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# Honoring the mound

**Cultural District  
plans in the works  
at Nikwasi Mound**

**By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**  
One Feather Staff

**T**he Nikwasi Initiative has the deed to the Nikwasi (sometimes called Noquisi-yi) Mound in the town of Franklin and serves as the mound's current caretakers. They are hoping to expand educational opportunities at the site with their new Noquisi-yi Cultural District site plan.

"The Nikwasi Initiative is looking to honor Noquisi-yi Mound and the people of the mound. To do that, what we're trying to do is revitalize the triangle of land around the mound with cultural-

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A concept rendering shows the front of the proposed Learning Center as part of the Noquisi-yi Cultural District site plan.  
(Rendering by McMillan, Pazdan, Smith Architecture)



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The Nikwasi Mound, shown in this photo from April 1, 2019, is a site sacred to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) and was put on the National Register of Historic Places in 1980, being listed there as Nequasee. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

**NIKWASI:** Niquosiyi Cultural District in works, from front page

ly-appropriate amenities,” said Elaine Eisenbraun, Nikwasi Initiative executive director.

She said public input on what to include in the plan has been wonderful. “We’ve had incredible success on that. We’ve gotten a lot of EBCI members to participate and also people from Franklin. The responses have all been super positive with a lot of good ideas. People seem to be on the same page in general with what they want to see there.”

The Nikwasi Initiative, as joint applicants with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), is applying for a \$5 million American Recovery Plan Act Funds grant through the Economic Development Administration to make the Cultural District plan come to fruition. “So far, we have a lot of local support. We’ve gotten letters of support from state agencies, from local entities, from non-profits, etc. The EBCI is on board.”

Eisenbraun added, “I think this is really special because the more engagement the EBCI has, the better. My personal goal would be to bring a new focus to the place so that when people see the place they think EBCI and not ‘old mound in Franklin’.”

According to a study prepared for the Nikwasi Initiative by Equinox, the Learning Center will be the centerpiece of the Cultural District’s new offerings, but Juanita Wilson, an EBCI tribal member who serves as co-chair of the Nikwasi Initiative Board of Directors, says the group is keeping its focus.

“The mound has always been the focal point,” she noted. “It’s always been about making sure that people know the history of Noquisiyi and they know our history with it, the town’s history and creating the Learning Center so people can get as much hands-on and accurate information as they possibly can.”

She went on to say, “We’re here because of this mound. We’re here to protect it and to lift it up.”

The Equinox study addresses some of the challenges involved in the project such as parking and the ever-present question of ‘how to protect the mound?’

Eisenbraun states, “Right now, there are security issues there. We’re working with Tribal Historic Preservation to determine if we want to put a split rail fence around the mound or if we want to put cameras up in case there are any security breaches.”

The study also gives the possibility of adding large boulders in the area to keep traffic accidents from running into the





A concept rendering shows the front porch of the proposed Learning Center as part of the Noquisiyi Cultural District site plan. (Rendering by McMillan, Pazdan, Smith Architecture)

mound.

Eisenbraun added, “There’s a balancing between keeping things quiet and not letting people know and not drawing attention to sacred places and, on the other hand, like at Kituwah opening it up so that there are good people around all the time and there are a lot of eyes on it. Our approach to this would have to follow that second pattern because we would be bringing attention to the mound for sure, but you would have that protection of having people there, having it be renowned enough that the police and other policing agencies would be really aware of how important it is.”

While the project is still in the planning and subsequently the funding phases, Wilson says their

group is not underestimating any portion and is working diligently to make sure things are done well. “This is a big project. It’s huge, and it’s going to impact a lot. So, we have to be careful in how we deal with partners and make sure we listen to them and the community. We’re going to honor that mound. We’re going to lift that mound up no matter what. That’s the critical thing. That’s why we’re here.”

The Nikwasi Initiative has other projects ongoing and others that they’re working on in conjunction with the Cultural District plans. They have installed educational kiosks at the Cowee Mound in Macon County in a partnership project with the EBCI and Main-spring Conservation Trust, and

they’re working on a Cherokee Cultural Corridor that will span from Cherokee to Franklin along the Little Tennessee River.

Another project is the Barbara McRae Cherokee Heritage Apple Trail which will be located along the Little Tennessee River within walking distance of the Noquisiyi Mound. The trail, which will feature various apple varieties known to have grown in the area, is named for McRae – Nikwasi Initiative honorary eternal director who passed away in 2021.

“All of the projects are focused on the culture, history, and heritage of the Cherokee people,” said Eisenbraun. “Some of the projects are little more outdoorsy. Some of the projects are focused on kiosks, and some of them are not focused

on tourism at all. Some of them are focused on education. We’re doing a lot of diverse projects, but all of them have that key focus in mind – the Cherokee people; past, present, and future.”

Whatever projects are ongoing, Wilson said the Nikwasi Initiative will keep their focus and they have one important message to relate – one she said she’s heard from several Cherokee elders.

She noted, “When we talk about Cherokee history or talk about Cherokee culture, we’re not relics. We are a living culture. Our grandchildren are thriving. Our people are still here. So, we’re trying to design projects that reflect that we’re over here across the mountain and we’re doing great things.”



# CCS School Board holds first meeting of 2022

By **JONAH LOSSIAH**  
One Feather Staff

The Cherokee Central Schools (CCS) Board of Education met on Friday, Jan. 7 following the decision to postpone the start of school. During this meeting they addressed COVID concerns and how to move forward with the year.

Superintendent Michael Murray reported that they had tested around 270 staff on Wednesday, Jan. 5 and were awaiting results. Because of the delays in those results and to ensure appropriate staffing for the start of the semester, the Board elected to begin classes on Wednesday, Jan. 12.

“We need to look at riding out

this Omicron wave by just trying to keep reinforcing the vaccines and the booster. Because truthfully, if it is transitioning and we’re getting away from not keeping it out of school, we gotta learn to live with it and we’ve got to move forward with it progressively. PHHS and the States have all lined up on the new quarantine measures we’re all taking, and it shortens the quarantine. This virus is different from what you’ve been dealing with before,” said Superintendent Murray.

“We have staff development and things going on that we need to continue. So, we’re going to be very careful about who we let on and off the campus, but we’re not going to go backwards and go to a

complete closed campus. We really do need to make sure that we are identifying who needs to be on campus and who does not,” said Murray.

Board member Kristina Hyatt said that she wanted to ensure that community safety was being heavily considered. She said that she had received several phone calls from concerned parents and grandparents who were anxious to return their children to school.

The Board said that they will continue to monitor the spread in the community and stay fully up to date on all protocols offered by EBCI Public Health and Human Services and the CDC.

In lieu of a consent agenda, the Board voted on individual resolu-

tions that had initially been seen on an email poll delivered on Dec. 17. They passed all six of these resolutions, putting in place the following:

- Ashely Oxendine approved as an Elementary School Counselor
- Shawnee Bark approved as a Middle School Substitute Teacher
- Trina Thomason approved for a Level 3 Pay Increase
- Robert Booth approved as an Elementary Teacher Assistant
- Curtis Cagle approved as a High School Math Teacher
- Tyler Hanke approved as a High School Science Teacher

While offering updates to the Board, Superintendent Murray made sure to honor a former CCS employee who had recently

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passed.

"I attended a visitation ceremony for Richard William Welch today," said Murray. "You can tell which custodians are model custodians that you don't ever have to say a word to because they're truly doing their job. They don't do drama. That person right there was one of the best I've ever seen. I told his family today, on behalf of the Board, that he was an important part of our school family and we loved him. And that we thanked him for his service to our school system," said Murray.

The Board shared their stories on Welch, talking about how much of a Braves fan he was. They remarked about him driving to watch ball games of CCS graduates if they made it to the collegiate level. Whether it was Mars Hill, Carson Newman, or anywhere else he would try to make it out to support.

Following an extended break, Chairperson Jennifer Thompson polled the members of the Board about any ideas they had for new

programs or improvements at the school. Thompson said that she had reached out to the Board before Christmas to come up with some ideas that they would like to have implemented at the school.

Tara Reed-Cooper isolated a couple of ideas. She said that she would like to start investigating how they could improve the school-provided lunches at CCS. She also said that she had been in communication with some leaders at the Cherokee Indian Hospital and the Cherokee Youth Center about collaborating for some new programs at the school. Reed-Cooper said that working with these entities could offer significant learning opportunities with real world experience.

"It sounds like it could be tremendous," said Assistant Superintendent Beverly Payne. "Part of what we are trying to do is exactly what you just described. In Middle School we expose students to a variety of career fields and help give them information to make decisions and maybe start a pipeline

into particular career pathways once they get into High School."

Chairperson Thompson said that she would like to see some work done to assist with mental health awareness at the school. She said that she had looked into a program that was studied at Clemson University and has some momentum with incorporating student resource officers (SROs) on campus.

"Each of the SROs were the central person. Kind of like that social-emotional learning. The SROs, we could task them with the responsibility to help lead it. Because I know that our guidance counselors, our social workers, they're already overtaxed with what they do. Our teachers are already overtaxed. Not that our SROs are not, but because there are specific trainings that are geared towards SROs, I thought it might be something that might be interesting to look into. Because with the pandemic, so much more of that mental health awareness needs to come out," said Thomp-

son.

The Board discussed each of these ideas and started the ground work for who to speak with about building on these concepts at CCS.

The Friday, Jan. 7 meeting of the CCS Board of Education was called to order at 4:45 p.m. with Chairperson Jennifer Thompson; Co-Vice Chairs Tara Reed-Cooper and Melanie Lambert; Secretary Kristina Hyatt; Board members Regina Ledford Rosario and Berdie Toineeta; Superintendent Michael Murray; Assistant Superintendent Beverley Payne; and Administrative Assistant Terri Bradley all in attendance. Tribal Council Rep. Bo Crowe was late to the meeting and HR Director Heather Driver was an excused absence.

The next meeting of the School Board is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 27 at 4:45 p.m. This meeting will have the Board's attorney present and they have the option to discuss matters in closed session if necessary. Otherwise, the meeting is open to the public.

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

**Info: Warren Dupree 508-2657**

**David McQueen 736-9572**



# Cherokee Code discussion: Bondsmen, bail bonds, and forfeiture

## Submitted by Cherokee Tribal Court

In September 2019, Tribal Council passed Chapter 58 of the Cherokee Code relating to bondsmen, bail bonds, and forfeiture. This was the first codification of laws related to these areas. This new Chapter 58 created the ability for the Clerk of the Cherokee Court to regulate bondsmen and runners through application, license, and discipline through suspension, revocation, or non-renewal of licenses. Additionally, this new chapter granted the Court the ability to enter forfeitures when a defendant released on bond fails to appear before the Court as required.

### Bondsman License

Chapter 58 sets out eight criteria that must be met to be a licensed bondsman in the jurisdiction of the EBCI:

- 1) Hold a valid bondsman license from the North Carolina Department of Insurance
- 2) Be a resident of the state of North Carolina for a minimum of 24 months
- 3) Complete a license application on the forms supplied by the Clerk of the Cherokee Court
- 4) Pay the non-refundable license fee of \$100.00
- 5) Submit to a North Carolina, federal, and criminal background search
- 6) Provide the entire disciplinary history, with all documentation as applicable, regarding the applicant's license as a bondsman in North Carolina and any other jurisdiction
- 7) Allow the Clerk continued and complete access to the applicant's disciplinary history in North Car-

olina and any other jurisdiction in which the applicant holds a bondsman license, and

- 8) Complete an acknowledgement and release allowing applicants disciplinary history to be shared with the North Carolina Department of Insurance

Licenses issued by the Clerk are effective for two years from the date of issuance. Each licensed bondsman is assigned a unique identifying number and a photo ID that identifies them as bail bondsman licensed by the Tribal Court. A licensed bondsman may utilize a runner. A runner is a person employed by a bondsman for the purpose of the assisting the bondsman in presenting the defendant to court when required, assisting in the apprehension and surrender of a defendant to the court, keeping the defendant under necessary surveillance, or executing bonds on behalf of the bondsman when the person is listed on the bondsman license. A runner is subject to the same requirements as a bondsman and are required to carry and display their identification issued by the Clerk when acting within the scope of the license.

A licensed bondsman can face discipline for any of the twenty-five reasons set forth in Cherokee Code Section 58-8. This is initiated by the Clerk and requires a hearing before the Court. This can result in the suspension or revocation of a license.

### Bond Forfeiture

The Tribal Court has jurisdiction over forfeiture of bail bonds issued in the court. If a defendant who was released upon execution of a bail bond fails on any occasion to appear before the Court as re-

quired, the Court shall enter a forfeiture for that bail bond against the defendant and each surety on the bond.

Once the court enters the order for forfeiture it can only be set aside if:

- 1) The defendant is deceased
- 2) The defendant was in the custody of law enforcement or government entity at the time the Court entered an order for the defendant's arrest
- 3) The order for defendant's arrest was stricken
- 4) The defendant was arrested pursuant to the Court's order for arrest
- 5) Each case against the defendant for the bail bond was executed was dismissed, or
- 6) The defendant was surrendered by the surety

If the forfeiture is not set aside and no motions to set aside are pending, the Court will enter a final judgment and the judgment must be paid within 120 days or the bondsman's license shall be revoked.

### Arrest for purpose of surrender

In December 2021, Tribal Council made a change related to arrest for purpose of surrender. An amendment was made to this section that allows for arrest for the purpose of surrender to be made by an officer of the Cherokee Indian Police Department or a licensed and approved bondsman. An arrest for purpose of surrender can occur when the Court enters a forfeiture, or the bail agreement is breached.

A bail agreement can be considered breached if a defendant:

- 1) Fails to pay the premium or

make a premium payment

- 2) Changes his or her residence without first notifying the bondsman
- 3) Physically hides from the bondsman
- 4) Leaves Cherokee trust land without the permission of the bondsman
- 5) Violates any order of the Court
- 6) Fails to provide information or provides false information regarding any failure to appear in a court, any previous convictions in the last ten years, or any charges pending in any court; or
- 7) Knowingly provides the bondsman with incorrect personal identification or uses a false name or alias

This means that when a forfeiture is issued or if the defendant breaches the bail agreement, they may be arrested for the purpose of surrender by a bondsman licensed by the Clerk. It is not required that an officer of the Cherokee Indian Police Department escort the bondsman or be present at the time of the arrest.

The Tribal Court has worked in partnership with the Cherokee Indian Police Department, the Attorney General's Office, and the North Carolina Department of Insurance to monitor the licensed bondsmen, ensure their compliance with the Cherokee Code, and to make amendments to the law that help improve the system. Additionally, since April 1, 2021, the Tribal Court has issued licenses to six bondsmen, conducted one disciplinary hearing, and issued forfeitures on thirty-three bonds for defendants who failed to appear before the court as required.





## PUBLIC NOTICE AND TESTIMONY (Confirmation Hearings)

Confirmation Hearing for EBCI Tribal Casino Gaming Enterprise pursuant to  
Cherokee Code Chapter 117, Article III-A

### **EBCI Tribal Casino Gaming Enterprise Hearing**

**Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2022 at 1 p.m.**

Tribal Council Chambers; Cherokee, N.C.

Final date for public comment will be Tuesday, Jan. 18

Confirmation Hearing for EBCI Tribal Alcohol Beverage Control Commission  
pursuant to Cherokee Code Chapter 117, Article III-A

### **EBCI Tribal Alcohol Beverage Control Commission Hearing**

**Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2022 at 9 a.m.**

Tribal Council Chambers; Cherokee, N.C.

Final date for public comment will be Wednesday, Jan. 19

Confirmation Hearing for EBCI Tribal Casino Gaming Enterprise pursuant to  
Cherokee Code Chapter 117, Article III-A

### **EBCI Tribal Casino Gaming Enterprise Hearing**

**Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2022 at 1 p.m.**

Tribal Council Chambers; Cherokee, N.C.

Final date for public comment will be Wednesday, Jan. 19

Confirmation Hearing for the EBCI TERO Commission pursuant to Cherokee  
Code Chapter 117, Article III-A

### **EBCI TERO Commission Hearing**

**Thursday, Jan. 27, 2022 at 1 p.m.**

Tribal Council Chambers; Cherokee, N.C.

Final date for public comment will be Thursday, Jan. 20

These hearings are open to the public. Tribal Council invites  
public testimony only in accordance with Cherokee Code  
Chapter 117, Article III-A.

Anonymous comments will not be accepted.

Members of the general public who wish to participate in the  
hearing shall submit written testimony to the Tribal Council  
Chairman in care of the Tribal Operations Program: Attn:  
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## CIPD Arrest Report for Jan. 2-9

*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.*

Rattler, Cornelia Iona – age 23  
Arrested: Jan. 2  
Released: Jan. 3  
Charges: Second Degree Trespass

Hornbuckle, William Richard – age 38  
Arrested: Jan. 3  
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 10)

Charges: First Degree Trespass, Simple Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance

Lambert, Amanda Sue – age 58  
Arrested: Jan. 4  
Released: Jan. 4  
Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance; Manufacture, Sell, Deliver, or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, Deliver a Controlled Substance

Mesteth, Dustin Charles Demcie – age 34  
Arrested: Jan. 4  
Released: Jan. 5  
Charges: Assault on a Child Under 12

Toineeta, Margie Lynn – age 52  
Arrested: Jan. 4  
Released: Jan. 4  
Charges: Temporary Hold

Swayney, Dewayne Edward – age 52  
Arrested: Jan. 5  
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 10)  
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Ward, Jack Perry – age 23  
Arrested: Jan. 5  
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 10)  
Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance, Drug Trafficking

Garcia, Julian – age 48  
Arrested: Jan. 6  
Released: Jan. 6  
Charges: DWI

Ross, Cassandra Dawn – age 35  
Arrested: Jan. 6  
Released: Jan. 8  
Charges: Grand Larceny

Brady, Wendy Pearl – age 44  
Arrested: Jan. 7  
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 10)  
Charges: Failure to Obey a Court Order

Lee, Evannia Ulexis – age 41  
Arrested: Jan. 7  
Released: Jan. 7  
Charges: Temporary Hold for Swain Co.

Shell, Henry – age 60  
Arrested: Jan. 7  
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 10)  
Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance – Schedules I-V; Manufacture, Sell, Deliver, or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, Deliver a Controlled Substance – Schedules I-V; Drug Trafficking

# MISSING PERSON

## Brittaney Littledave - female

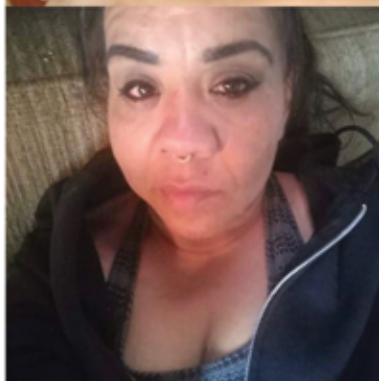
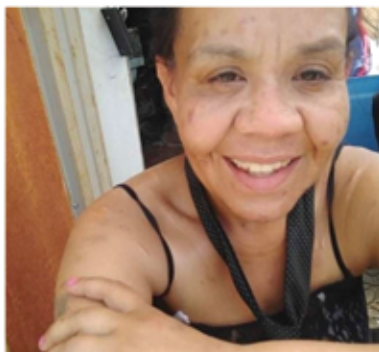
Cherokee Nation (Okla.) citizen

Height: 5'2/5'3  
Weight: 130lbs  
Age: 36  
Eye and hair color: brown  
Tattoos: left upper arm, Cherokee Nation Seal, right upper arm: flowers and butterflies, back of neck: laugh now cry later  
She has a septum piercing which is the bull nose ring.

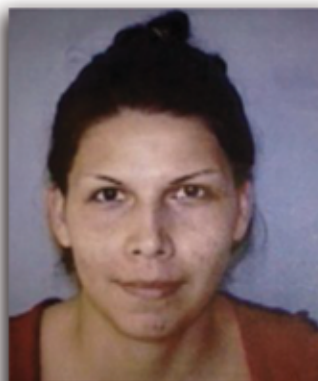
Brittaney has not been seen nor heard from since Sept. 5, 2021 at 12:39 p.m. There has been no activity on any of her social media as well since that time. Her last known place was in Fresno, Calif.

If you have any information or know of her current whereabouts, please contact Summer at (330) 432-0934 or the Fresno Police Dept. at (559) 621-7000.

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# COLD CASE



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

The Cherokee Indian Police Dept. reported at the time that “foul play” was suspected. No arrests have been made in this case. A **\$15,000** reward is offered for information leading to an arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible.

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**CIPD (828) 359-6600**



Sherrill, Tameka – age 30  
Arrested: Jan. 7  
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 10)  
Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance – Schedules I-V; Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule V Controlled Substance; Drug Trafficking

Taylor, John Phillip – age 37  
Arrested: Jan. 7  
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 10)  
Charges: Domestic Violence, Telephone Harassment, Cyberstalking

Taylor, Taylor Norman – age 21  
Arrested: Jan. 7  
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 10)  
Charges: Failure to Obey a Court Order

Wolf, Brittany Lynn – age 26  
Arrested: Jan. 7  
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 10)  
Charges: Possession Schedule I-V Controlled Substance (two counts), Driving While Impaired

Wolfe, Victor Jason – age 49  
Arrested: Jan. 7  
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 10)  
Charges: Possession Schedule I-V Controlled Substance; Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule VI Controlled Substance; Drug Trafficking

French, George Michael – age 50  
Arrested: Jan. 8  
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 10)  
Charges: Elder Abuse and Neglect

## MISSING PERSON

Levi Brian Yellow Mule  
Male

Missing Age: 28 years

Height: 6' 2" Weight: 168 lbs

Hair: Black Eyes : Brown

Date of last contact: February 3, 2006

Last Location: Crow Indian Reservation

Circumstances of Disappearance: Levi was last seen in the area of Wyola, Montana on the Crow Indian Reservation. Clothing: White T-shirt with a small logo on it, dark blue silky sweatpants, white socks, brown lace up work boots.

If you have seen Levi Yellow Mule, contact BIA Agent Steven Red Cloud, Tip line 833-560-2065, text BIAMMU at 847411, or email OJS\_MMU@bia.gov.

Source: BIA.gov



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# THE CORE 7

- **Spirituality, which creates a bond among Cherokee people in good times and bad, and is a source of hope.**
- **Group harmony in community and kin relationships, and freely sharing and giving time, talent and treasures.**
- **Strong individual character, with integrity, honesty, perseverance, courage, respect, trust, honor and humility.**
- **Strong connection with the land and commitment to stewardship of the homelands of the Cherokee.**
- **Honoring the past by knowing one's ancestors, identifying with and belonging to the tribe, and living and preserving Cherokee culture.**
- **Educating the children by providing values-oriented education and recreation, and by being strong role models for them.**
- **Possessing a sense of humor, which can lighten pressure in serious situations and help people make good decisions.**



## Interior Dept. seeks nominations for Committee on Reconciliation in Place Names

WASHINGTON — The Department of the Interior announced recently that it is seeking nominations for members of the new Advisory Committee on Reconciliation in Place Names. The committee will identify geographic names and federal land unit names that are considered derogatory and solicit proposals on replacement names.

On Nov. 19, 2021, Secretary Deb Haaland directed the National Park Service to form the committee as part of a broad effort to review and replace derogatory names of the nation's geographic features. Secretary Haaland also declared "squaw" to be a de-

rogatory term and instructed the Board on Geographic Names – the federal body tasked with naming geographic places – to implement procedures to remove the term from federal usage.

"Too many of our nation's lands and waters continue to perpetuate a legacy of oppression. This important advisory committee will be integral to our efforts to identify places with derogatory terms whose expiration dates are long overdue," said Secretary Haaland. "I look forward to broad engagement from Tribes, civil rights scholars and academics, stakeholders, and the general public as we advance our goals of equity and inclusion."

"The establishment of this committee is a momentous step in making our nation's public

lands and waters more welcoming and open to people of all backgrounds," said National Park Service Director Chuck Sams.

"These committee members, who will reflect the diversity of America, will serve their country in an important way."

The Committee will consist of no more than 17 discretionary members to be appointed by the Secretary, including:

1. At least four members of an Indian Tribe;
2. At least one representative of a Tribal organization;
3. At least one representative of a Native Hawaiian organization;
4. At least four people with backgrounds in civil rights or race relations;
5. At least four people with expertise in anthropology, cultural

studies, geography, or history; and At least three members of the general public.

Nominations must include a resume providing an adequate description of the nominee's qualifications, including information that would enable the Department to make an informed decision regarding meeting the membership requirements of the committee and contact information. More details on the committee and how to apply are available in the Federal Register.

Nominations for the committee must be submitted to Joshua Winchell, Office of Policy, National Park Service, at [joshua\\_winchell@nps.gov](mailto:joshua_winchell@nps.gov).

*- Dept. of the Interior release*



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**Cherokee Indian Hospital**  
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## Phone Numbers for Cherokee elders

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359-6638

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## TENNIS

# Pete Peterson looks to serve opportunities to Indian Country

By JONAH LOSSIAH

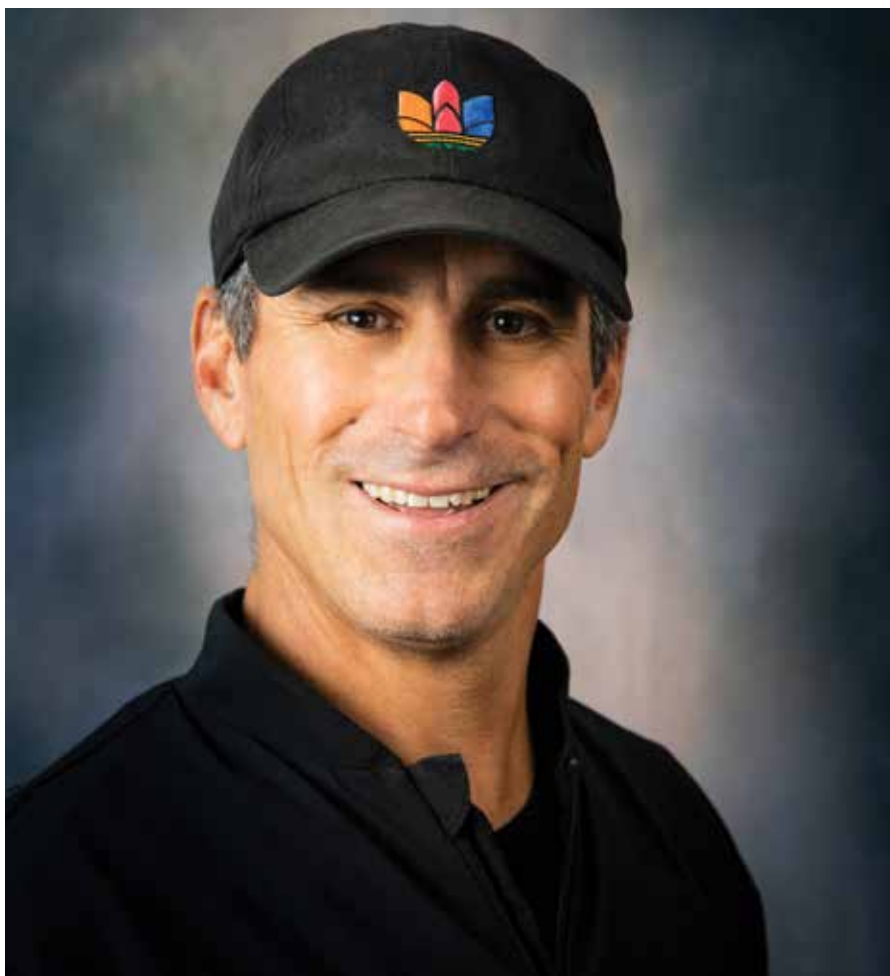
One Feather Staff

Pete Peterson wants to offer Indian Country a new approach to health the best way he knows how.

He founded the Serving Love Foundation in hopes of bringing tennis to as many people as he could. A member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), Peterson was inducted into the American Indian Athletic Hall of Fame in 2009 after a successful career at several levels of the sport. After years of honing his craft as an athlete, he said that he is ready for a much different challenge.

"It's one thing to be a competitor and go out there and practice and play and be in control of everything. Training to make an impact on your destiny directly. After spending my life figuring out that riddle and determining how it could be thought of as easy, it feels awfully difficult being out of control of everything. Creating relationships and communicating and working together with people. There are just so many more working parts and pieces. The motivation is strong to help the kids. It's nice to seem like it looks like it might work," said Peterson.

Last summer, Peterson came to the Qualla Boundary to launch a pilot program for the Serving Love Foundation. He worked with locals in Cherokee as well as larger partners like the North Carolina



Pete Peterson, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and president of the Serving Love Foundation, visited Cherokee last July for his pilot program. (Photos contributed)

Tennis Association (NCTA) to put on the event at the Birdtown Gym. "Cherokee was the springboard because that was the pilot site. Since then, and I think I'm ok to say these things because these deals are in the works, but I'm pretty sure we have the Navajo Nation. 28 locations and 60 staff sort of thing. Training the staff to help train the kids, which is one of the great things that we end up doing.

We're looking to create workforce, create income streams for natives to teach the kids tennis. So, we can have both kids becoming teachers and kids becoming players. That's really exciting," said Peterson.

One of the locals that helped to put on the clinic was Jan Stubbs, an EBCI tribal member who played tennis at Vanderbilt University.

"It was very well organized. I

have to give a lot of credit, too, to the North Carolina Tennis Association because they partnered with Pete. They had the first day, it was just an instruction for the people that were going to be doing the instruction to the kids. So, we went through all the drills and things to look at to help the kids and the goal of the drill. Then we had stations set up in the gym and we all performed the drills so that we knew what was expected out of that," said Stubbs.

She said that there was a focus on positivity and learning. Stubbs said that working with Peterson that week was a joy.

"Pete's energy level is contagious. You can see the love of the sport that he has. You can see how he wants to help people succeed... he's just very enthusiastic and passionate about this program and about tennis."

Stubbs says that she hopes that tennis can grow in Cherokee, whether that be through future work with Peterson or otherwise.

"Right now, unfortunately, the Boundary doesn't have any tennis courts. The great thing about the grassroots movement is you can have a parking lot, you can have a gymnasium, just to get people introduced into the program and to tennis. It doesn't take a lot of equipment," said Stubbs.

She said to have some equipment and accessibility in Cherokee would be a boon to the community and encourage more outdoor



activity.

“I think if the Tribe realized actually how many people used those tennis courts down at the old high school before it became a trash dumpster site, I think they would be surprised,” said Stubbs. “It is very frustrating. Those old high school courts, I would go down there and scrape off weeds and mud and stuff just so I wouldn’t have to drive to Bryson, Sylva, or Waynesville.”

A lack of resources is something that Peterson has seen across the country, especially in Indian Country. He’s relied on building quality relationships to ensure progress with his program. Someone who has inspired Peterson is David Dantzer, founder of Standing Tall Tennis.

In the 1990s, Dantzer had been a tennis instructor on many levels for years. While at the San Marino Country Club in California, he felt something was missing that would make his job fulfilling.

“I sort of felt like I was unappreciated at the Club because I felt like I was babysitting the kids a lot of the time. Some of those kids didn’t even want to be there. I thought, there must be some kids out there that would really like to learn tennis,” said Dantzer.

He decided to hold a clinic with children from the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians, and it didn’t take long for him to realize what his new path was.

After 12 years at the San Marino Country Club, Dantzer decided to pack his bags. For most of the year he was still coaching at Allan Hancock College, but suddenly his summers were completely free.

“The local Saturn dealership gave me a little car that had over 260,000 miles on it already, and I was able to load that thing up with my equipment and go around



Peterson, center, in Cherokee with his aunt, Faren Sanders Crews, left, and his mother, Karen Sanders Peterson.

to different sites throughout the Western United States. All West of the Mississippi other than Sanganachippewa, which is in Michigan. I ended up over the years teaching at 35 different reservations.”

Dantzer held clinics wherever and with whatever he could.

“The other thing about being flexible is that more times than not I was not teaching on a tennis court. I was teaching on a parking lot; I was teaching in a gym. I think the weirdest one was in a cafeteria at the Navajo Nation. We busted a few lights inside,” said Dantzer.

He said that he couldn’t have been happier when Peterson called him about the Serving Love Foundation. Dantzer said that when he passed the torch for his organization, it didn’t take long for them to drop it and effectively end Standing Tall Tennis. That’s why he immediately invited Peterson to come down to San Marino, Calif. for a conversation and to donate whatever equipment he had.

“It’s who you know and who steps forward to help out. But with him, he’s got a very, very strong

character. He will succeed, I know that. He’s highly motivated. The kids will look up to him,” said Dantzer.

“My encouragement to him is to coordinate his efforts with people that are already out there, already doing something successful. That way he doesn’t have to invent the sport and invent a new version of himself.”

This is something that Peterson has heard from many that he has talked to, and it is exactly what he wants to do.

“I’m becoming an advocate way faster than I would’ve imagined. In terms of I’m going to be able to get things done by connecting the powers-that-be so that we can have an army of people participating in this,” said Peterson. “Instead of just me in the car pulling up and emptying out the trunk and doing tennis. Which is not a bad thing, but I can recreate myself exponentially by creating these relationships with people that are in the same business and that’s what they do. Be it the United States Tennis Association, the United States Professional Tennis Association. These organizations

are big that do this. So, it’s exciting to be bringing those people together, those entities together, and those businesses together so that we can bring a real product for change and health and wellness in Native country.”

Peterson said that he would very much like to collaborate with the EBCI more as soon as possible. With the ongoing pandemic and being based out of Boise, Idaho, it has been difficult to travel and work cross-country on a consistent basis. He said that once the right relationships are in place, he wants to offer everything he can to his enrolled Tribe.

Until then, he wants to carry the momentum that he has and offer resources to every person that he can. He also insisted that he is learning more each day and that he is in love with the new path he is on.

“It’s fun to evolve into a more complete person and have a better whole focus. It’s a big change for me. A big 180 in a way. It’s exciting to grow in this direction. To truly make an impact on a community that I’m part of that could use my help.”

# Secretary Bradley appointed to state medicine board

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**  
One Feather Staff

A tribal health official has been appointed as a member of the Board of Directors for the N.C. Institute of Medicine (NCIOM). Gov. Roy Cooper announced the appointment of Vickie Bradley, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) and the Secretary of the EBCI Public Health and Human Services (PHHS) division, on Friday, Jan. 7.

“I’ve been a member of the NCIOM for awhile, but to be considered for a position on the NCIOM Board of Directors was humbling, and I’m very honored and excited,” said Secretary Bradley. “It is important that the EBCI have representation in all areas where policy is developed so the needs of our community are considered.”

She added, “The goal of all NCIOM initiatives and research is to improve the health and well-being of North Carolinians by identifying evidence-based solutions with broad stakeholder support. I will continue to work



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hard to focus on the areas that the Board primarily focuses on, increasing access to health care, improving population health, addressing health professional workforce needs, meeting the needs of special populations, and strengthening North Carolina’s mental health and substance use service systems.”

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed released a statement on

Monday, Jan. 10 praising Secretary Bradley’s appointment. “Vickie has worked in public health for 30 years and has worked in Tribal Public Health serving and caring for the EBCI community for the last 18 years. Vickie’s passion to ensure the health and well-being of our community makes her an outstanding and most deserving choice for this appointment.”

He added, “The mission of the NCIOM is to seek constructive solutions to statewide problems that impede the improvement of health and find the most efficient and effective ways to deliver health care to all North Carolina citizens.” Secretary Bradley was appointed to a five-year stint on the NCIOM in early 2020. That same year, she also received the Heroes in Health Local Impact Award from the National Indian Health Board.

“The EBCI works closely with the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services to address health issues facing the state and EBCI citizens,” said Secretary Bradley. “NCDHHS relies on NCIOM for research and recommendations, so it is important

for our community to know what initiatives, projects, and recommendations NCIOM is making to the Department. It will be helpful for the Tribe to have a voice on the NCIOM Board because the NCIOM task forces and projects bring stakeholders together to identify evidence-based strategies to address the health concerns.”

She went on to say, “Although I’ve served on various task forces for NCIOM; representation on the Board will allow me greater opportunity to help create agendas that address policies that improve health and share perspectives about Native health issues.”

Secretary Bradley received a bachelor’s of science degree in nursing from Western Carolina University and a master of public health degree from Lenoir-Rhyne University. She has worked for 18 years with the EBCI population holding various positions including: certified addictions registered nurse supervisor at UNITY, Community Health nurse, Wound Care supervisor, Tribal Public Health operations director, and currently as PHHS Secretary.

## Museum of the Cherokee Indian announces new lecture series

The Museum of the Cherokee Indian has announced its debut Winter Lecture Series, a free and exclusively virtual program held on select Wednesdays in December 2021, January 2022, and February 2022. Under the theme of Cultural and Language Preservation and Revitalization, the series features panelists from the EBCI and Cherokee Nation communities exploring the necessity of cultural and language preservation and revitalization.

“This subject is of the utmost importance,” says Jenn Wilson, Aiyuwyahi Community Pro-

gram Coordinator at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. “If we can encourage a greater interest and enthusiasm for it, then we can make headway in pursuing the preservation and revitalization of our language and culture amongst our tribal community members. It is our goal through this endeavor to foster a closer relationship with our community at large and to become a safe space for them to research, learn, and create.”

All events are free of charge and hosted virtually on Airmeeet. Space is limited, and attendees may register for each panel they would like to attend via the links below. Additional information, including panelist bios, can be found at [https://](https://mci.org/learn/programming)

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### Jan. 26 at 3 p.m.: Art, Language, & Culture

Panelists: Roy Boney, Jeff Edwards, John Henry Gloyne, Keli Gonzalez  
How can language influence art? Award-winning Cherokee Nation and EBCI visual artists share how the Cherokee language and syllabary inform and inspire their work.

### Feb. 16 at 3 p.m.: Cultural Preservation

Panelists to be announced  
What is culture? Speakers discuss historic cultural aspects, methods of preservation and revitalization, and how Cherokee culture appears today.

- Museum of the Cherokee Indian release





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Where: Cherokee Historical Association Main Box Office, 564 Tsali Blvd.

When: Jan. 22, 2022 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Season Dates: First Rehearsal – Friday, May 6, 2022

Opening Night – Saturday, May 28, 2022

Closing Night – Saturday, Aug. 20, 2022

Info: [www.cherokeehistorical.org](http://www.cherokeehistorical.org); Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/UntoTheseHills/>

### Heating Assistance available through Family Support Services

Applications are available for pickup at the Cherokee Family Support Services office or online at: <https://phhs.ebci-nsn.gov>. Elders can apply at Tsali Manor. Must live in service area. Disabled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians are exempt from income qualifications. Have all documents ready before you apply including: income verification, copy of bill from fuel provider, copy of electric bill, EBCI enrollment cards/

affidavits, Social Security cards, and government-issued IDs. Info: 359-6092

## NATIONAL PARK NEWS

### Park to start vehicle-free days in Cades Cove

Great Smoky Mountains National Park officials recently assessed monitoring data collected during the Cades Cove Vehicle-Free Day and Laurel Falls Trail Congestion Management pilot projects in 2021. Both pilot projects aimed to improve safety, visitor experience, and resource protection. Based on assessments, park managers announced the permanent implementation of full-day, vehicle-free Wednesday opportunities for Cades Cove Loop Road beginning May 4 through Sept. 28 in 2022. Visitor use management strategies for

Laurel Falls will continue to be reviewed as a part of the Laurel Falls Trail Management Plan Environmental Assessment (EA). Until this process is complete, no reservation or shuttle systems are planned for Laurel Falls.

Visitor feedback was positive for the second year of the Cades Cove Vehicle-Free Day pilot with 84% of visitors providing supportive comments. Approximately 42 percent of commenters requested additional vehicle-free access opportunities on the Cades Cove Loop Road. An average of 1,296 visitors participated each Wednesday from May 5 through Sept. 1, 2021. On average, 44 percent of those visitors walked and 56 percent cycled the Loop Road. The full day approach, along with on-site parking management, allowed better access and more opportunities to enjoy

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the experience throughout the day. Parking was generally available 82 percent of the time, however, parking lots were consistently full during the morning hours. Park managers will continue to manage and monitor the parking areas similarly in 2022. Visitors are encouraged to come in the afternoon and evening hours for a better chance of securing a parking space. More information about vehicle-free days can be found at <https://www.nps.gov/grsm/planyourvisit/cades-cove-vehicle-free-days.htm>.

Most commenters, 91 percent,

supported the Laurel Falls Trail pilot project. During the pilot period, trailhead parking was provided by reservation only and no parking was permitted in undesignated areas along Little River Road from Sept. 7 through Oct. 23, 2021.

Parking reservations, which were available for two-hour time blocks, were made online at [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov) for a fee of \$14 per vehicle. These fees were used to staff the parking lot, provide on-site portable toilets, and purchase roadside signage and barriers. Management access through the reservation

and shuttle system was expected to spread use more evenly throughout the day, creating a less crowded and more enjoyable experience on the trail and at the falls. Overall, visitors experienced lower rates of litter and a reduction in crowding during the pilot. An average of less than one grocery bag of trash was collected by volunteers during a six-hour shift, which was down significantly from an average of 2.2 bags prior to the pilot.

The Laurel Falls Trail Management Plan EA will consider management strategies such as those

employed during the pilot project. Park managers plan to hold a public scoping period for the EA by early summer and then release the EA for public comment later in the year. Specific dates for these public comment periods will be announced in future news releases.

For more information about visitor experience stewardship, please visit the park website at <https://www.nps.gov/grsm/learn/management/ves.htm>.

- National Park Service release



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### Wishi (du-wi-shi)

Wishi, a mushroom, is also known as hen-of-the-woods, sheep's head and mai-take. Cherokees call the mushroom wishi. The Cherokee word for mushroom is du-wo-li. "There are several types. Another one is chicken-of-the-woods. It just depends on who you talk to. I've just known it as wishi my whole life," Cherokee Nation citizen Tim Kingfisher said. Wishi is a polypore mushroom that grows in a cluster with leaf-like protrusions. According to [huffpost.com](http://huffpost.com), "its frond-like growths resemble the feathers of a fluffed chicken," hence the name hen-of-the-woods. They can be dark gray in color with a white underside. Wishi vary in size and weight from a few pounds to upward of 50 pounds. Kingfisher said the biggest one he has ever seen was "as big around as a car tire. Tim's grandfather Nelson said, "One time I was hunting. I seen a deer and at the same time I seen a wishi. I said, 'I'll get the deer later. I'll get this wishi now.'" Nelson said it was one of the "main delicacies" that he looked forward to growing up.

Source: [Cherokee Phoenix/chefsmandala.com](http://Cherokee Phoenix/chefsmandala.com)



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### Arlene Frances Squirrel

Arlene Squirrel, age 58, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, Jan. 8, 2022, at her residence in Big Cove.

She is survived by her children, Peaches Squirrel of Cherokee, Brooke Saunooke (Stan) and Jeremy Saunooke; grandchildren, Collin Ledford and Fluff; brothers, Herb Squirrel (Pam), Fred Squirrel, Bucky Squirrel (Glenda), Lamont Squirrel, and DeeDee Martin (Christy); sisters, Angel Squirrel and Dawn Jumper. John Adam Squirrel, George Squirrel, Robert (G-Pa) Squirrel; special friends, Rose Long, Lynn Taylor, Una Lee Sampson, Jeannie Crowe, Yvonne Bushyhead; mother-in-law, Merina Swimmer; and her beloved pets, Boo Boo and Chewy.

Arlene was preceded in death by her parents, Vernon Sneed and Irene Martin; aunt, Mary Squirrel; uncle, Josh Squirrel; nephew, Brock Squirrel; grandma, Mianna; and grandpa, Shepard Squirrel.

Arlene was a member of Yellowhill Baptist Church. She was an expert thrifter and loved to go to yard sales. She loved her flowers. She enjoyed watching her nieces and nephews play sports. And, she loved watching Peach coach.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, Jan. 13 at Yellowhill Baptist Church with Scott Chelelee officiating. Burial was in the Yellowhill Cemetery. Pallbearers were Lamont, DeeDee, Bucky, Herb, Fred, Shepherd, Jerry, Jody, Nick, Poat, and Fluff.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

### Rebecca Leah Reed

Rebecca Leah Reed, age 43, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, Jan. 6, 2022 in Asheville.

She is survived by her children, Jasmine Arney, Jade Buckner, Jason Bates and Jaden Bates; brothers, Robert Reed, Robbin Reed, and Chris Buckner. Freddie Reed, Janice Reed, and David Buckner also survive.

Rebecca was preceded in death by her parents, Robert Thomas Reed and Amelia Patricia Buckner; and daughter, Angela Bates.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, Jan. 13 with Ben Reed officiating. Burial was in the Reed Family Cemetery. Pallbearers were among the Reed Family and Buckner Family.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

### Denise Arch McGinnis

Denise Arch McGinnis, 53, of Kingsport, Tenn., went to be with her Heavenly Father on Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2022 after a brief illness.

She was a lifelong resident of Kingsport. Denise was a 1987 graduate of Sullivan North High School where she was a member of the Golden Raider Marching Band. She was also a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee

Indians. Denise was proud of her Cherokee heritage and appeared with her father and sister at many area dances and festivals through the years. Denise was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend to many.

She was preceded in death by her father, David Arch; grandmother, Estella Teesatuskie; grandfather, George Lawrence Shelton; uncles, George Remus Shelton, James Ronald Castle, Richard Teesatuskie, and Reuben Teesatuskie; and aunts, Polly Rozella Shelton and Rosalie Teesatuskie

She leaves behind her husband, Edward Falin; daughters, Dinah Beth (Jared) Hensley and Brittany Jo Garland; son, David Wayne McGinnis; grandchildren, Davina McGinnis, Leandra McGinnis, and Gadge Garland, all of Kingsport; mother, Doris Arch (Paul) Smith; grandmother, Edna Maxine Shelton, all of Big Stone Gap, Va.; sister, Dawnena Jean Arch of Church Hill, Tenn.; nephews, Dylan, Overbay and Nick Arch; great-nephew David Chase Culbertson; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins

A Celebration of Life will be held in memory of Denise at a later time by the family.

Trinity Memorial Centers Funeral Home (423-723-8177) is honored to serve the family.

### Fun Facts from the Editor:

\* The number of possible ways of playing the first four moves per side in a game of chess is 318,979,564,000.

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COMMENTARY

# Cultural Preservation

By ROBERT JUMPER

One Feather Editor

There has been much talk in our community, particularly in our government, concerning cultural and historical preservation. Yes, much talk. But talk is cheap, at least that is what P.T. Barnum said back in the 1850's (and many more have borrowed since then). From language to artifacts, we say that the preservation of our ancestry is a high priority. We say.

In some cases, our actions match our words. Language programs get significant funding and attention. Rightly so. I don't hold to the belief that my "Indian-ness" hinges on it, or that "if you don't know the language, you are not Cherokee", or "if the language dies, so do we as a nation". But I do believe it is a significant piece of the large mosaic of being Cherokee. Language has significance in

that there are many amalgamated cultures (like the United States) who select a borrowed language since their language was not part of their origin in this country. Their origin was in immigration from somewhere else. The Cherokee language, like those of other indigenous peoples, is one of the elements of our culture that sets us apart from other nations and cultures.

Language preservation is a little different than other elements of our culture. You may put an artifact on a shelf in a museum and the value and significance of that piece will remain stable forever. You put the language on a shelf. and you may preserve the mechanics of it, but it will die as a common value among our people. It must be learned and used in order to truly be preserved. It must make a difference in the everyday lives of the people. It must have a prominent place in the economics and communication of the Tribe, in order to be "alive". The language must be raised above hobby status. And most of all, it must be allowed to be used, and if necessary, abused by the people

who use it.

People in England cringe at the way people in the United States speak English. There is an enormous range of slangs and dialects of English in use. Southerners have a distinctly different take on English than folks from the Bronx in New York. In the use of the language, it gets amalgamated into other languages to different degrees. But it lives and, in most cases, thrives. Trying to keep a language sterile and pure comes at a cost. Creating regulatory organizations to prevent the misuse of a language will contribute to killing it in common use. Certainly, there is a place and function for a language authority in the documentation and clarification of language, but not to dictate how it is used nor by whom. Communication is such a vital part of everyday life that if a language becomes too cumbersome or regulated to use, it will be bypassed and only those who school themselves and have a passion for it will have any knowledge of it.

For over a decade, Tribal Council routinely resolved that an archive be built to house artifacts currently being kept in other repositories (museums and warehouses) because there is no room in Cherokee for them. Deadline after deadline have been missed. Multiple administrations have passed the buck from one two- or four-year term to the next. For all our bloviation about how valuable our history is to us, we continue to push down the road one of the very things that would allow us to preserve a portion of it. While there has been lip service given to the desire to bring Cherokee artifacts home, we continue to fiddle around and have done so for so long that now there are other

agencies threatening to take possession of tribal artifacts in these borrowed locations.

To add insult to injury, we hear arguments within our tribal government concerning the purchase of land. To nutshell the argument, we continually hear our Tribal Council debate the purchase of land when they say that we have so many parcels that are sitting idle with no clear plan for their use. Over the years, the proposed locations for a tribal repository for artifacts have bounced around. Early in the discussion, one location mentioned was the Boundary Tree property, part of which, ironically, is the current home of the Language Academy. Hopefully, we have the right level of commitment of both branches of government to finally make the tribal archive a reality. Literally, it remains to be seen. Apparently, we have plenty of land to locate it on. And apparently, money is no object because grants that would at least partially pay for it have come and gone without concern that it might prevent getting the archive in place. Maybe it is time to put our land and money where our mouths are.

Public opinion is an ever-shifting thing. For example, many years ago, the people of Franklin, N.C. saw the Nikwasi Mound, a significant Cherokee cultural property, was about to be sold out to commercial interests with the possibility that the mound might be destroyed in the process of land development. In the covenant that those early Macon County settlers wrote when they bought the land, they said they were buying the land for the Cherokee people, since the Cherokee people at the time could not afford to save the mound, to maintain and preserve



Called "ladybug" or "ladybeetle" in the United States, this garden favorite is called glückskäfer in Austria, slunéčko in Czechoslovakia, leppäkerttu in Finland, paskalitsa in Greece, lieveheersbeestje in Holland, coccinella in Italy, tentou mushi in Japan, kumbang in Malaysia, biedronka in Poland, pikapolonica in Slovenia, mariquita in Spain and ilsikazana esincane in Zulu.

— Brenda Weaver

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it for us. Well, fast forward to today, or at least in the last 20 years or so.

The Eastern Cherokee has become a nation of means and has made great strides in acquiring and preserving culturally significant lands like Nikwasi, including the mother town of the Cherokee people with the land into trust of the Kituwah, which is the home of another hallowed mound. In the case of Nikwasi, however, when the Tribe made inquiries of the modern-day town leaders of Franklin, they were met with much resistance to turning the mound over to the Eastern Band, who they said at the time they secured the mound that they were saving it for. Even after a highly publicized “grass-ocide” incident, where the town, in an effort to kill weeds on the mound that sent chemical poison into the mound and turned it completely brown, rebuffed the efforts of then-Principal Chief Michell Hicks’ administration to secure the Nikwasi Mound for the Tribe. So, public opinion had apparently shifted from the town’s community leaders at the time they purchased Nikwasi to the town’s present-day community.

The Nikwasi Initiative is the most recent, and possibly the most successful, in the attempts to put the Nikwasi Mound back in the hands of its original, rightful owners. This coalition has obtained the land and while the mound is not owned by our Tribe, there is tribal representation on the board of the entity that has control of the mound. That was no easy achievement with some in top leadership in Franklin who were vehemently against letting go of the mound. Still, we are far from being able to take possession of this historical tribal landmark. And, after recent sessions of Tribal Council in

which funding for “upgrades” to the mound have been discussed, I have new concerns about our ideas and concept of historical preservation. During those sessions, there has been much discussion about how to enhance the site of the Nikwasi Mound for public access and viewing. At first glance, that seems a very innocuous plan. But making Nikwasi a tourism attraction is not the same as preserving it for the Cherokee people. With all the talk of visitor kiosks, restrooms, and other amenities, there was little discussion as to how the mound itself will be preserved, protected, and secured. There is talk of purchasing land adjacent to the mound to increase visitor capacity, which means increased traffic on a sacred Cherokee site. There were not many questions from our Tribal leadership about what measures would be employed to keep people from walking, digging, or otherwise damaging the mound itself. I made an inquiry to try to get some thoughts from the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO), to get their take on the proper preservation of a culturally significant or sacred site. As of press time, they have not sent a response. But one thing was clear from previous discussion with this program charged with proper documentation and preservation of Cherokee artifacts, large and small, is that pointing out locations and promoting foot traffic on them is not a favored practice.

There are many such sites, like mounds, fish weirs, and burial sites that have been intentionally left off of public information and tourism brochures. Our purpose for acquisition of these precious items and lands, is not economic gain. It is more personal than that. Cherokee people have had a rela-

tionship with the land that most immigrants to the land could not understand. It is almost family, and definitely spiritual. The land and the artifacts of ancestors have medicine attached to them. And for Cherokee people, medicine is a very, very private thing, possibly shared with family, maybe fellow tribal members, and very rarely with outsiders.

Yes, public opinion is a fickle thing. People are loving and accepting for a period, and then hateful and rejecting the next stretch of time (mostly based on whether you are agreeing with them). So, in a modern culture of ever-changing allegiance, the Tribe must guard against the possibility that a shift in the status or image of our Tribe might result in the desecration of our sacred sites and monuments, particularly those that are not under the direct protection and jurisdiction of our government. If a group doesn’t agree with your group, anything that represents your group is in jeopardy. In our case, it would be our sacred sites and monuments. Sometimes desecration is intentional. At other times, precious, irreplaceable items and places are destroyed by ignorance or neglect. Whatever the reason, when artifacts are defiled, it is not possible to restore or replace them, so security and proper procedures for maintenance should be priority items of concern for our community and for our government, more so than what kind of publicity or monetary value we may gain from having it.

I believe in the preservation of our culture, understanding that cultural preservation specifics are as subjective and each tribal member will have different ideas on what should be considered sacred or culturally significant.

All the more reason for all of us to engage in the discussion, because our Cherokee heritage doesn’t belong to a government or entity. It belongs to each member of the Eastern Cherokee nation.

## Good Housekeeping

### Baked Chocolate Pudding

This easy yet impressive dessert can be made in advance and heated when you’re ready to serve it, making it the perfect choice to shave prep time off of a special meal. The splash of framboise in the pudding adds an elegant touch.

- 1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter, melted and cooled, plus more for greasing
- 3/4 cup good-quality cocoa powder
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 4 extra-large eggs, at room temperature
- 2 cups sugar
- 1 vanilla bean, split, seeds scraped
- 1 tablespoon framboise liqueur (optional)
- Vanilla ice cream, for serving

1. Preheat oven to 325 F. Lightly butter 2-quart shallow oval baking dish.

2. Into medium bowl, sift together cocoa powder and flour. In large bowl, with mixer on medium-high speed, beat eggs and sugar 5 to 10 minutes or until very thick and light yellow.

3. Reduce speed to low; add vanilla seeds, framboise (if using), and cocoa mixture. Mix just until combined. Slowly pour in butter; mix just until combined.

4. Pour mixture into prepared dish set in larger baking pan. Add hot tap water to pan to come halfway up side of dish.

5. Bake exactly 1 hour. A toothpick inserted 2 inches from side will come out clean. Center will appear very under-baked. Cool completely.

6. Serve with ice cream. Serves 12. Make Ahead: To make ahead, wrap; refrigerate up to 3 days. To serve, bring to room temperature.

Each serving: About 335 calories, 18g total fat (11g saturated), 110mg cholesterol, 30mg sodium, 40g total carbs, 1g dietary fiber, 4g protein.

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## SPEAKING OF FAITH

# What's needed is all of each of us.

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

(Transcribed by Myra D. Colgate)

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church

The Lord has placed in my heart for the year 2022 that this shall be a year of soul-winning for this church. Amen. I believe the Lord is coming back and He's coming back very soon. Every time I look outside, I see the signs of His coming. The Bible says, "No man knows the day or the hour and I agree with that, wholly and completely. I will tell you, I don't know the day or the hour, but I know this one thing. We are getting closer than we've ever been. Amen. If you'll look and watch at what's going on in the world around us, you'll see the Book of Revelation literally playing out right in front of your own eyes.

Decision-wise now, while it's not impossible for people to still go to Heaven after the Lord returns, however, how many know if they can't live for Him now, it's going to be a whole lot harder to live for Him after the Rapture takes place—which I believe can happen at any time. The fact is, I don't believe there will be a last great awakening. I believe, at that point, people are going to go and hide, and will end up doing what they're told. I've never seen a day when people are so much more like sheep rather than thinkers for themselves. Are you asking, what are you talking about?

In talking about this, it seems people just believe whatever they're told. Everywhere one looks, one can see we are being lied to, but it doesn't seem to matter. We still tend to believe what's told us. This morning, I'm going to lay out truth before you today, which I am hoping you will believe in Matthew 13, verse 30, which talks about the parable of the wheat and the 'tares'. We are told to let them grow up together until harvest time. "The reapers are to first gather the tares, binding them up in bundles to burn them, but to then gather the wheat into My barn'. I'm wanting to set up for you that there is a reckoning coming.

The Lord gave me this subject. Big things do come in small packages. In pondering this

and communing with the Spirit of the Living God, what I find is that the Lord sent the Savior to this world as a tiny little baby, who would grow up and become the very One who will bring salvation to this Earth (verse 31). Jesus, spoke another parable saying, "The kingdom of Heaven is likened to a grain of the mustard seed, which man has taken and sowed in the field, indeed is the least of all seeds, but when it grows up among the herbs, it becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and lodge in its branches—another small thing with which He does a great thing.

Father, I pray this morning, that you'd literally open the windows above our heads to pour revelation into this House. Holy Spirit, if You don't ignite a desire for us to win souls and do great things, Lord, it shall not happen. So Father, as we yield ourselves to You declaring, O God, You are our God, Your desire is our greatest command. Whatever You push in our direction is what we want to go in. Father, I pray open every door that needs to be opened, things with little stuff. You may even seem little in your own eyes, that you don't have much strength, and there's not a whole lot you can do, but I'm here to tell you that with God, little is indeed much! We can, with His help, do

mighty things for the Kingdom of God.

I remember reading the story and the testimony of Billy Graham, and how he was dragged to a church service that he didn't want to go to. The pastor preached that sermon that day and when it was over with, our young man came to the altar.

It's always amazing to me, that if you just take what God has given you and put it into fertile ground, God can cause it to grow. Yes, that's good, what He said in Matthew, chapter 13. You're going to take the smallest of seeds—no bigger than a grain of sand, put it in the ground, water it, pray and spend time over it, your life will begin to grow. This little seed will become so big that creatures will come and take refuge underneath it.

He has put on the inside of you, a seed, the seed of God Himself, and if you'll allow Him, He will grow you into something mighty that others can come and find high things will take place. If you won't get up and do something, for the Kingdom of God, who is? If God only just wanted you in heaven, He would have taken you on the day you got saved, but He didn't. How many times have you been healed from things that should have taken you out?



## THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE



*In disquieting thoughts from the visions of the night,  
when deep sleep falls on men,  
fear came upon me, and trembling,  
which made all my bones shake.*

— JOB 4: 13,14 —

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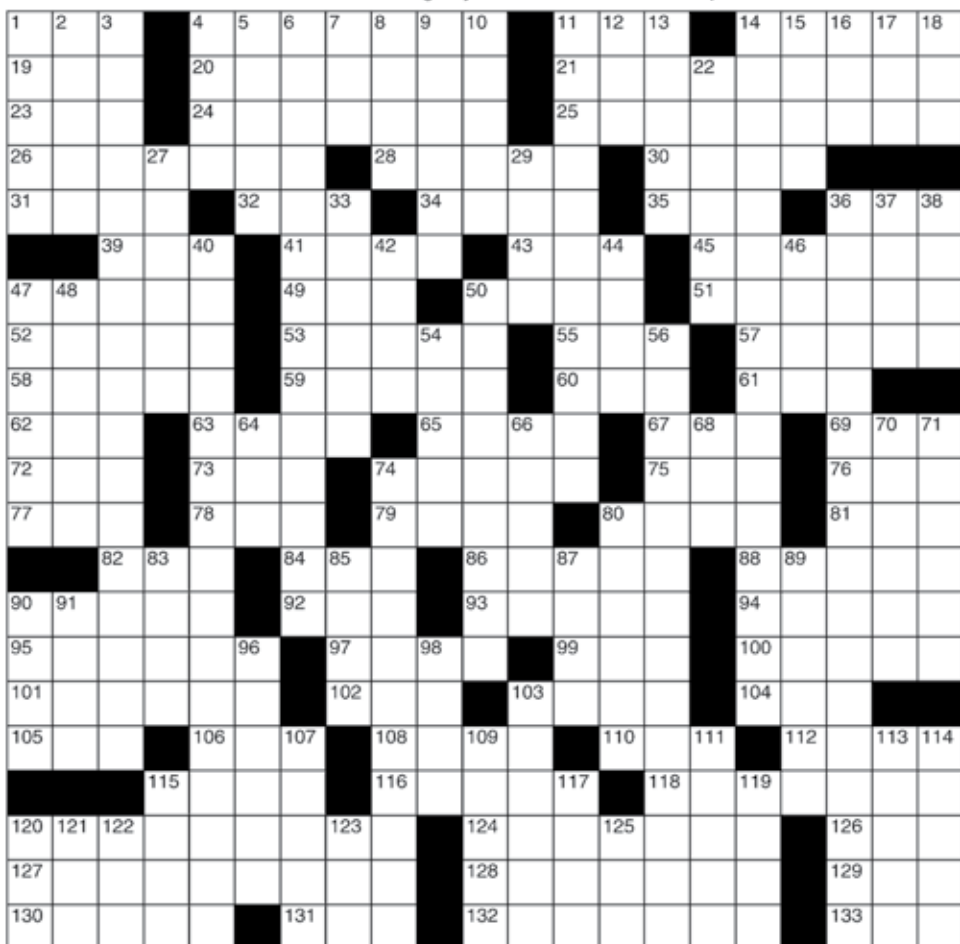


# Super Crossword

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## ACROSS

- 1 Tax doc. whiz  
4 Vietnam Veterans Memorial architect  
11 Facility with a Jacuzzi  
14 "Deathtrap" star Michael  
19 Skirt edge  
20 Worship  
21 "Can do!"  
23 "Deathtrap" dramatist Levin  
24 Gotten out of dreamland  
25 Tons  
26 Inca conqueror Francisco  
28 Natural skill  
30 Radio shock jock Don  
31 Hog food  
32 Ltr. insert  
34 Nobelist Wiesel  
35 Obama's party: Abbr.  
36 Deg. for a Wall Streeter  
39 Con's vote  
41 Light blows  
43 Some small batteries  
45 Conan of TBS  
47 Dumas' "Le — de Monte-Cristo"  
49 Suffix with polyethyl-  
50 "Explorer" of kids' TV  
51 Daytime nap  
52 "— and the Night Visitors" (Menotti opera)  
53 Sonata segment  
55 "Well well well!"  
57 Church recesses  
58 Cinematic Streep  
59 Give fresh life  
60 Final: Abbr.  
61 Final Greek consonant  
62 Moose's kin  
63 Singer Redding  
65 See 69-Across  
67 Mai —  
69 With 65-Across, attended as a spectator  
72 Casual top  
73 Adroit humor  
74 U.S.-Canada air-watch org.  
75 Bit of an oval  
76 Title for Ringo Starr  
77 Baseball great Mel  
78 "Selena" star, familiarly  
79 "What's — for me?"  
80 Loretta of "M\*A\*S\*H"  
81 Deep anger  
82 Virtuoso  
84 Minister's study: Abbr.  
86 Big name in motor scooters  
88 Detach, as a badge  
90 Pacific Ocean nation  
92 "— hawl!"  
93 Actor Rob  
94 Snared with a lasso  
95 Like a clear night sky  
97 Angry mutt's sound  
99 Poetic tribute  
100 Arab chiefs  
101 Mysterious  
102 Great Lakes' — Canals  
103 Whirled  
104 Actor Neill  
105 — kwon do  
106 Foe of Liston  
108 Have the gall  
110 Touch gently  
112 A bit wet  
115 Cure- — (elixirs)  
116 Lawn growth  
118 Ties tightly  
120 Casual affair  
124 Rescue financially  
126 Even one  
127 Former Honda SUV  
128 Put under water  
129 TV's Jean- — Picard  
130 Serpent stuff  
131 Super Bowl stats  
132 Ceases  
133 Volcanic stuff  
DOWN  
1 Casino disks  
2 Hazard  
3 Alternative to eBay or Etsy  
4 Bryn — College  
5 Worship  
6 Canadian expanse on the border with Alaska  
7 Brighton beer  
8 Tall and thin  
9 Apple media player  
10 Kathmandu's country  
11 Coil about  
12 "Wham!"  
13 Garden pest  
14 Major film studio  
15 \$5 bills, slangily  
16 Not well  
17 Prefix with orthodox  
18 First-aid ace  
22 Ladies' men  
27 Unconcern  
29 "So long!"  
33 Kayaks' kin  
36 1991 film about a family exiled from Uganda  
37 — noire  
38 Santa — (hot winds)  
40 Much tabloid reportage  
42 Actor Sean  
44 Comic Mort  
46 Gym units  
47 Attended  
48 Brunch order  
50 With the current ... or what appears at the starts of eight long answers in this puzzle?  
54 Dual-sport Sanders  
56 2007 Stanley Cup losers  
64 Up to, in ads  
66 Hall & —  
68 Jackie's #2  
70 Less stuffy  
71 Fads, e.g.  
74 Co-founder of the band Chic  
80 Accelerated  
83 — avis  
85 Brain wave tests, in brief  
87 Cease  
89 Roving types  
90 Jrs.' exam  
91 Razor name  
96 Scold loudly  
98 Act like a lion  
103 Bagel seed  
107 Ain't right?  
109 Overzealous  
111 Have faith  
113 Dish lists  
114 Pump (up)  
115 As well  
117 Family of PC games  
119 Plains natives  
120 Nero's 605  
121 "How — ya?"  
122 Chaney of chillers  
123 A cow chews it  
125 Oahu wreath



# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

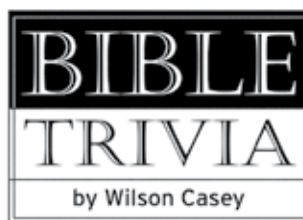
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

## DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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1. Is the book of Titus in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Isaiah 45, whom did God ask, "Shall the clay say to him that fashioneth it"? *Gideon, Peter, Cyrus, Elijah*
3. Where do you find the phrase "God is love"? *Genesis, Nehemiah, Hebrews, 1 John*
4. Who sold his birthright for a pot- tage of lentils? *Cain, Jacob, Esau, Abel*
5. What Jewish ruler visited Jesus by night? *Hezekiah, Barabbas, Nicodemus, Darius*
6. Which of these in scripture was Moses' assistant? *Joshua, Gad, Nun, Jethro*

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1. FOOD & DRINK: What grain is the Japanese wine sake made from?
2. MEDICAL: What is the common name for the condition called aphonia?
3. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a gastropoda?
4. HISTORY: In what city was the United States' Declaration of Independence signed?
5. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What word does the "R" movie rating stand for?
6. MUSIC: How old was Mozart when he began composing music?
7. MOVIES: Who voiced Mufasa in the animated movie "The Lion King"?
8. ASTRONOMY: What is the largest moon orbiting a planet in our solar system?
9. TELEVISION: What is the family's last name in drama series "Blue Bloods"?
10. U.S. STATES: Which state goes by the nickname "Green Mountain State"?

## EVENTS

### COMMUNITY EVENTS

#### National Blue Blood Drive.

Jan. 19 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the Rod Cooper Training Room of the Anthony Edward Lossiah Justice Center. Donate blood in memory of Officer Lossiah. President by C.O.P.S. and the American Red Cross. Schedule your appointment on [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) by using sponsor code: LOSSIAH or email to [charlottelossiah@gmail.com](mailto:charlottelossiah@gmail.com)

**Blood Drive.** Jan. 20 from 12 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the new Cherokee Indian Hospital parking lot. See the American Red Cross bus. To schedule an appointment, call Sarah Crow 497-3533 or 1-800-RED-CROSS.

**Indivisible Swain County meeting.** Jan. 24 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Agenda items include action steps for priorities for 2022 – Medicaid expansion, voting, education, and environment. All are welcome to join and share your concerns and ideas. If you are interested in attending via Zoom, email [maryherr2017@gmail.com](mailto:maryherr2017@gmail.com) or call 497-9498.

**Sweetheart Market.** Feb. 10 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Cher-

okee Indian Fairgrounds. Info: Denise Walkingstick 508-2211

### SPORTS EVENTS

**Georgia Swarm Lacrosse Native Heritage Night.** Feb. 12 at 6 p.m. at Gas South Arena in Duluth, Ga. The Georgia Swarm will take on the New York Riptide. Claim free tickets (up to four) at [www.georgiaswarm.com/ebci](http://www.georgiaswarm.com/ebci)

#### 2022 EBCI Fish Tournament Lineup

(General Fishing Waters, Cherokee, N.C.)

General Fishing Enterprise Waters are closed to everyone from Saturday, March 12 to Friday, March 25. Each tournament requires a 2-day fish permit covering both tournament days (\$17) and Tournament Registration Fee (\$15).

Opening Day Fish Tournament - Saturday, March 26 to Sunday, March 27

- Registration deadline is Friday, March 25  
- \$25,000 in cash prizes

Memorial Day Fish Tournament - Saturday, May 28 to Sunday, May 29

- Registration deadline is Friday, May 27  
- \$10,000 in cash prizes

Tim Hill Memorial Tournament - Saturday, July 9 to Sunday, July 10

- Registration deadline is Friday, July 8  
- \$10,000 in cash prizes

Qualla Country Fish Tournament - Saturday, Aug. 27 to Sunday, Aug. 28

- Registration deadline is Friday, Aug. 26  
- \$20,000 in cash prizes

Tag turn-in times will be 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. both tournament days at the EBCI Natural Resources Enforcement Office at 517 Sequoyah Trail in Cherokee. Fishing hours are one hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset, daily.

Info: Office (828) 359-6110,

text (828) 788-3013, <https://fish-cherokee.com> and <https://www.facebook.com/fishcherokee>

- EBCI Natural Resources Div.

### SUPPORT GROUPS

#### Cherokee Cancer Support Group

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

**Life Recovery Meetings hosted by Grace Community Church.** Tuesdays from 11:30

## Puzzle Answers

### Super Crossword

Answers														
CPA	MAY	ALIN	SPA	CAINE										
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SLOP	ENC	ELIE	DEM	MBA										
NAY	TAPS	AAS	OBRIEN											
COMTE	ENE	DORA	SIESTA											
AMARL	RONDO	OH	APSES											
MERYL	RENEW	ULT	PSI											
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TEE	WIT	NORAD	ARC	SIR										
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### Weekly SUDOKU

#### Answer

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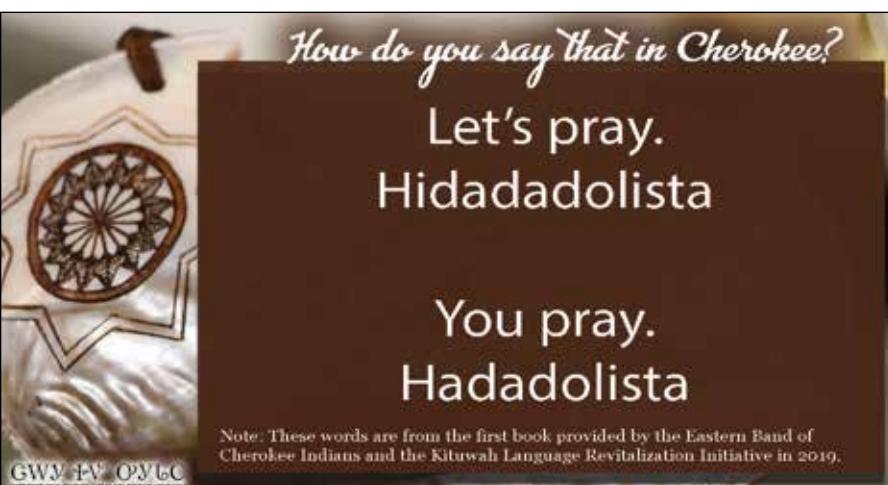


ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) Cyrus; 3) 1 John 4:8; 4) Esau; 5) Nicodemus; 6) Joshua (Exodus 24:13)



- Answers
1. Rice
  2. Complete loss of voice
  3. A snail
  4. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
  5. Restricted
  6. 5 years old
  7. James Earl Jones
  8. Ganymede
  9. Reagan
  10. Vermont

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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

Happenings listings are **FREE** of charge. Send your event listings, or flyers, to Scott at [scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov](mailto:scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov) or via Facebook Messenger at the Cherokee One Feather FB page.

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Oconaluftee Visitor Center 1104 Newfound Gap Rd. Cherokee NC 828-497-1904	Food Lion 16 Cherokee Crossing Rd, Ste 1 Whittier, NC 828-497-4743	Cooper's Creek General Store 20 Coopers Creek Road Bryson City, NC 28719 828-538-4400	

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## VETERANS ★ POST ★

by Freddy Groves

### Full Education Housing Benefits Extended

If you're in school and were about to lose half of your VA education housing benefits at the end of last month due to remote classes, you're safe. Congress pushed through the REMOTE (Responsible Education Mitigating Option and Technical Extensions) Act, and it's going to cover you for the next six months.

The problem has been attending classes in person versus taking classes remotely. If you typically attend via remote classes, your housing allowance was always half that of in-person students. The pandemic landed, and with that colleges and schools went remote last year, which threatened to halve the benefit money of in-person students forced into remote classes. Congress saw that and extended the full coverage until December.

They recently stepped in again. Now you'll be covered until summer — while schools sort out whether they're bringing students back into the classroom for the January-May semester, keeping everyone at home again or a combination of the two. As is typical of the pandemic era, even if you're currently attending in-person classes, your school might shift to remote at any time.

You and the 55,000 other student veterans potentially impacted by those reduced housing benefits can thank Nevada Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto and others for introducing the bill and pushing it to become law.

Not a student? Have you decided to sit out the shaky job market and go back to school or aim for a new trade? Start with an intro to your veterans education benefits: [www.va.gov/education](http://www.va.gov/education). Scroll down and click on the Eligibility link. Then click on the GI Bill Comparison Tool on the right and learn what programs and education benefits are available for you. Different programs have different benefits, so study those first to see which might be the best fit. If you need help sorting it all out, call the GI Bill Hotline at 888-GIBILL-1 (888-442-4551).

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### Keep Pets Prepared for Emergencies in Winter, Too

**Dear Paws:** Please remind your readers to include their pets in winter emergency preparedness planning. Last year, when the Texas power grid failed in extreme cold weather conditions, shelters saw many pets with cold-related injuries. When the power goes out on a cold night — or for several days — dogs and cats can't just "tough it out." — *Tyler in Southeast Texas*

Dear Tyler: You're absolutely right. Readers, emergency preparedness should always include your pets. I warn my East Coast readers each summer at the start of hurricane season to put together a grab-and-go emergency kit for their pet. But every region experiences natural disasters, and sometimes they occur in the depths of winter.

A winter-ready pet emergency kit should include:

- A warm blanket for each pet.
- A soft pad for pets to sleep on if you're in an evacuation center.
- Booties and sweaters to wear when pets go outside in freezing conditions.
- Pee pads and pet waste bags.
- Three days of canned or dry pet food, and bottled water.
- A copy of each pet's vaccination and medical records.
- A three-day supply of each pet's medication.
- A list of important phone numbers, including their veterinarian.
- Extra leash and collar for each pet, and extra ID tags.

If your pet isn't microchipped, I strongly recommend it. Pets have escaped from even the most responsible, organized owners. Keep them up to date on vaccinations as well — it's hard to predict whether your pet will be exposed to a disease by another cat or dog during an evacuation.

You can find more tips and recommendations for emergency preparedness at <https://www.ready.gov/pets>.

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

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## WANTED

Land for homesite. Enrolled member looking to purchase 2-5 acres of buildable land within the Qualla Boundary. I would prefer Big Cove community but anyone who has land to sell, please contact me, Venita Wolfe, at 828-554-1199 or venitawolfe@gmail.com 1/26



**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) You're eager to take on that new opportunity opening up as January gives way to February. Now all you need to do is resist quitting too early. Do your best to stay with it.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Doff a bit of that careful, conservative outlook and let your brave Bovine self take a chance on meeting that new challenge. You could be surprised at how well you do.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) You might not want to return to the more serious tasks facing you. But you know it's what you must do. Cheer up. Something more pleasant will soon occupy your time.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) As you dutifully tidy your end-of-the-month tasks, your fun self emerges to urge you to do something special: A trip (or a cruise, maybe?) could be just what you need.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Your achievements are admirable as you close out the month with a roar. Now you can treat yourself to some well-earned time off for fun with family or friends. (Or both!)

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Be sure you know the facts before you assume someone is holding back on your project. Try to open your mind before you give someone a piece of it.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) You might feel comfortable in your familiar surroundings, but it might be time to venture into something new. There's a challenge out there that's just right for you.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Your love of things that are new gets a big boost as you encounter a situation that opens up new and exciting vistas. How far you go with it depends on you.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) That recent workplace shift might not seem to be paying off as you expected. But be patient. There are changes coming that could make a big difference.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) While few can match the Goat's fiscal wizardry, you still need to be wary in your dealings. There might be a problem you should know about sooner rather than later.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Easy does it when it comes to love and all the other good things in life. Don't try to force them to develop on your schedule. Best to let it happen naturally.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) A surprise decision by someone you trust causes some stormy moments. But a frank discussion explains everything, and helps save a cherished relationship.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** Sometimes you forget to take care of yourself, because you're so busy caring for others. But you wouldn't have it any other way.

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**Cherokee Central Schools Job Openings**

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

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

1. Athletic Administrative Assistant
2. Special Education Teacher - Pathseekers - Middle School
3. Speech Language Pathologist
4. Cherokee Language Instructor
5. Math/Reading Interventionist (High School)
6. Middle School Baseball Assistant Coach
7. Middle School Baseball Head Coach
8. Part-Time Security
9. Custodian
10. Substitute Teachers
11. School Nurse



## Tribal Employment Rights Office

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

**Now Available – TERO's Local Job Listing for January 2022**

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

If you are (1) an enrolled member of the EBCI, (2) spouse of EBCI enrolled member or parent of minor EBCI enrolled member, (3) or an enrolled member of another federally recognized tribe, and you are interested in enrolling in TERO's Job Bank for job referrals, please contact Hillary Norville or Douglas McCoy at the email or telephone numbers below.

Hillary Norville – TERO Job Bank Coordinator  
828.359.6422  
[hillnorv@ebci-nsn.gov](mailto:hillnorv@ebci-nsn.gov)

Douglas McCoy – TERO Job Bank Coordinator  
828.359.6478  
[dougmcoco@ebci-nsn.gov](mailto:dougmcoco@ebci-nsn.gov)





# Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements



Application and job description can be picked up from the receptionist at the Boys Club information window between the hours of 8 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 re-advertise positions without notice.*

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

**Agelink Child Care**  
FT Lead Teacher  
FT School Age Group Leader  
FT Custodian  
FT Agelink Child Care Manager

**Snowbird Child Care**  
FT Lead Teacher

**Children's Home**  
FT Administrative Assistant  
FT Residential Counselor (2)  
PT Residential Counselor (5)

**Bus & Truck**  
FT Truck Driver  
PT School Bus Driver (6)

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

**Service**  
PT Mowing & Trimming Laborer



## Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians HUMAN RESOURCES

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

### Closing Monday, January 24, 2022

1. Biological Technician – Natural Resources – Agricultural and Natural Resources (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)
2. Youth Development Professional – Cherokee Youth Center – Community/Education/Recreation (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
3. Parisi Speed School Coordinator – Cherokee Fitness Complex – Community/Education/Recreation (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)
4. Fitness Assistant – Cherokee Fitness Complex – Community/Education/Recreation (L3 \$22,990 - \$28,732)
5. Transportation Coordinator (Day Shift) – Transit – Operations (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)
6. Equipment Operator – CDOT – Operations (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625)
7. Certified Nursing Assistant – Tribal In Home Care Services – Public Health and Human Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
8. Secretary/Receptionist – Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
9. Truck Driver/Crew Leader (Collections) – Solid Waste – Operations (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625)

### Open Until Filled

1. Evidence Technician I – Cherokee Police Department – Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
2. Patrol Officer (Multiple) – Cherokee Police Department – Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
3. Detention Officer (Multiple) – Detention Services – Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
4. PT Paramedic (Multiple) – Emergency Medical Services – Public Safety (L8 \$17.55 - \$21.94 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
5. Youth Development Professional – Cherokee Youth Center – Community/Education/Recreation Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
6. Certified Nursing Assistant – Tribal In Home Care Services – Public Health and Human Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
7. Cook – Cherokee County Senior Citizens – Snowbird/Cherokee County Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
8. Cultural Resource and Archive Officer – Kituwah Preservation Education Program – Community/Education/Recreation Services (L12 \$52,635 - \$65,811)
9. Driver (Multiple) – Transit – Operations (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
10. Teacher – Qualla Boundary Head-Start/Early Head-Start – Public Health and Human Services (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)
11. Teacher Assistant – Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
12. Telecommunicator – Public Safety – Operations (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
13. Real Estate Associate Attorney – Tribal Realty Services – Office of the Attorney General (L15 \$68,704 - \$85,886)
14. Adult Language Education Coordinator – Kituwah Preservation and Education – Community/Education/Recreation (L9 \$40,105 - \$50,121)
15. Network Administrator – Infrastructure Services – Office of Information Technology (L12 \$52,635 - \$65,811)
16. Workforce Development Coordinator – TERO (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625)

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



## Employment Opportunities

### Position: Massage Therapist

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

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

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

**For questions, please contact:**  
**Angie Hill, Spa Operations Manager 828-497-8550**  
[angieh@mandaraspa.com](mailto:angieh@mandaraspa.com)



## EMPLOYMENT

### RNs and LPNs for Pediatric Home Care

#### Bonus Offered for New Hires

A New Hope Home Care is looking for RNs and LPNs to care for a pediatric client in Cherokee. 8 - 12 hour shifts, Day and Night, Weekday and Weekend Needs. Please call us to learn more. 828-255-4446 or email: [info@anewhopehomecare.com](mailto:info@anewhopehomecare.com). Learn more at [www.anewhopehomecare.com](http://www.anewhopehomecare.com) **1/19**

### INVESTMENT COMMITTEE VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

The EBCI Investment Committee established under Cherokee Code Section 117-41 will have two (2) vacant positions beginning February 2022. The Office of the Principal Chief is currently accept-

ing resumés from members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians to fill the two (2) positions. To be eligible to serve on the EBCI Investment Committee candidates must:

1. have demonstrated education and experience with investment, finance and accounting matters; and
2. be enrolled members of the EBCI.

The EBCI Investment Committee is tasked with overseeing the endowment and investment accounts of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians including Endowment Fund No. 1, Endowment Fund No. 2, Debt Service Sinking Fund, Minors Trust Fund, and Cherokee Sovereign Wealth Fund. Additionally, the Investment Committee serves as the Board of Directors for Cherokee Cablevision, Inc.

For additional information about the role and responsibility of

the EBCI Investment Committee please visit: Sec. 117-41. - Investment committee. | Code of Ordinances | Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Tribes and Tribal Nations | Municode Library

If you meet the eligibility requirements and are interested in serving on the EBCI Investment Committee, please submit a resumé to [jeanyoun@ebci-nsn.gov](mailto:jeanyoun@ebci-nsn.gov). Resumés will be accepted until 4:00pm on Friday, January 21, 2022. Committee members are appointed upon recommendation by the Principal Chief and approval of the Tribal Council. Positions are subject to the confirmation hearing requirements as set forth by the Tribal Council. **1/19**


**Kituwah Builders, LLC has the following job available:**  
Administrative Assistant/Sales

Trainee

Anyone interested should pick up an application and position description at the Kituwah, LLC Office between the hours of 9:00am - 4:00pm Monday -Friday. This position will close Friday, January 21st at 4pm. Indian preference does apply, and a current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of application. **1/19**

### Cherokee Cinemas & More has the following job opportunities:

Assistant Manager – Full Time - \$15.00  
Floor Staff - \$10.00hr –  
Cleaning Staff - \$12.00 – Full Time  
Job Description and Applications can be picked up at the offices of the Kituwah, LLC, 1158 Seven Clans Lane, Whittier, NC 28789,



## TRIBAL EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS OFFICE

### POSITION OPENING

**OPEN: December 17, 2021**  
**CLOSE: Open until filled**

#### Administrative Assistant/Office Coordinator

Performs various clerical and administrative duties in support of the TERO program; provides needed assistance to staff and commissioners; is responsible for daily tasks such as answering the phone, filing, greeting guests, organizing documentation of activities within the office, answers general questions about the program, acts as the fiscal agent for the program. In charge of, but not limited to, payroll, accounts receivable, accounts payable, billing, reconciliation, grant management, travel accommodations, inventory for vehicles and equipment, ordering supplies, and special event planning.


- ❖ High School Diploma or GED required. Associate degree in Business Administration or Accounting is preferred.
- ❖ Three years' experience and/or training in a Business/Tribal office setting is required. Must have knowledge of TERO. Nine to twelve months in the position would be necessary to become familiar with office procedures, processes, and policies, and become proficient in most phases of the job. Valid NC Driver's License required.
- ❖ Level 6: \$14.59 - \$18.24 per hour
- ❖ 1 position

Application and job description can be picked up from the Receptionist at the Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Please contact TERO at 828.359.6421. You may visit our website to download the Position Description and TERO Employment Application at [www.ebci-tero.com/jobs](http://www.ebci-tero.com/jobs). Indian Preference applies. A current job application must be submitted with all required documents, such as, Driver's License, Enrollment, Diplomas, Certificates. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a TERO Application.

**NEW LOCATION: TERO Office moved to 756 Aquoni Rd, Cherokee, NC**  
(formerly Housing offices; in between the GLW and Internal Audit/TABCC buildings)

You may return completed applications to Terri Henry, TERO Director at any of the following venues:

1. Deliver hard copies to TERO Office at our new location, address above (must be received before the **CLOSE date** indicated above); or
2. Hard copies mailed via US Postal Service at **PO Box 1839, Cherokee, NC 28719**; or
3. PDF file(s) via email at [terrihenr@ebci-nsn.gov](mailto:terrihenr@ebci-nsn.gov).



## TRIBAL EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS OFFICE

### POSITION OPENING

**OPEN: December 17, 2021**  
**CLOSE: Open until filled**

#### Workforce Development Coordinator

Responsible for coordination of a wide range of workforce service activities and day to day delivery of direct services, develop relationships with tribal programs, tribal entities, local businesses and organizations, recruit for open positions and market a job training program. Processes applicants and provides assistance and support services to ensure all eligible participants receive maximum benefits based on the goals, guidelines and objectives for the Workforce Development Program. This position is a grant funded position and will require adherence program plan.

- ❖ Bachelor's Degree in business, human resources, or related field required. The equivalent combination of education, related experience, and training, six to eight (6-8) years may be accepted in lieu of degree requirement.
- ❖ Minimum of five years relevant experience required.
- ❖ Valid insurable North Carolina driver's license required. Must obtain Notary Public certification within six months and obtain a certificate in Facilitating Career Development within two years. Twelve months in the position is necessary to become proficient in most phases of the job requirements, including knowledge of TERO policies, procedures, and operational guidelines.
- ❖ Level 8: \$17.55 - \$21.94 per hour
- ❖ 1 position

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Log Building across from Waffle House, if you have any questions, please call Kristin Smith at 828-477-4553. Open until filled. **1/19**

**Kituwah Global Government Group, LLC is seeking a Receptionist/Data Entry Clerk** that will be responsible for overseeing and executing reception, data entry and administration support at the Cherokee Headquarters location. The KG3 Receptionist/Data Entry Clerk ensures the efficient day-to-day operation of the office and supports the work of management and other staff. KG3 offers a competitive salary and comprehensive benefits package. Please visit the KG3 Office at 1158 Seven Clans Lane or contact Jessica Myers, Director of Administration at [jessica.myers@kituwahG3.com](mailto:jessica.myers@kituwahG3.com) /828.477.4616 for applications.

The successful candidate must have:

1. High School Diploma or equivalent
2. US Citizenship required; Security Clearance preferred
3. Proven experience in an office administration environment
4. Data entry experience preferred
5. Working knowledge of office equipment
6. Thorough understanding of office management procedures
7. Excellent organizational and time management skills
8. Analytical abilities and aptitude in problem-solving
9. Ability to write routine reports and correspondence.
10. Excellent written and verbal communication skills
11. Proficiency in MS Office

KG3 is proudly owned and operated by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. **1/19**

## LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. 21-132

### **In the Matter of the Estate of AMANDA THOMPSON**

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

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

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

Bob Driver  
PO Box 866  
Cherokee, NC 28719  
**2/2**

### **NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION IN THE CHEROKEE COURT**

FILE NOS: CV-14-134, CV-21-504  
HANNA CROWE,  
PLAINTIFF  
V

DARRELL TEESATESKIE  
DAWN RAE CROWE and  
KEVIN CROWE, DEFENDANTS.  
TO: DAWN RAE CROWEAKA  
DAWN RAE AGUIRE OR DAWN  
RAE VALLEJO

TAKE NOTICE THAT a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought against you is: custody regarding a minor child, CG, D.O.B. 10/21/2010.

CUSTODY  
Filed July 27, 2021 in Cherokee Tribal Court, Cherokee, North Carolina.

A written answer to the complaint must be filed with the EBCI Clerk of Court within 40 days of the first publication of this Notice of Service of Process by Publica-

tion. You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than March 1, 2022. Your failure to do so may result in the Plaintiff, the Hanna Crowe, receiving the relief she seeks.

This the 19 day of January, 2022.

Virginia Jordan, Attorney for Petitioner  
419 N. Haywood Street  
Waynesville, NC 28786  
**2/2**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. 21-127

### **In the Matter of the Estate of Frances Queen Toineeta**

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS  
FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION  
Timothy R. Lewis  
461 East Main Street  
Sylva, NC 28779  
**2/9**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. 22-006

### **In the Matter of the Estate of Wahnetah Stamper**

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

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

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

Ned Stamper  
32 Stamper Rd.  
Cherokee, NC 28719  
**2/9**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. 22-006

### **In the Matter of the Estate of Wahnetah Stamper**

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS  
FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION  
Ned Stamper  
32 Stamper Rd.  
Cherokee, NC 28719  
**2/9**

## **BIDs, RFPs, etc.**

### **Letters of Interest**

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians' Legal Assistance Office (LAO) seeks letters of interest from NC licensed attorneys to serve as the primary Public Defender in criminal cases in the Cherokee Court at the current rate for court appointments.

LAO seeks interest from attorneys whose appointment to criminal cases in the Cherokee Court will create little or no need to continue Cherokee Court cases due to the scheduling conflicts in other courts. Interested individuals should submit a brief letter proposal including the following information:

- Name and contact information
  - Relevant qualifications and experience in this type of work
  - Proposed contract terms, including willingness to be removed from other court appointed lists
  - Professional references
- Qualifications include:
- Admitted to practice in the Cherokee Court of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.
  - Diligent, professional representation and be responsive to clients.
  - Experience representing clients in criminal cases before the Cherokee Court.

Letters may be submitted to the LAO on or before January 25, 2022. Please email questions and Letters of Interest to Hannah Smith, LAO Interim Manager at: [hannsmith@ebci-nsn.gov](mailto:hannsmith@ebci-nsn.gov).

This is a solicitation of interest and not an offer to contract. **1/19**

**Kituwah, LLC is seeking qualified contractors to provide a firm fixed price for Phase One of a multi-phase product improvement plan** to include the design, demolition, and installation of reclining theater seating in all screen rooms located at the Cherokee Cinemas and More theater in Cherokee, NC 28719. Project will include replacement of all necessary finishing materials as necessary and a review/replacement of current electric, HVAC and other mechanical systems and configurations to ensure maximum comfort and viewing experience. **CONTRACTORS THAT DO NOT SUBMIT PROPOSALS ON TIME WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED, NO EXCEPTIONS.** Proposals must be received by January 24, 2022, 11:00am EST. Please email Jeremi-

ah Wiggins for a full RFP or with any questions at [jeremiah.wiggins@kituwahllc.com](mailto:jeremiah.wiggins@kituwahllc.com)  
**1/19**

### **Request for Proposals Investigative and Related Services (OIA-22-001)**

The Office of Internal Audit and Ethics of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is requesting proposals from experienced individuals or firms for Investigative and Related Services. Must demonstrate relevant experience and qualifications. For details a complete RFP package may be requested by contacting Sharon Blankenship, Chief Audit and Ethics Executive at 828-359-7071 or [sharblan@ebci-nsn.gov](mailto:sharblan@ebci-nsn.gov). Proposals are due February 1, 2022.  
**1/26**

## **Good Housekeeping**

### **Red Wine Spaghetti**

This easy pasta dinner is quick enough to enjoy any night of the week, and a great way to use up leftover wine before it goes off.

- 2 cups wine
- 2 cups water
- 8 ounces thin spaghetti
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon capers, drained and chopped
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 2 tablespoons grated Pecorino cheese

1. In 12-inch skillet, stir wine, water, spaghetti and salt. Heat to boiling on high, stirring.

2. Boil 9 to 11 minutes or until pasta is tender, stirring often. Remove from heat.

3. Stir in capers, butter and pepper. Top with grated Pecorino cheese. Makes 2 servings.

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# CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

# EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

## Open Positions

ACA Insurance Technician – Business Office Administrative Assistant – PI/Engineering  
Advanced Practice Provider PTI (PA/FNP) – Emergency Room  
Analenisgi Inpatient Technician (2)  
AP Processor – PRC (2 Positions)  
Assistant Member Services Manager  
Behavioral Health RN – Analenisgi (2 Positions) PTI  
Behavioral Health LPN – Analenisgi  
Billing Technician II (2 positions)  
Case Management Support – Primary Care (2 Positions)  
Certified Coder – Medical Records  
Certified Medical Assistant/Licensed Practical Nurse – Pediatrics  
Certified Medical Assistant/Licensed Practical Nurse – Primary Care  
Child and Family Services Assistant Manager  
Clinical Dietitian  
Dental Assistant II (3 Positons)  
Dentist  
Dentist: Dentures & Partials  
Dietary Services Supervisor  
Durable Medical Equipment Specialist  
EVS Technician (4 Positons)  
Geriatric FNP/PA - Primary Care  
Grant Coordinator – Analenisgi (Half-Time Position)  
LPN – MAT Clinic (Analenisgi)  
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Masters Level Therapist – Kanvwotiyi (Hiring Bonus) \*\*\*\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus  
Masters Level Therapist (Child) – Analenisgi (1 Positions) \*\*\*\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus  
Masters Level Therapist (Child) – Juvenile Justice \*\*\*\$3,000.00

Hiring Bonus  
Medical Laboratory Technician- Part Time Intermittent  
Optician  
Optometric Assistant  
Pedodontist  
Peer Support Specialist – Grant Funded  
Physician /Hospitalist - Inpatient  
Physician – Emergency Room  
PTI Patient Registration Clerk (2 Positions)  
PTI Radiology Technologist  
PTI Registered Nurse – Analenisgi Inpatient (2 Positons)  
Registered Nurse – Emergency Room  
PTI Registered Nurse – Inpatient  
Registered Nurse - Inpatient  
Registered Nurse – Wound Care  
Residential Technician – Kanvwotiyi (2 positions)  
Respiratory Therapist PTI  
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Supply Warehouse Technician  
Targeted Case Manager - Analenisgi  
Telemetry Nursing Assistant

## ***Tsali Care Center***

Assistant Administrator  
CNA Full Time  
CNA PTI  
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Medication Aide  
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*It is going to snow*  
LJWh

*It will be snowing over there*  
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*It will be snowing*  
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*It is going to snow on you*  
LJWH

If it snows  
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The snow is melting  
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*If it had snowed*  
G9WΛT

It is snowing in Snowbird  
SΛΛ QJΛ†

Is it going to snow?  
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