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## EBCI Heart to Heart Program granted detective

The EBCI Public Health & Human Services' (EBCI PHHS) Heart to Heart Child Advocacy Program now has a full-time detective solely dedicated to investigations of crimes against children. Alicia Case, detective with the Cherokee Indian Police Department (CIPD), was sworn in by Judge Barbara "Sunshine" Parker on Tuesday, Nov. 16.

Investigations in child abuse are very difficult and require a skillset different than other types of investigations. Case has experience working with vulnerable populations. She also has completed training focused on helping children and navigating and improving outcomes of child abuse investigations.

Cherokee Chief of Police Josh Taylor expressed his support for the partnership, "It feels good to have a dedicated investigator who has the same mindset as me and I know Alicia Case will be on the gas



Judge Barbara "Sunshine" Parker, left, swears in Detective Alicia Case on Tuesday, Nov. 16. (EBCI PHHS photo)

pedal fighting for justice for child victims in our Cherokee community."

In a collaborative effort with the Cherokee Indian Police Department, Case is fully funded

to perform this work through a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Victims of Crime and is only one objective of a multi-agency initiative involving CIPD and EBCI PHHS to pro-

vide services for victims and hold offenders accountable for crimes against children.

EBCI PHHS Heart to Heart is an Accredited Child Advocacy Center which provides services to children and families affected by child abuse and neglect. To make a report of child or adult maltreatment call Family Safety at 828-359-1520. After hours, call Cherokee Dispatch at 828-497-4131 and ask to speak with the on call social worker.

This project was supported by grant number 2019-V6-GX-0005, awarded by the Office for Victims of Crime, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice. The opinions, findings, and conclusions or recommendations expressed in this project are those of the contributors and do not necessarily represent the official position or policies of the U.S. Department of Justice.

*- EBCI PHHS release*



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## Tribal member a finalist for Thomas Wolfe Memorial Literary Award

The Western North Carolina Historical Association announced the selection of five finalists for the Thomas Wolfe Memorial Literary Award recently and a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is included. Annette Saunooke Clapsaddle was nominated for her book, "Even As We Breathe: A Novel".

Originated by the Louis Lipinsky family and now also supported by Ruth Siegel and Jacques Sartisky Foundation and the Thomas Wolfe Memorial Advisory Board, the Award has been presented annually by the Western North Carolina Historical Association since 1955 for printed works that focus special attention on Western North Carolina. In order to more broadly support the writers of western North Carolina, a Dec. 9 award ceremony will celebrate all five finalists.

This year's finalists were chosen from an original group of 40 nominations.

The finalists, listed below, encompass a broad range of genres and forms including: Clapsaddle; Mary Othella Burnette, "Lige of the Black Walnut Tree: Growing Up Black in Southern Appalachia"; Wayne Caldwell, "Woodsmoke"; Vicki Lane, "And the Crows

Took Their Eyes"; and Matthew Wimberley, "All the Great Territories".

To be considered, an entry must be a published work of fiction, nonfiction, drama or poetry and meet the following criteria:

1. It must be a first edition work; revised editions of published works will not be considered.
2. The publication date must be in the calendar year 2020 or no later than July 15, 2021.
3. The author must be a native of west-

ern North Carolina or a resident of western NC for at least twelve months prior to the closing date for the Award.

4. An author may also qualify if the work submitted has a focus on or setting in western NC.

The WNC Historical Association presented the first Thomas Wolfe Memorial Literary Award to Wilma Dykeman in 1955 for The French Broad. Last year's winner was Dr. Sandra Muse Isaacs for her work, "Eastern Cherokee Stories: A Living Oral Tradition and Its Cultural Continuation". Other authors who have received the award include Charles Frazier, Robert Morgan, John Parris, Gail Godwin, John Ehle, Robert Brunk, Michael McFee, Lee Smith, Ron Rash, Wiley Cash, Wayne Caldwell, Fiona Ritchie, and Doug Orr.

A prize of \$2,500 accompanies the Thomas Wolfe Memorial Literary Award

and will be virtually presented to the author on Thursday, Dec. 9 at 6:30pm during a live Zoom event that will include readings by the finalists. Please reserve this date.

The Award Panel this year consists of: Catherine Frank,

Chair, Director, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UNC Asheville; Daniel Clare, English Department, A.C. Reynolds High School; Dee James, professor emeritus, UNC-Asheville; Leslee Johnson, English Department, UNC-Asheville; Tom Muir, Historic Site Manager, Thomas Wolfe Memorial; Gordon McKinney, professor emeritus, Berea College; Terry Roberts, Director, National Paideia Center; and Jim Stokely, President, Wilma Dykeman Legacy.

- Western North Carolina Historical Association release





# Cherokee School Board addresses employee appeal

By **JONAH LOSSIAH**

One Feather Staff

The Cherokee Central Schools Board of Education held their second November meeting on Monday, Nov. 15.

Most of the meeting was held in closed session to discuss an 'employee appeal'. The Board moved into closed session around 6 p.m. and the meeting was not complete until approximately 10 p.m., according to School Board assistant Terri Bradley.

Because the appeal was directly related to personnel, legally the Board was required to host that part of the meeting in a closed session. The Board also had an attorney present for the proceedings.

While in open session, the Board welcomed several guests. The first of which was Jen Martens, who was tasked with providing a walk-through of the CCS strategic innovation plan. This

plan was detailed over the summer with the School Board, but they wanted to ensure that the newer members of the Board had seen the presentation and had a chance to ask any questions.

Next was Olivia Penny, who is a master's student at Western Carolina University and works as a teacher at Cherokee Middle School. She is doing research on special education and is currently working on a project that studies the transitional support for parents of children with moderate to severe disabilities.

"Parents have their children with disabilities get to adulthood and then every bit of service that they've had during the school years stops. So, they end getting out of school, their child does, and the parents are left without much of a support system," said Penny.

She said that the research on this subject is limited and that there was no data for Na-

tive American families. She was given permission from the school to start this research with CCS, and she was presenting her early findings to the Board as an update. The Board offered their support and said they would like future follow-ups from Penny.

The Cherokee Boys Club Board of Directors was the next group to address the School Board. They reintroduced themselves to the School Board and had a round table discussion. Chairperson Jennifer Thompson said that she was excited to see the level of communication between the two boards and said that it was not long ago when there was almost no coordination between them. They agreed that consistent meetings would be a boon to both entities moving forward.

Following the extended closed session, the Board met with Robert Saunooke to discuss the Christmas Bazaar that is set for the first weekend of December. Saunooke and Ned Stamper, under the name "Brothers in the Wind", have organized the Bazaar at the Cherokee Fairgrounds for Kindergarten through 8th Grade.

The Christmas Bazaar will be held just for CCS children on Dec. 1 and 2. The Bazaar will then be open to the public on Dec. 3 and 4. On those days anyone can attend, and all proceeds from the event will go to getting Christmas presents for Cherokee Elementary Schools.

The consent agenda was passed unanimously with no significant discussion. The Board approved the following items:

- Anne Link as a 5th Grade Elementary Teacher
- Tamara Kelly as Elementary Aca-


demic Interventionist

- Phillip Ayers as Elementary STARS Teachers
- Shannon Smith as Middle School ELA Teacher
- Emily Thurmond as an Elementary School Teacher
- Trent Wolfe as a Custodian
- Rebecca Swayney as a Pre-K Teacher
- Erin Marley as a Middle School SPED Teacher
- Jessica Queen as a substitute teacher at the Middle School
- Bonnie Morgan as a substitute teacher at the Middle School

One piece of old business was handled from the Nov. 1 meeting of the Board. They discussed a tabled item in closed session, and upon opening voted 4-2 to approve Rayna Davis as a licensed professional counselor at CCS.

The Monday, Nov. 1 meeting of the CCS Board of Education was called to order at 4:45 p.m. with Chairperson Jennifer Thompson; Co-Vice Chairs Tara Reed-Cooper and Melanie Lambert; Secretary Kristina Hyatt; Board members Regina Ledford Rosario and Berdie Toineeta; Assistant Superintendent Beverly Payne; HR Director Heather Driver; and Administrative Assistant Terri Bradley all in attendance. Tribal Council Rep. Bo Crowe was late to the meeting. Superintendent Michael Murray was absent from the meeting.

The next meeting of the School Board is scheduled for Monday, Dec. 6 at 4:45 p.m. Meetings are being held in the conference room of the new administrative building on the CCS campus. These sessions are considered public meetings and are open to public attendance except for closed sessions.



**Christmas Rose** blooms in early winter in milder climates, and late winter or early spring where the soil freezes hard. Native to Europe and western Asia, this plant loves shade or dappled sun and moist soil. The blooms come in many colors such as white, cream, pink, rose, burgundy and light green. Amend the soil with plenty of organic matter, such as aged leaves and compost. They are resistant to deer and vole, and spread nicely on their own. - Brenda Weaver

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# Cherokee Police Commission meets with Police Chief

By **JONAH LOSSIAH**

One Feather Staff

Most of Thursday's (Nov. 18) meeting of the EBCI Police Commission was spent with Cherokee Indian Police Department (CIPD) Chief Josh Taylor.

Taylor was there to provide the CIPD annual report as well as offering updates to the Commission. The Police Chief said that the next piece of business he is looking to get approved is a move that would amend the termination policy for the CIPD.

"I'm getting ready to send a resolution in. It's that I'll have the power such that as the sheriff, that I can terminate at will. When I say terminate at will, I have word it as 'I no longer need their services.' But there's certain employees that have had good work evaluations for years, years, and years and they've not done anything. So, it's hard to demote, it's hard to hold them accountable," said Taylor.

"It may go, and it may not. But

they've been on me about changing the culture. They've been on me about putting a better product out to the community. I gotta do what I gotta do," he continued.

Among the first things he told the Commission was that the Justin Wade from Tribal Alcohol Law Enforcement (ALE) has been helping the Police Department with his K-9.

"When they can. They still have their jobs to do. But they have a really well-known K-9 that's certified nationally. It's rock and roll for us. Because as of right now our K-9 program is suspended," said Taylor.

The Police Chief said that the department needs to take a closer look at the K-9 program and that there is some work to do policy-wise before that can reinstitute it.

Taylor insisted that he is doing everything he can raise the levels at the CIPD.

"There just shouldn't be a reason we shouldn't be the bee's

knees west of Mecklenburg (County). Just being honest. There's no reason. We have the funding, we have the money, we have the technology. We should really be the standard."

He explained that it's not as simple as going in and changing policies. He says that systemic change is necessary to build the department into what the community needs.

"The Police Department's been neglected for a long time. It's behind the curve. There was never really any checks and balances about anything, and it's really just been neglected."

Taylor said that the CIPD is looking to hire multiple positions. He singled out that he desperately needs a Victim Advocate on staff that can also work with public affairs.

"I need a victim advocate to talk to people and let them know the processes of the cases. A lot of our Tribal members don't understand from step A to step B from the crime committing to the final closing."

Commission Vice Chair Buddy Johnson asked how the Police Department fared with their budget for the new fiscal year. The Police Commission had spoken with John Nations of the Tribal Marshals earlier in the meeting, and Nations had reported that the Marshals received cuts to their equipment budget. For fiscal year 2021, the CIPD operated on a budget of \$10,048,480.

"No, I jacked everything up and they didn't even question it. I got them training money in there. There was no training money in there before. I jacked everything up. From ammunition to cars," said Taylor.

Johnson explained the Marshal's situation and questioned why Taylor thought that might be the case.

"Because nobody showed up to explain it, guys. If you don't show up...listen, if you go in there and fight for what you want, you go in there and articulate what you need, they're going to help you. Council's not going to tell you no when it comes to EMS, Fire, or the Police. People just don't like to talk," said Taylor.

Taylor finished open session by saying that he needs enrolled members interested in law enforcement to come by and apply. He said that the CIPD is working to establish a basic law enforcement training class on the Boundary for the summer of 2022 and encourages anybody with interest to look into applying.

The Police Commission and Police Chief finished the meeting in a closed session to speak on personnel issues and other sensitive details.

The Thursday, Nov. 18 meeting of the EBCI Police Commission was called to order just after 12 p.m. with Chairperson Tunney Crowe and Commissioners Lisa Taylor, Kym Parker, Solomon Saunooke, Hillary Norville present. Vice Chair Buddy Johnson was a few minutes late to the meeting. Secretary Anita Lossiah and Commissioner Frank Dunn were excused absentees for the meeting.

The next meeting of the Commission is set for Thursday, Dec. 9 at noon. The Commission gathers monthly and has been meeting in the large conference room at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. These sessions are open to the public.

## Attention EBCI Artists/Craftspeople

The One Feather is developing a list of Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians artists and craftspeople to help get your name out there for potential buyers. If you would like to be included, please send your name, contact information (phone, email, etc.), and what mediums you are selling to: Scott at [scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov](mailto:scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov) or message us on our Facebook page.

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## Tribal Projects Update from EBCI Project Management

Project Name	% Complete	Summary/Description	Timeline
Cherokee Central Schools	85	North/South Buildings Complete-currently working on remodels inside. Contracted with Vannoy Construction.	Completion in 2022
Cherokee Youth Center	65	Almost dried in; Curtain wall at the front; started the drywall. Contracted with Beverly Grant/Barnhill.	Completion April 2022
Big Cove Gym	95	Trying to get CO'd; Trying to get the fire alarm system commissioned. Contracted with Owle Construction.	Completion December 2021
Snowbird Complex	75	Contracted with Vannoy Construction.	Completion Summer 2022
Disc Golf Course	65	Holes laid out; making pavillions. Contracted with Vannoy Construction.	Completion Spring 2022
Wolftown Airnasium	90	Contracted with Owle Construction.	Completion December 2021
Trout Hatchery Remodel	100	Contracted with Owle Construction. Phase 1 completed of total remodel of existing hatchery.	Completed
Marble Senior Center Sewer Line	100	Completed summer 2021. Contractor: Hyatt Pipeline. It is operational.	Completed
Tribal Food Remodel		Currently in design and construct documents. Project included Tribal Cannery improvements. Possibly break ground spring 2022.	To Be Determined
Soco and Mingo Falls Re-trail		Making parking and access safer. Adding restrooms at Soco and redesigning steps at Mingo. Currently in design.	To Be Determined
Cherokee Veterans Cemetery	0	Going to designate 2 acres of property for emergency burial (in Wolftown) and move into master plan.	To Be Determined
Cherokee Wide MP Phase 1	10	Currently soliciting public input via survey. Economic study started and charette will be scheduled Mid-November.	Completion in 2022
Downtown Force Main Bridge	5	Waiting on leaf season to be over. Work will start winter 2022.	Completion Summer 2022
J. Dugan Native Plant Facility	2	Design has started.	Completion in 2022
John Crowe Expansion	1	Task order submitted to Johnson Architecture to begin consultation with Rec Dept.	Completion in 2023
Oconaluftee Island Park	0	Waiting on survey.	Completion in 2023
Playgrounds	0	Working on updating pricing. Completion date unknown.	To Be Determined
Remapping Flood Plain	45	Revised flood mapping submitted to FEMA for review and comment.	Completion in 2023
Pool	0	Working on agreement (MOA) with American Legion.	Completion in 2023
Zone 1 and Zone 3 Bike Expansion	0	Contract negotiations have started.	Completion in 2023

**FOR QUESTIONS OR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE EBCI PROJECT PLANNING OFFICE AT 828-359-6700**

**PROJECT STATUS AS OF NOVEMBER 19, 2021**



## Interior Department announces Formation of First Tribal Advisory Committee

WASHINGTON — The Department of the Interior announced on Tuesday, Nov. 16 the formation of a new Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee (STAC), which formally establishes a mechanism for Tribal leaders to engage in routine and robust conversations directly with Secretary Deb Haaland. This important move will further strengthen the Department's nation-to-nation relationship with federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native Tribes and their leadership.

The STAC will ensure that Tribal leaders and the current and future Secretaries have a forum to seek consensus, exchange views, share information, and provide

advice and recommendations regarding programs and funding that affect Tribes across the entire Department.

"Tribes need a seat at the decision making table before policies are made that impact their communities. The creation of this new Tribal Advisory Committee is a timely and much-needed development that will ensure Tribal leaders can engage at the highest levels of the Department on the issues that matter most to their people," said Secretary Haaland. "I look forward to continued engagement with Indigenous communities and ensuring that we honor and strengthen our nation-to-nation relationships with Tribal leaders."

"The establishment of a STAC and planned consultation process improvements at Interior are

welcome additions to the ways we connect and communicate with Tribal leaders and address their priorities," said Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs Bryan Newland. "Their input is vital to improving how we respond to the needs of their communities through the many programs Interior administers."

The Department also announced that Tribal consultations will be held regarding draft updates to the Department's Tribal consultation policy and procedures contained in its Departmental Manual at 512 DM 4 and 512 DM 5, respectively. As part of the Department's continuing efforts to improve implementation of Executive Order 13175, "Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments," the

Department will seek Tribal input on edits that would:

- Bolster Interior's consultation policy to encourage early, robust, interactive, pre-decisional, informative and transparent consultation;
- Establish a model for seeking Tribal consensus;
- Require that DOI staff undergo training before participating in consultation;
- Codify the STAC;
- Address flexibility for Tribal waivers;
- Clarify that Interior decision-makers must invite Tribes to engage in consultation; and
- Require a record of consultation.

Secretary Haaland made the announcement in remarks to Tribal leaders as she hosted a Listening Session with Assistant Secretary

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Newland and other administration leaders during the Biden-Harris administration's first Tribal Nations Summit.

- U.S. Dept. of the Interior release

## Interior Secretarial Order declares "squaw" a derogatory term, announces process to remove term from federal usage

WASHINGTON — Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland formally established a process to review and replace derogatory names of the nation's geographic features as announced on Friday, Nov. 19. She also declared "squaw" to be a derogatory term and ordered the Board on Geographic Names – the federal body tasked with naming geographic places – to implement procedures to remove the term from federal usage.

"Racist terms have no place in our vernacular or on our federal lands. Our nation's lands and waters should be places to celebrate the outdoors and our shared cultural heritage – not to perpetuate the legacies of oppression," said Secretary Haaland. "Today's actions will accelerate an important process to reconcile derogatory place names and mark a significant step in honoring the ancestors who have stewarded our lands since time immemorial."

Secretarial Order 3404 formally identifies the term "squaw" as derogatory and creates a federal task force to find replacement names for geographic features on federal lands bearing the term. The term has historically been used as an offensive ethnic, racial, and sexist slur, particularly for Indigenous women. There are

currently more than 650 federal land units that contain the term, according to a database maintained by the Board on Geographic Names.

The newly-created Derogatory Geographic Names Task Force will include representatives from federal land management agencies, as well as diversity, equity, and inclusion experts from the Department. The Order requires that the task force engage in Tribal consultation and consider public feedback on proposed name changes.

Additionally, Secretarial Order 3405 creates a Federal Advisory Committee to broadly solicit, review, and recommend changes to other derogatory geographic and federal land unit names. The Advisory Committee on Reconciliation in Place Names will include representation from Indian Tribes, Tribal and Native Hawaiian organizations, civil rights, anthropology, and history experts, and members of the general public. It will establish a process to solicit and assist with proposals to the Secretary to change derogatory names, and will include engagement with Tribes, state and local governments, and the public.

Together, the Secretarial Orders will accelerate the process by which derogatory names are identified and replaced. Currently, the Board on Geographic Names is structured, by design, to act on a case-by-case basis through a process that puts the onus on the proponents to identify the offensive name and to suggest a replacement. The process to secure review and approvals can be lengthy, often taking years to complete a name change. Currently, there are

hundreds of name changes pending before the Board. The newly established Federal Advisory Committee will facilitate a proactive and systematic development and review of these proposals, in consultation with local community representatives.

The Board on Geographic Names – originally established by Executive Order in 1890 – is a federal body designed to maintain uniform geographic name usage throughout the federal government. It is comprised of representatives from federal agencies concerned with geographic information, population, ecology, and management of public lands. In 1947, the Secretary of the Interior was given joint authority with the Board on Geographic Names and has final approval or review of its actions.

Derogatory names have previously been identified by the Secretary of the Interior or the Board on Geographic Names and have been comprehensively replaced. In 1962, Secretary Stewart Udall identified the N-word as derogatory, and directed that the BGN develop a policy to eliminate its use. In 1974, the Board on Geographic Names identified a pejorative term for "Japanese" as derogatory and eliminated its use.

Several states have passed legislation prohibiting the use of the word "squaw" in place names, including Montana, Oregon, Maine, and Minnesota. There is also legislation pending in both chambers of Congress to address derogatory names on geographic features on public land units.

- Dept. of the Interior release

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**A CONFIRMATION HEARING FOR APPOINTEES TO THE EBCI CANNABIS CONTROL BOARD WILL BE HELD, PURSUANT TO CHEROKEE CODE CHAPTER 117 ARTICLE III-A**

**THE FOLLOWING HEARING WILL TAKE PLACE ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2021 BEGINNING AT 9:00 A.M. IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CHEROKEE NC.**

**THIS HEARING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. TRIBAL COUNCIL INVITES PUBLIC TESTIMONY, ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHEROKEE CODE CHAPTER 117, ARTICLE III-A. ANONYMOUS COMMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

**MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC WHO WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING SHALL SUBMIT WRITTEN TESTIMONY TO THE TRIBAL COUNCIL CHAIRMAN, IN CARE OF THE TRIBAL OPERATIONS PROGRAM, ATTN: KELLY SAMPSON P.O. BOX 455 CHEROKEE, NC 28719**

**WRITTEN TESTIMONY SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE TRIBAL OPERATIONS PROGRAM NOT LESS THAN FIVE WORKING DAYS FROM THE HEARING DATE.**

**FINAL DATE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2021**

**One Feather deadline - Fridays at 12 p.m.**



## Single-vehicle crash on the Spur results in passenger fatality

Great Smoky Mountains National Park rangers responded to a single-vehicle crash on the south-bound Spur between Pigeon Forge and Gatlinburg at 11:43 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 17.

The driver of the 2019 Ford Fiesta, Victoria Delawey of Sevierville, Tenn., lost control of the vehicle near the Gum Stand Road intersection and crashed into the river. The vehicle was submerged when emergency responders arrived on scene. The front seat passenger, Rebecca Hamby, 22, of Sevierville, died as a result of her injuries and was recovered by emergency responders from the vehicle. The driver was transported to LeConte Medical Center by ambulance for medical treatment.

Park Rangers are investigating the incident and no additional details are available at this time. Park Rangers, Gatlinburg Police and Fire Departments, and Pigeon Forge Police Department responded to the scene. Tennessee Highway Patrol officers are assisting in the crash investigation.

- National Park Service release

## CIPD makes drug arrest at Valley River Casino

At approximately 3 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 18, Officer Dewitt Chekelelee, of the Cherokee Indian Police Dept., responded to Harrah's Valley River Casino in reference to possible drug activity in the parking lot.

After a short investigation Officer Chekelelee was as able to determine that a male and female subject were using some type of

controlled substance while in their vehicle. Officer Chekelelee was able to make contact and conduct a search of both individuals and the vehicle. The search netted approximately 18 grams of methamphetamine along with several items of paraphernalia.

The following charges were then obtained through the Cherokee County Court system:

- \* Tyler Clinton Miles, 37-year-old male, from Murphy
- Possession of Methamphetamine
- \* Amanda Lynn Levi, 38-year-old female, from Blairsville, Ga.
- Possession With Intent to Sell or Deliver SCH II
- Sell/Deliver SCH II
- Possession of Drug paraphernalia not marijuana

- Cherokee Indian Police Dept. release

## CIPD Arrest Report for Nov. 7-14

*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](http://theonefeather.com).*

Bird, Michelle Nichole – age 26

Arrested: Nov. 8

Released: Nov. 8

Charges: Simple Affray (two counts), Assault and Battery

Garcia, Alexander Martinez – age 25

Arrested: Nov. 8

# COLD CASE



**The body of Marie Walkingstick Pheasant was found in a burned vehicle on Old Rock Crusher Rd., in the Big Cove Community, on Dec. 29, 2013.**

The Cherokee Indian Police Dept. reported at the time that "foul play" was suspected. No arrests have been made in this case. A \$5,000 reward is offered for information leading to an arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible.

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# MISSING PERSON

Richard Samuel Paladino Male

Missing Age: 53 Current Age: 53 years

American Indian/Alaska Native

Height: 5' 11" Weight: 145 lbs

Hair: Black Eyes : Brown

Date of last contact: August 17, 2021

Case created: November 11, 2021

Location: Austin, Texas (Travis County)

Circumstances of Disappearance: Richard last contacted his ex-wife in August 2021 through Facebook. He lived in Louisiana and Texas. He has a tattoo on his left wrist "Christian"; upper arm is a tribal design; Indian heads on his shoulders.

If you have seen Richard Paladino contact Detective Perla Meyers, Austin Police Department (512) 974-5250. Case #21-5030845

Source: Namus.gov



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Released: Nov. 8  
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

George, John Cameron – age 39  
Arrested: Nov. 8  
Released: Nov. 9  
Charges: Failure to Obey Lawful Order of the Court

Owle, Leigh Ann – age 44  
Arrested: Nov. 8  
Released: Nov. 9  
Charges: Probation Violation

Wildcatt, Jacob Bodie – age 26  
Arrested: Nov. 8  
Released: Not released as of report date  
Charges: Probation Violation, Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Biddix, Buster Lee – age 36  
Arrested: Nov. 10  
Released: Nov. 15  
Charges: Domestic Violence

Davis, Karli Janie – age 22

Arrested: Nov. 10  
Released: Nov. 10  
Charges: Breaking and/or Entering, Communicating Threats, Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Ivey Jr., Jacob Jackson – age 39  
Arrested: Nov. 10  
Released: Nov. 10  
Charges: Larceny, False Pretenses

Martin Jr., George David – age 39  
Arrested: Nov. 10  
Released: Not released as of report date  
Charges: Second Degree Trespass

Teesatuskie Jr., Gary Mitchell – age 22  
Arrested: Nov. 10  
Released: Not released as of report date  
Charges: Probation Violation, Assault on a Female, False Imprisonment, Assault Inflicting Serious Bodily Injury, Domestic Violence

Littlejohn, Jasmine Michelle – age 30

Arrested: Nov. 11  
Released: Nov. 12  
Charges: Drug Trafficking; Manufacture, Sell, or Deliver, or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, or Deliver a Controlled Substance

Ward, Brandon Lee – age 40  
Arrested: Nov. 11  
Released: Nov. 12  
Charges: Drug Trafficking; Manufacture, Sell, or Deliver, or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, or Deliver a Controlled Substance

Ward, Jack Perry – age 23  
Arrested: Nov. 11  
Released: Nov. 12  
Charges: Drug Trafficking, Possession of a Controlled Substance

Arneach, Cheyenne Robin – age 29  
Arrested: Nov. 12  
Released: Nov. 15  
Charges: Simple Possession

Schedule IV Controlled Substance; Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property; Injuring Real Property; Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule IV Controlled Substance

Ellwood, William Stanley – age 34  
Arrested: Nov. 12  
Released: Nov. 13  
Charges: False Pretenses

Locust III, William Russell – age 30  
Arrested: Nov. 12  
Released: Nov. 16  
Charges: Failure to Comply with Pre-Trial Release

Ross, John Robert – age 34  
Arrested: Nov. 12  
Released: Not released as of report date  
Charges: Failure to Appear

Santiago, Amanda Rae – age 39  
Arrested: Nov. 12  
Released: Not released as of report date  
Charges: Habitual Offenders, Harboring Excluded Persons, Aiding the Unlawful Obtaining of Services by Excluded Person

Sherrill, Devan Alexandria – age 25  
Arrested: Nov. 12  
Released: Not released as of report date  
Charges: Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule VI Controlled Substance; Drug Trafficking; Possession Marijuana up to 1/2 oz.; Possession of Controlled Substance (two counts)

Tolley, Blake Davis – age 19  
Arrested: Nov. 14  
Released: Nov. 14  
Charges: Temporary Hold

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"A lot of times somebody will have an old dog, it'll be 12 years old. 'I don't want it to die at my house, I'm going to take it to them and let it die and let them deal with it, or 'we just don't want these dogs anymore'. Usually, our numbers go up with per cap. Because 'we're gonna dump these dogs and buy new dogs'. It's not a happy scene. And it's not about Animal Control, it's not about what we put down. It's the pet owners. The pet owners are to blame." -EBCI Animal Control Manager Shane Davis, while addressing the Police Commission. He was explaining why, in a one month timeframe, between June and July 2021, 102 dogs and cats were euthanized by the EBCI. He added the count was typically higher for any given month.

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# Disc Golf course is coming soon to Cherokee

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**

One Feather Staff

According to the Professional Disc Golf Association (PDGA), there are more than 8,000 courses to play the sport worldwide. Soon, the Qualla Boundary will have a course as the Fire Mountain Disc Golf Sanctuary is set to open in Cherokee in the next few months. The 18-hole course will be located just past the Cherokee Central Schools campus in the Big Cove Community.

According to a press release, "Massive rock formations and rhododendron bunkers add a level of challenge to the course layout. The course will boast impres-



Koga Hernandez, an eighth grade student at Cherokee Middle School, practices disc golf in the CMS Gym on the morning of Tuesday, Nov. 16. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

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sive concrete tee pads with two unique layouts. The Gold Layout will challenge even the most skilled professional disc golfer. The Red Layout offers exciting, shot-shaping joy for those willing to challenge themselves to earn an elusive birdie. Amenities include three gorgeous putting/practice greens, benches near each tee-pad, clear signage throughout, and a spacious pavilion in the middle of the course."

Jeremy Hyatt, EBCI Secretary of Operations, said, "We are very excited to have the Fire Mountain Disc Golf Sanctuary opening later this winter. It is another step in our endeavor to make Cherokee an outdoor destination. We think it will provide yet another opportunity to improve our outdoor offerings and amenities for both the general public and tribal families."

Hyatt added, "It is the perfect complement to the already existing Fish Cherokee program, Fire Mountain Trails, and our imminent improvements to Soco and Mingo falls. This minimal monetary investment and environmentally-responsible project will yield

significant gains for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and its citizens for years to come."

Justin Menickelli, a course architect for Disc Golf Design Group which is designing the course, said in a statement, "You'd have to drive to Charlotte or Morristown, Tenn. to find a course this challenging. And, even then, you won't find one nearly as beautiful. Players are going to want to compete on this course and while they're here, we are going to encourage them to check out all that Cherokee has to offer."

Students at Cherokee Middle School are gearing up for the sport already thanks to a recent grant from the PDGA Diversity and Outreach Grant Program.

Menickelli is also an associate professor in the College of Education and Allied Professions School

of Teaching and Learning at Western Carolina University and is the president of the PDGA. He was also a professor for Miranda Stamper, a P.E. teacher at Cherokee Middle, and helped the school with the grant and programming.

"It's pretty new to us," said Stamper.

"We've played before, but it's just very generic. Then, with the grant that we applied for and received, we got DVD instructional videos, new baskets, and over 75 different discs. So, once it opens up, we'll be ready to go."

Stamper said the sport itself is great exercise. "It's something that people from all different age

groups can participate in. It's a good walking exercise that little kids all the way up to our elders can participate in."

Within the physical education program at Cherokee Middle, they've played other disc games before such as Ultimate Frisbee and they are looking forward to adding disc golf to the repertoire. "We're learning, but the kids really, really seem to like it, and it will be another thing that we can add to the P.E. program to get these kids active. And, it's something they can do for the rest of their lives – something to keep them active that they can do with their families as well."

Koga Hernandez, an eighth grader at CMS, said he really enjoys playing disc golf. "I like to play with my friends and spend time with my family. It's a really fun game."

Livia Crowe, an eighth grader at CMS, commented, "It's exciting. It's going to be good exercise for everybody."



**Post 143 seeking contact  
information for  
active EBCI service men/women**

**Info: Warren Dupree 508-2657  
David McQueen 736-9572**



# Wolftown Art Show winners

Photos by Scott McKie B.P.  
One Feather Staff

Following are the winners in the  
Wolftown Community Club Art  
Show held on Saturday, Nov. 20:

## Youth 5-12 Division

### Drawing

- 1 – Mason Crowe
- 2 – Kaeson Reed
- 3 – Riannon Postoak

### Painting

- 1 – Mason Crowe
- 2 – Mason Crowe
- 3 – Kinley Crowe

### Gourd

- 1 – Kinley Crowe
- 2 – Kimbo Crowe
- 3 – Kimbo Crowe

### Beadwork

- 1 – Riannon Postoak
- 2 – Kinley Crowe

### Pottery

- 1 – Tay Larch

### Woodcarving

- 1 – Tay Larch
- 2 – Tay Larch
- 3 – Tay Larch

### Sewing

- 1 – Kinley Crowe

### Cornhusk Dolls

- 1 – Kinley Crowe

## Youth 13-17 Division

### Drawing

- 1 – Danica Hill
- 2 – Kyndra Postoak

### Painting

- 1 – Tama Perkins
- 2 – Kyndra Postoak
- 3 – Cam Jackson

### Sewing

- 1 – Tama Perkins
- 2 – Tama Perkins

### Beadwork

- 1 – Carl McCoy Jr.
- 2 – Kenj Postoak



A white oak basket, made by Tama Perkins, was one of the many pieces included in the Wolftown Community Club Art Show held on Saturday, Nov. 20. Perkins won first place and second place awards in the Youth 13-17 Division for her baskets. See the next page for a collage of photos from this event.

### Fingerweaving

- 1 – Tama Perkins

### Mats

- 1 – Cam Jackson

### Baskets

- 1 – Tama Perkins
- 2 – Tama Perkins
- 3 – Cam Jackson

## Adult Division

### Painting

- 1 – Stephan Walkingstick
- 2 – Stephan Walkingstick
- 3 – Leslie Sneed

### Beadwork

- 1 – Angela Armachain
- 2 – Jeff Catt
- 3 – Sharon McCoy

### Sewing

- 1 – Nakoa Warrington
- 2 – Freida Wright
- 3 – Nakoa Warrington

### Woodcarving

- 1 – Johnny Postoak
- 2 – Bruce Toineeta

### Cornhusk Dolls

- 1 – Mary Long
- 2 – Nakoa Warrington

### Pottery

- 1 – Elizabeth Bowers
- 2 – Dre Crowe
- 3 – Dre Crowe

### Fingerweaving

- 1 – Amy Postoak
- 2 – Leighanne Jackson
- 3 – Leighanne Jackson

### Open Category

- 1 – Bruce Toineeta
- 2 – Mickie Crowe
- 3 – Elizabeth Bowers

### Mats

- 1 – Nakoa Warrington









## *Christmas Events at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds*

### *Christmas for Our Kids*

#### *Christmas Bazaar*

Dec. 1-2 from 8 a.m. to  
5 p.m. both days.  
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Dinners.

### *All I Want for Christmas Bazaar*

Dec. 3-4 from 11 a.m. to  
5 p.m. both days.

On the 3rd, there will be  
an Indian Dinner fund-  
raiser for Dodie Crowe.

On the 4th, Melitia's  
Tacos & Tamales will be  
set up.

### *Last Stop Christmas Shopping*

Dec. 16 from 11 a.m. to 5  
p.m.

Melitia's Tacos &  
Tamales will be set up.

For more information, call  
Denise Walkingstick,  
(828) 508-2211

## OBITUARIES JHfFR

### **Curtis Isaac George**

Curtis Isaac George, age 45,  
passed away unexpectedly on  
Tuesday, Nov. 16, 2021 at his resi-  
dence in Cherokee.

He is survived by his parents,  
Russell and Barbara "Bobbi"  
George.

In addition to his parents,  
Curtis is survived by his brother,  
Charles George; sisters, Grace  
George (Derrick), Diana Brady  
(Clint), and Vicky Parker; neph-  
ews, JP and Justin; niece, Caitlin;  
and many aunts, uncles, and cous-  
ins also survive.

Curtis was preceded in death  
by his nephew, Richard Gregory  
George; Grandma and Grandpa  
Swimmer; and Grandma and  
Grandpa George.

A formal funeral service was  
held on Saturday, Nov. 20 in the  
chapel of Long House Funeral  
Home with with Pastor Dan Con-  
seen officiating. Burial was in the  
George Family Cemetery. Pall-  
bearers were among family and  
friends.

Long House Funeral Home  
assisted the family with final ar-  
rangements.



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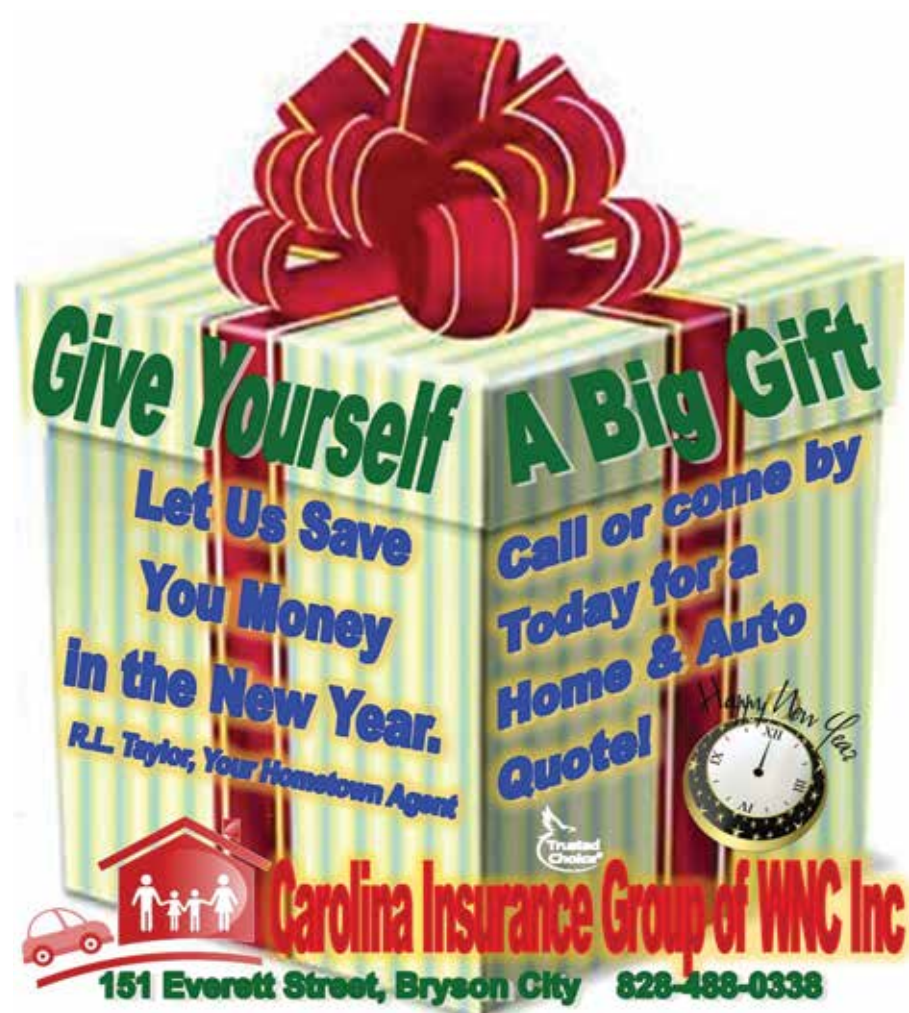


James Reed, right, was sworn-in as the student representative for the Cherokee Boys Club Board of Directors during the regular board meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 17. He took the oath of office from CBC General Manager Greg Owle, left, and CBC Board President Benny Graves. (Photo by Terry Bradley/Cherokee Boys Club)



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- Cherokee Welcome Center

### Handicapped/Disabled Christmas Check Program

All applications for the Handicapped/Disabled Christmas Check program for the Eastern Band Cherokee Indians (EBCI) can be picked up from the Tribal Council House and must be submitted by Dec. 3 at 4 p.m. To be eligible: must be an EBCI tribal member,

must be handicapped and/or disabled, must be under the age of 60 with a statement from Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Disability (SSD). Tribal members who are 60 and over by Dec. 31 are automatically enrolled in the Christmas check program, and no application is needed. Info: Kelsey Jackson 359-7002 or kelsey-jackson@ebci.nsn.gov, or Celia Smith 359-7008 or cecsmith@ebci.nsn.gov

- Office of the Principal Chief

### Cherokee Indian Housing Division Emergency Rental Assistance

The Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) application portal will open on Friday, Sept. 17 for members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians to apply for assistance. If you have applied and received assistance, contact Stefany Hicks at

359-8096 to update your current application if additional assistance is needed. Assistance can be provided up to 15 months.

If you have been denied and the household income has declined, submit a new application. If you live outside of the service area, your application will be activated to determine if you qualify for assistance. If you live outside of the service area or the state of North Carolina, applications will be accepted. To submit an application, log onto ebci.com to access the rental assistance portal.

- Cherokee Indian Housing Div.

### TABCC accepting retail permit applications

The Tribal ABC Commission is now accepting applications for Retail Permits. Applications can be picked up at the TABCC office Monday – Friday between 9 a.m. and

4 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact the TABCC office 788-4261.

- Tribal ABC Commission

### 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 Paint-town Road, next to Cherokee Bingo. Info: 359-6110 or email ebciwf@gmail.com

- Cherokee Natural Resources release

### Senior Citizens Heating Assistance applications

Applications for the 2022 heating season are now available at Tsali Manor. 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

## THE JACKSON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESENTS THE

# WNC FLY FISHING TRAIL WEEKLY FISHING REPORT

Nov. 22-28, 2021

WATERSHED	STOCKING	PRODUCTIVITY	ACTIVE SPECIES	HATCHES	FLY/BAIT
<b>Tuckasegee River</b>	Stocked Nov. 9.	Mid-day.	Rainbow Trout, Brook Trout, Brown Trout.	Midges, Golden Stonefly, Light Cahill, Terrestrials, BWO.	Streamers, eggs, hares ears, pheasant tails, Woolly Buggers.
<b>Chattooga &amp; Whitewater Rivers</b>	Follow posted regulations. Wild Trout.	Mid-day.	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout	Midges, Golden Stonefly, Light Cahill, Terrestrials, BWO.	Black, Grey & Olive Midges, Adams, Light Cahill, Royal Wull, Royal Coachman, Elk Hair Caddis.
<b>Inside GSMNP Oconaluftee River &amp; Small Streams</b>	Follow Posted Regulations - Wild Trout	Mid-day.	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout, Brook Trout	Midges, Golden Stonefly, Light Cahill, BWO.	Black, Grey & Olive Midges, Adams, Light Cahill, Royal Wull, Royal Coachman, BWO, Elk Hair Caddis.

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### BEST FISHING TIMES BASED ON THE LUNAR CYCLE

MONDAY, NOV. 22	TUESDAY, NOV. 23	WEDNESDAY, NOV. 24	THURSDAY, NOV. 25	FRIDAY, NOV. 26	SATURDAY, NOV. 27	SUNDAY, NOV. 28
GOOD	AVERAGE	AVERAGE+	AVERAGE	AVERAGE+	AVERAGE+	AVERAGE
1:36 AM-3:36 AM 2:01 PM-4:01 PM	2:27 AM-4:27 AM 2:52 PM-4:52 PM	3:17 AM-5:17 AM 3:42 PM-5:42 PM	4:07 AM-6:07 AM 4:31 PM-6:31 PM	4:55 AM-6:55 AM 5:19 PM-7:19 PM	5:42 AM-7:42 AM 6:06 PM-8:06 PM	6:29 AM-8:29 AM 6:52 PM-8:52 PM

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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

### EBCI Economic and planning survey

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is asking for your assistance in completing an important economic and planning survey for the community. The information gathered from this survey will assist in planning efforts for the development and diversification of the Cherokee economy.

A number of potential concepts will be presented at the end of the survey for review and comment. Your responses and feedback are greatly appreciated.

Go to the Following Link for the Survey: <https://selfserve.decipherinc.com/survey/self-serve/5d1/210905?list=2>.

### Vax for Cash Lottery winners

Following are the winners in the Vax for Cash lottery held on Tuesday, Nov. 9 and hosted by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. This list is provided to the One Feather by the EBCI Public Health

and Human Service Division.

**\$50,000**

Ida Prabawa

**\$10,000**

1. Lucas Brown
2. Carl McCoy
3. Cynthia Squirrel
4. Marcus Bradley
5. James Edwards
6. Jeffery Morgan
7. Cheryl Shell
8. Luchene Kalonaheskie
9. James Haigler
10. Kara Martin
11. Sara O'Kelley
12. Chelsie Witted
13. Katrina Hayes
14. Villareal West
15. Ashley Clark
16. Sonja McCoy
17. Kaden Cucumber
18. Layla Daniels
19. Charles Larch
20. Jack Smith
21. Tawania Ensley
22. Linda Lowe
23. Alex Sneed
24. Spencer Moore Jr.
25. Anita Thompson
26. Heather Fox
27. Nora French
28. John Plott
29. Liam O'Dowd
30. Edith Hobbs
31. Rose Gaines
32. Gabriel Dial
33. Sharon Owl
34. Phillip Charles
35. Jessica Myers
36. Michale Welch
37. Cali Douthit
38. Rita Mason
39. Ashley Ingram
40. Brody Barker

41. Hiral Gupta
42. Donald Ferguson
43. Quiana Powell
44. John Tooni
45. Curtis Betz
46. Michael Morre
47. Kaitlyn Nicholson
48. Sonya Bumgardner
49. Allyson Dills
50. Shane Holbrook

### THANK YOU LETTER

#### Thanks for help on Winter Coat Giveaway

A Winter Coat Giveaway was held at the Yellowhill Community Activity Center on Friday, Nov. 12, and the Yellowhill Community Club would like to thank the many individuals and communities that supported this effort. Special thanks to Big Y leadership Bunsey and Trudy Crowe for sharing your coats and socks. Your generosity helped to keep 40 families and their children warmer on the Qualla Boundary. Others that donated time, coats, clothing racks, pumpkin roll, etc... were: Rob and Nancy Wahnetah, Hrair Johnson, Mary Jane Smith, Harley Young, TW Saunooke, Darlene Bird, Ernest Grant, Peggy Hill, Sylvester and Loretta Crowe, Kelly Hill, Bobbi Sneed, Carmaleta Monteith, Stephanie French, Virginia Johnson, and Harrah's Casino. If we missed anyone, it was not deliberate. The Yellowhill Community Club thanks you. Your kindness and love to others is certainly a blessing from God.



## Moments in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

• On Dec. 11, 1872, already appearing as a well-known figure of the Wild West in popular dime novels, Buffalo Bill Cody makes his first stage appearance in a Chicago-based production of "The Scouts of the Prairie."

• On Dec. 12, 1901, Italian physicist and radio pioneer Guglielmo Marconi succeeds in sending the first radio transmission across the Atlantic Ocean, disproving detractors who said the curvature of the earth would limit transmission to 200 miles or less.

• On Dec. 6, 1917, a devastating blast occurs when the Mont Blanc, a French munitions ship, explodes after colliding with another vessel in Halifax harbor in Nova Scotia. The Mont Blanc was packed with 2,300 tons of picric acid, 200 tons of TNT and 35 tons of high-octane gasoline.

• On Dec. 7, 1941, a swarm of 360 Japanese warplanes descends on the U.S. naval base at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii in a ferocious early morning assault. The surprise attack devastated the U.S. Pacific fleet and drew the United States into World War II.

• On Dec. 9, 1950, Harry Gold, who confessed to serving as a courier of top-secret information on the atomic bomb, is sentenced to 30 years in prison. Gold implicated his brother-in-law and sister, Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, who were later executed for espionage.

• On Dec. 10, 1967, soul legend Otis Redding dies in a plane crash in Wisconsin. "(Sittin' on) The Dock of the Bay" would be released in its "unfinished" form several weeks later. The whistled verse was a placeholder for additional lyrics that Redding had yet to write.

• On Dec. 8, 1982, "Sophie's Choice," starring Meryl Streep as a Holocaust survivor, opens in theaters. The "choice" refers to a terrible decision Streep's character is forced to make about which of her two children will live or die while in a concentration camp.

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**Tribal offices of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians will be closed Nov. 24-26 for the Thanksgiving and Tsali Day holidays.**



# Constitution vs. Charter: Article XVI

## Know the difference!

### Article XVI – Adoption

**Section 1. Adoption.** This Constitution shall become the supreme law of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians when adopted by a majority vote of the registered voters of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians voting in an election and shall become effective after certification by the Election Board.

**Section 2. Supreme Law of the Tribe.** Upon adoption, this Constitution shall repeal and supersede the Charter and Governing Document of the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians as well as any law or precedent dependent thereon which is inconsistent with this Constitution.

### Charter

Enacted and adopted May 8, 1986, by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Cherokee Council House, Cherokee, North Carolina, by Resolution No. 132 (1986), and amended by Tribal Referendum conducted October 8, 1986.

### How soon could the Constitution take effect?

The Constitution could become effective as soon as the Tribal Election Board certifies the results of the referendum vote. A delayed effective date could be added to the referendum question. Under our current law, a resolution for referendum must be presented to Tribal Council to change, repeal, or replace the Charter, and this referendum may only be considered either by petition of the people or through a Tribal Council member submitting the resolution. Whoever submits the resolution for the replacement of the Charter may also ask, through the referendum process, whether the people would want to delay the effective date of the Constitution, should it be adopted, in order to allow time for the Cherokee Code to be aligned with the Constitution for a smoother transition to the new governing document.

### How will the Cherokee Code be affected by the Constitution?

Any language in the Code that might conflict with the Constitution must be addressed on a case-by-case basis.

For example, Sec. 117-11 of the Cherokee Code states that the minimum age to be eligible to serve as a Council Member is 18 years old. The Constitution requires that a person must be at least 25 years old. This part of the Cherokee Code will need to be modified to agree with the Constitution since the Constitution will be the supreme law of the Tribe.

There will be sections of the Cherokee Code that refer to the Charter. These sections will need to change to reflect the new governing document, the Constitution. The process to locate and propose changing the language and references in the Cherokee Code must take place when the Constitution is passed.

### Why not let the Tribal Council “adopt” the Constitution into law?

The Constitution will be an agreement created by those to be governed on how they shall be governed. It must be passed by the people since they are part of the agreement. The Charter was not initially established by the people. It was constructed by the legislators of the Tribe and the people allowed it to replace a tribal constitution. It does not clearly define the rights of the people. The Charter establishes the rights of government. The Constitution must reestablish the rights of the people. The final authority in the Constitution must be the people.

**SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF A TRIBAL CONSTITUTION AND PARTICIPATE IN ITS CREATION! VISIT [WWW.SGADUGI.ORG](http://WWW.SGADUGI.ORG) OR SIGN UP FOR ACCESS TO WEEKLY MEETINGS- CONTACT LLOYD ARNEACH AT [lloyd.arneach@7clantech.com](mailto:lloyd.arneach@7clantech.com)**



# Circle of Support



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# Frank Blythe and Francene Blythe-Lewis — father and daughter executive directors complete a circle during Vision Maker Media's 45th Anniversary

By LIZ HILL

The year was 1972. A group of 45 public television stations, primarily from the western United States, were brought together with the help of a Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) grant for a three-day meeting at historic Wingspread, the Lloyd Wright House at the Johnson Foundation in Racine, Wisconsin. Frank Blythe (Eastern Cherokee/Sisseton-Wahpeton Dakota) was one of the participants. He was one of just six Native attendees who were working in public television at the time.

"The purpose [of the gathering] was to see if it was feasible to put together an organization that could serve Native American producers and serve public television with Native programs," said Blythe, whose professional experience at that time was in operation management at KAET-TV, a public television station licensed at Arizona State University in Tempe.

Blythe, Claude Kistler (retired general manager KSPS-TV, Spokane, Washington), George Burdeau (Spokane Public Television), Gilbert Frazier (Utah Public Television), Virginia Driving Hawk Sneve (South Dakota Public Television), Bruce Barrett (South Dakota Public Television) and John Maestas (KBYU FM, Provo, Utah) met as a committee. "They put us in a room and told us to come out with a mission, organizational structure and a plan," said Blythe. "We had no experience in organizing anything other than our own projects. Finally, we came out with an organization called Native American Public Broadcasting



**Frank Blythe**

(Photo courtesy Vision Maker Media)

Consortium, (NAPBC) which was to be a membership organization. The purpose would be to produce and distribute Native American programs to public television."

"How we were going to do that, we weren't sure, but that was the primary purpose of how it got started — the stations backed us up and they all gave us some seed money to get organized and get started and we went from there," said Blythe. "CPB came on board in 1976 and helped with funding, and that's how we got started. This is [also] when we started the organization at Nebraska Public Media in Lincoln, Neb."

In 1976, Blythe was hired as the first executive director of NAPBC, which after some years was renamed Native American Public Telecommunications and, finally, Vision Maker Media in 2013. "Our mission [back then] was to create an organization that served Native American populations and brought their films and media to the public," said Blythe, who led the organization until 2006. "The outlet we used was PBS because we were funded by CPB. We were expected to produce materials that were distributed to PBS."



**Francene Blythe-Lewis**

(Photo by Barbara Soulé)

"The original goal was to show the American public that Native peoples exist; they have survived and they continue to serve in their communities and work with their individual communities within their states... I feel we gave a positive view of some of them although some had sorrowful histories from the past," said Blythe. "Those stories were also presented and created discussion and story making that would have not otherwise been seen in public television."

Documentary filmmaker Sydney Bean (Flandreau Santee Sioux) one of Frank's longest standing friends from early childhood and affiliated with Blythe through their mutual television work for many years and as a board member for NAPBC and, later, for Vision Maker Media, has watched the organization grow and flourish over the years.

"Both of us had some early experience in television, particularly focusing on Native American stories and Native issues," said Bean. "This was back in the early 70s, a time when Native storytelling was really emerging around the American civil rights movement. It was creating a lot of stories that were

being documented through media. There was a lot of social change going on that was being documented through media all over the country."

"We came together through birth around our commitment and responsibility to reclaim our identity as the original people of this land and to continue to tell the original stories in the different context of time," said Bean. "The challenge of that is to get those stories distributed and incorporated into the institutions of this country — the school systems, health networks and all the major institutions — so that we are truly understood and are able to function in a fully equitable way within our own country."

In the following years, Blythe made big moves for Native Americans in public broadcasting. In 1990, NAPBC launched a \$500,000 annual television program fund, now known as Vision Maker Media's Public Media Fund, for Native producers to produce stories and Native productions to be funded with the support from CPB. In 1994, under Blythe's leadership, NAPBC began American Indian Radio on Satellite (AIROS), which launched The Native Radio Network and Native America Calling as a first daily all-Native live radio talk show and are still in operation. As the years went by, NAPBC eventually changed its name to Native American Public Telecommunications (NAPT) in 1995; and later, when Shirley Sneve (Rosebud Sioux), came on board in 2004 as the organization's second executive director, NAPT's name was changed to Vision Maker Media.



Fast forward to 2020. After the departure of Sneve in 2019, a national search was launched to find her replacement. Francene Blythe-Lewis (Diné, Sisseton Wahpeton and Eastern Cherokee), was hired as Vision Maker Media's new executive director in 2020. The daughter of Blythe, Blythe-Lewis's extensive experience in project management, arts and culture at such nationally-renowned organizations as The National Geographic Society, The Smithsonian Institution's Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage and The National Museum of the American Indian, and Native Arts and Cultures Foundation, made her the perfect choice for the job.

"Francene has established herself; she had the skill set and background and is invested in her craft," said Joely Proudfit (Luiseño), Vision Maker Media board chair. "Frank had started the organization and now it has come full circle with Francene."

Blythe-Lewis grew up in Lincoln where she attended and graduated from Lincoln Southeast High School. After high school she remained in the state, graduating from the University of Nebraska in Omaha. She served on the Lincoln Housing Authority Board and as an AmeriCorps worker in a social service nonprofit agency. During her early career, she started her cultural education efforts by presenting workshops, titled "Un-learning Indian Stereotypes," in the Lincoln public school system.

"Fran[cene] worked for me at one time because I also spent 10 years living in Lincoln," says Bean. "Frank was a chairman on my board and Fran[cene] ran one of my largest programs when she was in college. So, we have a long close committed relationship to the

same values and same principles and the critical need for the telling and hearing and educating and training around the Native story."

Blythe-Lewis remembers going to conferences with her father over the years and meeting many of his Native media colleagues and friends, so she received an early, informal introduction to his work in Native media making. "I remember the first series about contemporary Native artists that my dad produced and I remember it opened American eyes that there are Native Americans still alive and doing amazing stuff!" she said. "As a young Native person back then, I only saw the traditional aspects of my Native cultures and living ordinary lives like going to work and feeding family. That show of four contemporary artists showed me Native people outside my own perspective and experience. I, too, was amazed, wowed and impressed."

Vision Maker Media has been observing its 45th anniversary in 2021. The organization has a lot to celebrate. "What began as a film archive has transformed into the nation's public-media leader in content by and about America's first people — Native Americans and Alaska Natives — for public broadcasting," says Blythe-Lewis.

With continuous support from CPB and Nebraska Public Media, VMM's mission empowering and engaging Native people to share their stories remains meaningful. Currently, Vision Maker Media has at least 30 films in public-media broadcasting. Its content reaches nearly 90 million Americans on public television series, including Independent Lens, POV, America ReFramed, American Masters and others. A yearlong celebration of free "community" events, including thematic online film screen-

ings, online virtual programs, and more is ongoing. The Cherokee Nation Film Office and PBS are 45th anniversary sponsors.

"Vision Maker Media has been a powerful force in public media, ensuring funding and support for Native American storytelling," says Mark Leonard, Nebraska Public Media general manager.

The archive of award-winning programs and documentaries is a testament to the importance and relevance of Vision Maker Media's work."

"As we seek to include more diverse representation of people and ideas within our system, Vision Maker Media's importance will continue to rise," said Leon-

ard. "Nebraska Public Media has been proud to be the physical home of Vision Maker Media as well as a partner in bringing diverse voices and stories to public media for the past 45 years."

The great Oglala Chief Crazy Horse said, 'A people without a history, is like wind on the buffalo grass,'" says Ron Hull, first treasurer of NAPBC and Nebraska Public Media senior advisor. "As a charter member of the initial NAPBC I was intrigued by the potential of creating a new media center dedicated to telling the stories of Native American history and culture produced by Native Americans. For 45 years Vision Maker Media has been capturing this history for all audiences."

## Good Housekeeping

### Snow Pea, Radish and Celery Saute

Serve this light, lemony vegetable saute with roast chicken or a light fish dish.

- 2 large green onions
- 2 large celery stalks
- 1 bunch radishes
- 1/2 pound Chinese pea pods (snow peas)
- 1 tablespoon salad oil
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 large lemon

1. Cut green onions into 1-inch pieces. Slice celery diagonally into thin slices. Cut each radish in half. Remove stem and strings along both edges of each pea pod.

2. In nonstick 10-inch skillet over medium-high heat, in hot salad oil, cook green onions, celery, radishes, pea pods and salt until vegetables are lightly browned and tender-crisp.

3. Cut lemon in half. Squeeze juice from half of lemon over vegetables. Spoon vegetables onto platter. Slice remaining lemon into thin slices. Garnish vegetables with lemon slices.

• Each serving: About 65 calories, 4g total fat, 0mg cholesterol, 300mg sodium.

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## Good Housekeeping

### Salt-Baked Fish

Baking a whole fish in a crust of kosher salt seals in the juices and guarantees exquisitely moist — and surprisingly unsalty — fish.

- 4 cups kosher salt
- 1 whole (1½ to 2 pounds) red snapper, striped bass or porgy, cleaned and scaled
- 1 lemon
- 3 sprigs rosemary or thyme

1. Preheat oven to 450 F. Line 13-inch-by-9-inch baking pan with foil; spread 2 cups salt in bottom of pan.

2. Rinse snapper inside and out with cold running water; pat dry with paper towels. From lemon, cut 3 slices. Cut remaining lemon into wedges. Place lemon slices and rosemary in cavity of fish. Place fish on bed of salt; cover with remaining 2 cups salt. Bake until fish is just opaque throughout when knife is inserted at backbone, about 30 minutes.

3. To serve, tap salt crust to release from top of fish and discard. Slide cake server under front section of top fillet and lift off fillet; transfer to platter. Slide server under backbone and lift it away from bottom fillet; discard. Slide cake server between bottom fillet and skin and transfer fillet to platter. Serve with reserved lemon wedges. Makes 2 main-dish servings.

• Each serving: About 188 calories, 3g total fat (1g saturated), 66mg cholesterol, 800mg sodium, 6g total carbohydrate, 37g protein.

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## COMMENTARY

# Let me tell you what I have heard

By **ROBERT JUMPER**

One Feather Editor

Water coolers and coffee pots are congregational points for many in our community who work, attend meetings, or any other community gathering. It even works when we invite friends and family over to the dining room table to impart knowledge. Coming to the watering hole is usually a time of idle chit chat about health and wealth of family, friends, and other spotlighted scuttlebutt. Appropriately, the term “scuttlebutt” has dual meanings, one is an open cask of drinking water or a fountain for use by the crew of a vessel. The other, informal, meaning is rumor or gossip.

Humanity does love its rumor and gossip. For some of us, our lives just don't seem to be complete unless we are able to impart the latest “wisdom” we have acquired on others so that their lives might be enhanced. For others, it is more clearly self-gratification. The “let me show you how much more I know than you” crowd who feel that they must stand out in the crowd or be “better than you” by telling others what they don't know. Still others gain personal pleasure from the tragedies and perceived failures of others and delight in spreading that word among the masses.

Every social group knows who the right ones are to impart a bit of gossip upon to get the best broadcast of the information. While gossipers are rarely called out for their behavior, they are routinely

used when someone wants the community to know a piece of nasty business.

In 1982, the first use of the term “If it bleeds, it leads” was documented. The term was used in an article in a magazine (title “Broadcasting”) that I used to subscribe to while I was in radio. The term speaks to the appetite of the public for negative or disastrous news and a media outlets desire to satisfy that appetite. Another common term in our culture is “Bad news travels fast”, first used in the early 16th century in an English play titled “The Spanish Tragedy”. “The idea behind this expression is that people are quick to share information about misfortune or something bad” (writingexplained.org). Yes, there are those of us who thrive on the suffering of others. Oh, we would never admit it, but we feel better about ourselves and our state of affairs when we can find a person or two that are in comparatively lesser shape. It makes us feel justified, and maybe just a bit superior.

Gossip may be true, partially true, or entirely false. It may be intentionally malicious or may be an unfortunate accident in the telling of something to make someone feel better about themselves in the telling. We all know the analogy of a community being like crabs in a bucket. Crabs as they strive to crawl out of a bucket will pull each other down or crawl over the top of each other to advance their own position in the bucket.

Unlike crabs, humanity lets lack of self-worth and personal jealousy lead them into spreading rumors

and gossip. In some sense, we are a bit sociopathic when it comes to gossip. We get so worked up about the gratification and benefit to self that it really doesn't matter to us what the damage is to others. We act shocked when our idle words end up destroying a marriage, a family, a career, or a person.

Information vacuums are like a petri dish for growing rumor and gossip. We don't like unfinished puzzles and, in the absence of the right piece to finish the puzzle, we will force a piece to fit, using scissors and a hammer if necessary. If we need something to finish the story to tell our friends and family, we will make something up that sounds reasonable to us, then fill any willing and available ears with our story. And then they take that story and share it like the gospel truth, possibly unwittingly sharing a total fabrication.

Governments and media outlets have battled for hundreds of years about the right of the people they serve to possess and know information generated and collected through governance. That battle continues even here on the Qualla Boundary; finding the proper balance of “trade” secret keeping to protect the operational integrity of the Tribe versus the right of the people who are governed and also the governors of their own communities to know the working of their government. We don't do a very good job as a government when it comes to accountability, proper parsing of information, and particularly with transparency. Transparency is a word that gets thrown around a lot by govern-

ment officials, but few adhere to a policy of true transparency.

Closed session laws, policies, and procedures are either vague or non-existent. When closed sessions are held in Tribal government meetings, be it in Council, Executive Committee, or other committee meetings throughout our government, there are no requirements as to how long they may be in closed session, only vague explanations as to why they might go into a closed session, no requirement for an arbiter to be in the session to ensure proper ethical behavior (staying on the subject that was used to closed the session in the first place), and no requirements to keep any record of what went on in a closed session. Some decisions to go into closed session do not even rise to a public vote of the council or committee. Basically, all you will hear is “take us off the air and clear the room”. And there have been instances, coming back into open session, where the only explanation that is given for the executive session is “we just had some things to talk about”. This even though Cherokee Code states, “Council may hold an executive session closed to the public only upon a motion duly made and adopted during an open session. Every motion to close a meeting shall cite one or more of the permissible purposes.” [Section 117-13 (b)]

Sure, it seems like a small procedural issue, but little things add up to make big issues. Closed sessions create information vacuums. In a March 2021 response to my inquiry to the Attorney General's



office, I was informed that “Recording of closed sessions would defeat their purpose”. I didn’t ask and we didn’t discuss the purpose that would be defeated if a record of the deliberation of Council in close session were kept in a sealed state, so that if an ethical question arose regarding a decision made, there would be a way to explore the intent of the Council. Keep in mind that Council and the committees are political bodies with broader obligations to constituencies than those in appointed positions. Beyond the obvious contract negotiations, budgetary interests, and personnel/enrollment issues, what purpose(s) would be defeated by barring closed sessions? And what check and balance should be in place as a matter of policy or law to ensure that all matters of the business of the Tribe that may be made public are made public? Other tribes and municipalities have incorporated strict laws to ensure the integrity of public

meetings and strict rules on the use of closed sessions. We need to do the same. When making public record and information law, we should always remember that rumor grows where information does not flow.

Media is not immune to the allure of gossip and rumor. Deadlines and dollars, for many of our peer media outlets, dictate content instead of facts. The merging of news departments with entertainment departments in media organizations has been costly to the cause of truth.

Media participating in gossip. Allowing reporters to put their own slant and opinion into articles that are supposed to be factual. Editors turning a blind eye. One definition of journalism is “the production and distribution of reports on current events based on facts and supported with proof or evidence”. A journalist, by this definition, is charged with providing, to the best of their ability and

in the words of Joe Friday of *Dragnet* fame, “just the facts”. It blows my mind when I flip through the news channels and find, time after time, supposed journalists giving commentary as subject experts to issues on which they report. More dangerous still are those reporters who inject their particular social slant into their writing and reporting. Commonly held beliefs are not necessarily facts, and neither are those that are uncommonly held. News reporting is not about skewing the facts and/or showing biased to a particular “side” of the story. Anything beyond the facts is rumor and speculation. And one opinion is as good as another in that regard. And sometimes, in the absence of factual information, we journalists compromise our ethics by either letting our personal bias into our reporting or by filling in the gap with unvetted information when time, financial, or political pressures arise. And this may be the most dangerous type of gos-

sip because these gossips use the megaphone of electronic media to spread the “news”. Publishers and editors of media outlets, including myself, need to be reminded from time to time, that we are the eyes, ears, and sometimes mouthpieces for the communities we serve. It is our duty to ensure that we speak truth, not only to power, but in all our public communications. Media has the power to heal. It also has the power to harm. We are the Fourth Estate. We have a key role in influencing governance and those who are governed. We must be held, and hold ourselves, to the highest level of ethical standard. And we must be cautious not to become just another spreader of gossip.

Then there is you and me. Sometimes, I think we feel better with the gossipier’s tale than being given the facts. It sometimes feels like we are in a dark world where there is no hope or light. But most of our lives are a balance of light and dark, and sometimes the balance tips toward darkness, then more to the light. Much of that has to do with what we allow in our lives. Those who share rumor and gossip do so because it has been well received by those to whom they tell it. Seek truth and demand truth from others, your friends, your family, your community, your government, your media. There are social media pages filled with gossip monger propaganda, designed to enrage or entertain you. These pages are not “words to live by”. In fact, they are more of a cheap thrill. They tickle your ears with no real meaning or value. Most of the time, you can’t control what you hear. You may only control what you do with what you hear. Make good choices.



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# The “Last Day’s” Church

**By REV. TIMOTHY L. MELTON, PASTOR**

(Transcribed by Myra D. Colgate)

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church

Read Isaiah 37:30-33; John 15:16; Galatians 5:22-23.

As time keeps on progressing, we are to become ever more faithful and ‘sure-footed’ having read all our instructions given in His Word for our best understanding of what’s expected of each person in each “household of faith”. We are to be growing and maturing ‘as trees of righteousness planted by a river’, well-watered, continuing to reap and sow in liberty, and producing good, ripening “fruit of the Spirit.” Fruit here that’s spoken of is “love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance, for against such there is no law.” After all, we are to still have the liberty to grow ‘bushels of fruit’ for ourselves and for others, too.

“We can be enjoying the process of settling down to remain “rooted and grounded” so we can be reaping and sowing, while producing much fruit. After all, it is not so much “what we do” as “who we are who are His.” The roots can still grow downward into good, nutrient-rich soil so they can grow up producing upward branches, producing much good, healthy fruit. We are to enjoy the process! Harvest now and don’t ever stop harvesting the fruit that remains,” explained Pastor Melton.

“We are to live each day as if He’s about to split the Eastern sky, because we don’t know exactly when, but we are never to stop doing what He has called us to continue doing, helping each other, not in our own power, but in His, which ought to be flowing out of us. If we focus only on the fruit, we might miss how important the root is. Grow the roots to declare His Glory, to take in water and food, or the fruit will only be spoiled,” he added.

What God has had planted has fruit, and it is not optional. It will only darken and look bruised if not used as intended or will draw fruit flies. (Beelzebub is one of the names given

the devil, meaning “lord of the flies.” Fruit flies flying around the face are a misery!). The issue here is fruit happens normally on its own, but if not rooted in the ‘soil of goodness’ and well-grounded, (in the Word) or tended, it can’t produce good fruit in our finances, love relationships, so get in His Word each day. Get the ‘root system’ right to get and keep all the fruit right. In verse 33, it’s said, we are to know God is zealous over the fruit, and even defends the tree, so, “I’m going to build my root system in me. A fruit-bearing one since He defends the tree. I shall not be moved,” Pastor Melton, added.

We must realize, too, what the Lord has put inside us, was not for us, it was actually put there for someone else we must be learning to share with. He is in us, and we must let Him make His way out of us as we find and share with them. We are here to be His feet, His hands...

Don’t let the fruit get too ripe, keep it coming out by giving it away, (as in bananas which get bruised easily when too ripe). What God has called me to do, should have some part of

the same goals He has called each of you to also be helping in achieving. If we’ve been at this for ten years, none should be still in diapers or something’s not right. It’s all about the growth of the fruit...Could it be, one is a Christian, but in not utilizing fruit very well, is why the devil hangs around your house? It’s really gotten quiet all of a sudden...

I’ve got a good Word for you. If one is grounded in God His Word, the fruit just happens. If not, the fruit won’t happen. One may not be grounded enough. If the check engine light has come on in your car, check it out. It may not be needed tomorrow, but don’t let it go on much longer. There’s a problem. Anywhere the fruit is not working, it could be something’s wrong, not right. If there is a problem let’s check, ‘root’ it out...

The Church can help in getting at the ‘root’. It’s because of ‘who one is’ and getting better and better. How many know your life will take on a whole different tenor and direction? Won’t blow up at a boss, losing a job...have rent money, won’t have to act out.



## THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

*You have set all the borders of the earth; You have made summer and winter.*

PSALM 74:17



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# Super Crossword

OVERTHINKING THINGS

## ACROSS

- 1 Curved like a pothook  
8 Some Algonquians  
14 Gushes lava  
20 Cartoon cel material  
21 Bassett of Hollywood  
22 Witch's elixir  
23 Start of a riddle  
25 Shoe-collecting  
Marcos  
26 State whose cap. is Boise  
27 Company that retails outdoor gear  
28 FDR follower  
30 Gather, as a harvest  
31 Pooch's yap  
32 Riddle, part 2  
39 Free of charge, as legal services  
41 Make knotted  
42 Large simian  
43 Stroke gently  
44 Riddle, part 3  
48 Right wrongs  
49 Genesis game system maker  
50 Egg, formally  
54 "Cool beans!"
- 57 Lenin's land: Abbr.  
60 Tubular pasta  
64 Part of REO  
65 Riddle, part 4  
70 — kwon do  
71 "Toyboat" singer Yoko  
72 Caravan layover locale  
73 See 112-Across  
74 Gift for music  
75 Riddle, part 5  
79 Ho-hum  
80 Like gear that quells mobs  
81 English lav  
82 Chair fixer of a sort  
83 Bug spray ingredient  
84 Auction, e.g.  
88 Oscar winner Mercedes  
91 Riddle, part 6  
99 Free of charge, as legal services  
103 Zodiac lion  
104 Hocus-pocus  
105 Big retail stores  
106 End of the riddle  
110 Nibble on  
111 Be furious  
112 With 73-Across, fluorescent paint brand

- 113 Pampering, in brief  
114 Pal, to Yves  
115 Demonstrate clearly  
117 Riddle's answer  
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126 Warning on an airplane wing  
127 Earhart or Lindbergh  
128 Tramps (on)  
129 Sub-locating devices  
130 Greek

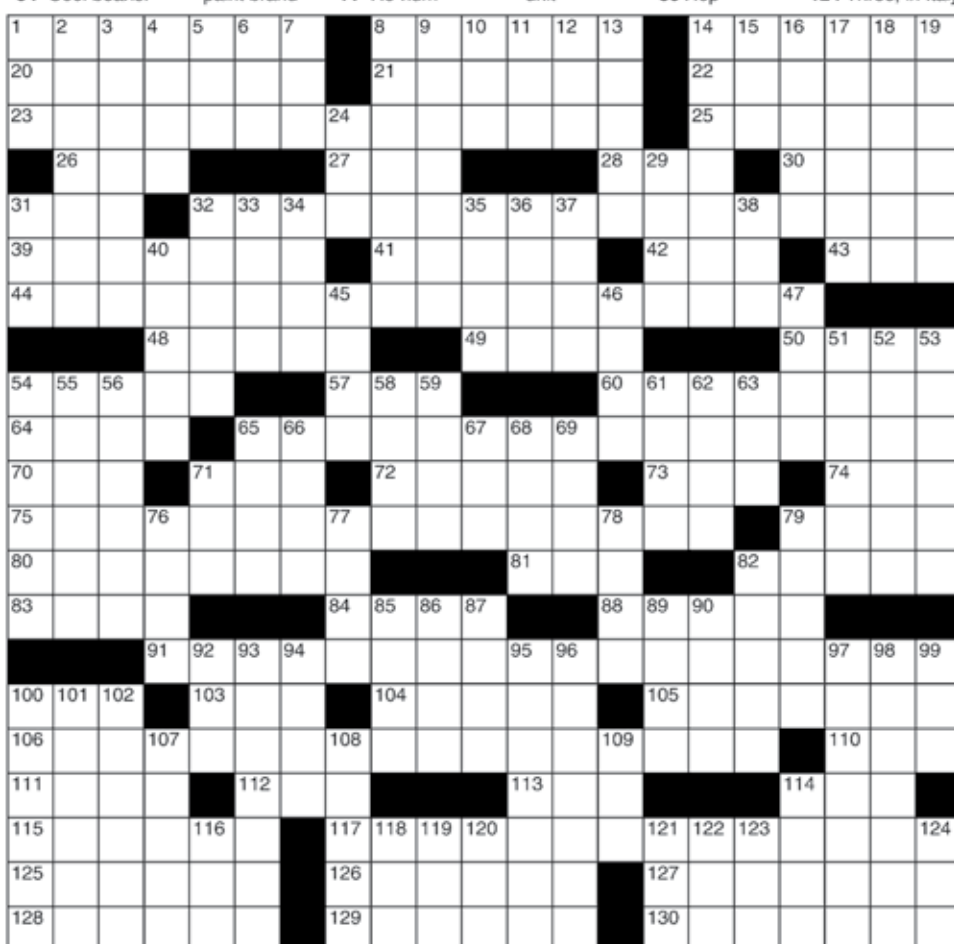
## DOWN

- 1 Looked at  
2 Apollo 7 astronaut  
3 Go toward  
4 "— girl!" ("All right!")  
5 Dads  
6 Verb ending in the Bible  
7 "Gloria in Excelsis —"  
8 Guy's sense of self-importance  
9 Neighbor of Michigan  
10 Entertainer's rep.  
11 "Ho-hum"

- 12 Land in la mer  
13 Voice a quick greeting  
14 Inscription on a tombstone  
15 — -com (film genre)  
16 In — (gestating)  
17 Make a heap  
18 Up till now  
19 Talk testily to  
24 Hi-tech address  
29 Salty expanses  
31 Many an iDevice game  
32 The Lone Ranger's chum  
33 Gung-ho for  
34 Hamlet  
35 Operates, as a booth  
36 Northwestern French department  
37 Many a YouTube journal  
38 Pollen transporter  
40 Triumphs over  
45 Lifesaver, perhaps  
46 Football field unit

- 47 Kind of IRA  
51 Determine by ballot  
52 Nervousness  
53 It shows reflections  
54 Passable  
55 Comedian Boosler  
56 "— Fideles" (Yule carol)  
58 Atop  
59 Doe's partner  
61 "Othello" role  
62 Wide divide  
63 Earlier  
65 Italian for "years"  
66 "Dumb" bird  
67 Suffix with 45-Down  
68 Stringed instrument of yore  
69 Canadian gas station  
71 Atop, to poets  
76 Essential part  
77 Potential reply to "Who's there?"  
78 Shredded  
79 Round of gunfire  
82 Lay's snacks  
85 Oscar's kin  
86 Hop

- 87 Corporate ID  
89 Takes unfair advantage of  
90 Girl in a J.D. Salinger story  
92 Part of REO  
93 Hands down, as a verdict  
94 Cato's robe  
95 More wee  
96 Lugs around  
97 Recluse under a religious vow  
98 Person acting as a link  
99 China's Sun — -sen  
100 Influence  
101 Shutter slat  
102 Ferret cousin  
107 High-IQ group  
108 Sacred songs  
109 Outer: Prefix  
114 Central Asia's — Sea  
116 Flaky fish  
118 Winning row in tic-tac-toe  
119 Rival of AOL or Yahoo!  
120 NYC rail and bus org.  
121 "That'll show ya!"  
122 Adam's woman  
123 Petroleum  
124 Three, in Italy



# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

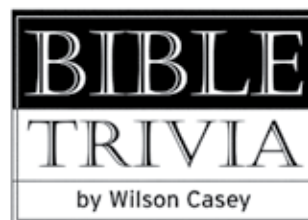
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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1. Is the book of Habakkuk in the Old Testament or New Testament or neither?
2. Which book's chapter 3, verse 14 (KJV) mentions "the beginning of the creation of God"? *No book does, Isaiah, Ezekiel, Revelation*
3. From Mark 9, Hell is a place where "what" dieth not, and the fire is not quenched? *Worm, Body, Soul, Greed*
4. Who's the only woman in the Bible with her age mentioned (at death)? *Eve, Ruth, Leah, Sarah*
5. On what day of creation did God divide land and water? *2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th*
6. What did Methuselah become at 187 years old? *Saved, Invalid, Father, Martyr*

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1. LITERATURE: Which author coined the phrase "green-eyed monster"?
2. GEOGRAPHY: How many countries have nations within their borders?
3. ACRONYMS: What does RPM stand for?
4. PSYCHOLOGY: What is the fear represented in the condition called "nomophobia"?
5. TELEVISION: What is the address of the home on "The Munsters" (1964-66)?
6. MATH: How many combinations of U.S. coins would add up to \$1?
7. MUSIC: What was the woman's name in the Lynyrd Skynyrd song "Gimme Three Steps"?
8. MEASUREMENTS: How many ounces are in 3/4 of a cup?
9. MOVIES: Which 1959 movie had the subtitle "A Tale of the Christ"?
10. AD SLOGANS: Which company had the advertising slogan, "Let's go places"?

see PUZZLE ANSWERS page 30

## EVENTS

### COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Tsali Day Kituwah Homecoming Celebration.** Nov. 26 at Kituwah Mound. Day of fellowship, food, and fun. Bring your traditional meal or leftover turkey for a potluck dinner. Organizers said, Let's come together and acknowledge and rejoice in the return of our Mother Kituwah back into our trust." Hosted by the Eastern Band Organization. For more information or to volunteer, call Lisa Montelongo 736-9628, Elvia Walkingstick 269-8747, or Missy Crowe 788-1809

**Indivisible Swain County Meeting.** Nov. 29 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Agenda items include action steps for priorities for 2022 — Medicaid expansion, voting, education, and the environment. All are welcome to join and share concerns and ideas. To request a link for the meeting, email [maryherr2017@gmail.com](mailto:maryherr2017@gmail.com) or call 497-9498

### Upcoming Big Cove Community events:

- Big Cove Community Meeting. Dec. 7 at 6 p.m. Potluck dinner  
- Big Cove is accepting angel tree nominations. Nominations are due by Dec. 7. Contact an officer

to pick up a form or nominate a child. Monetary donations will be accepted. Names must be submitted by Tuesday, Dec. 7 at the community meeting or contact one of the community club officers. Families determined to be in higher need will be prioritized for slots. Maximum of 20 participants. Deb West 736-3950, Joni Hill 736-6503, Heather Driver 736-8628, Lisa Hardesty 788-1646

**Upcoming Turkey Shoots at the Jesse Welch Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community.** Nov. 27 at 3 p.m., fundraiser for the Turkey Shoot Facility. Dec. 4 at 3 p.m., Brothers in the Wind toy fundraiser.

**Swain County Genealogical and Historical Society December meeting cancelled.** A decision will be made about January's meeting later in December. The research center is open at 91 Brendle Street, Bryson City, on Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Masks are required in the center.

**Annual Hard Candy Christmas Art and Crafts Show.** Nov. 26-27 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day at the WCU Ramsey Center in Cullowhee. More than 90 crafts-

men and artists will be showing and selling their original creations including pottery, woodcraft, dolls, rag rug making, baskets, specialty sweets, ornaments, and more. Exhibitors from Cherokee are Beck Watty, Natural Materials Baskets and Two Creeks Leather; and Jeff Price with Log Cabin Furniture, Hat Racks and Accessories. Admission is \$5 for adults. Children under 12 are free. There is free parking and concessions will be available. Info: [www.MountainArtisans.net](http://www.MountainArtisans.net) or email Doris Hunter at [djhunter155@gmail.net](mailto:djhunter155@gmail.net).

**Shopping events at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds.** Christmas for Our Kids Christmas Bazaar, Dec. 1-2 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. All I Want for Christmas Bazaar, Dec. 3-4 from

11 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. Last Stop Christmas Shopping, Dec. 16 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Jan's 2021 Christmas Bazaar.** Dec. 9 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Dec. 10 at 9 a.m. at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds exhibit hall. Food by NAIWA. School children will not be attending. Info: Jan 497-2037

### 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

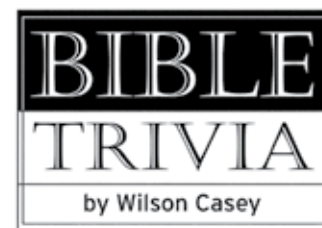
### Puzzle Answers

#### Super Crossword

#### Weekly SUDOKU

##### Answer

9	1	2	4	8	3	7	5	6
4	8	5	6	2	7	3	9	1
6	7	3	5	9	1	2	4	8
1	3	8	9	4	2	6	7	5
2	9	6	1	7	5	4	8	3
7	5	4	3	6	8	1	2	9
3	2	1	7	5	9	8	6	4
8	4	9	2	1	6	5	3	7
5	6	7	8	3	4	9	1	2



ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Revelation; 3) Worm; 4) Sarah (Genesis 23:1-2); 5) 3rd; 6) Father



##### Answers

1. William Shakespeare
2. Two countries: The Vatican in Italy, San Marino also in Italy and Lesotho in South Africa
3. Revolutions per minute
4. A fear of being without your mobile phone
5. 1313 Mockingbird Lane
6. 293
7. Linda Lu
8. Six
9. "Ben-Hur"
10. Toyota

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*How do you say that in Cherokee?*

Walk.  
haisesdi

Stay with me.  
ginaligohesdi

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



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

#### **Fun Facts from the Editor:**

- \* Your body produces enough saliva during your lifetime to fill two swimming pools.
- \* The ostrich lays the largest eggs on the land, but the whale shark lays the largest eggs in the world.
- \* Swedish wasn't the official language of Sweden until 2009.
- \* Phobophobia is the fear of phobias, or the fear of fear.
- \* Between 1848 and 1850, the population of San Francisco grew from 900 to 35,00 people thanks to the Gold Rush.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC INPUT SESSIONS REGARDING NOQUISIIYI (NIKWASI) MOUND

Please join Nikwasi Initiative and Equinox at a public opportunity to share your ideas for a gateway cultural district around Noquisiyyi (Nikwasi) Mound in Franklin.

This is a chance for you to learn about and share your ideas for a Noquisiyyi Cultural District around the Mound. The district will be a Cherokee cultural center and a gateway to far western North Carolina. It will be a national model of communities sharing across cultures. The cultural site will provide: a space to tell local stories, open space, and economic opportunity. It will that reflect the past, present, and future culture of local people. There are several options online and in person for you to share ideas. We want to hear from you, so please join us at one of these meetings:

#### **Online Options:**

Wednesday December 1, at 12:00PM <https://tinyurl.com/Nikwasi1>  
Thursday December 2, at 6:30PM <https://tinyurl.com/Nikwasi2>  
Or look for the links at the Nikwasi Initiative website homepage: [www.nikwasi-initiative.org](http://www.nikwasi-initiative.org)

#### **In Person Drop-In Options:**

Cherokee - Friday, December 3 4:00 - 5:00 PM at Qualla Boundary Public Library (810 Acquoni Road - Cherokee)  
Franklin - Thursday, December 2 4:30 - 6:00 PM at Conference Room 1 Macon County Public Library (149 Siler Farm Road in Franklin)

For more information or to send written comments, please write to:  
Elaine Eisenbraun, Nikwasi Initiative, P.O. Box 2197, Franklin, NC 28744

## VETERANS ★ POST ★

by Freddy Groves

### New Hires to Process VA Claims Backlog

The Department of Veterans Affairs has hired 2,000 claims processors to deal with the claims backlog. They're going to be busy, once they're trained.

As of early October, the VA was sitting on over 200,000 backlogged claims, meaning that of the 600,000 claims in hand, one-third were over 125 days old. In addition, they have now found more than 70,000 claims that must be reviewed after three new presumptives were added for Agent Orange exposure, bringing the total to 270,000 backlogged claims.

The three new presumptives — Parkinsonism, bladder cancer and hypothyroidism — have been added to more than a dozen existing ones. Those three conditions had never been approved as presumptives, but now that they are, we have the Nehmer lawsuit of 1986 to thank for the need to review those claims. Nehmer concluded that if you ever filed and were turned down for illnesses that later made the accepted list of presumptives, the VA is automatically required to go back and review your claim. The bonus here is that any disability pay you receive now will be retroactive to the date of your original claim.

You don't have to refile, but as a precaution, check in with the VA and make sure it didn't lose your original claim. Be certain you're among those whose claim is being looked at.

In addition, there are three new presumptives for airborne particulate exposure — asthma, rhinitis and sinusitis — for those who served in the Gulf during a certain period of time. If you've already put in a claim, it will be reviewed.

If you want to keep an eye on how the new claims processors are doing, check [www.benefits.va.gov/reports/detailed\\_claims\\_data.asp](http://www.benefits.va.gov/reports/detailed_claims_data.asp) for weekly reports. Note the accuracy-level reports. Those are worrying. Again, don't assume the new processors are reviewing your old claim. Call and find out.

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### Her Dog Won't Stop Licking His Paws

**DEAR PAW'S CORNER:** My hound dog "Charlie" licks his front paws nonstop, and sometimes his back paws, every time he lies down. He'll lick the top of his paws and in between the pads. The skin on top of his paws is starting to get raw. I've checked his paws and can't see any cuts or ticks. Why is he doing this, and how can I stop it? — Lee F., Ocala, Florida

**DEAR LEE:** Go ahead and schedule an appointment with the veterinarian. Charlie could be licking his paws for a few reasons. One, a physical injury or infestation — which you wisely checked for first. Two, an underlying condition that is causing Charlie discomfort, like a muscle or bone injury, or arthritis. Three, a compulsion to lick his paws.

The vet should do some bloodwork to rule out underlying disease. He'll do some other tests to determine if arthritis is a factor. And he'll check for allergies, which can cause itchy skin in dogs. Depending on what he finds (or doesn't find), the vet will help you plan a course of action to stop the licking.

It's important to stay on top of this because dogs who keep licking or biting at the same spot can develop lick granuloma. This is a red patch of skin that is sore and itchy, and a dog's licking just makes it worse. Eventually, it can turn into a red lump of skin. The granuloma can become infected, requiring antibiotics to resolve. And if the granuloma doesn't heal or gets really large, it may need to be removed surgically.

Work with the vet to find the cause of Charlie's discomfort and resolve it. Treatment may take a month or more, but it will be worth it.

Send your tips, questions or comments to [ask@pawscorner.com](mailto:ask@pawscorner.com).

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FOR SALE

2007 Honda 250 Rebel Motorcycle, runs good, well kept, saddles bags  
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Scott at [scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov](mailto:scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov).



**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Keep those sharp Sheep eyes focused on a hazy situation. As things begin to clear up, you'll find a sharper picture emerging, showing something you'll need to know.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Watch your expenses through the end of the month. Later, you'll be glad to have extra money to pay for something that will make an acquisitive Bovine's heart beat faster.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) You're now ready to make that oft-deferred commitment, if you still believe it's what you want. Don't be afraid to change your mind if you feel you should go in another direction.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Now that you are moving on with your life after that recent disappointment, how about reactivating your travel plans and taking someone special along with you.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Many new friends come into your personal life, which suits all of you social Lions just fine. However, one new friend might make demands that you could find difficult to deal with.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Communication doesn't exist unless it's two-way. So, if you're getting no replies to the signals you're sending, it could be time to look for someone more receptive.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) A workplace complication that you thought was ironed out develops new wrinkles that need attention. Meanwhile, expect continuing improvement in your home life.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) A tense personal problem needs to be talked out before someone decides to walk out. Resist making decisions until full explanations are offered from both sides.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) A technological glitch that caused problems recently will soon be repaired, and life can return to normal. A colleague has a surprising message to deliver.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Your partner might feel that you haven't been as open with him or her as you should be. Deal with this now, before it turns into something more difficult to handle.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Good news: Many of the stumbling blocks that affected the progress of some of your career projects are fading away. Things also start to look up on the home front.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) You'll need that strong Piscean pluck to get through waters that will be turbulent for a while. A more positive aspect soon emerges, along with some welcome news.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You are zealous in the pursuit of truth. You would make an excellent research scientist.

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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](mailto:angieh@mandaraspa.com)



Apply online at <https://phl.applitrack.com/cherokeecentral/onlineapp/> or visit: [www.ccs-nc.org](http://www.ccs-nc.org) for more information.

Cherokee Central School is currently taking applications of employment for the following job opportunities, all jobs open are until filled unless otherwise indicated:

1. **Special Education Teachers (2- Lifeskills High School, 1 Alternative SPED - Middle School)** - \$44,100 - \$52,920 + Benefits
2. **High School Science Teacher** - \$44,100 - \$52,920 + Benefits
3. **High School Science Teacher** - \$44,100 - \$52,920 + Benefits
4. **High School Social Studies Teacher** - \$44,100 - \$52,920 + Benefits
5. **SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST** - \$47,525 - \$55,214 + Benefits





# Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements

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

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

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

## Open Until Filled

### Agelink Childcare

FT Lead Teacher  
FT School Age Group Leader  
FT Custodian

### Snowbird Childcare

FT Lead Teacher

### Children's Home

FT Residential Counselor (3)  
PT Residential Counselor (3)  
FT Administrative Assistant

### Bus & Truck

FT Truck Drivers (1)  
PT School Bus Drivers (6)

### Construction & Facilities

FT Carpenter/Mason (2)

**Closing Nov. 24 at 4:30 p.m.**

**Administration Dept.**

FT Receptionist/ Switchboard Operator



# CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

### Open Positions

Analenisgi Inpatient Technician  
Administrative Assistant – PI/Engineering  
Advanced Practice Provider PTI (PA/FNP) –  
Emergency Room  
Assistant Member Services Manager  
Behavioral Health Data Analyst  
Billing Technician II (5 positions)  
Chief Optometrist  
Case Management Support – Primary Care (3  
Positions)  
Certified Medical Assistant/Licensed Practi-  
cal Nurse – Primary Care  
Certified Medical Assistant/Licensed Practi-  
cal Nurse – Pediatrics  
Clinical Informaticist  
Dental Assistant II (2 Positions)  
Dentist  
Dentist: Dentures & Partials  
Dietary Services Supervisor  
Durable Medical Equipment Specialist  
EVS Technician (3 Positions)  
Grant Coordinator – Analenisgi (Half-Time  
Position)  
Integrated Class Skill Builder  
Payroll Officer  
Physician /Hospitalist - Inpatient  
PA or NP – Analenisgi Inpatient  
Masters Level Therapist – Family Safety (1  
Positions)  
Masters Level Therapist – Kanvwotiyi (Hiring  
Bonus)  
Masters Level Therapist (Child) – Analenisgi  
(2 Positions)  
Masters Level Therapist – (Grant Funded)  
Adult/Analenisgi  
Masters Level Therapist (Child) – Juvenile  
Justice  
Masters Level Therapist – Integrated Class-  
room  
LPN – MAT Clinic (Analenisgi)  
Medical Social Worker – Primary Care  
Medical Laboratory Technician- Part Time

### Intermittent

Optometric Assistant  
Optician  
Peer Support Specialist – Grant Funded  
Pharmacy Technician I  
Pharmacy Tech II  
Pedodontist  
PTI Radiology Technologist  
PTI Registered Nurse – Analenisgi Inpatient  
(2 Positons)  
PTI Registered Nurse – Emergency Room  
PTI Registered Nurse – Inpatient  
Respiratory Therapist – 3 Emergency Hire  
PTI  
Residential Technician – Kanvwotiyi  
RN Care Manager – Primary Care (3 posi-  
tions)  
Registered Nurse - Inpatient  
Registered Nurse – Wound Care  
Supply Purchase Order Processor  
Telemetry Nursing Assistant (2 Positions)

### Tsali Care Center

Cook Aide  
CNA Full Time  
CNA PTI  
Director of Nursing  
Housekeeper I  
License Practical Nurse  
Life Enrichment Assistant PTI  
Medication Aide  
Personal Care Assistant/CNA - Part-Time  
Regular Without Benefits  
Personal Care Assistant/CNA – Regular Full  
- Time  
Registered Nurse – Full Time  
Retention Bonus Eligible Positions  
Certified Nursing Assistant/Part-Time In-  
termittent/Part-Time Regular (Starting Pay  
\$18.00/Hr.)  
Cook Aide (Starting Pay \$15.00/Hr.)



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Select positions eligible for hiring bonus. Restrictions apply. Please see Talent Acquisition department for details. Applicants must be 21 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.

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



## EMPLOYMENT

**The Family Safety Program is seeking proposals to fill several contracted roles for Project Gadugi.** Project Gadugi is a 5-year project funded by the Administration for Children and Families via the Improving Child Welfare through Investing in Families Grant. One Implementation Specialist, that will assist with implementing all facets of the project, networking with community stakeholders, coordinating data, and other related tasks, will be contracted with on a full time basis. The Family Safety Program is also seeking two (2) Family Group Decision Making Coordinators, who will work within families to coordinate meetings with support systems and facilitate the implementation of a culturally adapted

rendering of Family Group Decision Making. For more information on any of these positions, and for a full Request for Proposal Document, contact Meghan Arnold at [megharno@ebci-nsn.gov](mailto:megharno@ebci-nsn.gov) or 828-359-1542. **12/15**

**VOC has an opening for a FT Finance Coordinator.** Bachelor's Degree in Accounting is required with an extensive knowledge of QuickBooks and Non-profit Accounting. Pick up Application/Job Description at VOC located behind Tribal Bingo. For questions, call 828-497-9827. Deadline is December 10 at 4:00pm. **12/8**

**VOC has an opening for a PT Outreach Worker.** Pick up Application/Job Description at VOC located behind Tribal Bin-

go. For questions, call 828-497-9827. Deadline is December 10 at 4:00pm. **12/8**

## LEGAL NOTICES

**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION**  
CHEROKEE COURT AND JACKSON COUNTY, NC COURT IN THE MATTER OF A. and E. and M. BRADLEY, minor children  
FILE NO. CVJ 21-060, SP 21-130, and 14 JT 48-49, 21 SP 67-68  
TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-referenced actions. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows:  
TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS, AND ADOPTION PROCEEDING  
Filed: September 7, 2021 and September 28, 2021 in the Cherokee

Court, Cherokee, North Carolina. Filed July 8, 2021 and September 28, 2021 in Jackson County, North Carolina.  
TO: EVARD BRADLEY AND CECILIA BIGWITCH

You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than December 27, 2021 and upon your failure to do so, the Petitioners, Dawnena Bradley and Tammy Bradley, seeking service against you, will apply to the Court for the relief sought.  
This, the 9th day of November, 2021.  
Danya L. Vanhook  
Attorney for Petitioners  
Dawnena and Tammy Bradley  
854 N. Main St.  
Waynesville, NC 28786  
(828) 452-5522  
**12/1**



Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
**HUMAN RESOURCES**

PO Box 553  
Cherokee, NC 28719  
828-359-6388

**Closing Sunday, November 28, 2021**

1. Carpenter – Qualla Housing Services – Housing (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)
2. Maintenance Utility – Qualla Housing Services – Housing (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
3. Maintenance Utility – Facility Management – Operations (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
4. Teacher Assistant (Multiple) – Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
5. Collections Processor – Accounting – Finance (L6 \$30,357 - \$37,946)
6. Travel Counselor – Destination Marketing – Commerce (L3 \$22,990 - \$28,732)
7. Library Aide – Qualla Boundary Public Library – Community/Education/Recreation Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
8. Lieutenant – Cherokee Indian Police Department – Public Safety (L12 \$52,635 - \$65,811)
9. Patrol Captain – Cherokee Indian Police Department – Public Safety (L14 \$62,918 - \$78,630)

**Open Until Filled**

1. Evidence Technician I – Cherokee Police Department – Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)
2. Patrol Officer (Multiple) – Cherokee Police Department – Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625)
3. Detention Officer (Multiple) – Detention Services – Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)
4. PT Paramedic (Multiple) – Emergency Medical Services – Public Safety (L8 \$17.55 - \$21.94 per hour)
5. Youth Development Professional – Cherokee Youth Center – Community/Education/Recreation Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
6. Certified Nursing Assistant – Tribal In Home Care Services – Public Health and Human Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
7. Project Monitor – Project Management – Operations (L12 \$52,635 - \$65,811)
8. Cook – Cherokee County Senior Citizens – Snowbird/Cherokee County Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
9. Cultural Resource and Archive Officer – Kituwah Preservation Education Program – Community/Education/Recreation Services (L12 \$52,635 - \$65,811)
10. Driver (Multiple) – Transit – Operations (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
11. Teacher – Qualla Boundary Head-Start/Early Head-Start – Public Health and Human Services (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)
12. Telecommunicator – Public Safety – Operations (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)
13. Real Estate Associate Attorney – Tribal Realty Services – Office of the Attorney General (L15 \$68,704 - \$85,886)

**All applications and job descriptions are available at**  
**[www.ebci.com/jobs](http://www.ebci.com/jobs)**

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

## Attention EBCI Artists/Craftspeople

The One Feather is developing a list of Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians artists and craftspeople to help get your name out there for potential buyers. If you would like to be included, please send your name, contact information (phone, email, etc.), and what mediums you are selling to: Scott at [scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov](mailto:scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov) or message us on our Facebook page.

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**BIDs, RFPs, etc.**

### Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee Department of  
Transportation  
680 Acquoni Road  
Cherokee, North Carolina 28719  
Phone: (828) 359-6530  
Bridge Replacement, Bridge over  
Little Pigeon Creek on Pigeon  
Creek Road

The Eastern Band of Cherokee  
Indians CDOT Office is requesting  
sealed Bid Proposals from Qual-  
ified Firms to provide the follow-  
ing services: Grading, Drainage,  
Paving, Guardrail and Structure  
for the replacement of the existing  
bridge over Little Pigeon Creek on  
Pigeon Creek Road. The deadline  
for submitting Bid Proposals will  
be January 3, 2022 at 10:00 AM,  
EST. Please be advised that all

TERO rules and regulations, Tribal  
procurement policies, applicable  
state and federal rules, regula-  
tions 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. **11/24**

### Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee Department of  
Transportation  
680 Acquoni Road  
Cherokee, North Carolina 28719

Phone: (828) 359-6530  
Graphic and video rendering of  
Downtown Cherokee

The Eastern Band of Cherokee  
Indians CDOT Office is requesting  
Proposals from Qualified Firms  
to provide the following services:  
Graphic and video rendering of US  
19 from US 441 North to Stillwell  
Road for drainage improvements  
and roadway work. The deadline  
for submitting Proposals will be  
January 3, 2022 at 10:00 AM,  
EST. Please be advised that all  
TERO rules and regulations, Tribal  
procurement policies, applicable  
state and federal rules, regula-  
tions 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  
Qualifications (RFQ) and require-  
ments for proposals through the  
CDOT Office. If you have any ques-  
tions 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. **11/24**

EST. Please email Kristin Smith  
for a full RFP or with any ques-  
tions, [kristin.smith@kituwahllc.com](mailto:kristin.smith@kituwahllc.com). **11/24**

### Kituwah Hospitality, LLC is seeking to contract with an experienced and qualified hotel management Company

for the purpose of managing a  
new hotel property at "The 407"  
in Sevierville, TN. The new facility  
will be licensed under the Marriott  
flag and operate as a Courtyard.  
The Operator will need to be li-  
censed by Marriott as a third-party  
management company in order to  
be considered. The Operator will  
answer to the President of KHos.  
COMPANIES THAT DO NOT  
SUBMIT PROPOSALS ON TIME  
WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED, NO  
EXCEPTIONS. Proposals must be  
received by November 26, 2021,  
11:00 am EST. Please email Travis  
Crisp for a full RFP or with any  
question, [travis.crisp@kituwahllc.com](mailto:travis.crisp@kituwahllc.com). **11/24**

### The Kituwah Preservation & Education Program is seeking quotes for the following:

- Replace surface in the water  
feature (pebble tile) located in the  
building
- Remove old tile and replace wa-  
ter pump

Please contact Kylie Shuler at  
359-6414 to schedule an appoint-  
ment.

Quotes are due on Friday, De-  
cember 10th. Email quotes to:  
[kylieshul@ebci-nsn.gov](mailto:kylieshul@ebci-nsn.gov). **12/1**

### Free Rabies shots for EBCI Tribal Member Dogs and Cats.



The rabies virus infects the central nervous system. If a dog or human  
does not receive appropriate medical care after a potential rabies  
exposure, the virus can cause disease in the brain, ultimately resulting in  
death. Rabies can be prevented by vaccinating pets, staying away from  
wildlife, and seeking medical care after potential exposures before the  
symptoms start.

For information on rabies shots for dogs and cats contact

Cherokee Animal Care Clinic

**828-497-3401**

**Kituwah, LLC is seeking a contractor** to provide environ-  
mental remediation, repair, and  
disposal of materials damaged by  
water intrusion in one of our au-  
ditoriums, located at the Cherokee  
Cinemas and More in Cherokee,  
NC 28719. CONTRACTORS THAT  
DO NOT SUBMIT PROPOSALS  
ON TIME WILL NOT BE CON-  
SIDERED, NO EXCEPTIONS.  
Proposals must be received by  
November 29, 2021, 11:00 am

**Happy Tsali Day!**  
**Friday, Nov. 26**



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*Tsalagi Hidadolequa*  
Let's Learn Cherokee

## ᑭᑦᑦ ᑭᑦᑦᑦ ᑭᑦᑦᑦ

*Nolesquo alisdayvdi dagadananagisi*  
And I'm going to shop for food

## ᑭᑦ ᑭᑦ ᑭᑦ ᑭᑦ ᑭᑦᑦᑦᑦᑦᑦ?

*Hvga iga adela detsa tsadananagisdodi?*  
How much money do you have to shop with?

## ᑭᑦᑦᑦ ᑭᑦᑦᑦ

*Alisdayvdi dvgiwasi*  
I am going to buy food

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*Nvgisgo adela daquatsowana*  
*Nvgsgodelv daquatsowana*  
I have forty dollars in my pocket

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*Gagama ditsawahi*  
You buy some cucumbers

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*Tsosgotali anisenisi detsiwata*  
I found thirty two cents

## ᑭᑦ ᑭᑦᑦᑦ

*Quana dadayuwasi*  
She is going to buy peaches

## ᑭᑦ ᑭᑦ ᑭᑦᑦᑦ ᑭᑦ ᑭᑦᑦᑦ?

*Hvga iga duligvwatla duya antsehi?*  
How much do the green beans cost?

## ᑭᑦ ᑭᑦ ᑭᑦ ᑭᑦᑦᑦ?

*Hvga iga adela detsatsowana?*  
How much money do you have in your pocket?

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*Tali adelv soquo iyunadageda*  
*Taldelv soquo iyunadageda*  
They are two dollars per pound

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*Agvdulo hiwahisi*  
Buy her a mask

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*Nvgi iyunadageda dadvgiwasi*  
I am going to buy four pounds

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*Nolesquo siqua hawiya dvgiwasi*  
I am also going to buy pig meat

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