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A Tribal prosecutor's shadow

By **JONAH LOSSIAH**

One Feather Staff

Imagine working through a docket that consists of 308 cases and talking to 11 different defense attorneys. That's just Wednesday.

The Office of the Tribal Prosecutor (OTP) is staffed by three individuals. Tribal prosecutors Cody White and Shelli Buckner, and victim/witness coordinator Amy Teesateskie. This team is responsible for the 2,119 criminal cases that were filed during the 2021 fiscal year alone, according to their annual report.

The 75-page docket mentioned was for criminal court on Wednesday, Jan. 12. That was one of three days the prosecutors spent in court that week. They may review upwards of 600 cases in a given



Tribal prosecutors Cody White and Shelli Buckner call out the agenda for criminal court on Wednesday, Jan. 12. (JONAH LOSSIAH/One Feather photo)

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week of court, according to White. The two other days are spent meeting with judges, police officers, the Police Chief, being called to community meetings, and a number of other tasks that most likely aren't detailed in their original job description. White said that a consistent rhythm and schedule is a luxury they rarely have.

"The job itself is time-consuming enough, but it gets even more taxing and time-consuming when we have to stop to take care of the little things all throughout the day," said White.

One of these distractions reared its head during the prosecutors' first court hearing of the week on Monday, Jan. 10. When a judge assigns a defense attorney during arraignment, the prosecutors won't know who the attorney is until that moment. If the defense attorney isn't present, then their hands are tied.

"The hardest part of that specifically is that it puts us in a precarious situation in that now that we're being asked to potentially take a position on bond. That is going to be an adversarial position, an argumentative position, against the defendant that we can't necessarily take because the defense attorney who has now been assigned is not there," said White. "A potential solution that has been suggested is the appointment of council by the magistrate, who then has the responsibility to notify the defense attorney."

These are the types of changes that the prosecutors are trying to make within the court to expedite the system and make the process easier for all parties.

"The second solution, which we're a big proponent of, is having a public defender. That person is now being tasked with representing 80 to 90 percent of all criminal defendants ... that public defender is in court. That way that person can stand up, irrespective of whether the defender is going to hire their own

attorney and have a position so that we can take a position," said White.

Buckner said a public defender would assist in a multitude of ways.

"Having somebody who's particularly familiar with how the justice system runs here but also with the community generally. Someone who has cultural awareness would be important. I think you're going to get that more in a public defender than you would someone who spends part of their time here," said Buckner.

Another change that just came to the court this year is that the Tribal prosecutors can now try misdemeanor charges in front of try judge.

"What that has done is in the 21 years of existence of this court, the prosecutors have not had the power to call anything for trial," said White. "I think it's going to have the greatest impact on special victims crimes such as child abuse cases, child abuse in the second degree, and domestic violence cases... That is going to give the victims of those crimes the opportunity to have their matter handled more swiftly without numerous appearances in court."

White said that he understands what the community perception is around dismissals. While signing the stack of dismissal documents, he said that it's not just people walking away from all charges.

"The most common reason is per another plea. They've pled guilty to something else, so we're dismissing some charges in exchange for a plea to something else. A lot of the ones I just sign right there were for compliance with something we asked them to do. With a child abuse in the second-degree charge, having them go complete a substance abuse class, parenting classes, stuff like that. Trying to get them to address some underlying issues that they may have," said White.

White and Buckner sit in court each week knowing that they will often see the same faces time and time again. White

said that this is not something they ignore, but it's a much more difficult situation than many try to paint.

"A lot of the folks that we see over and over and over again have a common theme. That theme is poverty, homelessness, and substance abuse issues," said White. He said that most of these constant offenders come into Tribal Court with charges that have a maximum sentence of 10-30 days. He said that this leaves them with only so many options as attorneys even if they get a conviction.

"I really questioned myself one day. I said, 'why don't you commit crimes, Cody?' I think, is it jail and jail alone that keeps you from committing crimes? If I could commit a crime...and all that happens to me is going to jail. When I get out of jail, I still have my job, I still have my family, I still have my cars, my home, my reputation. If none of those are affected, is jail really scary at that point? My feeling in my gut was no."

White is a proponent of modifying the current jail structure to offer more opportunities for inmates.

"I've asked and hope that we can get inmates to the trades or trades to the inmates. I think that not only is a GED program and educational opportunities for inmates important, but I also think if someone's going to be in here for 365 days, you can learn apprentice plumbing from someone who's a certified plumber in 365 days. That way, when you walk out the door, you have a certification as a plumber...now they have a marketing tool, they have the ability to go somewhere," said White. "We take the knowledge of basic amenities and life functions for

granted. Some of these folks have never experienced that. They've experienced significant domestic violence or sexual abuse in their home as children. They don't have a family. This is all they know. So, let's try to gear that in a different direction and give them something else."

"Is that going to be an end-all-be-all? No, I'm sure it's not. But it's better than what we have." The prosecutors said that they try to take part in the solution as much as possible. That week, Buckner led a Domestic Violence Multidisciplinary Team meeting. This is a group that has representatives from the police department, PHHS, Analenisgi, and more. They have been meeting consistently for three years with the goal of giving formal updates on all domestic violence and child abuse cases on the Boundary. They discuss progress of individuals and cases, as well as what needs to be done to work with the victims involved in the cases.

In between meetings, the prosecutors will try to review the docket for the next court date or trial. This is if a patrol officer, investigator, or the Chief of Police doesn't need to stop in to discuss details of a case or any number of issues. The prosecutors said that they have great communication with the Police Department, especially under the current administration.

White said that he hopes there continues to be a focus on public information and relations moving forward for all the departments in the Justice Center and across the Tribe.

"Every office here that involves such public influence - police, prosecutors, AGs (Attorney General) - we all need PR people. I

wish we all had someone that was devoted specifically to public relations and issuing publications to the One Feather and doing all that. I wish we all had that. Because a lot of us just don't know how or just aren't good at it," said White. Last year, the OTP submitted a request to restructure their office. It would add a new system that focuses on hiring at entry-level positions and promotes an understanding of operations and communication. The OTP annual report lists that there is already a vacancy for a third prosecutor.

"We're trying to create a tiered system by which we have delineated individual responsibilities. We can start doing more of the case assignment. Start getting more focused. As part of it, too, we also want to add another administrative assistant office staff to be able to help us with communication," said White.

In the current structure, the prosecutors say they are consistently stretched thin. They are on call at all hours and rarely take time off. On top of the workload, they say it's the nature of the job that can be challenging.

"Sometimes it can be the most frustrating, stressful, sad, but also the most rewarding job certainly that I've ever had. I can say there's not really ever true downtime. We can have certain 30 minutes in a day that you're kind of down, but you're always up ...Yeah, I'm not actively sitting behind the computer or reviewing a file, but I've done my opening and closing arguments in the shower and on the way to work in the car. I'm always doing something. It's a rollercoaster really," said White.

"There have been days in this job that have broken my heart.

It is a lot at times. I think the first time I remember just being absolutely devastated was when somebody, they were on pre-trial release, and they were killed in an automobile accident. I felt some sense of responsibility. I know that I wasn't responsible, but I felt a sense of responsibility. Sometimes it feels like when it rains it pours," said Buckner.

"There's a term...it's called vicarious trauma. It's not to say that we're specifically involved in this, but sometimes after a long week at court and speaking with detectives, dealing with child sex abuse cases, videos, interviews with children who have been sexually abused, attending autopsies from drug overdoses or murder victims - you can feel the trauma of these individuals," said White.

"It's the hardest and best thing that I've ever done. This will be 20 years I've been practicing law and it took me like 16 or 17 to actually love doing it. That was when I came over here. This is where I feel like we're in the position to do the most to help the most people ...We both truly love it," said Buckner.

"You have to. You cannot be a prosecutor and hate the job. If you hate the job, you will not be effective and you won't last long," followed White.

Editor's note: The Cherokee One Feather Reporter spent three days shadowing the Tribal prosecutors. A reporter attended meetings, court, and other operations alongside them. Some aspects of the visit were understood as confidential.

SCOTUS upholds McGirt ruling

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**

One Feather Staff

The Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS) issued a ruling on Friday, Jan. 21 declining to overturn the McGirt decision from 2020 – a move that tribal leaders are hailing as a victory for sovereignty. McGirt stated that the United States Congress never dissolved the reservation of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, therefore, a large swath of eastern Oklahoma was deemed under the jurisdiction of several federal tribes, respective to their own borders, including the Muscogee, Cherokee Nation, Chickasaw Nation, Choctaw Nation, Quapaw Nation, and Seminole Nation.

Friday's ruling came out of a September 2020 petition of certiorari filed by the State of Oklahoma involving the case of Manuel Castro-Huerta, a non-Indian who was convicted and sentenced to 35 years in prison for the neglect of a minor who is a member of the

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. The Oklahoma State of Appeals threw out Castro-Huerta's conviction based on the McGirt ruling.

In its ruling, the SCOTUS also stated they will tackle a question brought up in Oklahoma's petition – "whether a state has authority to prosecute non-Indians who commit crimes against Indians in Indian Country". That hearing is set for April.

Oklahoma Gov. Kevin Stitt said in a statement, "I am encouraged that the Supreme Court has decided to address whether a state has authority to prosecute non-Indians who commit crimes against Indians in Indian Country. The fallout of the McGirt decision has been destructive. Criminals have used this decision to commit crimes without punishment. Victims of crime, especially Native victims, have suffered by being forced to relive their worst nightmare in a second tribal or having justice elude them completely."

He added, "The reality is that the McGirt decision has hamstrung law enforcement in half of the state. Oklahoma is a law and order state, and I was elected to

protect all four million Oklahomans, regardless of their race or heritage. I will not stop fighting to ensure we have one set of rules to guarantee justice and equal protection under the law for all citizens."

Tribal leaders applauded SCOTUS' recent decision.

Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Chuck Hoskin Jr. said in a statement, "The Cherokee Nation celebrates the Supreme Court's rejection of a blatantly political request to overturn its McGirt decision. With this rejection of the state's request in this case, the court affirms its decision in McGirt. I am proud of the Cherokee Nation's success over the past year and a half expanding our justice system in record speed and fighting for public safety, but it would have been more effective had the governor chosen to come to the table from the start."


He continued, "Now that Governor Stitt's fight against tribal sovereignty has once again come up short, we hope he will consider joining tribes, rather than undermining our efforts so we can focus on what is best for our tribal nations and all Oklahomans."

Cherokee Nation Attorney General Sara Hill discussed what's next stating, "The court will separately consider an Indian law issue

unrelated to reservation status: whether a state maintains authority to prosecute a non-Indian who commits a crime against an Indian in Indian Country. Regardless of the outcome, the Nation will continue to work with state, local, and federal partners to ensure that the public is protected on the Cherokee Nation's reservation."

The Muscogee (Creek) Nation released the following statement, "It is great news for the Muscogee (Creek) Nation that the U.S. Supreme Court in its order today declined to consider overturning the McGirt ruling that affirms our reservation and sovereignty. The Muscogee (Creek) Nation will continue its vigorous engagement in the judicial process in support of our sovereignty and public safety."

Choctaw Nation Chief Gary Batton said in a statement, "While the Supreme Court plans to address some of the effects of McGirt, today's decision correctly recognizes both settled law and tribal sovereignty. We thank the justices for clearly establishing their ruling in McGirt will not be reconsidered at this time. As a Nation, we will continue doing everything we can to protect our citizens and our neighbors. We hope Oklahoma's government officials will now turn their attention to cooperation, rather than conflict."

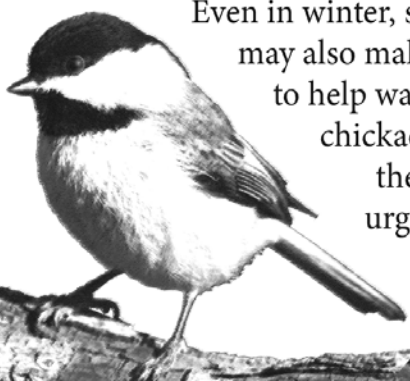


If you make soft, repeated "psh-psh-psh" sounds while standing near trees, this is bird-speak for "a predator is coming near."

Winter warnings

Even in winter, some birds may investigate, and may also make a few short calls of their own to help warn of danger. The black-capped chickadee is often the first to respond; they are known to vary the rate or urgency of their calls to convey the distance of the threatening predator. – Brenda Weaver

Source: northernwoodlands.org



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Fun Facts from the Editor:

- * Grapes explode when you put them in a microwave.
- * The U.S.-Canada border is the longest border in the world without a military defense.
- * "Eleven plus two" and twelve plus one" both equal 13 and both have 13 letters. In fact, they both have the same 13 letters.

January is highest COVID month for Cherokee

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**

One Feather Staff

January 2022 has seen the highest number of new COVID-19 cases reported in the Cherokee community out of any month since the pandemic began. And, the month isn't over yet.

The EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) Joint Information Center (JIC) is reporting 457 new cases as of Wednesday, Jan. 19. The next highest month has been August 2021 which saw 349 cases.

"The current surge brought on by the Omicron variant is causing the highest number of infections since the state of the pandemic," said Dr. Richard A. Bunio, Cherokee Indian Hospital executive clinical director. "It is highly contagious and people are understandably tired of wearing masks and avoiding higher risk settings like in-person dining. This variant causes fewer serious illness and those who are vaccinated tend to do very well at home recovering over five to 10 days. However, the sheer number of people infected means even the small number that get really sick are filling all local

hospitals beyond the breaking point."

According to the EBCI JIC, as of Jan. 19, a total of 56 percent of the EBCI population is fully vaccinated compared to 59 percent of the State of North Carolina and 63 percent nationwide.

Vickie Bradley, EBCI Secretary of Public Health and Human Services, said, "COVID continues to be a challenge, not just for our community, but for everyone. The Omicron variant has significantly increased the challenges because of the uptick in cases. While those infected with Omicron tend to have milder symptoms, the sheer number of cases – more now than previously in the pandemic, means that there are more sick people which affects everything from the workforce to hospitalizations."

She continued, "Everyone is discouraged by the recurrent wave of cases and it's sad to see how disruptive this virus can continue to be, even two years into the pandemic. It is more disheartening to know that the degree of preventive ability is out there with vaccinations being available and a large percentage of the population not participating in taking the vac-

cine. I continue to advocate and want to make a plea once again to our community to get vaccinated, get your children vaccinated and encourage friends and family to do the same. This is still the single most important thing we can do to help decrease the burden of disease on our community."

In speaking about the recent surge, Dr. Bunio noted, "It is estimated that 95 percent of recent cases are Omicron. Testing to determine which variant a person has is time-consuming and not readily available. Right now, if you have COVID, you probably have Omicron."

Dr. Bunio said the numbers reported could be lower due to the recent advent of home-testing. "We do ask people who test positive on a home test to call PHHS so that can be tracked, but some may choose not to do so. We are also telling people that if they are sick, but only mildly so, it is acceptable not to get tested at all but assume they have COVID and stay home for the new five-day isolation period followed by five days of mask-wearing. This will also reduce our estimate of cases but was necessary because we could

not keep up with the demand for tests."

He went on to state of Omicron. "Most models predict we will hit our peak somewhere around the middle of February. After the peak number of cases is expected to drop off very quickly. Unfortunately, the peak in cases does not mean we will have the same reduction in hospitalizations right away since that usually takes another two to four weeks to go down."

Dr. Bunio addressed the CDC's recent recommendation for schools to "cancel or put on hold" certain "high risk activities" such as football and wrestling. "All large group settings and some sports activities are higher risk by their very nature. Anything that involves close contact for more than 15 minutes and no mask-wearing risks exposure of multiple athletes or fans if someone there is contagious at the time of the activity. I feel the schools are doing a great job staying in close contact with public health experts and making their best decisions weekly as they face the challenge of keeping children in school and as safe as possible."



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Tennessee Army National Guard assists Park with winter rescue

Great Smoky Mountains National Park received emergency assistance from the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency (TEMA) and the Tennessee Army National Guard (TANG) to rescue a stranded hiker on Tuesday, Jan. 18. At approximately 8:20 a.m., the Park's Emergency Communications Center received notification that Andrew Burtzloff, a 28-year-old male hiker from San Diego, Calif., had become disoriented and lost while hiking along the Appalachian Trail due to heavy snow. TANG emergency responders from the Army Aviation Support Facility #2 TF MEDEVAC conducted a complex rescue operation by evacuating the injured hiker from his off-trail lo-

cation and transporting him to the University of Tennessee Medical Center (UTMC) for treatment.

"The Park has a long-standing partnership with these agencies that enables us to work together to complete complex search and rescue operations in extremely hazardous environments such as this," said Tennessee District Ranger Jared St. Clair. "We are appreciative of their dedication in helping us reach those in need."

The Park developed a search and rescue plan using location data provided from Burtzloff's cell phone. The data indicated that he was well off trail, in a ravine, and deep within the park's backcountry near Gregory Bald. Burtzloff reported being wet, cold, and had

signs and symptoms of hypothermia. Realizing that reaching him by ground could take six to eight hours, the Park requested assistance from both TEMA and the National Guard due to Burtzloff's reported medical condition. At approximately 10 a.m., a medical UH60 Army Blackhawk departed their flight facility at McGhee Tyson Airport and reached the search location approximately 15 minutes later. After a brief search by air, the crew located the stranded hiker in waist deep snow. Unable to land due to trees and terrain, the air crew lowered two medics to the hiker. After receiving initial medical evaluation on the ground, the hiker and two medics were hoisted safely aboard the hov-

ering aircraft. The aircraft then transported the hiker to UTMC for further treatment, arriving there at approximately 11:20 a.m.

The National Park received 12 to 18 inches of snow at the highest elevations from Friday, Jan. 14 through Monday, Jan. 17. Most park roads were closed due to hazardous conditions, but many Park trails remain accessible along the Park boundary. Backpackers were cautioned about the inclement weather. For more information about hiking safety, please visit the Park's website at <https://www.nps.gov/grsm/planyourvisit/hikingsafety.htm>.

- National Park Service release

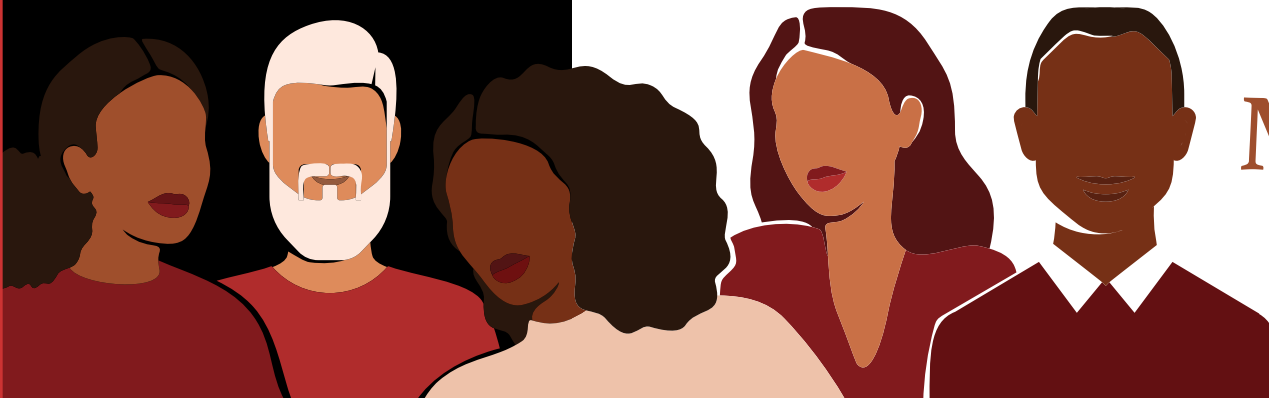
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Cynthia Chavez Lamar named director of the National Museum of the American Indian

Cynthia Chavez Lamar has been named director of the Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian, effective Feb. 14. She is the first Native woman to be named as a Smithsonian museum director. Chavez Lamar has been at the museum most recently since 2014, and earlier in her career was a museum intern (1994) and later an associate curator (2000–2005). She is currently the museum's acting associate director for collections and operations. Chavez Lamar is an accomplished curator, author and scholar whose research interests are focused on Southwest Native art and the methodologies and practices involved in collaborating with Indigenous communities.

Chavez Lamar will oversee the museum's three facilities: the National Museum of the American Indian on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., the museum's George Gustav Heye Center in Lower Manhattan and the Cultural Resources Center in Suitland, Maryland. The Cultural Resources Center houses the museum's collections and its curatorial and repatriation offices; laboratories and work rooms for conservation, collections management, registration, photography, film and video; a computer and information-resource center; a library; and indoor and outdoor spaces for Native cultural care practices and use of the collections.

"Dr. Chavez Lamar is at the forefront of a growing wave of Native American career museum professionals," said Lonnie Bunch, Secretary of the Smithsonian. "They have played an important role in changing how museums



Cynthia Chavez Lamar

think about their obligations to Native communities and to all communities. We look forward to Cynthia's leadership as the NMAI enters a new phase of service to the Native Peoples of the Western Hemisphere."

Since January 2021, Chavez Lamar has served as acting associate director for collections and operations at the museum. She is responsible for overseeing its collections, facilities, safety and information technology departments. She leads efforts to ensure effective management of and care for the museum's collection, which is composed of more than 1 million objects and photographs and more than 500,000 digitized images, films and other media documenting Native communities, events and organizations.

"I am excited to begin my tenure as the director of the National Museum of the American Indian," said Chavez Lamar. "I am looking forward to leading and working with the museum's experienced and dedicated staff. Together, we will leverage the museum's reputation to support shared initiatives with partners in the U.S. and around the world to amplify Indigenous knowledge and perspectives all in the interest of further informing the American public and international audiences of the beauty, tenacity and richness of Indigenous cultures, arts and histories."

From 2014 through 2020,

Chavez Lamar served as assistant director for collections at the museum. In this role, she guided the overall stewardship of the museum's collection, which is one of the largest and most extensive collections of Native and Indigenous items in the world. Chavez Lamar led museum efforts to improve collection access and availability by advocating for and encouraging an increase in the number of collections online. She supported the development of a collection-information system module to record access, care and handling instructions provided by tribal, nation and community representatives. Chavez Lamar also established and prioritized partnerships and collaboration with Native nations and tribes and developed a loan program for tribal museum and cultural centers that provides training and technical assistance to enhance collections stewardship and reconnects descendant communities with the museum's collections.

Chavez Lamar was the director of the Indian Arts Research Center at the School for Advanced Research in Santa Fe, New Mexico, from 2007 to 2014. While there, she raised the visibility of the 12,000-object collection and developed institutional projects and programming to highlight it. She also led and supported the development of Guidelines for Collaboration to assist Native communities in accessing museum collections and museums working collaboratively with them.

From 2006 to 2007, she was the director of the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

From 2000 to 2005, Chavez Lamar was an associate curator at the National Museum of the American Indian and the lead curator

for "Our Lives," one of the inaugural exhibitions in the Washington, D.C., museum when it opened in 2004. She collaborated with eight Native communities on the exhibition.

Chavez Lamar was a presidential appointee to the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development in 2011. She was a governor's appointee as a commissioner to the New Mexico Arts Commission from 2009 to 2012. She currently sits on the advisory group for Indigenous North America at the Princeton University Art Museum, and she is a member of the advisory board at the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College.

Chavez Lamar is an enrolled member at San Felipe Pueblo, and her ancestry also includes Hopi, Tewa and Navajo on the maternal side of her family. She earned a bachelor's degree from Colorado College in studio art, a master's degree in American Indian studies from UCLA and a doctorate in American studies from the University of New Mexico. She also received an honorary doctorate from Colorado College for her contributions to the museum field.

Chavez Lamar is the third director of the National Museum of the American Indian. She succeeds Kevin Gover (Pawnee), who served as director from December 2007 until January 2021. He is now the Smithsonian's Under Secretary for Museums and Culture. The founding director was W. Richard West Jr. (Southern Cheyenne), who led the museum from 1990 to 2007. Machel Monenerkit has served as acting director of the National Museum of the American Indian since Gover left in January 2021.

- *National Museum of the American Indian release*

CIPD Arrest Report for Jan. 9-16

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.

Maney, Doncey Evan – age 18
Arrested: Jan. 9
Released: Jan. 12
Charges: Domestic Violence

Armachain Jr., Larry Douglas – age 39
Arrested: Jan. 10
Released: Jan. 12

Charges: Probation Violation

Kirkland, Jami Leigh – age 38
Arrested: Jan. 10
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 19)
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Taylor, Jalen Robert – age 28
Arrested: Jan. 10
Released: Jan. 11
Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance

Watty, Ryan Keith – age 26
Arrested: Jan. 10
Released: Jan. 11
Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance (two counts)

Morgan, Jennifer Renee – age 20
Arrested: Jan. 11
Released: Not released as of report

date (Jan. 19)
Charges: Probation Violation

Reed, John Alex – age 41
Arrested: Jan. 11
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 19)
Charges: Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court; Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule I Controlled Substance; Drug Trafficking

Smith, James Cassidy – age 35
Arrested: Jan. 11
Released: Jan. 11
Charges: Temporary Hold

Arkansas-Bradley, Errika Leah – age 43
Arrested: Jan. 12
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 19)
Charges: Second Degree Trespass

(five counts), Filing a False Emergency Report, Obstructing Governmental Functions, Resisting Lawful Arrest (two counts)

Walkingstick, Tina Louise – age 42
Arrested: Jan. 12
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 19)
Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance

Ward, Tiffany Marie – age 32
Arrested: Jan. 12
Released: Jan. 12
Charges: Temporary Hold for Swain Co.

Bird, Kasia Jade – age 21
Arrested: Jan. 13
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 19)
Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance, Resisting Law-

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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MISSING PERSON

Brittaney Littledave - female

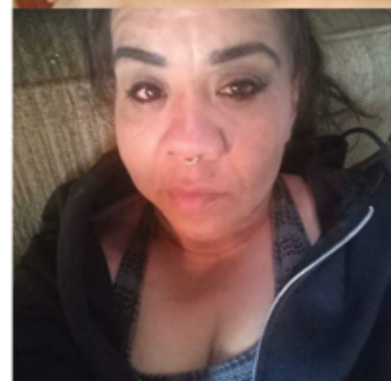
Cherokee Nation (Okla.) citizen

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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ful Arrest

Hampton Jr., Paul – age 24

Arrested: Jan. 13

Released: Jan. 14

Charges: Temporary Hold for Swain Co.

Reed, Frances Ludell – age 34

Arrested: Jan. 13

Released: Jan. 13

Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance

Smith Jr., Ralph Moses – age 52

Arrested: Jan. 13

Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 19)

Charges: Contributing to the Delinquency, Undiscipline, Neglect, or Abuse of Minors; Sexual Abuse of Minor or a Ward

Welch, Marvel Andrea – age 62

Arrested: Jan. 13

Released: Jan. 13

Charges: Criminal Simulation, Obtain Property False Pretense

McCoy, Frank Joseph – age 28

Arrested: Jan. 14

Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 19)

Charges: Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court, Loitering for Unlawful Drug-Related Activity

Montelongo, Ermelinda – age 63

Arrested: Jan. 14

Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 19)

Charges: Failure to Appear, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court

Taylor, Derrick Kyle – age 28

Arrested: Jan. 14

Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 19)

Charges: Drug Paraphernalia (Using Possessing), Obstructing Governmental Functions, Possession of a Controlled Substance – Schedules I-V, Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property, Larceny, Child Abuse in the Second Degree

Voss, Kyle August Paul – age 36

Arrested: Jan. 14

Released: Not released as of report

date (Jan. 19)

Charges: Larceny, Criminal Mischief to Property, Second Degree Trespass, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Loitering for Unlawful Drug-Related Activity

Guerrero, Jose – age 38

Arrested: Jan. 15

Released: Jan. 16

Charges: Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public

MISSING PERSON

Rupert Leo Brown

Male Northern Arapaho

Missing Age: 42 Current: 43 years

Height: 5' 6" Weight: 140 lbs

Hair: Brown Eyes: Brown

Date of last contact: December 31, 2020

Last Location: Riverton, Wyoming

Circumstances of Disappearance: Rupert Brown was last seen on 12/31/2020 at around 1:00 pm when he left his residence on foot to walk to someone's home. Last seen wearing white sweatshirt, jean pants. Scar above right eye.

If you have seen Rupert Brown, 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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WRESTLING

Smoky Mountain Conference Tournament results

Following are the full results, per trackwrestling.com, from the Smoky Mountain Conference Tournament held at Swain Co. High School on Saturday, Jan. 22:

Team Scores

- 1 – Robbinsville 252.5
 - 2 – Swain Co. 185.5
 - 3 – Cherokee 81
 - 4 – Murphy 37
 - 5 – Hayesville 30
- 106lb**
- 1 – Alexis Panama, Robbinsville

- 2 – Selu Swayney, Cherokee
- 113lb**
- 1 – Kale Stephenson, Swain Co.
 - 2 – Aynsley Fink, Robbinsville
 - 3 – Jaylynn Esquivel, Cherokee
- 120lb**
- 1 – John Parton, Swain Co.
 - 2 – Ethan Webster, Robbinsville
- 126lb**
- 1 – Logan Hyde, Robbinsville
 - 2 – Owen Craig, Swain Co.
 - 3 – Sam Kessler, Murphy
- 132lb**
- 1 – Jayden Nowell, Robbinsville
 - 2 – Rocky Barker, Swain Co.
- 138lb**
- 1 – Randall “Austin” Jenkins, Swain Co.
 - 2 – Juan Rios, Robbinsville
 - 3 – Gage Michael, Hayesville
 - 4 – Brandon Thrasher, Murphy
- 145lb**
- 1 – Zane Lucksavage, Robbinsville

- 2 – Israel Ferguson, Swain Co.
 - 3 – Josh Phillips, Cherokee
 - 4 – Zach Kessler, Murphy
- 152lb**
- 1 – Jaret Panama, Robbinsville
 - 2 – Clay Seagle, Swain Co.
 - 3 – Aiden Smith, Murphy
- 160lb**
- 1 – Jacob Hall, Robbinsville
 - 2 – Daniel Austin, Hayesville
 - 3 – Trevor Hill-Ledford, Cherokee
 - 4 – Deron Roberts, Murphy
- 170lb**
- 1 – Gabriel Lillard, Swain Co.
 - 2 – Darius Saunooke, Cherokee
 - 3 – Murphy Shanahan, Robbinsville
- 180lb**
- 1 – Kyle Fink, Robbinsville
 - 2 – Matthew Ferguson, Swain Co.
 - 3 – J’ron Lineberry, Cherokee
 - 4 – Nathan Shaw, Murphy
- 195lb**

- 1 – Kage Williams, Robbinsville
 - 2 – Blake Sain, Swain Co.
 - 3 – Vincent Owle, Cherokee
- 220lb**
- 1 – Ben Wachacha, Robbinsville
 - 2 – Carson Taylor, Swain Co.
- 285lb**
- 1 – Carlos Wesley, Robbinsville
 - 2 – Conner Driver, Swain Co.
 - 3 – Chanttin Trampler, Cherokee

Good Housekeeping

Potted Shrimp

Lacking refrigeration, the early settlers preserved seafood and meats by “potting” them. They first cooked the food, then potted and sealed it with plenty of fat, often butter. Potting food is still quite popular throughout the Deep South, especially in the Carolinas.

PREP: 15 minutes plus chilling

COOK: 3 minutes

MAKES: about 2 cups

- 8 tablespoons (1 stick) unsalted butter, softened (do not use margarine)
- 1 pound medium shrimp, shelled and deveined
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon ground red pepper (cayenne)
- 2 tablespoons dry sherry
- Sesame crackers or toast

1. In 10-inch skillet, melt 1 tablespoon butter over medium-high heat. Add shrimp, salt and ground red pepper. Cook, stirring frequently, until shrimp are opaque throughout, about 2 minutes. Add sherry and cook 30 seconds.

2. Transfer shrimp and pan juices to food processor with knife blade attached and pulse until shrimp is finely chopped. Add remaining butter; process until blended.

3. Transfer shrimp mixture to serving bowl. Cover and refrigerate up to 24 hours. Let stand 30 minutes at room temperature before serving. Serve with sesame crackers or toast.

• Each tablespoon: About 39 calories, 2 g protein, 0 g carbohydrate, 3 g total fat (2 g saturated), 25 mg cholesterol, 72 mg sodium.

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Tribal member wins GNCC National Championship

Special to the One Feather

Ty Teasdale, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians from the Snowbird Community, earned the Championship and Amateur Rider of the Year in his first year racing the GNCC e-MTB series. GNCC, which stands for Grand National Cross Country, is the nation's premier Off-Road racing series, with over 23,000 competitors in a range of classes, and over 80,000 fans in attendance.

Teasdale and his teammate, Mitch Hawkins, debuted the Yamaha YDX Moro-Pro in the Men's Open Amateur and Youth classes respectively, riding for the Am-Pro Yamaha Factory Race Team, bringing Yamaha its first national level Championship in the e-Mountain Bike category.

Teasdale clinched the championship by round six of the 8-round series, winning five races, and taking a second place by less than a second after having a mechanical issue.

This is Teasdale's second Championship in as many years, as he won the Men's Single Crown Open Championship in the 2020 Downhill Southeast Series.

Teasdale said he is grateful for the support of Am-Pro Yamaha, 100% optics and apparel, Michelin tires,



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SIDI shoes, ODI grips, Fast-Flex bars, his trainer Brandon at On-The-Box Performance, as well as his family and friends.

He will be back on the Yama-

ha for 2022, contesting the XC-1 Men's Pro Class as the season kicks off March 12 in Washington, Ga.

During his off-season, he compet-



ed in the Upstate Cranksgiving race at Ride Kanuga, where he went 5 for 5, winning Men's Pro Cross Country, Super D in both e-bike and conventional, as well as the Wild Turkey Enduro again on the e-bike as well as the conventional bike.

A member of Little Snowbird Baptist Church, Teasdale said his goal for the year is to represent his sponsors, community, and above all, Christ, to the best of his ability.

The majority of his training is done in the woods of Little Snowbird, but he also enjoys riding the top-notch trails at Fire Mountain in Cherokee.

He is the grandson of David and Sharon Crowe and Paul and Betty Lou Teasdale.



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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Sochan gathering permit applications

The sochan permit applications for gathering in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park are due by Friday, Feb. 11. To apply online for a 2022 sochan gathering permit, visit: <https://cherokeemuseum.com/sochan-gathering/>

If you have difficulty using the online application form, or to apply for a permit in person, contact Desirae Kissell at desikiss@ebci-nsn.gov or 788-0219 for assistance.

A total of 36 permits are available to be issued. If more than 36 applications are received, those applications submitted first will receive priority.

In order to receive a permit, you must also complete an annual

training on regulations and reporting requirements for the sochan gathering program. Annual training sessions will tentatively be held at the Cherokee Choices Classroom (in the Ginger Lynn Welch complex, next to the gym) in late February or early March.

Only members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians are eligible for permits. The gathering season will run three months, from March 1 to May 31, and each permittee is allowed to gather up to one bushel of sochan per week. A permittee may be accompanied by up to five guests.

NOTE: New for 2022 - In order to be eligible to receive a sochan gathering permit for the 2023 sochan harvest season, every 2022 permit holder must submit at least one harvest report.

Gathering permits are limited. If you are chosen to receive a permit in 2022 and do not pick it up by March 1 or do not attend the required training, your permit will be given to the next applicant on the waitlist. This may affect your ability to participate in the 2023 gathering season.

- EBCI Natural Resources release

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, Aniyuwiya Community Program 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

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for each panel they would like to attend via the links below. Additional information, including panelist bios, can be found at <https://mci.org/learn/programming>.

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

NATIONAL PARK NEWS

Park sets visitation record with 14.1 million visits in 2021

Great Smoky Mountains National Park experienced the busiest year on record with 14,137,812 visits. Visitation exceeded the 2019 record by 1.5 million visits and 2020 visitation by more than 2 million visits. The park has increasingly become a year-round destination with eight monthly visitation records set during winter and spring months in 2021.

“In the last decade, park visitation has increased by 57 percent,” said Acting Superintendent Alan Sumeriski. “While increasing visitation presents complex challenges, we are honored to care for a park that is special to so many people. We remain committed to developing innovative solutions to provide the necessary support for visitor services and resource protection.”

Roads, trails, frontcountry campgrounds, and backcountry

campgrounds were all busier than normal in 2021. Frontcountry camping increased 40 percent, while backcountry camping increased 20 percent. The park continues to experience its highest visitation in the summer and fall with peaks in July and October. However, visitation levels in the winter and spring months are rapidly increasing. In 2021, the park set individual monthly visitation records in January through June, November, and December. During the winter months, December through February, the park had 600,000 more visits than the ten-year average for this time period. During the spring months, March through May, the park had 1.2 million more visits than the ten-year average for this time period.

Operational costs associated

with serving more visitors and protecting resources continue to rise. Annual, year-round needs present significant funding and staffing challenges. To help meet critical needs this year, the Friends of the Smokies and Great Smoky Mountains Association are providing more than \$4 million in aid. The park is also slated to receive project-specific, short-term funds to help chip away at the maintenance backlog in campgrounds, wastewater systems, and along roads and trails. Construction timelines and project details for significant rehabilitation work are expected to be announced over the next few weeks for several projects.

Park managers will continue to work towards improving access and the visitor experience. For more information about these efforts,


please visit <https://www.nps.gov/grsm/learn/management/ves.htm>. With more use, visitor stewardship is increasingly important and it is imperative that park visitors help care for the park as part of their visit. To learn more about how to #recreate responsibly and follow Leave No Trace principles, please visit the National Park Service's website at <https://www.nps.gov/planyourvisit/recreate-responsibly.htm>.

For more information about visitation statistics for the National Park Service, please visit <https://irma.nps.gov/STATS/>. Reports, including the 2021 annual park ranking, will be available over the next few weeks after annual statistics are compiled for all parks.

- National Park Service release

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Print Shop at New Echota

Cherokee Phoenix

The first issue of the Cherokee Phoenix was printed on Feb. 21, 1828, in New Echota, Cherokee Nation (now Georgia), and edited by Elias Boudinot. It was printed in English and Cherokee, using the Cherokee syllabary created by Sequoyah. A reconstruction of the original print shop remains in New Echota. Rev. Samuel Worcester and the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions helped build the printing office, cast type in the Cherokee syllabary and procure the printer and other equipment. Also, Boudinot, his brother Stand Watie, John Ridge and Elijah Hicks, all leaders in the tribe at that time, raised money to start the newspaper.

In the 1830s, Boudinot and Principal Chief John Ross used the Cherokee Phoenix to editorialize against the Indian Removal Act of 1830 and the growing encroachment and harassment of settlers in Georgia.

As pressure for the Cherokee to leave Georgia increased, Boudinot changed his stance and began to advocate for the removal of Cherokee to the west. At first Chief Ross supported Boudinot's opposing view but by 1832 the two leaders' differences caused them to split and Boudinot resigned. Four years later most of the Cherokees who remained on their lands in Georgia, Tennessee and North Carolina were rounded up and forcibly marched or sent by boat to Indian Territory. The Cherokee Phoenix was reestablished in Oklahoma.

In January 2007, the Phoenix launched a website and began publishing in a broadsheet format. Today, the newspaper reports on the tribe's government, current events and Cherokee culture, people and history. The news organization has also broadened its outreach to include locally aired radio shows, Facebook posts, Twitter feeds, Instagram profiles and a YouTube channel.

Source: [Cherokeephox.org/Arthunter](https://cherokeephox.org/Arthunter)



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Clean up any antifreeze spills quickly.

Check your dog's paws frequently for signs of cold-weather injury or damage.

Wipe down or wash your pet's feet, legs and belly to remove de-icing chemicals.

Know the Limits

Be aware of your pet's tolerance for cold weather. Adjust accordingly.

If your dog has a short coat or seems bothered by cold, consider a sweater or dog coat.

Consider using booties on your dog's feet and make sure they fit properly.

Even outdoor cats and dogs should be kept inside during cold weather.

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EMERGENCY NUMBERS

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

Tribal Fire and Rescue
359-6584

Tribal EMS
359-6450 or 497-6402

Cherokee Indian Hospital
497-9163

EBCI TRANSIT NUMBERS

**Transit Main Line
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359-6300

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

Phone Numbers for Cherokee elders

Cherokee Indian Hospital main line
497-9163

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

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

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

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

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

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

EBCI Domestic Violence
359-6830

EBCI Emergency Fuel Assistance
507-7825

Cherokee Immediate Care Clinic
554-5555

DaVita Cherokee Dialysis Center
497-6866

Snowbird Senior Center main line
479-9145

Tsali Manor main line
359-6860

John Welch Senior Center main line
835-9741

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

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OBITUARIES JH&FR

Nicholas Daniel Bird

Nicholas "Rupert" Daniel Bird, age 38, of Cherokee, passed away on Friday, Jan. 14, 2022 following a brief hospital stay at the Memorial Campus of Mission Hospitals in Asheville.

Rupert is the son of parents Richard Bird and Judy (Huskey) Bird and made his way through life by self-employment as an entertainer. Rupert leaves behind his children, David Maney, Jailyn Bird, Nicholas Bird Jr., Gracie Bird, Monique Bird, Brady Bird, Ahniah Bird Wildcatt, and Uwoduhi Bird; brothers, Toby Bird, Joey Bird, Josh Bird, and Joseph Huskey; sisters, Cherish Bird, Kathy Maney, Taylor Bird, Leslie Maney, and Gwyneth Bird Wildcatt; nieces, Ashlee Smith, Sierra Maney, Nakiyah Bird, and Kera Welch; nephews, Christian Alfaro, Carter Maney, Owen Bird, Eli Bird, Tacoma Bird, Darien Bird, and Isiah Bird.

Rupert was preceded in death by his brothers, Benjamin Bird, Anthony Bird, and Adam Brady.

Funeral services were held in the Chapel of Long House Funeral Home on Tuesday, Jan. 18 with Pastor Ben Reed officiating. An Immediate burial took place at the Birdtown Cemetery. Pall Bearers were Moe Davis, Josh Bird, Joey Bird, Joseph Huskey, Darien Huskey, and Christian Alfaro.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family in the final arrangements



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Family of Arlene Squirrel says thanks

Our heartfelt thanks goes out to everyone that supported us during the loss of our mother, Arelene Squirrel.

First, we want to thank Yellowhill Baptist Church for allowing us to bring our mother to her home church and her final resting place. A special thank you to the Yellowhill Church ladies who were with us every day at the annex building. Ladies, your kindness and support was what we needed. You certainly took care of us.

To all the people, family, and friends who brought food, flowers, called, or texted us, we thank you. Our meals were very satisfying, and the flowers were beautiful. We know we are loved by many.

A special thank you to Scott Chekelelee, Aaron Bradley, Phyllis Shell, Lane Smoker, Joe Wolfe, Uncle John Adam, and Ashley Martin, the songs, the slide show and the home going message was fitting for our mother.

To our uncles and great uncles, John Adam, Poat, George, Herb, Fred, Buck, Lamont, and Dee Dee – thank you for staying with us and supporting us. We needed you.

Lastly, we want to thank Merina Swimmer, Aunt Angel Squirrel, Karina Squirrel, Dawn Squirrel, and Jody Saunooke for all your love and support. And to “Crowe”, thank you for your love and support, but most importantly, all the laughs. We love you.

Love,

Peaches, Brooke, and Jeremy

If we forgot anyone, it was not intentional, we thank you all.

Thank you

Euncie and Noah would like to thank all the people for their help in our time of need. Please continue to pray for us.

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589 Tsali Blvd.
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1420 Fighting Creek Gap Road
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865-436-1200

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773 Main St.
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COMMENTARY

Why has courtesy become so uncommon?

By **ROBERT JUMPER**

One Feather Editor

Patience. It is a virtue indeed. And, like me, I am sure you all could use a good dose of it. Pardon me for being rude, but we have become a society of, if not community of, discourteous people.

Don't believe me? Get in your car and take a drive around the Qualla Boundary. If you don't have someone cut in front of you, pull out in front of you, ride your bumper, or try to sear your retinas with their high beams in your rearview mirror, you deserve a reward or you are tooling around in a marked patrol cruiser. And if you happen to call out that bad behavior by flashing your lights or tooting your horn at the offender, be prepared for a curse word, laughter, a display of a finger, or some other, more aggressive form of road rage. Traffic signals, caution and speed limit signs are merely suggestions. The attitude is "stop, if you feel like it" or "go 10 to 20 miles over this posted speed limit". And this is just on the roadways.

Social media and offshoots like virtual meeting platforms have provided a lifeline in many ways for people who might not be able to communicate or have human contact in other ways. I have been a big fan of social media myself for many years and I think it has many useful benefits. We have maintained productivity levels in business and government that might have not been achievable otherwise. We have an open line of

inexpensive communication with friends and family throughout the country and around the world. Virtual meeting platforms were becoming popular pre-pandemic. During the pandemic, they became an essential business tool that, even at this writing, we depend upon as COVID-19 ebbs and flows.

Some of our leadership in the Tribe have referred to social media as "the devil". They make this statement because they have seen the darker side of people and their actions because of the environment that social media and virtual presence creates. Inhibitions run wild for some behind the veil that virtual reality creates. Many people drop the pretense of courtesy and ethic when they get behind a computer screen, tablet, or smartphone. I am not sure whether it is distance ("you can't reach me to do anything about it, so I'll say what I want, how I want to you") or some other psycho- or socio-pathologic reason yet to be named, but we are just less courteous when we use the virtual environments.

Some have speculated that social media have made us "closer together" in that we do have those unlimited, open lines of communication. Some friends who are in social work that I have had conversations with about domestic violence have shared with me a mindset that I think applies to this issue. They told me that the reason that perpetrators of domestic violence choose family members for victims is because they, consciously or subconsciously, feel that they are entitled to protection or immunity from moral and ethical behavior within their own family

group. They will go through a day absorbing and tolerating what they feel are injustices to them, and then come home to release all their frustration of the day on their family members, because they feel that their family is obligated to take it due to their relationship. To their mind, unlike the man on the street, who might break their neck if they took a swing at him, the family member will just take it because "that is what family does". An abuser's behavior would get them immediately arrested if they abused a stranger on the street, but at home they can be inappropriate or violent, and it might take months or years or never before that is brought to light. We feel more comfortable hurting a family member than we do strangers.

So, if we apply that theory to our dealing on social media, our circle of friends and family become the easiest targets for our venom. While we focus on speaking with our circle, we are using a worldwide platform that passes our thoughts and words to audiences we may never had intended to address. And since the verbal brakes are never pumped when emotions begin to flare up, things are said and done that would never be said or done in a face-to-face engagement.

At least, that is how our fall from courtesy started.

Because of the learned behaviors that come from our experiences on the internet and particularly social media, we have become more discourteous in our in-person dealings. The people skills that our parents and grandparents taught us have been dulled or bro-

ken off by our sociopathic desire to have our wants met, at all costs. Screaming and violent confrontations are commonplace, even in a community like ours who have touted traditional, ancestral, and cultural harmony.

"Group harmony in community and kin relationships, and freely sharing and giving time, talent, and treasures." And "Strong individual character, with integrity, honesty, perseverance, courage, respect, trust, honor, and humility." Sound familiar? These should. They are two of the seven core Cherokee values identified by our Tribe as standards to live by.

Now, apply one of these two core values to the following life situations: making fun of or name-calling your elected leaders, condemning and ridiculing people of other races, even those who are trying to be a help to and respect our Tribe, and making fun of and belittling our tribal members, using the cover of "That is just how we accept you in Cherokee. It's humor. You need to have a thicker skin."

Whatever makes us feel good or superior, that seems to be the mantra of many of us today. For example, the term "work ethic" refers to the personal sense of responsibility for our behavior in our jobs. A good work ethic used to mean that an individual took personal ownership and pride in the job that they did, not for anyone else's adoration, but because that individual couldn't feel right about themselves unless they gave their best to a task. And it didn't matter what the job was; from common laborer to executive, we

took pride in our work. No matter what the task, it was like we were signing our name to the outcome or product that we produced. We cared about the quality of our production because it was a part of us. When a person has a good work ethic, you don't have to worry about them punching a timeclock or even inspecting their work. And you surely don't have to worry about them being courteous. More likely than not, you will have a difficult time finding a smiling face on most front-line workers today. Customer service is not routinely taught anymore and many front-line workers coming to

work makes them mad or sad, and they seem to have no issue letting that feeling get passed on to the people that they are serving or co-workers. They feel like they don't have any control over other parts of their lives, so taking out their frustrations on their customers is a way to exert some control to get some semblance of feeling good or superior.

I guess I am asking if this is what we want. As individuals? As community? We used to use the term "common courtesy". It meant that we did things, not to others, but for others. We did those little things that did not

require very much time and effort but made a world of difference in our society. We were careful not to walk around looking like we were sucking on a lemon all the time. We had a warm greeting for the people we interacted with and even those we saw in passing. When we disagreed, we did so thoughtfully and respectfully without name-calling or character assassination. We were more concerned about accommodating than being accommodated. And we took setbacks gracefully and learned from them instead of looking to them as sources of excuse for poor behavior. We took the higher path.

Sorry for being so dark. It truly isn't that dark, but our community and our world sure seem to be getting more distant, even in the face of technology designed to bring us closer together. I must disagree with our leadership in that I see social media is a tool of good potential, but it is like any other tool. A knife in the hands of a surgeon may repair and heal humanity. A knife in the hands of a killer may destroy, maim, and murder humanity. It isn't the knife that is "the devil". It is the mind and hand that hold it.

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Chattooga & Whitewater Rivers	Follow posted regulations. Wild Trout.	Mid-day.	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout	Midges, Golden Stonefly, Light Cahill, Terrestrials, BWO.	Black, Grey & Olive Midges, Adams, Light Cahill, Royal Wull, Royal Coachman, Elk Hair Caddis.
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COMMENTARY

Financial illiteracy on the Boundary

By **JONAH LOSSIAH**

One Feather Staff

I was amongst the last groups of EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) kids that received their 'big money' in one lump sum. I had just graduated high school and was told the best thing to do would be to cash the whole lot and take it to my preferred bank. Talk about a recipe for disaster.

Per Capita distributions have been a constant boon in my life and have allowed me to experience growth and independence. With

the benefits provided by the Tribe, I know I am immensely privileged. I do my best to realize this and be humble, knowing how many of my friends and family have had to fight and scratch to have the bare essentials in life.

With that being said, I do question why I often still feel like an outlier. There are too many folks around my age that had the same financial benefits and yet you would never know. You can blame an individual, but that's a lazy verdict that shows a misunderstanding of our community. We are all tremendously lucky to have the benefits that the Tribe provides us, but we haven't yet learned what it is to maximize on that potential. Financial literacy is a must these days. Credit can swallow your fiscal future, and it's far too easy to blow through the money you may

receive as an 18-year-old. In my mind, it was a very forward-thinking decision to amend how Tribal youth receive their 'big money'. Instead of handing someone with little-to-no life and financial experience \$100,000 or more in cash, now they receive that money in increments. A chunk at ages 18 and 21, with the rest at 25.

The Minors Trust Fund is an unbelievable pool of money. In 2021, it was approaching a worth of one billion dollars. Unfortunately, there not a tremendous amount of learning resources for those receiving that money. I, for one, never had any sort of financial education courses at Smoky Mountain High School. There has been an effort to establish such a course at Cherokee High School, but there must be a more concerted effort across the Tribe. Kids don't necessarily want to learn about finance, but it is crucial for Cherokee people in the modern day. It is important knowledge for anyone walking into the 'real world', but it's a different story if you know you'll be receiving \$200,000 to \$300,000 of additional income by the time you're 25.

Whether it be huge expenses, supplementing family income, or poor decisions, too many of my generation did not take advantage of the opportunities they were provided. More than that though, it is our community that has not seen the privilege before them. Why is it that a young person would make a dramatic financial mistake? Is it because they're truly lacking in intelligence, or were they simply never taught any better?

Money is often a scary and uncomfortable subject for many people, and I understand that. But if our parents and grandparents don't have a sense of how to handle money, their children will have

to learn it on their own. We need to do better for each other.

One of the ways the Tribe looked to address financial illiteracy on the Boundary was by holding a seminar for Tribal employees interested in learning more. This was an informative course, but it was limited. They could only have so many attendees, and they had to be Tribal employees. This doesn't help most of our parents or grandparents. This is a key example of a good option that just isn't an overall solution. There are a lot of individual efforts, but not much movement on a grand scale. Strong efforts by a few people can only go so far, especially if people don't know where to even look for these opportunities. Not to mention that the pandemic eradicated this program for the time being.

I think one step could be mandatory financial literacy courses for those in the Minors Trust Fund, as well as for parents or guardians of those kids. Making people take classes is not a surefire way of creating passion. In fact, it can cause resentment. However, we're talking about the livelihood of our Tribal members and their futures. I was someone dedicated to treating my finances carefully, and yet I was overwhelmed swimming in the deep in for years after receiving my first per cap. We need courses that break down short term and long-term solutions to investment. Benefits of a mutual fund, individual stocks, retirement accounts, insurance, credit, and all the basic things that are a blurry nightmare for the majority of young adults in America.

The truth is, there are a few resources out there already. However, activity is minimal. Again, I feel this comes down to confusion

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COMMENTARY

Party affiliation

By **MARY HERR**
Yellowhill Community

In recent years, a number of us have been doing voter registration in Cherokee for county, state and national elections with more success in some years than others. It is very important that Cherokees vote in these elections as what happens in the county, Raleigh and Washington directly impacts enrolled members of the Eastern

Band of Cherokee Indians.

In North Carolina and across the country, more people are registering as Unaffiliated than the more traditional political parties and this has been true in Cherokee as well. There are various reasons for people to register Unaffiliated, but it certainly limits opportunities for holding political office. In North Carolina Unaffiliated voters cannot serve as precinct or county officers for the Democratic Party. Unaffiliated voters in NC can vote in either a Democratic or Republican primary. They cannot run as candidates in the primaries for either party. Filing as a candidate in the general election is not simple

for an Unaffiliated voter.

In North Carolina, there are only three officially recognized political parties – Democrat, Republican and Libertarian. North Carolina election law (GS 163-106) requires a person who wants to file as a candidate in a primary to have been affiliated with the party for at least 90 days prior to filing. However, an Unaffiliated voter must submit a Petition Request Form in order to be considered a candidate for the November 2022 general election. The petition must be signed by 4 percent of the total number of registered voters in the county and submitted by 12 noon on or before the primary

on May 17 in order for the petition to be certified. As of Jan. 12, there are 9,779 registered voters in Swain County. There is no specific deadline for requesting the Petition Request Form. If the petition is certified, the candidate will be required to pay the same filing fee that all candidates pay.

Anyone convicted as a felon who has served their time and is no longer on probation or parole can run for political office as long as they are registered with a political party. They must re-register to vote if they were registered prior to their conviction.

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amongst parents. A high school student already has a ridiculous number of things on their plate. It seems each year more is expected out of juniors and seniors. College applications expect volunteer work, extracurriculars, college courses, résumés, and even internships by the time you walk onto a new campus. The available Tribal resources need to be extremely well known and pushed. Why in the world do kids have to go find them for themselves?

There was a website that launched in 2021 to assist with those in the Minors Trust Fund. You can track the status of your portfolio and take classes on the site. The problem is that very few used it when it launched. Tribal Finance was tasked with the

publication and sharing of this valuable resource. Something like that could be revolutionary, so every department should have been pushing this site. We should have seen consistent social media posts, fliers, and everything possible so that every member of the community knew about this. That was not the case.

Even still, this site was not on the EBCI domain. It was usicg.com and you had to know which buttons to click to get you to the right home screens. There are enough emotional barriers keeping us from these materials, a brand-new site should be consumable and seamless. This seemed like another project that came from a brilliant space but was another individual effort from one primary department. This led to a limited outreach and harder work that could have been facilitated on a

bigger scale.

More than anything we need to shed away the taboo nature of discussing finances. It feels there are ‘secrets to success’ in Cherokee. Financial responsibility is more of a nice thing that isn’t a big deal. Poverty is a consistent issue across western North Carolina, and Cherokee is no exception. However, no other population receives the amount of privilege as the EBCI in that region. Free health care, college, housing assistance, and the all-powerful per capita distribution.

I have learned the majority of what I have about finance by simply asking questions and using the endless resource of the internet. When I sit down with a loan officer or investment advisor, I don’t want to feel like I’m reading another language. I had the additional benefit of tremendously caring

and responsible parents, but even then, they weren’t sure how to direct me when I received a huge amount of money at 18. Never once did my friends and I discuss appropriate solutions once we got the check either. It almost felt like we weren’t supposed to. This is absolute nonsense and something we need to squash.

Finance is ultimately an individual responsibility. However, education is a community goal. We have sat idly while our future generations have struggled with life-changing sums of money. We need to do better for ourselves and our children. An idea that is perpetuated at every Tribal Council and School Board session is ‘anything for the kids’. Well, what they need is not a new gym or trip to Hawai’i. It’s our help. A basic path educating them on finance and life decisions.

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What is your mission?

By REV. TIMOTHY L. MELTON, PASTOR

(Transcribed by Myra D. Colgate)

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church

“Father, I pray that every door that needs to be closed, is closed, that we might know clearly the avenues of the past in which we must walk to fulfill the mission that You’ve given us this year. And Father, in these, may we give You all the Honor and everybody says Amen, Amen, and Amen.” (Continued from last week.)

“Big things have come in small packages, I have found. I’ve found that some of the greatest gifts I ever got did not come in a big box. I don’t know if you’ve ever been given a car for Christmas, but they don’t usually put the car into a box, so that little key, would eventually open that car’s door.

“I don’t know if you’ve ever had a ring given you. Maybe somebody offered you, ‘I’ll ask for your hand in marriage, but how many of you know that that little box contained a big promise on the inside of it. The Truth is, God does things, big things with little things. In fact, the Bible tells me that, with God, little is much. Meaning God can take the smallest of things and do the greatest of things with them. I noticed God in the Bible take a widow’s little remnant of oil and a little remnant of flour, and she fed her family through an entire season until the rains came again. I remember reading where God took the crumbs off a table and healed a woman’s daughter. I remember when Jesus looked and watched the widow who gave two coins as her offering and He declared she had given the greatest gift of them all.

“I remember in the Book of John, a little boy who took his lunch of a few fishes and loaves, the equivalent of some sardines and biscuits and God fed a multitude with his meager lunch.

I also remembered the mustard seed of faith in Luke, chapter 17 where God said that a little faith can pick up a mountain and move it from here to there and throw it into the sea. I remember in Matthew, chapter 17, how the disciples were struggling to pay their taxes and

God sent them fishing, and out of fish’s mouth came a coin that would pay the entirety of their tax bill.

I also remember a little man named Zachaeus who had climbed up into a tree and because of that, became one of the tallest men in the Kingdom of his day. I remember in Matthew, chapter 10, Jesus spoke of a small sparrow that had gotten the attention of God. I remember that in Luke 12, God said not only does He know you, but He even knows the smallest parts of you as He has even numbered each hair on your head.

God does big things with little stuff. Come on, the Lord sent me here today to tell you, you may be little in your own eyes. It may seem like you don’t have much strength and there’s not a whole lot of you can do, but I’m here to tell you that with God, little is indeed much and that God can take little ole you and little ole me and do mighty things for the Kingdom of God.

It always amazes me that if one simply takes what God has given you and you have put it into the fertile ground, God can cause it to

grow. Taking the smallest of seeds, this little thing that really is no bigger than a grain of sand. Knowing it’s not going to grow up overnight, it won’t become mighty, right away, but if you’re watering and praying, spending time, even your life will begin to grow.

You ask, What does that have to do with me? It has everything to do with you, because God is saying, “I’ve put on the inside of you a seed, not just any kind of seed, but the seed of God Himself and if you’ll allow Him, He will grow you into something mighty that others can come and find and see higher things in you than you can see take place and develop.

We need you to understand that if you won’t get up and do something for the Kingdom of God, who else is going to? No one should simply be just trying to get to Heaven. Let me shock you this morning. If God had just wanted you in Heaven, He would have taken you there the day you were saved, but He didn’t. How many of you have been healed from a crippling disease or from things that should have taken you out?



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And so it was, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed; and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed. But Moses’ hands became heavy; so they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it. And Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun.

 EXODUS 17: 11,12

“Aaron Holding Moses’ Arm”

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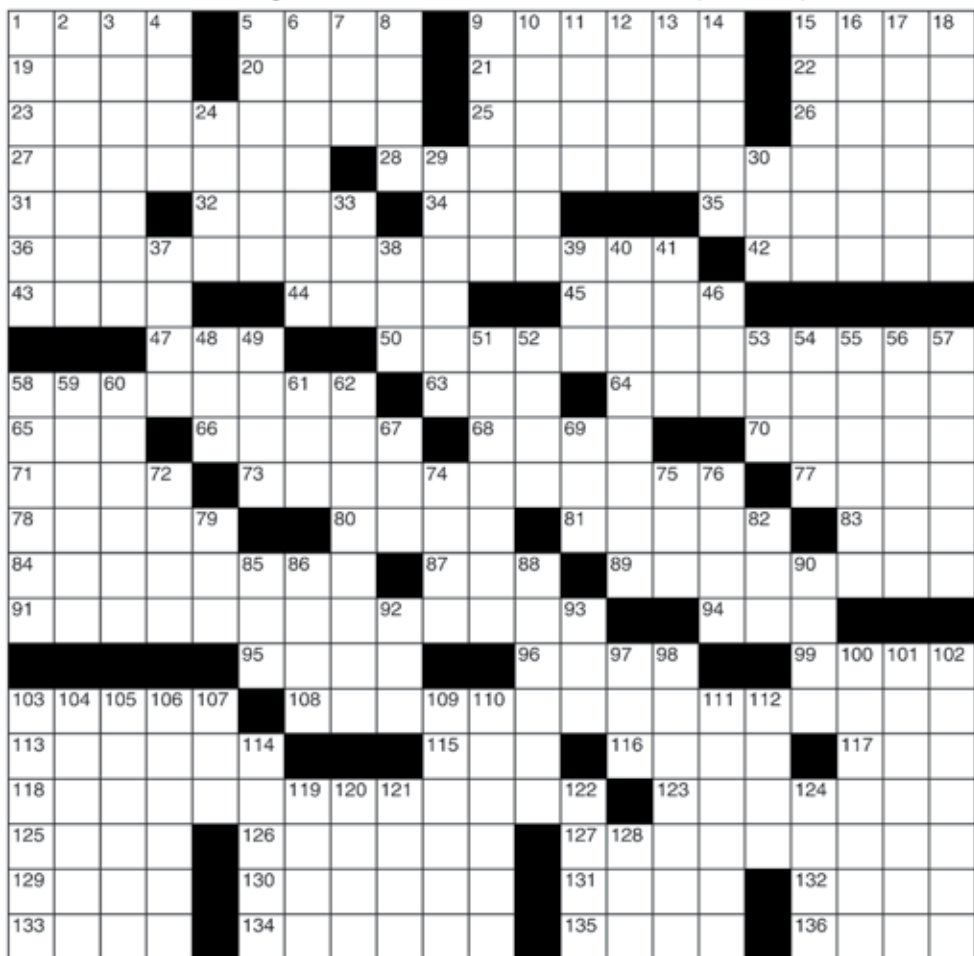


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- 1 Musical
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- 5 Bank acct.
underwriter
- 9 Skate parts
- 15 Church seats
- 19 Students at
Yale
- 20 — avis
(one of a
kind)
- 21 Actor Shaw
- 22 Take one's
leave
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of a 2001
French film
- 26 Onetime
rival of
Nintendo
- 27 Charges to
get some
quick cash
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a body in
motion
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the screen
- 32 Morales of
"Bad Boys"
- 34 Roman 1,501
- 35 Noisy toy tot
- 36 Principles of
household
management
- 42 Rooted (in)
- 43 Hidden
obstacle
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flooring, to a
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Pacino
- 50 Humorous
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fashionably
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Rogers St.
Johns
- 71 Taj Mahal
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most-wanted
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patient wife
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- 87 Suffix with
fact
- 89 One frosting
a cake, e.g.
- 91 All-out
attempt
- 94 Potentially
shocking fish
- 95 Discontinued
iPod
- 96 Rock concert
equipment
- 99 Speak like
Daffy Duck
- 103 Hits, as a fly
- 108 Imaginary
band on
the earth's
surface
- 113 Form a single
file
- 115 "— tu"
(Verdi aria)
- 116 Healing sign
- 117 Drink in a
schooner
- 118 Luge, diving
and biathlon
- 123 Saintly
- 125 Sit heavily
- 126 Clause's
cousin
- 127 Face-off area
in hockey
(or what's
found in eight
answers in
this puzzle)
- 129 Article in
Germany
- 130 Yamaha
products
- 131 "— girl!"
- 132 The Bradys'
Alice, e.g.
- 133 Elk relative
- 134 Sharply
focused
- 135 Low in pitch
- 136 Poker cost
- DOWN**
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into custody
- 2 Euphoria
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honcho
- 4 "You wish!"
- 5 Most
liberated
- 6 Go on a brief
yacht outing
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- 8 Wine vessel
- 9 Marlon of film
- 10 Chinese
noodle dish
- 11 Aid in
wrongdoing
- 12 Sandwich
shop
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"Munich"
- 14 Control the
course of
- 15 Pre-euro
Spanish
money
- 16 Puts forth
- 17 Move like a
hula dancer
- 18 Didn't leave
- 24 Ho-hum
grades
- 29 "No worries,
dude"
- 30 Catch red-
handed
- 33 Here, to Yves
- 37 Pulitzer-
winning
novelist
Jennifer
- 38 Ltr. extra
- 39 Uncanny
- 40 Wets a bit
- 41 "Ew, gross!"
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type
- 49 Frigate, e.g.
- 51 Ralph of "The
Karate Kid"
- 52 Duel weapon
- 53 Govt. med
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- 54 Bona —
- 55 Smoothed
(out)
- 56 "My Heart
Will Go On"
singer Dion
- 57 Brokerage
employee
- 58 Alpine abode
- 59 "The Raven"
co-star Bela
- 60 Absorbed
- 61 Academy
URL ending
- 62 Writ for court
appearance
- 67 Arafat's gp.
- 69 Dayton-to-
Toledo dir.
- 72 Trac II
successor
- 74 "Time — the
essence"
- 75 Team VIP
- 76 Olden times
- 79 Clucking bird
- 82 "— haw!"
(rodeo shout)
- 85 Bad deed
- 86 Swindle
- 88 "Doggone!"
- 90 Penne —
vodka
- 92 Mental haze
- 93 "You're
oversharing,"
in texts
- 97 They may run
Windows
- 98 Some trig
functions
- 100 Like "penne"
and "graffiti"
- 101 Seek
pleadingly
- 102 Go ahead of
- 103 Went uphill or
downhill
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Mays
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interested?"
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main airline
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Longstocking
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

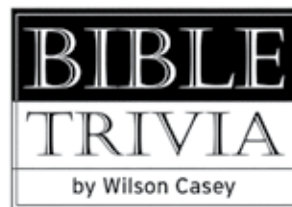
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1. Is the book of Job in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. The book of Hebrews tells us to entertain strangers as they may be ...? *Demons, Angels, Prophets, Reincarnated*
3. From Genesis 17:15, what was the name of Abraham's wife? *Ruth, Anna, Abigail, Sarah*
4. Which book of the New Testament is divided into three parts? *Corinthians, Timothy, Peter, John*
5. In Mark 5:30, who said, "Who touched my clothes"? *Jesus, John the Baptist, David, Solomon*
6. What was the name of Seth's son, thus Adam's grandson? *Eliam, Ead-bhard, Enosh, Eadmer*

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1. ANATOMY: How many ribs are in the human body?
2. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What kind of animal is a flying fox?
3. GEOGRAPHY: In which body of water does the island of Malta lie?
4. U.S. STATES: What animal is featured on the state flag of Louisiana?
5. TELEVISION: What was the name of the fictional airline whose jet crashed on an island in "Lost"?
6. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president ran on the slogan "Vote Yourself a Farm and Horses"?
7. MOVIES: What is the name of Thor's hammer in the earlier "Avengers" movies?
8. FOOD & DRINK: The "Iron Chef" TV cooking show originated in which country?
9. HISTORY: In what year did the Cold War end?
10. SCIENCE: What weather condition is measured in millibars?

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EVENTS

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Sweetheart Market. Feb. 10 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Info: Denise Walkingstick 508-2211

Cherokee Winter Social. Feb. 26 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds multi-purpose building. Everyone is welcome for an evening to celebrate Cherokee language, culture, song, dance, and food. Door prizes (must be present to win). Invited singers – Bo Taylor, Skyler Bottchenbaugh, Rich Bottchenbaugh, Micah Swimmer, Jarrett Wildcat, Will Tushka. MC: Catcuce Tiger. All Cherokee singers welcome; bring your rattles and drums. Traditional dress and ribbon shirts/skirts encouraged. Mask required. Info: cherokeewintersocial@gmail.com

WESTERN N.C. EVENTS

Preparing the Canvas Base class. Feb. 1 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Murphy Arts Center on Valley River Ave. in Murphy. Class is open to the public. Info: 360-3038

Making Tulip and Daffodil Cards class. Feb. 2 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Murphy Art Center

on Valley River Ave. in Murphy. Class is open to the public. Info: 360-3038

Winter Sound Music Festival. Feb. 5 from 2 p.m. to 11 p.m. at Oklawaha Brewing Company in Hendersonville. This event is presented by the Arts Council of Henderson County to benefit the Artists-in-Schools program. The festival is free and open to the general public with a suggested donation upon entry. The list of artists includes: Colin Cheek, The Gathering Dark, Derek Stipe, The Last Full Measure, Trio de Janeiro, Wesley Ganey, The Greybirds, BadRabbit, and Ladypop. Info: Josh Dunkin, Arts Council of Henderson County board president, (773) 597-7671 or info@acofhc.org

Friendship Star Quilt Board class. Feb. 11 at 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Murphy Art Center on Valley River Ave. in Murphy. Class is open to the public. Info: 360-3038

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

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

Puzzle Answers

Super Crossword

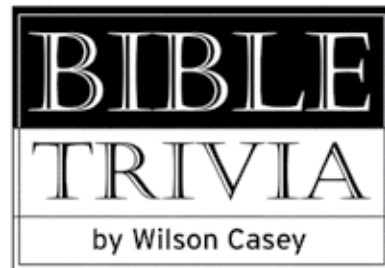
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REBA	FDIC	BLADES	PEWS
ELIS	RARA	ROBERT	EXIT
MAGIC	EYES	AMELIE	SEGA
ATM	FEE	KINETIC	ENERGY
NIA	ESAI	MDI	RATTLE
DOMESTIC	ECONOMY	BASED	
SNAG	LINO	DOUR	
ALS	COMEDIC	EFFECT	
CLENCHES	LAP	SKYDIVER	
HUN	DIDUP	CENT	ADELA
AGRA	PUBLIC	ENEMY	ENID
LOATH	POSH	ENVOY	ENE
ESPRESSO	OID	SPREADER	
TITANIC	EFFORT	FEEL	
NANO	AMPS	LISP	
SWATS	MAGNETIC	EQUATOR	
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OLYMPIC	EVENTS	ANGELIC	
PLOP	PHRASE	CENTER	RICE
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DEER	INTENT	BASS	ANTE

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

1	4	3	6	5	8	9	2	7
5	8	2	9	1	7	4	3	6
9	6	7	4	2	3	5	8	1
6	3	8	5	7	1	2	9	4
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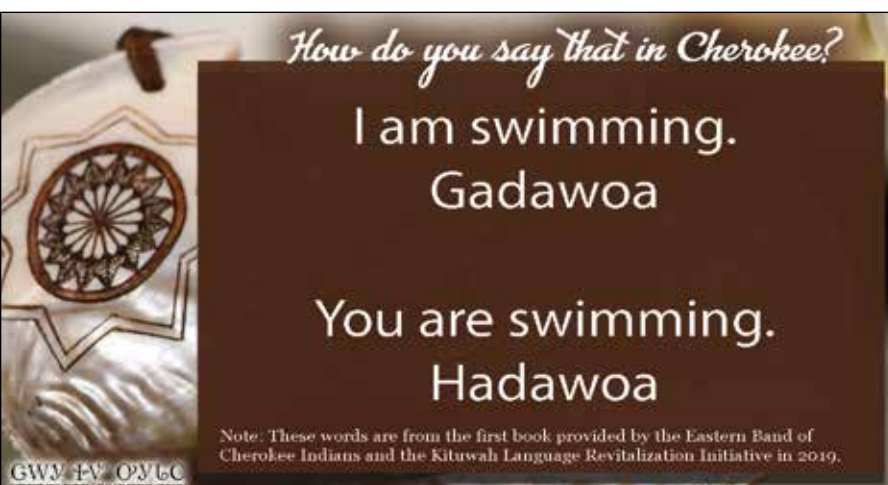
ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Angels; 3) Sarah; 4) John; 5) Jesus; 6) Enosh



Answers

- 24
- A type of bat
- Mediterranean Sea
- A pelican
- Oceanic Airlines
- Abraham Lincoln
- Mjolnir
- Japan
- 1989
- Atmospheric pressure

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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 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 or via Facebook Messenger at the Cherokee One Feather FB page.

Attention EBCI Artists/Craftspeople

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

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VETERANS POST

by Freddy Groves

The VA Versus Covid

The Department of Veteran's Affairs has been battling COVID-19 from the very beginning of the pandemic. The recently released Coronavirus Disease 2019 Response Report Annex B tells just how they've done. The facts are impressive.

So far they've vaccinated 4.3 million people.

The VA was the first federal agency to issue a mandate requiring all VA employees who work in health care to be vaccinated. They beefed up telehealth for veterans at home and those who live in rural areas. This resulted in 2,500% increase of telehealth care visits.

The VA carried out 43 Fourth Mission assignments, improving preparedness on the national, state and local levels. These assignments ranged from admitting 630 civilians to VA medical centers to providing 937,000 pieces of personal protective equipment such hand sanitizers, wipes, plexiglass isolation stations, webcams, air machines and so much more. Personnel were deployed to all 50 states to provide support at all levels and in all types of capacities, from hands-on medical to logistics to grocery delivery to homebound veterans.

They have processed between 70,000 and 90,000 COVID tests per week.

The VA published over 300 COVID studies, including: a comparison between the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines (Moderna was better), vaccination rates between minorities and white patients (minorities received more vaccines in the VA system while white patients received more vaccines in the civilian population) and Baricitinib plus remdesivir was better than remdesivir by itself, among many other studies.

The VA pulled together pulmonary experts to study long COVID, the long-term symptoms after a COVID infection. It moved early to administer monoclonal antibody therapy and genome sequencing in labs.

If you want to look at the whole 199-page Annex B report, go to www.publichealth.va.gov/n-coronavirus/COVID_19_Response_Reports.asp. Annex B is the second addendum to the original Response Report.

What is clear is that VA left no stone unturned in its battle with COVID-19. States and local communities could learn a lot from what the VA has been doing.

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Locating Pet's Favorite Food May Be More Difficult - Here's Some Alternatives

Dear Paws: Lately it has been nearly impossible to find my dog's favorite brand of dry food. He likes it, and it offers the kind of nutrition I want him to have, especially lots of protein. My supply at home is running low. Do you have any suggestions for supplementing my dog's nutrition with something else until his favorite food is back in stock? — Casey H., Bar Harbor, Maine

Dear Casey: Supplementing is the right choice to stretch his dry food supply. What I'd recommend first is to contact his veterinarian to talk about his current diet and figure out ways to continue providing the nutrients recommended to keep him healthy. Vets can offer advice on a good balance of pet foods to give him, as well as ways to entice your dog to eat if he turns his nose up at other dog food brands.

Consider adding freshly cooked ingredients to his dinner dish, such as beef or boneless chicken thighs — baked or braised, with no savory elements added like onions or black pepper. Add calories and more nutrients by mixing in steamed rice, peas and carrots. Cool the food before putting it into his dish. Many pet owners will bulk-prepare fresh food once per week and freeze all but the first couple of days' servings. Mix fresh ingredients with a half-portion of his favorite dry food, or place in separate bowls if he's picky.

Fresh pet food recipes are available online, too. The Dog Bakery (tinyurl.com/mrxbkrc) has several easy, tasty recipes that add salmon, turkey, brown rice and more to the mix. Rover has a good, basic guide to safely feeding fresh foods to pets. (tinyurl.com/2p-8w3taw) And here's a handy guide on how much fresh food to feed your dog, based on weight. (tinyurl.com/3pub-8ny5) Hang in there!

Send your tips, comments or questions to 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) Put that restless surge to good use this week by preparing your winter-weary home for spring. Also, be more flexible about accepting a workplace change.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your well-known ability to be patient is challenged as you wait for more news about a promising opportunity that could lead you to a new career path.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A setback in your travel plans could prove to be a blessing in disguise. Use this extra time to help close a growing gap between you and a family member.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Don't let a sudden sense of separation between you and your spouse or partner go unchallenged. It's important to make a strong effort to clear things up.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Use the information you recently received to make some long-deferred changes regarding a personal situation. Continue to exercise financial restraint.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) That new responsibility you're now considering could lead to many opportunities. But be sure you have all the facts before you agree to take it on.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A friend might try to advise you against a potentially risky move. Ultimately, the decision is yours, but hear him or her out before you decide.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You might feel justified in demanding an apology, but it might be wiser to settle things so that today's adversary doesn't become tomorrow's enemy.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Good news: Expect a more positive aspect to dominate your personal and professional lives. Someone close to you seeks your counsel.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A disappointment can turn into a learning experience. Now, at least, you know what not to do. Meanwhile, expect more options to open up.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) What goes around comes around, as a friend from the past returns a favor. Don't be timid about accepting it with good grace. You deserve it.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your spiritual strength helps you deal with a family member's problem. Expect some difficulties, but stay with it until it's ultimately resolved.

BORN THIS WEEK: You can observe people and situations with absolute honesty. You'd be a fine social worker, psychoanalyst or member of the clergy.

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Employment Opportunities

Position: Massage Therapist

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

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

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

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



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 \(ebci-tero.com\)](https://workforcedevelopment-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

Douglas McCoy - TERO Job Bank Coordinator
828.359.6478
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
PT 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 Sunday, January 30, 2022

1. Administrative Assistant/Office Coordinator – Tribal Employment Rights Office (L6 \$30,357 - \$37,946)
2. Facilities Maintenance Worker – Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L6 \$30,357 - \$37,946)
3. Maintenance Worker – Housing and Community Development – Housing (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)

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. Telecommunicator – Public Safety – Operations (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
12. Real Estate Associate Attorney – Tribal Realty Services – Office of the Attorney General (L15 \$68,704 - \$85,886)
13. Adult Language Education Coordinator – Kituwah Preservation and Education – Community/Education/Recreation (L9 \$40,105 - \$50,121)
14. Network Administrator - Infrastructure Services - Office of Information Technology (L12 \$52,635 - \$65,811)
15. Workforce Development Coordinator - TERO (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625)

**All applications and job descriptions are available at
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

Museum of the Cherokee Indian
Job Description: Bookkeeper/Development Assistant

Salary and Hiring Range

Total Salary Range: \$30,000 — \$50,000

Hiring Range: \$30,000 — \$42,000

Purpose/Role

The essential goals and role of the Bookkeeper/Development Assistant are to:

- Serve as a gatekeeper for financial and administrative transactions.
- Implementation of development tasks initiated by the Executive Team of MCI.

Responsibilities/Tasks

- Accounts Payable: Code, enter, and pay bills. Review payables from gift shop to ensure they match; turn item receipts into bills. Prepare weekly check run for approval. Upon approval cut bill checks and make payments.
- Accounts Receivable: Enter and send invoices, receive and apply payments, make deposits, make collection inquiries, create customer statements and handle customer inquiries.
- Daily Deposit/Check/Cash: Review and enter day sheets from gift shop and box office. Track any discrepancies or irregularities, investigate and report issues.
- Merchant Deposits: Enter merchant deposits and fees daily.
- Payroll: Enter time, create paychecks, send payroll and liability payments, create reports to support payment amounts.
- Credit Cards: Code and enter credit card transactions with detail in registers.
- Review: QuickBooks report to check Accounts Payable and Receivable for accuracy.
- Reporting: Create reports on a regular basis and as requested by

Executive Director and Executive Team. Provide requested reports and/or documents to auditors.

- Audit: Support Executive and audit teams with reports, backup, explanation and anything necessary to complete audit.
 - Budget: Enter budget as provided by Executive Team and create budget to actual reports.
 - Record Keeping: File bill payments, deposits, and all financial transactions into files.
 - Mail Processing: Receive and distribute mail to appropriate departments, opens and stamps finance-related; reports any donations to Executive Director and drafts a thank you letter from the Executive Director to the individual or entity who made the contribution.
 - Verify and transfer fares collected in membership software into financial software ensuring that monies are allocated to proper budget lines.
 - Administrative: Support Executive Director and Executive Team with correspondence and record keeping as well as reports for Executive Board. Will also work collaboratively with the Managers in the Operations Division, especially close with the Manager of External Affairs & Communications on revenue generated through Membership and Donor software to ensure the successful transfer of that income into the budget.
- Skills/Knowledge/Qualities**
- A Bachelor of Science in Finance, Accounting, Business or a related field is required OR it is acceptable to have an Associate of Applied Science in Finance, Accounting, Business or a related field and 4 years of demonstrated experience in bookkeeping and/or accounting. Experience with QuickBooks Desktop (Pro, Premier or Enterprise) is preferred.
 - Ability to work continuously and

accurately with figures; perform arithmetic operations such as addition, subtraction, multiplication, or division; accurately compare and transcribe figures.

- Advanced skill with Microsoft Word and Excel.
 - Professional and personal style consistent with the philosophy and team-oriented culture of MCI.
 - Ability to work independently or as a support person as needed.
 - Ability to multi-task and organize responsibilities.
 - Ability to communicate effectively.
 - Ability to communicate with others and to assimilate and understand information, in a manner consistent with the essential job functions.
 - Ability to implement development goals assigned by the Executive Director and the Executive Team.
 - A demonstrated commitment to preserve and protect the history, culture, and stories of the Cherokees.
- Other**
- Reports directly to the Director of Operations but works closely with the entire Executive Team.
 - Other administrative duties may be assigned as needed by the Executive Team.

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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

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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 Publication. 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

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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

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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

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 21-126

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Barbara Jane Owle**

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

Joey T. Owle
PO Box 1433
Cherokee, NC 28719

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 22-007

**In the Matter of the Estate of
JESSICA NICOLE CALHOUN**

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

Myra Jane Calhoun
PO Box 994
Cherokee, NC 28719

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BIDs, RFPs, etc.

**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 . Proposals are due February 1, 2022.
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**HOUSING & COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT
REQUEST FOR
QUALIFICATIONS FOR:**

PAVING DRIVEWAYS
FEBRUARY 2022

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Request for Qualifications is to establish a pool of on-call contractors for the paving of driveways, for members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, who are receiving assistance through the Housing & Community Development's (HCD) Site Prep Program. Contracts will be for a period of one year with an option to renew for two additional years. HCD reserves the right to add additional contractors to the on-call pool as needed based on scheduling demands. Qualifications packets need to be turned into Bunsey Crowe, Tribal Housing Production Manager, at 687 Acquoni Road (Housing Office) or by email to bunscrew@ebci-nsn.gov by 2/18/2022.

Dated: Jan. 20, 2022

Signed, Edwin Taylor, Secretary of Housing

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Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Department of
Transportation
680 Acquoni Road
Cherokee, North Carolina 28719
Phone: (828) 359-6530
Road reconstruction, Blue Wing Church Road off of Big Witch Road
The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed Bid Proposals from Qualified

Firms to provide the following services: Grading, Drainage, Paving, and retaining wall for the paving of Blue Wing Church Road. The deadline for submitting Bid Proposals will be February 17, 2022 at 10:00 AM, EST. Please be advised that all TERO rules and regulations, Tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations and laws shall apply to the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation and to the procurement of work solicited through this advertisement. You may request the full Request for Proposals (RFP) and requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Robert Willcox, CDOT Engineer at (828)-359-6122/(828)-736-3921 (cell) or Darrell Brown, CDOT Planner at (828)-359-6534. **2/2**

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 31, 2022, 11:00am EST. Please email Jeremiah Wiggins for a full RFP or with any questions at jeremiah.wiggins@kituwahllc.com
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Phone: _____ **Email:** _____



One Year - \$26



Six Months - \$13

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a constitutional form of governance.**

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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
 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)
 Licensed Clinical Social Worker Care Manager – Primary Care (8 Positions) ***\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus
 Masters Level Therapist – (Grant Funded) Adult/Analenisgi ***\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus
 Masters Level Therapist – Family Safety (2 Positions) ***\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus
 Masters Level Therapist – Integrated Classroom ***\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus
 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 (Female) – Kanvwotiyi (2 positions)
 Residential Technician (Male) - Kanvwotiyi
 Respiratory Therapist PTI
 RN Care Manager – Primary Care (3 positions) ***\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus
 RN Care Manager Float – Primary Care ***\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus
 Sterile Processing Technician
 Supply Warehouse Technician
 Targeted Case Manager - Analenisgi
 Telemetry Nursing Assistant

Tsali Care Center

Assistant Administrator
 CNA Full Time***\$2,000.00 Hiring Bonus
 CNA PTI ***\$1,000.00 Hiring Bonus
 License Practical Nurse***\$2,000.00 Hiring Bonus
 Medication Aide ***\$2,000.00 Hiring Bonus
 Personal Care Assistant/CNA - Part-Time Regular Without Benefits ***\$1,000.00 Hiring Bonus
 Personal Care Assistant/CNA – Regular Full – Time ***\$2,000.00 Hiring Bonus
 Registered Nurse – Full Time ***\$2,000.00 Hiring Bonus
Retention Bonus Eligible Positions
 Certified Nursing Assistant/Part-Time Intermittent/Part-Time Regular (Starting Pay \$18.00/Hr.)
 Medication Aide (Starting Pay \$18.00/Hr.)

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Dagvnawosi

It is going to melt
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Higvnawosv

If it melts
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Higvnawosv unestala nidigalistani
If it melts, it is going to turn into ice
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Unestala
Ice/Glass
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Unitsi nole unestala udasuyi

Unitsi nole unestala udsuyi

Snow and ice mixed
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Unitsi ganohilidoa

Blowing snow
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Unestala nvnohi

The road is icy
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