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# **Running to victory**

**CROSS COU NTRY** Braves win 1A West Regional Championship

> By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. One Feather Staff

KITUWAH – Gutting it out in the cold and rain, the Cherokee Braves won the 1A West Regional Championship and qualified for state during the regional meet held at Kituwah on the morning of Saturday, Oct. 30. With 73 points, Cherokee edged out Christ the King Catholic School with 91 and Draughn with 104.

"I'm excited for them because they've really put in the work," Ahli-Sha Stephens, Cherokee High School head cross country coach,

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Cherokee's Jaylan Bark is all smiles as he crosses the finish line in fifth place at the 1A West Regional cross country meet held at Kituwah on the morning of Saturday, Oct. 30. He helped lead the Braves to a regional title which qualified the entire team for the 1A State Meet on Nov. 6. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)



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Cherokee's Jaylynne Esquivel took seventh place in the girls' race qualifying her for the state meet.

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said following the meet. "We didn't want them to peak too early so about four weeks ago we really started pounding on the speed work, and they're all peaking at the right time. Today, everyone had a PR (personal record). We had one who was injured, but he pushed through and helped his teammates and was successful."

She added, "I think this is the first time a Cherokee team has ever won regionals. So, it's a big deal. I'm proud of them. It was a cold, rainy day, but I told them all through the season because we ran in heat and the humidity and it was hard. But, I said push through because when the cold weather comes, you'll be faster."

With the win, Cherokee qualifies for the 1A State Cross Country Championship scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 6 at the Ivey M. Redmon Sports Complex in Kernersville. According to the schedule on nc.milesplit.com, the 1A boys will race at 9 a.m. and the 1A girls will race at 10:20 a.m.

Coach Stephens said her team is ready, "It was cold. It was rainy. It's going to be snowing next week at Kernersville. But, we'll be ready. We can run in anything."

The Braves were led by Jaylan Bark who placed fifth in the boys' race with a time of 17:18.06. "It was a tough race because it's freezing. Your hands just get cold and your throat starts to hurt, but you just have to tough through it all the way to the end."

Bark is excited about heading to Kernersville. "I'm ready to take the team on for state. I'm ready. I think the team is ready to take on any challenge that's ahead of them."

The top four teams in both races automatically qualify for state including: Boys - Cherokee, Christ the King Catholic School, Draughn, and Swain Co; Girls - Swain Co., Thomas Jefferson Classical Academy, Avery Co., and Christ the King Catholic School.

The girls' race was won by Arizona Blankenship, Swain Co., with a time of 18:33.59. With a seventh place finish, Cherokee's Jaylynne Esquivel qualified for the state meet with a time of 20:42.38.

Following are results, per nc.milesplit.com, showing the top 10 finishers and all Cherokee High School

finishers: Boys 1 - Carson Gilliam, Thomas Jefferson, 16:33.37 2 – Reed Farrar, Draughn, 16:46.84 3 – Blake Nicholson, Christ the King, 16:53.29 4 – Connor Brown, Swain Co., 16:57.82 5 – Jaylan Bark, Cherokee, 17:18.06 6 – Clayton Laney, Murphy, 17:20.42 7 – Logan Ades, Christ the King, 17:22.25 8 – Kane Jones, Swain Co., 17:37.22 9 – Seth Emory, North Stokes, 17:39.35 10 – Aizen Bell, Cherokee, 17:46.11 18 – Tyce Hogner, Cherokee, 18:16.99 20 – Oztin Swayney, Cherokee, 18:19.52 26 – Dacian Tafoya, Cherokee, 18:29.90 34 – Ayden Thompson, Cherokee, 18:48.90 114 – Gideon Freeman, Cherokee, 25:57.34 Team Scores 1 – Cherokee 73 2 – Christ the King 91 3 – Draughn 104 4 – Swain Co. 104 5 – Murphy 154 6 – Mt. Island Charter School 158 7 – Thomas Jefferson 203 Girls 1 – Arizona Blankenship, Swain Co., 18:33.59 2 – Lauren Tolbert, Highland Tech, 18:54.32 3 – Nicole Alfers, Christ the King, 19:39.89 4 – Amaya Hicks, Swain Co.,

- 20:05.82
- 5 Kathyrn Haas, Avery Co.,
- 20:12.36
- 6 Brook Cheuvront, Avery Co.,



The Cherokee Braves won the 1A West Regional cross country championship. Shown, left to right, are Asst. Coach Jimmy Oocumma, Head Coach Ahli-sha Stephens, Oztin Swayney, Jaylan Bark, Eli Bird, Aizen Bell, Ayden Thompson, Dacian Tafoya, Tyce Hogner, Gideon Freeman, and Asst. Coach Ty Andrews. (Not pictured – Asst. Coach Taylor Brooks).

20:23.48 7 – Jaylynne Esquivel, Cherokee, 20:42.38 8 - Kaitlyn Rowe, Thomas Jefferson, 20:47.56 9 – Isabelle Gventer, Langtree Charter, 20:51.19 10 – Gracie Monteith, Swain Co., 21:01.46 33 - Leilaya McMillan, Cherokee, 22:33.32 62 – Boie Crowe, Cherokee, 25:22.24 66 – Betty Lossiah, Cherokee, 25:55.66 67 – Janna Girty, Cherokee, 25:59.64 75 - Tsuli Lossiah, Cherokee, 27:27.45 **Team Scores** 1 - Swain Co. 42 2 – Thomas Jefferson 75 3 - Avery Co. 86 4 – Christ the King 105 5 – Mt. Island Charter 138 6 – Highland Tech 148

- 7 Langtree Charter 169
- 8 Cherokee 201



Amaya Hicks, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians who attends Swain Co., took fourth place in the girls' race with a time of 20:05.82.

# **Constitution vs. Charter: Article XIII Know the difference!**

#### **Proposed Constitution**

#### Article XIII - Sovereign Immunity

Section 1. Sovereignty. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians affirms that it is a sovereign nation with all rights and privileges attendant thereto. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians shall be conclusively immune from any cause whatsoever as an established sovereign.

Section 2. Limited Waiver. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians expressly waives the Tribe's sovereign immunity for claims brought in the Cherokee Court system seeking injunctive or declaratory relief concerning any rights guaranteed by this Constitution.

#### SOVEREIGNTY AND IMMUNITY ARE NOT DISCUSSED IN THE CHARTER.

#### What does it mean to be a sovereign nation?

According to the U.S. Supreme Court and Chief Justice John Marshall, tribes were "distinct independent political communities." They remain subject to the paternalistic powers of the United States and possess internal governmental power over all affairs within the tribe but lack external authorities to engage in relationships with foreign nations.

State governments do not possess authority over tribes and the powers to "expand" or "contract" tribal sovereign authority rests solely within the power of the federal government. Thus, states are restricted from interfering with the tribes in their self-governance, while the U.S. congress reserves the power to change the scope and definition of tribal sovereignty. Therefore, federal and state governments are required to engage in government-to-government relationships with all federally recognized tribes.

The only other authority that can modify what the tribe's self-governance is the tribe itself. In the case for the Eastern Band, this Constitution identifies the Legislative branch or Tribal Council as having that authority.

#### What does it mean to be immune from any cause?

Tribal sovereign immunity protects tribes from lawsuits for damages and requests for injunctive relief. They are also immune from subpoena enforcement to produce tribal witnesses or documents. What does this mean? Tribal governments are considered sovereign entities in the eyes of the state and federal government. They define when sovereign immunity is waived.

#### How does the limited waiver work?

The Tribal Government may be taken to Court for issues related to the rights provided by this Constitution. Otherwise, the tribe is immune from judicial actions unless it is expressly waived for specific situations and conditions.

As an example, a citizen wants to stop the tribe from taking their property for a remote control racetrack to be built. In this case, an injunction can be filed with Cherokee Court to stop the process until the case is heard and a verdict reached since the protection from imminent domain is guaranteed in the Constitution. But if a vendor who has not been paid by the tribe decided to file a lawsuit, they could not get relief through the court system unless the vendor had a waiver provision included in their contract.

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#### Cherokee Turkey Strut

Saturday November 20, 2021 (tentative) Registration 10:30am -Race begins at 12pm Virtual option available @ Kituwah Mound \$15 fee before October 31, \$20 after October 31 \$5 for children 12 and under and adults 60+ Register online at www.runsignup.com starting September 1, 2021 Funds from this 5k benefit Pirouettes Dance & Cheer Academy Contact Yolanda Saunooke at (828)359-6784 with questions

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"I am in the Car"

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Ingredients 1 cup all purpose flour I cup whole wheat flour \$4 cup granulated sugar I teaspoon baking sodu 12 teaspoon salt 2 teaspoons ciunamon 1 cup buttermilk 2 large eggs 1/3 cup packed brown sugar 2 cups chopped unpeeled granny smith or honeycrisp apples 1 tablespoon unsalted butter 1 tablespoon lemon juice

> Topping '4 cup old fashioned rolled oats 3 tablespoons melted butter 2 tablespoons brown sugar 2 tablespoons whole wheat flour

Preheat oven to 350. Coat a 9 inch square baking pan and line with parchment paper. Leave a 2 inch overhang on two sides with the paper. Whisk together dry ingredients until combined. Add in buttermilk, eggs, oil and vanilla and whisk until smooth. Pour into prepared pan and spread evenly. Melt 1 tablespoon of butter in large skillet. Add in apples and cook until starting to soften then add cinnamon and brown sugar and cook until sugar is dissolved. Spoon this mixture on top of cake batter. To make topping, Place oats, melted butter, brown sugar and flour in small bowl. Work mixture together with a fork until coarse crumbs form. Sprinkle topping on cake. Bake cake until golden brown and done in the middle (about 40 minutes).

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# **Police Commission talks Tribal X and NRE**

#### **By JONAH LOSSIAH**

One Feather Staff

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) Police Commission held its monthly meeting on Monday, Oct. 25 and discussed advances in the justice system and a continuing need for manpower. The first guest of the meeting was Tribal Prosecutor Cody White. He provided an update on the prosecutor's office and on the new software that is being implemented into the Tribal justice system. This software is called Tribal X.

"It's not completely live yet. It's in its implementation. We're going to be able to go completely live once the Court has transferred all of its stuff over to that software as well."

White said that officers have started to work with the system as well as some of the judges. He said that he hopes it can modernize the current Court structure.

"In four to six years, everything will be automated by this system. This is mobile data terminals in the cars, being able to do the warrants in the cars, print it off in the cars. Then that warrant gets sent immediately to us, we can review it and upon review then we can make any adjustments. We'll be able to do plea agreements in there with that information. Get discovery in there. The officers will be able to upload discovery into that system, and then it'll be immediately reviewable by us," said White.

He said that this system will also make the process more transparent and allow access to records to be easier.

"It's going to completely automate the system and hopefully break down some of these hiccups that we're having in the old system of paper discovery," said White.

The Commission welcomed a second guest to discuss the new technology, that being Sheena Meader. She is the project manager & in-house counsel at Beraten Software, the company that is helping the Tribe construct this system. "We have a couple of different phases that we have to build it in. So, this is the first phase that we're in right now. We built the criminal docket, the family safety docket, and the DV (domestic violence) docket. Those were all handled over this past fiscal year, it was about 15 months," said Meader.

"We try to stay in line with the fiscal years because it's really based on their grant funding. They got one grant that'll pay for this phase one ... hopefully, we get to start on that in a couple of weeks. That'll take us about 12-15 months to get their first phase knocked out. And then, once that's done and they get this next grant that they're working on right now, then we'll start to build out their additional features for phase two. Then you're looking at 2023 to about 2024 to mid-2024."

The other guest to the meeting was Rick Queen from EBCI Natural Resources Enforcement. He offered the monthly numbers from his department but was also direct in saying that his team was suffering from a lack of staffing.

"Our department has picked up in the years and months. We're not just fish cops anymore. We do a lot more than that. Our department is doing the best we can. We're undermanned big time, y'all know that. It seems like we're not getting anywhere, things are not going to change as far as manpower. We'll continue to do all of what we can," said Queen.

Before he left, Commissioner Hillary Norville asked what kind of hiring Queen would need to get NRE where it needed to be.

"We have three positions that are currently in the budget, what we're not allowed to advertise. That would only put a band-aid on it. In addition to the three to fully put the shifts into the mold of what they need and be capable of going and patrolling the Boundary adequately, we'd probably need an additional six. Because when we have to go to Robbinsville, I only have one officer working. He goes there, I'm the only one here. If I'm off and they're called to go there, there's no one here. It's bad," said Oueen.

**Chairperson Tunney Crowe** said that assisting NRE is something the Commission should look to push for soon.

"They're not deemed essential employees. But who's the first ones they call for backup? These guys. We need to address that with the higher-ups and get them designated as essential personnel. I think all law enforcement, regardless of what position they're in, they need to be essential employees," said Crowe.

After finishing with the guests, Chairperson Crowe said that there were still two items to attain before having the full annual reports from the various departments. Those were complaints filed from the Cherokee Indian Police Department and the 'crime data' that needed to be submitted by the Tribal prosecutors.

The Commission finished their meeting in a closed session to discuss 'personnel issues'.

The Monday, Oct. 25 meeting of the EBCI Police Commission was called to order just after 12 p.m. with Chairperson Tunney Crowe; Secretary Anita Lossiah; and Commissioners Lisa Taylor, Kym Parker, Solomon Saunooke, Hillary Norville, and Frank Dunn present. Vice Chair Buddy Johnson was absent for the meeting.

The next meeting of the Commission is set for Thursday, Nov. 18 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.

### Good Housekeeping

#### Snack Cake

Save your knuckles from the sharp grater (and save precious time and money) with a bag of shredded carrots. Chock-full of vitamin A, carrots combine a natural sweetness with a satisfying crunch. Here, they give a gingerbread cake mix an upgrade to a spiced carrot cake.

- package (14 1/2-ounce) gingerbread cake mix
- 3/4 cup water
  - 2 large eggs
  - 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
  - 1 package (8- to 10-ounce) shredded carrots, about 2 3/4 to 3 1/2 cups 1
    - cup toasted walnuts

1. Preheat oven to 375 F. Grease 9-inch-square cake pan.

2. In large bowl, with wire whisk, stir cake mix, water, eggs and vegetable oil until just blended. Stir in carrots and chopped toasted walnuts.

3. Spread in prepared pan. Bake 50 to 55 minutes or until tester inserted in center comes out clean. Cool on wire rack. Makes 16 servings.

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#### CIPD Arrest Report for Oct. 17-24

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.

Bradley, Floyd Arnold – age 43 Arrested: Oct. 18 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Drug Trafficking

French, Ayena Janes – age 30 Arrested: Oct. 18 Released: Not released as of report

#### date

Charges: Failure to Appear, Aiding and Abetting – Misdemeanor (two counts)

Key, Christopher Paul – age 41 Arrested: Oct. 18 Released: Oct. 18 Charges: Injury to Real Property

Little, Shalina Lynn – age 19 Arrested: Oct. 18 Released: Oct. 19 Charges: Drug Trafficking

Queen Jr., Hugh Nolan – age 31 Arrested: Oct. 18 Released: Oct. 22 Charges: Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance

Stamper, Lynsey Raquel – age 33 Arrested: Oct. 18 Released: Oct. 18



Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Lane, Celina Melinda – age 44 Arrested: Oct. 19 Released: Oct. 22 Charges: Drunk and Disorderly

Pepion, Tyler Dean – age 27 Arrested: Oct. 19 Released: Oct. 22 Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree, Reckless Driving, Aggravated Weapons Offense

Mahan, Christopher Allen – age 32 Arrested: Oct. 20 Released: Oct. 20 Charges: Possession Schedule I Controlled Substance

Taylor, Charles Edward – age 57 Arrested: Oct. 20 Released: Oct. 20 Charges: Communicating Threats, Intoxicated and Disruptive

Tramper, Raven Andrew – age 33 Arrested: Oct. 20 Released: Oct. 21 Charges: Violation of Pre-trial Release

Reed, Carolyn Rachel – age 23 Arrested: Oct. 21 Released: Oct. 22 Charges: Failure to Appear

Watty, Dalisa Daniela – age 27 Arrested: Oct. 21 Released: Oct. 21 Charges: Failure to Appear

Larch IV, William Daniel – age 29 Arrested: Oct. 22 Released: Oct. 22 Charges: Probation Violation

# **MISSING PERSON**

Emmilee Renea Risling Female Enrolled with Hoopa Valley Tribe Height: 5' 3" Weight 140 lbs Hair: Brown Eyes: Brown Missing age: 32 years Current age: 32 Date of Last Contact: October 16, 2021 Case created: October 26, 2021 Location: Weitchpec, California (Humboldt County)



Circumstances of Disappearance: Emmilee was last seen in Weitchpec and Pecwan areas of California on October 16.

https://oag.ca.gov/missing/person/emmilee-renea-risling

If you have seen Emmilee Risling, contact Yurok Tribal Police Department, (707) 482-8185, case number 24-21-0182.

Source: www.namus.gov

GWY HV OYLC CHEROKEE ONE FEATHER ' TSALAGI SOQUO UGIDAHLI Lossiah, Joshua Boyd – age 43 Arrested: Oct. 22 Released: Oct. 23 Charges: Public Intoxication

Marmon, John – age 51 Arrested: Oct. 22 Released: Oct. 24 Charges: Failure to Appear

Ward, Tiffany Marie – age 32 Arrested: Oct. 22 Released: Oct. 22 Charges: Temporary Hold for Swain Co.

An, Byung Bok – age 63 Arrested: Oct. 23 Released: Oct. 23 Charges: Temporary Hold for Swain Co.

Arneach, Cheyenne Robin – age 29 Arrested: Oct. 23 Released: Oct. 24 Charges: Failure to Appear Brady-Smith Jr., Billy Joe – age 27 Arrested: Oct. 23 Released: Oct. 23 Charges: Failure to Appear

Morgan, Trevor Dillion – age 24 Arrested: Oct. 23 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Grand Larceny

Smith, Kenneth – age 87 Arrested: Oct. 23 Released: Oct. 23 Charges: Assault on a Female

Yazzie, Michael Lee – age 43 Arrested: Oct. 23 Released: Oct. 23 Charges: Failure to Appear on Felony

Man sentenced to life in prison for child molestation MACON COUNTY - It's been almost 40 years, but on Wednesday, Oct. 13 in Macon County Superior Court, James Randal "Randy" Cope, 74, paid the price for molesting a child.

District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch reinstated two charges of sex offense first degree of child against Cope. Both cases date to 1982. He molested a child for about a decade, starting when she was about three years old.

On March 31 of this year, a Macon County Grand Jury indicted the Topton man. Cope was arrested at a residence in Whittier.

Welch said she decided to pursue the charges following Cope's release from federal prison.

"Through his actions, he inflicted a life sentence on the victim," Welch said. "This is not a man we wanted back on the streets. He deserves to spend the remainder of his life behind bars and this ensures that should happen."

Cope served 15 years in federal

prison. In 2006, he was charged, then convicted, of soliciting sex from a minor over the internet. This unrelated case originated in Cherokee County.

At that time, the family member reported Cope's sexual abuse to authorities. Cope admitted he had abused her. The case against him, however, could not be pursued in state courts while he remained in federal custody.

Tuesday, Senior Resident Superior Court Judge Bill Coward consolidated the two sex-offense charges into one judgment. He sentenced Cope to life in prison.

Assistant District Attorney Jim Moore prosecuted the case. The State Bureau of Investigation handled the investigation.

- District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch 43rd Prosecutorial District release



### Cherokee Veterans: We want to share your stories.

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

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

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#### **ON THE SIDELINES**

# What a season for the Lady Braves

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. One Feather Staff

Karch Kiraly, the greatest volleyball player in history in my humble opinion and current head coach of the USA Women's Volleyball team, once said, "We are all going to fall short. We are going to have some bitter losses, very painful defeats and failures. We have to use those to come back even stronger. That's what makes it sweeter, when we can overcome those and figure out a way to win. The great teams can do that, and those are the gold medal-winning teams."

This year's Cherokee Lady Braves varsity volleyball team did that and made history this season. Finishing the season at 13-11 (6-4 in Smoky Mountain Conference), the team qualified for the 1A state playoffs for one of the fews times in school history.

"How can one actually recap what a special season this was," said Pam Sumner Bryant, head varsity volleyball coach. "It's not just about the games won but the growth of each of these ladies throughout the season."

Early in the season, the Lady Braves defeated Andrews marking their first conference win in a decade. They followed that up with five more conference victories finishing third overall. They would go on to sweep Andrews, Hayesville, and Swain Co. in the regular season.

"Their success spoke for itself, but the respect these ladies gained, not only as players but also as inspirations to so many people,



Creedon Arch (#9), sophomore setter, prepares to set as Aria Foerst (#7), senior middle hitter, and Awee Walkingstick (#1), sophomore outside hitter, get ready during a match against Swain Co. at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Oct. 14. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

is insurmountable," said Coach Bryant.

This team put Cherokee volleyball on the map. The Charles George Memorial Arena was loud and full of fans during volleyball season – something usually reserved for basketball time.

"We are grateful to our seniors who are the example of 'trusting the process' and excited for the direction we are going with Lady Braves Volleyball," Coach Bryant added. "For all the family, friends, administration, athletic support staff, School Board, and community, we say 'thank you' for all of the support for this team along this journey that has only just begun."

The players themselves were surprised and happy with the results and proud of their accomplishments. Aria Foerst, senior middle hitter, told me in an interview mid-season, "I think we didn't know what we were going into this season. We didn't know the outcome. We didn't know what was going to happen. We just sort of started winging it and hoped for the best and it got us somewhere!"

It definitely worked and it definitely got them somewhere – somewhere this group of players has never been before; the state playoffs. While they didn't go all the way – that is fine. Every program has to start somewhere, and this was a phenomenal start.

The Lady Braves ended their season with a 3-1 loss at Cornerstone Charter in the first round of the state playoffs, but it certainly wasn't the end – it was just the beginning.

Stephanie Maney, Lady Braves volleyball assistant coach, noted, "I'm just proud of the girls for accomplishing so much. They improved so much as the season went along. To be continued..."

Alexis Davis, freshman, jump serves during a match against Highlands at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Sept. 16.

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### FOOTBALL Braves finish regular season with big rivalry win

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. One Feather Staff

BRYSON CITY – The Cherokee Braves (5-4) ended their regular season in style with a big win over rival Swain Co. (4-5) on the rainy evening of Friday, Oct. 29. Cherokee gained 324 yards in total offense en route to a 36-7 victory over the Maroon Devils.

Penalties plagued Swain Co. all night long, and they ended the game with 15 for 129 yards compared to Cherokee's 7 for 75 yards. While each team ran 48 plays each on offense, Cherokee dominated the time of possession 44:09 to 18:01.

With rainy conditions prevalent throughout, Cherokee relied heavily on the run all evening with 263 total yards rushing to only 72 passing. Michael Driver led Cherokee's ground attack with 18 carries for 109 yards and 1 TD, and Elijah Watty had 12 carries and 71 yards and 1 TD. Donald Bradley, Braves quarterback, completed 4 of 5 passes for 72 yards and 2 TDs. Swain Co. was led by Carson Taylor who rushed 10 times for 63 yards.

Driver and Watty were named Cherokee One Feather Co-Players of the Game by the WNCC 104.1 FM broadcast crew.

The Braves were led defensively by Luke Climbingbear with 16 total tackles (14 assist, 2 solo) followed by Watty with 10 (5 assist, 5 solo) and Malakai Fourkiller-Raby with 7 (3 assist, 4 solo).

Due to the rain, both teams started slowly and the first score of the game didn't come until the 1:22 mark of the first quarter when Cherokee's Chase Calhoun ran 28



Cherokee's Luke Climbingbear (#63), Braves sophomore defensive end, chases Swain County's Gabe Lillard, junior quarterback, during a game at Swain Co. High School on the rainy evening of Friday, Oct. 29. Climbingbear led Cherokee with 16 total tackles (14 assist, 2 solo) on the night. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

yards for a score. The two-point conversion failed and Cherokee led 6-0.

The Braves added two scores in the second quarter. First up, Driver ran 8 yards for a score. Bradley ran for the two-point conversion to make it 14-0 Braves. Then, with just 44 seconds left before the half, Bradley hit Tso Smith on a 29-yard touchdown pass. The two-point failed and Cherokee took a 20-0 lead into the

#### locker room.

There was no scoring in the third quarter.

Cherokee got the fourth going as Bradley through a 33-yard touchdown strike to Raymond Bradley. Watty ran for the two point conversion and the Braves extended their lead to 28-0 with 11:52 left in the game. Then, with 6:29 left in the contest, Watty ran 1 yard for a score. Bradley passed to Driver for the two-point conversion and Cherokee led 36-0.

Swain. Co. would get on the board with just over 4 minutes left in the game as Dawson Fuller ran 2 yards for the score. Gavin Lanning added the extra point to make it 36-7 in favor of Cheorkee which is how the game would end.

The Braves will be at home this Friday, Nov. 5 as they host Cherryville at 7:30 p.m. in the first round of the 1A NCHSAA state playoffs. Michael Driver runs into the end zone on a score in the second quarter. On the night, he led Cherokee with 18 carries for 109 yards and 1 TD. Along with Elijah Watty, he was named a Cherokee One Feather Co-Player of the Game as selected by the WNCC 104.1 FM broadcast crew.

# COMMUNITY JSSY

Halloween Fun

The Cherokee Welcome Center hosted a trick-or-treat night at the Acquoni Expo Center track on the evening of Saturday, Oct. 30. A total of 1,147 bags were handed out during the event.

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#### Cherokee High School Honor Roll – 1st quarter 2021-22

#### 9th Grade

**Principal's Honor Roll:** Paytyn Barker, Lilliam Blythe-Ramos, Alexis Davis, Brett Elders, Gideon Freeman, Kiri Hill, Tyce Hogner, Cameron Jackson, Julia Layno, Amiya Lequire, Amila Lossiah, Kyla Moore, Hannah Morgan, Nevayah Panther, Emerald Quijada, Thomas Sequoyah, Marilyn Swayney, Addi Taylor, Naomi Taylor, Tyruss Thompson, William Welch

Alpha Honor Roll: Kennica Bradley, Sophie Cooper, Mia Crawford, Gabriel Crowe, Matthew Garcia Wahnetah, Abreana Hornbuckle, Ismael Matamoros, Vincent Owle, Joseph Porter, Kai Saunooke, Chanttin Tramper, Kieran Wolfe

Beta Honor Roll: Keaton Arch, Kendra Arch, Natalie Bradley, Dalton Burgess, Tazavian Byfield, Tricyus Calhoun, Jada Cruz, Savian Davis, Corbin Freeman, Azure Gaston, Waushila Grant, Alaina House, Chayton Ledford, Elijah Lineberry, Noah Long, Ayosta Lossie, Thomas Myers, Kedrick Panther, Aaliyah Reed, Sadie Rivera-Gomez, Erin Rogers, Xavier Sanchez, Brandon Santiago, Elliott Shell, Julianne Smart, Luke Smith, Ella Sokol, Elijah Squirrel, Cameron Squirrell, Evan Standingdeer, Josiah Teesateskie, Hailee Velazquez-Lossiah, Draven Wade, Abbygail Wildcatt, Kaniah Wolfe

#### 10th Grade Principal's Honor Roll:

Creedon Arch, Roxi Bark, Dillon Bigwitch, Ericka Brady, Letsi Burgos Delgado, Jenna Cruz, Jimya Driver, Maria Fourkiller-Raby, Collin Ledford, Madison Ledford, Laura Martinez, Dalaina Mills, Evan Nations, George Saunooke, Kyleigh Sherman, Shelby Solis, Emily Swayney, Olivia Swayney, Gabriel Terrell, Tahlaya Thompson, Ann Toineeta, Coco Wells Alpha Honor Roll: Raymond Bradley, Luke Climbingbear, Jayle Creson, Janna Girty, Mato Grant, Carys Holiday, Marla Panther, Dayvian Pheasant, Makenzie Reed, Kyria Swayney, Lauren Wooten Beta Honor Roll: Adrian Armachain, Maribel Armachain, Brody Barker, Aizen Bell, Jaylynn Brady, Boie Crowe, Leondes Garcia, Azucena Gomez, Kalina Hicks, Danica Hill, DJ Hornbuckle, Robert Lambert, Aliah Locust, Carl L. McCoy, Ezra McGaha, Niyahi Mora, Sara Beth O'Kelley, Alitama Perkins, Samuel Postoak, Dyami Saunooke, Cole Schultz, Evonne Stamper, Awee Walkingstick, Hermione Ward, Levi Winter, Ileyeni Wolfe, **Bayley Wright** 

#### 11th Grade

**Principal's Honor Roll:** Austin Alderman, Mahala Allison, Deonta Bird, Milli Bryson, Idalis Crowe, Adia Frady, Autumn Greene, William Hartbarger, Terrell Locust, Mason Long, Hayden McCoy, Alessandra Oocumma, Alexis Smith, Emma Taylor, Alvin Welch, Tyler Wolfe

Alpha Honor Roll: Emma Anthony, Catherine Cline, Kensen Davis, Tanin Esquivel, Dasgigidi Hill, Jaelyn Lossiah, Aida Martinez, Destiny Siweumptewa, Kyra West

**Beta Honor Roll:** Dominyk Arch, Jaden Armachain, Katherine Armachain, Davyn Broome, Ethan Cisneros-Librado, Ariyonna Hill-Maney, Brystyn Littlejohn, Zechariah Maney, Jaylan McCoy-Bark, Trent Parsons, Brixton Reed, Lilah Reynolds, Walika Saunooke, Joseph Smart, Oztin Swayney, Kamia Wiggins, Adam Willett

#### 12th Grade Principal's Honor Roll:

Jordan Arkansas, Lucian Davis, Bryanna Disoso, Gabriel Jarvis, Da'Quan Jumper, Cameron Lane, Leilava McMillan, Alayna Morgan, Imán Powell, Rayna Ricks, Takota Sexton, Chandler Shelton, Luther Standing Bear Light in the Lodge, Abigail Taylor, Keeifer Taylor, Praire Toineeta, Elijah Watty Alpha Honor Roll: Emily Bradley, Kyanna Brady, Aria Foerst, Caidyn French, Destyni Johnson, Miranda Lopez, Jae Lossiah, Woodrow Lossie, Brandon Martin, Eric Salazar, Joshua Smith, Donna Thompson, Isaac Tsatoke Beta Honor Roll: Marcus Armachain, Deon Bailey, Samuel Bernhisel, Donald Bradley, Santanna Buchanan, Alverta Henson, Jeremy Kalonaheskie, Dylan Littlejohn, Tehya Littlejohn, Betty Lossiah, Makala McGaha, Jamice Mora, Shawn Parsons, Kyler Queen, James Reed, Derek Reynolds, Jose Salinas, Silas Sequoyah, Caedance Smith, Haley Smith, Lloyd Teesateskie, Jacob Wallace, Zacceus Watty-Ramirez, Tevy West, Landon Wildcat, Trevor Wolfe

#### Dogwood Health Trust donates to Center for Native Health

ASHEVILLE – Dogwood Health Trust recently awarded more than \$1 million over three years to the Center for Native Health to further strengthen and expand The Medical Careers and Technology Pipeline (MedCaT) for Indigenous and rural Appalachian students. Started in 2010, Med-CaT is an academic-community partnership between Wake Forest School of Medicine, Western Carolina University, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), Mountain Area Health Education Center (MAHEC), and the Center for Native Health.

"We are grateful for Dogwood's investment, which will not only provide significant financial resources to support the MedCaT program, it also will help expand the program in important ways," said Trey Adcock (DβP, Cherokee Nation), executive director of the Center for Native Health and associate professor/interim chair of Interdisciplinary and International Studies at UNC-Asheville.

"MedCaT is a fabulous program where students learn about the biomedical field while also understanding the importance of culture and its essential place in maintaining good, balanced health," added Roseanna Belt, an EBCI tribal member and Board chair for the Center.

The MedCaT program is designed to create pathways and address barriers for students – specifically Indigenous and rural Appalachian students – by integrating cultural education into the traditional health and biomedical science curriculum and teaching paradigm. "Of the 12 percent of American Indians who earned a bachelor's degree or higher, the percentage who are enrolled EBCI members and are going into health fields is less than two percent," said Adcock.

To address these disparities, in 2015 MedCaT expanded into a year-round program that serves Indigenous and rural Appalachian students living on the Qualla Boundary and in surrounding areas, particularly Graham, Swain, and Jackson Counties. A key component of the program includes a week-long immersive experience at Wake Forest University. As a long-term partner to the program, Wake Forest provides students with multiple resources that support their pursuit of health and biomedical science careers.

Since the program's inception, MedCaT has served 185 students and achieved the following outcomes:

• 100 percent graduated from high school.

• 75 percent graduated with an additional certification.

81 percent have been or are currently enrolled in a post-secondary
2- or 4- year health or biomedical science program.

With the grant from Dogwood Health Trust, program leaders now have the resources for data collection tools to track the longterm progress of students and help ensure their success in a healthcare-related field. Dogwood's grant also will fund a weeklong immersive experience at Western Carolina University (WCU) in addition to the week at Wake Forest, and more students will be served during the school year through WCU's Learning Labs. Additionally, because of Dogwood's investment, a new partner specializing in cancer research has signed on, creating opportunities for expanded partnerships with regional medical centers, and the ability to bring in more guest speakers and mentors in the field giving students access to Native role models.

"The young people of this region are absolutely our most precious and valuable resource which is why Dogwood is investing in education," said Dr. Susan Mims, interim CEO for Dogwood Health Trust. "As a foundation focused on health, we know that a good education and career fulfillment have a positive impact on health and wellbeing. Dogwood's investment in the MedCaT program perfectly aligns with our strategic goals and our commitment to equity, expanding access to STEM programming for underserved students and helping to prepare more students in Western North Carolina for the expected growth in STEM occupations."

"MedCaT has opened and continues to open new doors of opportunity for me," said Madison York, an EBCI tribal member, alumnus, and mentor with Med-CaT. "Throughout my years of participating in and working with the MedCaT program, I saw how culture plays a huge role in health and learned rather quickly that I wanted to be close to the healthcare field, even if not directly hands-on." A recent graduate from Western Carolina University with a degree in healthcare management, York intends to further her education by pursuing a masters degree of business administration.

"Representation matters," York added. "I want younger generations to see what I am doing and know what is possible. The MedCaT program opened opportunities for me to learn, and I want to bring this knowledge to my community and hopefully implement changes to benefit health collectively."

Between 20-30 high school students make up a cohort each year. Students who are interested in applying for a future cohort can visit centerfornativehealth.org/ research or email centerfornativehealthinfo@gmail.com.

- Dogwood Health Trust release

#### THANK YOU LETTERS

#### Thank you to Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship

I would like to thank the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund and members of the board for the assistance awarded to me this semester as I continue my graduate education at the University of Tennessee Knoxville. I am currently pursuing my MBA and commute to campus most weekends for class. Being my first year at UTK, this award has made the transition to becoming a full-time student much easier.

The Yogi Crowe scholarship has contributed to many successes for tribal members who have been awarded in the past. I am grateful and appreciate the support that the Yogi Crowe Scholarship provides for Eastern Band tribal members as well as for myself. I am excited for this journey that will contribute to the betterment of self, my career and community. Thank you again for the contribution to my future and the future of other tribal members.

Sheena Bark West

#### Thank you Cherokee!

The family, relatives, and friends of Virginia S. Dixon are grateful to all persons and organizations who attended her goodbye service on Oct. 18, 2021, at the Long House Funeral Home in Cherokee. The celebration of Virginia's long life and accomplishments was conducted outside, the weather was beautiful, and love radiated from all attendees. The American Legion veteran salute to Mom's military service and presentation of the flag were deeply moving and much appreciated. We think Mom was pleased with the service looking down from heaven at the family, friends, and community she loved who came to celebrate her life and say goodbye. We are grateful for the support and love that was present on Oct. 18. Thank you so much Cherokee for sharing this beautiful person with the world for nearly 102 years.

We love you forever Mom! Pegge and Earle Dixon



 On Nov. 21, 1877, Thomas Edison announces his invention of the phonograph, a way to record and play back sound. Although initially used as a dictating machine, the phonograph proved to be a popular tool for entertainment. Edison acquired an astounding 1,093 patents in his 84 years.

 On Nov. 16, 1907, Indian Territory and Oklahoma Territory collectively enter the United States as Oklahoma, the 46th state, Oklahoma's name is derived from the Choctaw Indian words "okla," meaning "people," and "humma," meaning "red."

 On Nov. 19, 1915, British airman Richard Bell Davies performs a daring rescue, swooping down in his plane to whisk a downed fellow pilot from behind Turkish lines just as a group of enemy soldiers approached.

 On Nov. 20, 1945, in Nuremberg, Germany, 24 high-ranking Nazis go on trial for atrocities committed during World War II. The defendants faced charges ranging from crimes against peace, to crimes of war, to crimes against humanity.

 On Nov. 17, 1970, the court-martial of 1st Lt. William Calley, an Army platoon leader, begins. Calley had led his men in a massacre of 200 Vietnamese civilians, including women and children, at My Lai, South Vietnam. Calley was found guilty and initially sentenced to life imprisonment. He was paroled in 1974.

 On Nov. 18, 1987, a fire in a London subway station kills 30 commuters and injures scores of others after people began to smell smoke coming from beneath one of the King's Cross station's escalators. It was later revealed that debris and grease had built up under the escalator.

 On Nov. 15, 2001, Microsoft releases the Xbox gaming console, influencing the history of consumer entertainment technology. The cost of building each unit outweighed the sales price, which meant game sales were crucial. Luckily for Microsoft, their launch title (Halo) was one of the best-selling and most celebrated games of all time.

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#### **OBITUARIES** JhfiFR

#### **Darrell Max Verran-Crowe**

Darrell Max Verran-Crowe, age 62, passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, Oct. 26, 2021 at Mission Hospital.

He is the son of the late Ralph Verran and Katherine "Bo Peep" Verran. Darrell is survived by his loving girlfriend, Kimberly Leadbetter; children, Taylor Nicole Verran-Damm, Brandon Cody Verran, and Sam (Crissy) Jones all of Texas; three grandchildren, Connor Damm, Aubrey Jones, and Ember Jones; brother, Randy (Alison) Verran; and nieces, Autumn and Norah Verran. Also surviving are Darrell's aunts, Mary Donnette Lossiah, Aubrey Ann Bigmeat, Nonnie Crowe, Georgeanne Crowe, and many cousins.

In addition to his parents, Darrell was also preceded in death by his uncles, Charles Albert Crowe, John Delbert Crowe, and Donald Ellis Crowe; aunt, Glenda Crowe; and cousin, Sonny Crowe.

Darrell was a very loving and devoted father, who always put his children and grandchildren first. He loved, protected, and cherished his girlfriend, Kim. He enjoyed playing golf and spending time in the company of his family in Cherokee, a place he always longed to return home to. He met every day with a positive attitude, glowing smile and sunshine in his heart. His loss will be deeply felt by all who loved and knew him.

A formal funeral service was held on Monday, Nov. 1 in the

chapel of Long House Funeral Home with Ben Reed officiating. Burial was in the Crowe Family Cemetery. Pall bearers were among the Family.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

#### **David Richard Lambert**

David Richard Lambert, age 62, passed away on Saturday, Oct. 23, 2021 at Mission Hospital after a brief illness.

He is survived by his loving wife, Donna. He is also survived by his step-sons, Anthony Sanchez of Rio Chama, N.M. and Jordan Sanchez of Los Lunas, N.M.; step-daughter, Divina Garcia and husband Santiago Garcia of Cody, Wyo.; brothers, Hugh (Nadia) Lambert, Sam Lambert, Lloyd (Susan) Lambert, and Steve (Susan) Lambert; sister, Susan Lambert; uncle, Roy Lambert; and three grandchildren also survive.

David was preceded in death by his parents Hugh N. Lambert Jr. and Anne Gilliam Lambert.

A formal funeral service was held on Sunday, Oct. 31 at the Christ Fellowship Church of Cherokee beginning with Tim James officiating. Burial was in the Birdtown Cemetery. Pallbearers were Hugh Lambert, Steve Lambert, Drew Rochester, Anthony Sanchez, Jordan Sanchez, and Santiago Garcia.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

### Canine Distemper is a contagious disease with no cure. Take the steps necessary to protect your pets.

#### HOW IS CANINE DISTEMPER SPREAD?

- Through airborne exposure (sneezing or coughing) to the virus from an infected dog or contact with a wild animal with the disease.
- Distemper can also be transmitted by shared food, water bowls, and equipment (at home, the dog park, puppy classes, etc.)
- Infected dogs can shed the virus for months
- Mother dogs can pass the virus through the placenta to their puppies

#### SYMPTOMS

- Watery, pus-like discharge from eyes
- Fever, nasal discharge, coughing, lethargy, reduced appetite, vomiting
- Circling behavior, hed tilting, muscle twitches, jaw chewing and salivation, seizures, and partial or complete paralysis
- May also cause footpads to thicken and harden. This virus is often fatal, and dogs that survive usually maintain permanent, irreparable nervous system damage **DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT**
- Through clinical appearance and fair testing
- This disease has no cure, and treatment typically consists of supportive care and efforts to prevent secondary infections
- Vaccination is CRUCIAL to preventing canine distemper

For more information, visit online at: American Veterinary Medical Association ww

www.avma.org



#### EMERGENCY NUMBERS

In an emergency, call 911

Tribal Dispatch 497-4131

Cherokee Indian Police Dept. 359-6600

Tribal Fire and Rescue 359-6584

Tribal EMS 359-6450 or 497-6402

Cherokee Indian Hospital 497-9163

#### EBCI TRANSIT NUMBERS

Transit Main Line Dispatch 359-6300

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

### Phone Numbers for Cherokee elders

Cherokee Indian Hospital main line 497-9163

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

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

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

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

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

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

> EBCI Domestic Violence 359-6830

EBCI Emergency Fuel Assistance 507-7825

Cherokee Immediate Care Clinic 554-5555

DaVita Cherokee Dialysis Center 497-6866

Snowbird Senior Center main line 479-9145

> Tsali Manor main line 359-6860

John Welch Senior Center main line 835-9741

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





#### **COMMUNITY BRIEFS**

#### Usage of Cherokee UNITY Field

If you would like to use the UNITY Field in Cherokee at anytime during the week, you must go by the Cherokee Welcome Center to reserve the field. The Welcome Center is located at 498 Tsali Blvd. You can also call the Welcome Center to reserve the field at 359-6490 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. - Cherokee Welcome Center

#### Cherokee Boys Club accepting Frell Owl Award nominations

2021 marks the 34th year that the Cherokee Boys Club Board of Directors will publicly recognize a person or persons with the Frell Owl Award. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a recipient was not selected in 2020.

The Frell Owl Award is given

to those who best exemplify the character and accomplishments of the late Mr. Frell Owl, Cherokee educator and civic leader, and to those who have significantly contributed to the welfare of Cherokee children and families.

Past recipients of this award are: John Crowe, Stella Kanott, the Crowe Family, Ray Kinsland, Pearl and John Reagan, Betty Crisp, Jerri Kinsland, Mary Chiltoskey, Dora Reed, Marie Junaluska, Sharon and David Crowe, Ernestine Walkingstick, Jody Adams, Gary Maney, Mary Sneed, Mary Mantooth, David McCoy, Glenda Crowe, Denise Ballard, David McQueen, Skooter Mc-Coy, Johnson "Booger" Arch, Kathy Wolfe, Carmaleta Monteith, Roy Lambert, Sandi Owle, Lana Lambert, Catherine Blythe Sanders, Will Poolaw, Lou Johnson, Wilbur Paul, Alan and Mary Jane Smith, Isaac "Ike" Long, and Michael Yannette.

Anyone may submit a nomination. Any person or persons may be nominated with the exception of current Cherokee Boys Club Board Members.

The closing date for receiving nominations is Wednesday, Nov. 10. You may pick up a nomination form from the receptionist at the Boys Club's Information Window. Please return the nomination form and any support documents (Marked Confidential) to Benny Graves, Cherokee Boys Club, P. O. Box 507, Cherokee, NC 28719 or deliver to the Cherokee Boys Club at 52 Cherokee Boys Club Loop, Cherokee, NC 28719. If you have any questions, please call 359-5508.

- Cherokee Boys Club

Cherokee Indian Housing Division taking Homeownership Applications

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Chattooga & Whitewater Rivers	Follow posted regulations. Wild Trout.	Early Morning/ Late Evening.	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout	Midges, Dun Variant, Golden Stonefly, Light Cahill, Terrestrials	Griffiths Gnat, Black, Grey & Olive Midges, Adams, Stimulator, Light Cahill, Inchworms, Ants, Beetles, Royal Wull, Royal Coachman
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Qualla Housing Services is taking applications for homeownership on tribal lands in Graham County, Cherokee County, 3200 Acre Tract. and the Qualla Boundary. The first 25 applications that meet program eligibility guidelines will be accepted. The head of the household or spouse must be an Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians tribal citizen. Applicants must meet income guidelines established by HUD for the NAHASDA funding. This program is funded through Housing & Urban Development's Indian Housing Block Grant.

The waiting list will opened on Wednesday, Sept. 1, 2021, and will remain open until 25 applications are accepted. You may apply at the Cherokee Indian Housing Division located at the old Qualla Housing Authority office on Acquoni Road.

Applicants should bring the fol lowing items to be submitted with the application: EBCI enrollment card, Social Security card for each person in the household 18 years of age or older, a copy of a driver's license or state issued identification for each person 18 years of age or older, copies of marriage license/divorce decree, proof of income for all people who will be listed as living in the household, any award letter to verify SSA, SSI, or VA letters must be dated within 120 days, and a copy of parcel map with possessory assignment. Proof of income can include two recent check stubs or previous year's tax returns.

Incomplete applications will not be accepted or held for completion. A copy of the application and check list for all documents can be picked up at the CIHD main office. For further information, please contact QHS at the CIHD Acquoni Road office at 359-6320.

- Cherokee Indian Housing Div.

#### mas 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 kelseyjackson@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 Painttown Road, next to Cherokee Bingo. Info: 359-6110 or email ebcifw@ 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 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 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> by March 31, 2022, you are eligible for services upon turning 59 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>. 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 21.

### 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/selfserve/5d1/210905?list=2.

#### Vax for Cash Lottery winners

Following are the winners in the Vax for Cash lottery held on Oct. 19 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.

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# COMMENTARY Longer terms would mean better governance

#### By ROBERT JUMPER One Feather Editor

know. I get the immediate Lnegative response when I bring up making Tribal Council seats four years instead of two. There are some in our community that believe that they will remove someone from office quickly if they don't like their position or positions on community issues. And yet that rarely happens, especially with an incumbent that has had a seat for considerable time. The tendency of our people is to attempt to keep experienced politicians, even if they disagree with the direction we might be going. Maybe even particularly if they don't like that direction because some of us feel that if an elected official gets us in a bad spot, we want them in there to fix what they messed up.

First, we have some long-serving, dedicated public servants in office today. Because they have been in the seats for a good period of time, they do not have to be "brought up to speed" on projects if they have been reelected over several years. I believe that we should have the best and brightest of our community in those positions of high public service.

I used to tell my brothers and sisters, as we grew up, about elections. I was the oldest, so I got to impart my "wisdom" a lot. I would hear them talk about wanting someone like themselves to be elected to seats of power. And I would respond that I did not. You see, I want someone who is better than me in those seats. I want them to be more experienced, better educated, and have much better judgment than me. How in the world are we going to build a generationally sustainable economy, provide premium services, and grow our Tribe if we are good with the same old thoughts, same ideas, same direction. Some politicians are open-minded, and some are not. Some will accept the will of a constituency that is constantly getting younger and more eclectic.

I once did a tourism speech before a mixed-age group audience, at a time that the millennials were coming into their own. I was explaining how nerve-racking it was to develop a marketing plan for an age group who was so, for the lack of a better term, flitty. I just looked up the definition of "flitty" and got "unstable" and "fluttering". And boy, that has been my experience with that age group. You could literally spend months developing a marketing strategy and, within the first few months after the presentation, you would be regrouping to figure out the new direction these young folks had decided to migrate.

Besides being unstable and fluttering (to a certain degree), these young people are also some of the brightest, most well-educated among our population. They analyze and think fast, and therefore want their governance to be that way.

I am going to go out on a limb and say that I would like to be able to see some of those bright, fresh minds in the elected leadership of our Tribe. I believe that short terms have stifled our ability to entice some of those young, great minds, and they choose not to run because challenging an incumbent requires deep pockets and a Herculean effort. A certain population of our community are truly set in their ways. Not a bad thing at all, but when it comes to diversity in leadership, it can be a candidate killer.

Our community members have the great benefit of being able to well-educate our population without the personal burden of financing it. The tribal government makes sure that any tribal member can get a great education with minimal worry financially. And, one of the best political training grounds to take elected seats of high office is right here on the Qualla Boundary, the tribal government and its entities. There are hundreds of secretaries, directors, managers, and supervisors who deal with the day-to-day, as well as strategic, operations of the government. Young, creative, innovative minds that are executing the will of our community through our elected officials.

So why don't more of those who are in tribal government jobs not flocking in to sign up as candidates when the filing opportunity opens? Well, they face quite the challenge, as mentioned earlier, of mounting a campaign to overtake an incumbent.

Elected officials of the Tribe have a built-in public relations mechanism that is hard to beat. Beginning with inauguration day, Chiefs and Council members begin a two-year-long cycle of public exposure. Tribal Council sessions are televised and streamed over the internet, which means that at least two times per month, for a

half-day or longer, you hear their names, see their faces, see them governing. Sure, you, as a tribal member, may come in during those sessions, but it is the seats around the "horseshoe" that get the lion's share of the face time with the community. This doesn't include the work sessions that are held throughout the month and the multiple replays of the sessions on Channel 28. I am not saying it is a bad thing. We surely want to be able to see the workings of our government. I am just saying that a candidate outside of the loop might look at that and say, "why bother". Name recognition is a key part of running for office and gathering votes.

Additionally, the tribal employee and elected officials' compensation plans are separate. Someone who has invested in their retirement might be looking to start all over if they leave their tribal job and get elected to a seat in Tribal Council or Executive Office. I can imagine it would take some soul-searching to figure out if the sacrifice would be worth the reward. And that one area might keep some of the best and brightest out of elected office.

So, it will be important, regarding entertaining new blood in the elected seats, to make the personal investment more attractive. I understand that there is a new pay structure, but as I read that, it looks like the heavy end of the payroll is in the seats occupied with the longest service. So we are still going to be challenged to get the new candidates in the mix with

see **TERMS** next page

#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR Thanks to School Board members

If you have watched or read the news in recent months, you know what is happening at some school board meetings across the country. The harassment and threats on the lives of school board members in various places is very distressing. Thankfully, we have been spared this type of behavior. Let's hope that continues.

The Cherokee Central School Board and Swain County School Board members are to be commended for everything they have done to contend with the Covid pandemic. Their commitment to quality education and meeting the needs of the students and parents is very much appreciated. Learning virtually was new to everyone. School board members, administrators and teachers have had to come up with creative and practical ways to handle this new way of learning. Decisions about whether students are required to wear masks also demanded their attention.

School board members are community people who care about students, school staff, teachers and parents. If you would like to send each school board a handwritten note thanking them for all they are doing, please send to: Cherokee Central School Board, 86 Elk Crossing Lane, Cherokee, NC 28719 and Swain County Board of Education, P. O. Box 2340, Bryson City, NC 28713.

**Mary Herr** Cherokee, N.C.

#### StrongHearts addresses Native American Heritage Month

#### **By StrongHearts Native Helpline**

In November, National Native American Heritage Month raises awareness about our history, our present-day struggles and our hope for the future. The histories of Native peoples should never be forgotten and that's why it's vital that we remember and share our histories not only in November but also all year.

Beginning in 1990, U.S. presidents have issued executive orders declaring November as National Native American Heritage Month. Proclamations have called for governments, groups, organizations and people across the country to observe the month with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

National Native American Heritage Month provides Native peoples the opportunity to celebrate their diverse and rich cultures and traditions as well as educate non-Natives about their nations, raise awareness about the unique history of the United States and Native peoples, and acknowledge the strength and resiliency of Native survival. The special commemoration is a platform for American Indians and Alaska Natives to share their cultures through the performing and visual arts, history programs and food.

In 2021, there was a positive movement toward more inclusion of Native peoples in positions of influence on the federal level. A record number of six Native Americans were elected to Congress and began serving in 2021; and with the Biden administration came a renewed openness and willingness to include more Native voices in the national conversation. Most significantly, we celebrated the appointment of Deb Haaland (Pueblo of Laguna) as the first Native American Secretary of the U.S. Department of Interior. Haaland swore in Bryan Newland (Bay Mills Indian Community) as Assistant Secretary on Sept. 8, 2021. In October, President Biden announced the restoration of protection to Bears Ears National Monument in Utah. Bears Ears is sacred to many of the region's Indigenous nations.

Throughout the year, Native peoples across Turtle Island have continued to protest fossil fuel extraction, mining activities, oil pipelines and other actions that cut through fragile territories and threaten Mother Earth and Indigenous lifeways. Public awareness was increased through heightened mainstream media coverage of important issues, including missing and murdered Indigenous relatives (MMIR) and the abuse of Indigenous students who were forced to attend Native boarding schools.

"It's important that we always remember to honor the resilience, love and strength of our ancestors who brought us to this point in time and to our elders and all of our relatives who continue to be courageous and committed to practicing our sacred traditions through song and prayer," says StrongHearts Native Helpline Director Lori Jump (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians).

Observing National Native American Heritage Month is an acknowledgment that Native peoples live on and are ever more resilient despite historical trauma and continued oppression. American Indians and Alaska Natives continue to create solutions and programs to address their unique issues. Through StrongHearts Native Helpline, Native Americans who have experienced domestic, dating and sexual violence can now get culturally appropriate

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just payroll compensation.

I believe in making the Tribal Council seats four-year terms. We would make those seats more attractive to not just incumbents, but to new candidates. It would break the damaging cycle of a year of work and then a year of campaigning. There is an annual window where the Tribal Council is free to legislate then the remaining year is spend balancing the work of the Tribe with the need to make sure they stay in that seat (campaigning). Additionally, the Code puts certain prohibitions on the legislators during an election year. They can't change any laws that might affect their seats. A four-year term would help alleviate that issue and make terms more productive.

Along with that, our Tribe needs to look at the pension structures and consider having the elected officials and tribal employees under the same umbrella when if comes to pension and retirement. I think these two things would go a long way in helping us govern ourselves better.

There are valuable, learned minds in our Tribal Council, Principal Chief, and Vice Chief seats. We should look to them to help us build out the future, which will include planning for new ideas and fresh faces in the seats of power.

### speaking of faith Be healed and made whole...

#### By TIMOTHY L. MELTON, PASTOR

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

#### Read Mark 6:45, 53-56.

We should not be afraid of any virus when Jesus resides within our hearts. God is still God. He is to be everything to us. He knows every language. God is a "whole" God, and He is our Creator. He already knows each of us inside and out and nothing can be hidden from Him.

He's made it known that there is a process to go through to get from point "A" to point "B" in our lives. We should actually enjoy the journey, knowing it is the process. It's in the going through anything necessary to go through, which makes us stronger. It's more the struggle that actually makes us grow into a stronger person than to go through everything just as we've planned. Jesus has told us its why life surely "rains on the just and the unjust."

The disciples of Jesus by then knew who He was, that He was the very Son of God. As the disciples were told earlier that they were to go to Bethsaida, they left as was planned. They set out to go, but soon found the winds blew contrary to their winding up there and instead ended up with them landing near Gennesaret.

Their plans had been changed as they encountered Jesus, walking on the water near them. The disciples still had to be told not to be afraid. The people at Gennesaret knew immediately that Jesus was there and brought everyone who was sick, spiritually, and physically, to Him so they could be healed just by touching His garment. As verse 56 tells us they were not only healed but made whole. This meant that no matter the problem, they were each healed and made whole as they reached out to touch Him. Shouldn't we now all be reaching out to touch Him? Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever. So many times, the Scripture tells us, that He healed them all.

His disciples must have realized that even when forced to make a detour, it could be turned into a blessing by Him. It could always end up being a blessing for others, not just for themselves. He can take us where we need to go, not just for ourselves, but for those who may have greater needs, if we are willing, and can muster a good attitude. Just like the Israelites ended up having to cross a sea in order to get to the Promised Land. It actually makes us more balanced and more whole or even a better person as we make any good, extra effort to be a blessing.

If a person has no relationship with Jesus, how will they have heard Him say He can touch them and make them whole, even when sin has been their problem? So many in the Church have only known about Him, but have not really gotten to know Him, personally.

(Pastor Melton has told us how he was so glad as he began a job working in a Christian homeless shelter for a time. However, so many of the homeless got healed, delivered, and set free, they were actually able to leave the shelter and make lives for themselves. In fact, so many were able to leave, that the money funded them by the shelter's headcount, began drying up as more and more were delivered and set free. They actually fired him from working there, and for working so diligently to make their people "whole", too. The people had found Jesus with their whole hearts. Pastor still rejoices for them.)

We can always ask God for food, for bread, for whatever is right, but have we touched Him? God does that, maybe before one figures out what His Will would be in a matter. It should make every person love Him even more. Loving always increases Love.

In Jesus' days here on earth, the people began to lay their sick in the streets where He'd be walking. Later, the disciples were sought as people soon realized the sick were made whole, because they were given His Authority, too. We should now be realizing our detours are not just for us. Whatever blesses them can bless us, too. Every time we end up having to go off course, it may have been no accident. In between our plans and what actually happens, may have set them free. Jesus is in and with us. Reach out and touch Him so we can help in making others whole, too.



The waters surrounded me, even to my soul; the deep closed around me; Weeds were wrapped around my head. I went down to the moorings



Detail of "Jonah Cast On Shore By The Fish" by Antonius Wierix (1585)

of the mountains; the earth with its bars closed behind me forever; yet You have brought up my life from the pit, O Lord, my God.

JONAH 2: 5,6

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2. From Leviticus 24's rules for restitution, what other body part is mentioned besides "eye for an eye"? Nose, Tooth, Finger, Toe

3. The Lord sent Jeremiah to the house of what type of tradesman? Carpenter, Shopkeeper, Tailor, Potter

4. In Acts 5, how were the apostles released from prison? Broke out, Walls caved, Freed by an angel, Triumphantly

5. What did James say is "set on fire of hell"? Adulterer, Tongue, Ribald, Unfathered

6. From Matthew 8, whose motherin-law did Jesus heal? Elijah, Solomon, Daniel, Peter

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1. FOOD & DRINK: How many different flavors are in a Dr. Pepper soda? 2. AD SLOGANS: Which product was advertised as "the quicker picker

upper"? 3. U.S. STATES: What is the capital

of Washington state? 4. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a

group of hummingbirds called? 5. MUSIC: What was Madonna's first Top 10 hit?

6. MOVIES: Which blockbuster movie had this final line, "Roads? Where we're going, we don't need roads!"?

7. TELEVISION: What was the name of the pet pig on "Green Acres"? 8. GEOGRAPHY: Which European country is known as Osterreich in its native tongue?

9. MEASUREMENTS: How many tablespoons are in 1 fluid ounce?

10. ASTRONOMY: Which planet in our solar system is known as both the Morning and Evening Star?

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#### **EVENTS**

#### **BENEFITS/FUNDRAISERS**

**Envelope Fundraiser for New** Kituwah Academy Elementary and Early Childhood. Fundraiser will run through Nov. 19 or until all envelopes are gone. All proceeds will go to the Christmas Fund, and any extra will be used for classroom purposes. Envelopes are displayed in the NKA dining room. Choose any envelope and donate the amount written on the envelope. Cash or money orders only – no personal checks. First-come, first-serve basis.

#### COMMUNITY EVENTS

Pumpkin Patch Market. Nov. 4 at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Food, fun, and shopping. Lunch by Melitia. Info: Denise Walkingstick 508-2211

SCGHS meeting cancellation. The Nov. 4 meeting of the Swain County Genealogical and Historical Society has been cancelled. The group will re-evaluate in mid-November regarding the December meeting. The Society's genealogical research center is back open after a brief closure with hours Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Masks are required in the research center which is located at 91 Brendle Street, between the Senior Center and the Detention Center in Bryson City.

**Swain County Democratic Party** monthly meeting. Nov. 8 at 7 p.m. at the Technology and Training Center at 45 E. Ridge Drive in Bryson City. This meeting will be held in-person (please bring a mask) as well as via Zoom. Topics include reaching out to new Democrats. All are welcome. For details or to request the Zoom link, call Justin Greene 736-4693

#### 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

#### **SPORTS EVENTS**

MTS Diamond Elite try-outs. Nov. 7 and 14 at John Crowe Complex Field 1. 8U (2013 and 2014 birth years), Nov. 7 from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and Nov. 14 from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.; 10U (2011 and 2012 birth years), Nov. 7 from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.; 12U (2010 and 2009 birth years), Nov. 7 from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Nov. 14 from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Bring face mask, softball glove, cleans, and a bat. Arrive 15 minutes early to sign in. Info: Nikki Toineeta 508-0428, Lauren Crowe (631) 405-0063 or email MTSdiamondelitesoftball@gmail.com

**SUPPORT GROUPS** 



#### **Cherokee Cancer Support Group**

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

#### Life Recovery Meetings hosted by Grace Community Church. Tues-

days 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

STRONGHEARTS: Letter on Native American Heritage Month, from page 23

support. When our relatives are hurting, we are here to answer the call.

"National Native American Heritage Month gives us a chance to reflect on our peoples' shared existence on this continent and to share our accomplishments as well as our continuing challenges this includes the need to confront violence in our communities and raise awareness of the work that needs to be done to eradicate it," says Jump. "With the collective strength of all our relatives we can work toward our vision of safety for our relatives and restoration of sacredness in communities free from violence."

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ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Tooth (for a tooth); 3) Potter; 4) Freed by an angel; 5) Tongue; 6) Peter



#### Answers

1.23 2. Bounty paper towels 3. Olympia A charm "Holiday" 6. "Back to the Future," Dr. Emmett Brown Arnold Austria 9. Two 10. Venus © 2021 King Features Synd., Inc.

### 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** or message us on our Facebook page.







#### by Freddy Groves

#### Here's How to Find Where Vet Is Buried

The Veterans Legacy Memorial website has been expanded by 500,000 names at 93 veterans cemeteries across the country. This is in addition to the 4 million names already there at 155 cemeteries.

The VLM is a digital platform and repository for information on veterans buried in those cemeteries. Friends and family can add biographies, photos, documents and other information to the listing for each veteran as a way of paying tribute. So far, 22,000 friends and families have added information to their veteran's profile page.

For those of us who live far from the cemeteries where our veterans are buried, being able to add to a legacy page helps. For me, my family is only partially covered at this point. My grandfather at Fort Sam is in the database. Another relative at Riverside is in the database. Three others aren't, including my parents at Arlington National. They are, however, in ANC's website, although there is no way to add photos (except for the photo of the marker that is already there) or stories or biographies.

Perhaps Arlington will be among those added in the half-million new names. Eventually the project intends to cover veterans buried in state and local cemeteries, as well as private cemeteries.

To look for your veteran, go to www. vlm.cem.va.gov and put in the name first name last name, no comma. Click on the FAQ for more information.

To find a veteran at Arlington National, go to www.arlingtoncemetery.mil.

If your veteran is listed in the Veterans Legacy Memorial, contribute to the profile. Pictures are a great addition, as is bio information and personal stories.

As a side note, Wreaths Across America will be on Saturday, Dec. 18, 2021. See their website (www.wreathsacrossamerica.org) for ways you can help with wreath-laying at the 2,500 locations.





#### Pet Sitting Goes Awry

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: Last month, I agreed to pet sit for a friend while she and her boyfriend went on vacation. I did this for free because I love pets and want to see if pet sitting as a business is right for me.

Bitsy, her 3-year-old cat, was a joy to care for ... the first week. On Monday of the second week, I came to take care of her and Bitsy was laying in the middle of the floor, lethargic. I scooped her up and took her straight to the veterinarian, who thinks she either ingested a toxic houseplant or spoiled food. After fluids and rest at the vet, Bitsy is doing much better.

But my friend is angry with me because the vet's bill is very high. She says it's my fault that Bitsy got into her houseplant. I followed my friend's instructions to the letter. Why is it my fault? What should I do? Sign me — Confused in Denver

DEAR CONFUSED: I'm glad Bitsy is doing better. You did the right thing by taking her in for medical care.

My advice is to give your friend a little time to process everything that happened. You've explained your side already. Hopefully with a little breathing space she will be able to think more clearly and then the two of you can talk and decide what to do.

When you open your pet sitting business, take this as a lesson learned. Spell out terms very clearly, stating that the pet owner is responsible for any vet bills incurred due to illness or injury. You can learn much more through groups like Pet Sitter International (https:// www.petsit.com/) and the National Association of Professional Pet Sitters (https://petsitters.org/).

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

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#### FOR SALE

1997 Ford Explorer \$3000, 1979 Monti Carlo \$2000, 89 Model Dodge Handicap Van w/lift : 828-371-8262

Round wooden dining table (heavy duty) with 3 leaves \$300 OBO (looking to seel ASAP) : 788-1815

41′ travel trailer, yardman lawn mower (needs new blade), Oak door \$50:828-488-1280

King size RV mattress \$75 in Bryson City : 863-885-1543

2015 UTV bobcat \$6800 OBO : 931-982-5931



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A work-related situation that started last month takes on increasing importance this week. The choice is still yours as to how it will evolve. Be careful not to make quick judgments.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) "Careful" is the watchword for the prudent Bovine this week. Don't let your emotions overwhelm your logic. Try for balance as you maneuver through a touchy situation.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your energy levels rise to meet the challenges that will mark much of this month. New opportunities beckon. Look them over, but proceed cautiously before making any kind of decision.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your private life can be a problem this week, as a partner becomes more difficult. Resist a reaction you might regret. Instead of walking away, try to talk things out.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You should be your usual sunny self these days, as you bask in the admiration you adore. Enjoy it as you move into a new arena to confront an exciting upcoming challenge.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your perseverance reserves will be tapped frequently this week as you deal with the problems involved in making a new situation work for you. But it'll all be worth it.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You'll find fewer roadblocks turning up as you continue to move ahead with your plans. Expect some important news to come your way by mid-November.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Good news - you finally get to the bottom of that pesky mystery you've been trying to solve for weeks by using some gentle persuasion to get someone to break his or her silence.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) The best time to take on that important task is now. Move forward one step at a time so you can assess your progress and, if need be, change direction.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The new opportunities you hoped to find this month are beginning to open up. Study them carefully to be sure you make the choice that's best for you.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Turn a disappointment into a learning experience. Check out possible weaknesses in your approach and strengthen them. A loyal colleague offers good advice.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your new situation offers opportunities to help you get the skills you'll need in order to stop swimming in circles and finally move straight toward your goals. Go for it.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a sharp, logical mind and a quick intellect. You would make an excellent mystery writer.

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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



Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians HUMAN RESOURCES

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

Closing Sunday, November 07, 2021

- Carpenter Qualla Housing Services Housing (L7 \$33,250 \$41,574)
   Medical Accounting Coordinator Administration Public Health and Human Services (L6 \$30,357 -
- \$37,946)
- Teacher Assistant Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start Public Health and Human Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
- 4. Housekeeping I Light Duty (Multiple) Housekeeping Operations (L3 \$22,990 \$28,732)
- Maintenance Utility Facility Management Operations (L4 \$25,261 \$31,581)
   Truck Driver/Crew Leader (Multiple) Solid Waste Operations (L8 \$36,500 \$45,625)

#### **Open Until Filled**

- Evidence Technician 1 Cherokee Police Department Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 \$41,574)
   Patrol Officer (Multiple) Cherokee Police Department Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 \$45,625)
   Detention Officer (Multiple) Detention Services Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 \$41,574)
   PT Paramedic (Multiple) Emergency Medical Services Public Safety (L8 \$17,55 \$21,94 per hour)

Early Childhood Language Specialist Assistant (Part-time) – New Kituwah Academy – Community/Education/Recreation Services (L6 \$30,337 - \$37,946)
 Youth Development Professional – Cherokee Youth Center – Community/Education/Recreation Ser-

vices (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581) 7. Certified Nursing Assistant – Tribal In Home Care Services – Public Health and Human Services (L4

\$25,261 - \$31,581)

8. Project Monitor - Project Management - Operations (L12 \$52,625 - \$65,811) 9. Homeownership/Rental Occupancy Specialist - Qualla Housing Services - Housing (L8 \$36,500 -

\$45,625) 10. Cook - Cherokee County Senior Citizens - Snowbird/Cherokee County Services (L4 \$25,261 -

\$31,581) 11. Cultural Resource and Archive Officer - Kituwah Preservation Education Program - Community/Educa-

tion/Recreation Services (L12 \$32,635 - \$65,811) 12. Driver (Multiple) - Transit - Operations (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)

13 Teacher - Qualla Boundary Head-Start/Early Head-Start - Public Health and Human Services (L7 \$33.250 - \$41.574)

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

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



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 Teacher's Aide (2)

**Snowbird Childcare** FT Cook

**Children's Home** FT Residential Counselor (3) PT Residential Counselor (3)

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

**Construction & Facilities** FT Carpenter/Mason (2)

Closing Nov. 11 at 4:30 p.m. Service Dept. FT Body Shop Technician



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### **CHEROKEE INDIAN** HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Closing, Thursday November 4, 2021 Dentist

Closing, Thursday November 11, 2021 Advanced Practice Provider PTI (PA/FNP) -**Emergency Room** Case Management Support (CMS) - Primary Care Analenisgi Inpatient Technician Registered Nurse - Wound Care **Chief Optometrist** 

#### **Open Until Filled**

Administrative Assistant - PI/Engineering Billing Technician II (5 positions) Certified Medical Assistant/Licensed Practical Nurse - Primary Care Cook Dental Assistant II (2 Positons) Dentist: Dentures & Partials **Diabetes Educator Dietary Services Supervisor** EVS Technician (2 Positions) Physician /Hospitalist - Inpatient PTI Physician/Hospitalist - Inpatient Masters Level Therapist - Family Safety (2 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 Classroom LPN - MAT Clinic (Analenisgi) Medical Social Worker - Primary Care Medical Laboratory Technician- Part Time Intermittent Peer Support Specialist - Grant Funded

Pharmacy Technician I

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 Senior Accountant Senior Property Control Clerk Supply Purchase Order Processor Supply Warehouse Technician Targeted Case Manager - Integrated Classroom Targeted Case Manager - Residential Support **Telemetry Nursing Assistant** 

#### **Tsali Care Center** Cook Cook Aide CNA PTI CNA PTRWOB Housekeeper I License Practical Nurse Personal Care Assistant/CNA - Part-Time **Regular Without Benefits** Personal Care Assistant/CNA - Regular Full - Time Registered Nurse - Part-Time Intermittent Registered Nurse - Full Time Registered Nurse Supervisor - Part-Time Regular **Retention Bonus Eligible Positions** Certified Nursing Assistant/Part-Time Intermittent/Part-Time Regular (Starting Pay \$18.00/Hr.) Cook Aide (Starting Pay \$15.00/Hr.) Cook (Starting Pay \$17.00/HR.)

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

#### EMPLOYMENT

#### Kituwah, LLC has the following job available:

Chief Marketing Officer/President of Kituwah Marketing LLC

Anyone interested should pick up an application and position description at the Kituwah, LLC Office between the hours of 9:00am - 4:00pm Monday -Thursday or email Kristin Smith@kristin. smith@kituwahllc.com

This position will close November 12th, 2021 at 4pm.

Indian preference does apply, and a current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of application. 11/10

**Tribal Alcohol Beverage Control Commission has the** following job available:

#### **ABC Store Manager**

Anyone interested should pick up an application and Position description from Amanda Younce at the Tribal Alcohol Beverage Control Commission Office between the hours of 9:00am - 4:00pm Monday -Thursday. This position will close 11/12/21 at 4pm. Indian preference does apply and a current Job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be Accepted in lieu of TABCC application. Any questions please call the TABCC office at 828-788-4261. 11/10

#### **LEGAL NOTICES**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee. North Carolina Estate File No. 21-116 In the Matter of the Estate of **Thomas Welch** 

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLI-CATION **Charles Smith** 

301 Junaluska Road Topton, NC 28781 11/10

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION EBCI THE CHEROKEE COURT CHEROKEE, NC FILE NO.: CV 21-601 WALANIA SHELL

#### DAWNINA MIA SHAE JUMP, and DALTON RAY CLINE TO: DAWNINA MIA SHAE JUMP

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TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is CHILD CUSTODY. You are required to make defense to this pleading not later than November 30, 2021, said date being 40 days from the first date of this publication, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. This is the 20th day of October

2021.

Stephanie-Lyn Lepre Attorney for Plaintiff **EBCI Legal Assistance Office** PO Box 2280 Cherokee, NC 28719

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#### BIDs, RFPs, etc.

Kituwah, LLC is seeking proposals from a qualified and appropriately licensed **Certified Public Accounting** firm with experience to perform the Company's audit for Fiscal Year 2021. Companies consists of Kituwah, LLC, KG3 and its subsidiaries Kituwah Services LLC, Kituwah Manufacturing and Kituwah Builders Our expectation would be that this initial audit could be conducted and completed within 90 days of engagement. VENDORS THAT DO NOT SUBMIT PROPOSAL ON TIME WILL NOT BE CONSDIERED NO EXCEPTIONS. A full RFP may be requested or picked up at Kituwah, LLC 1158 Seven Clans Lane, Whittier, North Carolina 28789.

Please call Kristin Smith at (828)-477-4553 or e-mail kristin. smith@ kituwahllc.com with any questions or requests. Proposals must be received by October 28th, 2021, 4:00am EST at the above address. **10/27** 

#### Project Guard rail installation & repair on the Cherokee Indian Reservation

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT office is requesting sealed bids for Guard rail installation & repair. Date and time of bid is listed in the RFP (Request for Proposal). Please have bids submitted to the CDOT office by 11-8-2021 by 10:00 am Be advised that all Tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations and laws shall apply to the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation and to the procurement of work solicited through this advertisement.

You may request the full RFP and bid requirements for these proposals through the CDOT Office.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Darrell Brown CDOT planner at (828-359-6534. **11/2** 

#### Request for Proposals General Notice

Qualla Housing Services (QHS) is requesting proposals from all interested qualified contractors for services and labor to be performed within the area of Swain, Jackson, Graham, and Cherokee Counties.

The following scopes are: \* PROPANE SERVICES \* TREE REMOVAL

QHS reserves the right to reject all submissions. The work to be performed under this RFP is subject to TERO guidelines. TERO certified vendors will be given preference. Bid packages can be picked up at the warehouse or emailed to interested parties. Deliver sealed proposals to the QHS warehouse located at 2234 Old Mission Road, Cherokee, NC, 28719. Deadline for sealed proposals is November 12th, 2021, at 4:00 P.M. Please email Robert Welch at robewelc@nc-cherokee. com or by phone at 828-359-6344. 11/3







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