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A business with bite

How the Buc-ee's partnership shapes the Exit 407 project

By **JONAH LOSSIAH**
One Feather Staff

Buc-ee's, a chain of travel centers and gas stations, has officially engaged in a partnership with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

On Tuesday, June 22, a press release was distributed with this landmark announcement. The Houston-based franchise will retain its claim of having the largest convenience store in the world, only now that store will be in Sevier County, Tennessee. The 74,000-square-foot facility was the first partnership at the development on the Exit 407 property. Kituwah, LLC purchased the 200-acre parcel for \$13.5 million in 2019, and Buc-ee's portion encompasses about 30 acres of that land.

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"We've been working with them to get all of their variances, their permits and all of that for about six months. We actually had our first discussion with them prior to the beginning of COVID. So, that would've been, I want to say in February," said Mark Hubble, chief executive officer of the Kituwah, LLC.

Hubble said that this is beginning of a busy year for the 407 project. He said that it was important that the first tenant was home run, and they are extremely confident about negotiations with other tenants moving forward.

"That was the initial strategy here. When you're building one of these larger developments, getting someone who wants to be first ... and can be a minimal viable experience and a profitable experience on their own is the most important part of the concept. Then we can go to the second stage, what is the next best experience as you start to develop out the property."



According to Hubble, OE Experiences has been one of the major partners for the Tribe in developing this site. CEO Matthew Cross said this is a fantastic accomplishment for the project. He stated that while there is a lot of work to do, Buc-ee's is exactly who everyone had their eyes on, and he is ecstatic that the deal is over the line.

"Our intent with Kituwah [LLC] was to use this property to bring in best-in-class operators. Buc-ee's is the best-in-class operator within this space. They're not just the largest, they're also the best.

They take care of their employees, they pay very well, they train well. They take a lot of pride in their brand. They have a lot of custom products. They adapt to the market that they go in to," said Cross.

He also said that this deal came at an opportune time. Cross stated that Buc-ee's recently was closing in on new locations in North Carolina and Florida, but negotiations



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Project in Sevierville, *from front page*

broke down in both cases. He said that he suspects this played a part in why the final announcement took so long to release. Despite those dealings, Cross said that he was extremely confident that they could haul in this deal.

"From the beginning, this site was perfect for Buc-ee's. It's 12 million people now, we expected 20 million people within a decade. It's the most trafficked intersection within the state. This is, in my opinion, one of the greatest tourism markets in the country, because it's very affordable; it's high quality; and it's trending upwards," said Cross.

"They had been looking in this area for a long time. They'd actually looked at this site prior to the Tribe even purchasing this land. But the banks that owned it were not willing to divide 'Dumpling Creek', as it was called then, into sub-components. They wanted to sell all 200 acres at once. Buc-ee's just couldn't make that happen."

According to Hubble, knowing the level of interest Buc-ee's had in this area made the Kituwah, LLC go the extra mile when it came to accommodating for the deal. Hubble said that the working relationship has been growing quickly.

"All of our dealings with Buc-ee's have been mostly at a partnership level through the intermediaries that they use. We've been able to help them navigate some of the local landscape and the local regulatory environment. The power of their brand has helped us to push some things that can often take a long time, to get those projects through. So, we've really worked with them in a partner capacity. To be honest, they have been truly exceptional to work with," said Hubble.

Both Hubble and Cross agreed that landing a brand like Buc-ee's significantly assists the project moving forward. They stated that the most important aspect of finding tenants now is matching

companies that share the vision of the entire project.

"Any time you get key tenants with such strong brand recognition and strong performance metrics, it helps the entire property and raises the value of the entire property," said Hubble.

Hubble said that the Exit 407 project is being planned in three phases. Phase 1 now has momentum, and Hubble says they are looking to finalize the remaining tenants for the first 60-acre portion of this project. He said that each phase will incorporate about a 60-acre piece of the buildable land, with all the construction for each stage coordinated for a simultaneous opening. There are other deals already in the works that they hope to pin down soon.

Hubble indicated that there could be a deal in the works for a hotel on the property. "We're looking at several potential projects there. Almost certainly a hotel will go on the property. Whether that's part of a hotel resort, with a partner that we cannot disclose at this point, or as part of a branded hotel. That we don't know, but we will certainly see a hotel or a hotel resort concept to be near that area."

The hope is to start construction as soon as possible. Currently, Buc-ee's is planning on opening this travel center in September of 2022. In order for all of Phase 1 to be complete by then, there will most likely be a rush of announcements coming in the next few months.

"The main goal of this summer is to continue to make a few announcements that tell the market and tell other potential tenants what this property is going to be and who's going to be operating here from the beginning. That will help finalize the rest of the partnerships that will be part of Phase One. Then it becomes a question of starting the construction of all of those buildings and facilities that will support those businesses. Our intent and our goal is to have a pretty flashy summer," said Matthew Cross.

Principal Chief Mankiller to be featured on U.S. Quarter

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**

One Feather Staff

The late Wilma Mankiller, the first female elected to serve as Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, once said, "The secret of our success is that we never, never give up."

It was that tenacity that helped Chief Mankiller as a leader, and her can-do spirit is now being honored as she will be featured next year on a United States quarter coin.

The U.S. Mint announced recently that Chief Mankiller, who passed away in April 2010, will be one of five women featured on quarters in 2022 as part of the American Women Quarter Program including poet Maya Angelou, suffrage leader Adelina Otero-Warren, astronaut Sally Ride, and film actress Anna May Wong.

U.S. Mint Director David J. Ryder said in a statement, "Courageous women have made countless contributions throughout our great Nation's history. The American Women Quarters Program is a unique opportunity to honor a broad and diverse group of women whose

achievements, triumphs, and legacies reflect the strength and resilience of our Nation. We look forward to sharing their stories."

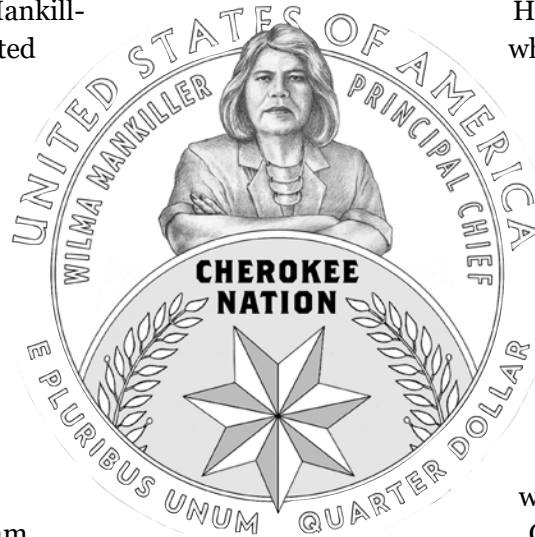
According to information from the Cherokee Nation, "She (Mankiller) served 12 years in elected office at the Cherokee Nation, the first two as Deputy Principal Chief followed by 10 years as Principal Chief. She retired from public office in 1995."

Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Chuck Hoskin Jr. said in a statement after hearing of Chief Mankiller's selection in the Quarter Program, "She was quite a force. When she became Chief in the 1980s, Cherokee Nation was still trying to regain its footing from nearly a century of oppression and suppression of our government by the United States. She was very bold in what she expected the United States to

do, which was to provide resources that they were obliged to do and to get out of the way of the Cherokee Nation so that we could chart our own destiny."

He added, "She was someone who survived in an office that had been dominated by men. I think she sparked a generation, particularly a generation of Cherokee girls, about what was possible." Chief Mankiller was once quoted in a Smithsonian Magazine article stating, "I hope that when I leave, it will just be said, 'I did what I could.'"

Chief Mankiller was previously honored by the U.S. as she received the Presidential Medal of Freedom from President Bill Clinton in January 1998.



Post 143 seeking contact info for EBCI service men/women

The Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 is seeking contact information for active duty EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) troops currently deployed overseas.

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Cherokee School Board wrestles with budget

By **JONAH LOSSIAH**

One Feather Staff

The most contentious topic from Monday's (June 21) meeting of the Cherokee Central Schools (CCS) Board of Education was the proposed fiscal year 2021-22 budget for the school.

The School Board approved this budget in April, but aspects of the plan have been questioned by several members of Tribal leadership. Ashford Smith, of the Cherokee Boys Club, was at the meeting to discuss the finance update, but to also help with clarification of this situation. Superintendent Michael Murray was the first to address the issue with the Board.

"What we're waiting on now is to get the date from Tribal Council when our presentation is. We've all decided this is the direction we're going. [Ashford Smith] has done a good job of framing in that synopsis that we aren't just giving one group raises. That we are progressively coming out of COVID, and this is what it's going to take to make us competitive and to make sure that we have everything we need as a school system," said Superintendent Murray.

Wolftown Rep. Chelsea Saunooke said that she and other members of Tribal Council needed more clarification from the Board regarding the raise structure. Smith offered her some background on the issue.

"In 2019, we passed a 5 percent increase for teachers and 2.5 percent for non-certified instruction staff. With the intent of, for the next year, passing 5 percent for the admin support staff and

the other 2.5 percent from the teacher's aides and non-certified instruction staff. Obviously, that didn't happen because of COVID. So, that the first initial raise, was trying to catch back up from that. Along with giving everybody their two steps, which is equivalent to the Tribe's merit raises," said Smith.

Members of the School Board said that multiple Council representatives had reached out to them with concerns and questions, many of which were specifically about administration receiving raises but not teachers. The consensus was that the CCS budget was not going to pass without further clarification. That is why a date will soon be set for in-depth discussion.

Rep. C. Saunooke suggested that the Board move into a closed session to discuss the particulars of the budget issues. The Board quickly did so and stayed in closed session on this issue for over 30 minutes.

Once they finished discussion of the budget, CCS Athletic Director Sean Ross was called into the closed session to go over contractual issues regarding the athletic department. The Board remained in closed session for nearly an hour and a half. There was no other further conversation of the budget issue in open session. Superintendent Michael Murray said that no decisions were made during the closed session.

As soon as the meeting reconvened in open session, the Board moved to pass the proposal for the athletic summer work stipend for coaches. The plan allows for the

athletic department to have discretion to pay individual coaches on a scale based on years of experience. The options for the Board were to allow this stipend for all sports, or just the revenue generating sports. The Board passed the plan that offered the stipends for all sports coaches, if the stipends do not total more than \$40,960.

"Basically, our question had to do with where in the budget it was coming from, and [Ross] answered that question; that there are line items that are currently in the budget that can be shifted if approved," said Chairperson Jennifer Thompson.

The meeting began with two presentations. The first was led by Dr. Beverly Payne and Jennifer Martens. They wished to offer an update on the strategic innovation plan that the school has been assembling over the last two years. The idea is to align the school and its stakeholders. Crafting a unified mission and embedding those goals into every aspect of the school.

The second came from CCS teacher Chris Davis. He was joined by Cherokee Middle School (CMS) Principal Joel Creasman. Davis is launching a new summer school class inspired by one of his personal passions, fly fishing. He has partnered with companies like Orvis to supply the class of 12 with materials for tying their own flies and to go out on the river to learn the art of fly fishing.

Creasman said that this is the type of creative course and passion for subject matter that he is encouraging from his teachers. After hearing the presentation,

the Board approved the class to be taught this summer.

The consent agenda was approved quickly. There were no contests to the 47 resolutions. These included approval of three class trips, a few teacher positions at the school, but mostly coaching positions for the 2021-22 school year. Only one item was pulled, though that was only done so that Chairperson Thompson could abstain from the vote due to a personal connection.

The rest of the meeting was also handled swiftly. The Board needed to approve a few job descriptions and make changes to new positions that the school will look to hire this year.

The Monday, June 21 meeting of the CCS Board of Education was called to order at 4:45 p.m. with Chairperson Jennifer Thompson; Vice Chair Isaac Long; Secretary Tara Reed-Cooper; Board members Karen French-Browning, Regina Ledford Rosario, and Gloria Griffin; Superintendent Dr. Michael Murray; Asst. Superintendent Dr. Beverly Payne; HR Director Heather Driver; and School Board Assistant Sunnie Clapsaddle all in attendance. Wolftown Tribal Council Representative Chelsea Saunooke was a few minutes late to the meeting.

A date for the next meeting of the CCS Board of Education is not confirmed. They are scheduled for Monday, July 12, but there is a chance they could do an email poll instead of an in-person meeting. This decision will be dependent on if they receive a discussion date from Tribal Council to go over the debated budget.



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Secretary Haaland announces Federal Indian Boarding School Initiative

WASHINGTON — In remarks to the National Congress of American Indians 2021 Mid-Year Conference on Tuesday, June 22, Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland announced a Federal Indian Boarding School Initiative, a comprehensive review of the troubled legacy of federal boarding school policies.

Tuesday's announcement was accompanied by a secretarial memo in which Secretary Haaland directs the Department to prepare a report detailing available historical records, with an emphasis on cemeteries or potential burial sites, relating to the federal boarding school program in preparation for a future site work. This work will occur under the supervision of

the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs.

"The Interior Department will address the inter-generational impact of Indian boarding schools to shed light on the unspoken traumas of the past, no matter how hard it will be," said Secretary Haaland. "I know that this process will be long and difficult. I know that this process will be painful. It won't undo the heartbreak and loss we feel. But only by acknowledging the past can we work toward a future that we're all proud to embrace."

Secretary Haaland recently reflected on the inter-generational trauma created by these policies in an op-ed.

"We must shed light on what happened at federal Boarding Schools," said Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Indian

Affairs Bryan Newland, who also delivered remarks outlining implementation of this effort. "As we move forward in this work, we will engage in Tribal consultation on how best to use this information, protect burial sites, and respect families and communities."

Beginning with the Indian Civilization Act of 1819, the United States enacted laws and implemented policies establishing and supporting Indian boarding schools across the nation. The purpose of Indian boarding schools was to culturally assimilate Indigenous children by forcibly relocating them from their families and communities to distant residential facilities where their American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian identities, languages, and beliefs were to be forcibly suppressed. For over 150 years, hundreds of thousands of Indigenous children were taken from their communities.

The Federal Indian Boarding School Initiative will serve as an investigation about the loss of human life and the lasting consequences of residential Indian boarding schools. The primary goal will be to identify boarding school facilities and sites; the location of known and possible student burial sites located at or near school facilities; and the identities and Tribal affiliations of children interred at such locations.

The recent discovery of 215 unmarked graves by Canada's Tk'emlúps te Secwepemc First Nation at the Kamloops Indian Residential School prompted the Department to undertake this new initiative with the goal of shedding light on these past traumas.

The work will proceed in several phases and include the identification and collection of records and information related to the Department of Interior's own oversight and implementation of the Indian boarding school program; formal consultations with Tribal Nations, Alaska Native corporations, and Native Hawaiian organizations to clarify the processes and procedures for protecting identified burial sites and associated information; and the submission of a final written report on the investigation to the Secretary by April 1, 2022.

The Interior Department continues to operate residential boarding schools through the Bureau of Indian Education. In sharp contrast to the policies of the past, these schools aim to provide a quality education to students from across Indian Country and to empower Indigenous youth to better themselves and their communities as they seek to practice their spirituality, learn their language, and carry their culture forward.

- Dept. of the Interior release

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CIPD Arrest Report for June 13-20

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

Morgan, Frances Armachain – age 45
Arrested: June 14
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Probation Violation

Smallwood, William – age 53
Arrested: June 14

Released: June 14
Charges: Carrying Concealed Gun

Wildcat Jr., Anderson – age 31
Arrested: June 14
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Second Degree Trespass

Long II, David – age 42
Arrested: June 15
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Child Support Purge

Penland, Alyson Laraine – age 29
Arrested: June 15
Released: June 17
Charges: Resisting Lawful Arrest

Wildcatt, John Travis – age 29
Arrested: June 16
Released: June 16
Charges: Injuring Real Property

Wolfe, William Dennis – age 50
Arrested: June 16
Released: June 17
Charges: DWI

Driver, Joshua Henry Dale – age 27
Arrested: June 17
Released: June 18
Charges: DWI

Owle, Jessica Rain – age 27
Arrested: June 17
Released: June 17
Charges: Second Degree Trespass

Self, Adam Michael – age 33
Arrested: June 18
Released: June 18
Charges: Temporary Hold for Jackson Co.

Abdulaziz, Ammar Saoud – age 54
Arrested: June 19
Released: June 19
Charges: Temporary Hold for Jackson Co.

Reed, Frances Ludell – age 33
Arrested: June 19
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree, Simple Assault, Domestic Violence

Washington, Tyler Dillion – age 27
Arrested: June 19
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Obstruction Governmental Functions

Crowe, Billy Jack – age 36
Arrested: June 20
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Assault on a Female, Assault by Strangulation

Good Housekeeping

Chinese Five-Spice Grilled Chicken

Lots of flavor from just a few ingredients makes this a cinch for outdoor or indoor grilling.

- 1/4 cup dry sherry
- 1 tablespoon Asian sesame oil
- 1 teaspoon Chinese five-spice powder
- 1/4 teaspoon ground red pepper (cayenne)
- 1 cut-up (8 pieces) chicken (about 3 1/2 pounds), skin removed from all but wings if you like
- 1/3 cup hoisin sauce
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce
- 1 teaspoon sesame seeds

1. In large bowl, stir sherry, sesame oil, five-spice powder and ground red pepper.

2. Add chicken to spice mixture and toss until evenly coated. Cover bowl and let stand 15 minutes at room temperature, turning chicken occasionally.

3. Prepare charcoal fire or preheat gas grill for covered direct grilling over medium heat.

4. Place chicken on hot grill rack. Cover grill and cook chicken 20 to 25 minutes or until juices run clear when thickest part of chicken is pierced with tip of knife, turning pieces over once and removing pieces to platter as they are done.

5. In small bowl, mix hoisin sauce and soy sauce. Brush hoisin-sauce mixture all over chicken and return to grill. Cook 4 to 5 minutes longer or until glazed, turning once. Place chicken on same platter; sprinkle with sesame seeds. Makes 4 servings.

• Each serving: About 350 calories, 15g total fat (4g saturated), 121mg cholesterol, 595mg sodium, 10g carb., 0g fiber, 41g protein.

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MISSING PERSON

Ella Mae Begay

Female

American Indian/Alaska Native

Age: 62-63 years

Height: 5' 0"-5' 1"

Weight: 110-120 lbs

Hair: brown Eyes: brown

Date of last contact: June 15, 2021

Location: Sweetwater, Arizona

Circumstances of Disappearance: Ella Begay was last seen by family on June 15, 2021 in Sweetwater, Arizona. She wears glasses.

If you have seen Ella Mae Begay, please contact Navajo Nation Police Department-Shiprock District. (505) 368-1350 Case #2-21-22640.

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Tribal Court Report

Judgment Summary for June 8

Wolfe, Jackson Samuel
14-10.60(c) Grand Larceny –
Dismissed by Prosecutor due to
successful completion of deferred
sentence

Judgment Summary for June 17

Anthony Jr., Troy Douglas
20-111(2) Fictitious Registration
Plate – Dismissed by Court
20-313(a) No Insurance – Dis-
missed by Court

Crowe, Kevin Kristopher
14-5.2 Communicating Threats –
Plead Guilty, 30 days jail time sus-
pended, 12 months unsupervised
probation, no contact with victim
20-28 Driving While License Re-

voked – Dismissed by Court
14-70.27 Resisting, Delaying, or
Obstructing Officers – Dismissed
by Court

Crowe, Sherry Lynn
14-60.30 False Pretenses – Plead
Guilty, 30 days jail time sus-
pended, 12 months unsupervised
probation, no contact with victim,
restitution ordered - \$90
14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed by
Court

Locust, Richard Fred Hawk
20-7(a) No Operator's License –
Dismissed by Prosecutor due to
lack of discovery/labs
14-15.6(b) Purchasing, Attempt to
Purchase, Possession or Consump-
tion of Alcoholic Beverages by
Persons under 21 - Dismissed by
Prosecutor due to lack of discov-
ery/labs

20-313(a) No Insurance - Dis-
missed by Prosecutor due to lack
of discovery/labs
20-138.1(a) Driving While Im-
paired - Dismissed by Prosecutor
due to lack of discovery/labs

Maney, Ryan Grace
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second
Degree – Dismissed by Court

Taylor, Malaciah Garrett
20-138.1(a) Driving While Im-
paired – Plead Guilty, 30 days
jail time suspended, 12 months
unsupervised probation, 24 hours
community service, obtain Sub-
stance Abuse Assessment within
150 days
20-141(a) Exceeding a Safe Speed
– Dismissed by Court

Wachacha, Megan Leigh
14-95.5(a)(2) Drugs: Possessing a

controlled substance classified in
schedule II - Dismissed by Prose-
cutor due to lack of discovery/labs

Wahnetah, Carla Maria Ann
14-10.41 Breaking and Enter-
ing – Plead Guilty, no sentencing
information given other than date
of release is July 30
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second
Degree – Dismissed by Court

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TRACK & FIELD

Davis, Siweumtewa medal at 1A State Meet

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Two members of the Cherokee Braves track and field team medaled at the 1A State Championship Meet held Friday, June 25 at the NC A&T Irwin Belk Track in Greensboro. Kensen Davis, a sophomore, took third place in the boys discus throw, and Dakota Siweumtewa, a recent graduate, took fourth place in the boys pole vault. Davis also placed seventh in the boys shot put.

Swain County won the girls team title in large fashion with 78 points followed by Pamlico Co. with 52 and Research Triangle 46. Mountain Island Charter took the boys team title with 91.50 points followed by Pine Lake Prep. 54 and Franklin Academy 42.50.

In addition to Davis and Siweumtewa, several other Cherokee H.S. athletes competed on Friday including Jonathan Frady, recent graduate, who placed seventh in the boys 200M dash and the girls 4x800M relay team (Betty Lossiah, Jaylynne Esquivel, Rosa Reyes, and Leilaya McMillan) which took 14th place.

Several other Smoky Mountain Conference athletes medaled including:

- Paul White (Hayesville), boys 400M dash, fourth place
- Brock Adams (Robbinsville), boys 110M hurdles, first place – state champion; 300M Hurdles, fourth place
- Murphy boys 4x800M relay team, fourth place

- Ryelan Snowden (Murphy), boys high jump, second place
- Matthew Gray (Swain Co.), boys pole vault, first place – state champion
- Jake McTaggart (Hayesville), boys discus throw, first place – state champion; boys shot put, second place
- Michael Winchester (Swain Co.), boys discus throw, second place
- Rashad Davis (Murphy), boys shot put, fourth place
- Zoie Shuler (Robbinsville), girls 100M dash, fourth place; girls long jump, second place; girls triple jump, second place
- Monica Riordan (Swain Co.), girls 100M hurdles, first place – state champion
- Jessie Lohmann (Swain Co.), girls 300M Hurdles, first place – state champion; girls 100M hurdles, fourth place
- Murphy girls 4x100M relay team, second place
- Swain Co. girls 4x100M relay team, fourth place
- Swain Co. girls 4x200M relay team, third place
- Robbinsville girls 4x200M relay team, fourth place
- Swain Co. girls 4x400M relay team, third place
- Reah Dingle (Swain Co.), girls triple jump, fourth place
- Amelia Rogers (Swain Co.), girls pole vault, first place – state champion
- Sarah Pullium (Murphy), girls discus throw, first place – state champion; girls shot put, second place
- Natalie Stuckey (Swain Co.), girls discus throw, second place
- Jordan Oliver (Murphy), wheelchair discus throw, second place; wheelchair shot put, second place

WRESTLING

Two EBCI tribal members win state titles

One Feather Staff Report

Robbinsville's Kyle Fink and Ben Wachacha, both members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), won individual wrestling state championships on Saturday, June 26. Fink (25-3) won by fall over Meliek Bryant (16-2), of North Stanly to take the 195lb championship, and Wachacha (22-2) won the 220lb division with a 3-2 decision over Zach Vance (25-2) of Avery Co.

Riley Pruitt, of Alleghany, was named 1A Most Outstanding Wrestler, and Avery Co. won the team title with 186 points followed by Robbinsville 121 and Uwharrie Charter 71.

Following are the top four finishers in each 1A weight division:

106

- 1 – Luke Wilson, Robbinsville
- 2 – Jason Kennedy, Rosewood
- 3 – Heaven Fitch, Uwharrie Charter
- 4 – Hope Horan, Mt. Airy

113

- 1 – Tristan Hale, South Davidson
- 2 – Benjamin Jordan, Avery Co.
- 3 – Hunter Fulp, North Stokes
- 4 – Brady Buchanan, Cherryville

120

- 1 – Logan Tortual, Rosewood
- 2 – Grant Reece, Avery Co.
- 3 – Ricardo Bustos, Albemarle
- 4 – Brandon Ropp, Rosman

126

- 1 – Jayden Nowell, Robbinsville
- 2 – Timmy Freeze, South Davidson
- 3 – Alex Cox, Mt. Airy
- 4 – Bryson Church, Alleghany

132

- 1 – Ethan Shell, Avery Co.
- 2 – Cody Lawson, South Stokes
- 3 – Braeden Reiss, Rosewood

- 4 – Byan Lackey, Uwharrie Charter

138

- 1 – Jonah Hayes, Avery Co.
- 2 – Cole Combs, Rosman
- 3 – Shane Hatfield, East Carteret
- 4 – Kole Lambert, East Wilkes

145

- 1 – Riley Pruitt, Alleghany
- 2 – Drew Shelton, Uwharrie Charter
- 3 – Brice Browning, Tarboro
- 4 – Franklin Bennett, Mt. Airy

152

- 1 – Connor Medvar, Mt. Airy
- 2 – Tristan Adams, Avery Co.
- 3 – Grayson Roberts, Uwharrie Charter
- 4 – Michael Gabbard, South Stanly

160

- 1 – Bradley Parker, Avery Co.
- 2 – Doug Bowles, Uwharrie Charter
- 3 – Chase Miller, Cherryville
- 4 – Trent Drake, South Stanly

170

- 1 – Matthew Mauro, Bradford Prep
- 2 – Seth Blackledge, Avery Co.
- 3 – Jathan Parker, East Carteret
- 4 – Cameron Clark, Uwharrie Charter

182

- 1 – Kage Williams, Robbinsville
- 2 – Dalton Towe, Avery Co.
- 3 – Eli Becker, East Surry
- 4 – Bunmi Abudu, Mountain Island Charter

195

- 1 – Kyle Fink, Robbinsville
- 2 – Meliek Bryant, North Stanly
- 3 – Jordan Mitchell, South Stokes
- 4 – Daniel Cancro, Bishop McGuinness

220

- 1 – Ben Wachacha, Robbinsville
- 2 – Zach Vance, Avery Co.
- 3 – Tony Rogers, South Stanly
- 4 – Saverio Lennon, Mt. Airy

285

- 1 – Levi Andrews, Avery Co.
- 2 – CJ Henderson, Elkin
- 3 – Carlos Wesley, Robbinsville
- 4 – Naquian Carpenter, Albemarle

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KOLANVYI DAY

Big Cove Community hosts cultural event
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Mountain Heritage Day returns, heritage award nominees sought **CULLOWHEE** – With the

popular Mountain Heritage Day community festival returning to campus at Western Carolina University on Saturday, Sept. 25, nominations are being sought for Mountain Heritage Awards to honor an individual and an organization for contributions to Southern Appalachian history, culture and folklore.

Recipients are chosen by a committee comprised of regional and campus representatives. The awards, through two categories, recognize an individual and an institution or organization for distinguished service, accomplishments, influence or expertise in maintaining the cultural viability of the region.

Mountain Heritage Day is an annual event with live music, dance, food, arts and crafts vendors, with free admission, parking and shuttle service. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2020 festival was a virtual event.

The Mountain Heritage Award was first presented in 1976 to John Parris, a newspaperman and author. Parris, who died in 1999, was widely regarded for his long running “Roaming the Mountains” columns in the Asheville Citizen Times. He helped establish WCU’s journalism studies program and championed the establishment of a center to preserve the traditions and cultures of the Western North Carolina mountains, which led to the founding of WCU’s Mountain Heritage Center.

Previous organizational honorees include Qualla Arts & Crafts, Tried Stone Missionary Baptist Church and Cashiers Historical Society. Individual award winners include corn shuck artist Annie Lee Bryson, Cherokee storyteller

Lloyd Arneach, and visual artist and community historian Ann Miller Woodford.

Nominations should be five pages or less, with a list of the nominee’s accomplishments, awards and recognition; information about the nominee’s influence in the relevant field of expertise, such as crafts, music or organizational cause; or information about the nominee’s role as a teacher, advocate, leader or curator of mountain culture. Include a website address if applicable; the mailing address of the nominee; the founding date for organizational nominees.

Nominations should be delivered no later than Friday, July 30, to the Mountain Heritage Center offices, located in Room 240 of WCU’s Hunter Library; mailed to Mountain Heritage Center, 176 Central Dr., Cullowhee, N.C. 28723; or emailed to pameister@wcu.edu.

– *Western Carolina University release*

CMS Principal completes Leadership Program

Joel Creasman, principal of Cherokee Middle School, recently completed the Distinguished Leadership in Practice Program (DLP), a year-long leadership development program for practicing school principals designed and provided by the North Carolina Principals and Assistant Principal’s Association (NCPAPA) and sponsored by the North Carolina Alliance for School Leadership Development (NCASLD.)

The Distinguished Leadership in Practice Program (DLP) uses a non-traditional professional development model that is aligned to the performance evaluation standards adopted by the State Board of Education for North Car-

olina’s school leaders. This unique cohort-based program is designed to limit principals’ time away from their schools by allowing them to attend synchronous sessions once every other month while accessing on-line assignments, materials and coaching in between sessions. Principals engage in a series of authentic activities throughout the year-long experience that are designed to build the capacity of their schools and their own capacity as “Distinguished” school leaders.

“The leadership of the school principal is by far one of the most important factors in school quality. By completing this very rigorous program, our DLP graduates have demonstrated their commitment to continuous improvement by working to improve their leadership skills as they simultaneously improve their schools. We are proud to include them in the ranks of successful DLP completers,” said Dr. Shirley Prince, NCPAPA Executive Director.

This program was offered in a virtual setting this year and serves principals in all eight regions of the state.

– *North Carolina Principals and Assistant Principals’ Association (NCPAPA) release*

Park announces shuttle opportunity for Cades Cove Vehicle-Free Wednesdays

Great Smoky Mountains National Park officials have announced a shuttle opportunity for visitors to access Cades Cove on Vehicle-Free Wednesdays beginning July 7 through Sept. 1. The shuttle service will be provided by Rocky Top Tours from Townsend, Tenn. to Cades Cove between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. each Wednesday.

“Vehicle-free Wednesdays

in Cades Cove continues to be extremely popular,” said Superintendent Cassius Cash. “Our staff has worked hard to manage safe parking access, including making improvements to a field traditionally used for parking that allowed us to add 85 more spots this year. But, the demand still far exceeds the space and we’re hopeful the shuttle service will allow more people the opportunity to enjoy this unique experience.”

Park staff and volunteers actively manage parking at Cades Cove on Wednesdays to improve visitor safety, prevent disruptions to campground operations, and to reduce damaging roadside parking along Laurel Creek Road. In the 2021 season, parking lots have typically filled by 8:00 a.m. and stayed full until 1:00 p.m., resulting in hundreds of cars being turned away during that time period. Shuttle service will provide an opportunity for visitors to guarantee access during the morning hours. Advanced reservations are encouraged.

Shuttle service may be booked online at www.rockytop tours.com. Tickets for the roundtrip shuttle service, including transport of personal bikes, is provided for a flat rate of \$25 per person. Participants who choose not to ride the shuttle are encouraged to plan their visit to Cades Cove in the late afternoons and early evenings to spread use out throughout the day. Vehicle-free Wednesdays began on May 5 and will run through Sept. 1.

Cyclists are reminded to properly prepare for a safe experience. Serious cycling accidents have occurred along the Cades Cove Loop Road. The State of Tennessee requires that children age 16 and under wear a helmet. All riders are strongly encouraged to wear

helmets and to ride properly fitted and well-maintained bicycles.

More volunteers are needed to join the team who manage this opportunity every Wednesday. Volunteers help direct visitor flow, provide orientation and safety information, and monitor visitor use. Training and a uniform will be provided to all selected volunteers. If interested, please sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/GRSMC-CVFD> for more information. To be considered for this opportunity, volunteers must be available each Wednesday through Sept. 1.

- National Park Service release

Cherokee Summer Carnival returning

After a long year of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, the Cherokee Summer Carnival

returns to the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on July 6-17. Promoters have announced that C & M Southern Midways from Eastabogo, Ala. will field almost 30 amusement rides, games, and food units that will feature some of the newest rides in the amusement industry.

During the past several months since the state has reopened its entertainment venues, record numbers of festival and fairgoers have attended events such as this.

Thrill rides such as the giant Ferris wheel, flying bobs, zipper, paratrooper, and gravitron will be enjoyed by riders of all ages. Almost a dozen rides will attract the younger visitors to the fairgrounds. A dozen games of skill will give away inflatable prizes

and stuffed animals of all sizes. Of course, the usual fun foods such as funnel cakes, Italian sausage, Philly cheesesteak, cotton candy and candy apples, and other carnival foods will be available.

Individual ride tickets for \$1 each with most rides taking 3-5 tickets will be available. Wristbands can also be purchased for \$25 giving patrons unlimited ride access for any one day. Discount coupons are available throughout Cherokee at convenience stores, fast food restaurants and welcome centers.

Promoters have also announced that local vendors can set up at the event for a small fee. Call (843) 385-3180 for more information.

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- 1 package (6 ounces) snow peas
- 1/2 cup peanut butter
- 1/2 cup low-fat ginger vinaigrette

1. In saucepot, cook fettuccine as label directs, adding carrots and snow peas during last 2 minutes of cooking. Reserve 1/2 cup cooking water; drain fettuccine mixture.

2. In same saucepot, blend peanut butter, vinaigrette and reserved cooking water. Add fettuccine mixture; toss well. Serves 4.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

EBCI General Election information

Voter registration is currently open. EBCI tribal members who will be 18 years of age on the date of or prior to any election may register to vote before the voter logs close.

July 1: Absentee ballot request period begins

Aug. 2-6: Early voting begins at EBCI Board of Elections Office located in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex, Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Aug. 9-13: Early voting, Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Aug. 16: Absentee ballot by mail ends; ballots postmarked on or before this date will be accepted

Aug. 16-20: Early voting, Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Aug. 21: Early voting, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Aug. 23: Last day of early voting, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Aug. 27: Absentee voting in-person ends at 4:30 p.m.; Voter Registration closes for General Election at 4:30 p.m.

Sept. 2: General Election, polls open 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Fish Cherokee 2021 schedule

The Catch & Keep Enterprise Waters will be closed to everyone from March 13-26. The Catch & Release Enterprise Waters are open all year for trophy water fly fishing only. Following is a list of tournaments sponsored by Fish Cherokee, a program of the EBCI Natural Resource Program (a two-day Tribal Fish Permit {\$17} and tournament registration {\$15} is required for all):

Tim Hill Memorial Tournament: July 24-25

- \$10,000 cash prizes; Registration deadline is Friday, July 23

Qualla Country Tournament: Sept. 4-5

- \$20,000 cash prizes; Registration deadline is Friday, Sept. 3

Tag turn-in for all tournaments is 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the EBCI Natural Resources Enforcement.

EBCI Garden Contest rules

The 2021 EBCI Garden Contest is for members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians only and will be split into the following groups: youth gardens (17 years old or younger), individual gardens, senior gardens (60-69, 70-79, 80-89, and 90+), family gardens, and community gardens). Registration deadline is Wednesday,

day, June 30. The tentative dates for judging will be July 12-14 as follows: July 12 – Wofltown, Big Y, Birdtown, 3200 Acre Tract; July 13 – Big Cove, Towstring, Yellowhill, Painttown; July 14 – Cherokee County, Snowbird. Scoring will be based on the following: general appearance, plant selection and variety, creativity, onsite composting, variety of pollinator plants, and overall appearance. Info: Benjamin Collette benjcoll@nc-chokeee.com, 359-6928

- EBCI Cooperative Extension

Deadline for Yogi Crowe Scholarships approaching

The Board of Directors of the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund reminds graduate and post-graduate students that Thursday, July 1 is the deadline for requesting financial assistance



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or by contacting Tara McCoy at (828) 359-5542 or tara.mccoy@cherokeeboysclub.com.

Deadline for submission: Letters of nomination will be accepted by mail, email, or in-person delivery, by 5 p.m., June 30th to the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute located at the Cherokee Boys Club on, Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC.

Please see nomination guidelines and form for additional requirements and information.



from the Fund for fall semester. Applications and eligibility guidelines are available from any of the board members, from Tribal Education or from the Website www.yogicrowescholarship.org. Applications must be postmarked by the deadline date and mailed on or before the deadline. Applications not postmarked or received electronically by the deadline will not be considered.

For more information, contact any of the Scholarship Fund board members: Dr. Reva Ballew, president 631-1350; Dr. Jennifer Thompson, vice president 507-5997; Mary Herr, secretary 497-9498; Tamitha Fourkiller, treasurer 497-7034; Dr. Carmaleta Monteith 497-2717; Sunshine Parker 506-1952, Jan Smith 507-1519, or Shannon Swimmer 736-3191.

- Yogi Crowe Memorial
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COMMENTARY

A safe place to sleep

By **ROBERT JUMPER**

One Feather Editor

Nomad: a member of a community without fixed habitation. Do you think the Qualla Boundary has nomads? Are they, by choice, homeless or does their life situation cause them to be so? The obvious answer is “yes”. We do have homelessness on the Boundary and there are those who are both forced into homelessness and those who are homeless by choice.

You don’t see it as much here because of the closeness of family and the traditional relationships among family and friends in “Cherokee”, which among locals means the whole Boundary. Streetside beggars are not as prevalent in our neighborhoods as they are in places like Waynesville and Asheville, where you are likely to find cardboard sign clad men and women stationed in medians at roadway intersections and public parks that turn into tent cities until the municipality gets enough complaint for them to use law enforcement to encourage relocation. Our homeless issue is less visible, and therefore, less on the radar of our government.

Legislation, now over five years old, was passed in Tribal Council to build not only a homeless shelter, but also a soup kitchen to feed the indigent. At that time, there was an acknowledgement of the issue.

The officials who drafted the legislation wrote, “There is a great need within our community to help those who are less fortunate and are currently homeless or have no means of food.” A great need.

Surely, the nature of homelessness has changed or at least evolved on the Boundary. As some have stated, you don’t see many people huddled under bridges or walking the main thoroughfares with the parcel of belonging

slung over their shoulder on a stick. If there are family members or close friends around, typically they will spare whatever room they have for acquaintances of lesser means, whether that is a spare trailer or a spare square of space on the floor. I have heard it said that “we take care of our own”. And the community, to a large extent, does exactly that.

There are those who choose the nomadic lifestyle. Some enjoy a place with roots, while others avoid being tied down at all costs. To them, it is a personal choice and part of their feeling of freedom. Others, while able to provide a place of their own, will move in with elderly parents or grandparents, partly as a cost savings to themselves and partly to provide support and caregiving to a family member. Technically, they are homeless, but by choice.

When I worked with the Tribe’s tourism office, there was an old gentleman who we repeatedly had to “evict” from the exhibit hall at the Ceremonial Grounds (or fairgrounds). He was one of those who walked the streets during the day and looked for empty and unlocked buildings to “bed down” for the night. A harmless and sweet old man who just didn’t think or could contrive a means of permanent residence. I never knew much about him; except he was very inventive in the way he would get into the exhibit hall to get his nightly rest. The staff over there would seal off one route and the old man would find another. He never caused any issues, and the place was never disturbed, vandalized, or burglarized. He just wanted to have a safe place to sleep.

A disturbing question always comes up even when we are talking about doing charitable things. During the discussions in 2016 as they passed the legislation, one Council member asked if only tribal member homeless would be the only people allowed to use the facility and services. This question always sounds uncharitable to me. I understand that our first duty is to our tribal citizens, and I am fully in favor of tribal citizens being prioritized in a project like a homeless shelter, but to want to make sure only tribal citizens will be assisted just doesn’t seem right. After all, how outraged would we be if other governments had shelters and said we will only serve members of

our own race? To quote William Shakespeare, “the quality of mercy is not strained.” Putting parameters on helping the homeless is a judgment that I don’t think I am capable of and I hope we as a people are against.

For example, homeless people who are truly without means, are very likely to be people who, some might consider, have made poor life choices. Maybe they chose the wrong life partner and now are stuck without employment. Maybe they have several children and are raising them as a single parent and cannot make enough to keep them in a home. Maybe a gentleman or lady waited too late in life to prepare for their golden years and are now having to rattle a tin cup in front of strangers for their next meal. Or maybe some have taken to a lifelong addiction to alcohol or some other pain killer, trying to self-medicate; numbing themselves to life’s pain to the point that they can’t manage to eat or find a place to sleep.

The resolution of 2016, in directing Tribal government to construct the homeless shelter and soup kitchen “to be functional and operational in a timely manner”, (five years?), also directed the Principal Chief “to work with programs to establish policies and procedures that will govern the facility and promote life skills to aid those in need an opportunity to become more self-sufficient and capable of getting back on their feet.” Helping the homeless should include helping them to find a sustainable lifestyle, whether they choose the nomadic life or want to put down roots.

Protestant preacher John Bradford lived in the mid-16th century. It is reported that Bradford was watching a group of prisoners being led to their execution when he said the now famous words, “There, but for the grace of God, go I.”

As we ponder the homeless situation on the Qualla Boundary and what we intend to do about it, we should remember Mr. Bradford’s words. It only takes a small misstep in judgment, or act of fate, to put a person in a position of being homeless. It could happen to me. And it could happen to you. And if it does, I hope that I find on the Qualla Boundary, someone willing to give me a safe place to sleep.

One Feather Question

of the Week

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) currently has a vanity license plate in the State of North Carolina. Would you like to see the Tribe get its own tribally-issued license plate for EBCI tribal members?

Onita Bush: Yes, a great idea

Alvin Lossiah: Yes, I would.

Ronnie Long: Yes, I wish tribal members could get these plates even if they live off the Boundary in the state of Tennessee, Knoxville.

Donna Sue George: Yes

Ammons Rattler: That would be awesome and even better if us off the Boundary could get them too.

Krystle Bryant: I would love to see all tribal members be able to get a tag no matter where they live. We live in Oklahoma, but I would, for sure, love to have it.

Mallie Swayney: Yes! This is a great idea!

Susan Phillips: Yes

Leslie Swayney: Yes

Levi Murphy: No, Jackson County and Swain County Police tend to harass you more when you have an American Indian tag. I had one for three years and was pulled over weekly. I switched to a North Carolina tag and haven't been bothered since. No to an American Indian tag.

Korrina Owle: Yes, I live in South Carolina and would like to have an EBCI license plate here!

Elva Reece Drum: Yes, absolutely!

Linda Marie Fry: I like my state-issued EBCI one just fine.

Madge Hearon: I would love to have one. I tried to get one here in Tennessee, but you had to have so many and you had to pay in advance.

Travis Pritchard: Yes

Lisa Kirkland: Yes, I think it would be great.

Ray Orton: I would like to see it. It would give the Cherokee tribe recognition in the state. Also, being

Cherokee, I would get one if possible.

Judy Shelton: I would love to have. I am proud of my Cherokee blood.

Josh Smathers: Yes

Maureen Linnane Smathers: Yes, that would be awesome!

Agnes Bradley: Yes

Kelly George: Yes, I think that would be great. Would there be a way to make them for out-of-state tribal members?

Jonnie Lambert: Yes

Aisuru Trequamada: I'd just like to ask a question: why hasn't this been done already? Let's get it done! My support for tribal plates.

Christine Bradley: That's why I use a state license plate.

Christine Vellozzi: Yes! I love the idea.

Tsodani Ugama: Yes, we should. We are a sovereign nation. Why shouldn't we have our own plate?

Henry Baker: The Cherokee Nation in Oklahoma has their own plates. So, the Eastern Band of Cherokee in North Carolina should have their own also – a great plan.

Barbara Workman: I would love one.

Krystal Lequire: I would love it – proud of my heritage!

Gale Markham: Why not make the tribal plate a multi-purpose plate – pro-life and tribal also?

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Chattooga & Whitewater Rivers	Hatchery Supported	Morning and evening.	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout	BWO, Crane Flies, Black Stoneflies, Quill Gordons	BWO, Mop Flies, Stoneflies, Pheasant Tails, Girdle Bugs, Woolly Buggers, Zebra Midge
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Can Cherokee still be considered a tourist destination?

By **JORDAN OOCUMMA**

Wolfstown Community

When I was young, and admittedly that wasn't very long ago, Cherokee was touted as a tourist destination, a family destination if you will. We had a few things to do for families here, though not many. We didn't have a casino. We didn't have much money, but we did have the Fun Park, a putt-putt or three, a cyclorama (wax museum), community pools, and a few other things to do. In a time before mine, in my parents' youth, there were even more things to do. There was Frontier Land, water slides and I'm sure more than I know.

Today Cherokee is a bit different and, in my opinion, not different in a good way. Today, the Fun Park is gone, replaced by a bar. Frontier Land is gone, replaced by

a casino. The Cyclorama is gone, replaced with a parking lot. The water slides are gone, replaced by nothing - only abandoned and forgotten.

When the casino came, we saw a time of great fortune for our Tribe, financially of course. We were no longer poor, no longer scraping pennies and taking out loans to pay the tribal employees. In some ways, the casino has been a blessing for our people. In many other ways though, it has been anything but a blessing.

It seems that since the casino has come to Cherokee this has been the singular focus of our tribal government. Gone are the days of family entertainment in Cherokee, replaced by gambling. The Tribe has kicked around ideas for family fun here, but kicked them out the door as well, never to come to fruition.

For our government there is only the casino, only dollar signs, only new hotel towers and convention centers. We have the amazing financial ability to build and market family-oriented fun in Cherokee - the Water Park that never was and other ideas that never saw anything other than wild and unchecked spending on architects and feasibility studies; wasted money, time and resources.

In the meantime, Cherokee has become a gambling destination and nothing more. If people come to Cherokee, it is only for the casino for there is nothing else to do here.

So, I ask you can we truly call Cherokee a tourist destination anymore? Is there anything other than cheap fake shops downtown? I mean, let's be real. If you go into one you've been into them all. They hold your attention for

five minutes, if even that. What is there to do here? It's no small wonder drugs are so rampant here in a town where there is nothing for our kids to do, nothing for families, nothing for fun. Why would anyone come here unless they wanted to gamble?

In short, no, Cherokee is not a family friendly tourist destination any longer. I believe we must rectify this. We must expand the scope of fun here. We must give people other reasons to come and things to do. We need to give our own people things to do here.

The Catawba are building their casino a stone's throw from ours and our tribal Government is still solely focused on the casino. It's time our leaders wake up and smell the coffee. It's time to remake Cherokee for the better.



Cherokee Veterans: We want to share your stories.

The Cherokee One Feather would like to share your stories in a column we call "Veteran's Corner". Send your written stories to Robert Jumper, editor, at robejump@nc-cherokee.com. Or, if you prefer to sit down for an interview with one of our reporters, call 359-6482 (Robert), 359-6263 (Scott), or 359-6264 (Jonah).

Thank you for your service, and we look forward to hearing from you so we can share your stories of service with the entire community.

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God has our hand

By REV. TIMOTHY L. MELTON, PASTOR

(Transcribed by Myra Colgate)

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church

Read Psalm 37:23-33. Ephesians 2:10. Jeremiah 33:3-11

We must connect to what Jesus is doing and we will do well. Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water. God had his hand even though he began to be distracted by the storm and began to sink. Jesus, with His right hand, held him. Wherever Jesus is, there is safety. Answers are in the Church. You can also be an answer.

Jesus is the only name full of power. Think about it, the only name people curse with is Jesus Christ or God. However, Jesus refuses to be offended by that sin done by sinners. They can still learn to respond right, repent, and move on forward. Lots of people live anyway they want. They believe one way, but they do not walk in it. Why don't they grow up so they won't be such a part of the problem?

Many people have read the orders—the marching orders—without understanding where it is they need to go. Some things for sale can be good to look at, but nobody wants anything that doesn't work right, or that fails to be the best. If we are in alignment, it is written that the steps of a 'good' man are ordered of the Lord and is a powerful word. Though the man fails or falls, God upholds and picks one up and sets us back on the right track. We need to walk the way, the purpose, for we are His workmanship. There is always room for improvement. We should try to be good, being better all the way to best. He has already set up the opportunities to keep going. He's waiting there for you.

There is always a yesterday, there's today, and there should be a tomorrow. Proverbs 3:5 teaches us to 'Trust in the Lord'. God has somewhere better for Cherokee. God is trying to get me where I'm supposed to go—like He did when Paul was let down in a basket, or Moses was hidden as a baby in a covered basket and sent down the Nile River, rescued by the daughter of Pharaoh.

Psalm 37:25 lets us know there will be highs and lows, pitfalls, and struggles. God has never forsaken me but has always provided. He's in control, even in our trouble He will never forsake. He is merciful all day long. His mercy always covers us as He lends us from our tomorrows to give to us what is needed today. He knows the future.

God is still God, whether we have suffered loss or have millions—hugs or curses. Joy comes by the Lord, not the government, for we are never forsaken by Him. We may not be saints. We can be sinners or a saints. He says, you are still you. Caleb was in his 80's. He went and asked the Lord to give him the strength to take the mountain that he had chosen in the Promised land.

We are to get into the Word of God as it will help put our feet exactly where we need to go to, guiding and directing us we each walk our own path. We should look at trouble as actually being something that brings us to look for a better answer.

Look at Daniel, given the name Belteshazzar, he will forever be known famously as Daniel in the lions' den. What he went through, fully protected by God made him famous. His three friends were thrown into a fiery furnace, so hot it actually killed the guards who threw them in. Children know these real, historical stories. If handled right, a person can be praised for trusting God enough and He shows up! I want to be blessed like them! So, when trouble comes to us, be ready for God to show up for you, too. Why stay like a baby? Most people seem to think, "I'm not good enough, through lack of self-esteem they feel they are not worthy. God can heal that, too.

There is a pathway everyone should be on. We have found our path and have stayed on it. It's not religiosity, it's a relationship where you actually are conversing with God. He illuminates the pitfalls that way, so we won't be destroyed or feel powerless. We can end up giving God all the glory. Amen.



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Now to his surprise, a young lion came roaring against him. And the Spirit of the Lord came mightily upon him, and he tore the lion apart as one would have torn apart a young goat, though he had nothing in his hand.

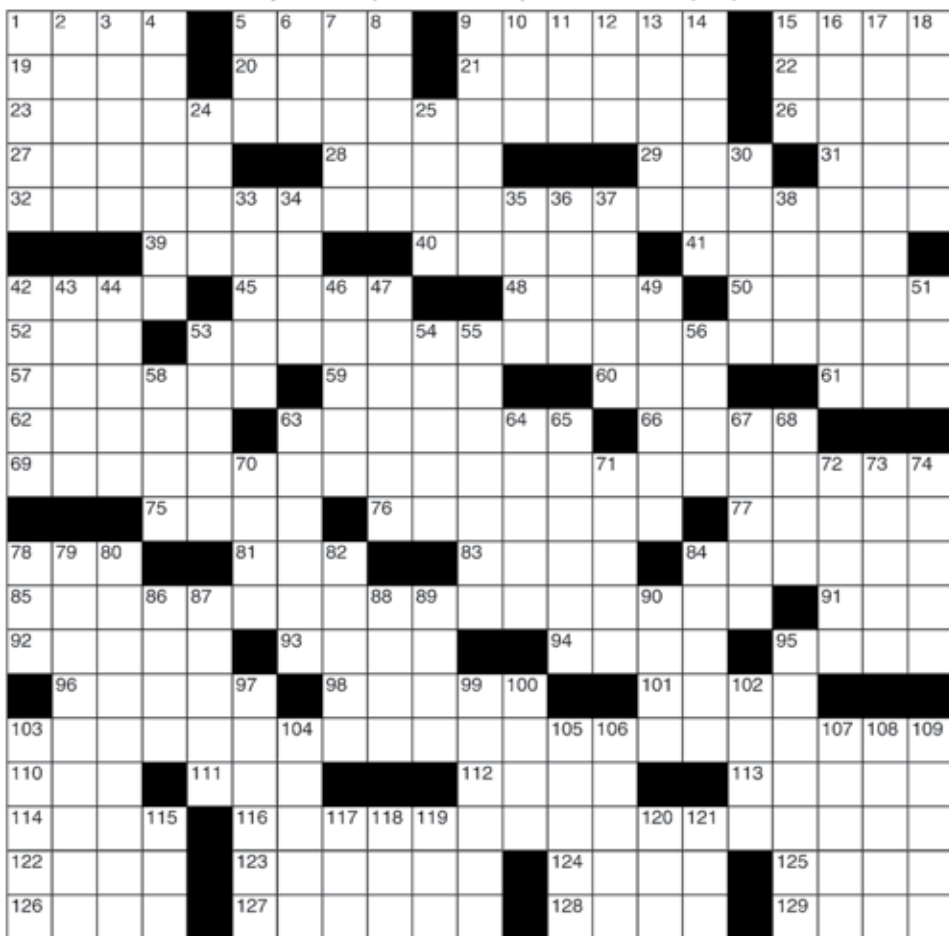
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by Linda Thistle

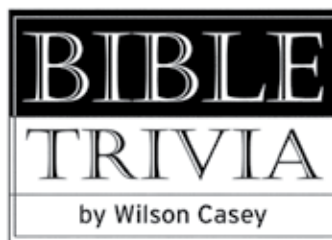
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

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1. Is the book of Jonah in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From 2 Samuel 11, who received a letter from David telling him to put Uriah into battle? *Gideon, Ahab, Isaac, Joab*
3. In Luke 12:27, what did Jesus say are better arrayed than King Solomon? *Lilies, Angles, Trees, Sheep*
4. Matthew, the tax collector, was known by what other name? *Levi, Felix, Reuben, Jehu*
5. Who was the baby born of Zacharias and Elizabeth? *Daniel, John the Baptist, Noah, David*
6. Which king of Judah had his eyes gouged out? *Uzziah, Ahaz, Jeconiah, Zedekiah*

Sharpen your understanding of scripture with Wilson's Casey's latest book, "Test Your Bible Knowledge," available in bookstores and online.

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1. TELEVISION: What is Agent Mulder's nickname on "The X-Files" drama?
2. MEASUREMENTS: How many gallons are in one barrel of oil?
3. GAMES: How much money do you get when you start a board game of "Life"?
4. SCIENCE: When was the sound barrier broken for the first time?
5. MOVIES: What was the name of the whale that swallowed the title character in Disney's "Pinocchio"?
6. GEOLOGY: What is diagenesis?
7. GEOGRAPHY: Which river runs through the Grand Canyon in Arizona?
8. U.S. STATES: How many states did U.S. Route 66 pass through?
9. FOOD & DRINK: Which vegetable has the highest water content?
10. MEDICAL: What is a more common name for the condition called pharyngitis?

CULTURAL EVENTS

Cherokee Heritage Festival. Sept. 18 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Cherokee Homestead Exhibit adjacent to the old Jail Museum in Hayesville. This free event is sponsored by the Clay County Communities Revitalization Association. Cherokee dancing, cultural arts demonstrations, storytelling, fry bread, singing, and flute music. Parking and shuttle bus will be available. Info: 369-6531 or www.cccra-nc.org

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Firecracker Market. July 1 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Many vendors and crafters. Info: Denise Walkingstick 508-2211

“Parsons Branch Road” presentation by Larry Sparks.

July 1 at 6:30 p.m. at the Swain County Regional Business Education and Training Center, 45 East Ridge Drive, Bryson City. This event is in conjunction with a meeting of the Swain County Genealogical and Historical Society. The road to be discussed was a primary route traversed by families along the Little Tennessee Rivera as they migrated back and forth from Hazel Creek, Fairfax, Yellow Creek, Cheoah, Proctor, Stecoah,

and other places in western North Carolina, to Cades Cove.

Gourd Gathering at Cherokee. July 28 – Aug. 1 at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. No admission charge. Five days of fun, shopping, and learning with nearly 80 classes. Info: www.gourdgathering.com

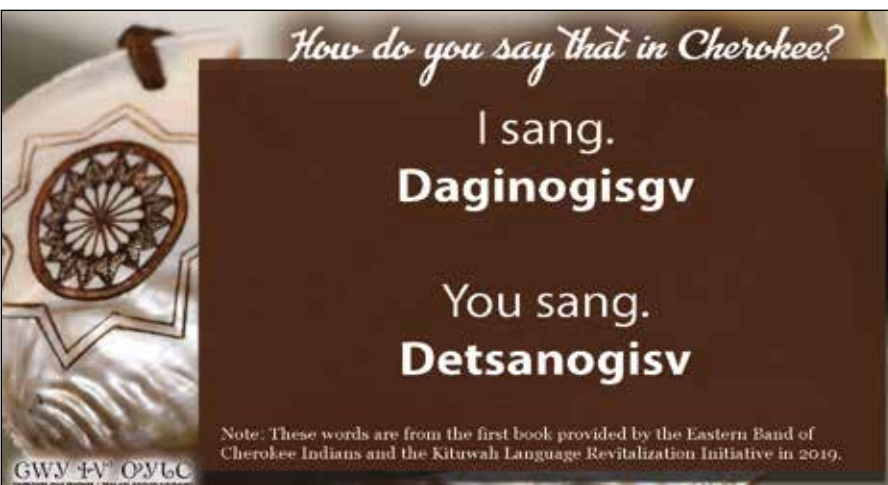
SUPPORT GROUPS

Life Recovery Bible-Based 12-step Zoom meeting. Started Nov. 10 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Info: Deb Conseen-Bradley kellideb@gmail.com

Life Recovery Zoom meeting. Started Nov. 10 from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Info: Deb Conseen-Bradley kellideb@gmail.com

Life Recovery Meetings hosted by Grace Community Church. Thursdays from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Yellowhill Activity Center. Life Recovery is a 12-Step addiction recovery program where all 12 steps are rooted in scripture and taught from a Biblical perspective. The meetings are open to anyone, and all materials will be provided. Info: Pastor Scott Hill 508-4736

Analenisgi class schedule



How do you say that in Cherokee?

I sang.
Daginogisgv

You sang.
Detsanogisv

Note: These words are from the first book provided by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the Kituwah Language Revitalization Initiative in 2019.

Mondays

MAT
- Early Recovery Live, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- Early Recovery Live, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Early Recovery Virtual, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.
Peer Support
- WRAP Live, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- Grief Group Live, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Tuesdays

MAT
- Foundations Live, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- Foundations Virtual, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.
Substance Abuse Therapy (SAT)
- SAT Group Live, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Wednesdays

MAT

- Transitions Live, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- Recovery Transitions Virtual, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.
Peer Support
- Healthy Boundaries Live, 8:30 p.m.

Thursdays

MAT
- Long Term Live, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- Long Term Live, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Long Term Virtual, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Peer Support
- MAT Peer Support Group, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.
Substance Abuse Therapy
- SAT Group Live, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Fridays

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Puzzle Answers

Super Crossword

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ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Joab; 3) Lilies; 4) Levi; 5) John the Baptist; 6) Zedekiah

Trivia Test answers:

1. Spooky; 2. 42; 3. \$10,000;
4. 1947; 5. Monstro; 6. The process by which sediment is turned into sedimentary rock; 7. Colorado River; 8. Eight (Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and California); 9. Cucumbers (96 percent water); 10. Sore throat

- MAT Support Group Live, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
 - MAT Support Group Virtual, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.
 Peer Support
 - Radical Acceptance Live, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
 Substance Abuse Therapy
 - SAT Group Virtual, 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Analenisgi Circle of Support Groups. Mondays 12 p.m. to 1 p.m., group focused on Substance

Abuse. Thursdays 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., group focused on Mental Health. Both groups will be located in the Rivercane room located across from the Analenisgi lobby and front desk. Analenisgi is offering groups for friends and family of adult clients. These groups are focused on providing education and support to our community. Info: Jennifer Holling 497-9163 ext. 7528

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VETERANS ★ POST ★

by Freddy Groves

Veterans Village

The older veterans stood in a semi-circle in the rear parking lot of the coffee shop, watching the activity and drinking coffee. What they were watching was the creation of the first two tiny homes that would eventually launch the Veterans Village.

Sarge had found construction drawings in the trash done by one of his homeless dormitory veterans, David, who had finally confessed that, yes, he used to be the owner of a construction company.

"But that was before," David said. Before his life took a nosedive. Before he'd ended up homeless.

"And this is now," said Sarge, spreading out the drawings.

After many discussions, after conferences with Sarge's attorney and banker, after breaking through David's fear-induced resistance, papers were signed. The plan was to sell several homes and generate enough cash to buy a small piece of land. On that spot Veterans Village would rise, tiny homes for homeless veterans, all built by David. The construction site in the back parking lot was a busy place during the day, with experienced veteran carpenters doing the work.

The minute the roofs were shingled, a local man stepped up and asked how much the tiny houses were going to sell for. Sarge eased into the periphery of the conversation, staying silent but also staying nearby in case David faltered.

But he didn't.

Instead, David smiled, confident and in charge, and said, "Now that's going to depend on the finishes you'd want, sir. If you step over here, I can show you the flooring choices, the exterior cladding, the appliances you can choose from ..."

One of the elderly veterans waved Sarge over and whispered a question: "Does he know yet?"

Sarge shook his head.

No, David didn't know that the elderly veterans and their families had banded together, hunted for land and opened their wallets. David was closer to creating the Veterans Village than he ever imagined.

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Cats Shouldn't Get a Free Pass to Poop

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: Could you explain why cats can poop in my garden and the owners are not responsible for them? Cats kill birds and chipmunks, and they dig in my garden. Children's sandboxes get fouled by cats. Cat poop is really unpleasant and can spread diseases. It seems unfair that cat owners should get all the enjoyment out of them, but not have to be responsible for their messes. Why do cat owners get a free pass? What can be done to keep the cats from killing birds and leaving messes in my yard? — *Pat in Spokane*

DEAR PAT: You're absolutely right. Cats can wreak havoc on the local environment as they don't limit their hunting to mice: A 2013 study estimated that cats kill billions of songbirds per year in the U.S. alone (www.smithsonianmag.com and search for "The Moral Cost of Cats"). Yet owners who allow their cats outdoors often don't think that their sweet, adorable Fluffy could be a neighborhood menace.

That's one reason I constantly ask owners to keep their cats indoors. It's also for the cats' personal safety; they're at risk of being attacked by bigger wildlife or other cats.

Right now, there are two things you can do. First, deter cats from coming onto your property. Scatter a mixture of used coffee grounds, lemon peels and vinegar around the perimeter of the yard (pans of vinegar also work). Cover exposed ground in garden beds with river rock to discourage digging.

Second, raise awareness in the community. Spread the word about the damage cats do, and what owners can do to prevent it. Do this by talking with your neighbors and speaking at town or HOA meetings. Get the word out so the entire community can address the problem.

Send your tips, comments or questions to ask@pawscorner.com.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You clever Ewes and Rams love nothing more than to rise to a challenge. So, by all means, if you feel sure about your facts, step right up and defend your side of the issue.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)
You've done some great work recently. Now it's time to reward yourself with something wonderful, perhaps a day at a spa or a night out with someone very special.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You love to talk, but don't forget to make time to do a little more listening; otherwise, you could miss out on an important message someone might be trying to send to you.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your aspect indicates some uncertainty about one of your goals. Use this period of shifting attitudes to reassess what you really want and what you're ready to do to get it.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your social life is picking up, and you'll soon be mingling with old friends and making new ones. But 'twixt the fun times, stay on top of changing workplace conditions.

VIRGO (August 23-September 22)
A trusted friend offers understanding as you vent some long-pent-up feelings. Now, move on from there and start making the changes you've put off all this time.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might well feel uneasy as you face a difficult situation involving someone close to you. But you know you're doing the right thing, so stick with your decision.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You're a good friend to others. Now's the time to allow them to be good friends to you. Rely on their trusted advice to help you get through an uncertain period.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Family and friends are always important, but especially so at this time. Despite your hectic work-place schedule, make a real effort to include them in your life.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) That project you've been working on is almost ready for presentation. But you still need some information from a colleague before you can consider it done.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Don't let those negative attitudes that have sprung up around you drain your energies. Shrug them off, and move ahead with the confidence that you can get the job done.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)
Aspects favor some dedicated fun time for the hardworking Piscean. A nice, refreshing plunge into the social swim can recharge your physical and emotional batteries.

BORN THIS WEEK: You love to travel and be with people. You probably would be happy as a social director on a cruise ship.

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Closing Sunday, July 04, 2021

1. Housing Services Manager – Qualla Housing Services – Housing (L12 \$52,635 – \$65,811)
2. Shift Captain – Emergency Medical Services – Public Safety (L10 \$43,956 – \$54,950)
3. Firefighter – Cherokee Fire and Rescue – Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 – \$45,625)
4. Network Administrator – Infrastructure – Information Technology (L12 \$52,635 – \$65,811)
5. Systems Administrator – Information Technology (L12 \$52,635 – \$65,811)
6. Data Specialist – Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L8 \$36,500 – \$45,625)
7. Teacher – Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L7 \$33,250 – \$41,574)
8. Recreation – Snowbird Recreation – Snowbird/Cherokee County Services (L3 \$22,990 – \$28,732)

Open Until Filled

1. Patrol Officer (Multiple) – Cherokee Police Department – Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625)
2. Detention Officer (Multiple) – Detention Services – Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)
3. FT Paramedic (Multiple) – Emergency Medical Services – Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625)
4. PT Paramedic (Multiple) – Emergency Medical Services – Public Safety (L8 \$17.55 - \$21.94 per hour)

**All applications and job descriptions are available at
www.ebci.com/jobs**

Please attach any licenses, certificates, diplomas, resumes, etc. with application. If you are unable to attach the documents, you may drop them off at our offices located at 806 Acquoni Rd. Suite 100 or email them to the Employment Specialists listed on our website. Indian Preference does apply. NOTICE: Due to the Tribal State of Emergency, we will only advertise positions that are classified as Essential or Critical to Tribal Operations. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

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Cherokee Core Values

OGV, 0BL T\$H00ET - uwadohiyva igadatsisgvi
Group Harmony
 SLUW, L0F00J GWY T, J0H00Y - dedadasaladisgesdi Tsalagi idiwonisgi

DL0-VY LGLf0-ᄀ - adanvdogi dayudalenvhi
Spirituality
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Strong Individual Character

Aꞑꞑ ꠘꠕꠗꠐꠒ - golitsvhi digadalenvi
Sense of Place
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Sense of Humor

Credit: Adopted by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation, translated by Bo Lossiah, and reviewed by Beloved Woman Myrtle Driver.



Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements

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

The selected applicant must submit to a pre-employment drug screen and local, state, and federal civil and criminal background and sexual offender screens. Payroll direct deposit is mandatory. Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate. The Cherokee Boys Club reserves the right to extend position closing dates or readvertise positions without notice.

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

Open Until Filled

Service Department
Seasonal Mowing Crew
Laborers

Agelink Childcare
FT – Teacher's Aide
FT – Lead Teacher
FT – Custodian

Bus & Truck Department

PT School Bus Drivers

Children's Home

PT Resident Counselors

Snowbird Childcare

Full Time Teacher Assistant (2)

Lead Teacher

FT Teacher Assistants (2)

FT Cook

Administrative Department

Finance Director

Agelink Childcare

FT Receptionist/Office Manager

Open 5/28/21, Closes 6/11/21

Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute

Cherokee Youth Council

Leadership Specialist

Opens – 6/2/21, Closes – 6/16/21

Submit resume, cover letter with application



CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Closing Thursday, July 1, 2021

Human Resources Clerk

CNA/Medical Clerk – Inpatient

Clinical Dietitian

Closing Thursday, July 8, 2021

Cook

Property Control Clerk

Open Until Filled

Certified Nursing Assistant – Emergency Room

Dental Assistant II (Multiple)

EVS Technician

Finance/HR Administrative Assistant

Food Service Worker

Licensed Practical Nurse – Immediate Care Center

Masters Level Therapist – Family Safety

Masters Level Therapist – Kanvwtiyyi

Masters Level Therapist (Child) - Analenisgi

Masters Level Therapist – (Grant Funded) Adult/Analenisgi

Pharmacy Technician I

PTI Radiology Technologist

PTI Registered Nurse – Analenisgi Inpatient

PTI Registered Nurse – Inpatient

Senior Accountant

Targeted Case Manager – Integrated Classroom

Tsali Care Center

Personal Care Assistant/CNA – Full-Time/Part-Time Regular

Registered Nurse –Part-Time Intermittent

Registered Nurse Supervisor – Full-Time/Part-Time Regular

Retention Bonus Eligible Positions

Certified Nursing Assistant /Full-Time/Part-Time Intermittent (Starting Pay \$18.00/Hr.)

Cook (Starting Pay \$17.00/Hr.)

Ward Clerk (Starting Pay \$15.00/Hr.)



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To apply, visit careers.cherokeehospital.org
If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR Dept. at
(828) 497-9163 ext. 6343.

EMPLOYMENT

Job Openings Available Now at the Jacob Cornsilk Project in Snowbird

Hewitt Power LLC:

Electricians – five years of electrical experience preferably commercial experience

General Laborers

If you are (1) an enrolled member of the EBCI, (2) spouse of EBCI enrolled member or parent of minor EBCI enrolled member, (3) or an enrolled member of another federally recognized tribe, and you are interested in job opportunities at the Jacob Cornsilk Project in Snowbird, please contact TERO Job Bank Coordinator Hillary Norville at 828-359-6422. 7/7

Main Box Office position at

Cherokee Historical Association

The Cherokee Historical Association is currently taking applications for the Main Box Office.

We are looking for a friendly, outgoing person to be the first introduction our patrons and visitors encounter.

Job Requirements:

- *The ability to work in a team as well as using your own initiative.
- *Greet guests as they arrive and assist with information and sales.
- *Responsible for handling cash and other various types of payment.
- *Count In/Out own cash drawer.
- *Must pay attention to detail.
- *Complete Daily Close-Out Sales Report
- *Must maintain a polite and professional manner when dealing with patrons and visitors.

Applications can be found on-line at www.cherokeehistorical.org or in the main office of Cherokee Historical Association located at 564 Tsali Blvd., Cherokee, NC 28719; 9:00am – 4:30pm Monday through Friday. For more information, please call (828) 497-2111 6/30

Maintenance position at Cherokee Historical Association

The Cherokee Historical is currently accepting applications for a Maintenance position. We are looking for an efficient, dependable, trustworthy person that has a valid driver's license and reliable transportation.

Job Requirements:

- *Minor plumbing repairs
- *Minor electrical repairs
- *Grounds/lawn maintenance

*Maintenance of Unto These Hills grounds and buildings

*Maintenance of Cherokee Historical Association building and grounds

*Appliance troubleshooting as needed

*Janitorial work

*Must maintain a polite and professional manner

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Estate File No. 21-062

In the Matter of the Estate of Danielle Davina Brady

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

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

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

Susanne Brady
PO Box 1651
Cherokee, NC 28719

7/14

In the General Court of Justice in Jackson County, District Court Division: File Number 21 JT

In the matter of Toineeta, a minor child for

Termination of Parental Rights

Petitioners: Cheryl Colleen Franks and Kayla Nicole Cogdill

Respondents: Taryn Krista Elizabeth Toineeta and Thomas Eugene Pheasant, Sr.

Petitioners' attorney: Shira Hedgepeth, PO Box 514, Cullowhee, NC 28723,
Phone 828-585-5044. 7/7

BIDs, RFPs, etc.

The Family Safety Program seeks competitive proposals for a Kinship Navigator on a contractual basis. This position would work with the Family Safety Program to locate, equip, and advocate for kinship supports for vulnerable children. For more in-

formation, and to receive full RFP document, please email a letter of interest to megharno@nc-chokeee.com.
6/30

Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Department of Transportation
680 Acquoni Road

Cherokee, North Carolina 28719
Phone: (828) 359-6530

Pedestrian Improvements US 19
The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting Sealed Bid Proposals from Qualified Firms to provide the following services: Crosswalks, pedestrian signals, traffic signals and median islands on US 19 at Harrah's Casino. The deadline for submitting Bid Proposals will be July 1, 2021 at 10:00 AM, EST. Please be advised that all TERO rules and regulations, Tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations and laws shall apply to the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation and to the procurement of work solicited through this advertisement. You may request the full Request for Proposals (RFP) and requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Robert Willcox, CDOT Engineer at (828)-359-6122/(828)-736-3921 (cell) or Darrell Brown, CDOT Planner at (828)-359-6534. **6/30**


The EBCI Natural Resources Department is requesting proposals (RFP) for the development of a Natural Resources Strategic Data Management Roadmap. Proposals will be accepted through July 12th, 2021. Copies of the RFP will be made available to interested parties by contacting Michael

LaVoie, EBCI Natural Resources Department Manager at michlaVo@nc-chokeee.com or (828) 359-6113. **6/30**

The Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources (DANR) is seeking the services of a professional consultant or firm to lead DANR staff through a comprehensive strategic planning process. The purpose is to generate a five-year plan for each department reflective of historical and current planning documents, incorporate Results Based Accountability principles, integrate pertinent EBCI 2020 – 2025 Strategic Plan objectives, and forecast for future opportunities. The DANR team can be available by appointment on July 6, 2021, between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. for in-person or virtual consultations on inquiries into the proposal.

Interested applicants should anticipate preliminary team meetings to review historical and current planning documents, plan for facilitating one to two in-person planning sessions, provide supplemental review tools for plan updates, and publish a finalized strategic planning manual.

For a copy of the RFP or more information, please contact Joey Owle at joeyowle@ebci-nsn.gov or 828.359.6260. Proposal packages should be submitted to Mr. Joey Owle and must be received by July 14th, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. EST at which time bids will be opened in accordance with TERO procedures. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. DANR reserves the right to decline any proposal received. **6/30**



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John Julius Wilnoty

Well-known Cherokee carver for wood and stone images. One of his best-known carving is "The Eagle Dancer" (pictured).

The Museum has a version of it in the collection that is made of stone and smaller. John challenged himself and stated about his work, "was to make every piece different and better."

"Where it all began: Cherokee Creation Stories in Art", features other artist as well as John Julius.

This book can be purchased at the Museum Gift Shop.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR RFP

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Project Management Program
Ginger Lyn Welch Bldg.
810 Acquoni Road, Suite 117
P.O. Box 1328
Cherokee, N.C. 28719
Ph. (828) 359-6700

Project Title: Fire Mountain
Bike Expansion Design/Build for
Zone 1 and Zone 3

The EBCI Project Management
Office (PMO) has been tasked with
leading the efforts in development
of a Fire Mountain Bike Expan-
sion. This RFQ is intended to
solicit interest in teams of experts
with experience in the planning/
design and construction of Moun-
tain Bike Trails and recreation

facilities.

RFP Packet

To receive a copy of the RFP
please contact Monica Lambert
(828) 359-6700 monilamb@
ebci-nsn.gov
Submissions

All electronic submissions
must be sent to chrigree@nc-cher-
okee.com. All submissions are
due by 07/30/2021 @11:00 AM
at which time submittals will
be opened in accordance with
TERO procedures. Any submittals
received after the time and date
specified shall not be considered.

Please be advised that Indi-
an Preference (TERO) applies to
the award and completion of this
contract. 7/7

Requests for Proposals

Cherokee Indian Hospital
Authority (CIHA)

Project: Long Term Care Project -
Phase 1, A&E Services

CIHA is requesting proposals/
qualifications for the architectural
and engineering services for the
above mentioned project. The
deadline for proposals is 7/14/21
at 2:30pm.

You may request the full RFQ
and bid requirements for propos-
als through the CIHA Adminis-
tration, or TERO. If you have any
questions or comments, please
contact Maggie Jackson in CIHA
Administration at (828)-497-9163,
ext. 6204. 7/7

Requests for Proposals

Cherokee Indian Hospital
Authority (CIHA)

Project: Long Term Care Project
- Phase 1, Construction Manage-
ment (CM) Services

CIHA is requesting proposals/
qualifications for the CM services
for the above mentioned project.
The deadline for proposals is
7/14/21 at 2:30pm.

You may request the full RFQ
and bid requirements for propos-
als through the CIHA Adminis-
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Volunteers Needed

20th Annual Talking Trees Children's Trout Derby

Volunteer Spots available are:

Friday August 6th 8am-6:30pm

Pre-registration

Saturday August 7th 7am-1pm

Registration, Spotters, Lunch, Bait, Weight & Fish Cleaning Stations,
Hospitality Station & Trout Ponds.

If you are interested, please contact Celia Smith at cecsmith@nc-chokeee.com or 828-359-7008.

Chief Sneed has granted administrative leave for Tribal employees who wish to volunteer, Friday August 6th.



EMERGENCY NUMBERS

In an emergency, call 911

Tribal Dispatch
497-4131

**Cherokee Indian Police
Dept.**
359-6600

Tribal Fire and Rescue
359-6584

Tribal EMS
359-6450 or 497-6402

Cherokee Indian Hospital
497-9163

EBCI TRANSIT NUMBERS

**Transit Main Line
Dispatch**
359-6300

Tsali Manor funds passes for Tsali Manor residents and communal lunch attendees. This pass provides unlimited trips within the service area and on shopping trips. Out-of-town shopping trips are currently on hold due to COVID-19.

Phone Numbers for Cherokee elders

Cherokee Indian Hospital main line
497-9163

Tsali Manor - contact is Debbie West
359-6291 or 736-3950

**HELP (Handicapped, Elderly Living
Program)** -
contact is Stephanie Welch
359-6638

HIP (Home Improvement Program) -
contact is Cindi Squirrel
359-5520 or 507-7748

**Congregate, Homebound Meals,
Supplement** - contact is Sherry Welch
359-6290

**Heat Assistance/Emergency
Assistance** - contact is Krisna Ashe
359-6294 or 421-7364

EBCI Home Health/Home Care
497-9163 (ask for nurse on call)

EBCI Domestic Violence
359-6830

EBCI Emergency Fuel Assistance
507-7825

Cherokee Immediate Care Clinic
554-5555

DaVita Cherokee Dialysis Center
497-6866

Snowbird Senior Center main line
479-9145

Tsali Manor main line
359-6860

John Welch Senior Center main line
835-9741

**Cherokee Boy's Club Elder Fuel
Delivery and Elder Mowing** -
contact is Donnie Owle 736-7612

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