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Cherokee Cablevision preparing for overhaul

By JONAH LOSSIAH One Feather Staff

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) became 100 percent owners of Cherokee Cablevision last November. Now, stakeholders are gathering resources for a complete renovation of the business and its services. Bill Travitz, director of the Office of Information and Technology, said that there has been a lot of planning to get to this point. He said that aligning stakeholders and acquiring the right funding has been crucial since the Tribe fully purchased Cablevision.

"Since that time, we've all been



A complete renovation of the business and its services are coming soon to Cherokee Cablevision. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

before Council and basically, they allowed a contract for the re-engineering of the outside plant. Which is the existing coaxial cable and there's a bit of fiberoptic in the network, but it's basically in the downtown part. It doesn't really extend out to the entire footprint of Cherokee Cablevision. All that infrastructure is antiquated. It's all old coax stuff, full analog. You see the quality on Channel 28," said Travitz.

He said that there are several major pieces to this revamping project. One of them is replacing the outside plant, which is all the wires that are buried or strung from poles and that run across the Boundary. Another is to completely remodel the current building that holds Cherokee Cablevision. The other is to expand upon internet services offered.

Travitz said that they are currently focusing on one facet before embarking fully on this project. "Funding sources. We have access to ARP and potentially NTIA grant funding. I've been involved with rural broadband probably for 15 years on various county committees, so on and so forth. The amount of money that's now being dumped into this by the Federal Government is unprecedented," said Travitz.

He said that the Tribe has set aside \$20 million for broadband internet and that his team is pushing to earn more grant funding. He said that the hope is to complete this project with no Tribal dollars spent.

"The project is funded. This will be funded, [Tribal leadership]

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I look forward to continuing to work with you and our Tribe. Together we can do great things. Always remember, your voice matters. **Cyndi Lambert**

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has made that very clear. But we're just trying to figure out if there is a way to subsidize that with federal dollars," said Travitz.

He also said they had just come to agreement with Balsam West, which is 50 percent owned by the EBCI, to take over management of Cherokee Cablevision moving forward.

"That includes management of the existing plant, including revamping the building, so on and so forth. And then also to manage the engineering side and eventually the contractors who will do the construction. Basically, they will be the entity managing it for us," said Travitz.

As part of this move, the Board of Directors for Cablevision is now made up of the Tribal Investment Committee.

Jeremy Brown, IT project management support specialist, said that the team has already been preparing for major action on this project.

"Although that kickoff for the management just occurred [July 28], we've been working since about March, when the Vantage Point contract was executed, gathering all the data. Vantage Point has a really good start on the engineering in terms of how it's all going to lay out, how it's all going to be connected. They are about to deploy some folks that are about to come onsite to the entire Boundary and basically do what's called an ACS (Area Coverage Survey)," said Brown.

This ACS will involve workers from Vantage Point riding the roads on the Boundary and taking detailed notes on all the poles and wires. Brown said that they will offer a public announcement whenever this works starts to ensure the community can expect when these workers will be in their area.

Travitz said that the hope is to push out the benefits of this transition immediately, stating that the Qualla Boundary and enrolled members are the top priority. "We've got a huge need here. COVID made it blatantly apparent to everybody involved that we don't have quality service out to enrolled members. So, that's our priority, is to get this rolling as quickly as possible," said Travitz.

He said that they hope to do the construction and engineering in phases to shorten the timeframe for some consumers. Travitz said that as Balsam West is taking over, they are looking for 'shortterm wins' to get the train going for this project and to excite the community.

"They're looking at making some immediate improvements to the existing headend hardware to improve the signal quality. But it's kind of a toss-up. How much do I spend on this old infrastructure when I know I'm going to rip it up and replace it?" said Travitz.

He said that along with improving signal quality, there will be more advantages coming. He said that Balsam West is looking at the possibility of eliminating data caps, but there is no timeline or guarantee for that. Finally, he said that the services offered will be fully symmetric internet, like what is now being provided in Snowbird.

This means that upload and download speeds are the same. Travitz said that this is not true for most providers in the area. He said packages through Cablevision will begin at 25 Mbps, and their customers can potentially purchase up to 100 Mbps.

"Take that and look at what Frontier gives you. If you happen to be out at the end of the cable, a long way from their central office, if you get 1.5 down, you're lucky. We can at the base package giving you 25/25. And they're not symmetric, the down speed is faster than the up speed," said Travitz.

He said that the next step in this overhaul is the transition plan from Balsam West. Travitz said that it's too early to predict long-term timelines, but that Balsam West is expected to turn over their transition plan to the Board of Directors in the next two to three months.

Native American Voting Rights acts introduced in Congress

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

One Feather Staff

For years, Native Americans, especially those residing on tribal lands, have questioned the unequal access of voting in federal elections. From a general lack of access to polling places due to great distances or refusal of poll workers to accept tribal IDs, the complaints have been steady.

Sen. Ben Ray Lujan (D-N.M.) introduced the Frank Harrison, Elizabeth Peratovich, and Miguel Trujillo Native American Voting Rights Act (NAVRA) (S.2702) into the 117th Congress recently to help reduce barriers to voting in federal elections for Native Americans, Alaska Natives, and those residing on tribal lands. In a statement, Sen. Lujan said, "This landmark voting rights legislation will protect the sacred right to vote and reduce barriers for voters living on tribal lands – bringing more voters into the electoral process. With more Senate co-sponsors than ever before, I'm proud of the momentum that is building for this legislation. Native American voting rights must be part of the national conversation."

Sen. Alex Padilla (D-Calif), one of the bill's co-sponsors said in a statement, "We cannot have inclusive democracy if we do not provide Native Americans equal access to the ballot. We must address the systemic and other barriers that Native Americans face when voting and customize





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Now online at 941classic country (QR code provided for convenience) our elections administration to ensure that tribal communities are not denied equal protection in our democratic process."

Reps. Sharice Davids (D-Kan.), a member of the Ho Chunk Nation, sponsored H.R. 5008 companion legislation in the U.S. House of Representatives along with co-sponsor Rep. Tom Cole, a member of the Chickasaw Nation of Oklahoma. The two are cochairs of the Congressional Native American Caucus.

She said in a statement, "Voting is the very foundation of our democracy, yet Native voters face repeated barriers at the ballot box, from considerable distance and unequal operating hours at polling places to lack of voter education. This bill further fulfills our federal trust responsibility to protect and promote Native Americans' exercise of their constitutionally guaranteed right to vote."

Rep. Cole said in a statement, "This legislation greatly improves the tools and resources available to help Native Americans exercise their right to vote, which is especially important for those living in rural areas."

According to information from Sen. Lujan's office, some of the key provisions of NAVRA include: • Provides a grant program "to help establish state-level Native American voting task forces to address the unique voting issues in Indian Country"

• Improves access to voter registration, polling places, and drop boxes in Indian Country

• Makes it easier to add polling places on tribal lands and "adopts factors to consider when considering whether to add a polling place on tribal lands"

• Requires acceptance of all tribally-issued ID at polling places

• Provides voters without residential addresses or mail delivery a means to register, pick up, and drop off a ballot

The legislation already has the support of many Native American organizations throughout the country. In a statement, John Echohawk, Native American Rights Fund (NARF) executive director, noted, "This past decade, NARF has documented and fought against the targeted, present-day obstacles that Native voters face when trying to cast a ballot...NARF strongly endorses this legislation that will create more equitable access for Native Americans."

S.2702 has been referred to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary and H.R. 5008 has been referred to the Committee on House Administration and the House Committee on the Judiciary.



Unofficial EBCI General Election Results

One Feather Staff Report

Following are the unofficial results, per the EBCI Board of Elections, for the 2021 General Election for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians on Thursday, Sept. 2. In all, there were 6,701 people registered to vote in this election and a total of 3,035 voters casted ballots for a voter turnout percentage of 45.29 percent. Snowbird had the highest voter percentage at 53.49 percent followed by Birdtown at 50.14. Cherokee County had the lowest rate at 34.01 percent followed by Yellowhill at 39.28 percent.

Big Cove Tribal Council Richard French 246 Teresa McCoy 204 Patrick Hill 184

Birdtown Tribal Council Boyd Owle 500 Albert Rose 478 Cyndi Lambert 388 Gloria "Punkin" Griffin 233

Cherokee Co./Snowbird Tribal Council

Adam Wachacha 257 Bucky Brown 222 Janell Rattler 151 William A. "Billy" Brown 92

Painttown Tribal Council

Dike Sneed 233 Tommye Saunooke 176 Bentley Tahquette 170

Wolftown Tribal Council

Bo Crowe 567 Bill Taylor 306 Chelsea Taylor-Saunooke 239 Jesse Sneed 232

Yellowhill Tribal Council

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Big Cove School Board

Kristina Hyatt 193 Lavita Hill 151

Birdtown School Board Melanie Lambert 426 Ashford Smith 376

Wolftown School Board

Roberta "Berdie" Toineeta 312 Isaac Long 208

Referendum Questions

According to the following unofficial results of Thursday's

referendum vote, three alcohol-related items passed on the ballot. A total of 3,035 of the 6,701 (45.29 percent) of registered voters cast ballots thereby meeting the 30 percent requirement for the referendum to be considered valid. No. 534: Do you support expanding the sales of malt beverages (beer) at retail establishments within the Qualla Boundary? Yes (1,657); No (1,219)

No. 535: Do you support allowing the Tribal ABC Commission to operate an ABC Package Store to permit the sale of alcoholic beverages on tribal lands? (Yes (1,708); No (1,170)

No. 536: Do you support expanding the sale of malt beverages and wines at restaurants, hotels, and other qualified establishments within the Qualla Boundary? Yes (1,804); No (1,072)

MISSING PERSON

Jada Lomawaima

Female

Missing Age: 16

Current Age: 16 years

Hopi Tribe of Arizona

Height: 5' 5" - 5' 6" Weight: 160-170 lbs

Hair: Black Eyes : Brown

Date of last contact: June 22, 2021 Case created: August 26, 2021

Location: Lawton, Oklahoma (Comanche County)

Circumstances of Disappearance: Jada stated she was going to a friend's house for 2 days. After 2 days Jada never came home. Jada has sent messages to her younger sister, however has refused to give her location or state who she is with.

If you have seen Jada Lomawaima, contact Detective Donald Pauley, Lawton Police Department (580) 581-3270.

Case #2021-03565

Source: Namus.gov



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Constitution vs. Charter: Article IX (continued) Know the difference!

Proposed Constitution

Article IX – Impeachment of Elected Officials

Section 5. Judgment. Less any Council Representative who may stand accused, Tribal Council may perform their deliberations in a closed session but shall be in an open session to cast votes.

Clause 1. Conviction. To sustain a conviction, the prosecution shall prove an Article of Impeachment by clear, logical and convincing evidence. A two/thirds (2/3) supermajority unweighted vote of the Tribal Council quorum present must be reached to convict the accused. If convicted, the official shall be immediately removed from office. The vacancy created shall be filled according to applicable provisions of this Constitution.

a. Appeal. An official convicted by Tribal Council and thereafter removed from office following impeachment cannot seek judicial review of such conviction. Tribal Council has sole authority to impeach an elected or appointed official.

Clause 2. Acquittal. If a supermajority vote is not reached on an Article, the official shall be acquitted of that Article.

Current Charter: Section 22. Any officer of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians who violates his oath of office, or is guilty of any offense making him ineligible to hold said office may be impeached by a two-thirds vote of council.

Why should the deliberations happen behind closed doors?

If this was a court case, the jury would deliberate in private on the merits of the case. An impeachment is not a court case but a political one, should the deliberations still be held in private? The idea is to allow the "jury", in this case Tribal Council to make arguments with the other members without the fear of retaliation. This may also encourage members to freely express their views to each other without the scrutiny of the public. As elected officials, they may not speak openly if they are more concerned about getting re-elected. They still have to vote in public, but the process that was used to get to their decision is private.

What does it mean to be acquitted?

An acquittal means not enough people voted to convict. It is not a declaration of innocence; it just means that the arguments to convict were not persuasive enough to convince a majority of the members of council. There may be evidence for impeachment, but it takes the majority to agree that a specific charge meets their personal definition of an impeachable offense.

How many articles of impeachment does a person need to be convicted of to be removed from office?

It only takes a conviction on one count to be impeached no matter the type of charge. Each person must weigh each individual charge on its own merits. Impeachment is about the behavior of an individual not meeting the expectations of the office they hold. It is the courts that will determine if the actions are criminal or not and if any punishment should be applied. Once a person is convicted, they are immediately removed from office.

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More on Article IX next week!

CIPD Arrest Report for Aug. 22-29

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.

Cline, Damion Dae – age 26 Arrested: Aug. 22 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor (four counts)

McDaniel, Luis Alan – age 24 Arrested: Aug. 22

Released: Aug. 22 Charges: Temporary Hold

Arnett, Kip David – age 54 Arrested: Aug. 23 Released: Aug. 23 Charges: Hold for Jackson Co.

Marr, Miranda Leigh – age 29 Arrested: Aug. 23 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Possession Drug Paraphernalia; Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule II Controlled Substance

Taylor, Sherayne – age 29 Arrested: Aug. 23 Released: Aug. 25 Charges: Obstructing Justice, Child Abuse in the Second Degree

Walkingstick, Tony - age 31



Snowbird Cherokee County Services - Language & Culture Program

Adult Language Immersion Opportunity

6.199hb is seeking adults:

- 18 Years of age or older
- Ready to commit to full language immersion
- With high work ethic
- With a strong desire to learn the Cherokee language

The LJOhb curriculum will consist of:

- Adult students working in an immersion environment,
- Guided by a coordinator and fluent Cherokee Speakers,
- 2 years of instruction at 24 hours per week (or more) of paid contact learning, - Students will learn the basics of Cherokee language and build to a high level language proficiency using a variety of learning techniques.

Deadline for submission is September 9th, 2021

You may contact Cassidy Galaviz at cassgala@ebci-nsn.gov or call 828-346-6898.



Arrested: Aug. 23 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Obstructing Governmental Functions, Child Abuse in the Second Degree, Hit and Run

Welch, Julilann Renea – age 22 Arrested: Aug. 23 Released: Aug. 24 Charges: Possession Schedule II **Controlled Substance**

Wilson, Wendy Jean – age 56 Arrested: Aug. 23 Released: Aug. 23 Charges: Hold for Jackson Co.

Armitage, Nickosia Shantelle – age 28 Arrested: Aug. 24 Released: Aug. 25 Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree

Bernhisel, Wahnetah – age 27 Arrested: Aug. 24 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Buchanan, Kimberly Nicole - age 29 Arrested: Aug. 24 Released: Aug. 24 Charges: Temporary Hold for

Driver, Norma Kay – age 47 Arrested: Aug. 24 Released: Aug. 24 **Charges: Obtain Property False** Pretense, Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property

Jackson Co.

Lambert, Jack Allen – age 62 Arrested: Aug. 24 Released: Aug. 24 Charges: Violations of Exclusion **Resolutions and Orders**

Bailey, Jami Jeannette – age 29 Arrested: Aug. 25 Released: Aug. 25 Charges: Domestic Violence, Obstructing Justice, Reckless Endangerment

Bradley, Nichole Dominique – age 28 Arrested: Aug. 25 Released: Not released as of report date **Charges: Obstructing Justice**

Evans, Jaylen Dean – age 23 Arrested: Aug. 25 Released: Aug. 25 Charges: Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle, Criminal Mischief to Property

Martin Jr., George David – age 39 Arrested: Aug. 27 Released: Not released as of report date **Charges: Second Degree Trespass**

Finger, Brian David – age 31 Arrested: Aug. 28 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor, Obstructing Justice

Lambert II, William Charles - age 18 Arrested: Aug. 28 Released: Aug. 28 Charges: Obstructing Justice; Providing Alcoholic Beverages to, Possession of, Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages by Persons under 21 years old

Oocumma, Eugene Murray – age 31 Arrested: Aug. 28 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Pheasant, Philicia Diane – age 30 Arrested: Aug. 28 Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Tolley, Lawrence – age 49 Arrested: Aug. 29

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court

Cherokee woman sentenced to 10 years for trafficking meth and other narcotics

CHARLOTTE – Chief U.S. District Judge Martin Reidinger sentenced Lillian Elaine Brady, 53, Cherokee, to 10 years in prison and five years of supervised release on Thursday, Sept. 2 for trafficking methamphetamine, fentanyl and other narcotics, announced William T. Stetzer, Acting U.S. Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina.

Robert J. Murphy, Special Agent in Charge of the Atlanta Field Division of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), which oversees the Asheville Post of Duty, and Chief Joshua Taylor of the Cherokee Indian Police Department joined Acting U.S. Attorney Stetzer in making the announcement.

According to court records and Thursday's sentencing hearing, in April 2020, law enforcement learned that Brady was a major supply source of methamphetamine and other narcotics in and around Cherokee. Over the course of the investigation, law enforcement executed a search warrant at Brady's residence, seizing methamphetamine, fentanyl, heroin, oxycodone, morphine, and marijuana, drug paraphernalia, \$3,725 in cash, a loaded firearm, and ammunition.

On Feb. 17, 2021, Brady pleaded guilty to possession with intent to distribute controlled substances.

In a separate case, Judge Redinger sentenced Brandy Michelle Fohmann, 32, of Arden, to seven years in prison on Thursday, followed by four years of supervised release for trafficking fentanyl in Henderson and Buncombe Counties. Court records in this case show that, between April and July 2020, Fohmann sold fentanyl on multiple occasions, including to an undercover law enforcement officer.

On July 14, 2020, law enforcement seized from Fohmann's residence and vehicles fentanyl, two loaded firearms, drug paraphernalia and more than \$4,900 in drug proceeds. According to filed plea documents, Fohmann admitted to selling fentanyl daily and engaging in 10 to 15 drug transactions per day. On April 21, 2021, Fohmann pleaded guilty to distribution of fentanyl, and possession with intent to distribute fentanyl.

In announcing Fohmann's sentence, Acting U.S. Attorney Stetzer thanked the DEA in Asheville, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation, the Henderson County Sheriff's Office, and the Hendersonville Police Department for their investigation of the case. Assistant U.S. Attorney Thomas Kent, of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Asheville, prosecuted both cases.

- U.S. Dept. of Justice release

Florida man sentenced in Macon Co. for evading in a stolen vehicle

A man who sped in a stolen vehicle through Franklin last year in a botched attempt to evade law enforcement will spend 51 to 74 months in the N.C. Division of Adult Correction, District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch said.

Joshua Faulk, 35, of Lakeland, Fla., pleaded last week in Macon County Superior Court to:

• Felony flee to elude arrest.

• Two counts breaking and entering motor vehicle.

• Two counts misdemeanor larceny.

• Possession of a stolen vehicle. Senior Resident Superior

Court Judge Bill Coward handed down the judgement, with his sentence reflecting Faulk's habitual-felon status.

This status enhances punishment decisions and can apply after a defendant is convicted of three felonies. Habitual felons face sentencing at a felony level four classes higher than the underlying felony convictions.

After stealing a vehicle in Tennessee, Faulk on Aug. 20, 2020, drove into North Carolina and entered Macon County via U.S. 23/441. As Faulk topped Cowee Mountain in his vehicle and began to descend the steep grade, an N.C. Highway Patrol trooper clocked the vehicle at 105 mph along the 55-mph highway.

The trooper attempted to stop Faulk; however, he fled.

"He drove carelessly and recklessly down the road and through the town, with the car chase ending near Baird Cove Road," said Jason Arnold, the assistant district attorney who prosecuted the case.

Faulk again attempted to escape, this time on foot. He broke into two vehicles, stealing money in the process, before being found and arrested.

In addition to the N.C. Highway Patrol, Macon County Sheriff's Office and Franklin Police Department participated in Faulk's arrest.

- Release from the Office of District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch

Franklin man sentenced for helping rob and beat another man

A Franklin man will spend at least 118 months and up to 128 months in prison after admitting in court to helping rob and beat another man.

Jonathan Wesley Simmons, 39, pleaded guilty last week to robbery with a dangerous weapon as a habitual felon and possession of firearm by felon, District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch said.

He threatened the victim with an AR-15-style, semi-automatic rifle.

Simmons had previous convictions for:

• Possession of a firearm in December 2011.

• Attempted first-degree burglary in December 2016.

• Assault on a female in April 2018.

Habitual felon status enhances punishment decisions and can apply after a defendant is convicted of three felonies. Habitual felons face sentencing at a felony level four classes higher than the underlying felony convictions.

Assistant District Attorney John Hindsman Jr. prosecuted the case.

- Release from the Office of District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch

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Hiwassee Dam firefighters welcome new station

By JONAH LOSSIAH One Feather Staff

After 27 years and a few too many cramped meetings, the Hiwassee Dam Volunteer Fire Department opened the doors to a new facility in Cherokee County over the weekend.

Fire Chief Chad McNabb said that this move is a huge boon to the department, and it comes at a great time for his team.

"With everything that's going on and still having to work a fulltime job and trying to do all the phone calls and visits and everything that has to be done to get this station built, it's like I've had about 100 pounds of weight taken off of me. So, it's nice. It's a relief," said McNabb.

The station is named after TL McNabb, a retired member of the Fire Department. He was a charter member, former fire chief, assistant chief, and was on the board of directors. He served with the unit from 1974 to 2019.

"He was there. He was totally caught off guard from it. We surprised him really good with it," said McNabb.

Hiwassee Dam Fire is made up of 45 volunteer firefighters. There are no paid positions on staff, and the entire department operates on \$250,000 a year. McNabb says that they had simply outgrown the old station, which rests about 200 yards from the new building.

"The primary thing is now we have all of our equipment actually inside. We've been storing trucks and trailers in people's yards and



After 27 years and a few too many cramped meetings, the Hiwassee Dam Volunteer Fire Department opened the doors to a new facility in Cherokee County over the weekend. (Photo courtesy of Hiwassee Dam Fire Dept.)

the parking lot at the station. Out in the heat, out in the rain, out in the weather. For the first time in a long time, everything we own is in a locked building and dry," said McNabb.

"Every farmer in our district has probably held a piece of our equipment under a barn at one time or another. So, those days are over hopefully. We appreciate their help but I'm hoping that we never have to do that again."

The new facility has a price tag of \$860,000. McNabb said that the initial payment was accrued through the fire tax in Cherokee County.

"The county worked with us on a millage rate and then we got it financed. We financed it for 15 years. The county worked with us to make sure that our millage rate brought in the revenue we needed to make the payment. We had a great relationship with the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners on this, and the county managers worked tirelessly to help us out with it." He said that while they weren't trying to build anything overly ornate, the new station is a significant upgrade in almost every measure.

"We had one office in the old station. It was my office, and every other officer's office, and the secretary's office, and the IT's department's office. Everyone shared the same office, and it was a tiny, 10 by 10 office. Now, everyone has their own."

Six offices are a lot better than one. The new facility also has three bathrooms compared to the one they had before. The building has areas for sleeping and a kitchen, so it could be used as a shelter in case of emergency. It could also hold a paid member of staff if the department was able to get to that position.

The old station will still be useful to the department, as they still own that property. McNabb said that it will be used for any additional storage and a place to maintenance their fire trucks.

He said that this was a big

step that takes care of both the firefighters and the Hiwassee Dam community. Now, he is looking at a similar project in his rural area of coverage. He said that the isolated community of Violet needs attention.

"We are possibly going to build another station in a very remote part of our district. We're working with that community and there are still a few bridges to cross, but that is probably going to be the next big project. It won't be anything near the size of what we just opened. It'll just be a very small station to hold two trucks and that'll be it. It won't have a meeting room or office; it'll be a truck garage basically. But it will give us a presence in a neglected community," said McNabb.

Until then, the fire chief said that he and his department will take every win they can.

"We're extremely proud of it and we hope the new don't wear off of it for a while."

WCU officially opens state-ofthe-art Apodaca Science Building with ceremony, tour

CULLOWHEE – Under a beautiful September sky, Western Carolina University dignitaries, alumni, students, staff and faculty gathered on Friday, Sept. 3 to celebrate the grand opening of the new Apodaca Science Building, an architecturally stunning structure named after former state Sen. Tom Apodaca, a 1980 WCU alumnus.

The \$110.5 million state-of-the art facility replaces the university's 1970s-era Natural Science Building and is the largest capital project that is part of the \$2 billion voter-approved Connect NC bond for infrastructure improvements.

The WCU Board of Trustees voted to name the building after Apodaca to recognize his support for WCU and the region. Apodaca is a former Board member and served in the North Carolina Legislature from 2002-2016.

The multi-level building is 182,989 square feet and features five stories of laboratory, classroom, assembly space, 150-person seat lecture hall, office space and a collaborative space. There is also an additional rooftop plaza level for astronomy observations and a greenhouse.

The facility is home to the Department of Biology, Department of Chemistry and Physics and the interdisciplinary program in Forensic Science. David Kinner, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, said the building offers students an extraordinary facility in which to learn about science.

"This Apodaca Science Building serves many of our WCU students, as those from across campus will come here to study diverse topics—from the magnificence of our universe to the complexity of a human body," Kinner said. "Hopefully, students also begin to understand the scientific process, the steady and continued work of asking and answering questions, and comprehend the ability of science (and even student scientists) to provide important information and breakthroughs for society."

WCU Chancellor Kelli R. Brown told the crowd that bringing a project of this size to fruition is a team effort. "Thank you for your support, and the voters of North Carolina for approving Connect NC Bond and endorsing the state's commitment to public higher education," Brown said. "We also thank you for recognizing the importance of this 21st century facility and its role of increasing hands-on learning and research efforts to teach the next generation of scientists."

Other speakers included Bob Roberts, chair of the WCU Board of Trustees; Peter Hans, president of the University of North Carolina System; and state Sen. Phil Berger, president pro tempore.

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FOOTBALL Braves blank North Georgia Falcons to improve to 2-1

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. One Feather Staff

The Cherokee Braves (2-1) dominated a home game at Ray Kinsland Stadium against the North Georgia Falcons (1-2) on the evening of Friday, Sept. 3. Cherokee had 313 yards of total offense and held the Falcons to only 26 which included -26 rushing due to quarterback sacks.

Cherokee had 16 first downs to North Georgia's 4, and the Falcons turned the ball over three times including 1 fumble and 2 interceptions.

The Cherokee One Feather co-Players of the Game, as selected by the 104.1 FM broadcast team, were Don Bradley, senior quarterback, and Chase Calhoun, sophomore running back. Bradley was 2 of 4 for 19 yards and rushed the ball 7 times for 62 yards and 1 TD, and Calhoun rushed 8 times for 118 yards and 3 TDs. Bradley also had one of the interceptions in the game along with Raymond Bradley, sophomore. Elijah Watty, senior, had the fumble recovery for the Braves.

All of the scoring in the game was done in the first half with the Braves scoring 21 points in both the first and second quarters. Calhoun got things going with a 7-yard run just three minutes into the game. Mato Grant hit the extra point to give Cherokee an early 7-0 lead.

Watty ran in from one yard out at the 4:43 mark of the first followed by a 33-yard touchdown run by Calhoun just 9 seconds before the end of the quarter to give the Braves a 21-0 lead after one.



Cherokee's Chase Calhoun, Braves sophomore running back, runs in for a touchdown in the first half of the Braves' game against North Georgia at Ray Kinsland Stadium on the evening of Friday, Sept. 3. On the night, he was rushed 8 times for 118 yards and 3 TDs. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

Don Bradley ran 22 yards for this score at the 7:43 mark of the second. Following Watty's fumble recovery, the Braves took over and Watty ran in from one yard out again for his second of the day to give the Braves a 34-0 lead. Cherokee's defense continued to play hard during the quarter. Luke Climbingbear, Braves sophomore, and Luke Smith, freshman, both had big sacks on the Falcon's next possession to give Cherokee good field position again. Calhoun rounded out the game's scoring with a 19-yard run with 5:11 before the half. Cherokee converted the two-point conversion to make it 42-0 which is how the game would end.

The North Carolina High School Athletic Association mercy rule kicked in at the start of the third quarter, and the clock ran continuously for the entire second half.

The Braves' defense was led by Darius Saunooke with 5 tackles (2

solo, 3 assist) followed by Cameron Lane-Sampson 3 (2 solo, 1 assist, 1 sack) and Joey Hornbuckle 3 (1 solo, 2 assist). Luke Smith had three sacks on the evening.

The Braves next game vs. Rosman for Friday, Sept. 10 has been cancelled per Cherokee Central Schools Athletics. Watch the One Feather Facebook page for announcements on a possible replacement game for that date.



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Cherokee Stickball, or the medicine game, is the oldest game known to the Cherokee. The Animals played it before the Cherokee did. Today, the game is mostly played as exhibition matches between the different townships, during the annual Cherokee Indian Fair. The sticks are made out of hickory, and it is a long process from picking the right tree, down to making the net "scoop". The sticks pictured were made by Posey Long. Other notable makers were the late Beloved Man Dr. Jerry Wolfe, Garfield Long Sr., Garfield Axe-Long, Clement Calhoun, Sim Jessan, Davis Welch, Bill Reed, and Waylon Long.



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Cherokee Nation announces 2021 Cherokee National Treasures

TAHLEQUAH, Okla. — Three Cherokee Nation citizens have been named this year's Cherokee National Treasures for their work in preserving and promoting Cherokee art and culture. The Cherokee Nation Treasure status is an honor presented by the tribe to individuals who are keeping the art, language and culture alive through their crafts and work.

Danny McCarter, of Tahlequah, Okla.; Cathy Abercrombie, of Jay, Okla.; and Harry Oosahwee, of Tahlequah, Okla. were selected as the 2021 recipients and were honored during a virtual awards ceremony Thursday (Sept. 2) evening as part of the 69th annual Cherokee National Holiday celebration.

"The core of our identity as Cherokee people is Cherokee language, culture and heritage," Principal Chief Chuck Hoskin Jr. said. "That's why we are proud to honor the lifelong efforts of these three Cherokees. Each of them has excelled at promoting, as well as educating, the public about our Cherokee traditions, language and culture. Their work has furthered our culture to so many not just in our area, but across the globe as well. We are fortunate to have such outstanding ambassadors committed to keeping our Cherokee identity alive."

Danny McCarter is a blowgun and blowgun-dart maker. McCarter has an extensive knowledge of blowgun making. The history of its use was handed down to him by his brother in the 1980s at the Ancient Village at the Cherokee Heritage Center in Park Hill. Mc-Carter has worked at the Cherokee Heritage Center in Diligwa as a villager, tour guide, and historic



Shown right to left, Danny McCarter, of Tahlequah, Okla.; Cathy Abercrombie, of Jay, Okla.; and Harry Oosahwee, of Tahlequah, Okla. were selected as the 2021 recipients and were honored during a virtual awards ceremony Thursday (Sept. 2) evening as part of the 69th annual Cherokee National Holiday celebration.

interrupter. He still shares his wisdom of Cherokee history and culture at the Cherokee National History Museum in Tahlequah.

Cathy Abercrombie is a third-generation Cherokee loom weaver. She wove her first set of place mats at age 8. She developed her craft with help from her grandmother, Pearl Abercrombie. Abercrombie's talent is documenting, replicating, and preserving original Cherokee designs using historically accurate yarns for each decade. She also creates modern textiles with unique designs. Her children are also award-winning, fourth-generation weavers. Abercrombie's grandchildren are continuing the tradition on antique looms as well.

Harry Oosahwee is a selftaught artist and stone carver. He devotes much of his time to researching his proud Cherokee heritage. Oosahwee strives to accurately portray his tribal traditions and customs through the symbolism featured throughout his paintings and stone carvings. He has an extensive number of awards for his craftmanship. Most of Oosahwee's work can be found in private collections throughout the United States and abroad.

More than 100 Cherokees have been recognized as National Treasures by the Cherokee Nation since the late 1980s.

The Cherokee Nation also celebrated tribal citizens and organizations for their statesmanship, patriotism, community leadership and devotion to the tribe during the virtual ceremony. The Tribe also honored Apple, Google and Microsoft for helping to preserve the Cherokee language and expand its use globally through the use of technology.

"Each year, the Cherokee Nation pauses to pay recognition to Cherokee citizens, as well as our non-Native friends, who have worked tirelessly to promote and advance the efforts of the Cherokee Nation," said Principal Chief Chuck Hoskin Jr. "This year's honorees have gone above and beyond in their service both here on the Cherokee Nation Reservation, and around the world. Their efforts will have generational impacts. Congratulations to former Tribal Councilor Harley Buzzard for the Medal of Patriotism Award; to

Charlie Soap for the Statesmanship Award; to Jade Day, Channce Condit, Mary Flute-Cooksey Buzzard and Dr. Clint Carroll for the Community Leadership Individual Award; to the Marble City Food Pantry and Youth Services for the Community Leadership Organization Award; and to our friends at Google, Apple, and Microsoft for the Samuel Worcester Award. which is given to non-Cherokees who have made substantial contributions to preserving Cherokee heritage, culture, community and sovereignty. We are honored to have worked with each and every one of you, and we thank you for your service to the Cherokee people."

Medal of Patriotism Award

The Medal of Patriotism Award is given in recognition of those who answered the call of duty, made great sacrifices and risked their lives in service to Cherokee Nation and the United States of America, tirelessly defending and promoting freedom and liberty for Cherokees and all mankind.

• Harley Buzzard, of Eucha, Okla., is a Vietnam era veteran who

served from 1967-1970. He previously served as director of the Cherokee Nation water and sanitation program and director of the tribe's community infrastructure program, working to bring road improvements, clean water and better facilities throughout the reservation. He also served 12 years on the Council of the Cherokee Nation. In presenting the award, Chief Hoskin noted that Buzzard was known for asking tough but fair questions, always focused on making the work of the Cherokee Nation the best it could be. Buzzard also served on the National Inter-Tribal Association, the Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission Advisory Board, and many other organizations.

Statesman Award

The Statesman Award is given in recognition of those who, as public servants, epitomize the servant leader ideal, exemplifying Cherokee values and acting with respect, dignity and graciousness while working for the betterment of Cherokee Nation and its citizens.

 Charlie Soap, of Adair County, Okla., formerly served as the executive director of community services for the Cherokee Nation. He, along with his wife and former Principal Chief, Wilma Mankiller, worked tirelessly to create and improve water access in communities now serviced by the Cherry Tree Rural Water District, including the historic Bell waterline. That planning and work as a community organizer started in the early 1980s. In 2021, Principal Chief Hoskin signed the Wilma P. Mankiller and Charlie Soap Water Act, injecting needed funding and strategic planning into the tribe's efforts at increasing availability of clean water across the tribe's reservation.

Community Leadership Individual Award

The Community Leadership Individual Award is given in recognition of Cherokee Nation citizens who tirelessly have given, without hesitation, their time to make their communities more vibrant, livable places. Their example of servant leadership embodies Cherokee values, and is held in high esteem by their peers for strengthening the bonds of Cherokee Nation citizens. Jade Day, of Muskogee, Okla., advocates for increased awareness for rare diseases in Indian Country and the challenges patients and their families face. She was named by the National Organization for Rare Disorders and the Oklahoma Rare Action Network as an ambassador for Oklahoma to serve as liaison to state agencies, networks and officials to increase awareness of rare diseases and disorders. In February 2020, Chief Hoskin established the tribe's first rare disease committee, naming Day as a committee member.

• Channee Condit, of Modesto, Calif., serves as a field representative for the California State Assembly. He began his career in public service by assisting a record number of constituents for his office. His work has consistently demonstrated a commitment to community and a willingness to make a difference. In 2018, Condit was elected to the Ceres, California City Council, and in 2020, he was elected to the Stanislaus County, California Board of Supervisors. As his community has battled the COVID-19 pandemic, Condit has made public health awareness and highlighting the hard work of county employees a priority in his public outreach.

• Mary Flute-Cooksey Buzzard, of Flute Springs, Okla., has been guided by the Cherokee principle

of "Gadugi" throughout her life. She has served on the Elder Advisory Board of Muskogee for more than 15 years and has assisted Cherokee Nation in many roles, including her service on the Council of the Cherokee Nation and working for Cherokee Nation Elder Services. Recently, she volunteered in a door-to-door effort that brought fresh produce to many households in the Marble City area, and even as COVID-19 has impacted the reservation, she has led her organization in continuing its growth, and has spearheaded capital projects at the community center.

• Dr. Clint Carroll, of Longmont, Colo., has worked closely with Cherokee Nation for more than 20 years, assuring that Cherokee traditions can be practiced, respected and preserved. Dr. Carroll has been continually active with ethnobotany research and preservation and the Medicine Keepers, a project that shares Cherokee traditions by connecting Cherokee youth and elders.

Community Leadership Organization Award

The Community Leadership Organization Award is given in recognition of Cherokee Nation communities that have demonstrated the spirit of working together through servant leadership, as well as applying Cherokee values to make their communities a better place for Cherokee Nation citizens.

• Marble City Food Pantry and Youth Services is a community-based organization providing critical resources in the Marble City community and Sequoyah County. The organization was an important partner during Cherokee Nation's COVID-19 emergency food distribution program, and assisted in distributing hundreds of food boxes in their community. Their volunteers are passionate about bringing food security to Cherokee citizens and neighbors. **Samuel Worcester Award** The Samuel Worcester Award is given to non-Cherokees who have made substantial contributions to the preservation of Cherokee heritage, culture, community and sovereignty.

• Dr. Craig Cornelius has worked in internationalization at Google since 2007, and introduced the Cherokee Nation Language Department to the engineering team at Google, which has led to many advancements in Cherokee language technology. Google Search and Gmail support the Cherokee syllabary thanks to the efforts of Dr. Cornelius, and an open-source Cherokee font is also available on millions of Android phones and tablets around the world.

• Peter Lofting collaborated, as lead font developer for Apple, with Cherokee Nation's Language Department to incorporate the Cherokee Syllabary into Apple's mobile devices and computer systems. The fonts he developed allow every Apple device in the world to support the Cherokee syllabary. Peter shares recognition with the late Steve Jobs, whose legacy lives on in his wife Laurene Powell Jobs.

• Don Lionetti joined the Microsoft Corporation in 2002 and established the company's vertical tribal government and gaming market. As director of sales, Lionetti leads a team that provides solutions for Native American tribal government, gaming and Alaska Native organizations across the country. He is passionate about technology and helping Native American clients discover solutions that gain efficiencies and provide better service for constituents and stakeholders.

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Jalee Monique Panther

Jalee Panther, 19-year-old daughter of Jamie Panther and Jami Kirkland, born July 2, 2002 passed away on Tuesday, Aug. 24, 2021.

She is survived by her sisters, Marla Panther, Timbi Panther; brother, McKyan Panther; paternal grandma, Gail P. Long; paternal grandpa, James Welch; great grandma, Katherine Panther; uncles, Deino, Rod, Delbert, Steven, Chris, Leroy, Jorge, Chuck,

LocDad (as she knew him), Davis, Mickey, Joe, Charlie, Abraham, Tommy, and Emerson; aunts, Sally Davis, Melitia Lossiah (Soberio), Hattie Milholen (Mike), Carrie, Mattie, Sharon, and Kerra; special aunts, Elisha Wildcat and Erin Kirkland, both of whom were like a mom to her.

Jalee was preceded in death by her maternal grandma, Diane Wildcatt; aunt, Lucy Wildcatt; uncles, Johnson Lee Wildcatt, Abraham Wildcatt, Jack Wildcatt; cousin, Deedee Wildcatt; and uncles, Jesse Welch and Sam Welch.

Jalee was a cheerful, loving, and compassionate person with a beautiful smile that could light up your soul. She loved to travel and enjoyed spending time with family. She was a wonderful big sister who loved her siblings. She enjoyed doing beadwork and making baskets as taught by Louise Goings. She was also a cheerleader, basketball, and softball player. She enjoyed playing sports. Jalee was one to make you laugh. She would try to scare somebody if she didn't scare herself first. Jalee will be remembered for her gentleness, grace, and kindness. She brought so much love and joy to our family and we will miss her dearly.

Funeral services were held on Monday, Aug. 29 at the Big Cove Baptist Church with Scott Chekelelee and Dan Conseen officiating. Burial was in the Straight Fork Cemetery. Pallbearers were Deino, Delbert, Rod, McKyan, Steven, LocDad, and Byron.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

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University professor makes annual fall color prediction for mountains

CULLOWHEE – Beverly Collins, Western Carolina University's fall color forecaster, announced her bold predictions this week that leaf looking season this year will be pleasant and reasonably colorful in the region.

A WCU biology professor, Collins combines her knowledge of forest ecology with weather observations to evaluate the potential of the upcoming season, known to draw thousands of visitors and residents alike into higher elevations to see the surrounding natural beauty.

"Our warm, wet weather this summer and fall, along with tropical storms moving through the area, could put a little damper on fall color this year," said Collins.



"Although the National Weather Service predicts near normal temperatures and a wetter than average September, the 90-day period through November is predicted to be warmer than average.

"All the above may combine to bring on color a little earlier in some species and a little later in others, with spottier bright reds and yellows, and a less pronounced peak in late October at WCU's elevation. On the bright side, the mid- and late fall colors may last longer, into November around campus, and later in October at higher elevations," she said. "Thus, our color season may run from late September well into November from high to low elevations and north to south in Western North Carolina – unless a late storm knocks the leaves off the trees, of course."

As with any forecast, there are margins for variations. Collins explained that trees' leaf colors are a mixture of yellow, orange and red pigments that are revealed as photosynthesis and chlorophyll production wind down. These pigments, especially the yellow and orange, play a role in photosynthesis and, along with the red pigment, help protect the plant from stresses; for example, when there is drought, when it's bright and hot, or under high UV conditions.

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Circle of Support Groups

Analenisgi is offering groups, <u>for friends and family of our adult</u> <u>clients</u>, focused on providing education and support to our community.

There are two groups that will be offered:

Mondays @ 12pm - 1pm Support group focused on Substance Abuse

Thursdays @ 4:30pm - 5:30pm Support Group focused on Mental Health

- Both groups will be located in the Rivercane room located across from the Analenisgi lobby and front desk.
- Masks are required and we will be social distancing during the group.
- You can enter through the Analenisgi entrance before 4:30pm, or the main hospital entrance, before 4:30pm.

For more information, please contact Jennifer Holling at 828.497.9163 ext. 7528



by Freddy Groves

Veterans Village Making Progress

The first customer to purchase one of the tiny homes was a town police officer who'd been sent to investigate a complaint about the parking lot being full of construction materials.

"I own the lot," said Sarge.

The officer nodded. "Then do what you want."

He stepped over to the first tiny home and peeked in. Within a half hour, the officer had chosen his flooring and exterior cladding, signed a purchase agreement and put down a cash deposit, the \$17 he had in his pocket.

David, the homeless veteran foreman of the Veterans Village project, stood gripping the \$17 after the officer left.

"I've just sold my first tiny home," he said to Sarge, amazed and stunned. "He'll be back tomorrow with a cashier's check for the whole thing."

Sarge patted him on the shoulder and headed into the coffee shop, where he pulled out his phone and punched in some numbers.

By 10 o'clock the next morning, the second tiny home was also sold, full of custom extras.

By noon, David was at the counter in the coffee shop, Sarge at his elbow, while he tapped frantically at a calculator and consulted a notebook of costs. "Can this be right? Is this possibly be

right?"

Sarge checked the math, tapping the calculator: sales prices minus cost of materials, minus carpenter wages, minus, minus, minus, until he hit grand total.

"That's right."

David slumped onto a stool. "Sell two more tiny homes and I'll be able to put something down on that land," he said, "before it's gone."

Sarge ran a hand down his jaw, considering the secret he'd been keeping. Then he pulled a much-folded savings bank statement from his back pocket and handed it to David.

"This is from the old vets here," Sarge said, "plus their families, plus many others, plus a state grant, to help you get Veterans Village started. For you to buy the land and pay cash. You'll own it outright."

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS



Cherokee Bear Harvest

The bear season is now open and will run through Dec. 31.

The following is a message from Cherokee Natural Resources, "Hunters play an essential role in collecting management information for sustainable bear populations. However, we average about three harvest submissions per year and the numbers are not sufficient to inform our management. Please report your take to Cherokee Natural Resources along with the

first premolar tooth (or allow us to extract it) to determine age. Please freeze or keep other samples on ice that could decompose. If possible, keep an eraser sized (or bigger) piece of meat frozen for us. We will also wish to collect weight, location, sex, and the effort it took to harvest (number of hunters in party and hours put in). These data will help us understand how important hunting is to bears and how it keeps damage issues in check. There will be a \$500 draw from those that submit samples and information."

Submit samples and information to their office at 1840 Painttown Road, next to Cherokee Bingo. Info: 359-6110 or email ebcifw@gmail.com

- Cherokee Natural Resources release

SCC cancels annual gala; silent auction goes virtual

SYLVA – Due to rising COVID-19 cases in western North Carolina, Southwestern Community College officials have decided to cancel this year's "Boots, Blue Jeans & Bling" gala that had been scheduled for the second Saturday in September at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort.

"This was an extremely difficult decision," said Dr. Don Tomas, SCC's President. "A record number of people and organizations had already committed to attending, and we were all very much looking forward to a fun, relaxed evening at Harrah's Events Center in support of our students. However, our top priority must always be public safety.

"We remain hopeful that this pandemic will end soon so that we can get back together," Dr. Tomas added. "We look forward to celebrating our commitment to giving students a hand-up so that they can change their lives at SCC."

In place of the in-person gala, Southwestern will share a short video with those who made plans to attend the gala. The event's silent auction will be held virtually starting at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 7, and concluding at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 14. To register for the silent auction, visit: www. southwesterncc.edu/gala.

Individuals and organizations who already made reservations for the gala or sponsored tables may have their gift directed in support of SCC student scholarships and receive a 100-percent tax credit for the donation. Alternatively, they can receive a refund if requested by Sept. 20.

This would have been SCC's seventh fundraising gala to support student scholarships. Over the years, the annual event has raised more than \$400,000 to help students achieve their educational goals at Southwestern.

"We are grateful to everyone who served on our SCC Gala Planning Committee and for the many friends and supporters who've made this possible, including our loyal and extremely generous underwriting sponsor - Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort - and General Manager, Brooks Robinson," said Wendy LeMay, who co-chairs the committee with Lambert Wilson.

Wilson, who is also Chairman of the SCC Board of Trustees, added: "There is no way to measure how many students' lives have been changed through our supporters' generosity, and we are eager to continue the momentum we've built."

Among this year's scholarship recipients is Andrew Eastep, a student in Southwestern's Physical Therapist Assistant program.

"This scholarship is wildly important for the continuation of my education," said Eastep, who received the Daniel May Finish Line Scholarship. "The pandemic brought financial insecurity and hardship, but this scholarship will ease the financial burden that comes along with studying for a new career."

To contact the SCC Foundation, call Kathy Posey 339.4227 or email her at k_posey@southwesterncc.edu.

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Senior Citizens Heating Assistance applications

Applications for the 2022 heating season will be available at Tsali Manor on Monday, Sept. 13 via drive-thru. Applications will be available Monday through Friday after 1 p.m. each day.



Fuel applications will be handed out at the drive-thru. Please stay in your car, and the applications will be brought out to you. They can be returned Monday through Friday after 1 p.m.

The deadline for applications is March 31, 2022. If you will be 59 ¹/₂ by March 31, 2022, you are eligible for services upon turning 59 ¹/₂. If you are applying for electric heating assistance, please attach a current billing statement. The heating season ends on April 30, 2022.

If you have further question, call 359-6860.

- Tsali Manor release

"Dracula" to sink his teeth into Mountainside Theatre

On Friday, Oct. 1, Mountainside Theatre will host the world premiere of "Dracula: The Failings of Men," written by debut playwright Benedetto Robinson. The production is an original work by Havoc Movement Company that will be joining the Cherokee Historical Association for the fall season.

Directed by Havoc's co-founder Jake Guinn, a long-time veteran of outdoor drama, the show features a cast packed with livestunt powerhouses as well as aerial effects that have been designed to bring the vampires to (supernatural) life. The story begins as a ghost ship washes ashore near London in 1897 and an ancient evil goes searching for blood. "Dracula" is an action-horror reimagining of the classic Bram Stoker novel as an immersive show. The audience will literally walk alongside Ada Van Helsing as she battles against the darkness in this high-action adaptation. Masks will be required for all attendees.

Performances will run from

Oct 1-31. Tickets are \$30 or \$20 for members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. VIP Experiences are available for an extra \$20.

Started in 2018 by Jake Guinn, Jake Scott-Hodes, and Kristen Noonan, Havoc Movement Company offers theatre poised to enrich the Southeast community with adventurous art! Havoc works with movement artists, local and abroad, to create compelling and unique performances, drawing from multiple movement disciplines to devise refreshing theatrical experiences for all audiences.

Purchase tickets here: https:// www.cherokeehistorical.org/ dracula/

- Cherokee Historical Association release

NATIONAL PARK NEWS

Park to host hands-on volunteer opportunities in September

Great Smoky Mountains National Park staff are hosting several volunteer workdays in September on trails throughout the Park. These opportunities are ideal for people who enjoy hiking and hands-on work in a beautiful setting. Volunteer service will take place alongside experienced Park staff and will help preserve the 848 miles of maintained trails throughout the Park.

Volunteers will help repair erosion control features, cut back overgrown vegetation, and perform general trail tread maintenance on sections of trail. Workdays will be held on Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in North Carolina on Sept. 8, 15, and 22 and in Tennessee on Sept. 2 and 9. In addition, a special opportunity will be held in North Carolina on Saturday, Sept. 25, in honor of National Public Lands Day.

For the trail workdays, volunteers must be able to safely hike while carrying tools up to four miles per day and be prepared to perform strenuous, manual labor. After receiving proper training, participants will be expected to safely use hand tools such as shovels, rakes, loppers, and hand picks. Minimum age of participants is 16. Those under 18 must be accompanied by a responsible parent or guardian. Pre-registration is required as space will be limited. Please contact Trails and Facilities Volunteer Coordinator Adam Monroe 497-1949 or adam_monroe@nps.gov for workday details and to register.

Staff and volunteers continue to follow Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidance and National Park Service policy in efforts to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Currently, individuals are required to wear a mask in crowded outdoor locations when six-foot physical distancing cannot be maintained. Volunteers will need to wear boots or sturdy closed toed shoes, long pants, and appropriate layers for inclement weather. Volunteers should bring a day pack with food, water, rain gear and any other personal gear for the day. The Park will provide instruction, necessary safety gear, and tools.

Interested volunteers can also contact Monroe to learn about additional volunteer opportunities throughout the year including the self-led, 'Adopt-a-Trail' program. For more information about the volunteering in the Park, please visit the Park website at https:// www.nps.gov/grsm/getinvolved/ volunteer.htm.

- National Park Service release

Opportunity to Harvest Hay in Oconaluftee Fields

Great Smoky Mountains National Park officials announced an opportunity for interested parties to harvest hay though an agricultural Special Park Use permit in fields adjacent to the Oconaluftee Visitor Center and along Newfound Gap Road near Smokemont Campground. These fields, comprised of five parcels totaling 53 acres, are kept open to preserve the cultural landscape associated with the early 1900s.

Agricultural use of the fields is restricted to having operations. The permittee will be authorized to sell, trade, or barter the hay harvested under the authority of the permit. Agricultural Special Park Use agreements are a tool used to preserve the open, pastoral appearance of the land without attempting to reproduce, on a large scale, a replica of the agricultural fields that existed when the park was established. Preventing reforestation of these areas maintains the scenic views of the valley and mountain panoramas, along with providing a foreground for historic structures at the Oconaluftee Mountain Farm Museum.

Anyone interested in learning more about this unique opportunity is encouraged to reach out to the Agricultural Special Park Use program lead, Jamie Sanders, at jamie_sanders@nsp.gov or (865) 436-1296. Applications and permit conditions may be obtained through the Agricultural Permitting office. All interested individuals must submit an application by Sept. 15.

- National Park Service release

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Event planning in the COVID-19 universe

By ROBERT JUMPER

One Feather Editor

I would like to comment on our recent survey question about conducting public events during the resurgence of the coronavirus. There are mixed emotions in our community about the cancellation of a full-blown Cherokee Indian Fair. It is the second year in a row, after decades of fall festivals, that we have had to close one of our most anticipated events.

There is a myth or two to dispel about the Fair. Some think that it was created as a homecoming or gathering time for our people, and not for tourists, which documentation seems to contradict. In the "Cherokee Heritage Trails Guidebook", written by Barbara Duncan and Brett H. Riggs, the following is said about the creation of the Cherokee Indian Fair, "During the early part of the century, logging and farming provided income and subsistence, but the tribe also turned to tourism as a source of income. The first Cherokee Fall Fair, in 1914, was subsidized by the tribal council specifically to encourage tourism."

There have been several comments from readers that the Fair was appropriated from the community to make money and was given over as a tourism attraction. Historically, that is simply not the case. Our people, back in the day, created the Cherokee Fall Festival literally to attract outsiders as a way of getting additional income and therefore subsistence.

That is not to say that we, the community, don't come and gather



Members of the Kolanvyi Youth Indian Ball team lets out a yell during the annual Cherokee Indian Fair Parade on Oct. 12, 2019. Due to COVID-19, the 2020 Fair was cancelled and tribal officials announced this past week that the 2021 Fair is also cancelled for public safety reasons. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

at the Fair. In addition to being a tourism attraction, the dates of the Fair have been times that our families plan big reunions and certainly many, many of our people attend, especially when, several years back, Tribal Council voted tribal members no longer needed to pay for a ticket to get into the Fair. And since, at the time the decision was made, about half of the attendees to the Fair were tribal members, it caused a significant loss of revenue. And since it had been common practice to provide passes to community members who placed entries in the contests held by the Agricultural Extension office and Qualla Arts & Crafts, entries fell off drastically because it was no longer necessary to submit an entry to get in free to the Fair. Without a doubt, community attendance at the Fair accounts for more than half of the people there. I doubt that any of our health offi-

cials, government leaders, or event coordinators took great pleasure in the announcement that in-person attendance at the Fair could not be. They are community members too and they have families who also enjoy gathering for the Fall Festival. In fact, I imagine many were broken-hearted at the prospect of a second year without the Fair.

The latest variant of COVID-19, called Delta, by all accounts, is the most contagious form to date. Another myth that has spread, kind of like a virus, is that somehow, the vaccine has failed because a lot of people took it, and a few have gotten the virus in spite of vaccination. But, if you think logically and listened carefully, the message from the medical community was not that the vaccines would eliminate the ability to contract the virus. What they said was that it reduced your chances of getting the virus and if you did get the virus, your symptoms would be greatly reduced. It is illogical for anyone to believe that any vaccine could completely eliminate the potential for infection, particularly when we were told that we need 70 percent of our population to vaccinate in order to prevent what is happening now. We, as a community, never hit the target and still haven't, but we have lived like we did. And the result has been a relapse into mask mandates and closures.

The tourists are an easy target when the COVID-19 numbers start going up. "It's those dang tourists coming in here and giving everybody COVID." But again, we need to take a logical approach to how and why our community might be seeing a surge in COVID-19 cases. And again, we have been told by our medical community what the likelihood is that COVID-19 is being spread to us by tourists or if it is coming from our own community.

In a July 22, 2020 interview conducted by Chris McCoy and published by the Cherokee One Feather, Dr. Richard Bunio, Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority executive clinical director, was asked the following: "There's been people calling for the border to close and upset about tourists potentially bringing the virus to our people. Am I more likely to get the virus from someone coming into town to visit than I am going to a friend's BBQ?"

He responded, "So we actually started looking at this because we knew that the community was concerned about tourism. So, there are a couple of different factors here. How likely are you to get near a tourist? Me, not very. I may pass by them in the grocery store, but I am not going to spend a whole lot of time with them. So, I think the risk there is pretty low. But, if I am going to a friend's BBQ, unless I am wearing my mask and keeping my distance, I think that is actually a higher risk. We looked at all the positive cases that we've had and about 25 percent of the cases are related to people in the same household. So, no tourists there. Another 25 percent are related to these gatherings - cookouts, some funerals. And then there is another 50 percent that we call community spread where somebody tests positive - we don't know where they got it. Could it have been a tourist? Maybe, but I think we have to ask ourselves, aside from the casino, how often do tourists really interact with us less than six

feet for more than 15 minutes? So, I think the risk is pretty low and this is where we are; the virus is everywhere. We are probably just as likely to give it to a tourist as they are to give it to us. It depends on where they come from too. People coming from high-risk areas could be a little bit concerning. You know, even when we closed the border, we didn't stop people in Cherokee from traveling back and forth. I think the community can take some credit for keeping us in this yellow zone. One person in a big gathering, that is where the risk is."

What is the big risk of infection at the Fair? Not necessarily the tourists. It is our family and friends. It is the people we would welcome into our comfort zone. For our community, we look at the Cherokee Indian Fair as a big family gathering. It is unique in the events that we produce as a Tribe. Nowhere do we congregate like we do at the Fair. And congregation invites contagion when it comes to COVID-19. As Dr. Bunio said, the likelihood that I am going to invite a tourist, a stranger, to get close to me is very low. But a cherish friend or family member is a whole other story.

I commend EBCI Destination Marketing in making a very difficult and heart-wrenching decision at the advice of our Public Health Service. As they analyze the other events on their schedules, I believe that they will try to balance community desires with health risks and come up with plans that will make the best of a bad situation. It is a dirty job, but someone has to do it.



Happy to share a story of what can be done if we all work together. As puppies tend to do, little Ricky got hold of a piece of an ear of corn and took too big of a bite. The cob caused a bowel blockage requiring immediate and expensive surgery or Ricky stood to lose his life. Advocates for Animals of WNC stepped in and mounted a campaign to raise the funds. Within 24 hours, the organization posted the following: "THANK YOU to everyone out there that donated for Ricky. He had his surgery today because YOU made it possible. He did well for his procedure, and is on his way back home with his family. Here are photos post surgery, and him posing with one of the AWESOME staff of the Cherokee Animal Care Clinic. His family is THRILLED to have him home and feeling better. Once we receive photos from the family, we will post those as well. We are so happy AND relieved for this sweet puppy and his family who love him very much. His surgery was \$1589.12, his family was able to pay \$300, which left \$1,289.12. YOU ALL donated \$1,145.00, and the balance was covered from our current funds. THANK YOU from the bottom of our hearts!!!!"

HAVE A HEART SO THAT OTHER HEARTS DON'T STOP BEATING.



One Feather Questions of the Week:

Is it appropriate to have other public events in light of the decision to cancel this year's Cherokee Indian Fair due to COVID-19?

Devan Winkler: No, it is also inappropriate to still have the casino open for strangers while canceling everything for the locals!

Brenda Monceaux: No, it's not. I understand because of COVID. We look forward to gatherings. It's part of our history, our DNA, to gather as one. It will be missed again this year. Everyone stay safe and blessed.

Wes Young: Shut them down too! Codi Swayney: I say if we are going to have a rodeo outside, then what's the problem of having the Fair this year? Also, whomever is over booking the Fair needs to reach out to other amusement companies to get better quality in rides and that are not meth or geeked out.

Ashley Sessions: Absolutely not! Don't pick and choose – cancel everything!

Ashley Ledford: I don't see the logic in canceling the Fair but still going on with the Rodeo. So, I guess my answer would be no. There is more room at the Fairgrounds than the room at the Rodeo. And, both events are outdoors.

Benny-Kitaira Welch: My thing is why take away the only fun stuff these kids have to go to to go ahead with the Rodeo? Sounds to me like it's pick and choose what the Council wants – no one else matters. Susan Crowe: Not sure why they are having a Rodeo this weekend and canceled the Fair next month. The Rodeo should've been canceled too.

Sarah Bruneel: No, if they shut down (one), then they should shut them all down. It's only fair.

Ned and Stephanie Welch: No. Why is Chief and Council worried about catering to the tourists yet could care less if there is anything for the locals? If they're going to allow one outside event, then why not allow the other? It's outside. Let the adults and kids have the week they all look forward to whether it's the rides, games, exhibits, or food. It's what we look forward to. And, it doesn't smell like horse and cow manure.

Karen Hensley: If you have one, you have all.

Juanita Curtis: Cancel all and everything. This COVID is on the rise again and killing people.

Lisa M. Young: I think all events should be canceled. If one event is a worry, they all should be. It is so sad the Indian Fair is canceled, but I really think it should be all of them if that is what has been decided for the Fair.

Tina Hyatt: I'm inclined to say no because the safety issue is the same. But, that's just one opinion.

Joe Bird: No, we should have the Fair.

Eddie Swimmer: No, still having all these other outside events and sporting events. What is the thinking?

Mykel Lossiah: If we are being

honest, this Tribe is hurting right now due to COVID. Sickness and death around every corner no matter how you look at it so no.

Kevin George: If we can't have fun, they shouldn't either.

Bambi Armachain Sneed: Numbers are going up – cancel them all.

Sue Bradley Hornbuckle: Cancel everything until COVID cases stop rising.

Susan Dixon Leading Fox: A decision needs to be made that is across the board. However, polling places are open with crowds. Why was the decision not made to conduct drive through or mail-in voting? Funerals and weddings are still occurring. Either we, as a Tribe, get serious about protecting each other or not.

Edge EJ Warren: There's a large public event every single day and night right in the middle of Cherokee at the casino! I guess we just care about money more than people's lives!

Candi Waldroup: I think if the Fair is going to be canceled, then so should sports. I don't see any difference in people sitting at football games or sitting in the stands at the Fair.

Heather Dawn Rednour: They're not for the people. They're for the outsides and money in their pockets. They could care less about community and we, as a people! I'm ashamed. Everything about the Fall Festival is what we wait on all year. What, you're not going to honor your elders by having lunch and also honor the children by letting them know we're standing as a nation for them. But, no, let's have a rodeo.

Mariah Mahan: Just my opinion but working with Marketing and knowing what goes on behind the scenes of the Fair, it will be a lot to have the Fair and keep people safe and sanitized - especially the elders. I agree it doesn't make sense to have other events, but this is a five-day event and a whole lot more people.

Ann Warner: We tried re-opening. People went dumb and didn't mask up. Cancel all indoor events.

Kim Sneed Lambert: No, absolutely not. If we have other public events don't those people stay in our hotels, eat in our restaurants, frequent the shops and gas stations? What's the difference? Or, are they saying we can only give it to each other and that the tourists don't have it?

Jordan Mackenzie Kielson: No, you shouldn't just pick and choose what events to have. if you are going to cancel one for COVID, you should take those same precautions for all events.

Kathy Calabrese: Is it appropriate to cancel any outdoor activity? Probably not - especially with all the other activities still going on, and this event being for the people.

Johnny Dover: Shouldn't cancel anything.

Lee Coe: I know you have a huge event coming up next weekend and would love to be there but with caution I am staying home. My opinion is you have to do what's best for the Reservation and the families; whichever way benefits them most. Money from an event isn't everything. I say let the people of Cherokee vote and whichever way the vote falls stick with that.

Qualla Nelson: No...it doesn't make any sense to have any event right now. It's a double standard to cancel one event whilst hosting other public events. No events or gatherings should be held right now.

Lisa Kirkland: No...if you can't safely have the Fair then don't have the other stuff. If one is not safe, then the others are not either. Protect the elderly and everyone in the community by cancelling all large gatherings. Keep our families safe.

Derek Tahquette: There is no sin-

gle right answer to fit every situation. I'm not sure if I think they should all be cancelled or if they should be evaluated on a case-bycase basis.

Ronda Calhoun: No! If the Fair is canceled, then all other events should be canceled. At the rate that people are having to quarantine, I think all events should be canceled and maybe shut us down for a spell because it's our babies getting sick now.

Tammy Cucumber: I don't see why an outdoor event is being cancelled when people are packed in the casino on weekends. I'm still wondering why the Bingo hasn't been opened back up. Our locals need stuff to do besides the casino. I agree if you cancel one then all should be canceled.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Tribal member is now chair of Swain Board of Elections

Congratulations to newly sworn-in members of the Swain County Board of Elections. Hannah Smith, an attorney and member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, was appointed chair by Governor Cooper. Also serving are Mary K. Buranosky, Jeramy Shuler, Jim Nations, and Linda Sawyer.

The Board selected the first Tuesday of each month for their 5 p.m. meetings at their office on Highway 19 South in Bryson City. (Note that the next meeting has been postponed until Sept. 14 after staff members were exposed to COVID.) With few exceptions, these meetings are open to the public, according to the state's open meetings law. That law requires public notice two weeks in advance of regularly scheduled meetings. In Swain County, notice is posted on the county's website. A printed notice is placed on the Election Board's office door. For a small fee, individuals can request notice by mail or an e-mail for free. The media also can request notice of meetings. If the meeting schedule is changed, the new schedule must be announced at least seven days in advance. Notice of official, non-regular meetings must be given 48 hours in advance. Emergency meetings require notification of the media after board members are called to consider an issue requiring immediate attention, and only that issue can be considered at the emergency session. At a time when election decisions are receiving intense scrutiny, it is good to know that anyone interested in the work of county elections boards can attend their meetings and observe what's going on. Signed, Leila Tvedt Hyde, Voter and poll worker



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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speaking of faith Purity of heart motive can bring good accountability desired

By REV. TIMOTHY L. MELTON, PASTOR

(Transcribed by Myra D. Colgate) Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church

Read 1 Peter 3:12, John 9:31

God knows where you are and what you are doing at all times. His ears are open unto our prayers. Angels are sent to record our every word which we are now speaking. We will give an account of every word and its real motive we have been expressing and every thought we have thought, as He cares about every word and every prayer we pray.

It is the spoken words that create things, so they should take on the very Nature of God. The Earth will even begin to obey you, especially when one takes dominion over the Earth and speaks God's Words concerning it. Believe God for it and confess it out of your mouth. Pray the Word as you are now believing it and are in agreement with what is said.

Calling upon His Name is not to be thought of as an "abracadabra" moment. One should realize that if they are already walking in His Name. The devil himself can't see us, where we are, because we are covered in the Glory of God. This happens and becomes real to us as we pray. The devil already knows this, and we begin to know, as God gives us the very desires of our hearts and continues answering our prayers.

He is our Good Friend and Father. It is always better if He hears regularly from us, His sons or daughters, and not asked so much with the "taken-for-granted" expressions, like the "I wants," or the "gimmes." Better results will happen when we choose to talk it over with Him from our having a regular and loving relationship with Him. Better results will also come from timing these requests long before we might have to ask Him for something big or that may be very important to us. A lot of times, because He is so Good, and already knows our futures, God can actually send us our answers before we might have any knowledge of a possible need!

God always is against evil of any sort. We can see this for ourselves, particularly within our own weakened areas of possible besetting sins, or even in any addictions which He abhors simply because it can take our life away from us, or it makes everyone around us miserable, too. We must have begun to realize it is usually where He may still have to be showing up, helping us to bring in a definitive change in our behaviors and thinking.

He may be working on each of us who have a need to come up higher in our own thinking and acting better. Time does seem to have sped up, and knowing there will be an accountability judgment, which we each will have to face standing there before Him. We each will have to stand before a Holy, Holy Holy God whether we are ready—and liking it or not, it will happen. Get ready now while there's still time.

The Lord's ears are always open to the prayers of the righteous. We are not to pray in vain. We are also not to be asking amiss, either. We should not be thinking of asking for a million dollars if we can't manage or handle the money for paying the rent, or buying gas or food for our households. Could it be the everyday type of decisions we are making today that could be keeping Cherokee from having a revival right now?

Jesus came to set us free from sin and the long list of laws and regulations found in the Old Testament. Christ came to truly set us free from those rules and methods for being saved or special conditions for growing. Thanks to Him, we are now free to live our lives-unselfishly for others and for serving the Lord. Because faith expresses itself through love, one can check their level of faith by their love for God and for each other, and by truly serving and loving them. This is the gateway to successful living-by the serving of others. Faith is the creative force of God that operates only by love. Hebrews 11:3-4. God's kind of love is to be unconditional and limitless in scope. Read Luke 6:27-32, taken from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount.



Detail of "The Second Day of the Creation" by M. C. Escher, 1925

Thus God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament; and it was so. And God called the firmament Heaven. So the evening and the morning were the second day.

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VISITING THE

by Linda Thistle



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BIBLE TRIVIA by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Joel in the Old Testament or New Testament or neither? 2. What was the Lord's answer when Peter asked, "How oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him"? Once, Thrice, Seven, 70 times seven

3. What's the only book of the Bible (KJV) in which the name of God is not mentioned? Ruth, Ezra, Esther, Amos 4. From Judges 14, what man offered 30 changes of garments for solving a riddle? Moses, Samson, Peter, Solomon

5. To what city was Saul traveling near when he heard the voice of Jesus? Antioch, Damascus, Paphos, Rome

 From 1 Kings 4, how many governors did King Solomon have? 12, 61, 100, 192

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1. TELEVISION: What is Yogi Bear's home in the animated "The Yogi Bear Show"?

GAMES: How many answers are possible in the Magic 8-Ball game?

3. LITERATURE: What is the Grinch's home in "How the Grinch Stole Christmas!"?

 GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is a penny mostly made of?

5. GEOGRAPHY: What is the only country that borders the United Kingdom?

6. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What kind of creature is a mandrill?

 MOVIES: Which rock group does The Dude hate in "The Big Lebowski"?
 FOOD & DRINK: In which

decade did the first Taco Bell open? 9. MUSIC: Which city is the setting for Eminem's "8 Mile"?

10. AD SLOGANS: What product is advertised as being "good to the last drop"?

APPENINGS contact info to scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov.

Event listings are free of charge. Send your event name, date and time, location, and

EVENTS **BENEFITS/FUNDRAISERS**

Hospice Promise Foundation

Charity Golf Tournament. Sept. 25 at Sequoyah National Golf Club. Registration at 7:30 a.m.; Shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Registration is \$90/player or \$360/foursome and includes range balls, green fees, golf cart, drink ticket (non-alcoholic drink), and beverage cart on course. This is a benefit for Hospice Promise Foundation. Info: Angela Toomey 356-4985, angela.toomey@lhcgroup.com

CULTURAL EVENTS

Sequoyah Birthplace Museum to host Cherokee Fall Festival

VONORE, Tenn. - The Sequoyah Birthplace Museum, Tennessee's only tribally-owned museum, will host its 30th annual Cherokee Fall Festival on Sept. 11-12 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

Visitors will have the opportunity to step back in time to experience Native American food, Cherokee arts and crafts demonstrations, music, and dance. In the Museum, there will be demonstrations of the 1800's Acorn Printing Press, printing special bicentennial Cherokee Syllabary. A blacksmith will be doing on-site demonstrations in the shop both days. Other demonstrations and displays will include Cherokee life in 1700's and a Civil War encampment. There will be a Civil War battle re-enactment at 2 p.m.

This year's theme will be "Celebrating 200 years of Cherokee Literacy". Visitors will be able to meet and talk with Cherokees from the Cherokee Nation in Oklahoma and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in North Carolina. Special entertainment will be provided by the Warrior Dancers of Ani-Kituhwa who are the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians official ambassadors. Check out the reconstructed 1800's dog-trot log cabin. Also, there will be Cherokee cooking demonstrations by Johnnie Sue Myers and Civil War gun display.

There will be free Cherokee name cards and bead kits available for children. Traditional Indian Fry bread and Indian tacos, and other food and drinks will be sold.

This event is funded in part by **Tennessee Arts Commission Rural** Arts Program Grant and the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians. Tickets prices include: Adults \$10, children 13-18 years old \$5, and children 12 and under are free. A family rate for \$25 is also available. Info: Sequoyah Birthplace Museum (423) 884-6246

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.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

cccra-nc.org

Swain County Democratic Party Whittier-Cherokee precinct via Zoom scheduled for Sept. 14 has been cancelled.

Fireside Sobriety Circle. Sept. 9-12 at the Yogi in the Smokies Campground in Cherokee. NA/AA/ AL-Anon speakers, talking circles, meetings, sobriety pow wow, and

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a sobriety countdown. Pre-registration until Aug. 31 is \$45/person (kids 10 and under are free, ages 11-17 are \$20). Price includes tent and campsite for three nights. Price at the gate is \$50. Info: Herb W. 506-8563, email firesidecircle@ gmail.com

Swain County Democratic Party Monthly Meeting. Sept. 14 at 7 p.m. at United Community Bank (rear entrance) at 145 Slope Street in Bryson City. This meeting will be held both in-person (please bring a mask) and via Zoom. The discussion will include precinct reports, future plans, and goals. Call for a link to join the virtual meeting. All are welcome. Info: Justine Greene 736-4693

Book Reading and Signing



ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) 70 times seven; 3) Esther; 4) Samson; 5) Damascus; 6) 12



Answers

- 1. Jellystone Park
- 2.20
- 3. Mount Crumpit
- Zinc coated with copper Ireland
- 6. A monkey
- The Eagles 8. 1960s (1962)
- 9. Detroit
- 10. Maxwell House coffee
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with Brad Wagnon, Cherokee Nation author. Sept. 17 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Info: Dawn Arneach at dawn.arneach@mci.org

Fall Historical Discovery Appalachian Mountain Music Event.

Sept. 18 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Glenville Community Center in Glenville. Hosted by the Glenville Area Historical Society, the event will feature headliner Pretty Little Goat, a grassroots band performing old-time music. Info: 507-0322 or email historicalsocietyglenvillearea@yahoo.com

SPORTS EVENTS

Smoky Streak Fun Walk, 5K/10K. Oct. 23 at Smoky Mountain High School. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m., races begin at 9 a.m. A fun walk will be around the track at the high school. Halloween costumes are welcome and encouraged. This event is being hosted by Harris Regional Hospital and Swain Community Hospital. Registration is free for all participants. T-shirts will be provided to all who register and attend the event. Register for the race at, runsignup.com/Race/NC/ Sylva/SmokyStreaktoHealth

SUPPORT GROUPS

Cherokee Cancer Support Group meets the first Thursday of each month at Betty's Place at 40 Goose Creek Road in the Birdtown Community. A potluck is held at 5:30 p.m. and the meeting is open to all. Betty's Place is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. They provide counseling and support services to cancer patients that may include supplies, travel, and meals. Info: 497-0788

Life Recovery Meetings hosted

by Grace Community Church. Tuesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Acquoni Baptist Chapel. 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. A light lunch will be provided. Info: Pastor Scott Hill 508-7836

Analenisgi class schedule 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



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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

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- 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*

MAT

- 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



Help! My Cats Have Started Fighting

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My two cats, Mitsy and Bitsy, got along well for nearly five years. Bitsy is 11 years old, about six years older than Mitsy. In the past couple of months, they squall and squabble with each other every time they're in the same room. What is going on, and how do I stop it? — Cara C., Albuquerque, New Mexico

DEAR CARA: Take both of your cats to the veterinarian as soon as an appointment is available. Because the behavior just recently started after years of tranquility, a health issue could be at the root of their fighting.

Senior cats are especially likely to develop conditions that cause them to be cranky or more territorial than usual. Pain from arthritis or other conditions can be a big factor in making Bitsy irritable, tired and just not in the mood to hang out with Mitsy. Likewise, Mitsy could be developing a medical condition; it's best to rule out physical problems in both cats.

Once their health has been assessed and treatment, if necessary, started, then the hard work of reconciling the two can begin. Keep the cats separated at first - on opposite sides of the house, if possible, in closed rooms. Each day, reintroduce them by placing a small plate of food in front of each door and letting them out. If they calmly eat, then the next day, move both plates closer. Observe the cats as they eat; if they begin to growl or tense up, put both back into their rooms before they escalate - fighting is very traumatic for them. Shift the bowls back a bit and try again.

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

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TRADING POST DG.A. D& SO.A.

FOR SALE

Plant Nursery, Angel Trumpets, Mountain Honey, LP's and 45 records, critter sitting : 736-2911

Yard Machine 42″ Cut Riding Mower, Lawn Boy Self Propelled Push Mower (Electric Start), Craftsman, front load washing machine : 342-8987

4 Polaris Tires 2) 26x9R14's and 26x11R14's \$250 : 226-2205

9 Boxes of "Airstone" \$50 each : 399-1853

3 Hedgehogs, 2 Chinchillas and a cage : 269-8010



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Mars, your ruling planet, helps you deal with career challenges in a way that reflects some of your own hidden strengths. This impresses some important decision-makers.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your strong Bovine will, combined with your romantic nature (you are ruled by Venus), helps turn a romance with a potential for problems into one with more-positive possibilities.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Mercury's influence creates some unsettling moments, but nothing that you can't live with. You'll soon learn more about that major change that is about to be revealed.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Opportunities for you are like the phases of the Moon: constantly appearing and reappearing. So, cheer up. The opportunity you think you let slip by will be replaced by another.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) An opportunity that you hoped would open up for you remains closed. Stop wasting time scratching at it. Something else you'll like will soon make itself apparent and accessible.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Congratulations. You'll soon hear some positive feedback for all the hard work you recently put into a project. A Pisces could soon swim into your personal life.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Someone whose friendship you felt you had to write off will try to revive it. What you do is up to you. But don't do it without giving it considerable thought.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A job-related plan might need to be reworked to allow for changes. Lucky for you that Saturn remains a strong influence that can help you focus on getting it done right.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) This is a good time to move into areas of self-discovery. You might be surprised about who you really are and how you really relate to those around you.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Expect to confront someone who will make an unwelcome request. Stand by your resolve to do the right thing no matter what "persuasion" might be offered.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A friendly competition could become more contentious than you expected. Take time out to discuss the reasons behind this unexpected change, and act accordingly.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You have a wonderful mind for solving mysteries, so you should feel confident about solving the one developing very close to you. An unlikely source offers help.

BORN THIS WEEK: You're a great host or hostess. You love being with people, and you're very good about planning all sorts of social events that bring folks together.

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Employment Opportunities

Position: Massage Therapist

Full-Time* - Part-Time* -SIGNING BONUS UP TO \$2500*

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

Applicants must possess a current NC massage license. Required to have open availability, weekends, and holidays. Background Check/Drug Testing, EEOC

For questions, please contact: Angie Hill, Spa Operations Manager 828-497-8550 angieh@mandaraspa.com



The Museum of the Cherokee Indian is growing! Join our team as we enter the next phase of filing our mission of preserving and perpetuating the history, culture, and stories of the Cherokee. MCI is currently

hiring the following positions:

- Director of Operations
- Director of Collections and Exhibitions
- External Affairs Manager
- Graphic Designer
- Front Line Associate
- Cultural Specialist

For full job descriptions and how to apply, please visit mci.org/employment or email employment@mci.org





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 Agelink Childcare FT – Teacher's Aide (2) FT – Lead Teacher (2) FT – Custodian

Snowbird Childcare FT – Teacher's Assistant (2) FT – Lead Teacher FT Cook

Children's Home PT Resident Counselors

Bus & Truck PT School Bus Drivers

Administrative Finance Director (CPA Required)

Service Department FT Detail Technician Opens 8/3/21, Closes 8/17/21

Construction & Facilities Framing Carpenter – Full-Time Finish Carpenter – Full-Time



IN ONE HIRING EVENT, YOU COULD LAND UP TO \$3,000. HAPPY LANDINGS.

We have amazing openings in our casino and new convention center. And many come with hiring bonuses up to \$3,000. Join us September 21, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., in our Hotel Ballroom. Then let the celebrations begin. Details at HarrahsCherokeeJobs.com.



Select positions eligible for hiring bonus. Restrictions opply. Please see Talent Acquisition department for details. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older and have a valid photo ID. An Enterprise of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Harrah's Cherokee Casinos value diversity and inclusion, and are equal opportunity employers. ©2021, Caesars License Company, LLC.



CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Closing Thursday, September 9, 2021 Residential Support (Female) – Women's Home Personal Care Assistant/CNA at Tsali Care Center– Full Time Supply Warehouse Technician

Closing Thursday, September 16, 2021 Registered Nurse – Inpatient Residential Technician – Kanvwotiyi Patient Registration Clerk (Grant Funded) – Patient Reg.

Open Until Filled Administrative Assistant - PI/Engineering **Billing Technician II** Certified Medical Assistant/Licensed Practical Nurse - Primary Care CNA/Medical Clerk - Inpatient (2 Positons) Cook Dental Assistant II (2 Positons) **Diabetes Educator Dietary Services Supervisor** EVS Technician (2 Positons) Food Service Worker (2 Positons) Physician /Hospitalist - Inpatient PTI Physician/Hospitalist - Inpatient Masters Level Therapist - Family Safety Masters Level Therapist - Kanvwotivi (Hiring Bonus) Masters Level Therapist (Child) - Analenisgi Masters Level Therapist - (Grant Funded) Adult/Analenisgi Medical Social Worker - Primary Care Peer Support Specialist - Grant Funded Pedodontist PTI Radiology Technologist (2 Positons) PTI Registered Nurse - Analenisgi Inpatient (2 Positons) PTI Registered Nurse - Emergency Room Senior Accountant Targeted Case Manager - Integrated Classroom Targeted Case Manager - Residential Support

Tsali Care Center

Cook Aide CNA PTI (3 positions) Housekeeper (2 Positons) License Practical Nurse (2 Positons) Personal Care Assistant/CNA - Part-Time Regular (2 positions) Recreation Coordinator Registered Nurse - Part-Time Intermittent (2positions) Registered Nurse Supervisor – Part-Time Regular **Retention Bonus Eligible Positions** Certified Nursing Assistant/Part-Time Intermittent/Part-Time Regular (Starting Pay \$18.00/Hr.) Cook Aide (Starting Pay \$15.00/Hr.)

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

EMPLOYMENT

New Kituwah Academy

New Kituwah Academy is looking for substitute workers! Working as a substitute can be a great way to make a difference in the lives of students. Applicants must be at least eighteen (18) years of age to qualify.

Upon review of your application, qualified candidates will be contact with the following necessary steps:

- Scheduled interview
- Satisfactory background check performed
- Attend orientation meeting
- Fulfill required online training requirements

To request an application or for any questions, please contact Kylie Shuler at kylishul@ebci-nsn. gov or call 828-359-6401. 9/8

CIC Technologies is looking for Full-time Low Voltage

Technicians with experience in ANY of the following

- Security Systems
- Access Control Systems
- Fire Alarm Systems • Data/Fiber Cabling

Pay depends on experience **Benefits:**

- 401(k)
- Dental insurance
- Health insurance
- Vision insurance
- Please send resume to apply@cictech.net

Applications may also be picked up at CIC Technologies, 620B Casino Trail, Whittier, NC 28789.9/15

LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 21-086 In the Matter of the Estate of STACY BESSIE WALLACE

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 PUBLI-CATION Valorie Welch PO Box 1772 Cherokee, NC 28719 9/8

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians



- 15. Varsity Wrestling Assistant Coach
- 16. Middle School Baseball Assistant Coach
- 17. Varsity Basketball Assistant Coach
- 18. CMS Baseball Head Coach
- 19. Middle School Wrestling Assistant Coach
- 20. Varsity Football Assistant Coach
- 21. JV Football Assistant Coach
- 22. Substitute Teachers



Tribal Employment Rights Office

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 7:45am-4:30pm

The Tribal Employment Rights Office ("TERO") is pleased to provide a monthly job listing for the Cherokee area. Please visit TERO's website at this link: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT - EBCI TERO (ebci-tero.com) or stop by the TERO Office to receive a monthly job list. The TERO Office is located at the Acquoni Building at 756 Acquoni Rd, Cherokee, NC.

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 enrolling in TERO's Job Bank for job referrals, please contact Hillary Norville or Douglas McCoy at the email or telephone numbers below.

> Hillary Norville – TERO Job Bank Coordinator 828.359.6422 hillnorv@ebci-nsn.gov

> Douglas McCoy – TERO Job Bank Coordinator 828.359.6478 dougmcco@ebci-nsn.gov

Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 21-045

In the Matter of the Estate of Jackie Lee 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: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLI-CATION Ashton Kade Brady PO Box 197 Cherokee, NC 28719 9/15

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File No. 19-067 In the Matter of the Estate of Leighann Rose McCoy

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLI-CATION Ruth McCoy PO Box 197 Cherokee, NC 28719 **9/15**

BIDs, RFPs, etc.

Request for Proposals

The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks competitive proposals for two (2) Guardian ad Litem Attorney Advocates. The GAL Attorney Advocates will assure the protection of a child's legal rights by taking all action necessary to zealously represent the child's best interest. This service will be paid on a contractual basis from the Cherokee Tribal Court.

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

Name and Contact Information
 Copies of Certificates and Licenses

3. Relevant Work Experience Proposals may be submitted at any time, but those received on or before September 10, 2021, will receive priority over later submissions. Please mail or email proposals to:

Amber Shuler, Court Administrator

Cherokee Tribal Court

PO Box 1629 Cherokee, NC 28719 ambeshul@ebci-nsn.gov

This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. The Cherokee Tribal Court reserves the right to decline any proposals received. **9/8**

Request for Proposals

Eastern band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Department of Transportation 680 Acquoni Rd. P.O box 2400 Cherokee N.C 28719 Phone 282-359-6534 Project Guard rail installation & repair on the Cherokee Indian Reservation Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT office is requesting sealed bids for Guard rail installation & repair. Date and time of bid is listed in the RFP. Please have bids submitted to the CDOT office by September the 14th 2021 by 10:00 am

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

You may request the full RFP and bid requirements for these proposals through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Darrell Brown CDOT planner at (828-736-2273) or (828-359-6534. **9/8**

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 September 23, 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. 9/15

Request for Proposals

The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks competitive proposals for a Public Administrator. This service will be paid on a contractual basis from the Cherokee Tribal Court. Interested individuals should submit a brief letter proposal including the following: 1. Name and Contact Information 2. Copies of Certificates and Licenses

3. Relevant Work Experience Proposals may be submitted at any time, but those received on or before September 30, 2021, will receive priority over later submissions. Please mail or email proposals to: Amber Shuler, Court Administrator Cherokee Tribal Court PO Box 1629 Cherokee, NC 28719 ambeshul@ebci-nsn.gov

This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. The Cherokee Tribal Court reserves the right to decline any proposals received. **9/29**

Good Housekeeping

Country-Fair Cheesecake

- 1½ cups chocolate-cookie crumbs
 5 tablespoons margarine or butter, melted
- Sugar 4 8-ounce packages cream cheese, softened
- 4 large eggs
- 4 1-ounce squares semisweet chocolate, melted

1. Preheat oven to 325 F. In 9-by-2 1/2-inch springform pan, with hand, mix chocolate-cookie crumbs, melted margarine or butter and 2 tablespoons sugar. Press mixture onto bottom of pan.

2. In large bowl, with mixer at medium speed, beat cream cheese until smooth; slowly beat in 1 1/4 cups sugar, scraping bowl often with rubber spatula. Add eggs, one at a time, beating after each addition, just until blended.

3. Pour half the batter into a medium bowl; stir in melted chocolate until blended. Remove scant 1/4 cup chocolate batter and reserve. Pour remaining chocolate batter over crust. Carefully spoon white batter over chocolate batter; gently smooth top.

4. Spoon reserved 1/4 cup chocolate batter into small heavyweight plastic bag; cut small opening in corner of bag. Pipe chocolate batter on top of white batter in parallel lines 3/4 inch apart. Draw toothpick or tip of knife across lines at 3/4-inch intervals, alternating first in one direction and then the other.

5. Bake cheesecake 55 minutes until just beginning to brown around edge (center may not seem set); cool in pan on wire rack. Cover and refrigerate cheesecake at least 4 hours or until well-chilled.

 To serve, dip metal spatula in hot water to gently loosen edge of cheesecake from pan; carefully remove side of springform pan. Makes 16 servings.

• Each serving: About 400 calories, 29g fat, 121mg cholesterol, 305mg sodium.

For thousands of triple-tested recipes, visit our website at www.goodhousekeeping.com/food-recipes/.

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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





