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# Governor McCrory visits Cherokee

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*- North Carolina Governor Pat McCrory*



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**Casey Cooper (left), Cherokee Indian Hospital chief executive officer, and Principal Chief Patrick Lambert (right) show North Carolina Governor Pat McCrory (center) around the new Cherokee Indian Hospital facility on Friday, Oct. 23.**

## **ROBERT JUMPER** ONE FEATHER EDITOR

**N**orth Carolina Governor Pat McCrory visited the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indian's new hospital facility on Friday, Oct. 23. The reason for his visit was three-fold.

First, he was scheduled for a tour of the new Cherokee Hospital facility. Then, he had a closed session discussion with Principal Chief Patrick Lambert, Vice Chief Richard Sneed and members of the Tribal Council. Details of that discussion were not released. Finally, House Bill 850 received the Governor's signature and became law. House Bill 850 makes official a relationship that has

existed for several years.

Prior to the signing, the Governor was given a tour of the hospital by Casey Cooper, Cherokee Indian Hospital chief executive officer, and Principal Chief Patrick Lambert. They specifically went to the new hospice wing and reviewed the patient suites. The Governor repeatedly commented on the "excellent and impressive" design of the building and rooms. He enjoyed the integration of nature, tribal history and legend into the design of the rooms and common areas.

Principal Chief Lambert opened the signing with an introduction. "I would like to welcome the Governor to the Cherokee Indian Reservation today. We've had a great meeting and toured the facility. Governor, we are glad you are here today with our Tribal

Council. I appreciate you coming here today to sign the bill with us. Sgi."

Gov. McCrory addressed the gathering, "Let me first say that I am so impressed with this new hospital facility. I think this will be the prototype hospital not only throughout North Carolina, but throughout the United States in the future. In fact, I hope to bring more people here to tour this in the near future, and we have also had some wonderful conversations on some Medicaid reform and how to implement that, on mental health issues that we are all going to have to deal with throughout the state of North Carolina and also the public safety issues and other issues that we are dealing with today. So, I appreciate the teamwork, I appreciate getting to see you again, your new Council members as well as some of your veteran Council members who have been here for many, many years."

"This is an important and historical day for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the state of North Carolina. Our state and our administration are proud that our diverse and rich Native American heritage is part of why nothing compares to North Carolina - from the coast to this beautiful view in the mountains that the hospital architecture takes so advantage of."

He added, "More than 122,000 Native Americans call North Carolina home, and this makes our state the largest Native American population east of the Mississippi River and the eighth largest Native American population in the United States. We are proud of this heritage and respect the traditions of sovereignty of our Native American neighbors. And, that is why I am proud to sign House Bill 850 into law today.

This bill is an important step and verifies the rights granted to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians close to three decades in 1987. House Bill 850 authorizes the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians to establish the following: first, a police department; second, a tribal alcohol law enforcement division; third, a natural resources law enforcement agency; and fourth, a probation and parole agency through the Cherokee Marshal's Office. It will help our state. It will help the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians protect people, protect our environment and uphold the law. Under this bill and



**As Principal Chief Lambert looks on, Gov. McCrory signs N.C. House Bill 850 into law.**

previous guidelines, the chief law enforcement officers of the police department must comply with the training and standards for the police officers in state of North Carolina. The Cherokee Marshal's Office is authorized to have access to all probation and parole records of the North Carolina Department of Public

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or justice of the Cherokee tribal courts and filed with that court."

With that, the Governor signed the bill. The Governor thanked a number of local legislators for working to ensure that the bill became law including: Representatives Roger West, Mike Hagar and Michelle Presnell, and NC Senator Jim Davis. According to the Governor, this bill formalizes a relationship between the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and state of North Carolina by state statute.

At the close of the activities, the Governor recognized Casey Cooper. "Casey, I just want to let

you know that I am so impressed with you and to have been raised here, and to come back home... get a great education at Garner-Webb and UNC Chapel Hill and to come back home to build I think a masterpiece."

Chief Lambert also introduced Gov. McCrory to Dike Sneed, the new Cherokee Police Chief, and stated that Police Chief Sneed is "in charge of what this bill is all about". The Governor thanked him for being part of the team and reiterated that this bill has formalized the relationship between state and tribal law enforcement.

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# Chief signs legislation doubling Christmas Checks



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**Principal Chief Patrick Lambert signed legislation at Tsali Manor on Wednesday, Oct. 21 that will double the Christmas Checks for EBCI tribal seniors and disabled persons. He was joined by members of Tribal Council including (left-right) – Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy, Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke, Birdtown Rep. Albert Rose, Big Cove Rep. Richard French, Chairman Bill Taylor, Birdtown Rep. Travis Smith, Wolfetown Rep. Bo Crowe, Painttown Rep. Marie Junaluska and Yellowhill Rep. Anita Lossiah.**

## SCOTT MCKIE B.P. ONE FEATHER STAFF

**P** principal Chief Patrick Lambert signed legislation at Tsali Manor on Wednesday, Oct. 21 that will double the Christmas Checks for EBCI tribal seniors and disabled persons. The legislation was passed by Tribal Council last week and will double the Christmas Checks from \$250 to \$500.

“One week to the day after the new Council took office and I was sworn in as well, we fulfilled a lot of the promises that I made and a lot of the Council

members made and that is to take care of the elders of our tribe,” Chief Lambert told the crowd at Tsali Manor. “The first step that we wanted to do in fulfilling those promises to you is to take on the effort of doubling the Christmas Checks.”

He added, “Going forward, I think there is going to be lot of different things that we’re going to be able to do on behalf of the seniors and elders of our tribe, and me working alongside Tribal Council and with their assistance, I think we’re going to do some really good stuff for everyone of the tribe.”

Tribal Council Chairman

Bill Taylor also signed the legislation on Wednesday, and he commented, “On behalf of Tribal Council, it is truly an honor to be here today and to eat lunch with you all. Like the Chief said, this is way overdue... Tribal Council has always been here to support the elders and will continue to do that.”

Per the TOP Office, “Senior citizens do not have to submit anything to receive a Christmas Check. Checks will be mailed to all (EBCI) enrolled members who are 60 years of age or older by Dec. 31, 2015. Christmas Checks will be mailed to the same address that per capita



**Principal Chief Lambert signs the legislation.**



**Tribal Council Chairman Bill Taylor signs the legislation.**

checks are mailed to.”

EBCI tribal members who are handicapped/disabled and under the age of 60 who wish to receive a Christmas Check must submit a doctor’s statement indicating that they are handicapped/disabled. The doctor’s statement must be submitted to the TOP Office by Wednesday, Nov. 25. They can be turned into the office in person or faxed to 497-5927 (Attn: Kelly Sampson).

# EBCI part of historic class action settlement

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**T**he Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians will join hundreds of federally-recognized tribes across the country in receiving funds from a \$940 million proposed settlement in a class action lawsuit known as the Ramah Navajo Chapter Settlement. The set-

of the Interior still has a way to go before EBCI will be paid the funding it is owed."

The suit was first filed by the Ramah Navajo Chapter, a sub-unit of the Navajo Nation, in 1990. The Oglala Sioux Tribe of South Dakota and the Pueblo of Zuni joined the suit as class representatives at a later date.

"This landmark settlement represents another important

perspective, underfunding of contract costs is another broken promise. There is no longer any question that we agreed to pay these amounts and we are liable, the only question now is, how much money is needed to settle decades of liability with hundreds of tribal contractors?"

According to information from Michael P. Gross, Class Counsel for the suit from Santa

under the Self-Determination Act. It will promote the Act's goal of tribal self-sufficiency, self-reliance, and self-governance for generations to come and reduce unemployment on our reservations."

John Yellow Bird Steele, Oglala Sioux Tribe president, commented, "We are satisfied with the fine settlement that has been reached here. Previously, they paternalistically shorted us and didn't give a darn. We are hopeful that we are now entering into a period of mutual cooperation with the Department of Interior. We hope the settlement clears the air for the future."

This issue reached the U.S. Supreme Court which ruled in favor of the plaintiffs on June 18, 2012.

According to the Final Settlement Agreement, "the United States Supreme Court held Defendants could not justify the failure to pay in full the contract support costs of an individual Tribal Contractor on the ground that Congress did not appropriate sufficient funds to meet the total contract support cost requirement of all Tribal Contractors..."

**"While the Tribe's settlement amount has not been negotiated yet, the Tribe does expect a settlement."**

*- Hannah Smith, EBCI attorney general*

tlement seeks to end a 25-year dispute over contract support costs for tribal agencies.

"The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is part of the class action suit against the Department of the Interior for failing to pay total contract support costs associated with the programs, services, functions and activities that the Tribe contracts for through the self-determination authority," said Hannah Smith, EBCI attorney general. "While the Tribe's settlement amount has not been negotiated yet, the Tribe does expect a settlement. This phase of the very large class action against the Department

step in the Obama Administration's efforts to turn the page on past challenges in our government-to-government relationship with tribes," Interior Secretary Sally Jewell said in a statement. "Tribal self-determination and self-governance will continue to be our North Star as we navigate a new chapter in this important relationship and we are committed to fully funding contract support costs so that tribal contracting can be more successful. Congress can and should make this happen."

Kevin Washburn, Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, commented, "From the tribes'

Fe, NM, "The actual distribution of funds will be handled by a company to be selected as the 'Settlement Administrator'. This company has not yet been selected. The Settlement Administrator's work will be supervised by a Class Monitor. Both the Settlement Administrator and the Class Monitor will be required to report all of their work back to the Court."

David Jose, Ramah Navajo Chapter president, said in a statement, "This settlement will be remembered as a landmark victory by over 645 tribes and tribal organizations across the country that operate programs



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# Council reverses decision on pay raise lawsuit defendants' representation

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**T**ribal Council reversed a decision from a week earlier involving legal representation for those named in a lawsuit involving pay raises that occurred last fall. Council passed Res. No. 30 (2015) in Annual Council on Wednesday, Oct. 14 which stated that those named in the lawsuit would be responsible for their own legal representation. Eight days later, on Thursday, Oct. 22, Council passed Res. No. 36 (2015) which rescinds Res. No. 30 and provides for a case-by-case review of legal service fees.

"The main concern I had on the working of the previous resolution (Res. No. 30) is that it potentially affects the liability of this tribe, and it's also our duty to protect the liability," said Yellowhill Rep. Anita Lossiah, who co-introduced the legislation along with Birdtown Rep. Travis Smith, during the debate on the issue on Thursday.

Res. No. 36 states, "Additional research was needed concerning the public policy behind legislative and government immunity and whether it would be affected by the passage of Resolution No. 30 (2015), and it has been determined that Resolution No. 30 (2015) will affect these public policy frameworks for the operation of government and if those protected by the legislative and government immu-

nity of the tribal government of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) act outside of their scope of duties, as determined by a court of law, they shall not receive paid legal services from the EBCI in response and/or defense of those actions..."

Rep. Lossiah went on to comment on the legislation, "I felt additional research was needed just to clarify the wording within that resolution (No. 30). It would have been appropriate to table it for further discussion, but the way it was currently written, I could not sup-

port that. This one is just clarifying with a little additional detail on the legislative immunity concern."

Rep. Lossiah also states, "...if an elected official and/or those protected by the legislative and government immunity is sued in his or her official or individual capacity and is found by a court of law to have been acting outside the scope of his or her official authority, the Tribe should require repayment of any and all legal fees incurred in the response and/or defense of the elected official and/or those protected by the legislative and government immunity and that such cost shall be deemed a debt to the Tribe."

Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy, who submitted Res. No. 30, said on Thursday, "I do appreciate the intent of the legislation, and I still stand behind the other one."

She added, "I cannot support this one because I feel like whenever tribal government breaks the law, tribal government should be held accountable like everyone else, and I believe that we sometimes hide behind immunity."

"None of this would have occurred had Council continued to simply follow the law. That was

the first time in the history of pay raises that our tribal government did a pay raise like that, and that was the first time in the history of tribal government that we received a back pay check."

Rep. McCoy's Res. No. 30 stated in part, "Tribal Council was served with a demand letter several months ago, and only with discussion, no vote, retained legal services from a firm in Washington, DC... to date, the tribe has already spent \$49,000 for legal fees for Tribal Council Members in defense of the demand letter."

That resolution went on to state that each individual named in the

lawsuit "will be responsible for their own attorney."

Rep. Smith noted on the legislation he and Rep. Lossiah proposed, "This legislation that we put in here is for the well-being of the tribal government. This talks about our tribal government moving forward."

Rep. Lossiah also said, "This body has to be able to speak freely for the concerns of our communities. We also have to be able to freely pass legislation...anything that would erode that protection for this body would be a hindrance on our government function. The spirit of the other one I fully supported, but I was concerned for the liability of this tribe."

Two motions were made on the legislation including a move to kill by Rep. McCoy and a move to pass by Rep. Lossiah. Voting to kill were: Rep. McCoy, Big Cove Rep. Richard French, and Wolfetown Rep. Bo Crowe. Voting to pass were: Birdtown Rep. Smith, Yellowhill Rep. Lossiah, Yellowhill Rep. B. Ensley, Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke, Painttown Rep. Marie Junaluska, Birdtown Rep. Albert Rose, Cherokee County – Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha, Vice Chairman Brandon Jones and Chairman Bill Taylor.

The lawsuit, filed on Tuesday, Oct. 6 in Tribal Court by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians for Justice & Accountability, disputes the pay raises.

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- Yellowhill Rep. Anita Lossiah



# Cherokee Nation Tribal Council Speaker elected to NCAI post

**SAN DIEGO, Calif.** — Cherokee Nation Tribal Council Speaker Joe Byrd was elected Wednesday, Oct. 21 to serve as vice-president of the eastern Oklahoma region of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) during a conference in San Diego. The post was previously held for the past four years by Cherokee Nation Deputy Chief S. Joe Crittenden of Stilwell.

The eastern Oklahoma region is comprised of 20 tribes, and Byrd, drawing no opponents, was elected by acclamation.

“We all know the National Congress of American Indians brings together Native leaders so that we can better speak with a unified



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather  
**Cherokee Nation Tribal Council Speaker Joe Byrd, shown at the Tri-Council meeting in August, has been elected to serve as vice-president of the eastern Oklahoma region of NCAI.**

voice on issues critical to American

Indian and Alaska Native nations and our people,” said Byrd during a speech prior to the election. “The spirit of togetherness and unity is what sets NCAI apart, and I promise I will stand for you, so that we can stand together and accomplish great things in the next two years.”

NCAI is the largest and oldest native advocacy organization in the United States. It is organized as a representative congress of Native Americans and Alaska Natives that serve to develop consensus on national issues that impact tribal sovereignty and considered a priority. American Indian and Alaska Native governments pass resolutions to become members of NCAI, selecting official delegates to the

NCAI Executive Council, Mid-Year Conference, and Annual Convention. During these events, delegates consider issues of pressing concern in accordance with their tribal governments’ policies, goals, and needs.

“We have an opportunity to continue this critical work and focus on legislation that preserves our cultures and helps our communities grow,” said Byrd. “My heart is always guided by my traditional values, and I’ll work to protect some of our most vulnerable citizens: our proud veterans, our elders and our youth. We have an obligation to those who need us the most.”

- Cherokee Nation



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## Native News by State

### MASSACHUSETTS

**NEWTON CENTRE** – The Andover Newton Theological School of Massachusetts has been found to be in violation of NAGPRA (Native American Graves and Repatriation Act) due to its planned sale of Native American items. The school has a collection totaling 1,100 objects including some sacred items. “The ruling was forceful and very clear, and there is no room for misconceptions,” said Rosita Worl, Sealaska Heritage Institute, who filed a complaint about the sale earlier this year. “If an entity owns Native objects and receives federal funds, they must comply with NAGPRA.” The school has 45 days to contest the ruling with the Department of Interior.

- SitNews

### OREGON

**PORTLAND** – Almost one-third (30 percent) of the American Indian and Alaska Native students

in Oregon were “chronically absent” from school last year according to an Oregon Department of Education report released Thursday, Oct. 22. “It’s just really disheartening,” April Campbell, the state’s Indian Education Advisor, told The Oregonian. “It’s very concerning. If you’re not there, you can’t learn.” Statewide, the “chronically absent” rate was 17 percent. The Oregon American Indian/Alaska Native Education State Plan lists 11 goals to help, and the Oregon state legislature recently funded a pilot program on boosting attendance to the tune of \$1.5 million. “We’ve recognized that there is definitely a need to better understand the ‘whys’ behind this data,” Campbell said.

- The Oregonian

### NEW JERSEY

**TRENTON** – A civil rights lawsuit has been filed in New Jersey state court by the Nanticoke Leni-Lenape Tribal Nation, an unrecognized group, who is seeking recognition. The lawsuit, similar to one filed in federal court in July, names the

State of New Jersey and Attorney General John Hoffman as plaintiffs. The State of New Jersey decided in 2012 not to grant state recognition to the group. A representative from Hoffman’s office told NJ.com that they filed a motion earlier in the week to dismiss the federal case. The state case states that the group has 3,000 members.

- NJ.com

### WASHINGTON, DC

A Republican-sponsored bill seeks to take the federal acknowledgement of American Indian tribes away from the Department of the Interior and put it strictly into the hands of Congress. The Tribal Recognition Act of 2015 (HR 3764) was introduced by Rep. Rob Bishop (R-Utah), House Natural Resources chairman, on Wednesday, Oct. 21. “The tribal recognition process has been a mess for decades,” said Rep. Bishop. The bill states that Part 83, the final federal acknowledgement rule released on June 29, “shall have no force or effect”.

- House Natural Resources Comm.

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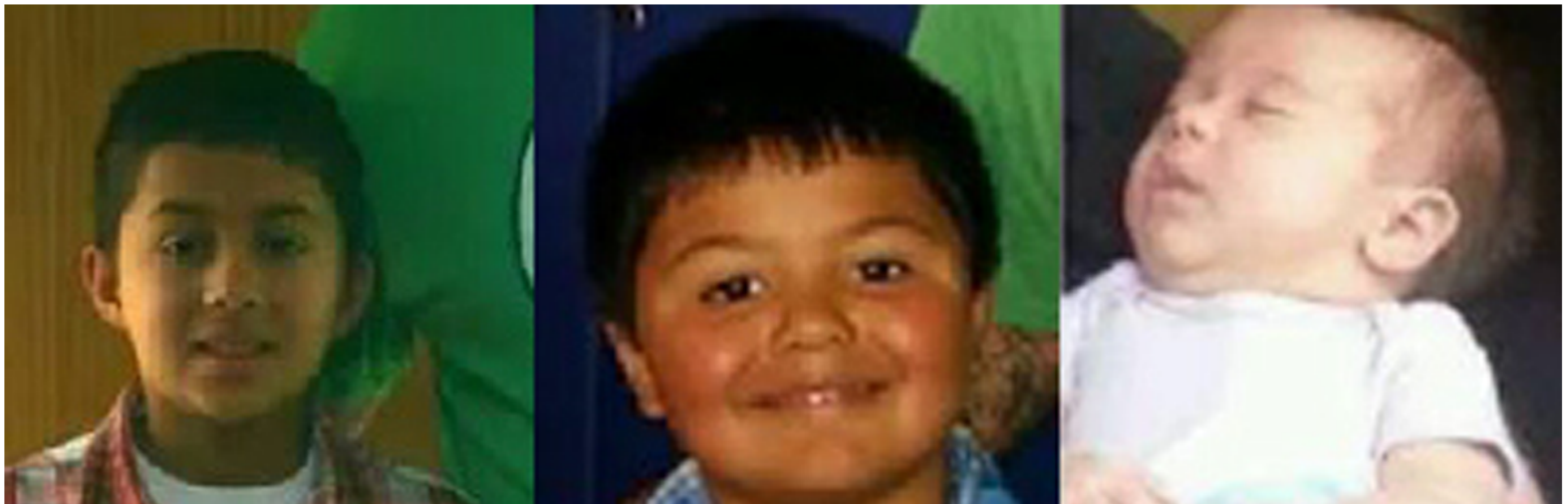
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# MISSING CHILDREN



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## **James Paul Owle**

8 years old / M / Brown Hair / Brown Eyes / 4'7" / 75 lbs  
Native American from Cherokee, NC

## **Samuel George Owle**

6 years old / M / Brown Hair / Brown Eyes / 4'4" / 90 lbs  
Native American from Cherokee, NC

## **Evelyn Grace Arneach**

3 months old / F / Brown Hair / Brown Eyes



All three children are believed to be with their non-custodial mother, Shira Raman Mattocks, 26, from Cherokee.

If you have any information on the whereabouts of Shira Raman Mattocks or the children, please contact the Cherokee Indian Police Department 497-4131 or your local law enforcement agency.

## FOOTBALL

# Braves air it out in loss at Andrews

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

**A**NDREWS - The Cherokee Braves (3-6) put on an air assault at Andrews (4-6) on Friday, Oct. 23, but turnovers and mixed extra points were costly as they lost to the Wildcats 41-30. Tye

Mintz, Braves sophomore quarterback, had a career night completing 15 of 23 passes for 286 yards, four touchdowns and four interceptions.

He mixed up his receivers with Jason McMillan, senior wide receiver, leading the way with 7 catches for 158 yards and two touchdowns. Anthony Toineeta had four catches for

69 yards and two touchdowns. Rounding out the receiving corps was Holden Straughan with 3 catches for 28 yards and Isaiah Evans with 1 catch for 33 yards.

The Braves fell behind by 23 at one point, but did not quit and scored the last two to make it a game at the end. Kent Briggs, Braves head coach, commented after the game, "They fought hard. Obviously, there were some things we didn't do well enough. What we need to do is stay positive and work to get better. That's what we'll do this week. We have two games left this season, and we need to put ourselves in the best opportunity for the playoffs."

The Braves started their first possession from their own 32-yard line. Six plays into the drive, Andrews' Taylor Parker intercepted the ball at the Wildcats 43-yard line.

But, their drive didn't last long as they would fumble on the first play and Joaquin Layno, Braves defensive lineman, scooped it up and ran 42 yards for the first score of the game. The two-point try failed and Cherokee led 6-0 at the 10:14 mark of the first quarter.

Andrews started their next drive at their own 36-yard line and 10 plays later, James Hoke caught a 6-yard touchdown pass from Parker. Cameron

Debty added the point-after kick and the Wildcats took a one-point lead (7-6) with just less than six minutes left in the first.

The Braves fumbled on the second play of their next drive which was recovered by Andrews' Willie Parker at the Braves 22-yard line. Two plays later, Dylan "Cornbread" Ward ran 19 yards for the score. Debty added the extra point and Andrews led 14-6 with 4:19 left in the first. On the night, Ward carried the ball 43 times for 185 yards and three touchdowns.

Cherokee kept plugging and after starting on their own 34-yard line put together a nine-play drive which culminated in Mintz hitting Toineeta on a 15-yard touchdown pass. The two-point try failed and Cherokee only trailed by two (14-12) with 27 ticks left in the high-scoring first quarter.

The Wildcats came back on their next possession and put together a nine-play, 65-yard drive that yielded a score as Parker hit Tyler Rose on a 10-yard touchdown pass. The extra point was no good and Andrews led 20-12 with 8:25 left in the half.

The Braves next possession ended on the third play as Andrews' Rose intercepted the ball at the Wildcats 44-yard line. Thirteen plays and six



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos

**Cherokee's Anthony Toineeta (#18) runs by Andrews' Grayson Parker (#8) on his way to a touchdown in the second half of Friday's game at Andrews. On the night, Toineeta caught four passes for 69 yards and two touchdowns.**



minutes later, Parker ran for a two-yard score. Deby added the extra point and the Wildcats extended their lead to 27-12 with 56 seconds left.

Cherokee got the ball back, but Parker ended the drive with an interception at the Wildcats 2-yard line to end the half.

Both teams played strong defense coming out of the locker room. Following punts by both teams, Andrews set up shop for their second possession of the half at the Braves 44-yard line. Eight plays later, Ward scored on an 8-yard run. Jack Newton caught a Parker pass for the two-point conversion and An-

drews led 35-12 with 4:55 left in the third.

Cherokee started their next possession on their own 35-yard line and would strike back quickly. Following a five-yard penalty that backed things up to the 30, McMillan caught a 62-yard pass from Mintz which set up a first and goal at the Andrews 8-yard line. Three plays later, the two connected again on a 7-yard touchdown pass. The two point try failed and Andrews led 35-18 at the 3:47 mark of the third.

The Braves forced Andrews to punt on their next possession and an interception by Rose ended Cherokee's next drive.



**Tye Mintz, Braves sophomore quarterback, avoids the rush in the first half. He completed 15 of 23 yards for 286 yards, four touchdowns and four interceptions.**

The Wildcats started their next drive at the Cherokee 37-yard line and scored 10 plays later as Ward would run in from two yards out. The point-after kick failed and Andrews led 41-18 with 6:01 left in the game.

Cherokee kept plug-

ging and after starting at their own 28-yard line, put together a quick 4-play drive that ended with Mintz connecting with Toineeta on an 18-yard touchdown pass. The two-point try failed and Cherokee cut into the lead at 41-24 with

4:36 left in the fourth.

The Braves defense held the Wildcats to a three-and-out and forced a punt. Cherokee took over in good field position at their own 48-yard line. This time, the drive took five plays as Mintz connected with McMillan on an 18-yard touchdown pass. The two-point try failed and Andrews led 41-30 with 2:15 left in the game. The Braves tried an onside kick, but it was recovered by the Wildcats who were able to run out the rest of the clock.

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# Cherokee Middle girls win SMC conference title

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

**T**he Cherokee Middle School girls cross country team finished their season undefeated and with a conference title – the first in school history – by

winning the Smoky Mountain Conference title on Wednesday, Oct. 21. With three out of the top five runners, including Maria Reyes who took the individual title with a time of 13:35.49 over the two-mile middle school course, the CMS Lady Braves team took the championship with a team

score of 38 points. The next closest team was Swain Middle in second place with 81 points followed by Murphy with 87.

“As for our middle school ladies and men, they are a joy to watch,” said Eddie Swimmer, Cherokee head cross country coach. “Surprisingly, they were always asking to run more than what was planned. In that, I admire them. They all worked together as a team and helped support the high school also. I just love their spirit. In that, it’s the making of champions for life.”

In speaking about Wednesday’s meet, Swimmer noted, “Yesterday was really nerve-racking for me due to the fact that we went all season undefeated and now this was the most important race of the season and there were still a lot of unknowns that could happen. I am just overwhelmed to see all my athletes do so well in a sport that isn’t so glamorous as other sports. But, to me, this sport will bring out the true character of an athlete. Let me see what they are really made of, how much heart and desire they have when it comes to true competition.”

The CMS Braves came in fourth place in the team contest with a score of 125. They

were led by Danny Thompson who came in fourth overall with a time of 12:41.36.

On the high school side, Braves freshman sensation Darius Lambert, who took second place with a time of 17:28.29, was named All-Conference.

Swain swept the high school team championships with the girls winning by a score of 28 and the boys winning with a score of 39.

“Our high school runners face a bigger challenge due to the fact that the Smoky Mountain Conference is one of the toughest in the state,” Swimmer commented. “State winners and runner-ups will come out of this conference.”

Results of the meet are as follows:

## Middle School Girls

- 1 – Maria Reyes, Cherokee, 13:35.49
- 2 – Ava Barlow, Robbinsville, 13:53.57
- 3 – Lizzy Brusini, Hayesville, 13:56.69
- 4 – Destiny Mills, Cherokee, 14:11.40
- 5 – Rosa Reyes, Cherokee, 14:12.28
- 12 – Christina Lee, Cherokee, 14:46.56



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos

**Lady Braves’ Maria Reyes runs on her way to a first place finish in the Smoky Mountain Conference middle school cross country championship at Cherokee on Wednesday, Oct. 21. She helped lead the CMS Lady Braves to a team championship, the first in school history, with a team score of 38 points.**





**Braves freshman sensation Darius Lambert, who took second place in the high school boys race with a time of 17:28.29, was named SMC All-Conference.**

18 – Raylen Bark, Cherokee, 15:09.16  
 19 – Dorian Reed, Cherokee, 15:12.75  
 23 – Dalericka King, Cherokee, 15:29.46

#### **Team Scores**

1 – Cherokee 38  
 2 – Swain 81  
 3 – Murphy 87  
 4 – Robbinsville 110  
 5 – Hiwassee Dam 121



**The Cherokee Middle School girls cross country team poses on Friday, Oct. 23 with the team trophy they won at the Smoky Mountain Conference championship on Wednesday. The team boarded a bus that morning to the Southeastern USA Middle School Cross Country Championships which was scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 24 in Greensboro. Shown (left-right) kneeling – Dalericka King and Raylen Bark; back row – assistant coach Ahli-sha Stephens, Dorian Reed, Deante Toineeta, Maria Reyes (holding Individual Championship plaque), Destiny Mills, Rosa Reyes, Christina Lee and head coach Eddie Swimmer.**

### **Middle School Boys**

1 – Micah Anderson, Hiwassee Dam, 12:06.41  
 2 – Hunter Craig, Swain, 12:33.68  
 3 – Danny Thompson, Cherokee, 12:41.36  
 4 – Bobby Little, Swain, 12:46.92  
 5 – Kane Dutcher, Robbinsville, 12:56.63  
 15 – Chris Johnson, Cherokee, 13:46.24  
 39 – Dakota Siweumtewa, Cherokee, 16:31.25  
 40 – Braylon Arch, Cherokee, 16:49.22  
 41 – Dreyton Long, Cherokee, 17:00.05  
 43 – Adam Reed, Cherokee, 17:34.00

#### **Team Scores:**

1 – Murphy 43  
 2 – Swain 49  
 3 – Hiwassee Dam 94

4 – Cherokee 125  
 5 – Andrews 125 (higher average split time)

### **High School Girls**

1 – Shawnda Martin, Robbinsville, 20:03.46  
 2 – Blakely Moore, Highlands, 20:28.83  
 3 – Shelby Hyatt, Swain, 21:06.09  
 4 – Maleeah Langstaff, Swain, 21:15.89  
 5 – Cameron Rice, Murphy, 21:26.82  
 27 – Shelby Wolfe, Cherokee, 25:15.05

#### **Team Scores**

1 – Swain 28  
 2 – Robbinsville 40  
 3 – Murphy 62  
 4 – Hayesville 99  
 5 – Blue Ridge 138

### **High School Boys**

1 – Adam Urbaniuk,

Hayesville, 17:28.29  
 2 – Darius Lambert, Cherokee, 17:42.25  
 3 – Tucker Price, Robbinsville, 17:51.08  
 4 – Luke Walters, Robbinsville, 17:54.79  
 5 – Parker Chatham, Swain, 18:06.11  
 36 – Brock Powell, Cherokee, 22:06.39  
 37 – Josiah Lossiah, Cherokee, 22:19.69  
 44 – Eason Esquivel, Cherokee, 24:47.18  
 47 – Xavier Siweumtewa, Cherokee, 25:11.51

#### **Team Scores**

1 – Swain  
 2 – Hayesville 53  
 3 – Rosman 87  
 4 – Murphy 118  
 5 – Highlands 128  
 7 – Cherokee 151





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**NASA, NAYO meetings held at Harrah's Cherokee**  
 Bob Brisco, a representative from the Choctaw Nation, conducts the 2015 Native American Sports Association (NASA) Annual Board Meeting on Monday, Oct. 19. The NASA and Native American Youth Organization Annual Board Meetings were held at the Harrah's Cherokee Casino and Resort Locust Ballroom on Monday, Oct. 19 and Tuesday, Oct. 20 respectively. Representatives from the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Choctaw, Poarch Creek, and Seminole tribes were present to discuss the 2015-16 NAYO and NASA tournaments.



The Cherokee Center joins the rest of the Western Carolina University community to congratulate **Taran Swimmer** for becoming the 2015 Miss Cherokee. Taran is a sophomore at WCU, majoring in Graphic Design with a minor in Cherokee Studies. She is a member of the student organization, Digali i, which works to offer education of Native issues, past and present to the entire campus-- faculty, staff and students. We are very proud that a Western student serves in this capacity.

Tickets are on sale at the WCU-Cherokee Center for the football game against Furman University at a discounted price of \$10. The game will be on Saturday, November 7th in Cullowhee as Catamount football recognizes the EBCI with "Cherokee Day." This is the 2nd annual game dedicated to the Cherokee community. Events during pre-game and half-time will focus on Cherokee. A special tail-gate tent will be for Cherokee. Please come out and support the WCU football team and our community. Get your discounted tickets now!!

On November 2nd, a reception to welcome WCU's new Sequoyah Distinguished Professor, will be held at the Joyce Dugan Cultural Center Fine Arts Gallery lobby at Cherokee Central School from 4:00 until 7:00. Refreshments will be served and the public is invited and welcome.

# CONGRATULATIONS

*Destiny Mills  
 and the CMS X/C Team!!!*

*2015 Smoky Mountain  
 Middle School Conference*

*Cross Country*

## Champions

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# Cherokee Youth Council awards teens



*Photos by Sky Sampson/Cherokee Youth Council*

**Those receiving 2015 Youth Council Awards are shown (left-right) front row – Mary Driver, Evie Cotterman, Hayley Keever, Naomi Smith, Nola Pina, Ayden Evans, Dallas Bennett, Matt Hollifiend and daughter Ruby; back row - Tammy Jackson, Michelle Evans, Jackson Warshaw, Seth Ledford, Jullian Rubio, Hannah Ledford, and David Keever.**

**T**he Cherokee Youth Council held the 1st Annual Youth Council Awards Banquet last week. The banquet included the recognitions of youth, parents and advisors within the community.

“We are so proud of our teens and the selfless leadership they have displayed throughout the year. I am so blessed and honored to be able to recognize their efforts,” said Sky Sampson, Cherokee Youth Council program manager. “On Behalf of the Cherokee Youth Council, we would like to say thank you all of our involved parents, advisors, and youth for continuing to support our program goals. We would also like to thank the Cherokee Preservation Foundation, Boys and Girls Club of Cherokee, and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians for your support throughout the year. You are changing lives! Thank you!”

*- Sky Sampson,  
Cherokee Youth Council*



**2015 Cherokee Youth Council Advisors are shown (left-right) - Joey Owle, Tammy Jackson, Kevin Jackson, Carmaleta Monteith, Ralph Wright-Murphy, and Matt Hollifield and his daughter Ruby.**



THANK YOU LETTER

Thank you from the family of Nannie Morris

The family of Nannie “Bunny” Sampson Morris would like to express sincere gratitude to all friends and relatives who stopped by to be with us; offered prayers, hugs, comforting words and sang during Bunny’s illness and passing. We thank Tribal EMS, Dr. Michael Toedt, Dr. Dominique Toedt, Dr. Shell, Dr. Winchester and the staff (ER, Inpatient, Case Managers) at Cherokee Indian Hospital for taking good care of Bunny. Special thanks to Ginger Arkansas and Satin Taylor (you two went above and beyond to care for her and made her feel special). Thank you to Rock Springs Baptist Church and Yellowhill Church for the beautiful singing during the wake; also Pastor Greg Morgan, Erma McMillan, Pam Cucumber and Sandy Saunooke for your singing during the service. We thank preachers Bo Parris and Patricia Crockett for their comforting message from the word of God and always checking in on Bunny when she needed it most. Thank you to those who brought food (especially Cherokee Wesleyan Church members and the Oocumma family), sent cards, and flowers.

So much appreciation to the following for helping in a special way and being an extra blessing to our lives: Mary Mantooth, Sam Smith, Jayson Crusenberry, Amy Crowe, Tammi Hogner and the Morris family. Last but not least, we thank the Long House Funeral home for assisting with the service. Please accept our apologies if we left out anyone. May God Bless you all!

Amber Cruz and family

The Shadow of the Bear

JEREMY WILSON

The Shadow of the Bear is a natural phenomenon that occurs during the weeks of mid-October through the early weeks of November. The Shadow of the Bear is a shadow that appears at the base of Whiteside Mountain, and grows into the shape of a black bear. Whiteside Mountain is located in Highlands. Clear skies are a must in order to see the shadow unfold. Whiteside Mountain is a place that Cherokees considered a sacred place for bears. It is also a place that is home to the legendary Spearfinger. The shadow only lasts for 30 minutes and can also be seen during the month of February.



Photo by Jeremy Wilson

The Shadow of the Bear is a natural phenomenon that occurs during the weeks of mid-October through the early weeks of November.

BIBLE TRIVIA by Wilson Casey

- 1. Is the book of Lamentations in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- 2. In 1 Kings 20:29, how many footmen (soldiers) of the Syrians were killed in one day? 5,000; 10,000; 50,000; 100,000
- 3. Who perhaps made the first “piggy bank” by placing a chest with a hole in it near the altar? Ezra, Jehoiada, Ahab, Jethro
- 4. From Jeremiah 7:32, what did the Lord say that Tophet will be called? Syria, Valley of Slaughter, Galilee, Mount Zion
- 5. Who was the father of Elisha? Josiah, Shaphat, Zadok, Joshua
- 6. In Esther 1, how many provinces did Ahasuerus reign over? 11, 90, 127, 140

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) 100,000; 3) Jehoida; 4) Valley of Slaughter; 5) Shaphat; 6) 127

Comments? More Trivia? Visit [www.TriviaGuy.com](http://www.TriviaGuy.com)



# Hannah Ledford to compete for Miss Teen title

**H**annah Ledford, an EBCI tribal member from the Birdtown Community, was recently selected to participate in the 2015 Miss Teen pageant competition that will take place on Sunday, Nov. 15. Ledford learned of her acceptance into this year's competition when the pageant announced their selections following interviewing in the local Asheville area. She took part in an interview session that was conducted by this year's Asheville Pageant Coordinator.

Ledford, daughter of Cynthia Ledford, will be competing for her share of thousands of dollars in prizes and specialty gifts that will be distributed to contestants. She will be competing in the Miss Teen division, one of four divisions that will have young ladies ages of 7-19 competing in modeling routines, which include Casual Wear and Formal Wear. Most importantly, Hannah will display her personality and interviewing skills while interviewing with this year's judging panel. Personality is the number one aspect

that each contestant is judged on during all phases of competition.

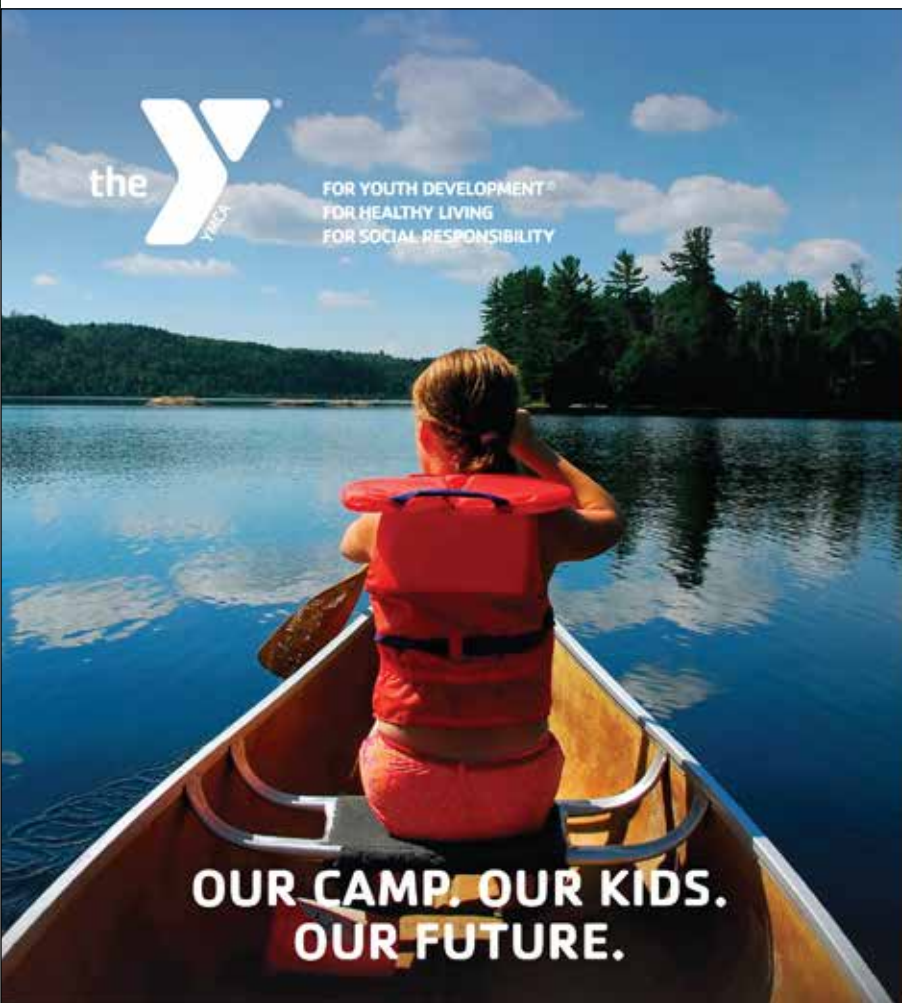
If she were to win the title of Miss Teen, Ledford would represent Asheville and the surrounding communities at the National Competition that will take place in Orlando, Florida. Over \$30,000 in prizes and awards will be presented at the National Competition while each winner enjoys this expense paid trip of five nights and six days in Orlando, Fla.

- 2015 Miss Teen  
Organization



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**Hannah Ledford will compete in the Miss Teen pageant on Sunday, Nov. 15.**



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## OBITUARIES



### Lena Smoker Martin

Lena Smoker Martin, 61, of Marble, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015 at Murphy Medical Center.

Lena was a native of Swain County but lived most of her life in Cherokee County. She was the daughter of the late Owen and Ida Teesateskie Smoker. Lena worked for many years for the Murphy Public Library and was a former member of the Cherokee County Indian Community Club.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Albert Martin Sr.; three brothers, Sam Teesateskie, David Smoker and Owen Smoker Jr. and one sister, Alice Jumper.

She is survived by her best friend and companion, Dwayne Ledford; two daughters, Helen Martin, and Angela Martin and husband Joseph of Marble; two sisters, Bonnie Teesateskie and Agnes Adams both of the Snowbird community; and four grandchildren, Maleaha Brings Plenty, A.J. Martin, Otter Weston McMillan and Olivia Martin.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, Oct. 17, 2015 at the

Townson-Rose Funeral Home Chapel in Murphy. Rev. Katherine Martin officiated. Burial was in the Martin Family Cemetery in Marble. Pallbearers were Cliff Owl, Randy Adams, Dwayne Ledford, Kenny Jumper and Ricky Rice.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made in memory of Lena Smoker Martin to the charity of your choosing. You may send tributes to the Martin family at [www.townson-rose.com](http://www.townson-rose.com)

Townson-Rose Funeral Home was in charge of all arrangements.

### Shirley Jean West Welch



Shirley Jean West Welch, 65, of Cherokee, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2015 at the Cherokee Indian Hospital with her loving family by her side.

She was born July 11, 1950 in Cherokee to the late Alfred West Sr. and Geneva Wolfe West.

Shirley was employed by the Cherokee Historical Association in "Unto These Hills" and the Oconaluftee Indian Village for many years. She was also a member of the Qualla Arts and Crafts Co-Op as a finger weaver. Shirley was a member of Straight Fork Baptist Church where she sang in the choir as she had a great love for singing.

Shirley is survived by one son, Alfred Welch of Cherokee; one grandson, Kingston "King" Everett Welch; brothers, Nathan West (wife Carolyn) of Robbinsville, Villareal West, Angelo West (wife Kelly) and Gator West of Cherokee; sisters, Oneva Garcia (husband Joe) of Ohkay Owingeh, New Mexico, Vivian Solis (husband Lupe), Gloria Hyatt (husband Lavon), and Lavinia Hicks (husband David) all of Cherokee; special friend, Dave Gingrich; aunts, Doris Catt of Cherokee, Eloise James of Woodsford, Calif.; the Oconaluftee Indian Village family, and numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

In addition to her parents, Shirley was preceded in death by her husband, Everett Welch; brother, Alfred West Jr.; and sister, Inell West.

The funeral service was held at Straight Fork Baptist Church on Friday, Oct. 23 with Revs. Charles Ray Ball and James "Bo" Parriss officiating. Burial followed at the Wolfe Cemetery in the Big Cove Community. Pallbearers were Conan Tchakarides, J.R. Wolfe, Jeremy Hyatt, Lupe Solis, Gatlin West, Stan Watty, Damian Solis, Travis Hicks, and "Big Al" Taylor.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Welch family.

### James Don Ashe

James Don Ashe, age 94, of Sylva, passed away Tuesday morning, Oct. 20, 2015. He was the son of the late Garland Hiram and Margaret Hooper Ashe. He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Louise Paxton Ashe.

He was a WWII veteran serving in the European Theater from 1942-1945. He received five major battle stars during his time in the



Army. He retired after 24 plus years from the Bureau of Indian Affairs at the Cherokee Agency in 1984. Don was well known for his wood-working and carving. He also loved gardening and spending time with his family. He could be found horse trading at any local flea market or yard sale. He cherished his mountain heritage and the work ethic that evolved from being raised one of 13 siblings in the Speedwell Community.

In addition to his wife, Don is survived by one daughter, Donna Ashe Lucas of Cullowhee and one son, Jimmy Ashe of Sylva; three grandchildren, Matt Lucas of St. Augustine, Fla., Paxton and Callie Ashe both of Sylva; two brothers, Cliff Ashe of Lawndale and David Ashe of Southlyon, Mich.; and one sister, Fannie Edgerton of Rutherfordton.

A funeral service will be held Saturday, Oct. 24 at 2pm in the chapel of Appalachian Funeral Services with the Rev. David Powell, Del Reid and Rev. Avery Brown officiating. The family will receive friends from 1-2pm one hour prior to the service. Burial will follow at Fairview Memorial Gardens.

Appalachian Funeral Services is in charge of arrangements.



## Intertribal Timber Council scholarship announcement

The Intertribal Timber Council is sponsoring the Truman D. Picard Scholarship Program which is dedicated to the support of Native American students pursuing a higher education in Natural Resources. The award is \$2,500 for college students (number of awards varies per year) and \$2,000 for graduating senior high school students. Students must be a member of a federally-recognized tribe or Alaska Native Corporation (documentation required). The deadline for applications is Jan. 11, 2016 at 5pm. Info: [www.itcnet.org](http://www.itcnet.org), [itc1@teleport.com](mailto:itc1@teleport.com), (503) 282-4296

- Intertribal Timber Council

## Christmas Check deadline

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

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

Statements can be turned into the TOP Office, located beside the Council House, or faxed to (828)

497-5927 (Attn: Kelly Sampson). Be sure to include EBCI enrollment numbers on all statements. Info: Kelly Sampson 359-7023 or Kelly Dills 359-7024.

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

- TOP Office

## Frell Owl Award nominations sought

The Cherokee Boys Club Board of Directors is now accepting nominations for the 29th Annual Frell Owl Award. Nominees should be those who have significantly contributed to the welfare of Cherokee children and families in ways other than those required by their employment.

A letter of nomination must include the person's name, address, employer, nominator's name and phone number, and a one-page narrative of the nominee's work with Cherokee children and families. Additional information may be included such as newspaper articles, photos, support letters, etc. Current Cherokee Boys Club Board members are exempt from nomination.

Nomination forms may be picked up from the Cherokee Boys Club, Monday through Friday, 8am – 4:30pm. Forms can also be e-mailed upon request. Nominations should be submitted to Jeannie Arkansas, Cherokee Boys Club, PO Box 507, Cherokee, NC 28719 or delivered to the Cherokee Boys Club at 52 Cherokee Boys Club Loop. If you have any ques-

tions, 359-5508. Please mark your nomination CONFIDENTIAL. The deadline for receiving nominations is Friday, Nov. 6 at 12pm.

The Frell Owl Award was introduced in 1983 to recognize persons who have exemplified the character and accomplishments of the late Cherokee educator Frell Owl. Past recipients 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, John-son "Booger" Arch, Kathy Wolfe, Carmaleta Monteith, Roy Lambert, Sandy Owle, Lana Lambert and Catherine Blythe Sanders.

- Cherokee Boys Club

## Free spinal exams for children

Smoky Mountain Chiropractic is offering free spinal exams at the Bryson City Office every Saturday for children 6 and under with a parent or guardian. Info: 488-9033

- Smoky Mountain Chiropractic

## SHIP Program Closure

SHIP staff will be out of the office from Oct. 27-31 for training. The staff will return on Monday, Nov. 2 at 7:45am. If you need immediate assistance, contact JoJo Teesateskie 359-6180.

## Youth League Basketball registration has started

Cherokee Life Recreation has begun taking Recreation/Youth League Basketball Sign-ups (For-

merly Community League). You may sign your child up at any of the following Recreation Facilities: Birdtown 359-6890, 359-6894; Painttown 359-3345, 359-3346; Wolfetown 359-4728, 359-4822; or Big Cove 497-7172, 359-6920. Please have the child's full name, age, date of birth and two (2) reliable contact numbers when you call to sign-up your child. They are also taking contact information for volunteer coaches as well at each of these Recreation facilities.

- Cherokee Life Recreation

## Upcoming DNA testing schedule

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

- Wednesday, Nov. 4
- Friday, Nov. 6
- Thursday, Nov. 12
- Friday, Nov. 13
- Monday, Nov. 16
- Tuesday, Nov. 17
- Monday, Nov. 23
- Tuesday, Nov. 24

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

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

- EBCI Enrollment Office

## Halloween Events in the Area

### Event: 2016 Village Ghost Walk

When: Oct. 30 and 31 from 7-10pm  
nightly

Where: Oconaluftee Indian Village

Cost: \$10/person

Info: 497-2111, [www.cherokeehistorical.org](http://www.cherokeehistorical.org)

### Event: Safe Trick-or-Treat Night

When: Saturday, Oct. 31 from 5:30-8:30pm

Where: Acquoni Expo Center track

Cost: Free

Info: Radonna Crowe, [radocrow@nc-chokeee.com](mailto:radocrow@nc-chokeee.com), 359-6181

### Event: Peanuts Pumpkin Patch Express

When: Oct. 30 and 31, Friday departure at 3:30pm, Saturday departures at 12pm and 3:30pm

Where: Bryson City Train Depot

Cost: Crown Class (\$67 for adults 13+, \$38 for child 2-12), Coach Class (\$55 adults, \$31 child), Open Air Gondola (\$55 adult, \$31 child)

Info: (800) 872-4681 or [www.gsmr.com](http://www.gsmr.com)

### Event: Masquerade Dinner Train

When: Saturday, Oct. 31 at 8pm

Where: Bryson City Train Depot

Cost: \$99 per person

Info: (800) 872-4681 or [www.gsmr.com](http://www.gsmr.com)

### Event: Smoky Mountain Zombie Fest

When: Saturday, Oct. 31 from 8am – 8pm

Where: Sevier County Fairgrounds

Cost: \$5

Info: Karen (865) 453-8080 ext. 107, <https://www.facebook.com/smokymountainzombiefest>

## Museum offering **programs, workshops** for Native American Heritage Month

The Museum of the Cherokee Indian will offer free programs and special workshops to the public in November to celebrate Native American Heritage Month. "We hope that people will come out to learn more about our culture, meet Cherokee people, and have fun," said Bo Taylor, Museum executive director.

All programs and workshops will be conducted by members of the EBCI tribal members.

Free programs include storytelling, arts and crafts demonstrations, and primitive skills demonstrations. All ages are welcome. Every Friday afternoon from 1-2pm, Jerry Wolfe, EBCI Beloved Man, will tell stories in the Education Wing. Every Wednesday and Saturday afternoon, Cherokee Friends, who are cultural specialists, will talk with visitors, will demonstrate arts and crafts in the Museum Lobby and outside, and will share ancient skills, weather permitting. These include making fire with bow drill and friction; the



Photo courtesy of the Museum of the Cherokee Indian

### The Cherokee Friends will provide a presentation on Nov. 14 from 1-3pm.

blowgun; the atlatl, and the chunky game.

Workshops will include Cherokee traditional arts: pottery, flint knapping, dance and storytelling, places and legends, and ancient skills of making fire, throwing the atlatl, using the blowgun, playing the butterbean game and the chunky game. Instructors are all experienced in their art form and in working with the public, providing a unique opportunity for the public to interact with master Cherokee artists.

### SCHEDULE:

**Nov. 7, from 1-4 pm.** - Flintknapping

with Davy Arch, and Pottery with Bernadine George

**Nov. 14, from 1-3 pm** - Flute, Storytelling, and Dance with the Cherokee Friends

**Nov. 21, from 1-5 pm** - Cherokee Heritage Trails--Qualla Boundary and Blue Ridge Parkway Tours with Mike Littlejohn, certified trail guide

**Nov. 28, from 1-4 pm** - Ancient Skills: learn fire making, atlatl, blowgun, chunky game with Cherokee Friends

Workshop size is limited and partic-

ipants should sign up in advance. Each workshop costs \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 6-13. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Museum members at the Friend level and above receive a 20 percent discount. EBCI tribal members are free with an enrollment card. To register, contact the Museum Store 497-3481 ext. 208.

Info: Ethan Clapsaddle, Museum program specialist, 497-3481 ext. 300 or [www.cherokeemuseum.org](http://www.cherokeemuseum.org).

- Museum of the Cherokee Indian



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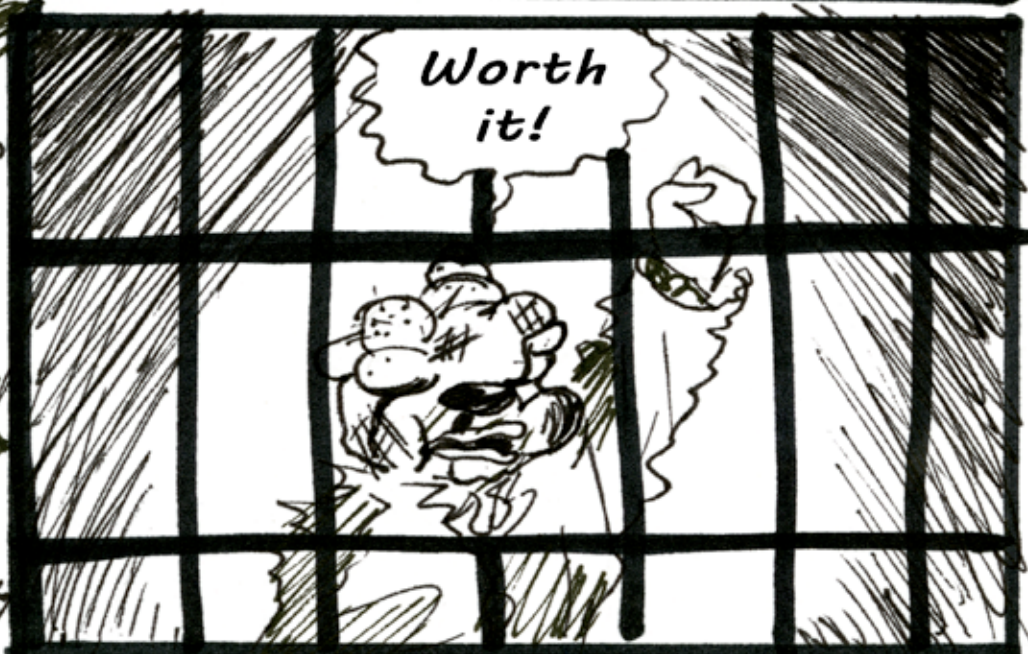
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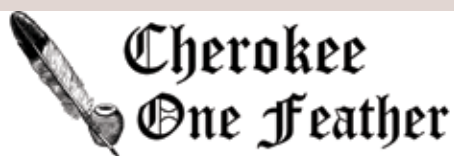
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# Things that go “bump” in the night



**This image has been passed around social media for some time and attributed to many different occurrences. A local person gave it to the One Feather, stating that it was her understanding that it was taken on Mount Noble, possibly from a game camera. The origin and authenticity of the photo are unconfirmed.**

## ROBERT JUMPER ONE FEATHER EDITOR

For some, Halloween is a time of costumes, fun and candy. For some, it is a benchmark in the gardening season, an indicator that harvest time has arrived. For others, it brings up concerns of witchery and demonic celebrations.

For a few, it is a reminder of strange and frightening happenings; a portion of life that cannot be explained with common sense and science.

I was discussing doing a story, with a friend from Big Cove, on the unexplainable happenings that incite fear and puzzlement here on the Boundary, stories usually revisited this time of year. Just

mentioning the idea brought to her mind some frightening happenings in her life. She recounted a time when she and her brother travelled up to the Thomas Divide at night in 2000. They had heard stories of mysterious, luminous orbs that dance in the mountains. She said that if I wanted to see it firsthand to go up there and look around for myself (she



didn't volunteer to be my tour guide). On the occasion that she was there, orbs of light moved around and down the mountains, then started moving toward her and her brother. Frightened, they decided to leave, quickly. They drove down the road, the orbs pursued them!

In 2004, an acquaintance was out in the woods one day when he saw an animal, which he first thought was a bear, walking through the woods. He noticed something odd about the animal in that its hind legs were much longer than its front legs. As he tried to move closer to get a better look, the animal stood upright and ran into the woods, similar to a man.

In 2010, she was at home alone with her son. He was playing with a big box. She had gotten herself a cold drink in a large glass and placed it on the mantel above where she was sitting. She spoke loudly to her son to stop running around the house. Her son told her not to speak so loudly because she would wake his friend up. Since there was no one else in the

house, she told him that it was her house and she would speak as loud as she wanted. The son again said not to speak so loudly or she would wake up her friend. As she spoke again to tell her son that she would speak as loud as she wished, the large glass on the mantel imploded like something grabbed it and crushed it in their hand. When she asked her son to describe his "friend", he said that she was a tall, heavy-set woman with long, straight black hair. The mother never saw this friend. She apparently experienced its presence.

Another friend related to me that, during a visit to the Oconaluftee Indian Village in October 2012, he experienced an unusual incident. He was working at an event, speaking to another gentleman. He said that as he spoke, he saw a little girl by the man's side. They talked for several minutes.

As they were about to say goodbye to each other, my friend asked the man who the little girl was that was standing beside him.

The man said,

"What little girl?" As they both looked down beside him, the girl had vanished.

A night or two later, he was taking a tour of the old dormitories at the Village with a group of people. The tour guide led the group into one of the rooms to give a talk. My friend sat down beside an old man. He tried to carry on a conversation with him, but the man refused to speak. He just sat there, staring blankly. On the way out, my friend started speaking to another person in the group. When they got outside the dorm, he realized that the old man had not come out with them. He told the group that he couldn't just leave the old man in there. So, he went back in to get him. There was no sign of the old man in the room. He, too, had vanished.

Cherokee storytellers have passed down many legends of strange occurrences. Few children are unfamiliar with the stories of Spearfinger and Uktena. We sometimes tend to dismiss these stories as fairy tales with no basis in reality. But, elements of those long ago stories show

up in the recollections of modern family members. One person conveyed to me that her daughter is stalked by a tall, shadowy figure only visible to her. Sometimes it follows her throughout her house. Other times, in the dead of night, she will awake, feeling she is being watched. And, on some nights, she will wake up, unable to move, as if something is sitting on her chest.

You will notice that I have not given any names as I relate these stories to you. Many people believe that to speak of their strange experiences will "breathe life" back into them and cause more strange things to happen. So, I have left out the names to protect those who have shared their stories. Nearly every person I mentioned this story to, shared their own story or that of someone they know. So, know that when you hear those whispers in an empty room, the cries of infant in tunnel on the Parkway, or orbs of light chasing you down a lonely road at the Thomas Divide...you are not alone.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Thanks Chief for opening "blind eye"

Thank you Chief Lambert for opening that "blind eye", opening the windows, and for cleaning "house". It's been a long time coming!

*James Washington*

### Reader agrees with pageant ideas

Hello Scott,

I am writing to let you know that I think your idea (Commentary: Support Miss Cherokee...and, a new pageant format) of having several days in between the main parts of the contest, the interview and the crowning to possibly eliminate any scoring issues is a great idea. This timing should allow the judge's scoresheets to be thoroughly checked. And, I also think that your idea of performing the contest in graduated steps beginning with the pageant part being held during the annual event, on the Saturday before the start of the Fair, is another great idea.

Thank you for your great ideas and for sharing them.

*Sincerely,  
Mary Brown*

### Reader dislikes Congressman's comment on Native artifacts

Dear Rob:

I just wanted to say that after reading the article about Rob Bishop (House Natural Resources Chairman calls Native American artifacts 'bull crap'), in my opinion he had a lot of gall to say what he said about Native artifacts! That says a lot about his character, or the lack thereof.

I couldn't believe the stupidity that comes from some of our so-called "elected officials". They seem to forget we put them into office and we have the power to remove them.

*Sincerely,  
Rose Fowler*

## Poll Responses

Note: The following comments were made on the Cherokee One Feather Facebook page and website to our weekly poll question: Should the Cherokee Animal Control Shelter be a no-kill facility?

**Taylor Wilnoty:** Absolutely! I know they're trying to help with population control and even think it's humane to put down an "aggressive" dog, but animals are people too!

**Susan Barkley Scott:** Absolutely! With access to social media, it is easier for shelters to find adoptive families.

**Kendall Driver:** Yes!

**Regi Hood:** Yes

**Jeannie O'Connor:** Sure. No kill for healthy animals, but why keep long-term injury/recovery or aggressive or constant-pained animals alive...to soothe our conscience.

**Candina McMillan Cabe:** Yes

**Donna Long:** I personally have had some really bad dealings with them...like not keeping my dog long enough to pick him up and suddenly my dog disappearing from there. Yes, please, no kill!

**Sharon Braswell-Zern:**

## Cherokee One Feather Poll of the Week Results

### Should the Cherokee Animal Control Shelter be a no-kill facility?

Yes **78%**  
No **22%**

Question of the week now up on [theonefeather.com](http://theonefeather.com):  
**Should the tribe legalize hunting of the elk on tribal lands?**

Yes, only kill for food. But, be aggressive with spay and neuter programs so there won't be so many unwanted animals.

**Sherri Ross:** Most definitely no kill facility. My animals are like family, and it's not the animal's fault how some people treat them. Give them a chance to find a home and be happy and loved as they are meant to be.

**Christie Cabe:** Yes, no kill. All shelters should be no kill. There are several rescues that work with shelters to help place them in foster or permanent homes quickly.

**Rich Thorn:** Everyone wants that, but it does not work that way. Some people eat dogs and cats. How do you deal with that?

**Jean Ray Fuston:** No, no one wants the animals. Who pays to care for them? Too many unwanted animals so leave them locked in cages?

**Catherine Marie:** Yes! All

animals have hearts just like humans. They all want to be loved!

**Chasity Bark:** Yes. No animal is unwanted. I have two dogs I got from a shelter. I love them to pieces. They're just killing animals off that don't even get the choice to find someone that actually wants them. I would be more than happier to be a volunteer there if they were a no kill animal shelter. Animals in a shelter need a chance. The only way they can have a voice is by people standing up for them.

**Shayne LeMaster:** Yes, simple as that.

**Matt Bryant:** You have to start with the irresponsible dog owners not spaying or neutering their pets. The stray dog and cat population is way out of control in Cherokee. Cherokee's Animal Shelter is at least 30 years behind compared to other cities. It needs to be totally revamped and modernized, but this will only happen if the pet laws are enforced and the own-

ers become accountable and more responsible.

**Kim S. Lambert:** Yes. They should try to adopt them out through having a website and posting pictures, taking monetary donations, etc.

**Kareen Ogle:** Yes

**Kara Aleisha Welch:** Yeah

**Steven Welch:** Yes!

**Theresa Jones:** Yes

**Pamela Lambert:** Yes, it should be a no kill!

**Talon Stone:** Yes

**Dave Ellingsworth:** No kill

**Elizabeth Lambert Abbott:** Yes, it should. A community is known by a lot of things it does, but one thing is how it treats its animals. The merciful shall obtain mercy. Please, a no kill shelter.

**Nancy Guthrie Lewis:** Yes!

**Charles Branton:** Yes, please!

**Tina McCulloch:** Remember, a no kill shelter will quickly fill up and then will have to turn away other animals who will be dumped and left to wander the streets. Yes, it is tragic that animals are made to pay

for a human's irresponsibility, but it is what it is. A compromise would be a low kill shelter that gives more time but is subject to how many animals are in the shelter at any given time.

**Robert E. Lukowicz:** All shelters should be no kill animal shelters.

**Charlie Bird:** Yes, it should.

**Sara Bird:** It should be a no kill shelter. I wish all of them were.

**Donna Sue Walkingstick:** Yes

**Kathleen Ryan:** For sure!

**Ellen Pitt:** No kill

**Lois and Randy Driggers:** Yes. Even though the owners have given up on them, they are still God's creatures. Would any one person want someone to kill them just because someone gave up on them?

**Janett Swisher Owens:** Yes

**Donny Owle:** It's easy to say no kill. I worked with Animal Control for over five years. It mostly boils down to no one following the ordinance...lack of responsibility. Animals must be confined to one's property at all times. Most don't keep animals up-to-date on their rabies vaccine shot. People seem to think it's ok



to let their animals roam free. The tribe shouldn't be responsible for a spay and neuter program. That's the responsibility of the owner. Why in the world should the town be responsible? Do you realize how expensive that would be?...so, let's say the tribe does make the change to a no kill shelter. To house all the animals they take in, it would cost the tribe a good \$5 million just for the facility, barn and bear den, not counting the cost of the property which would all be for nothing. No one wants to adopt the animals. Tried to give them away...with no luck. If you guys knew how hard the Animal Control Officers worked, you all would cut them some slack.

**Tanya Tullos:** Yes!

**Debi Lee:** Yes, no kill

**Rebecca Sunshine:** Of course

**Daina Reed Hopper:** Start a volunteer group that would spend time "showcasing" the dogs. Start a Facebook page so that people can see what's available. Also, never let them leave the shelter unspayed/unneutered. Find a local vet or vets who would do low cost spays/neuters for lower-income people. I believe the Rosebud Reservation (SD) has a very aggressive spaying/neutering program. It might be something to look into their program to see if it could be adapted to the reservation there.

**Katie Sneed:** Yes, no kill

**Tanya Lambert:** Yes, but you

might have to partner with someone to help manage/adopt animals out to surrounding areas.

**Michelle Chapman:** Yes, make it a no kill shelter.

**Janice Griffin Jenkins:** Yes, as all should be!

**Brianne 'Bria' Mendenhall:** All shelter should be no murder facilities...wish so anyways.

**Stormie Lequire:** No kill for sure. I've heard nothing but bad things about the Cherokee Shelter. People saying Animal Control picked up their dogs and killed them before two days, before they could come and get them, sad. It should be a top-notch shelter, and I believe it could be. As much money as the

tribe wastes, one would think animal welfare would be important.

**Ann Peevy:** Yes

**Christina Bateman:** Yes. They took my dog, deemed him vicious. He wouldn't have hurt a fly. Only took him because he was half-Pit. Wouldn't let me get him back and put him down.

**Chesna Byrd:** Not sure if you guys do this, but there are animal rescues all over the U.S. that will take them in order to find homes. Were I'm from, rescues and shelters come through all the time to the shelter here to pick up animals. Try working with organizations to do the same if you guys already don't. It also helps to spay and neuter even if you can't keep them. I say let them roam free to do as they please as long as they can't reproduce so the problem can be prevented in the first place.

**Kimberly Shawn Owle:** Yes

**Kelsey Reed:** Yes, we should be a no kill. That would be great.

**Christina Condon:** Yes, it should be no kill.

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**More Qualla winners  
from Cherokee Indian  
Fair Crafts contests**

Two winners were inadvertently left off the Qualla Arts & Crafts winners list provided to the One Feather including:

**Adult Division - Best  
Blowgun w 6 darts:**  
1st - Daniel Calhoun

**Young Adult Division -  
Best Two Cane Baskets:**  
1st - Gabriel Crow

## General Events

**Democratic Women of Jackson County Annual Dinner and Fundraiser.** Oct. 29 from 5:30-7pm at the Family Resource Center in the old Webster School. Chili dinner with all the fixings, silent auction, cake auctions. Cost: \$8/adults, \$5/students, \$3/children 10 and under. Tickets are available from a Democractic Women of Jackson County member or at the door.

**Cherokee High School Mr. and Miss CHS Pageant.** Oct. 29 at 6pm at Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. This event, hosted by the CHS junior class, was held previously for several years in the

mid-90s and again in 2008. This event will be held as a fundraiser for prom activities. The winning contestants will serve as ambassadors for the school. The pageant will consist of contestants showing their personality through their choice of casual wear, formal wear and public speaking. The pageant will be judged by a panel of individuals with years of pageant experience. An archived copy of the 1993 pageant will be shown during intermission. Admission is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under 10 years of age. Refreshments will be sold during intermission.

**Birdtown Community Club meeting.** Oct. 29. This meeting was rescheduled from Tuesday,

Oct. 27 due to the Birdtown Tribal Council representatives being out of town. It is also time for the election of Community Club officers.

**"Cruise the Smokies" Fall Rod Run.** Nov. 6-7 at the Acquoni Expo Center. Over 300 of the nation's fantastic classic cars and trucks will be on display at this event hosted by the Cherokee Rodders. Gates open at 9am with daily spectator entrance fee of \$5 per person with children 10 and under free. Info: 497-2603 or [www.cherokeeodders.com](http://www.cherokeeodders.com)

**Veterans Appreciation Day.** Nov. 7 from 4-7pm at the Yellow-hill Activity Building. Free spaghetti dinner for veterans and their families. ID required...all others are \$5/adult and \$2/under 12 per plate. This event is sponsored by the VFW Cherokee Memorial Post 8013. Info: Steve Brown 497-2515 or Steve Lusk 497-5273

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

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

## Upcoming Pow Wows for Oct. 30 - Nov. 1

*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.*

**Otoe-Missouria Encampment Benefit Halloween Gourd Dance.** Oct. 31 at OM Cultural Building in Red Rock, Okla. MC: John Shotton. Head Southern Singer: William Kemble. Info: (918) 636-8231, (580) 362-6435, [otoemissouriaencampment@gmail.com](mailto:otoemissouriaencampment@gmail.com)

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## Rescheduled Cherokee Harvest Half Marathon set for Saturday

Runners from across the country are ready again for the Cherokee Harvest Half Marathon & 5K on Saturday, Oct. 31. The race was originally scheduled for Oct. 3, but was rescheduled when torrential rains hit the region that weekend. The event will be held in the parking lot of the Acquoni Events Center and will include courses take runners through the heart of Cherokee, including a section on the half marathon course that incorporates a section of the Great Smoky Mountain National Park, where elk can be seen. There is a \$1,600 cash purse for the half marathon. After the race, runners are treated to a post-race feast created and served by the culinary team at Harrah's Cherokee Resort. Info: <http://gloryhoundevents.com/event/cherokee-harvest-half-marathon/>

- Glory Hound Events





**Acquoni Baptist Church.** 722 Acquoni Road. (497-6521 (h) or 788-0643 (c)

**Antioch Baptist Church.** Coopers Creek Road.

**Beacon of Hope Baptist Church.** 352 Whittier School Rd. (828) 226-4491

**Bethabara Baptist Church.** 1088 Birdtown Road. 497-7770

**Big Cove Missionary Baptist Church.** 6183 Big Cove Road. 497-4141

**Big Cove Pentecostal Holiness Church.** 7710 Big Cove Road. 497-4220

**Calico Church of Christ.** Big Cove Community. 497-6549

**Cherokee Baptist Church.** 812 Tsalagi Road. 497-2761, 497-3799 (fax)

**Cherokee Bible Church.** Olivet Church Road. 497-2286

**Cherokee Church of Christ.** 2350 Old Mission Road and Hwy. 19. 497-3334

**Cherokee Church of God.** 21 Church of God Drive. (828) 400-9753

**Cherokee Church of the Nazarene.** 72 Old School Loop off Big Cove Road. 497-2819

**Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church.** Located behind the Wolfetown Gym. 674-2690

**Cherokee United Methodist Church.** Hwy 19 – Soco Road. (336) 309-1016, [www.cherokeemission.org](http://www.cherokeemission.org)

**Cherokee Wesleyan Church.** Hwy 19 across from Happy

Holiday Campground. 586-5453

**Christ Fellowship Church.** Great Smokies Center.

**Ela Missionary Baptist Church.** Hwy 19 South.

**Goose Creek Baptist Church.** 631-0331 or 497-3512

**Jesus is the Light Full Gospel Ministries.** 1921 US 441 N. 736-9383

**Living Waters Lutheran Church.** 30 Locust Road. 497-3730, [prjack@frontier.com](mailto:prjack@frontier.com), [lwcherokee@frontier.com](mailto:lwcherokee@frontier.com)

**Macedonia Baptist Church.** 1181 Wolf-town Rd. 508-2629 [dconseen@gmail.com](mailto:dconseen@gmail.com)

**Olivet United Methodist Church.** 811 Olivet Church Road. 497-5249

**Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.** 82 Lambert Branch Road. 736-5322

**Piney Grove Baptist Church.** Grassy Branch Road. 736-7850.

**Rock Hill Baptist Church.** (828) 356-

7312

**Rock Springs Baptist Church.** 129 Old Gap Road. 497-9455, 736-1245 (cell)

**Sequoyah Sovereign Grace Church.** 3755 Big Cove Road. 497-7644

**St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church of Cherokee.** 82 Old River Road. (828) 280-0209, [cherokeepiscopal@gmail.com](mailto:cherokeepiscopal@gmail.com)

**Straight Fork Baptist Church.** Big Cove Loop. Pastor Charles Ray Ball 488-3974

**Waterfalls Baptist Church.** Wrights Creek Road.

**Whittier United Methodist Church.** 150 Church Street, Whittier. 497-6245

**Wilmot Baptist Church.** 2015 Thomas Valley Road, Whittier. 554-5850

**Wrights Creek Baptist Church.** Wrights Creek Rd. 497-5262

**Yellowhill Baptist Church.** 506-0123 or 736-4872

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**For Sale - 2009 Dodge Caravan(Cargo Van),** In very good shape, complete new brake system, brand new front tires. Call for information 736-8510. **10/28pd**

**Fall/Holiday Partylite Truck Sale - Sunday, Nov. 1** from 1-4pm at Tsali Manor Pavillion, Hwy 441 next to the Cherokee Fun Park. Start your Christmas Shopping Early. Lots of Cash-n-Carry Items available. Food and Prizes. You don't want to miss this one! It's better to shop with more, so bring a Friend or Two. Charlene Owle 828-788-3723. **10/29**

## REALTY

The following is a list of tribal members that have documents to sign in the BIA Realty Office. These

are land transfers from both Tribal Members and the Eastern Band by Resolution.

### Cherokee County

Robert Terry Gilmor, Thomas Winkler Gilmor, Denise Winkler Hall, Carol Sue Palmer Hogsed, Kathryn Susan Jasper, Cynthia Gay Ledford Lambert, Patrick Henry Lambert, Donald Ray Palmer, Allen James Rattler, Joshua Bryant Rattler, David Eric Rogers, Gary Charles Rogers, Joanne Sharp Rogers, Kathryn Winkler Rogers, Kenneth Eugene Rogers, Jr., Nathan Scott Rogers, Maria Queen Smith, Evelyn Diane Rogers Wells, Henry Larkin Wright, Jr., William Edward Wright, Lois Winkler Wyatt, Parent or Guardian of Kamryn Rebecca Rattler

### 3200 Acre Tract

Janet Marie Owle Combs, Taressa Michelle Huskey Day, Sonya Rena Ledford, Stanley Ray Ledford, Lynn Francis Markley, II, Pauline Walker Markley, Barak Norton Myers, Paxton James Myers, III, James Raymond Owle, Sandra Leigh Ledford Robbins, Christine Ledford Walkingstick, Sheena Roxana Walkingstick, Glenn Gilbert Wolfe

### Agreement to Divisions

Carla Marie Sneed Ballew, Megan Michelle Cunningham, Dennis Ray James, George Milton James, Jacob Pete Johnson, Jackie Lee Johnson, Buddy Thomas Lambert, Doris Earlene Lambert, Eric Thomas Lambert, James Dewayne Lambert, Patricia Eldean Sneed Lambert, Peggy Rosalie Lambert, Melissa Ann Maney, Frankie Nelle James Patencio, Mary Edith Reed Smith, Howard Vincent Sneed, Rena Janet Johnson Wachacha, Mary Louise Sneed Welch, Joseph Lloyd White

If you've submitted a survey application that is over a year old and the survey is not complete, please

visit the BIA Realty Office to update your survey application.

### Proposed Land Transfers

Jackie Lee Rattler to Jacob Hunter Rattler and Makenzie Morgan Rattler (Minor) for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 242-I (Part of Parcel No. 242), containing 1.030 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Robert James McCoy to Rose Marie McCoy for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 150 (Part of Parcel No. 33), containing 0.5 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Lawanda Sue French Myers to Barak Norton Myers for Big Cove Community Parcel No. 459, containing 13.602 acres, more or less.

Jackie Lee Rattler to Jacob Hunter Rattler and Makenzie Morgan Rattler (Minor) for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 428 (Part of Parcel No. 400), containing 1.152 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Jack Ray Blankenship to Misty Marie Blankenship for 3200 Acre Tract Community Parcel No. 204, containing 1.38 acres, more or less.

Priscilla George Mahsetky to William Lawson Smith for Wolfe-town Community Parcel No. 386-R (Part of Parcel No. 386-J), containing 0.500 acres, more or less.

## BIDs, RFPs, etc.

### Request for Proposals General Notice

Qualla Housing Authority is requesting proposals from all interested qualified licensed contractors for termite services and labor for Qualla Housing Authority maintenance program on the Cherokee Indian Reservation.

Proposals Due Date: November 6, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.

Qualla Housing Authority Bid Packages include:

- Termite work on 24 Tsali Manor Units.

Bid Packages can be picked up at the QHA Main Office located at 687 Acquoni Road, Cherokee North Carolina 28719, QHA Warehouse 2234 Old Mission road, Cherokee or electronically by emailing to [henrmcco@nc-cherokee.com](mailto:henrmcco@nc-cherokee.com) ask for proposal. Proof of license will be required for this job. Workers compensation, auto, and general liability are required for all contractors.

Qualla Housing Authority is an equal opportunity employer. Qualla Housing is a Drug Free Workplace.

Please be advised that Indian Preference (as defined by the Tribal Employment Rights Office) applies for this contract. **11/5pd**





# EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS



For deadlines and applications call 554-6388. Indian Preference does apply. A current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a Tribal application.

## Positions Open

*\*Please attach all required documents\**

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

**Closing October 30, 2015 @ 4 pm**

I. Grants & Contracts Analyst (\$36,560-\$45,700)

**Closing November 6, 2015 @ 4 pm**

I. Accounting Coordinator II- Budget & Finance (\$40,080-\$50,100)

Download Applications & Job Descriptions

[NC-Cherokee.com/HumanResources/Employment/Job-Opportunities](http://NC-Cherokee.com/HumanResources/Employment/Job-Opportunities)

# BURN PERMITS ARE NOW ONLINE

[https://cherokeegis.com/  
Burn Permit/](https://cherokeegis.com/BurnPermit/)

If you need additional information:  
359-6153 or 359-6584  
[charbrys@nc-cherokee.com](mailto:charbrys@nc-cherokee.com)

**Now Hiring: Cherokee Historical Association is hiring an Associate Village Director.** This position requires a person who is diligent, dependable, and possesses strong leadership skills. Salary starts at \$30,000, full time with benefits. Applicants can pick up a job description and application at the CHA main office. Applications can be submitted anytime, position is open until filled. Submit application, 3 letters of recommendation and resume to be considered.

Guidelines: Indian preference applies. Bachelor's Degree OR 3-5 years of management experience required. Must have knowledge of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians culture and about the culturally based tourism industry. Be willing to work weekends and holidays. Requires the ability to coordinate activities and events, market and promote, communicate effectively, both verbally and in writing. 11/5pd

### **Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings (open until filled):**

School Nurse Assistant – LPN or CNA required.

Varsity Wrestling Coach – Must have previous experience coaching wrestling; must have substantial knowledge of the technical aspects of wrestling.

Cultural Arts Center and Public Relations Administrative Assistant - Minimum of an AA Degree in Secretarial, Business, Graphics, or Office Related Field.

Elementary Teacher – NC Teaching License Required

CCS Human Resources: [http://cherokeecentral.sharpschool.com/central\\_office/human\\_resources/](http://cherokeecentral.sharpschool.com/central_office/human_resources/) 10/29pd

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

FT Maintenance Mechanic III Grounds Leader

Applications and job descriptions are available at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Human Resources Office, Monday – Friday from 8:00am - 4:00pm. For more information please call 828 497-9163 and ask for Teresa Carvalho or Deb Toineeta. This position is OPEN UNTIL FILLED. Indian preference does apply and the original CIHA job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. 10/29pd. Mus ades, us ina, noctude tarides eritiamdiis bondit, potiu ver-  
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**Mandara Spa at Harrah's Cherokee is seeking energetic, career-minded individuals for the following positions:** Male Spa Host, Female Spa Host, Massage Therapist, and Cosmetologist. Applications available at the Spa front desk or by email. Candidate must be able to pass pre-employment drug test. Contact Lauren Crowe, 828-497-8550, [laurenw@mandaraspa.com](mailto:laurenw@mandaraspa.com) 10/29pd

**Southwestern Child Development Commission is accepting applications for the position of Teacher (formerly called Teacher Assistant)/LEAD Teacher and Substitutes.** Full Benefit package available for Teacher and LEAD Teacher. Prefer at least an Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education and two years qualifying experience in an Early Childhood Educational Setting. Applicant must have a current NC Drivers License and a car available for work. Applicant must be 18 years of age and be able to obtain an approved medical statement and meet all day care licensing requirements. Signing bonus.

To apply, email a NC State Application for Employment (PD107) to [jobs@swcdcinc.org](mailto:jobs@swcdcinc.org) or by mail: Human Resources, Southwestern Child Development Commission, P.O. Box 250, Webster, NC 28788. Applications may also be faxed to (828) 631-1860.

Only those applicants most qualified based on education and experience will be interviewed. An Equal Opportunity Employer. **10/29pd**

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

FT RESPIRATORY THERAPIST (experienced)  
FT RN – ER  
FT PHYSICIAN / PEDIATRICS  
FT CNA / OUT PATIENT  
FT MID LEVEL PROVIDER / ER  
PTR MID LEVEL PROVIDER / BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
FT PHYSICIAN / FAMILY CARE CENTER  
EMERGENCY HIRE HOUSEKEEPING SUPERVISOR (90 DAYS)  
FT CMS / DIABETES  
FT CNA / CLERK-DIABETES  
FT ENDONTIST  
FT DENTIST  
FT COOK  
PTI HOUSEKEEPER/CHEROKEE COUNTY  
MEDICAL LAB TECH / MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIST

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**One Feather deadline  
Friday at 12noon**

**LEGAL NOTICES**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 15-057  
**In the Matter of the Estate of Nannie Odessa Morris**

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: January 22, 2016  
Amber Cruz, 5030 Travis Powell Lane, Powell, TN 37849. **11/12pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 15-059  
**In the Matter of the Estate of Edgar Hugh Roberts**

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION  
Kaitlin Brooke Roberts, PO Box 1037, Whittier, NC 28789. **11/15pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 15-061  
**In the Matter of the Estate of Iva Lee George Wright**

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before

the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION  
Benjamin Wright, P.O. Box 65, Whittier, NC 28789. **11/11pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 15-065  
**In the Matter of the Estate of Edward Francis Jackson**

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: January 27, 2016  
Lula Jackson, PO Box 257, Cherokee, NC 28719. **11/19pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 15-063  
**In the Matter of the Estate of Anthony Edward Lossiah**

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

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



**NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S FORECLOSURE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY CV 14-623**

Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in that certain Deed of Trust, dated November 12, 2009, and recorded in the Miscellaneous Documents of the Cherokee Agency, in Book XLVI, Page 16, and because of default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust and failure to do and perform the stipulations and agreements therein contained, and pursuant to demand of the Owner and Holder of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, the Substitute Trustee, Stephen Carruthers, will expose for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the property therein described, to wit: WOLFETOWN COMMUNITY PARCEL NO. 262-B (PART OF PARCEL NO.

262) – BEGINNING at an Iron Road at the Northeast corner of the tract herein described, where Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Cadastral Monument M-2089 bears, N 48° 54' 50" W 986.87', BIA M-2094 bears, S 49° 15' 21" W 1407.42', and North Carolina Geodetic Survey Monument "Bradley Loop" bears, N 23° 27' 17" E 1472.96'. Thence, with the line of a common area, S 24° 57' 34" E 151.85' to an Iron Rod. Thence, with the line of a common area, S 65° 02' 26" W, passing the centerline of a 15' wide sanitary sewer easement at 98.23', 132.02' to an Iron Rod. Thence, with the line of a common area, N 25° 10' 39" W 143.77' to an Iron Rod on the right-of-way line of Bauer Farm Road. Thence with a curve to the left of the right-of-way line of Bauer Farm Road, passing the centerline of a 15' sanitary sewer easement at an arc distance 110.62', an arch distance of 135.25', said curve having a radius of 205.00', a chord bearing of N 61°

33' 08" E and a chord distance of 132.81', to The Point of BEGINNING containing 0.426 acres. Original Mortgagor and Present Record Tenant: George Allen Lambert The terms of said sale are that the real property hereinbefore described will be sold for cash to the highest bidder and that the undersigned may require the successful bidder at the sale to immediately deposit cash or a certified check in the amount of five (5%) percent of the last bid or \$750.00, whichever is greater. Any successful bidder shall be required to tender the full balance purchase price so bid in cash or certified check at the time the Substitute Trustee tenders the bidder a Deed for the property, or attempts tender of such Deed. Should the successful bidder fail to pay the full balance of the purchase price bid, the bidder shall remain

liable as provided in Section 45-25 of the Cherokee Code and N.C.G.S. § 45-21.30(d) and (e). The owner and holder of the indebtedness secured by the Deed of Trust may make a credit bid. In addition to the purchase price so bid any successful bidder will also be responsible for payment of revenue stamps and other costs of closing the sale, including fees and costs of the Substitute Trustee incurred after the date of sale. The real property described above will be sold subject to any and all superior liens, including taxes, special assessments, right of ways, and restrictions of record. The property, together with all buildings, fixtures and improvements thereon, is being sold "as is, where is" without warranty. The Owner and Holder of the Note and Deed of Trust reserves the right to withdraw this Notice of Sale, without cause, until the date

and time of final transfer of the property. Date and hour of sale: November 4, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. Place of sale: Front doors of the Land Titles and Records Office, Cherokee Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 257 Tsali Boulevard, Cherokee, North Carolina. This the 8th day of October, 2015. By: /s/Stephen Carruthers, Substitute Trustee, 307 N. Main Street, Suite 3, Hendersonville, NC 28792. 10/29pd

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