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# Rally for Recovery encourages hope

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**H**ope was the word of the day at an event geared towards turning around the lives of those currently in the throes of addiction. The Rally for Recovery event, hosted by Ananisi with help from various other agencies and programs dedicated to recovery events in the Cherokee community, was held at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on Tuesday, Sept. 13.

"All of us, as a community, we're going to have to stand together," Principal Chief Patrick Lambert told the crowd during the opening of the event. "In the Cherokee way,

we'll find the right way to go."

He said current efforts to change legislation regarding drugs in the community are being done not to punish those in recovery but to strengthen the community as a whole. "From the bottom of my heart, I pledge all of my support from this office."

Casey Cooper, Cherokee Indian Hospital CEO, spoke about the current continuum of care for those in recovery as well as the programs that will be coming online soon such as the Snowbird Residential Treatment Center, for which ground was broken in July, and the upcoming Crisis Stabilization Unit slated for the old hospital.

"It takes a village, but we have a village," said Cooper who related that the Eastern

Band of Cherokee Indians has friends and partners all over that will aid in the process. "We're here for you. We love you. We want you to be a healthy, contributing member of the community."

Shawn Crowe, a former addict who is now in recovery, served as emcee for the event. "More funds need to be funneled to events just like this to get the folks in here who really need to hear this message that's being preached here today. The message that we're preaching here today is recovery."

He said it's important to get those suffering from addiction to want to change. "You've got to take that first step. It's a long journey. Nobody said it was easy. I can't even tell you how many times I relapsed. I once stayed clean for nine month, nine months, and the very first day I got out of the half-way house, I got loaded. It's that simple to get loaded. So, I know how hard it is to remain clean."

Crowe added, "The community has to wake up and hear this message."

Tribal Council Vice Chairman Brandon Jones spoke candidly about his past addictions. "It can happen to anybody, any day, at any given time."

He related how he drank alcohol for the first time in his life on the day of his graduation. Within two years, he was doing cocaine. "It quickly escalated."

Vice Chairman Jones added, "As you put more time between you and your addiction, you're always going to have those tough moments. What you do is build a defense mechanism as you start to see these signs coming on so when they do come on, you know how to handle them. You learn how to cope, and that's what I'm doing now."

He told the crowd about relatives and

**Tribal Council Vice Chairman Brandon Jones tells his own personal story of past addictions at the Rally for Recovery held at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on Tuesday, Sept. 13.**

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



friends he's lost to addiction. "You never know what our future holds for us around the next corner, but there is hope."

Vice Chairman Jones said that people do not plan to be addicts. "They simply run from difficult times in life. The drugs we are facing today are truly evil. They possess a lot of power – more power than we can overcome alone. So, we need that support system. We need that village, no matter what."

Kristi Case, MPA, Ananlenisgi Recovery Services manager, said a total of 244 registered at the event, but they gave out a total of 350 t-shirts (50 for volunteers, 300 for participants). "We believe we had many more than signed in, as there were lots of families with children, and typically only the adults signed the registration logs."

She said herself and the organizers were pleased with the turnout as well as the message provided by the speakers and vendors. "If we can provide hope, encourage others to get in recovery, and support those on their journey, then it was a successful event. The child and family area was a particular success as there were many fun games for the kids to play. We hope to make this an annual Rally in Cherokee."

During the event, Case said the Cherokee Indian Hospital Pharmacy gave out 24 naloxone kits, used to counteract the effects of narcotic overdose, and Full Circle Recovery gave out five.

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Principal Chief Patrick Lambert speaks during Tuesday's event.

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# TERO looking to future, independently

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**T**he TERO (Tribal Rights Employment Office) of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is now an independent entity. Within the past month, legislation declaring it so was passed, subsequently vetoed, then passed again with a veto override. Now that the legislative wrangling is over, the TERO staff and Commission are ready to get to work.

Kevin Jackson, TERO Commission chairman, commented, "When we drafted this ordinance change, the biggest thing on the

Commission's mind was transparency. There were certain clauses in the previous law that had exemptions in it, and I've heard it many times around that horseshoe (Council Chambers), 'no one should be exempt from this law'. So, that was one of the big things. We've got to be transparent. We've got to be accountable, and we've got to be able to enforce this law."

Curtis Wildcatt, TERO compliance officer, said the changes to the TERO ordinance were the culmination of an eight-year process. "The position that we're put into, through this independence, allows us to apply it a little more thoroughly and gives us a little more

options..."

He said there was some confusion as to what the legislation making TERO independent actually accomplished. "I don't think it was a step backwards or hurtful to any existing business, start-up business, or future business. It only enhances our ability to provide adequately Indian Preference and also provide a fair playing field in regards to Indian Preference."


Jackson said, "We swore to uphold that law, and that's our intent to be transparent and accountable. So, being an independent organization only allows for that transparency and accountability. It allows us to dig into the law and

fight for the rights of our vendors, our Job Bank participants, and help educate and grow opportunity for our people."

Mara Nelson, TERO program manager, noted, "This move was made to benefit our enrolled members. So, anything else that is being said is just ludicrous. The other intent behind this is we want a place where our people can go and seek a remedy and have someone listen to their problems with having to worry about political influence. That's needed, and now we have that and that's huge."

One of the ways the TERO program is helping to grow opportunities for EBCI tribal members is through new mentorship and apprenticeship programs and a special program for those in recovery from addiction. Wildcatt said they're following the lead of other successful TERO programs throughout Indian Country. "They have developmental programs for the workplace. They have construction-industry training...some of the TEROs also do hotel-industry type training where they do a mock-up of a hotel room and train their people how to clean them..."

Trent Winchester, TERO staff, said people in recovery will be able to gain back their confidence and self-esteem through their new programs. "The programs that we're implementing will get them to start to build that confidence. When you get out there and gain an education, yes you gain knowledge, the main thing you gain is the confidence that you can go out there and perform a task that you were trained to do."



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Jackson commented, "You have some students in high school who are not college-bound. They're going to go right into the workforce so we're looking at a pre-apprentice program, maybe working with tribal programs to bring those who aren't college-bound and begin training them in a certain area so they can be successful."

He said, in order for those programs to be successful, it's going to take the support of the tribal government. "It's going to take support from tribal programs, partnerships with programs and different agencies around the region here to help us grow this thing, and I believe that we're on the verge of something big, something bigger than all of us. Because, what we're doing is the true meaning of Gadugi. It's community."

The TERO office is also going to begin advocating for something that is in the name of the program.

"We want to fight for the employee rights," commented Jackson. "We want them to have an independent place to go. That's transparency. We hear it all the time so it's time to enforce it. Let's be accountable. Let's do this the right way."

Under the new structure, the TERO Office is considered an independent entity, but patrons might not notice big changes on a day-to-day basis.

Nelson stated, "Work hours are still 7:45am – 4:30pm. We're not trying to get away from the work structure that's been set. As far as day-to-day, we're still going to operate as we normally have."

Jackson added, "We'll end up

adopting a lot of the tribal policies. We'll adopt personnel policies, and we'll continue to operate under that structure. To me, the only thing that will change is we will raise the standard of this office. We will raise the standard of this Commission. We will raise the standard for our vendors. We want to provide quality work."

One new addition to TERO duties will be the office will now sign off on all EBCI tribal contracts. And, the Office will garner 1.75 percent of any contract over \$10,000 to help with budgetary needs. The remainder of the annual budget will, for now, be made up by the Tribe itself.

The TERO Office currently has 65 vendors that are certified in 56 areas. "We did lose a lot due to the scare that a lot of the vendors

had that a lot of the work will start being done in-house rather than being contracted out," said Nelson.

Wildcatt said it is hoped that with higher standards will come an increased respect locally for TERO and its vendors. "TERO companies are judged often, as we all are...one incident with one company that may have happened 10 years ago, someone still has those impressions."

He added, "Our program not only provides that Indian Preference, but we keep on our companies to operate at a higher level."

Nelson concluded by saying, "We want to be that TERO that other TEROs are looking at...we've really accomplished a lot lately and I'm just so excited for our future."



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# Pedestrian killed near casino in July

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Sheila Campos, age unknown, was killed after being hit by a car crossing the road in front of the Holiday Inn Express on Sunday, July 10 at around 9:53pm. The Cherokee Indian Police Department released the official police report on this incident on Friday, Sept. 9.

According to CIPD officials, the case is closed and no charges will be filed on the driver of the car, Angel Ann Everett, of Sylva.

CIPD Patrol Officer Benjamin Murphy responded to the scene on

July 10 and said he found Campos lying face down in the road. "Sheila was unconscious and blood loss was apparent."

The report says that witnesses stated she was hit by a green Hyundai Electra driven by Everett. Officer Murphy interviewed Campos' sister, Kathie Jackson, of Hartwell, Ga. "Kathi (note: Kathie is spelled two ways in the report including with and without an 'e') stated that she and Sheila had been at the casino and were walking to the Stonebrook Lodge when a car came struck Sheila. Kathi said they had been drinking and that Sheila had consumed about three beers and two mixed drinks without

any meals in between from about 3:00pm that same day."

According to the report, Jackson was given a portable breathalyzer test which came up at .05. Everett was also given a breathalyzer test which came up at .00. She, in turn, also passed a field sobriety test and horizontal gaze nystagmus test administered by Office Nick Wade "with no indicators of being under the influence of impairing substances".

Jackson stated to Officer Murphy that herself and Campos "had been using a flashlight to flash drivers so they would see them crossing the road".

In the report, Officer Murphy wrote, "Angel (Everett) stated that the light distracted her and he (she) turned her head to look at it and when she turned her attention straight forward again she struck Sheila with her car."

The report also states that "the streetlight in front of the Stone-

brook Inn was out making the street darker".

This was the first of two pedestrian deaths in Cherokee within a month. Althia Lossie Cruz, 51, an EBCI tribal member from Cherokee, was critically injured after being struck by a vehicle on Casino Trail in the area of Cherokee Pharmacy and Food Lion on Monday, Aug. 8.

*Editor's Note: The One Feather apologizes for the delay in reporting this incident to you. Through no fault of the One Feather and Cherokee Indian Police Department, approval for release of key information concerning this event was bound up in processes or lack of process for approximately two months. At all points during the process, the Cherokee Police Department was cooperative, responsive and expressed eagerness to provide the public with information, but non-specific delays stopped or slowed progress in getting the information to you. The One Feather feels that this information is important to the readership and, therefore, it is our responsibility per Cherokee Code to deliver this information expediently.*



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## Fall from Rock Wall in Park results in fatality

Great Smoky Mountains National Park Rangers were notified by Swain County 911 of a medical emergency at the Newfound Gap parking lot near the North Carolina/Tennessee state line at approximately 1:55pm on Monday, Sept. 12.

Marguerite Root, 85, of Canal Winchester, Ohio, fell approximately eight to nine feet from where she was sitting on a parking lot guard wall to a lower stone walkway. Root and her family were taking pictures with a view of the mountains in the background when she fell backwards off the rock wall to the stone walkway below.

Park Rangers and Cherokee Tribal EMS responded to the scene and provided patient care. Root never regained consciousness and was transported to the Cherokee Indian Hospital where she was pronounced dead.

- NPS



# CIPD Arrest Report Sept. 12-19

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

## **Davis, Corey Mat-** **thew – age 26**

Arrested: Sept. 12 at  
21:50

Not released as of press time

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-  
demeanor

Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 4



## **Welch, Emerson** **Sequoyah – age 38**

Arrested: Sept. 12 at  
10:40

Not released as of press time

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-  
demeanor

Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 6



## **Ammons, Earl – age** **37**

Arrested: Sept. 13 at  
05:50

Not released as of press time

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-  
demeanor, Resisting Public Officer

Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 4



## **Arkansas, Frances** **Elaine – age 45**

Arrested: Sept. 13 at  
10:00

Not released as of press time

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-  
demeanor, Possession of Schedule



II Controlled Substance, Possession  
of Drug Paraphernalia  
Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 4

## **Crowe, Hildegard** **Louise – age 31**

Arrested: Sept. 13 at  
15:43

Released: Sept. 15

Charges: Simple Possession of  
Marijuana

Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 2



## **Decoteau, Cody** **John – age 24**

Arrested: Sept. 13 at  
13:25

Not released as of press time

Charges: Assault and Battery,  
Aggravated Weapons Offense,  
Elder Abuse and Neglect, Criminal  
Mischief

Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 4



## **George, Elicio San-** **chez – age 20**

Arrested: Sept. 13 (no  
booking time given)

Not released as of press time

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-  
demeanor

Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 2



## **Watkins, Mary Re-** **gina – age 43**

Arrested: Sept. 13 at  
21:31

Not released as of press time

Charges: Misdemeanor Larceny  
Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 1



## **Driver, Randall Da-** **mian – age 27**

Arrested: Sept. 14 at  
02:32



Not released as of press time  
Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-  
demeanor, Resisting Lawful Arrest  
Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 3

## **Watty, Quentin** **Jackson – age 29**

Arrested: Sept. 14 at  
03:19

Not released as of press time

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-  
demeanor (two counts)

Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 4



## **George, Vincente** **Thomas – age 25**

Arrested: Sept. 15 at  
12:00

Not released as of press time

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-  
demeanor

Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 3



## **Martens, Robert** **Glen – age 35**

Arrested: Sept. 15 at  
13:40

Not released as of press time

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-  
demeanor

Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 6



## **Montelongo Jr.,** **David – age 37**

Arrested: Sept. 15 at  
13:30

Not released as of press time

Charges: Larceny, Receiving or  
Possessing Stolen Property, Failure  
to Appear on Misdemeanor

Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 6



## **Smith II, Greg – age 26**

Arrested: Sept. 15 at 13:31

Not released as of press time

Charges: Grand  
Larceny, Receiving  
or Possessing Stolen  
Property, Resisting  
Lawful Arrest, Criminal Mischief to  
Property, Speeding to Elude Arrest,  
Reckless Driving, No Operator's  
License

Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 4



## **Postoak, Kogee** **Louise – age 31**

Arrested: Sept. 16 at  
11:30

Not released as of press time

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-  
demeanor (three counts)

Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 3



## **Hart, Alfreda Fran-** **cesca – age 34**

Arrested: Sept. 18 at  
14:59

Not released as of press time

Charges: Domestic Violence, Child  
Abuse in the Second Degree (three  
counts)

Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 1



## **Rickman, John** **Preston – age 29**

Arrested: Sept. 18 at  
23:54

Not released as of press time

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-  
demeanor

Number of times in CIPD Deten-  
tion: 2



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# September Economic Impact

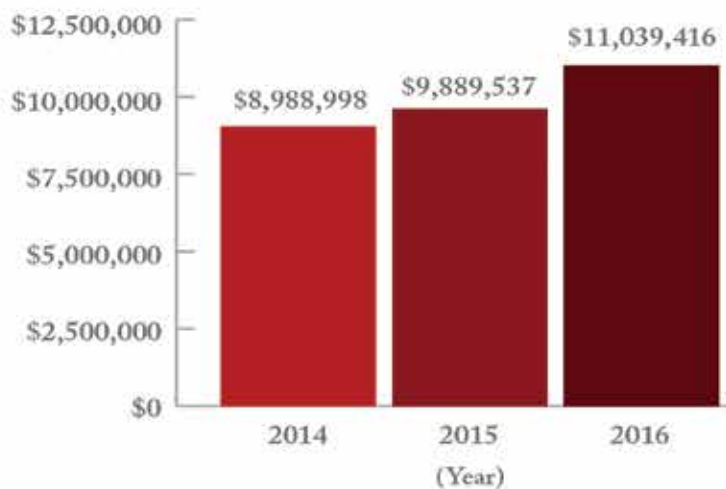


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## Overview

For comparison's sake, this report covers year-to-date data (in this case, October through July) for each of the years noted.

### Total Tribal Levy (October–July)\*



\*Source: EBCI Tribal Levy and Privilege Tax Report

### Total Levy and Privilege Tax Collections (October–July)\*

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



\*Source: EBCI Tribal Levy and Privilege Tax Report

### Total Privilege Tax (October–July)\*

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



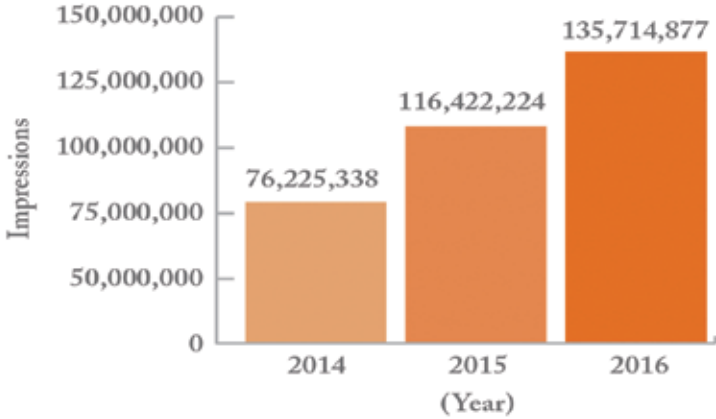
\*Source: EBCI Tribal Levy and Privilege Tax Report



# Paid Media Activity (April-July)\*

“Paid media activity” is advertising placed on Cherokee’s behalf with the goal of driving overnight visitation to non-gaming accommodations. Increased overnight visitation will benefit non-gaming hoteliers and the entire Cherokee economy—with special emphasis on the Cultural Attractions. “Impressions” are the total number of media exposures against Cherokee’s prime consumer target audience across the markets we support. CPM is “cost per thousand” for advertising media impressions. This is a measure of cost efficiency.

\*Source: Element Advertising, 2014–2016 media plans. Paid media activity covers April–September every year. This data covers April, May, June, and July (66% of the marketing year).



# Website Analytics for VisitCherokeeNC.com (October-July)\*

Year	Sessions	% Change	Users	% Change	Pageviews	% New Users
2014:	338,246	—	271,455	—	1,099,690	79.1%
2015:	663,934	+96.3%	524,893	+93.4%	2,094,715	78.6%
2016:	835,501	+25.9%	669,393	+27.5%	2,456,005	79.5%

“Website analytics” are data derived from activity on VisitCherokeeNC.com. “Sessions” are periods of time that a user is active within the site. “Users” are visitors to the site. “Pageviews” are the total number of website pages that are viewed by users. A “New User” is a user who hasn’t visited the site in two or more years.

\*Source: Google Analytics, 9/13/16



# Social Media (October-September)\*



Facebook  
328,323 Likes



Blog  
70,148 pageviews



Twitter  
8,382 followers and  
326,800 impressions



Pinterest  
5,542 average  
monthly viewers

\*Source: JB Media, 9/13/16

# PR Snapshot\*

The following events received media coverage as a result of PR efforts for the period of July–August 2016.

- Upstate Parent Magazine (online and in print), “5 reasons to visit Cherokee, N.C., this fall”: [goo.gl/Z9woHD](http://goo.gl/Z9woHD)
- Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Living Intown Magazine, Access Atlanta, “A winding ride down Blue Ridge Parkway”: [goo.gl/qed5UE](http://goo.gl/qed5UE)
- Speaking of Travel radio show interview with Tonya Carroll: [goo.gl/ZyK0kv](http://goo.gl/ZyK0kv)
- The One Feather article on Indian Fair Parade: [goo.gl/AkM63r](http://goo.gl/AkM63r)
- Asheville Citizen-Times: Cherokee Voices offers ‘real deal’ of tribe’s culture: [goo.gl/tW2xCP](http://goo.gl/tW2xCP)

\*Source: Suzanne Metcalf Public Relations, 9/13/16

## FOOTBALL

# Mustangs top Braves under “Thursday Night Lights”

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**S**YLVA – The Cherokee Braves (3-2) shared the spotlight with the Smoky Mountain Mustangs (4-0) as their game at Carr Hooper Stadium in Sylva was featured as WMYA-TV’s game of the week on “Thursday Nights

Lights”. Smoky Mountain remained unbeaten with a 52-18 victory over the Braves on Thursday, Sept. 15.

Tye Mintz, Braves junior quarterback, was 14 of 23 passing for 145 yards, 2 touchdowns, and 2 interceptions. He also led Cherokee on the ground with 8 rushes for 108 yards and 1 touchdown. Anthony Toineeta, senior wide receiver, caught

3 passes on the night including two late scores of 22 and 44 yards respectively.

Other Cherokee receivers included: Cade Mintz 3 rec for 12 yds, Blake Smith 2 rec for 7 yds, and Holden Straughan 3 rec for 43 yds.

Smoky Mountain’s Cole Hooper connected on 12 of 20 passes for 164 yards, 2 touchdowns and 1 interception. Matthew Ridley did workhorse duty for the Mustangs with 25 rushes, 101 yards and 2 touchdowns.

Each team was able to move the ball effectively and often. Smoky Mountain garnered 38 first downs to Cherokee’s 25.

Straughan led Cherokee defensively with 19 tackles followed by Toineeta with 17, Damian Blanton 10, and Joaquin Layno and Dawson Wilnoty with 8.

Smoky Mountain got the ball first in this game and wasted no time in getting on the board. Five plays into their drive, Austin Baumgarner, senior wide receiver, took a pitch from Hooper and jaunted 10 yards for the score. Devon Macke, junior kicker, added the extra point and the Mustangs took an early 7-0 lead just over two minutes in.

Both teams ended up turning the ball over on downs on their next possessions.

Cherokee’s second possession, which started at their own 45-yard line, lasted one play. Tristen Kenyon, Mustangs junior defensive back, intercepted a Tye Mintz pass and returned it to the Smoky Mountain 25.

Two plays later, Hooper connected with Connor Moore, Mustangs senior wide receiver, on a 79-yard touchdown pass. Macke added the kick and Smoky Mountain was up 14-0 with 5:15 left in the first.



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos

**Tye Mintz, Braves junior quarterback, breaks a tackle by Smoky Mountain defender Connor Moore, senior defensive back, en route to a 34-yard gain in the second quarter. For the game, Mintz was 14 of 23 passing for 145 yards, 2 touchdowns, and 2 interceptions. He also led Cherokee on the ground with 8 rushes for 108 yards and 1 touchdown.**



On the first play from scrimmage on their next possession, Cherokee fumbled the ball which was recovered by Cody Lominac, Mustangs sophomore free safety, at the Cherokee 34-yard line.

The Braves defense found a rhythm though and held Smoky Mountain to a three-and-out. Cherokee's ensuing possession ended in a punt, and Smoky Mountain turned the ball over on downs on their next possession.

Cherokee started its fifth possession of the game at their own 25-yard line. Mintz used his legs for three big plays during this 8-play drive including a 13-yard run, a 34-yard run aided by a huge block by Kendall Driver, Braves senior offensive lineman, and a 9-yard run up the middle of the defense for Cherokee's first score of the game. The two-point conversion failed, and Cherokee trailed 14-6 at the 11:51 mark of the second.

The Mustangs started their next drive in good field position at the Cherokee 46-yard line and put together a 9-play drive in under three minutes which culminated in a 3-yard touchdown run by Hooper. Macke added the point-after kick and Smoky Mountain led 21-6 with 7:50 left before the half.

Smoky Mountain added a 29-yard field goal late in the half to take a 24-6 lead into the locker room.

Ridley scored twice in the third quarter for the Mustangs on runs of 1-yard and 22-yards. Both point-after kicks by Macke were good and Smoky Mountain led 38-6 going into the fourth.

Cherokee got some offense going late in the third quarter which carried over into the fourth. On the sixth play of a drive that started on the Mustangs 41-yard line, Tye



**Anthony Toineeta, Braves senior wide receiver, catches a 22-yard touchdown pass over the outstretched arms of Smoky Mountain junior defensive back Tyler Waliezer.**

Mintz connected with Toineeta on a 22-yard touchdown pass down the left sideline. The two-point try failed, and Cherokee trailed 38-12 with 10:59 left in the game.

Four plays later, Cherokee would get the ball back as George Swayney would intercept a Hooper pass and return it to the Braves 49-yard line.

Two plays after that, the Braves were back in the end zone as Tye Mintz again connected with Toineeta...this time on a 44-yard touchdown strike. The two-point try failed again and Cherokee trailed by 20 (38-18) with 9:37 left in the game.

Smoky Mountain added two more scores in the game on a 2-yard run by Cyrus Lansing and a 13-yard run by Brian Naulty. Both extra point kicks were good and Smoky Mountain went on to win 52-18.

The Braves travel again this week as they head to Murphy (3-1) on Friday, Sept. 23 at 7:30pm.



**Joaquin Layno, Braves sophomore defensive end, tackles Smoky Mountain's Matthew Ridley in the first quarter. Layno had eight tackles on the night and Ridley finished with 25 carries for 101 yards and 2 touchdowns.**

SCOREBOARD

CROSS COUNTRY

Saturday, Sept. 17

Western Carolina Invitational in Cullowhee

High School Girls Results

- 1 – Aleshia Tisho (Smoky Mtn.) 20:18.39
- 2 – Jade Sterline (Smoky Mtn.) 20:49.25
- 3 – Emma Pindur (Swain) 21:21.98
- 23 – Raylen Bark (Cherokee) 24:56.82
- 24 – Dorian Reed (Cherokee) 24:58.98
- 42 – Jamie Lossiah (Cherokee) 26:45.04
- 61 – Deliah Esquivel (Cherokee) 31:02.44
- 72 – Shyreece Williams (Cherokee) 34:15.57

High School Girls Team Scores

- 1 – Smoky Mtn. 29
- 2 – West Henderson 70
- 3 – Swain Co. 86
- 7 – Cherokee 181

High School Boys Results

- 1 – Andrew Hamel (Pisgah) 16:54.31
- 2 – Daniel Mashburn (Pisgah) 17:17.16
- 3 – Carter Brinkley (Pisgah) 17:27.47
- 4 – Darius Lambert (Cherokee) 17:28.68
- 31 – Josiah Lossiah (Cherokee) 19:42.92
- 55 – Eason Esquivel (Cherokee) 22:15.42
- 58 – Jonah Bernhisel (Cherokee) 22:38.93
- 75 – Jordan Grant (Cherokee) 26:52.17

High School Boys Team Scores

- 1 – Pisgah 37
- 2 – Smoky Mtn. 53
- 3 – West Henderson 61
- 7 – Cherokee 162



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JV Braves fall at Swain

Sterling Santa Maria (#33), JV Braves wide receiver, slides past a Swain County defender into the end zone on a 27-yard touchdown catch on Saturday, Sept. 17. It was Cherokee’s only score of the day as the Braves lost to the JV Maroon Devils 42-6 on a warm day at Swain. Swain’s Colby Taylor scored three touchdowns on the day including runs of 50-,22-, and 14-yards. Jonas Trejo scored on a pick-six for the Maroon Devils on a 41-yard interception return.

Middle School Girls Results

- 1 – Ava Barlow (Robbinsville) 13:28.65
- 2 – Maria Reyes (Cherokee) 13:42.27
- 3 – Rosa Reyes (Cherokee) 14:30.29
- 7 – Destiny Mills (Cherokee) 15:17.31
- 9 – Betty Lossiah (Cherokee) 15:28.74
- 16 – Makala McGaha (Cherokee) 16:31.09
- 25 – Donna Thompson (Cherokee) 18:17.76
- 40 – Abigail Taylor (Cherokee) 20:53.69

Middle School Girls Team Scores

- 1 – Cherokee 28
- 2 – Robbinsville 36
- 3 – Franklin School of Innovation 71

Middle School Boys Results

- 1 – Rocky Peebles (Cherokee) 11:43.06
- 2 – Declan Mettee (Franklin School) 11:50.30
- 3 – Aiden Browning (Franklin School) 12:17.13
- 4 – Daniel Thompson (Cherokee) 12:19.44
- 6 – Cavan Reed (Cherokee) 13:15.02
- 12 – Dakota Siweumptewa (Cherokee) 13:43.41
- 19 – Richard Welch (Cherokee) 14:33.53
- 23 – Braylon Arch (Cherokee) 14:59.90
- 29 – Adam Reed (Cherokee) 16:08.78
- 37 – Jaylan Bark (Cherokee) 17:55.40
- 38 – Dacian Tafoya (Cherokee) 17:58.92

Middle School Boys Team Scores

- 1 – Franklin School 41
- 2 – Cherokee 42
- 3 – Summit Charter School 67

JV FOOTBALL

Saturday, Sept. 17

Swain Co. 42 Cherokee 6

FOOTBALL

Thursday, Sept. 15

Smoky Mtn. 52 Cherokee 16

Friday, Sept. 16

Robbinsville 29 Rabun Gap. (Ga.) 3  
Rosman 14 Trinity Aca. (Tenn.) 7  
Murphy 27 Gilmer (Ga.) 0

YOUTH FOOTBALL

Saturday, Sept. 17

Pee Wees

Hayesville 28 Cherokee 6  
Copper Basin (Tenn.) 26 Murphy 22  
Franklin 20 Robbinsville 16

Termites

Cherokee 32 Hayesville 6  
Robbinsville 34 Franklin 0  
Towns Co. (Ga.) 6 Jackson Co. 2

Mites

Hayesville 16 Cherokee 0  
Murphy 44 Copper Basin 18  
Robbinsville 28 Franklin 0  
Towns Co. 22 Jackson Co. 0

Midgets

Cherokee 20 Hayesville 12  
Swain Co. 16 Andrews 0  
Murphy 42 Copper Basin 0  
Robbinsville 6 Franklin 0

VOLLEYBALL

Tuesday, Sept. 13

Rosman 3 Cherokee 0 (25-14, 25-21, 25-6)  
Hayesville 3 Robbinsville 0 (29-27, 25-15, 25-18)  
Murphy 3 Nantahala 1 (25-4, 25-4, 25-12)

Thursday, Sep. 15

Murphy 3 Robbinsville 0 (25-19, 25-8, 25-16)



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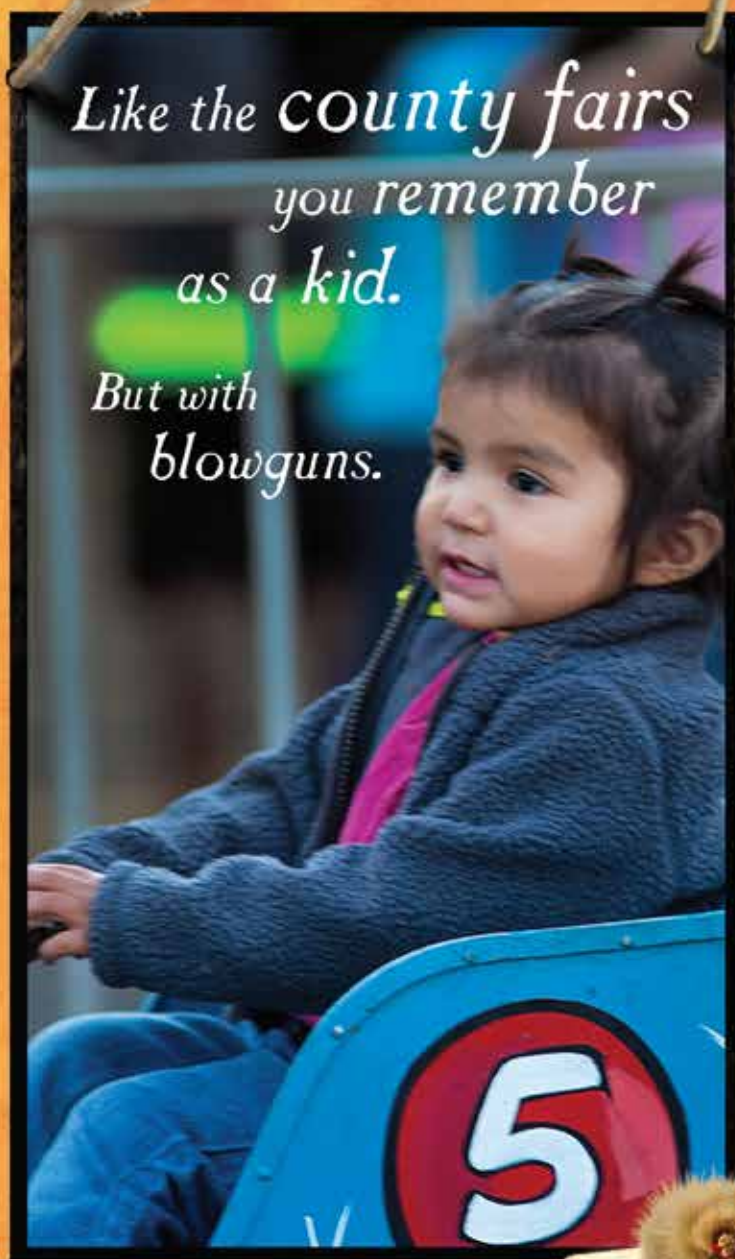
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# How will the colors be this fall?

## **WCU prognosticator: Leaf color quality will hinge on temperature trends heading into fall**

**C**ULLOWHEE – Leaf-lookers, stay tuned. The quality of the fall colors in Western North Carolina's mountains this year will depend on the temperatures recorded from September through the typical peak color weeks of October. That's the word from Beverly Collins, Western Carolina University's new fall foliage forecaster. Collins, a professor in WCU's Department of Biology, is taking over leaf

prognostication duties from Kathy Mathews, a biology faculty member who had been evaluating the leaf color potential for 11 years.

Whether it will be a really good year for leaf-looking, or a so-so year, remains to be seen as weather observers monitor the climate to see if the generally warmer-than-normal conditions of 2016 continue through the fall, or if temperatures start dropping and follow the patterns of a "normal" year, Collins said.

The Asheville office of the National Centers for Environmental Information has reported that July was the 15th consecutive record warmest month globally. State climate officials say the monthly average temperatures recorded at the Asheville Regional Airport since mid-February have

ranged from slightly above normal to almost seven degrees above normal.

"If our warmer-than-normal weather continues into fall, the colors will be later, more subdued and spottier," Collins said.

Along with the heat, the summer months brought generally drier than normal conditions to many parts of the mountains, and dry weather in the spring and summer can produce bright fall colors, but only if the fall weather follows its historical and normal trend of increasingly cooler days and colder nights, Collins said. Some long-range forecasters are predicting a cold snap in mid-October, and that would be good for producing colorful leaves, but "we can't predict October weather in August with 100 percent confidence," she said.

Each fall, the region's fall colors emerge as chlorophyll in leaves breaks down, revealing yellow, orange and red pigments that were hidden by the green. Color appears first in the forest understory with the reds of shrubs and vines such as sumac, Virginia creeper and poison ivy. The yellow, orange and red of early-turning trees such as walnut, tulip poplar and maple show up next, and the season ends with the darker reds and browns of oaks, she said.

With elevations in Western North Carolina ranging from around 2,000 feet in the valley towns to more than 6,000 feet on the ridgetops, weather conditions in the region also vary greatly. That factor, combined with the rich diversity of tree species, can lead to a long and diverse color display, Collins said. The best bet for foliage fans is to plan on peak color the weekend of Oct. 15-16 for the highest elevations over 4,000 feet; the weekend of Oct. 22-23 for the middle elevations of 2,500 to 4,000 feet; and the remainder of October for lower elevations, she said.



WCU photo

**WCU students stroll across campus on a picture-perfect fall afternoon.**

- WCU



# 2016 Cherokee Middle School Homecoming Court

Photos courtesy of Megan Barnes/CMS



**6th Grade - Ellise Stamper  
with escort Kaden Smith**



**6th Grade - Mahala Allison  
with escort Hayden McCoy**



**7th Grade - Tevy West  
with escort Don Bradley**



**7th Grade - Betty Lossiah  
with escort Brandon Martin**



**7th Grade - Danasia Toineeta  
with escort Woodrow Lossie**



**8th Grade - Desiree Amos  
with escort Daniel Thompson**



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## Indian Fair Parade parking information

If you are riding in the parade, there will be designated parking for you at the old Western Steer Steakhouse. This area will be blocked off for your use only. At the end of the parade, EBCI Transit Service will pick you up at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex and take you back to your vehicle at the old Western Steer Steakhouse parking lot. This service will run until 6:30pm. All vehicles that have parked in this area need to be moved that evening. Info: Cherokee Welcome Center 359-6490 or 359-6491

- Cherokee Welcome Center

## Qualla Boundary Head Start openings

The Qualla Boundary Head Start program has openings for 3- and 4-year-old children at no cost. Enrollment applications can be picked up at the front desk of the Dora Reed Children's Center. The program offers health screenings, dental screenings, nutritious meals, engaging activities, parent activities, parent education, and other various assistance. Info: Laura Owl 359-6590

- Qualla Boundary Head Start

## Museum hosting Native Writing Contest

The Museum of the Cherokee Indian is hosting a Native Writing Contest in three divisions: middle school, high school, and adult. There are three categories including: poetry (maximum 40 lines), research topic (1,000 to 2,000 words on any American Indian theme, bibliography must be included), and short story (maximum 2,500 words). First, second, and third place winners in each category and division will receive certificates

and all first place winners will also receive a prize from the Museum of the Cherokee Indian Gift Shop. Cherokee actress DeLanna Studi will serve as a special guest judge. Submissions will be taken Oct. 1 through Oct. 14 at 4pm and may be emailed to Dawn Arneach (arneach@cherokeeemuseum.org), mailed to Museum of the Cherokee Indian, P.O. Box 1599, Cherokee, NC 28719, or hand-delivered to the Museum Box Office. Winners will be notified on Nov. 1. Info: Dawn Arneach 497-3481 ext. 207

- Museum of the Cherokee Indian

## Seeking former pageant winners

If you are a former Little Miss Cherokee, Junior Miss Cherokee, or Teen Miss Cherokee title holder, the Pageant Board would like to recognize you this year at the upcoming pageants. If you would like to be recognized, contact Yona Wade 788-0430 or Amanda Moore 788-0142.

- Pageant Board

## Senior Fuel applications being taken

The Cherokee Senior Citizens Program is now taking fuel applications. Program guidelines include:

1. Must be 59½
2. Must be an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
3. Must live in the five (5) counties service area: Swain, Jackson, Cherokee, Graham and Haywood
4. The residence where the fuel is to be delivered must be the primary residence of the senior citizen.
5. Only (1) one service per residence
6. Only (1) one type of fuel per residence
7. All seniors must reapply every

year

8. Must apply for the primary heat source only

9. Applications will start being taken in September. A notice will be put in the local papers as to what date.

10. Heating season is from Oct. 1 thru May 31.

11. Gas must be the primary heating source to receive a gas tank purchase.

12. A one-time purchase of a 320 gallon tank or purchase of the tank that is currently being used at the residence.

13. Only one gas tank per household. If clients already own a tank purchased with tribal funds such as HIP Program, Qualla Housing or any other program they will not receive another tank.

14. If a gas tank is purchased then the primary heat cannot be changed for three (5) years.

15. Client assumes all responsibility for the tank

16. All accounts must have a zero balance before any new funding will be applied for the new heating season.

17. It is the client's responsibility to pay for any fuel that is delivered over the budgeted amount (\$1000).

Info: Kathy Smith 359-6860

- Cherokee Senior Citizens Program

## Black Bear harvest data sought

In an effort to better manage the black bear population on tribal lands, the EBCI department of Natural Resources is giving away EBCI Black Bear Management Team hats to hunters who report harvest data and submit pre-molar teeth for aging. All participating hunters will also be eligible for a \$500 prize drawing at the end of the season.

Report forms and tooth envelopes are available at the Fisheries and Wildlife Management office (Tribal Utilities Building, 1840 Paint Town Rd.) and the Natural Resource Enforcement office (517 Sequoyah Trail). Info: Caleb Hickman 359-6109

- EBCI Natural Resources

## THPO seeking Mattie Oocumma relatives

The EBCI Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO) is consulting on a project involving Meh-tih (Mattie) Oocumma (born about 1880). Her father is She-lola-note or James Oocumma (born around 1856), and her mother is Coo-is-ta or Easter Larch (born around 1857). If you are related to any of these individuals, and would like to participate or learn more about the project, contact Miranda Panther 359-6850 by Oct. 28.

- EBCI Tribal Historic Preservation Office

## Upcoming DNA testing schedule

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

\* Friday, Sept. 23

\* Thursday, Sept. 29

\* Friday, Sept. 30.

Please check with the EBCI Enrollment Office 359-6465 prior to scheduling to make sure you are eligible for enrollment. The local collection site has been moved temporarily to 1526 Acquoni Road (old Court location). 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

## December 2016 per capita deadlines

The deadline to submit direct deposit forms for the December 2016 per capita distribution will be Monday, Oct. 3. All direct deposit forms must be notarized. Please bring a voided check for deposit into your checking account or a statement, on letterhead from your bank, indicating your savings account number and routing number for deposit into your saving account.

The deadline to submit federal tax withholding forms, waivers, letters of administration, or court-or-

dered guardianship will be Friday, Oct. 14 at 4:30pm.

Forms are available at the Tribal Enrollment Office, located at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex, Monday through Friday, 7:45am until 4:30pm. Address changes will be accepted until Friday, Nov. 4 at 4:30pm.

- EBCI Enrollment Office

## Wolftown Community Club update

The Wolftown Community Club would like to say thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the School Supply Give-Away event and Dialysis Center donations held on Aug. 6. We had an awesome group who donated supplies and came on Friday evening to put the bags together. We distributed 75 bags of school supplies! They also

donated items like fleece blankets, ear buds and snacks for the Dialysis Center which were delivered on Thursday, Sept. 15 due to the donation extension. Kudos to the Wolftown volunteers!

Anthony Toineeta was chosen to represent the Wolftown Community as the Grand Marshall in this year's Fair Parade. Congratulations Anthony!

We will be working on the Fair float at the Wolftown Gym starting this week until completion. Any ideas or suggestions will be greatly appreciated! The theme is "Living Cherokee Strong." We will also be taking items for the Community Booth display during this time. Everyone is welcome to come and help out!

The Wolftown Community Club will be having a Bingo Fundraiser

on Saturday, Oct. 22 from 6-9pm at the Wolftown Gym. Concession will be open and if you would like to donate items for prizes contact Tuff Jackson 788-4088, Mary Jackson 736-4557, or Tammy Jackson 788-4098. Come out and have some fun while supporting your community.

- Tammy Jackson, Secretary  
Wolftown Community Club

## Seeking Miss Cherokees

The EBCI Miss Cherokee Royalty Board is requesting the attendance of all former Miss Cherokees at this year's Miss Cherokee pageant. The pageant will be held at the Cherokee Indian Fair on Tuesday, Oct. 4 at 8pm. Please wear your sash. Info: ebcimisscherokee@gmail.com or 736-0452

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### Thank you for support on fundraiser

I would like to send my appreciation to everyone who donated towards my fundraiser on Sept. 3 at the John Crowe rec center. To all the volunteers, Ernest Grant, Keona and Dre Jackson, Amanda, Tyra, Monae, Ashley Keel, Marsha Jackson, Carol Jackson and my sister Meona Feather. Also to all those who donated to make this happen Patrick Lambert, Tresa McCoy, Bo Crowe, Anita lossiah, Patty Grant, Tyson Sampson, Dominos and the produce stands on the four lanes. And, thanks to my mom and dad for making this happen. They have been here during my health crisis since day one and they put this on in a very short period of time. Without them, this could have not happened and their hard work made it a huge success! Thank you!

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Thank You! Thank you and I love you from the bottom of my heart! Last, but certainly not least, a special thanks to Adam Lambert for letting me utilize the John Crowe Rec. Center and to each and every person who came out and bought something as I send a warm and heartfelt thank you! My sincerest thanks! Sgi!

**Jatanna Feather**

### Thank you from the Cherokee Rodders

The Cherokee Rodders would like to thank everybody that participated or made a donation at the benefit car show held on Aug. 20. All proceeds go to the Bob Smith Vocational Memorial Scholarship Fund. We have awarded three scholarships (\$1,000 each) for school year 2016-2017.

**Cherokee Rodders Car Club**

## OBITUARIES

### Jenny Fay Wilson

Jenny Fay Wilson, 47, of Franklin, passed away Thursday, Sept. 8, 2016. She was born May 21, 1969 in Cherokee, the daughter of Louise Morrell Maney and the late Jesse Maney. Mrs. Wilson was a Baptist by faith and was a member of Rock Springs Baptist Church. She was a loving wife, mother, sister, daughter and friend. She loved making crafts and loved music.

In addition to her mother, she is survived by her husband, John David Wilson; two sons, David Lee and James Anderson, both of Franklin; four sisters, Louise Mable Maney II of Dillsboro, Rosa Lean Maney of Cherokee, Ann Coggins of Virginia and Malissa Elaine Dover of

Cherokee; four brothers, Jerry Lee Maney of Cherokee, Gregory Neil Maney of Rome Mtn., Tenn., Samuel Gerald Maney of Elizabethton, Tenn. and Jesse Anderson Maney Jr. of Elizabethton, Tenn.; several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

A memorial service was held Tuesday, Sept. 13 in the chapel of Bryant-Grant Funeral Home with Greg Morgan officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Bryant-Grant Funeral Home, 105 W. Main St., Franklin, NC 28734 to help with funeral expenses. Bryant-Grant Funeral Home and Crematory is serving the Wilson family. Online condolences may be made at [bryantgrantfuneralhome.com](http://bryantgrantfuneralhome.com).



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**Beacon of Hope Baptist Church.** (828) 226-4491

**Bethabara Baptist Church.**  
497-7770

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

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

**Boiling Springs Missionary Baptist Church.** 488-9202

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

**Cherokee Bible Church.**  
497-2286

**Cherokee Church of Christ.**  
497-3334

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

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

**Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church.** 674-2690

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

**Cherokee Wesleyan Church.**  
586-5453

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631-0331 or 497-3512

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

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

**Olivet United Methodist Church.** (336) 309-1016, [www.YouTube.com/user/OlivetUMC](http://www.YouTube.com/user/OlivetUMC), [www.Olivet-UMC.org](http://www.Olivet-UMC.org)

**Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.** 736-5322

**Piney Grove Baptist Church.**  
736-7850.

**Rock Hill Baptist Church.** (828) 356-7312

**Rock Springs Baptist Church.**  
497-9455, 736-1245 (cell)

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

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497-5262

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506-0123 or 736-4872

### Community Clubs

**Big Y Community Club** meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Big Y Community Building. Bunsey Crowe, president, 497-6339 or 788-4879

**Big Cove Community Club** meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Big Cove Rec. Center. Chairman Sam Panther 497-5309 or Secretary Consie Girty 736-0159 or [walerb@gmail.com](mailto:walerb@gmail.com)

**Birdtown Community Club** meets the last Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. Potluck at 6pm, meeting at 6:30pm. Jody Taylor, chairperson, 736-7510

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

**Snowbird Community Club** meets the first Tuesday of each month or the Tuesday before the Tribal Council meeting. Roger Smoker, chairman, (828) 479-

8678 or (828) 361-3278, [roger-smoker@yahoo.com](mailto:roger-smoker@yahoo.com)

**Wolftown Community Club** meets the first Monday of each month at 7pm at the Wolftown Gym. Until further notice, meetings will be held at the gym due to water damage at the Community Building. Tuff Jackson, chairman, 788-4088

**Yellowhill Community Club.**  
First Tuesday of every month unless it's a holiday. Reuben 497-2043

BIBLE

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by Wilson Casey

1. Is the Book of Mark in the Old or New Testament or neither?  
2. What kind of physical problem did Timothy have of which Paul advised a little wine? *Back, Stomach, Head, Legs*  
3. In Matthew 6, what did Jesus say not to use when we pray? *Loud curses, Impure thoughts, Vain repetitions, Wandering shifts*  
4. From Esther 1, King Ahasuerus lived in what city? *Ur, Shushan, Antioch, Tarsus*  
5. Who was the first son of Moses and Zipporah? *Haggai, Gershom, Mark, Zebudah*  
6. How old was Abraham when he died? *75, 175, 202, 256*

ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) Stomach; 3) Vain repetitions; 4) Shushan; 5) Ger-shom; 6) 175

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## General Events

### Myers/Griffin Family Reunion.

**Sept. 24** from 12-4pm at the Oconaluftee Island Park. Families of Alvin Riley Myers and Nancy Ellen Griffin. Everyone is invited. Bring a food dish for dinner, photos to share, a chair for yourself, and musical instruments if you play. Info: Soney and Johnnie Sue Myers 497-2416 or Jan Hall (941) 716-4056, [jhall6042@gmail.com](mailto:jhall6042@gmail.com)

### Cherokee Healing and Wellness

**Coalition meeting. Sept. 27** at 12pm at Agelink Ernestine Walkingstick Conference Room. Everyone is welcome to bring a lunch and join the group as they make plans for the 2017 Healing Journey

to Oklahoma and consideration of applying for a Drug-Free Community Grant. Info: (828) 331-8688 or 497-9498

**Bingo. Sept. 29** at 1:30pm at the Yellowhill Community Building. Everyone will receive two bingo cards. If you bring something for the Dialysis Center, you can get two additional cards. Items needed are: candy corn, graham crackers, hard candy, lollipops, individual snack-size newtons, popcorn (unsalted), vanilla wafers, rice krispies, and Ritz crackers. Four-card limit. This free event is sponsored by Principal Chief Patrick Lambert.

**Candidate Issue Forums. Oct. 3** at 6pm and **Oct. 13** at 7pm at the

Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. **Oct. 3** will be the County Commissioner Forum with Jackson County candidates at 6pm and Swain County candidates at 8pm. **Oct. 13** will be for state level candidates for the Senate District 50 and House District 119 seats. This non-partisan forum is organized by Occupy WNC and The Canary Coalition. The sponsoring organizations will lead off each forum with selected questions. In addition to questions from the sponsors, all those attending will be given the opportunity to submit written questions. Questions originating from EBCI tribal members will be given first priority. Info: Allen Lomax (828) 226-0506, [allen@allenlomax.com](mailto:allen@allenlomax.com)

### French Family Reunion. Oct.

**8** at 2pm at Rock Springs Baptist Church. Bring a covered dish. Chicken will be provided. All family and friends are invited.

### Ballroom Dance Class Fund-raiser. Tuesdays Oct. 11 – Nov.

**1** from 5:30-6:30pm at the Qualla Community Building at 184 Shoal Creek Loop in Whittier. All proceeds will go to the Qualla Community Club for maintaining the Community Building. Cost is \$10 per person per class or \$35 for the four-week session. Info: 497-9456

## Sports Events

### 1st Annual USET Scholarship Fund Softball Tournament.

**Oct. 21-22** in Cherokee. This event is being hosted and sponsored by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, USET, and Cherokee Life Recreation. Divisions: Women 18+ and Men 18+ (1st place - \$1,500 and 2nd place - \$500 for both divisions). Must be a member of a federally-recognized tribe to participate. Entry fee is \$250 per team. Entry fee may be paid by money order, cashier's check payable to Cherokee Life Recreation, or cash. All entry fees will go to benefit the USET Scholarship Fund. Entry deadline is Oct. 7. Info: Tim Smith 359-6891 or Adam Lambert 736-7016

### Upcoming Pow Wows for Sept. 23-25

*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*

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# WNC FLY FISHING TRAIL WEEKLY FISHING REPORT



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WATERSHED	STOCKING	PRODUCTIVITY	ACTIVE SPECIES	HATCHES	FLY/BAIT
<b>Tuckaseegee River</b>	Hatchery Supported Regulations	Good. Best early morning and late evening	Rainbow, brook, brown trout, smallmouth bass	Caddis-Brown & Grey, Sulphurs, Yellow Stone Fly, Blue Wing Olives, Terrestrials	No restrictions, Elk Hair Caddis, Prince Nymph, Pheasant Tail nymph, Stone Fly Nymph, Beetles and Ants.
<b>Chattooga &amp; Whitewater Rivers</b>	Not stocking, all wild brown trout and catch and release	Good. Best early morning and late evening	Rainbow trout and brown trout	Caddis, Sulphurs, Yellow Stonefly, Blue Wing Olives, Terrestrials	Stimulators, Beetles, Pheasant Tail Nymph, Hair's Ear Nymph, Adams, Streamers.
<b>Inside GSMNP Oconaluftee River &amp; Small Streams</b>	Follow posted regulations- wild trout	Good. Best early morning and late evening.	Rainbow, Brown and Appalachian Brook Trout	Yellow & Green Stoneflies, Caddis, Terrestrials, Sulphurs, Blue Wing Olives	Yellow Sally, Little Green Stonefly, Jim Charlie, Comparedun Sulphur, Charlie Whopper, Yellow Palmer, Adam Variant, Grey Fox, Tellico Nymph, Stick Bit, Pheasant Tail & Hares Ear Nymphs, Ants & beetles

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**21st Annual Richmond Pow Wow. Sept. 23-25** at Battlefield Park in Richmond, Ky. Host Drum: Skyhawk. Info: Jan Quigg (859) 623-6076, Jan@richmondpow-wow.org

**10th Annual Prescott Pow Wow. Sept. 23-25** at Watson Lake Recreation Area in Prescott, Ariz. MC: Ryan Rumley. Host Northern: Maswadae. Host Southern: Southern Souls. Info: (928) 499-5907, www.prescottpowwow.org

**Medicine Lodge Peace Treaty Pow Wow. Sept. 23-25** at Medicine Lodge City Park in Medicine Lodge, Kan. MC: Vernon "Cy" Ahtone. Head Singer: Charlie Horse. Info: David Colburn (620) 213-0506

**Morongo Thunder and Lightning Pow Wow. Sept. 23-25** in Banning, Calif. Info: Denisa Torres (800) 849-4697 ext. 5165, dtorres@morongo-nsn.gov

**California Indian Day Pabana-manina Pow Wow. Sept. 23-25** at Paiute Palace Pow Wow Grounds

in Bishop, Calif. MC: Ruben Little Head. Host Drum: Black Lodge. Info: Joan Huff (760) 920-2332, (760) 920-1561, bishoppowwow@yahoo.com

**Standing Bear 23rd Annual Pow Wow. Sept. 23-24** at Standing Bear Parkway in Ponca City, Okla. Info: (580) 762-1514, (580) 762-3148, info@standingbear-park.com

**18th Annual Pow Wow in Paradise. Sept. 23-25** at Kapaa Beach Park in Kapaa, Hawaii. MC: Arlie Neskahi. Host Drum: Wildhorse. Info: Kaplan Bunce (808) 647-4285, KBKAUAI@gmail.com

**Black Kettle Pow Wow. Sept. 23-25** at Crystal Beach Arena in Woodward, Okla. Emcees: Burl Buffalomeat and Edmond Mahseet. Head Southern Singer: Emmett Red Bird. Info: Janet Fitz (580) 254-8521, (580) 334-3401

**Steve Witt Memorial 21st Annual Gathering of the People Pow Wow. Sept. 24-25** at Vigo County Conservation Club in Terre Haute, Ind. MC: Aaron Stevens. Host Drum: Twigh Twee. Co-Host Drum: Thunder With the Hands.

Info: Bob DisPennett (812) 236-1692

**Indian Trail Pow Wow. Sept. 24-25** at Carolina Courts in Indian Trail, NC. Info: (704) 750-9609, metrolinanatives@gmail.com

**S.I.P.I. Pow Wow. Sept. 24** in Albuquerque, NM. MC: Boyd Ladd. Host Northern: Black Eagle. Host Southern: Pumpkin Wyne. Info: S.I.P.I. Student Senate (505) 346-2337, rlee@mail.sipi.edu

**25th Annual Fort Omaha Intertribal Pow Wow. Sept. 24** at Metropolitan Community College Fort Omaha Campus in Omaha, Neb. MC: Mitchell "Chiefy" Parker. Host Northern: Mato Pejuta. Host Southern: Young Bucks. Info: Barbara Velazquez (402) 457-2400, bvelazquez@mccneb.edu

**Mount Juliet 35th Annual Pow Wow. Sept. 24-25** at Mundy Park in Mount Juliet, Tenn. MC: Rob Daugherty. Host Drum: Southside. Info: (615) 443-1537, cindyyahoo-la@mtjulietpowwow.com

**Midwest SOARRING Foundation's Native American Harvest Pow Wow. Sept. 24-25** at Naper

Settlement in Naperville, Ill. Info: (708) 257-4300, soaring@aol.com

**14th Woodland Indian Celebration. Sept. 24-25** at Betty C. Black Recreation Area in Perrysburg, Ohio. Host Drums: Southeastern Water Spider, Southern Singers. Info: perrysburgpowwow@hotmail.com

**65th Annual Chickahominy Tribe Pow Wow & Fall Festival. Sept. 24-25** at Chickahominy Tribal Grounds in Providence Forge, Va. Info: Ross Stewart (804) 557-3775, r-stewart@cox.net, http://www.chickahominytribe.org

**Puyallup Tribal Wellness Pow Wow. Sept. 24** at Chief Leschi Schools in Puyallup, Wash. MC: Casey Wallahee. Info: Laricia (253) 439-7829, laricia@hotmail.com

## Ongoing Events

**AA and NA meetings in Cherokee.** Nar-Anon (family support): Mondays at 6pm at Church of Christ. Alcoholics Anonymous (AA): Tuesdays at 7pm at Cherokee Indian Hospital (CIH), Saturdays at 10am at CIH conference room. Narcotics Anonymous (NA): Mondays at 8pm at CIH, Thursdays at 8pm at CIH, Fridays at 7pm at CIH conference room

**VFW Bingo. Every Tuesday at the Governor's Island VFW.** Early bird at 5:30pm, regular games at 7pm. Info: Billy Whitt 488-3547

**Elvis Museum** is now open on Hwy 19 (2289 Wolftown Road). New hours 11 am to 3 pm Tuesday-Saturday.

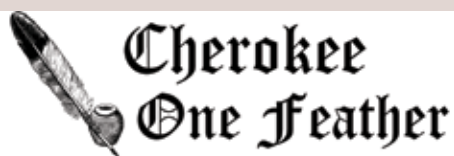


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# Racism divides

**ROBERT JUMPER**  
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

I followed a Facebook conversation string on TSA-LA-GI VOICE (a Facebook page hosted by Lea Wolf) this weekend that concerned an incident of racism experienced by some Braves fans at Thursday's game against Smokey Mountain High School.

I think Wolf does a very good job with her page, and if you haven't visited it, I offer it as recommended reading.

Just a quick note about the game, which was televised regionally...while the Braves took a loss in the contest, I think the Cherokee community can be very proud of the incredible heart and determination the Cherokee Braves team exhibited throughout the contest. Playing a strong team from a bigger conference may have intimidated other teams, but the Braves were strong and stayed in the game down to the very last play. Even in the face of significant injury, they just kept on pushing. It was a rough game and emotions were high, but, all in all, it was still a triumphant contest for the Braves due to their heart and determination.

Unfortunately, there were things going on in the stands and on the sidelines that were not something that anyone may be proud of. It seems that, away from the camera's eye, some of the security officers at the game

made some very racist comments to members of our Tribe. They are alleging that some of the security officers said some of those who came to cheer the Braves team on should "go back to the rez where you belong". All of this arose from what, as the posts state, a security officer determined to be inappropriate behavior. And, yet the behavior was being tolerated from non-Native spectators. In one instance, the parent had already corrected the behavior before the security officer approached

and confronted a child.

As I read the post and subsequent comments, I could see the pain and outrage of those in our community who have endured this type of abuse and are quick to equate it to the atrocities of the treatment of Native American peoples of the past. Others, who commented on the post, recounted their own experiences with bigotry and racism.

There is a great quote attributed to George R. R. Martin

see **RACISM** page 26

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## Poll Responses

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

**Tribal Council voted last week to keep two Mercedes vans - gifts from the Washington Redsk\*ns Original Americans Foundation. What do you think should have been done with these vans?**  
**(A) Keep the vans; (B) Return the vans; (C) Sell the vans and use the money to purchase new vans for the seniors; (D) Sell the vans and donate the money to charity; (E) Sell the vans and use the money to further the fight against offensive mascots.**

**Sherri Ross:** Use the vans for people that can't even afford to ride transit or families that need medical care but have no way to get there...all free to the ones that need it the most.

**Danny Owl:** C - get rid of the tie with the Redsk\*ns and still be useful to the Tribe.

**Connie Welch:** B - Return the bribe to the Redsk\*ns and buy the seniors new vans. They should have been returned last year.

**Rosalyn Mays:** Very generous gift, but expensive to keep up! Sell and buy handicap-van for those in need! Our elders would use these!

**Mary Crowe:** Really? E. Elect new Tribal Council representatives. One of the vehicles was parked at the EMS building all painted up but never used! Never! We have enough to do around so that no one should go without! But, to know how those vehicles got here

## Cherokee One Feather Poll of the Week Results

**Tribal Council voted last week to keep two Mercedes vans - gifts from the Washington Redsk\*ns Original Americans Foundation. What do you think should have been done with these vans?**

Keep the vans	40%
Return the vans	31%
Sell the vans and use the money to purchase new vans for the seniors	15%
Sell the vans and donate money to charity	3%
Sell the vans and use the money to further the fight against offensive mascots	12%

in the first place and to use Snowbird and our elders down there as an excuse is just downright wrong! Hello Tribal Council, Lt. Col. Kina Swayney (Ret.), a decorated veteran, was standing up! Where is your respect?

**Citrus Bigwitch:** Keep em

**Lea Wolf:** The first resolution stated "cut all ties and return any and all gifts", vans included, to the Washington Redsk\*ns company. Also, the video was to be removed from all internet sites. This resolution was passed unanimously and now it has been a year and they let them do without. Why? Why are they just now bringing this up? They should have followed out the resolution and sent them back way back when. If \$100 million debt can be paid off, then there is money available for our needs. When will this government start putting the people first? Election time is when? That's when you and your vote matters. That's when you are asked what do you need or want.

**Douglas McCoy:** Send them back. Their owner is a contributor to a racist cause. We should have zero ties to it. Also, what does it say about our original message

by sending them back? 'Oh, we thought about it and you know they are nice vans, even though you gave them to us to buy us out, we decided to take them anyways.'

**Couney McNabb:** If you have a need for the vans and they will work for what is needed, then put them to use. If you don't have a need for vans or they won't meet the need, you do have to sell them and get what is needed.

**Sheena Brings Plenty:** B - Send them back! That's what the original resolution said! Council shouldn't be allowed to go back on their word. Not to mention what Mary Crowe and Lea Wolf stated, that this Tribe has more than enough money to go around. Secondly, all ties should be cut with the Redsk\*ns organization. By taking this bribe from them, the Eastern Band is saying that they endorse the killing and skinning (yep folks, that's why they were called redskins, the red is blood!) of other tribes (namely the Dakota Sioux) people! How would you feel if that had been your ancestors who were killed and skinned for a profit? Would you feel "honored" if there was a team name making fun of the fact that 1/3 of your people

died on the Trail of Tears? No, you would be outraged.

**Tim Rattler:** B - Keep and allow for the elders who need a ride... Transit is not good for elders.

**Iann Booze:** Why would you keep them knowing what the word means?!

**Kristina Caro:** Just paint them

**Donovan Bonnee:** Paint them and give them to Cherokee High.

**Dallas Bennett:** Maybe they could donate it to the Cherokee Youth Council because our van is broke down a lot.

**Lois Wadewitz:** Keep them...nice gesture

**Roger George:** Plan G - give them to me...word.

**Cordell Green:** Give them their vans back. If we have such a problem with how they perceive us as a culture, then we should completely cut ties with them. That means keep nothing they have given us and go on with our business.

**Kim S. Lambert:** Give them back. We don't need to keep them. They are just placating us to keep silent and to ease their guilty consciences. They know using that name is wrong and demeaning.

**Ashley Sessions:** F - Give me one!

**Reno Cucumber:** Return the vans

**Rich Thorn:** If there is a need, keep them. Any gift is better than no gift at all.

## **RACISM:** Editorial from page 24

that states, "Some old wounds never truly heal and bleed again at the slightest word".

When a person or a people is deeply wounded, as the indigenous peoples of America have been since the immigration of outlanders to the continent, it is pure ignorance for anyone to assume that, because the land grabs, forced removals and attempts at genocide happened

long ago, those whose lineage include those atrocities could "forgive and forget", especially when some small-minded individuals wish to remove all doubt of their ignorance by making a racist comment like "go back to the rez where you belong".

It is very unfortunate that this family, who came to enjoy a football game and support their community, had to endure the stupidity that is called racism. Racism is an evil

that divides people like no other mindset. It is a sickness that has been passed from one generation to another. The children involved in this incident will not forget being told that they don't belong in a place that used to be part of the Cherokee nation. They will remember the comments of the security officers as they will remember being taught of the history of abuses suffered by their grandmothers and grandfathers. They will no doubt feel at least a sense of segregation because one person assumed too much authority. I doubt that the security officers' supervisors would support their comment. And I doubt that, as a community, the people of Jackson County would either.

As we see mascots and team names that remind us of insen-

sitivity of corporate sports team owners who prefer dollars to ethics, morality, history and unity, we wonder how widespread this mentality of racism is. When we watch corporations and courts attempt to endanger precious water sources of a tribe, all in the name of dollars from an oil pipeline, we doubt the sincerity of those who say they care about our people.

The father and family involved in the incident at Smoky Mountain are seeking relief or at least awareness from the employers of the security officers involved. I wish them well in their efforts and I hope that those employers and the people of Jackson will voice their disapproval of racism in any form. Hatred in the form of racism should not be tolerated by anyone.



**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Cosmic changes create a potential for disruptions in your travel plans. In the meantime, you might want to consider shifting your focus to another area of your life that needs attention.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) It's a good time for beauty-loving Bovines to enjoy something special for the senses. It will restore your spirit and return you to the workaday world ready for the next challenge.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) With your planetary ruler, Mercury, going retrograde, you might want to slow down the pace in pursuing some of your projects. Rushing things could be counterproductive.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Tensions begin to ease in those once-testy relationships. This helps create a more positive aspect all around. Expect to hear news that could lead you to rethink a recent decision.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) The pace of activity that had slowed last week now begins to pick up. This is good news for Leos and Leonas who have career-building plans that need to be put into operation.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Venus offers encouragement to romance-seeking Virgos who are ready to get up, get out and meet more people, one of whom could be that long-sought soul mate.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) An ongoing problem with a co-worker might need to be sent to arbitration. Get all your facts together so that you have a solid base from which to make your argument.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) You are usually decisive about most matters. But you might want to defer your decision-making this week until you get more facts. Someone is holding out on you.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) That quiet period is ending, and a new burst of activity creates some problems at the workplace. But things are soon resolved, and everything goes back to normal.



**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Relationships could be either helpful or hurtful as you pursue your career goals. You might have to make some difficult choices depending on what your priorities are.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) You might still have some doubts about a career move that could involve a lot of travel. If so, continue to check things out until you feel secure about making a decision.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Love rules, as Venus continues to exercise her cosmic influence on both single and attached Pisces. New developments might cause you to change your travel plans.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You often think of others before you consider your own needs. You enjoy helping people and would make a fine teacher or caregiver.

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# News from Indian Country and a political statement issue

## Observations and random thoughts. Volume 12.1

**WILLIAM LEDFORD**

The NFL season has kicked off, the Cowboys and Browns still suck as usual, the Raiders looked darn good against the Saints, the Patsys might be OK during Brady's 4-game absence and nobody should care because the Packers are gonna go to the Super Bowl.

The Lakota Nation from the Standing Rock Reservation, better known to white America as the Standing Rock Sioux, are committed to stopping the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline and have erected a camp directly in its path. It was briefly in the news when armed security released trained dogs and hosed protesters with pepper spray when it was discovered that during legal proceedings work had quietly been going on, land with burial markings and other monuments on sacred land has been bulldozed over. The guards defended their actions say that they were attacked. Same old, same old.

EBCI has committed \$50,000 to the Standing Rock defense fund to assist in the legal fight. It gladdens my heart to see us join in. Native Nations have contributed funds and tribal representatives have camped there and physically joined the protest. One of our council representatives said, "sounds like a lot but if you're in a legal battle it's not". I agree. In reality that \$50,000 maybe pays for one hour of one attorney's time. More help is

needed, both financial and physical. We need to unify because even though we love to drive our cars and trucks that Canadian tar sand oil will have to find some other way to get from Canada to Louisiana. Perhaps some of our people would like to become active and see the world, North Dakota awaits. I'll say this though, I've been there, it's kinda cold, dress warm.

More pipeline. According to the contractor's statements this pipeline will be installed under natural features including the Missouri River. Realspeak: that means a large area in the alignment will be cleared away of vegetation, a deep trench will be excavated and benched for the pipeline to be installed, the river will be dammed, the area dewatered and then excavated. Having been an inspector on a similar water project in Albuquerque I've seen the process performed in the Rio Grande River. A large, deep trench was excavated in two stages for twin 54" pipelines to be installed under the riverbed to channel treated river water to storage facilities on the west side of the city. Water being channeled under a river is one thing, massive volumes of crude oil channeled is another. The oil and gas industry, no matter what the PR ads say on TV, does not have a very good track record when it comes to leaks and spills. As a side note I do not drink the tap water here anymore.

Also not in the mainstream media-A sacred mountain in Lakota Country once known as Harney Peak has been renamed Black Elk Peak. Finally. General William Harney was an old-school career

military man who was not above murdering women and children during his service during the "Indian Wars." As usual white folks bemoan this change while Native people rejoice. The renaming of this mountain peak was long overdue as is the return of the Black Hills to the Lakota. Now it's time to stop insulting us and rename Jackson County.

The news has splashed Colin Kaepernick, QB of the NFL San Francisco 49ers, all over the front pages and lead-in stories due to his stance, or non-stance during the playing of the national anthem. He's been taking a knee during the anthem as a silent protest to the mistreatment of Blackskins and other people of color. Other NFL players are joining him. Naturally, many Whiteskins see it as a slap in the face to military veterans. Many minorities do not have an issue with his statement. This is my country and no matter what

the anthropologists and archaeologists believe, has always been my country and no one loves it more than me. Should we march in lockstep because others say we should or should we be free to love our country but not particularly the symbols, the anthems, pledges, flags, etc., to prove or justify? How many of you anti-Kaepernick people reading this right now, actually stand up in your living room during the anthem ritual while you're watching the game on TV? Yeah, that's what I thought.

And finally, here's my ritual. An oldie but goodie. Enjoy. "Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they are sexy." Sorry man, I couldn't find anyone to credit this to.

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



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**Buying Wild Ginseng 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM every Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday at Elders Exxon HWY 74. Also buying Star Grub Root. Call Ricky Teem (828) 371-1802 or (828) 524-7748. 9/29pd**

**Wanted to buy: NC licensed ginseng dealer buying wild ginseng. 828 342-9497. 10/28pd**

## WANTED

**Wanted – Land on 3200 Acre Tract on Old Bryson City Road off Hyatt Creek Road (preferable) or any area in Cherokee. Call (828) 788-0929 or (828) 788-1587 and leave a message if no answer. 11/24pd**

## REALTY

### Cherokee County

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.

Robert Terry Gilmor, Thomas Winkler Gilmor, Denise Winkler Hall, Kathryn Susan Jasper, Elizabeth Jo Poscich, David Eric Rogers, Nathan Scott Rogers, Kathryn Winkler Rogers, Henry Larkin Wright, Jr., William Edward Wright, Lois Winkler Wyatt, Parent or Guardian of Kamryn Rebecca Rattler  
**Snowbird Community**  
Alan Checkelelee, Eve Wynelle Wachacha Checkelelee, Kenneth W. James Garrett, Kristie Ann Welch Hernandez-Ramirez, Ricky Benny Jumper, Stephanie Breanne Key, Allen Dale Lane, Sarah Ashley Garrett Orr, Annie Belle Jumper Welch, Shane George Welch

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

### Proposed Land Transfers

Dolly Jean Taylor to Ned Julius Taylor for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 764-D (Part of Parcel No. 764-B), containing 1.003

acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Helen Louise Gloyne Snow to Roberta Lynn Gloyne for Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 394 (Part of Parcel No. 283), containing 1.144 acres, more or less.

Allen Ramsey to Annie Marie Ramsey Young for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 872-C (Part of Parcel No. 872), containing 0.848 acres, more or less.

Richard Lance Welch to Connie Elaine Welch for Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 349-A, containing 0.325 acres, more or less.

Richard Lance Welch to Connie Elaine Welch for Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 349-B, containing 0.321 acres, more or less.

Louise Ammons Parris to Heather Lynn Harlan for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 764-KA (Part of Parcel No. 764-K), containing 0.530 acre, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Chicoah Josephine Ledford to William Lawson Smith for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 442 (Part of Parcel No. 161), containing 1.877 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Tiffany Lynn Owle Plummer to Bobby Allen Owle for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 576-I (Part of Parcel No. 576-B), containing 3.073 acres, more or less.

Charlene Joletta Crowe to Gudasi Tate Win Crowe for Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 195, containing 1.0 acre, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Rebecca Jane Bird Paz-Chalacha to Roberta Ann Bird Locust for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 1007 (Part of Parcel No. 120), con-

taining 1.084 acres, more or less.

Lois Elaine Taylor Dunston to Sage Ariel Dunston for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 558 (Part of Parcel No. 151), containing 0.978 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Richard Thomas McCoy to Eli Timothy McCoy for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 163-A (Part of Parcel No. 163), containing 0.500 acres, more or less.

Gary Allen Maney and Katrina Lucille Taylor Maney for Painttown Community Parcel No. 822-E (Part of Parcel No. 822), containing 0.325 acres, more or less.

Sandra Annette Farris Land to Michelle Leigh Queen McCoy for Painttown Community Parcel No. 705 (Part of Parcel No. 46), containing 0.999 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Sandra Annette Farris Land to Michelle Leigh Queen McCoy for Painttown Community Parcel No. 46-C (Part of Parcel No. 46), containing 7.048 acres, more or less.

Christine Jumper Campbell to Reuben Teesatuskie for Lower Cherokee Community Parcel No. 35-G (Remainder of Parcel No. 35-E), containing 0.914 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

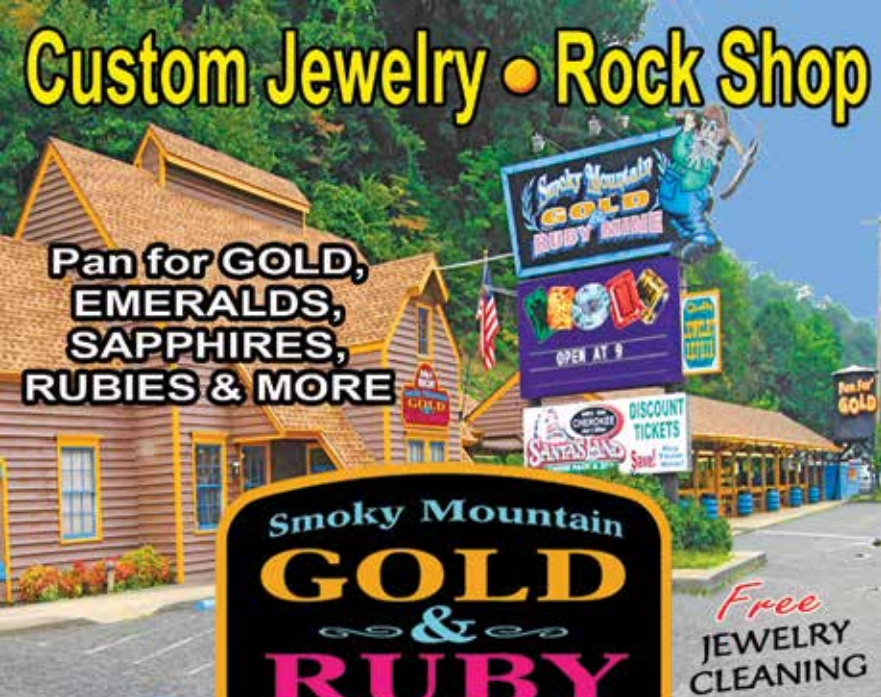
Erma Louise Otter Bradley to Cathy Michelle Hunstman Bowen for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 657-D (Part of Parcel No. 657-B), containing 1.234 acres, more or less.

Brandi Nicole Watty to Charles Edwin Lossiah for Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 140-A (Part of Parcel No. 140), containing 0.268 acres, more or less.



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**F & B Cashier (FT/PT)**  
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**Front Desk Clerk (PT)**  
\*\$500 hiring bonus  
**Front Service Attendant (FT/PT)**  
**Poker Dealer - Experienced (PT)**  
**Room Attendant (PT)**  
**Sales Associate**  
**Security/EMT**  
**Security Officer (FT/PT)**  
**Senior Cook**  
**Senior Executive Casino Host**  
**Table Games Dealer Training School (PT)**  
**Valet Parking Clerk**

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**Cleaning Specialist (PT)**  
**Cook I (PT)**  
**Groundskeeper (PT)**  
**Room Attendant (PT)**  
**Security Officer (PT)**

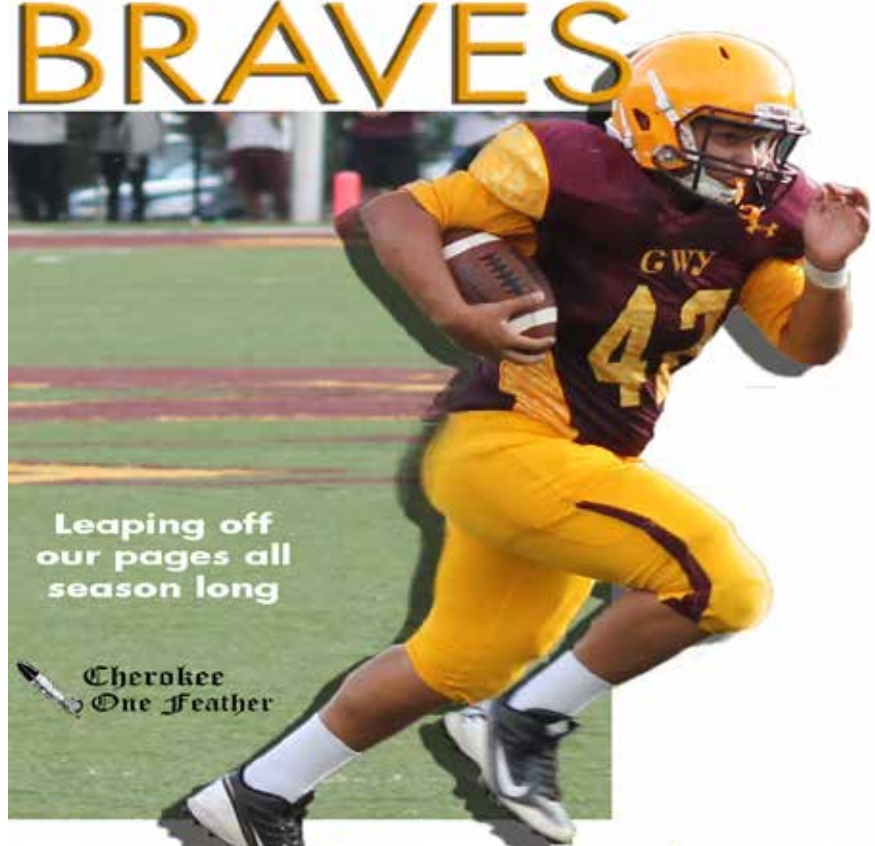


**On the Spot Interviews**  
Wednesday & Friday 11am-4pm  
Employment Office located on the 1st floor of Harrah's  
Cherokee Casino Resort for the following positions:  
Security Officer, Cleaning Specialists, Food & Beverage  
Cashier, Casino Cocktail Server & Sales Associate  
Bring your social security card and  
valid ID for faster processing.

**Visit [Harrah'sCherokeeJobs.com](http://Harrah'sCherokeeJobs.com) or call  
828.497.8778 for a complete listing of jobs.**

We are located at 777 Casino Drive. Applicants can park on level 1 in the casino garage.  
If you have already submitted your application, it will be considered active for 6 months from the date of application. To qualify, applicants must be 21  
years or older (18-21 years eligible for non-gaming positions), must successfully pass an RIAH hair/drug test and undergo an investigation by Tribal  
Gaming Commission. Preference for Tribal members. This property is owned by the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians, managed by Caesars  
Entertainment. The Talent Acquisition Department accepts applications Mon. - Thur. from 8am - 4:30pm. Call 828.497.8778, or send resume to the Talent  
Acquisition Department, 777 Casino Drive, Cherokee, NC 28719 or fax resume to 828.497.8540.

# BRAVES



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# FOOTBALL

## EMPLOYMENT

### JOB ANNOUNCEMENT GENERAL EDUCATION TEACHER

ORGANIZATION: Oconaluftee  
Job Corps (Cherokee Boys Club  
Contract – U.S. Forest Service), 52  
Cherokee Boys Club Loop, Chero-  
kee, N. C. 28719

OPENING DATE: September 14,  
2016

CLOSING DATE: September 29,  
2016

REQUIREMENTS: Must possess and  
maintain a NC Teacher's Certifi-  
cate. Must have adequate training,  
skills, and experience to perform all  
duties required of position and to  
be competent and reliable.

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

The selected applicant must  
submit to a pre-employment drug  
screen and local, state, and federal  
civil and criminal background and  
sexual offender screens. Payroll  
direct deposit mandatory. **9/22pd**

### THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOS- PITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

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FT HOUSEKEEPER

FT ASSISTANT DIRECTOR / BE-  
HAVIORAL HEALTH

FT HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGER

EMERGENCY HIRE RN / IN PA-  
TIENT

Applications and job descrip-  
tions are available at the Cherokee  
Indian Hospital Human Resourc-  
es Office, Monday – Friday from  
8:00am - 4:00pm. For more infor-  
mation please call 828 497-9163

and ask for Teresa Carvalho, Sheila  
Brown or Sherrene Swayney. These  
positions will close on Septem-  
ber 23, 2016 @ 4:00pm. Indian  
preference does apply and the  
original CIHA job application must  
be submitted. Resumes will not be  
accepted in lieu of CIHA applica-  
tion. **9/22pd**

### JOB ANNOUNCEMENT LEAD TEACHER AGELINK

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

DEPARTMENT: Child Care Depart-  
ment – Agelink

OPENING DATE: September 21,  
2016

CLOSING DATE: Until Filled

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

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

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

Indian Preference does apply  
in the filling of this position. If  
claiming Indian Preference, appli-  
cant must submit the appropriate  
certificate. **9/29pd**

## LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 16-046

**In the Matter of the Estate of  
Tommy Littlejohn**

All persons, firms and corpo-

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

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

Date to submit claims: November  
30, 2016

Rachel Littlejohn, PO Box 588,  
Cherokee, NC 28719. **9/22pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
The Cherokee Court

Cherokee, North Carolina

File #CV-10-7007

**Shirley Littlejohn Crowe,  
plaintiff v.**

**Francisco Javier Pech-Bal-  
ladares, defendant**

1. That the Plaintiff is a citizen  
and resident of the Eastern Band  
of Cherokee Indians Reservation,  
Cherokee, North Carolina. Shirley  
Littlejohn Crowe is an enrolled  
member of the Eastern Band of  
Cherokee Indians. The Plaintiff,  
Shirley Littlejohn Crowe resided  
on the Reservation, in the State of  
North Carolina, for a period of at  
least thirty (30) days next preced-  
ing the institution of this action.  
2. That the Defendant, Francisco  
Javier Pech-Balldares is not an en-  
rolled member of the Eastern Band  
of Cherokee Indians, and does  
not currently reside on the Reser-  
vation. Defendant's last known  
address is Painttown Court, 1741  
Painttown Road, Cherokee, North  
Carolina 28719.

3. That this Court has jurisdiction  
pursuant to Chapter 50-10 (a), (b),  
and (c); whereas (a) the Plaintiff  
has resided within the territory  
of the Eastern Band of Cherokee  
Indians for at least (30) days and  
(b) the Plaintiff has been separat-

ed from the Defendant for at least  
(30) days preceding the institution  
of this action and (c) the Plaintiff  
believes the bonds of marriage be-  
tween the parties are irretrievably  
broken.

4. That the Plaintiff and Defendant  
were duly married on or about the  
18th day of November 2005, and  
did live together as man and wife  
until approximately the month of  
June 2008 at which time the par-  
ties separated, and have since that  
time, continued to live separate and  
apart, never having resumed the  
marital relationship which former-  
ly existed between them.

5. That the Plaintiff and the Defen-  
dant have no minor children born  
of said marriage.

6. That the Plaintiff is entitled to  
and wished to resume the use of  
her maiden name, Shirley Little-  
john Crowe.

WHEREFORE, THE PLAINTIFF  
PRAYS THE COURT FOR THE FOL-  
LOWING RELIEF:

1. That the Plaintiff be granted an  
Absolute Divorce from the Defen-  
dant upon the ground of thirty (30)  
days separation and the Plaintiff's  
belief that the bonds of marriage  
are irretrievably broken.

2. That the Plaintiff be allowed  
to resume the use of her maiden  
name.

3. For such other and further relief  
as the Court deems just and proper.  
Shirley Littlejohn Crowe, Plaintiff  
Pro Se, 2243 Wolfetown Road,  
Cherokee, NC 28719. **9/22pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 16-055

**In the Matter of the Estate of  
Eugene Thompson**

All persons, firms and corpo-

see **LEGALS** next page



**LEGALS:** from page 30

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

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

Date to submit claims: December 8, 2016  
Geraldine Thompson, PO Box 654, Cherokee, NC 28719. **9/29pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 16-056

**In the Matter of the Estate of Mary E. Lambert**

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: December 15, 2016

Robert Wahnetah, PO Box 1474, Cherokee, NC 28719. **10/6pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File Nos.: EST 10-009; EST 09-063; EST 06-046; EST 09-012

**In the Matter of the Estates of: David Cucumber (d. 1/11/2010); George Owl (d. 11/20/2009); Dennis Teesateskie (d. 07/01/2006); Billie Mae Allison West (d. 03/13/2008).**

All persons, firms, or corporations having outstanding claims or interest in these estates are hereby

notified of a hearing to settle the above named estates at the following date and time or be barred from making any further claims against the estate.

Courtroom 1

EBCI Justice Center

October 13th, 2016 at 1:30pm

**10/6pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 16-058

**In the Matter of the Estate of Althia Ann (Lossie) Cruz**

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: December 14, 2016

Adrienne Ramirez, PO Box 2014, Cherokee, NC 28719. **10/6pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 16-057

**In the Matter of the Estate of Sandra K. Gunther**

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: December 14, 2016

Rory Gunther, 1819 Adams Creek Road, Cherokee, NC 28719.

**10/6pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 16-049

**In the Matter of the Estate of Beth Gunter**

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: December 14, 2016

Betty George, 78 Hoot Owle Cove Road, Whittier, NC 28789. **10/6pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 16-050

**In the Matter of the Estate of Juanita W. Hornbuckle**

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: December 14, 2016

Kurt Stewart, 46 Wa-Lel-La Drive, Cherokee, NC 28719. **10/6pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 16-050

**In the Matter of the Estate of Juanita W. Hornbuckle**

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: December 14, 2016

Kurt Stewart, 46 Wa-Lel-La Drive, Cherokee, NC 28719. **10/13pd**

**BIDS, RFPs, etc.**

**The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks competitive proposals for the Guardian Ad Litem Attorney Advocate position.** These services will be paid on a contractual basis by the Cherokee Tribal Court. Job descriptions are available upon request from the Court.

Interested individuals should submit a brief letter proposal including the following:

1. Name and contact information
2. Copy of North Carolina State Bar License
3. Work experience with former employer's references

Proposals may be submitted at any time, but those received on or before September 23, 2016 will receive priority over late submissions. Please mail or fax to:

Cherokee Tribal Court, ATT: Katlin Bradley, Judicial Fiscal Agent, P.O. Box 1629, Cherokee, NC 28719  
(828) 359-6203 (voice)  
(828) 359-0012 (fax)

This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. The Cherokee Tribal Court reserves the right to decline any proposals received. **10/6pd**

# The Great Cherokee One Feather Spooky Story Contest

This is the Cherokee One Feather's first creative writing contest of 2016! Three categories are available-Adult, Middle/High School and Elementary age groups. The story may be a personal experience or totally imaginary. The setting may be sometime in the past, in present day or in the future.

**September 2, 2016 to September 30 at 12:00 pm**

**Adult**

**Category winner prize: \$100**

**Middle & High School**

**Category winner prize: \$50**

**Elementary School**

**Category winner prize: \$25**

No employee of the Cherokee One Feather or member of the Cherokee One Feather Editorial Board is eligible to submit for this contest. The Editorial Board will review and determine a winner for each category. The One Feather staff will check the submissions for plagiarism and will disqualify any submission found to have been copied from another source or to contain language inappropriate for the readership. The decisions of the staff and board are final. Stories may be submitted in hard copy to the Editor's office at the Ginger Lynn Welch Building, Suite 149, mailed to the Cherokee One Feather Editor, Post Office Box 501, Cherokee, NC 28719 or emailed to [robejump@nc-chokekee.com](mailto:robejump@nc-chokekee.com). All entries must be received by noon on September 30, 2016. Any submission may be featured in future editions of the Cherokee One Feather.

**Adult rules:** In addition to general rules above, no publicly published Cherokee legends may be submitted. Personal or family paranormal, supernatural or unexplained experiences are acceptable. Submission word limit is 1000 words. One submission only per person will be accepted for judging. The One Feather will not correct grammar and may disqualify a submission with spelling and grammar errors.

**High School, Middle School, and Elementary School rules:** In addition to the general rules above, stories may use characters from Cherokee legends but may not duplicate any publicly published legend. One submission per person will be accepted for judging. The One Feather will not correct grammar and may disqualify a submission with spelling and grammar errors.