd Tuesday); Family Support Skills 1-2pm; Surviving Emotions 2-3pm

**Wednesday:** Managing "Monkey Mind" 10-

11am; Recovery is Happening Now  
11am – 12pm; My Self, My Bound-  
aries 2-3:30pm; Family Support  
Skills 5-6pm; HIV/AIDS/Hep C  
Support Group 5:45-6:45pm (2nd  
and 4th Wednesdays)

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

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

**CIHA Bariatric Support Groups**  
meet every second Thursday of  
the month at Snowbird Clinic from  
11am – 12pm (Chrystal Frank)  
and every second Thursday of the  
month at Cherokee Indian Hospital  
from 12-1pm (Nilofer Couture)

and 4:30-5:30pm (Linda Johnson).  
Groups are led by registered dieti-  
cians. Info: CIHA Nutrition Dept.  
497-9163 ext. 6459

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

Submit your event flyers and  
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- **Special Education Dreamcatchers Teacher K-12** - NC Teaching license required.

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

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## POSITIONS OPEN

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

### Closing Friday, November 3, 2017

1. Administrative Assistant – Snowbird/Cherokee County Services (\$31,078 - \$38,848)
2. Utility Worker (Recycling) – Solid Waste – Admin/Public Works (\$21,484 - \$26,855)
3. Licensed Electrician Supervisor – Qualla Housing (\$41,082 - \$51,353)
4. Traffic Officer – Police Department – Public Safety (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
5. Hatchery Technician – Natural Resources – Agriculture & Farming (\$25,830 - \$32,288)
6. Recreation Aide – Snowbird Recreation – Snowbird/Cherokee County Services (\$21,484 - \$26,855)
7. Utility Worker – Sanitation – Admin/Public Works (\$21,484 - \$26,855)
8. Detention Officer (multiple) – Corrections – Public Safety (\$31,078 - \$38,848)

### Closing Friday, October 27, 2017

1. Cook Aide - Qualla Boundary HS & EHS - PHHS (\$19,598 - \$24,498)
2. PHHS Compliance Officer - Regulatory & Compliance - PHHS (\$58,794 - \$73,493)
3. C.N.A. - Tsalagi Care - PHHS (\$23,616 - \$29,520)
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### CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Pharmacy Technician

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CNA Clerk – Inpatient

Part Time Regular CNA - Inpatient

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 on October 26, 2017 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. **10/26pd**

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

Respiratory Therapy Clerk

Physical Therapist

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 on November 02, 2017 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. **11/2pd**

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

Physician- Emergency Room

Master Level Therapist- Snowbird

Residential Treatment Center

Pedodontist

Residential Technician - Snowbird

Residential Treatment Center (9 Positions)

RN Supervisor – Tsali Care Center

RN– Tsali Care Center

Emergency Hire Dental Assistant II (2 Positions)

Residential Supervisor - Snowbird

Residential Treatment 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. **10/26pd**

**Mandara Spa at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort** is seeking dependable, energetic individuals for the following Full Time hourly positions: Senior Concierge (shift leadership position) \$1,000 Hiring Bonus\*\*, Concierge \$1,000 Hiring Bonus\*\*, Male Host \$500 Hiring Bonus\*\*, Female Host \$500 Hiring Bonus\*\*. Also seeking candidates for the following licensed positions: NC Licensed Cosmetologist. All full time positions are eligible for a benefits package that includes medical, dental, vision, 401k, paid holidays, vacation, sick time, and more. \*\*Hiring Bonus terms to be discussed upon interview

Candidates must pass background check and drug test. Please contact the Spa at 828-497-8550 or email resume to laurenw@mandaraspaspa.com for consideration. **11/2pd**

## LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 17-059

### **In the Matter of the Estate of Dinah S. Welch Oocumma**

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION  
Martha V. Oocumma, 33 Woodrow W. Welch Lane, Cherokee, NC 28719. **10/26pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 17-053

### **In the Matter of the Estate of George Curtis Arneach, Sr.**

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  
Frances O. Arneach, P.O. Box 293, Cherokee, NC 28719. **10/26pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 17-063

### **In the Matter of the Estate of Robert William Sherrill, Jr.**

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION  
Erin Elizabeth Sherrill, 3043 Wrights Creek Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **11/2pd**

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

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

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION  
Patricia S. Oocumma, 29 Heath Heights, Cherokee, NC 28719. **11/9pd**

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

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

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION  
Lizzie M. Bernal, P.O. Box 2278, Cherokee, NC 28719. **11/9pd**

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

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

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this

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

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

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

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

**In the Matter of the Estate of**

**Geraldine W. Walkingstick**

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

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

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

Mary Welch Thompson, P. O. Box 2065, Cherokee, NC 28719.

**11/16pd**

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

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

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment

to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

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

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

**BIDs, RFPs, etc.**

**Personal items need to be picked up at CIPD**

There are personal items that are currently being held in the property room at the Cherokee Indian Police Department. As of today, July 31, 2017, you have 60 days to contact our evidence personnel at 828-359-6609 or 828-359-6618. After Oct. 30, 2017 any property not picked up will be destroyed or turned over to the Cherokee Indian Police Department.

Evidence personnel will arrange a date and time with you to collect your property. They will also instruct you on necessary documents to bring in order for the property to be turned over to you.

The following need to contact our evidence personnel: Adrian S. George; Aletha M. Mathis; Amanda Nicole Sherrill; Amy Lincoln; Anita Nicole Flippo; Barry Coggins; Charles Hammond; Cody John Decoteau; Corie Bradie; Darren Sneed; Dayini Lossie; Devan Whisper Jackson; Ernest Jarrett Sneed; Estefan Ryne Welch; Jacob Ivey Jr.; John Ricky Lossie; Jonathon S. Hill; Jordan Elizabeth Littlejohn; Justin Reeves Lambert; Katelynn Ledford; Kyle Cragar Sneed; Larry or Melba Haigler; Lauren Elisabeth Hodge; Living Waters Church/Jack Russell; Matthew Armachain; Matthew Hughes or Johanna Climbingbear; Michael Christopher Estes; Monica Kristine Singer; Rodney and Rhonda Rogers; Steven Lewis Saunooke;

Tyler Lee Crowe; Velva Powell.

**10/25**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks proposals for a Director to establish and coordinate the "Guardian Ad Litem Volunteers for Abused, Neglected and Dependent Children Program" for the Cherokee Family Safety Court. The Director will implement a program to provide Tribal Court with independent, culturally knowledgeable community members who can advocate for the best interests of children involved in the court system. He/she will recruit and train volunteers, work closely with these volunteers and administer the program and the BIA funding allocation in conjunction with Tribal Court administrative staff. This position will be paid on a contractual basis from the Cherokee Tribal Court. Individuals interested in this position should submit a brief letter-proposal that includes the following:

1. Name and Contact Information
2. Relevant Work and/or Volunteer Experience
3. Relevant Education/Training Experience

Proposals may be submitted at any time, but those received on or before October 27, 2017 will receive priority over later submissions. Please mail or email letter-proposals to Amber Shuler, Court Administrator, Cherokee Tribal Court, P.O. Box 1629, Cherokee, N.C. 28719 [ambeshul@nc-chokeee.com](mailto:ambeshul@nc-chokeee.com)

This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. The Cherokee Tribal Court reserves the right to decline any proposals received. **10/26pd**

**Request for Proposals**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee Department of  
Transportation

680 Acquoni Road  
P.O. Box 2400

Cherokee, North Carolina 28719

Phone: (828) 359-6530

Project: Wrights Creek Road Bridge  
over Soco Creek

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed bids for the replacement of the box culvert carrying Wrights Creek Road over Soco Creek. Proposals are due by 3:00pm October 27, 2017.

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

You may request the full RFP and bid requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact CDOT at (828) 359-6530 or (828) 359-6532.

**10/26pd**

**Request for Qualifications**

**Project Title: Design and Construction Services for Tribal Pool**

This is a "Request for Qualifications" from firms or teams with experience in the design, engineering, and construction of public pools and/or aquatic recreation areas.

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Project Management Program, is soliciting proposals for design, engineering, and construction services for a tribal pool and associated facilities in Cherokee, NC. The design will include a heated pool, sun decks/lounges, a bathing/changing facility, and an

outdoor pavilion.

The full project description and “RFQ” will be provided to any interested firm upon request. All questions, comments or requests for materials should be addressed to Travis Sneed, Tribal Planner at 828-359-6701 or by email at [travsnee@nc-chokeee.com](mailto:travsnee@nc-chokeee.com). The deadline for submitting proposals is 2:30 p.m. on 10/27/2017.

Indian Preference (as defined by the Tribal Employment Rights Office, TERO) applies for this RFQ.

**10/26pd**

### **Final deadline in Cobell Settlement**

Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP, Class Counsel in the Cobell v. Jewell (formerly Cobell v. Salazar) lawsuit, along with GCG, the court approved Claims Administrator, are seeking to locate members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians who are entitled to participate in the settlement of that lawsuit. The Cobell case was filed in 1996, settled in December 2009, was approved by Congress in December 2010, and received final court approval in November 2012. The total settlement, \$3.5 billion, is one of the largest class action settlements against the federal government.

The Cobell case resolves certain claims relating to mismanagement of individual Indian money (“IIM”) accounts and individual trust assets by the federal government. There are approximately 500,000 individuals who are eligible to participate in this settlement. This includes principally individuals who had IIM accounts between approximately 1985 and September 30, 2009 and individuals who owned trust or restricted land as of September 30, 2009.

The US District Court for the District of Columbia has ordered Monday, Nov. 27 as the final deadline for Class Members in the Cobell Settlement or their heirs to submit documentation to Garden City Group, LLC (“GCG”), the Claims Administrator, so that payments can be made. All documentation must be received or postmarked by that date

The determination of a final deadline marks the end of a successful and exhaustive effort by Class Counsel and GCG to find and pay hundreds of thousands of Native American Class Members and their heirs. Those efforts have been incredibly effective, and to date almost \$2 billion dollars or over 92 percent of the funds have been distributed. After the deadline, unclaimed funds will be paid out to the Cobell Scholarship Fund administered by Indigenous Education, Inc.

Below is a list of individuals identified by the Department of the Interior as living or deceased members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians who may be entitled to a payment. Class Members or their heirs wishing to submit documentation to GCG for review via email at [Info@IndianTrust.com](mailto:Info@IndianTrust.com) or U.S. mail to P.O. Box 9577, Dublin, OH 43017-4877. For more information about the Settlement and to read the Court’s order, visit [www.IndianTrust.com](http://www.IndianTrust.com). You may also call (800) 961-6109 if you are an heir and have questions regarding acceptable documentation. To retrieve your IIM number please call Sheree Steve (615)-564-6933.

Andy Chickilelie, Jr.  
Angela Moore Whitley  
Angela Marie Nelson  
Angela Renee Eller Wilson  
Ann Rena Howell Ensley

Anthony P. Kekahbah Estate  
Antonio Eugene Smith  
Arthur Burgess  
Bert Sherrill Estate  
Bobbie Anaweg Walkingstick Stewart  
Brenda Joyce (Thompson) Lossiah  
Brenda Rose Dyer Fisher  
Brian Kenneth Tahbonemah  
Callie Laverne Ben Littlejohn  
Cassandra Michelle Graves Herrin  
Charles Deeluquadag Crowe  
Chet William Chubonie  
Clara Emily Casso Estate  
Leslie Clement Ensley  
Colleena Jo Allison  
Curtis Lynn Malcolm  
Daniel Jeremy Long  
Dave Lossiah Estate  
David Kristopher Owle  
David L. Martin Estate  
David Wayne Calhoun  
Davy Lamar Taylor Estate  
Dawnena Jean Arch  
Delano Brown Owle Estate  
Denise Ralyne Smoker Rattler  
Dennis L. Teesateskie Estate  
Diana Lynn Cardiff  
Donna Jean Snead George  
Dwayne Edward Swayney  
Eddie Ray Bradley  
Edgar Hugh Roberts Estate  
Edna Faren Price Galindo  
Edward Daniel Driver  
Elaine Hope Welch Garcia  
Elizabeth Ann Bradley Howell  
Elizabeth Ann Driver Ensley  
Elizabeth Dorthvee Murphy Fouts  
Elizabeth Renee Plummer  
Ellis Edgar Larson  
Charles Thomas Smith  
Ernest Lynn Ross  
Ethel Bradley Denton Estate  
Fred Howard Biddix  
Frederick Lee McCoy  
Gina Raquel Younce Estate  
Henderson Junior Climbingbear  
Henrietta Dinah Sherrill Welch  
Howard Raymond Jackson  
James Alfred Bigwitch Estate

James Randall Driver Estate  
James Ronald Reid  
James Wayne Jenks Estate  
Jason Dion Bradley  
Jefferson Samuel Owle  
Jeffrey Hugh McCoy  
Jenna Michelle DuPree  
Jenny Fay Maney Wilson Estate  
Jenny Rana Jenkins Smith Estate  
Jesse Paul Wilson Estate  
Jessica Cher Smith  
Jimmy Ray Wilson, Jr.  
Joanna Jane Martin  
Jodele Bobi Caretto Plunkett  
John Alfred Driver  
John Clyde Lambert  
John David Crowe  
John David Harris  
John David Moore  
John Edward Saloli Lossiah  
John Frederick Lossiah  
John Robert Smith  
John Wesley Lambert  
Johnnie Ray Arch  
Johnson Lee Taylor  
Jonathan Matthew Ashe  
Judy Regina Bird  
Justin Barrett Gourley  
Jon Nathaniel Crowe  
Katherine Tara Saunooke Alexander  
Kathryn Eleanor Geeting Cline  
Kelly Michelle Owle Heightchew  
Kenneth Michael Mahoney, Jr.  
Kimberly Ann Taylor Jenkins Estate  
Kimberly Dawn Saunooke  
Kristina Marie Haigler  
Lance Owl Williams  
Larry Albert Bigwitch Estate  
Larry Lee Hornbuckle  
Bo Soap Lossiah  
Laura Irene Saunooke Rich Estate  
Lawrence Ralph Lambert  
Lee Harrison Ledford Estate  
Letisha Nicole Bird  
Lori Jo Queen Keen  
Madison Paige Hornbuckle Estate  
Margaret Lou Bradley Johnson Estate  
Margaret Marie Bradley Clarke

Marlene Elaine Armachain  
Martha Wynona Faye Deck Luna  
Mary Ellen Catt Thomas Estate  
Mary Murphy Estate  
Matthew James Murphy  
Melissa Dawn Rowland Moore  
Melissa Jeanne Wade  
Melessa Leanna Taylor  
Mia Faye Lambert  
Michael James George  
Michael Joseph Rattler  
Michael Ray Zepeda  
Michael William Rhinehart  
Michelle Renee Burgess  
Mildred Lorraine Smith Stamper  
Estate Mistie Rae Johnson Scott  
Monique Taylor Sokol  
Myra Charlene Long Wooliver  
Natalie Suzane Saunooke  
Ned Wolfe Estate  
Nelson Heart  
Norma Michelle Rattler Estate  
Norman Leroy Reed, Jr.  
Patrick Bradley Allison Estate  
Patrick Daniel Lee  
Paul Richard Walk Estate  
Ralph Moses Smith  
Renissa Lee McLaughlin  
Retha Jolynn Blythe Estate  
Richard Allen Wiggins  
Rindy Michele Brady Comer  
Robert James Walk  
Robert Lee Calhoun Estate  
Robert Larry Moore  
Rodney Lee Walker  
Ronald Sequoyah Bowman  
Ross Kedoog Escobedo  
Royal Marty Catolster  
Samantha Renee Jumper Martin  
Estate Sean David Ross  
Shelley Angelita Webb Ramirez  
Sherry Carmelita Webb Lusk  
Stacy Bigwitch Estate  
Starlene Elizabeth Swayney Balde-  
ras Estate  
Stephanie Dorothea Rebaza  
Stephanie Dale Wildcat  
Stephen Jarret Bradley  
Steven Timothy Cramer, Jr.  
Susan Ladonna Reed Estate

Sutaga JC Anglin  
Sydney Thaddeus Gordon Grant  
Terry L. Reed  
Thomas Brandon Stephens  
Thurman L. Swayney Estate  
Timothy R. Armachain  
Tina Ann Welch Saunooke  
Tina Marie Owle Clark T  
ommy Donald Teesateskie  
Tonya Jean Ledford  
Tonya Yvette Craig Martin  
Trevor Teesateskie  
Denise Myers Walkingstick  
Vanessa Rena Taylor  
Waukesha Ashley Catolster  
William Decatur Davis, Jr.  
William Elliot Bradley  
William Edward Pheasant Estate  
William Joseph Hornbuckle  
William Jason Huskey  
William Taylor Jones

**The Enrollment Office has been notified that the following individuals have remaining IIM monies in their accounts.**

To claim the funds please contact Sheree Steve at 615-564-6933.  
Deweese Armachain, Jr.  
Michael Perry Buchanan Estate  
Sonya Michelle Carey  
Melissa Gail Chastain Gibson  
John David Crowe  
Edward Daniel Driver  
Theresa Ann French  
Charlene Lorene Hensley Cornwell  
Margaret Lois Jackson  
Doris Ione Bennett Kirkpatrick  
Mary E. Peavy  
Carrie Raper Estate  
Cinthia M. Raper  
Katherine D. Raper  
Janie R. Reed  
Aaron Tyrone Smith  
Jeanette Smoker  
James Donald Taylor  
Julius Francis Taylor  
Arsene Treat Thompson  
Shelley Elaine Greenwalt

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Listing of deceased EBCI tribal members (April 1 - Sept. 30)**

This is a list of deceased members of the Tribe whose estate is entitled to a pro rata share of the deceased members per capita distribution of net gaming revenues for the period April 1, 2017 –September 30, 2017 pursuant to Section 16C-5 of the Cherokee Code.

This section does not apply to deceased minors. Distribution to the estate of a deceased member may be made only to the authorized, or court appointed, fiduciary, affiant, executor or administrator of the estate. The Enrollment Office must have on file a letter or written document from the Cherokee Court or other court appointing a fiduciary, affiant, executor or administrator for the estate. Please submit in person to the Tribal Enrollment Office at 808 Acquoni Road, Ginger Lynn Welch Complex or mail to Enrollment Office, PO Box 2069, Cherokee, NC 28719.

Please report the death of an enrolled member to the Enrollment Office at 828-359-6465, 6467, 6468 or 6469 or call if you have any questions.

Each person is shown with their date of death, full name and executor(s) name(s).

4/1/2017: Margaret Alyne Lossiah, Fiduciary Tommie S. Lossiah  
4/1/2017: Luzene Thompson, Fiduciary Franklin David Thompson  
4/6/2017: Charles Francis Rogers, Jr.  
4/9/2017: Terril Allen McCoy, Spouse Deborah Dee Walkingstick  
4/15/2017: Theodore Jerome Brady, Spouse Jean B. Brady  
4/19/2017: Jennifer Dawn Dugan  
4/23/2017: Joseph Stephen Watty  
4/28/2017: Richard Terry Reed, Fiduciary Kimberly Crowe

5/2/2017: Mary Hazel Lambert, Fiduciary Pamela Lambert  
5/3/2017: Wilbur George Long, Fiduciary Garfield Long, Sr.  
5/4/2017: Lois Rebecca McLeymore  
5/10/2017: William Perry Pheasant  
5/12/2017: Thomas Jay McCoy, Fiduciary Jayson Crusenberry  
5/28/2017: Sara Jane Wabagkeck  
5/29/2017: Billy Joe Swayney, Fiduciary Norma Swayney  
5/30/2017: Candler Dennis Reagan, Fiduciary Michele Reagan  
5/31/2017: Elsie Ann Hunt, Affiant Glen E. Hunt  
6/4/2017: Amy Autumn Crowe  
6/4/2017: Roy Lee Tolley, Clerk of Superior Court for the Estate of Roy L. Tolley  
6/7/2017: Donald Roberts, Personal Representative Kara Carter  
6/8/2017: Elizabeth Inez Rattler, Fiduciary Elsie Biddix  
6/11/2017: Angela Lynn Ledford Jackson, Fiduciary Jennifer Jackson  
6/11/2017: Thomas Ronson Rickman  
6/14/2017: Arnessa Mae Wilnoty  
6/17/2017: Samantha Rene Larch  
6/22/2017: George Curtis Arneach, Sr., Fiduciary Frances O. Arneach  
6/22/2017: Rose Marie Crisp, Fiduciary Glenn Crisp  
6/23/2017: Lida Fay Locust  
6/25/2017: Faye Queen  
6/26/2017: Thomas Edward Hensley  
6/27/2017: James Robert Smith  
6/28/2017: James Edward Ledford  
6/30/2017: Elizabeth Ann Bryson  
7/1/2017: Devan Whisper Jackson  
7/3/2017: Jessie Swimmer, Fiduciary Virgil Monroe Swimmer  
7/7/2017: Fredrick Jackson Bradley, Fiduciary Danny Ellis  
7/8/2017: Catherine Barbara Adams, Fiduciary Keith W. Adams

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7/10/2017: Jessie Kathleen Maney, Fiduciary Kimberly Driver  
 7/10/2017: Rosie Evelyn Marler, Fiduciary Mary Jane Ward  
 7/13/2017: Ethel Lambert, Fiduciary Walter Lambert  
 7/16/2017: Elnora Nell Maney, Fiduciary John Winfred Maney  
 7/18/2017: Fay Elizabeth Barbee, Affiant Donald Lee Barbee  
 8/9/2017: Jose Guadalupe Martinez, Jr., Fiduciary Jose Martinez, Sr.  
 8/10/2017: JuanJose Estrada Olivares  
 8/15/2017: Geraldine Walkingstick, Fiduciary Mary Welch Thompson  
 8/20/2017: Zada Irene Hammontree  
 8/21/2017: Shirley Evelyn Oswalt  
 8/22/2017: Joseph Robinette French, Fiduciary Delores L. Shell  
 8/23/2017: Frances Ellen Reed, Fiduciary Lori A. Reed  
 8/23/2017: David Lamar Wachacha  
 8/24/2017: Annie James, Fiduciary James Tooni  
 8/24/2017: James Joseph Ledford  
 8/27/2017: Dinah Welch, Fiduciary Martha V. Oocumma  
 9/5/2017: Brenda Joyce Key  
 9/5/2017: Caleb Mark Welch  
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 9/14/2017: Samuel David Taylor, Fiduciary Peggy L. Bradley  
 9/21/2017: Icey Elizabeth Derreberry  
 9/22/2017: Robert William Sherrill, Jr., Fiduciary Erin Elizabeth Sherrill  
 9/26/2017: Samma Audine Black  
 9/28/2017: Donald Ray Davis

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chose to show mercy, compassion, and humanity. And, he did so when he thought no eyes were watching to get him credit for his deed. In her eyes, he probably had ultimate power over her life at that moment. And, at least for that moment, she found not corruption, but reparation and redemption. I applaud him for his choice to show true leadership. We may never know his name and he would probably want it that way. He was much more focused on his duty than personal gain. May all of our elected officials and public servants take his example to heart. Life is a series of moments. Try to make each moment be about service to others instead of service to self, and may you have the wisdom to know the difference.

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# *Annual Trick Or Treat Night*



Tuesday, October 31st  
Acquoni Event Center  
5:30pm - 8:30pm

Must be in costume to Trick or Treat  
No Outside Bags

For more information

Call: 828-359-6180

Or

Email: [radocrow@nc-chokeee.com](mailto:radocrow@nc-chokeee.com) or [manuhern@nc-chokeee.com](mailto:manuhern@nc-chokeee.com)



# COMMUNITY DAY

FOR EBCI MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

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

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

Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Please bring your enrollment card to all events to verify your identity.



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