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# Safety first; it's only Fair

Cherokee Indian Fair to be held at old elementary school site

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

fter a two-year absence due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Cherokee Indian Fair will be back in action this year, but it will be in a different location. After being advised by tribal officials earlier in the day of safety concerns at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds, the Cherokee Indian Fair Committee voted unanimously on the afternoon of Wednesday, May 11 to hold this year's Fair, scheduled for Oct. 4-8, at the site of the old Cherokee Elementary School.

"The move of the location for the Cherokee Indian Fair is a change none of us expected, but I hope it's one we all come to welcome," Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed said in a statement to the One Feather. "We have a great opportunity to turn this negative news into something extremely positive for our community."

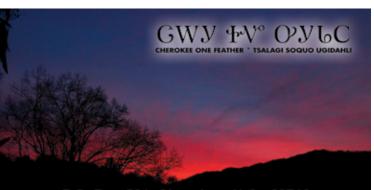
He added, "Updates to the current Fairgrounds and Exhibit Hall are long overdue. This challenge gives us the chance to create a wonderful venue for EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) citizens and visitors to enjoy for years to come. This renovation is just the first phase in a strategic revitalization of downtown Cherokee."

The Fair Committee met with tribal officials from the Division of Commerce and from EBCI Project Management on Wednesday According to a report from Phoenix figineering and Consulting, Inc., based in Woodstock, Ga., there is a five-inch crack in one of the vertical legs of the canopy at the Fairgrounds. (Photo courtesy EBCI Project Management)

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**FAIR:** Safety issues cause Indian Fair to be moved to new location, from front page

morning to discuss the safety issues which stem from a crack found in one of the support tubes on the canvas top over the amphitheater. According to a report from Phoenix Engineering and Consulting, Inc., based in Woodstock, Ga., there is a five-inch crack in one of the vertical legs of the canopy at the Fairgrounds.

Travis Sneed, EBCI Project Management director of support services, said, "What we're seeing is the first stages of a structural failure. The engineering firm and EBCI Risk Management have determined that it is unsafe to be under it (canopy) from this point on...a high wind event could come through and cause considerable damage or cause it to fail. So, at this point, we don't want anyone to be underneath it."

Chris Greene, EBCI Project Management, noted, "If this fails, there's no telling where these cables could go."

Chris McCoy, EBCI Secretary of Commerce, said, "We're moving forward. We're taking down the canopy. It's tragic, but we're doing it safely and we're going to do it with the team that put it up...it's going to create some opportunities for the whole community that I'm sure they'll get excited about."

He said safety is of the utmost importance. "But, in reality, with our conversations with Risk Management, Business Committee, and the Chief, we're not going to have the Fair at the Fairgrounds this year. So, we have to get our minds wrapped around how do we move this forward and have a successful event this year, and next year probably, on the new site."

During Wednesday's meetings, the Fair Committee and EBCI Commerce staff agreed to have weekly meetings to make sure the different components of the Fair come together well at the new site.

"In our community, we always step up to the plate and make it happen," said



The Wolftown and Hummingbird stickball teams battle it out at the UNITY Field on Oct. 5, 2021. The 2022 Cherokee Indian Fair will be held at the old Cherokee Elementary School site instead of the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds, but it is reported that stickball will still be held at the UNITY Field site. Last year's Fair was cancelled, but some events did occur such as stickball. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

Vicki Cruz, a member of the Fair Committee. "I feel like we're just going to our roots and the traditional old fairs. We'll make it happen."

Denise Ballard, Fair Committee member, agreed, "We've got to get excited about it...we're on board and we're going now to drive around and see what we can visualize."

McCoy noted, "We're going to take this week to see what resources we have for the event and build an infrastructure plan first. Then, we'll go seek the funding and work with our tribal departments to get this mitigated into an event site."

McCoy said the reconstruction at the existing Fairgrounds will take 18 to 24 months. "We'll probably be at this site (old elementary school) for two years."

He said staff will go out of their way to make the Fair run as smoothly as possible. "We want to make this a great event for the community. We're not going to fold and quit. We're going to do this. The Fairgrounds is dilapidated and it's time for an upgrade."

# 2022

# Teach What You Know, Share What You Have Conference **Thursday June 2nd** at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Council Ballroom

Welcome to the 2022 Teach What You Know Share What You Have Conference. We invite you to join this educational conference on June 2nd, 2022 in Cherokee, NC. We are currently accepting submissions for paper publications and both oral and poster presentations, we are excited to bring professional development to Cherokee language educators and other stakeholders in the field of Cherokee language education and learning.

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After a formal dedication ceremony on Friday, May 13, the Henry Owl Building is officially named and now houses UNC (University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill) Student Affairs. (JONAH LOSSIAH/One Feather photo); Below: Henry Owl (UNC photo)

# **Cherokee Scholar memorialized**

### Henry Owl Building dedicated at UNC-Chapel Hill

#### **By JONAH LOSSIAH** One Feather Staff

HAPEL HILL – The name Henry Owl is now etched in stone among some of the most historic buildings in American academia.

After a formal dedication ceremony on Friday, May 13, the Henry Owl Building is officially named and now houses UNC (University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill) Student Affairs. Henry Owl (1896-1980) was a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) and was the first student of color to attend UNC-Chapel Hill. He graduated with his master's in history in 1929 and would go on to become a face of the fight for Cherokee civil rights.

The year following his graduation from UNC, Swain County refused him the right to vote, citing his 'illiteracy'. The Indian Citizenship Act of 1924 deemed all American Indians citizens, but still regulated voting on a state-bystate basis. Owl would testify before Congress on these actions, provoking new legislation to be drafted that would grant suffrage to EBCI members.

Owl chose the life of educator for much of his career. In his days as a young adult, Owl also enlisted in the US Army and rose to the rank of Sergeant. This was in 1918, the final year of World War 1.

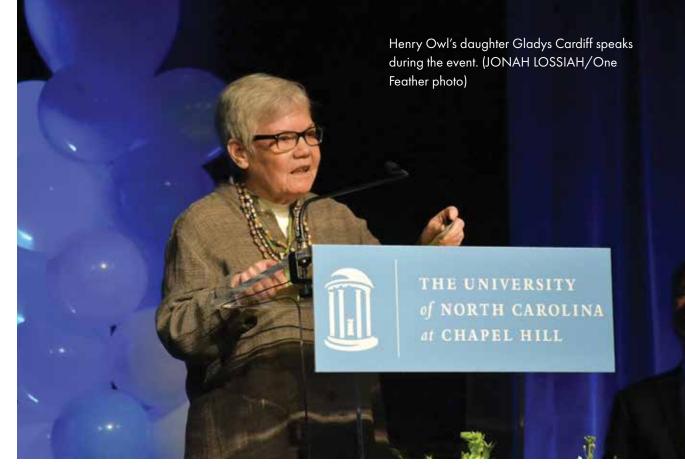


It was these stories and more that were discussed Friday at this building dedication. The event brought together leaders of the university, students, and many descendants of the Owl family. UNC Chancellor Kevin Guskiewicz was the first to speak.

"I have asked the Commission of History, Race, and A Way Forward to work with various stakeholders on campus and across North Carolina to provide a recommendation for an official university land acknowledgment. That work and the work that we begin today with the renaming of this building for Mr. Henry Owl are expressions of this university's commitment to partnering with American Indian communities as they seek to shape their future," said Guskiewicz.

The Commission of History, Race, and A Way Forward was launched by Guskiewicz in January of 2020 with a focus 'on three main areas: archives, history, research and curation; curriculum development and teaching; and engagement, ethics and reckoning.'

"In his master's thesis, which I have a copy of in my office, Henry Owl wrote on the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians before and after the removal. In 175 pages, he documented the mistreatment of Cherokees in our country. He wrote that his purpose was to create racist myths and misconceptions that have 'befogged the underlying facts of history'. That line, befogged the underlying facts of history, stands out to me. At times, there has been a fog around incredible, inspirational, and underrepresented voices in our university's history. Our goal today is to shine a light through that fog and illuminate more of the people who have made our university the



place it is today."

Chancellor Guskiewicz announced that the university was gifting bound copies of Owl's thesis to Owl's daughter Gladys Cardiff and Ashleigh Stephens, who was representing the EBCI on behalf of Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed.

Stephens, EBCI Chief of Staff, also shared her piece on the day.

"As both an alumnus of Chapel Hill and as a citizen of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, it gives me great joy to take part in this dedication of the Henry Owl Building," said Stephens.

"His story has long been a part of the university's heritage, and now it becomes a part of its future endowment. As leaders of new generations pass through these buildings, we hope that remembrance of Henry Owl will inspire them to embrace noble values even as they aspire to heights of success. We hope they will heed his example and make the hard choice to stand tall in the face of injustice, perseverance, and overcome barriers as they endeavor to make the world better than they found it."

Stephens called up Birdtown Tribal Council Rep. Boyd Owle to gift a basket made by Shirley Taylor to Cardiff.

Two undergraduate students at UNC were also invited to speak, both are enrolled members of the EBCI. The first to present was Colby Taylor of the Birdtown Community.

"When reading about Mr. Owl, one word came to mind - courage. This is because Mr. Owl exemplifies the very definition of the word. I say this because my definition of courage is the choice and willingness to be uncomfortable," said Taylor.

"I had to ask myself, would I have the courage to serve in the military for a country where I would not even be recognized as a full citizen? Would I have been courageous enough to become the first Native American and the first person of color to attend Carolina? Would I have been courageous enough to challenge racist voting laws?"

Immediately following Taylor was Juanita Paz-Chalacha. She expressed her thanks for being at the event but wished to offer a much different message to the audience and her university.

"I'm here before you all today not with a multitude of praise for this event, but with a hollow and exhausted anger. Yes, this event is a significant step forward in getting Native representation on campus. Yet, it is still one long-overdue step. The representation we get here has to come from the Native students themselves, not the university. While we are seen here at this event for the duration of time we are here, afterward, what are you, the university administration, going to do to get proper representation to your Native students and faculty going forward?"

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# "History is all about who gets to speak and who does not."

- Gladys Cardiff, Henry Owl's daughter



**OWL:** Building dedication, from page 5

The official dedication was spoken into record by Chancellor Guskiewicz and UNC assistant professor Dr. Benjamin Frey. Dr. Frey is a member of the EBCI and first presented the dedication fully in Cherokee.

The final speaker at the event was Cardiff. She thanked all of the family members that made the effort to make it to Chapel Hill that day and spoke about the significance of the day. She also gave credit to Theda Purdue, a former history professor at UNC-Chapel Hill. Purdue fought to have Henry Owl's name represented on UNC's campus for years, long before she met Cardiff.

"The significance of today goes far beyond any one name. The aim to create and support a more diverse and inclusive campus as a strategic initiative. The potential for collaboration and mutual reciprocity. A celebration of our differences and our shared humanity. These are the high aims," said Cardiff. Immediately following the dedication of the Henry Owl Building, another was held for the McClinton Residence Hall. Hortense McClinton was the first black professor at UNC, coming to Chapel Hill in 1966. These two buildings were announced together in December of 2021.

After a banquet to celebrate McClinton and Owl, members of the Owl family and the UNC American Indian Center made their way North on campus to the Henry Owl Building. Members of the family shared their thoughts on the day as each attendee formed a circle and burned sage outside the building.

Gladys Cardiff said that she was overwhelmed by the support and gifts. She said she was honored by all of it and that seeing her father's name on the building was special. She finished her speech with a sentiment for her father and the appreciation of having a platform.

"History is all about who gets to speak and who does not."



#### CIPD Arrest Report for May 2-8

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.

March, David Perry – age 36 Arrested: May 2 Released: May 2 Charges: Temporary Hold

Panther, Jordan Phillip – age 32 Arrested: May 2 Released: May 8 Charges: Larceny Queen, Ruby Marie – age 28 Arrested: May 2 Released: May 5 Charges: Contributing to the Delinquency, Undiscipline, Neglect, or Abuse of Minors

Reed, Jimmy – age 42 Arrested: May 2 Released: May 2 Charges: Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance

Reed, Michael James Hunter – age 46 Arrested: May 2 Released: May 6 Charges: Probation Violation

Weaber, Riccy Dawn – age 31 Arrested: May 2 Released: May 2 Charges: Temporary Hold Yazzie, Michael Lee – age 44 Arrested: May 2 Released: Not released as of report date (May 9) Charges: Domestic

Climbingbear, Isaac – age 32 Arrested: May 3 Released: Not released as of report date (May 9) Charges: Pre-trial Release Violation

Eggen, Caleb Jage – age 19 Arrested: May 3 Released: May 6 Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree (two counts), Reckless Endangerment (two counts), Possession Schedule I Controlled Substance (two counts)

Price, Dustin Lee - age 32

Arrested: May 3 Released: May 5 Charges: Simple Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance

Oocumma, Farrell Edward – age 35 Arrested: May 4 Released: May 5 Charges: Hold Until Sober

Otter, Kerry Hawk – age 36 Arrested: May 4 Released: Not released as of report date (May 9) Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Welch, Juliann Renea – age 23 Arrested: May 5 Released: Not released as of report date (May 9) Charges: Non-Compliant with Wellness Court





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Garcia, Jamie Luiz – age 21 Arrested: May 6 Released: Not released as of report date (May 9) Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor (two counts), Resisting Public Officer

Reed Jr., Charles Frederic – age 32 Arrested: May 6 Released: Not released as of report date (May 9) Charges: Assault on Law Enforcement, Probation, or Parole Officer; Obstructing Governmental Functions; Aggravated Weapons Offense

Mahan, Christopher Allen – age 32 Arrested: May 7 Released: May 7 Charges: Extradition/Fugitive Other State Price, Colby Taylor – age 30 Arrested: May 7 Released: Not released as of report date (May 9) Charges: Probation Violation

#### Former Swain Co. residents plead guilty to felony child abuse

A man and his wife, former Swain County residents who now live in Caldwell County, pleaded guilty Wednesday, May 11 to neglect and child abuse charges stemming from severe injuries inflicted on a four-year-old boy in their care, District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch said.

Daniel Crowder, 42, and Diane Crowder, 42, each pleaded guilty in Swain County Superior Court to three criminal charges: felony child abuse by negligently failing to seek medical treatment and that failure resulted in serious bodily injury and two counts misdemeanor child abuse.

Judge Peter Knight handed down identical sentences. He ordered the Crowders to each serve active terms in the state Division of Adult Corrections of 25 months minimum to 42 months maximum, the most allowed for that charge under state law.

He consolidated the misdemeanor child abuse charges for the purposes of sentencing, ordering an additional 75 days active time in Swain County's jail upon release from state prison.

The child suffered permanent brain damage and, because of a spinal-cord injury, now has difficulty walking.

The Crowders were not the biological parents, but at that time, they were the primary caregivers.

In three months, between a visit to a health clinic with the biological father and the subsequent stay in the Crowders home, the child dropped from 58 pounds to 38 pounds. According to the doctor's notes, he was an "alert, smiling, active and playful" child while at the health clinic.

Now aged 10, the child has since been adopted. He continues to receive counseling, treatment and regular assessments.

Assistant District Attorneys Chris Matheson and Kimberly Harris prosecuted the case. Swain County detectives conducted the investigation.

- Office of District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch, 43rd Prosecutorial District, release



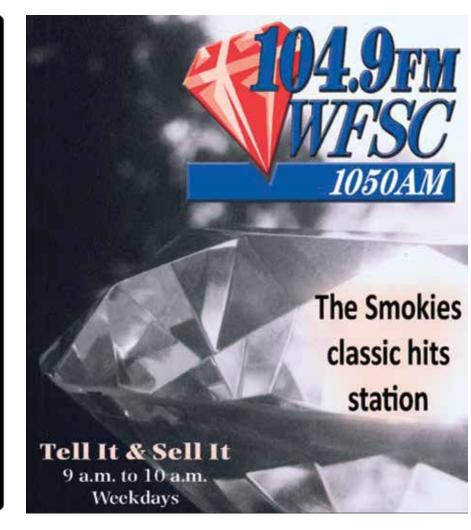
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### Tribal Court Quarterly Report (Jan. 1 to March 31, 2022)

#### Submitted by Cherokee Tribal Court

The Tribal Court has recently began utilizing a new data system known as Tribalex. Tribalex connects the Court, Cherokee Indian Police Department, Magistrates, Marshal Service, Office of the Tribal Prosecutor, Domestic Violence Program, and Family Safety Program into a system that will allow for better case management, data collection, scheduling, case submission, and accountability while maintaining confidentiality through privileging access to information. The system build is still in progress and historical case information will still need to be transferred, but the system is functional enough for the Court to pull data for this report.

Going forward, the Court will be submitting quarterly reports to the One Feather. As the data system continues to grow these reports will shift and expand as more data points are available. For this quarterly report we are showing you data from January 2022-March 2022. This data comes from Tribalex and Office of the Tribal Prosecutor.

A few highlights from the Court:

• The Marshal Service has moved under the control of the CIPD. This report contains statistics from April 2022 as provided by the Marshal Service.

• There are five Jury Sessions scheduled over the next six months. As of May 2, 2022, these jury sessions will address 50+ defendants and 250+ criminal charges.

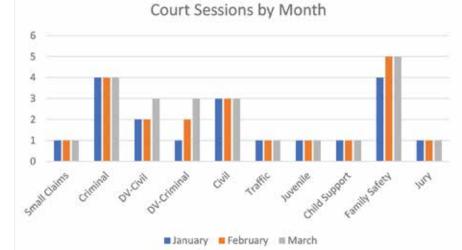
• The Court has issued numerous Bond Forfeitures when individuals out on bond have failed to appear for their next court appearance. At this time \$19,500 is due to be paid to the Court in forfeited bonds where final judgement has been entered.

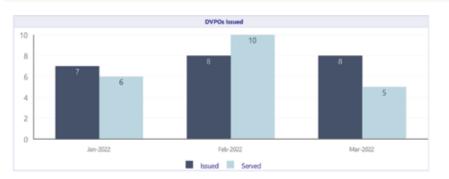
#### CONVICTION REPORT JAN. 1 to MARCH 31, 2022

The following is a summary of convictions during the last quarter. For the purposes of this report, the quarter is calculated from January 1, 2022 through March 31, 2022. These convictions were entered during Criminal Court sessions with Judge Monty Beck and Judge Barbara Parker presiding. These summaries are not an exhaustive list of all convictions during the first quarter of the calendar year/second quarter of the fiscal year. These convictions do not include minor traffic violations. These summaries also do not include the fines and fees assessed by the Court. Additional information regarding these convictions and other dispositions may be obtained from the Court records on file.

Erika Arkansas- Bradley was convicted of Second Degree Trespass and was found to have violated her probationary sentence on January 5, 2022. Ms. Arkansas-Bradley served fifteen days active in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center with an additional thirty-day sentence suspended. Ms. Arkansas-Bradley was returned to supervised probation with an additional six months added to her probationary sentence. As a condition of her probation, she was ordered not to return to the Shell Gas Station.

Dwayne Bird was convicted of Criminal Mischief to Property on January 12, 2022. Judgment was continued in this matter.





| April 2022 Probation Status               |     |
|---|-----|
| Active Probation                          | 172 |
| Active Pre-Trial                          | 55  |
| New for the Month                         | 33  |
| Office Visits                             | 285 |
| Call by Phone Check-Ins Weekly            | 60  |
| Violations for the Month                  | 15  |
| Arrest on Probation Violation             | 10  |
| Electronic Home Confinement (EHC) Total   | 32  |
| EHC New for Month                         | 8   |
| Continuous Alcohol Monitoring (CAM) Total | 5   |
| CAM New for Month                         | 0   |
| Drug Screens Given                        | 15  |
| Probation Ended                           | 1   |
| Unsupervised Total                        | 12  |
| New Unsupervised for Month                | 4   |
| Deceased                                  | 2   |

Richard James Bottchenbaugh, Jr. was convicted of Assault with a Deadly Weapon and Assault on a Female on March 29, 2022. The Defendant was sentenced to 180 days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. That sentence was suspended, and Mr. Bottchenbaugh was sentenced to twelve months supervised probation. As special conditions of his probation, Mr. Bottchenbaugh was required to serve sixty days in active custody, obtain a Batterers Treatment Assessment and return a copy of a certificate of completion, and have no contact with Kimberly Wildcatt.

David Bradley was convicted of Weapons Offense and Larceny on March 31, 2022. Mr. Bradley was sentenced to 120 days in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. Bradley was placed on supervised probation for a period of one year. As a special condition of his probation, Mr. Bradley was ordered not to be on or about the property of Motion Makers. The Court further ordered that the crossbow seized as evidence may be returned upon successful completion of probation.

Thunder Bradley was convicted of Elder Abuse and Child Abuse in the Second Degree (x2) on February 17, 2022. Mr. Bradley was sentenced to 120 days active in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. That sentence was suspended, and Mr. Bradley was placed on supervised probation for a period of twelve months. As a special condition of his probation, the defendant was ordered to perform twenty-four hours of community service.

Cammy Jo Brady was convicted of Contributing to the Delinquency, Undiscipline, Neglect or Abuse of Minors (x3) on March 30, 2022. Ms. Brady was sentenced to six months in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Ms. Brady was placed on unsupervised probation for a period of twelve months.

Angela Cisneros was convicted of Possession of a Controlled Substance on February 2, 2022. Ms. Cisneros was sentenced to ninety days suspended for twelve months supervised probation. As a special condition of her probation, Ms. Cisneros was ordered to serve thirty days active to be completed on Electronic Home Confinement.

Jerry Conner was convicted of Domestic Violence, Criminal Mischief Aggravated Weapons Offense, and Assault by Pointing a Gun on February 1, 2022. Mr. Conner was sentenced to 365 days



in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. Conner was placed on supervised probation for a period of twenty-four months with supervision on a call-in basis. As special conditions of his probation, Mr. Conner was required to serve sixty days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center and have no contact with Claudette Long. Mr. Conner was also ordered to not be on any EBCI property for the twenty-four month duration of his probation.

Amber Crowe was convicted of Possession of a Controlled Substance and Second Degree Trespass on March 22, 2022. Ms. Crowe was sentenced to 120 days active. This sentence was suspended for eighteen months supervised probation. As special conditions of her probation, Ms. Crowe must serve thirty days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center or an in-patient treatment facility. Ms. Crowe is permanently evicted from Harrah's Casino properties and may not return. Ms. Crowe was also ordered to pay \$600.00 restitution to the state crime lab.

Bobby Crowe was convicted of Possession of a Controlled Substance and Elder Abuse on March 17, 2022. Mr. Crowe was sentenced to 411 days in active custody.

Jennifer Aidan Crowe was convicted of Domestic Violence on February 15, 2022. Ms. Crowe was sentenced to thirty days. This sentence was suspended, and Ms. Crowe was placed on twelve months supervised probation. Entry of the judgment was stayed, and Ms. Crowe was ordered to complete Batterers Treatment. Upon successful completion of Batterers Treatment, Ms. Crowe may move to withdraw her guilty plea.

Yona Cruz was convicted of Second Degree Trespass on February 2, 2022. Judgment in this matter was continued for period of twelve months on the condition that Mr. Cruz not be about the Casino property.

Verron Doyce Davis was convicted of Domestic Violence, Domestic Criminal Trespass, and Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court on March 2, 2022. Mr. Davis was sentenced to 180 days active in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended and Mr. Davis was placed on supervised probation for a period of eighteen months. As special conditions of his probation, Mr. Davis was ordered to have no contact with Berdina Standingdeer or be on or about her property. Mr. Davis was placed on Electronic Home Confinement and restricted to his home and workplace. He is also specifically restricted from any location where Berdina Standingdeer may be. If Mr. Davis commits no violations of this Judgment or other crimes, he may come off **Electronic Home Confinement** after one year.

Carl Esquivel was convicted of Domestic Violence on January 27, 2022. Mr. Esquivel was sentenced to 365 days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. Esquivel was placed on supervised probation for a period of one year. As special conditions of his probation, Mr. Esquivel was ordered to attend Batterers Treatment and any other recommended therapy and provide proof of classes to probation officer, have no contact with Indica Climbingbear, surrender all weapons to the Cherokee Indian Police Department, and not to consume any alcohol or controlled substances.

Brian Finger was convicted of Domestic Violence on February 15, 2022 and also admitted to a probation violation on that date. Mr. Finger was ordered to serve thirty days active on the probation violation and returned to the eighteen months of supervised probation for his prior sentence entered in November 2021. At the expiration of that sentence, Mr. Finger is sentenced to ninety days suspended for six months to run consecutive to his prior sentence. Mr. Finger was also ordered to complete Batterers Treatment.

John Cameron George was convicted of Assault on a Female and Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court on January 24, 2022. Mr. George was sentenced to 120 days in the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. George was placed on eighteen months supervised probation. As special conditions of his probation, Mr. George may not have alcohol or controlled substances and must comply with Family Safety. If there are no violations within the first year, Mr. George shall be moved to unsupervised probation.

Michael Anthony George was convicted of Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle on March 30, 2022. Mr. George was sentenced to twenty-nine days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. The seized vehicle was ordered returned to the owner upon proof of ownership.

Colby Hemphill was convicted of Criminal Mischief on February 7, 2022. Mr. Hemphill was sentenced to ninety days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. Hemphill was placed on unsupervised probation for a period of twenty-four months. Mr. Hemphill can have no contact, direct or indirect, with Richelle Jenkins for the duration of his probation.

William Hornbuckle was convicted of Second Degree Trespass on January 12, 2022 and ordered to serve ninety days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended and Mr. Hornbuckle was placed on unsupervised probation for a period of twelve months. As a special condition of his probation, Mr. Hornbuckle may not be about the residence located at 3905 Wrights Creek Road.

Timothy Hull, Jr. was convicted of Assault on a Female on February 1, 2022. Mr. Hull was sentenced to thirty days in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. Mr. Hull's sentence was suspended, and he was ordered to complete Batterers Treatment. Upon successful completion of Batterers Treatment, the Defendant may withdraw his guilty plea.

Bill Edwin Ivey was convicted of Public Intoxication, Disorderly Conduct, and Indecent Exposure on February 17, 2022. Mr. Ivey was sentenced to thirty days active in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. Ivey was sentenced to six months supervised probation. As special conditions of his probation, the Defendant was required to obtain a substance abuse assessment within the first thirty days and follow the recommendations for ninety days thereafter and provide proof of compliance to his probation officer.

Alexandra Keever was convicted of Possession of a Controlled Substance on February 16, 2022. Ms, Keever was placed on supervised probation for a period of twelve months. As special conditions of her probation, Ms. Keever was ordered to obtain a substance abuse assessment and follow the recommendations of that substance abuse assessment within 150 days of entry of the judgment. Ms. Keever was also ordered to perform twenty-four hours of community service and pay \$600.00 in restitution to the state crime lab. As a first offender within C.C. 14-95.36, Ms. Keever may request to withdraw her guilty plea if she successfully complies with all conditions imposed by the judgment. Ms. Keever served 112 days in the custody of the Cherokee Indian Detention Center and 112 days on Electronic Home Confinement.

Christopher Key was convicted of Tampering with Witnesses and Contributing to the Delinquency, Undiscipline, Neglect or Abuse of Minors on March 31, 2022. Mr. Key was sentenced to ninety days in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. Key was placed on supervised probation for a period of twelve months. As special conditions of his probation, Mr. Key was ordered to obtain a substance abuse assessment and follow the recommendations of that assessment and to perform twenty-four hours of community service. Once Mr. Key has completed community service and the recommendations of his substance abuse assessment, his probation may be transferred to unsupervised. Mr. Key was credited with twenty-four days pretrial credit.

Melissa Komenda was convicted of Child Abuse in the Second Degree and Contributing to the Delinquency, Undiscipline, Neglect, or Abuse of Minor on January 12, 2022. Ms. Komenda was sentenced to ninety days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended for one year supervised probation. As a special condition of her supervised probation, the Ms. Komenda is to have no contact with minor victim, H.H., or Rozina Hendrix.

Lola Ledford was convicted of a Driving While Impaired (Level Three) on February 16, 2022. Ms. Ledford was sentenced to thirty days to run concurrent with 21CR9437. This sentence was suspended, and Ms. Ledford was placed on supervised probation for a period of twelve months.

Stanley Ray Ledford was convicted of Assault on a Female. Mr. Ledford was sentenced to thirty days in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended for twelve months probation. As special conditions of his unsupervised probation, Mr. Ledford is to have no contact with Mary Murphy, nor be on or about the premises of Harrah's Casino at either location, nor have or consume alcohol.

Michael Littlejohn was convicted of Second Degree Trespass on March 31, 2022. Mr. Littlejohn was sentenced to seventeen days in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center.

Robert Allen Littlejohn was convicted of Public Nuisance on March 31, 2022. Mr. Littlejohn was sentenced to ten days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. Littlejohn was placed on six months unsupervised probation. As special conditions of his probation, Mr. Littlejohn was ordered to stay away from 50 Cucumber Road and consume no alcohol or controlled substances except as prescribed. Kirk Lossiah, Jr. was found to have violated his probation on January 19, 2022, and his prior 365 day sentence was activated. At the time his sentence was activated, Mr. Lossiah had served 138 days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center, and he was ordered serve the remaining 227 days of his sentence on electronic home confinement. Mr. Lossiah was also ordered to complete Batterers Treatment.

Nekyle Lossiah was convicted of Contributing to the Delinquency, Undiscipline, Neglect, or Abuse of Minors on March 30, 2022. Mr. Lossiah was sentenced to five days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center and ordered to wear a Continuous Alcohol Monitoring device for eighty-four days.

Siceria Maney was convicted of Contributing to the Delinquency, Undiscipline, Neglect, or Abuse of Minors on February 7, 2022. Ms. Maney was sentenced to ninety days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Ms. Maney was placed on unsupervised probation for a period of twelve months.

Benjamin Martinez was convicted of Disorderly Conduct on March 22, 2022 and sentenced to ninety days in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. Martinez was placed on one year supervised probation.

David Montelongo was convicted of Fraudulent Use of a Credit Card, Resisting, Obstructing, or Delaying Officers, and Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property on March 31, 2022. Mr. Montelongo was sentenced 180 days active. This sentence was suspended and Mr. Montelongo was placed on supervised probation for twenty-four months with credit for sixty-three days pre-trial confinement.

Ermelinda Montelongo was convicted of Second Degree Trespass and Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court on February 17, 2022. Ms. Montelongo was sentenced to ninety days. This sentence was suspended, and Ms. Montelongo was placed on unsupervised probation for a period of six months on the condition that she not be on the hospital property unless for medical treatment

Jennifer Morgan was convicted of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and multiple motor vehicle offenses on January 5, 2022. Ms. Morgan was sentenced to six months in the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Ms. Morgan was placed on supervised probation. As special conditions of her probation, Ms. Morgan was ordered to serve sixty-seven days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center and serve ninety days on electronic home confinement.

Alyson Penland was convicted of Resisting Arrest and motor vehicle violations on February 15, 2022. Ms. Penland was sentenced to forty-five days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center.

Brittany Jane Price was convicted of Drug Trafficking (x2) and Manufacturing, Selling, or Delivering or Possession with the intent to Manufacture, Sell, or Deliver Controlled Substances and was found to have violated her probation on March 21, 2022. Ms. Price was sentenced to thirty-six months in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center with credit for eighty-four days in custody pretrial. Ms. Price was ordered to pay \$600.00 restitution to the state crime lab. Judgment was stayed and jurisdiction of this matter was transferred to Wellness Court.

Tyler Dean Pepion was convicted of Fear of Infliction of Physical Harm on March 1, 2022. Judgment was deferred on the following conditions. Mr. Pepion was placed on twelve months supervised probation. As special conditions of his probation, Mr. Pepion was ordered to not have, use or possess any controlled substance unless prescribed and used in accordance with each prescription. Mr. Pepion was further ordered to attend individual counseling and couples counseling as directed by Analenisgi. Mr. Pepion was also ordered to attend CFTs and submit to random drug screens as directed by Family Safety.

Cornelia Rattler was convicted of Obstructing Governmental Functions, Larceny, and Second Degree Trespass on March 21, 2022. Ms. Rattler was sentenced to 365 days active. This sentence was suspended and Ms. Rattler was placed on supervised probation for a period of eighteen months. As special conditions of her supervised probation, Defendant was ordered to not be on or about the Casino property in Murphy or Cherokee and to pay restitution in the amount of \$1,100.00 to Naomi Swimmer.

Jacob Hunter Rattler was sentenced to Drug Trafficking (x2), Grand Larceny, and Manufacturing, Selling, or Delivering or Possession with the intent to Manufacture, Sell, or Deliver Controlled Substances on February 16, 2022. Mr. Rattler was sentenced to three years in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was stayed and jurisdiction transferred to Wellness Court on the condition that Mr. Rattler pay \$19,260.00 in restitution to Oak Brothers and \$270.00 restitution to Harrah's Casino.

Seth Payton Reed was convict-

ed of Criminal Mischief, Larceny, and Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle on March 31, 2022. Mr. Reed was sentenced to 180 days in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. Reed was placed on twelve months supervised probation. As Mr. Reed currently resides off the Boundary and out of state, Mr. Reed may be supervised via phone contact on a monthly basis.

Patrick Rickman was convicted of Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court on March 29, 2022. Mr. Rickman was sentenced to ninety days in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended. and Mr. Rickman was placed on supervised probation for a period of two years. As special conditions of his probation, Mr. Rickman was ordered to serve thirty days on Electronic Home Confinement. Mr. Rickman was also ordered to have no contact with Loleta Queen or be within 150 feet of her residence for the next two years.

Brittany Saunooke was convicted of Manufacturing, Selling, or Delivering or Possession with the intent to Manufacture, Sell, or Deliver Controlled Substances, Child Abuse in the Second Degree, and Providing or Possession Contraband on January 19, 2022. Ms. Saunooke was sentenced to eighteen months in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. The first fourteen months of Ms. Saunooke's sentence must be spent in active custody and the Defendant may be credited with time spent in the Cherokee Detention Center and in-patient treatment if she successfully completes the recommended in-patient treatment. Ms. Saunooke will receive no credit if she fails to complete the entire course of treatment.

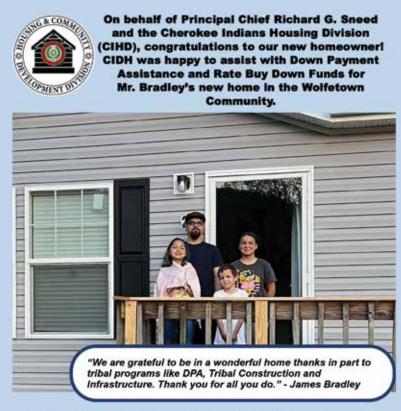
The last four months of Ms. Saunooke's sentence may be suspended for supervised probation. Ms. Saunooke also must comply with all recommendations of any Family Safety Plan. This sentence was stayed and the jurisdiction was transferred to Wellness Court.

Amanda Sherrill was convicted of Providing or Possessing Contraband and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia on March 30, 2022. Ms. Sherrill was sentenced to 471 days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center and given credit for 471 days served.

John Sherrill was convicted of Possession of a Controlled Substance on January 12, 2022. The Defendant was ordered to serve 180 days active. This sentence was deferred on the condition that Mr. Sherrill pay the \$1,000 fine, obtain a substance abuse assessment, and complete the recommendations of that assessment within 150 days of the judgment. Mr. Sherrill was placed on supervised probation for a period of twelve months per the Cherokee Code to monitor his compliance.

Billy Joe Brady Smith II was convicted of Grand Larceny on February 17, 2022. Mr. Smith was sentenced to six months in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. Smith was placed on twelve months supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, Mr. Smith was ordered to pay \$2,000.00 restitution to Angela Reeves.

Gregory Smith was convicted of Simple Assault on January 12, 2022. Defendant was sentenced to thirty eight days active in the custody of the Cherokee Detention



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Kayla Smith was convicted of Driving While Impaired (Level Five) on February 2, 2022. Ms. Smith was ordered to serve a minimum sentence of twenty-four hours and a maximum sentence of fourteen days in active custody. This sentence was suspended for twelve months unsupervised probation.

Brandon Sneed was convicted of Criminal Mischief to Property on March 31, 2022. Mr. Sneed was sentenced to thirty days in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. Sneed was placed on unsupervised probation for a period of six months during which he is not to be about the property of Maria Arch.

Samuel Sneed was convicted of Simple Assault and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia on January 5, 2022. Ms. Sneed was sentenced to thirty four days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. Granthan Steve was convicted of Resisting Lawful Arrest and Intoxicated and Disruptive on February 16, 2022. Mr. Steve was sentenced to thirty days. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. Steve was placed on unsupervised probation for a period of six months. As terms of his probation, Mr. Steve was ordered to complete a substance abuse assessment and follow the recommendations for a period of ninety days.

Christpher Royce Sunrhodes was convicted of Aggravated Elder Abuse on February 17, 2022. The Defendant was sentenced to ninety days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center and credited with twenty-two days served in the Cherokee Detention Center. The sentence was suspended and Mr. Sunrhodes was placed on supervised probation for a period of twelve months.

Autry Taylor was convicted of Resisting, Delaying, or Obstructing Officers on March 3, 2022. Mr. Taylor was sentenced to ten days in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center.

Charles Taylor was convicted of Communicating Threats and Intoxicated and Disruptive on March 30, 2022. Mr. Taylor was sentenced to thirty days active in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. Taylor was placed on unsupervised probation for six months.

Jason Taylor was convicted of Reckless Driving on February 2, 2022. Mr. Taylor was sentenced to twenty days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. Taylor was placed on supervised probation for a period of twelve months. As special conditions of his probation, Mr. Taylor was ordered to perform forty-eight hours of community service and complete a substance abuse assessment and follow the recommendations thereof.

Stephanie Taylor was convicted of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (x2) and Possession of Contraband on February 17, 2022. Ms. Taylor was sentenced to ninety days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended for a period of twelve months supervised probation. As special conditions of her probation, Ms. Taylor was ordered to obtain a substance abuse assessment and follow the recommendations as well as to provide monthly drug screens and to pay \$1,200.00 restitution to the state crime lab. If compliant with the conditions of probation, Ms. Taylor's probation may be transferred to unsupervised after six

months.

Bennie Teesateskie was convicted of Possession of a Controlled Substance (x4) on February 17, 2022. Mr. Teesateskie was sentenced to 365 days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. Teesateskie was placed on supervised probation for a period of eighteen months. As special conditions of his probation, Mr. Teesateskie was ordered to serve six months in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. Mr. Teesateskie was also required to complete forty-eight hours of community service.

Hunter Thomas was convicted of Simple Assault on February 1, 2022. Sentencing in this matter was continued for a period of one year, and Mr. Thomas was ordered to have no contact with Damien Lossiah for one year.

Sarah Marie Thompson was convicted of Possession of a Controlled Substance on March 1, 2022. Ms. Thompson was sentenced to six months active in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was deferred, and Ms. Thompson was placed on supervised probation for a period of twelve months. As a special condition of deferment, Ms. Thompson must obtain a substance abuse assessment and follow all of the recommendations of that assessment within 150 days of the entry of the judgment. Deferment was also conditioned on Ms. Thompson paying \$600.00 restitution to the state crime lab. As a condition of her probation, Ms. Thompson must provide proof of her compliance with the recommendations arising from the substance abuse assessment to her supervising probation officer/ marshal.

Kyle Voss was convicted

of Larceny, Criminal Mischief, and Second Degree Trespass on February 15, 2022. Mr. Voss was sentenced to 180 days active. This sentence was suspended, and Mr. Voss was placed on supervised probation for eighteen months. As special conditions of his probation, Mr. Voss is not to be about the Casino property for the duration of his probation. Mr. Voss was further ordered to comply and complete recommendations of his substance abuse assessment during the pendency of probation.

Sandy Wahnetah was convicted of Child Abuse in the Second Degree on February 16, 2022. Ms. Wahnetah was sentenced to ninety days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Ms. Wahnetah was placed on supervised probation for a period of twelve months. Ms. Wahnetah was also ordered to complete a substance abuse assessment and follow the recommendations thereof.

Calvin Waldroup was convicted of Possession of a Controlled Substance  $(x_3)$  on February 16, 2022. Mr. Waldroup was ordered to serve 300 days in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center for Possession of a Controlled Substance (x2) and given credit for 300 days served. On the remaining conviction of Possession of a Controlled Substance, Ms. Waldroup was sentenced to twelve months active. That sentence was suspended, and Mr. Waldroup was placed on supervised probation for a period of eighteen months. As special conditions of his probation, Mr. Waldroup was required to pay \$600.00 in restitution to the state crime lab and perform forty-eight hours of community service. Crystal Waldroup was convicted of Possession of a Controlled Substance on March 30, 2022 and sentenced to 120 days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center and credited with time served.

Ricky Lee Ward was convicted of Resisting, Delaying, or Obstructing Officers on February 17, 2022. Mr. Ward was sentenced to twenty-eight days in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center.

Brian Keith Watty was convicted of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia on February 16, 2022. Mr. Watty was sentenced to thirty days active suspended for six months supervised probation. Mr. Watty was ordered to complete thirty hours of community service during the period of his probation. Upon completion of the thirty hours of community service, Mr. Watty may be transferred to unsupervised probation if no other violations are pending.

Dalisa Watty was convicted of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia on February 16, 2022. Ms. Watty was sentenced to 90 days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and Ms. Watty was placed on supervised probation for a period of twelve months. As special conditions of her supervised probation, the Defendant was ordered to complete twenty-four hours of community service, obtain a substance abuse assessment within ninety days and follow the recommendations thereof.

Anthony Keith Welch was convicted of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia on February 16, 2022. Mr. Welch was ordered to serve ninety days in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. This sentence was suspended, and the Defendant was placed on supervised probation for a period of twelve months. As special conditions of his probation, Mr. Welch was ordered to perform twenty-four hours of community service, obtain a substance abuse assessment within sixty days and follow the recommendations. Mr. Welch's probation may be transferred to unsupervised after six months if he is fully compliant with the terms of his probation.

Becky Williams was convicted of Contributing to the Delinquency, Undiscipline, Neglect, or Abuse of Minors, Violation of Exclusion Order, and Harboring an Excluded Person on February 16, 2022. Ms. Williams was sentenced to six months in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center that was suspended for twelve months supervised probation on the condition that she serve forty-three days active in the custody of the Cherokee Detention Center.

Jordan Rae Wolfe was convicted of Possession of a Controlled Substance (x3) on February 16, 2022. Ms. Wolfe was sentenced to 189 days in active custody and credited with 189 days served in the active custody of the Cherokee Detention Center. Ms. Wolfe was also ordered to pay \$600.00 restitution to the state crime lab.

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Cherokee Musical Theatre students go tropical with "Once on This Island Jr."

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

The Cherokee Central Schools Musical Theatre Program took their audience to the Caribbean with its performance of "Once on This Island Jr.", a musical based on the 1985 novel "My Love, My Love" by Rosa Guy. The musical opened at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center on the evening of Thursday, May 12.

"It's fantastic to finally be out of the pandemic and be able to do what we all love to do," said Valerie Deitz Tissue, Cherokee Central Schools dance and musical theatre director. "Their talent is amazing, and their commitment to the show is fantastic. You wouldn't know that they hadn't been on stage in a very long time."

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this is the first production since 2019's production of "Into the Woods". Tissue noted, "The majority of the cast haven't been on the stage in two years or ever. Some of them are brand new to theater so it's so great to see about 40-plus kids included in the cast and crew."

The students came back to the stage ready to go commented Tissue, "To get these characters, they had an audition process...we spent the first part, a good solid month, on how to audition, what a good



Lauren Wooten, as "Ti Moune", is shown in a pivotal scene during the opening night performance of "Once on This Island" by the Cherokee Central Schools Musical Theatre at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center on the evening of Thursday, May 12. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

audition looks like. Each student had to come and do a one-minute monologue. Each student had to sing sixty bars of a song, just like you would do at a standard musical audition out in the real world. They crushed the audition. All of them came in so prepared, I was so pleased."

She praised her students, "There's so much talent here, and there's really some big brains here." One such student is Lucian Davis, a senior, who portrayed the part of Asaka, the God of Earth. "I've just been trying to make it really fun. I want you to just eat me up every time I'm on the stage. So, I'm just trying to really like bring it."

Davis, who will be attending the University of Washington this fall, said the character reminds him of himself. "My character is loud and, I mean, I am very loud and proud, bringing you everything you want. I'm just over the top, dramatic, and all up in your face like, 'I'm here and I'm going to make you know I'm here, and I'm beautiful'."

The other senior in the production was Abigail Taylor who played Papa Ge, the God of Death. "This is my first lead role. Usually, I've been in ensemble and in en-

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semble you have to be like smiley the whole time and just having fun. And this one, I'm just trying to be intimidating or mean and it's very difficult sometimes. I do miss the ensemble sometimes, but it's fun to step into a character, too."

This character was quite different than Taylor, who will attend Wake Forest University this fall, in real life. "It's really hard because if you see how I interact with the cast, I'm really bubbly, always laughing with everyone. I'm always giving people hugs or just trying to lift everyone's spirits up. Then it's like I get on stage and I have to be intimidating. Or, on stage when I'm interacting with the cast, I have to push people out of the way or something. Then I always feel bad afterwards and I'm like, 'I promise you I'm not doing it as myself! Just the character!' The hardest part of this whole thing is the laugh. I start trying to do an evil laugh and then I start giggling and I can't do it."

Tissue said she likes the way musical theatre and the arts can transform a student. "I think the part I love the most is seeing a student come in that maybe is painfully shy or you can see that there's a lot of trauma background, some of those things, and then theater becomes their safe place, a place where they can have a positive creative outlet to get some of that out to express themselves. Once they find that it's a safe place, they start to open up a little bit more. Out of all the school, it might be the one class out of the day that they enjoy coming to and it gives them a reason to come to school. That's really what elective classes in the arts are all about. It's about giving people



Ti Moune, played by Lauren Wooten, attends to Daniel Beauxhomme, played by Julius Bolden, as Papa Ge, played by Abigail Taylor, looks on.

an outlet and a creative positive way to express themselves."

She said the positivity exuded by the students was wonderful. "These kids, on top of the pandemic, they had a big transition of staff this year, of leadership in the program with myself stepping in to lead this program, and they came through that transition just seamlessly. These kids just jumped on board and they were ready to be looking forward, not looking back. I'm so proud of that and had it not been for that positive attitude, this wouldn't be happening. I so appreciate them and their willingness to follow."

Performing on stage has boosted the confidence of these students. Davis noted, "I used to be really insecure about who I am as a person and I think this has really helped because it gives that sense that these people are welcoming me. It's a second home. Being on the stage and the lights hitting you gives you like, 'Nobody can tell you what to do in this moment' and I'm just going to do it. It's just free."

Taylor agreed and said, "I also think it's a nice way to bring people together who are all different characters. Not different characters in the sense that we're putting on a show, but their actual person and their actual personalities. We have a bunch of extroverts here, but we also have a bunch of introverts here. We all have different interests and we're all different ages. We have a bunch of middle schoolers in this cast."

Having been performing for years, she added, "Growing up in theater, it was so interesting to me seeing my seniors and how they've affected me and how they almost protected me and brought me up. It's interesting this year knowing that I'm the senior and I'm trying to be that good example and trying to be kind to everyone and make sure everyone feels included. I think that's interesting, and it helps us as individuals to grow."

When asked what advice they'd give to fellow students thinking of entering the musical theatre at Cherokee High School, the students were very positive. Autumn Greene, a junior who plays Erzulie, the Goddess of Love, said, "Honestly, just do it."

Dominyk Arch, a junior who plays Agwe', God of Water, said, "It may sound corny, but it (theatre) gives you a reason to leave everything else in your day-today life behind you and gives you a reason to do something else. Speaking of having that spark, I remember watching 'Shrek', and I was just sitting out in the audience and my friends and I came out in 'Aladdin'."

Davis commented, "Just try it. You might find out that it's not your cup of tea and you may be one of the persons that you want to be like lead role and you're on the stage the whole time. But, like Abigail mentioned ensemble - that's a really good thing to have. Being in the background just dancing and smiling away, you're not really the center of attention, but you're still being seen."

Taylor summed up their sentiments stating, "If nothing else, you gain confidence in yourself and make some new friends. It's a good place to find a sense of community or home."

"When I first came in, the first song I ever sang said, 'I'm as mild and as meek as a mouse.' That's the song I sang and I sang it so quietly and now here I am in my senior year and I'm being the God of Death. It's a sense of growth, even if you don't see it right away. I'm also a completely different person from where I was freshman year to now."

The cast included: Ava Walkingstick (Little Girl), Ann Toineeta (Storyteller 1), Gabe Terrell (Storyteller 2), Brody Barker (Storyteller 3), Amiya George (Storyteller 4), Kyleigh Sherman (Mama Euralie), Tyruss Thompson (Tonton Julian), Lillia Jarvis (Little Ti Moune), Lauren Wooten (Ti Moune), Julius Bolden (Daniel Beauxhomme), Miranda Lopez (Gatekeeper), Naomi Taylor (Daniel's Mother), Abigail Taylor (Papa Ge), Lucian Davis (Asaka), Dominyk Arch (Agwe'), Autumn Greene (Erzulie); High School Ensemble - Odie Codynah, Noqwisi Crowe, Joselyn Long, Fallon Welch; Middle School



Ensemble – Brihana Burgos, Marley Crowe, Ayaisha Driver, Alexis Grimes, Aleiyah Hull, Jade Palomo, Korbin Sampson, Jocelyn Sampson, Nox Sneed, Addison Stwart, Izabella Terrell, and Nikki Toineeta.

The crew included: Valerie Deitz Tissue (Director, Choreographer), Megan Barnes (Set and Costume Design), Courtney Umphlett (Music Director), Jamice Mora (Stage Manager); backstage crew – Patricia Armachain-Biddix, Santanna Buchanan, Jaylynn Brady, Caidyn French, and Alverta Taylor.



Erzulie (Autumn Greene), Papa Ge (Abigail Taylor), and Asaka (Lucian Davis)

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12th Grade: Kegan Curtice, Aria Foerst, Gabriel Jarvis, Alayna Morgan, Abigail Taylor

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Intro to Engineering Design: Samuel Postoak Parenting: Cameron Jackson Foods I: Nevayah Panther Foods II: Bryanna Disoso

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Woodshop I: Jacob Wallace

#### P.E.

Health & PE (Girls): Lillian Blythe-Ramos Health & PE (Boys): Luke Smith Physical Fitness (Girls): Janna Girty Physical Fitness (Boys): Kenton Hill Olympic Weights (Boys): Kaden Smith Gardner's PE Award (adaptive class): Elijah Squirrel

#### **Fine Arts**

Visual Arts I: Roxi Bark Visual Arts II: Ericka Brady Visual Arts III: Miranda Lopez Graphic Design: Madison Ledford Yearbook: Jacob Wallace Cherokee Arts & Crafts I: Joshua Smith Cherokee Arts & Crafts II: Shelby Solis Cherokee Baskets I: Alexis Smith Cherokee Baskets II: Donna Thompson Woodcarving I: James Reed Woodcarving II: Joshua Smith Band: Carys Holiday Piano: Julianne Smart Dance 101: Elijah Squirrel Musical Theater Production: Lucian Davis

#### Language

Spanish I: Taiya Parra-Rubio Spanish II: Ann Toineeta Cherokee I: Elijah Watty Cherokee II: Emma Taylor Cherokee Language Immersion: Aida Martinez Cherokee History: Joshua Smith

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Earth & Environmental Science: Kiri Hill Biology: Leondes Garcia Physical Science: Elijah Watty



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American History I: Alexis Smith American History II: Autumn Greene American History: Roxy Bark Civics/Econ: Jacob Wallace World History: Tricyus Calhoun

#### **English and Language Arts**

English I: Tyruss Thompson English II: Naomi Taylor English III: Leondes Garcia English IV: Alayna Morgan Foundations of Reading: Letsi Burgos Delgado Academic Prep.: Hailee Velazquez-Lossiah Broadcast Journalism: Marilyn Swayney

#### Math

Foundations of Math I: Luke Smith Math I: Kyla Moore Math II: Julia Layno Math III: Alexis Smith Math IV: Leilaya McMillan

#### OCS/Lifeskills

Lifeskills I: Kendra Arch Lifeskills II: Mason Long OCS: Mason Ledford

#### **Computer Lab**

Online, Honors & College Courses: Leilaya McMillan, Jacob Wallace, Julia Layno, Idalis Crowe

#### **Other Awards**

Vocational Awards: Dalton Burgess, Joseph Porter Appalachian State University Amanda Swimmer Spirit Award: Leilaya McMillan, Elijah Watty MedCat Scholarship Awards: Roxi Bark, Paytyn Barker, Aria Foerst, Julia Layno WNC Bridge Foundation Allied Health Science Scholarship: Aria Foerst



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## Constitution vs. Charter: Article III Know the difference!

#### **Proposed Constitution**

#### Article III – Citizenship

The citizenship of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians shall consist of all persons whose names validly appear on an official membership roll used by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians on the date of the adoption of this Constitution. Future citizenship shall be determined as provided for by Cherokee Code.

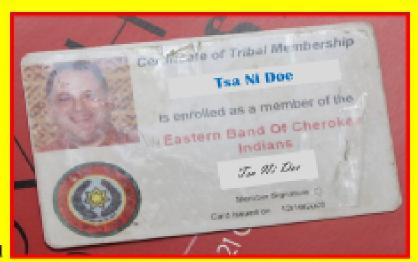
The proposed constitution uses the terms citizen/citizenship instead of tribal member throughout the document.

#### What is the difference between membership and citizenship?

First let us look at the phrase "enrolled member". The dictionary defines a member as "one who belongs to a particular group". And

#### Current Charter

The Charter and Governing Document does not speak on who are members of the tribe.



the word "enrolled" means someone who is "officially registered as a member..." In essence, an enrolled member of a tribe is someone officially registered as a member of the tribe. According to the Department of Interior's website, the process of "tribal enrollment" is where "the tribes establish membership criteria..." This is what we have labeled ourselves and come to accept.

On the other hand, the definition of a citizen is "a person who is legally recognized as a member of a state, with associated rights and obligations." Another definition, "a person owing allegiance to and entitled to the protection of a sovereign state." And what is a "state", "a politically organized body of people usually occupying a definite territory." In other words, a citizen is a person who is legally recognized as a member of a politically organized body of people usually of people within a distinct territory.

As was discussed in the previous section of the proposed constitution, we define our territory and live within this territory and under this constitution, we have rights and protections granted by the constitution.

#### Should the Constitution include language about the qualifications for citizenship?

The requirements for citizenship are left out of this version of the constitution to allow for any future changes to the requirements that could be handled by code. As a constitutional declaration of qualifications, a constitutional amendment would be required to make any changes Leaving these other qualifications within the realm of code, changes could be made quickly by council.

#### Why should we care?

Membership implies a place in a hierarchy of a group, whereas citizenship implies a vested interest in a community with rights, privileges and responsibilities. The terms "members" or "enrolled members" imply a contractual relationship, like you would to join a club. The enrollment process has undertones of federal direction and jurisdiction. Indeed, one of the primary current criteria for enrollment in our tribe is ancestry traced from the federal Baker Roll, a U.S. government Indian census. Codifying our rights of citizenship in a constitution is a step forward legitimizing sovereignty.

Citizenship also implies a tie to a place. In addition to the blood and genetic ties of our ancestry, citizenship also creates a tie to the Qualla Boundary or the territorial trust lands of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. We all know that this is an important distinction for our people, and language in any constitution for our people should empower us.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS CONSTITUTION AND HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN ITS CREATION: VISIT WWW.SGADUGI.ORG OR CONTACT LLOYD ARNEACH AT lloyd.ameach@7clantech.com

# Maples makes All-State Honor Band

Avery Maples, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and a senior at Swain County High School has placed in the top five clarinet spots for the North Carolina All-State Honor Band. Band students across the state audition within their district for a coveted spot in their All-District band.

The Bandmaster's Association is divided into seven districts. There are 15 counties making up the Western district and students from all high schools, regardless of school size, compete with one another for selected spots in the district ensemble.

Maples placed 1st chair clarinet in the Western district.

"This is an incredible accomplishment," says Swain Co. High School Band Director Karen Williams. "All district band auditions are highly competitive and Avery placing 1st speaks to her work ethic and level of dedication."

Once students across all seven districts



Avery Maples (Photo courtesy of Swain Co. Schools)

participate in their district clinics, only the top scorers go on to audition for all state. Twenty clarinets were accepted into the 11-12 All-State Honor Band across the entire state of North Carolina and Maples placed into the top five. She will perform at UNC Chapel Hill in May with top conductors from around the country.

Since joining the Swain band program in 6th grade, she has played clarinet in All-District, All-State, Asheville Youth Symphony, Carnegie Hall, N.C. Governor's School, and The European Ambassador tour group.

When asked what band has meant to her over the years, Maples noted, "I value being part of an accepting community that values everyone. Being a part of band has allowed me to be a part of something bigger than myself and helped show me the value of teamwork and how to cooperate with others. Music is a powerful form of expression and connects you to the world."

She will be attending Yale University this Fall.

- Swain Co. Schools release

# **CHS Graduation Info**

Wednesday, May 25 4 p.m. - Graduation Parade through downtown 6 p.m. - Baccalaureate Service in Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center

#### Thursday, May 26 8 p.m. - Graduation in the Ray Kinsland Stadium



#### THE GOOD STUFF:

The Swain Co. Middle School Lady Maroon Devils won the 2022 Smoky Mountain Conference softball title. They are shown, left to right, front row - Hadley Shuler, Reece Ammons, Cara Aldridge, Suri Watty, Kennedy Anthony, Reece Cochran, Molly Woodard, Kaylon Cochran; back row - Coach Rachel McEntire, Presslyn Loftis, Bella Greene, Addison Shuler, Bentley Riggins, Maddie Byrd,Rylee Rawls, Carley Teesateskie, Haley Teesateskie, Brylee Shuler, Allie Stephenson, and Coach Josh McEntire. (Photo courtesy of Sasha Watty)



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### **The Origin of Strawberries**

When the first man was created and a mate was given to him, they lived together very happily for a time, but then began to quarrel, until at last the woman left her husband and started off toward the Sun land, in the east.

The man followed alone and grieving, but the woman kept on steadily ahead and never looked behind, until the great Apportioner (the Sun), took pity on him and asked him if he was still angry with his wife. He said he was not, and the Sun then asked him if he would like to have her back again, to which he eagerly answered yes.

So, the Sun caused a patch of the finest ripe huckleberries to spring up along the path in front of the woman, but she passed by without paying any attention to them. Farther on he put a clump of blackberries, but these also she refused to notice. Other fruits, one, two, and three, and then some trees covered with beautiful red service berries were placed beside the path to tempt her, but she still went on until suddenly she saw in front a patch of large ripe strawberries, the first ever known.

She stooped to gather a few to eat, and as she picked them, she chanced to turn her face to the west, and at once the memory of her husband came back to her and he found herself unable to go on. She sat down, but the longer she waited the stronger became her desire for her husband, and at last she gathered a bunch of the finest berries and started back along the path to give them to him. He met her kindly and they went home together. Source: James Mooney



#### THE HISTORY CHANNEL

• On May 30, 1593, playwright Christopher Marlowe, 29, is killed in a brawl. He was nearly denied his master's degree in 1587, until advisers to Queen Elizabeth intervened, referring to his services for the state. Historians later documented Marlowe's activities as a spy for the queen.

• On June 2, 1865, Confederate Gen. Edmund Kirby Smith, commander of Confederate forces west of the Mississippi, signs surrender terms offered by Union negotiators. The event is regarded as marking the end of the Civil War.

• On June 4, 1896, Henry Ford unveils the "Quadricycle." The 500-pound vehicle had two driving speeds, no reverse, no brakes, rudimentary steering ability and a doorbell button as a horn. It could reach about 20 mph.

• On May 31, 1929, Ford Motor Company signs an agreement to produce cars in the Soviet Union. In return, the USSR agreed to buy 72,000 unassembled Ford cars and trucks and all spare parts required over the following nine years.

• On June 5, 1933, the United States goes off the gold standard, in which currency is backed by gold. All gold coins, gold bullion and gold certificates were to be turned over to the Federal Reserve for the set price of \$20.67 per ounce.

• On June 1, 1942, a Polish underground newspaper makes public the news of the gassing of tens of thousands of Jews at Chelmno, a Nazi-operated death camp, as told by a young Jew, Emanuel Ringelblum, who escaped after being forced to bury bodies at the camp.

• On June 3, 1956, in Santa Cruz, California, city authorities announced a total ban on rock and roll at public gatherings, calling the music "detrimental to both the health and morals of our youth and community." Similar bans were enacted in Asbury Park, New Jersey, and in San Antonio, Texas, where the city council was fearful of "undesirable elements."

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#### **OBITUARIES** JhfiFR

#### **Annie Ramsey Young**

Annie Ramsey Young, 60, of Cherokee, passed away Sunday, May 8, 2022. A native and a lifelong resident of Cherokee, she was the daughter of the late Charlie and Betty Arch Ramsey.

Annie was a member of Cherokee Church of God and was head cook at Tsali Manor in Cherokee. She loved spending time with her family and friends and will be missed by all.

In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by her brothers, Jonathan Arch, David Long, and Clarence "Britches" Cucumber; her sister, Rita Martinez; and a nephew, Joe Martinez.

She is survived by her son, Cy (Cindi) Young, her daughter, Tansi Elaine (Travis Calhoun) Young; sons, Tricyus Calhoun and Trennan Calhoun, all of Cherokee; grandchildren, Trigger Young, Liza Young, Tyson Calhoun; sisters, Clara Sequoyah, Brenda Hernandez, Donya George; and brother, Allen Ramsey; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins also survive.

Funeral Services were held Wednesday May 11 at the Cherokee Church of God with the Rev. Aaron Bridges officiating.

#### Wayne Lamar "Babe" Wolfe

Wayne Lamar "Babe" Wolfe, age 53, of the Painttown Community, passed away on Sunday, May 8, 2022, after a brief illness. He was preceded in death by his father, Van Wolfe; and his son, Wayne "Rusty" Wolfe.

He is survived by his mother, Jan Walkingstick-Mehaffey (Bud); wife of 35 years, Martha Wolfe; two sons, Trent "Diggy" Wolfe and Brandon Wolfe; and one grandson, Tyree Tohigwo Wolfe of Lewisville. Wayne was an avid bowler and nothing made him prouder than watching his sons bowl. He loved the Boston Red Sox and the Pittsburg Steelers.

A formal funeral service was held in the chapel of Long House Funeral Home on Tuesday, May 10 with Arron Langston officiating. Burial was in the Reed Family Cemetery. Pallbearers were among family and friends. In lieu of flowers, please donate in his name to the Cancer Support Group.

Long House Funeral home assisted the family with final arrangements.

#### **Bonnie Louise Arneach**

Bonnie Louise Arneach, 90, was surrounded by family on Mother's Day, May 8, 2022, as she left this world peacefully and entered her Heavenly home.

She gave a beautiful testimony and shared her love for the Lord. She enjoyed listening to gospel music, her family sang to her and praised the Lord in her last hours. She was a very outgoing and strong-willed woman who loved her family dearly. She loved spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren at family gatherings, she also enjoyed weekend rides to look at the elk with her son-in-law Michael whom she loved like a son. She loved her brothers and sisters fiercely and had a very special place in her heart for her dear buddy (nephew) James Ensley who always made her feel special and loved.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Margaret George and Nute Biddix; brothers, Jim and Sam Biddix; sister, Jessie Rathbone; great grandson, Andrew Tyler Williamson whom she loved very much; and her precious daughter-in-law, Peggy Watson Arneach.

Bonnie was also preceded in

death by the love of her life and husband of 53 years, Richard "Buster" (Wilnoty) Arneach. She has spent the last 17 years missing him and now has joined him at their mansion in Heaven.

Bonnie is survived by her children, Richard Earl Arneach Jr. (Melissa Kay), Sara Arneach Watson (Michael), and Robbie Arneach (Deb). She is also survived by five grandchildren, Libby Ensley (B), James Richard Arneach (Stacey), Angie Arneach, Christy Bell (Jody), and Brittany Mathis (Kenny); her great grandchildren, Timiyah Wachacha (Elijah), Kellen Ensley, Katelyn Leann Williamson, Kaitlyn Norman (Tanner), Vivian Bell, Bradley Bell, Autumn Arneach, and the two that kept her company everyday, Hunter and Jessie Mathis. Additionally, she is survived by her brother, John Biddix, and sisters, Julie Biddix, Rosemary Rhinehart, Helen Parker, Ann Reid, and Ruby Melton.

A funeral service was held on Thursday, May 12 at Yellowhill Baptist Church. Brother Foreman Bradley officiated. Burial followed at the Crowe Family Cemetery. Pall bearers were Kellen Ensley, Elijah Wachacha, James Ensley, Jody Bell, Sam Crowe, Kenny Mathis, Robert Reid, and Jamie Reid. Honorary pall bearers were Bradley Bell, Hunter Mathis, her special nephew that always made her laugh-Troy Crowe, and her self-proclaimed "favorite son in law" B Ensley.

#### **Raymond Teesatuskie**

Raymond Teesatuskie, age 74, of the Yellowhill Community, passed away on Monday, May 9, 2022. Raymond is preceded in death by his father, Jonah Teesatuskie; his mother, Estella Arch Teesatuskie; brothers, David Arch, Richard Teesatuskie, and Reuben Teesatuskie; sister, Rosalee Teesatuskie; niece, Denise Arch McGinnis; and nephew, Jason Teesatuskie.

Raymond leaves behind sisters, Ramona Standingdeer and Rowena Tessatuskie; brother, Roy Teesatuskie; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, great-great nieces, and great-great nephews also survive.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday May 11 at Yellowhill Baptist Church with Pastor Greg Morgan officiating. Burial was in the Drama Cemetery. Military graveside rights were given by the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143. Pallbearers were among nephews and family friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Cherokee Cancer Support.

#### Johnie "Ray" West

Johnie "Ray" West passed away peacefully in his home on Sunday, May 8, 2022 and went to be with our Lord and Savior at the age of 86.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 50 years, Donna Sue West. Also preceding Ray in death were his parents, James Robert West and Ella Miller West; his siblings, Bill Moody, James Wesley West, Louanna West Crowe, and James "Bo" Parris; and a granddaughter, Lauren Hugelmaier.

He will be lovingly remembered by his sons and daughters, Thomas (Adele) Hanks, Frank Hanks, Lori (Dale) Hugelmaier, Cathy Hanks, Jim West, and John (Barbara) West. Also surviving are his grandchildren, Tina Coleman, Beth Agner, Stephanie Ashe Morrow, Paul West, Jay Jay West, Dawnenna Calhoun, Dr. Rachel Hanks, Will West, Erika Pint, Briana Evans, Tamra Awtrey, Justus Hanks, Hope Hanks; 17 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren. Also surviving is his fur baby, King Louis "Behave" West.

Ray was a very faithful and dedicated man to his God and to his Church. He was a US Army, Navy, and Air Force veteran, serving for over 11 years. He was a community service member, serving as a volunteer fire chief (call #212) and an EMT (call #115).

Funeral services were held on Thursday, May 12 at Macedonia Baptist Church in Cherokee with Rev. Dan Conseen and Rev. Matthew Tooni officiating. Burial was in the Yellow Hill Veterans Cemetery. Pallbearers were members of Cherokee Fire and Rescue and EMS.

#### Michelle Annette (Mathis) Wilnoty

Michelle Annette (Mathis) Wilnoty, 54, of Anne Arundel Co. Maryland and previously of the Birdtown Community of Cherokee passed away unexpectedly on Monday, May 2, 2022 at the University of Baltimore Washington Medical Center in Baltimore, Md.

Michelle was the wife of David Bernard Wilnoty of Cherokee and the home. She was the daughter of the late James Mathis and Anna Lee (Crowe) Mathis. Michelle attended Yellowhill Baptist Church when able and had volunteered in the past at the Living Waters Lutheran Church. She was a waitress all her working life. She was a huge Cherokee Braves Fan and cheered hard for the Lady Braves!

Along with her husband, Michelle is survived by a daughter, Corina Lynn (Otter) Zell and two step-daughters, Stephanie Dawn (Wilnoty) Wiggins and Clarissa Lynn Wilnoty both of Cherokee; two brothers, Jamie Mathis of Cherokee and Donald Mathis of Gastonia; a sister, Freddie Burns of Maryland; eight Grandchildren; and many other family members.

Michelle was also preceded by a sister Rosanna Barnes.

A funeral service was held at the Yellowhill Baptist Church on Friday, May 13 with Pastor Eddie Marrow officiating. A burial immediately followed in the Yellowhill Cemetery with pallbearers being among the family and friends.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family in the final arrangements.



#### **COMMUNITY BRIEFS**

#### Theme selected for Cherokee Indian Fair

The Cherokee Indian Fair Committee has been meeting since the beginning of the new year to plan for this year's Fair. One of first items of business was to select a fair theme. The winner of this year's fair theme was Jeannie Burgess, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians of the Wolftown Community. Her entry was "Say it in Cherokee 'Hniwi Tsalagi'".

Burgess' inspiration for entering this theme came from her love of the Cherokee language and her partner J.C. Wachacha. She wrote, "Hniwi Tsalagi" Say it in Cherokee every chance you get, use any Cherokee word(s)/phrase(s) that you can, through the day/night! Even when you are alone. Before you go to sleep, say a new word or phrase and use it throughout your daily routine. Keep doing this until you learn it. Before you know it, you will be putting sentences together and understanding the language."

When J.C. Wachacha moved here in 2005 from Snowbird, he'd speak to people he thought were Cherokee speakers. They wouldn't speak to him at all or respond in English or Cherokee. Now, in 2022, he is so excited to have so many people of all ages using what they know and asking for help.

"English doesn't translate to Cherokee word for word. Don't give up. Do what you can to learn. Do not be afraid to speak it or to learn it. This is our language, and it helps define who we are, and we can't lose our language. It is our job to learn what we can and help hand it



down to the next generation."

The Fair Committee noted, "Congratulations Jeanne for entering an impressive theme! The theme is important part of the fair and is woven into various activities and events such as the parade, pageants, craft exhibits, and community club fair booths. We encourage everyone to keep it in mind as you plan for the 2022 Cherokee Indian Fair – 'Say it in Cherokee - Hniwi Tsalagi'."

> - Submitted by the Cherokee Indian Fair Committee

#### **Emergency Rental Assistance for EBCI tribal members**

The Cherokee Indian Housing Division (CIHD) is still accepting Emergency Rental Assistance applications from EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) member renters who qualify. The link collecting your applicable information will be available online at EBCI.com and applications will be available onsite at the C.I.H.D. Main Office located at 687 Acquoni Rd. Cherokee, NC 28719. Applications and documentation can be emailed back to Stefany Hicks at the following email address: shicks@ebci-nsn.gov

Note that entering information using the link at EBCI.com is not an application. This link is used to collect your information so that we may contact you via email/ phone. Also, if you have received 18 months of assistance, you have exhausted the maximum amount of assistance allowed.

Eligible households include families that have:

- Enrolled EBCI tribal member
- Must reside in one of the 50 United States of America
- Income below 80 percent of the area median income
- An obligation to pay rent

• A household member that has a reduction of income or other financial hardship due to COVID-19

• Experienced or are at risk of experiencing homelessness

Eligible uses of funds include payment of:

- Rent
- Rental arrears
- Utilities and home energy costs

• Utilities and home energy cost arrears

Rental assistance provided to an eligible household should not be duplicative of any other federally funded rental assistance provided to such household.

Tribal members must also provide in writing that they have experienced a reduction in income, incurred significant cost, or experienced other financial hardship due to COVID-19. This program is NOT for homeowners or tribal members with mortgages. To apply for this program, you MUST be a renter. This program is to help prevent current renters from becoming homeless or evicted.

Info: Stefany Hicks 359-8096, Monday – Friday between the hours of 7:45 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. - Cherokee Indian Housing Division

### Christian Veterinary Mission coming to EBCI communities

The Christian organization Christian Veterinary Mission (CVM) will host two animal clinics for the residents of the Qualla Boundary and the Snowbird Community. CVM has been hosting clinics like these in the Snowbird Community for several years in partnership with the Master's Mission and Pastor Dan Teasdale.

Upcoming clinics include: • May 20-21 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

at the Little Snowbird Baptist Church • June 10-11 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds

The following services will be provided:

• Neuter for dogs and cats (dog -\$30; cat - \$20)

- Spay \$50
- Vaccines \$10 per animal, will also have Parvo vaccine available
- Teeth Floating \$50

The mission of Christian Veterinary Mission is to challenge, empower, and facilitate veterinary professionals to serve others by living out their Christian faith. CVM was founded in 1976 in response to a need in the developing world for training in animal health. For over 35 years CVM has equipped and encouraged veterinary students and professionals to serve others in the name of Christ by using their veterinary skill.

All money raised from the clinics is given to the church hosting the event. The funds raised for the clinics held in Cherokee will be given to Grace Community Church of Cherokee, who in turn will donate half of their funds to Betty's Place Cancer Support Center.

Info: Dan Teasdale 735-1876 (Snowbird Clinic), Tammy Jackson 359-6934 (Cherokee Clinic), or EBCI Animal Control 359-2380 (Cherokee Clinic)

- Christian Veterinary Mission

#### THANK YOU LETTERS Thank you for help with new home

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My family and I have lived in our new home off-Boundary for a month now, and we wanted to say thank you to everyone that helped make this happen. Thank you, Tina Larch-Rivera of Cherokee Indian Housing Division; E. "Tiny" Taylor, Secretary of Housing; Sarah Toineeta, EBCI Operations; Valerie Leonard of First Citizens Bank; Marty Huskins, our realtor with Keller Williams of Bryson city; Brigham & Mattox PLLC of Bryson City; Kim Buchanan, Kituwah Homes; Paula Bishop & her realtor Lytisha Oliver Shuler; Swain County Health Department; Drew Bowers, our Project Manager with Kituwah Homes; Native Roots Construction; Pro-Star Plumbing INC of WNC; WNC Painting; Jimmy Lambert Drywall; Michael Bowers Construction; Thompson Heating & Air; Poppens Electrical; High Creek Earthworks; Kituwah Homes Builders; Kituwah LLC; Jeremy Watkins & Crew of EBCI Tribal Construction; and Greene Bros. Well Drilling. Last but not least, oDY thank you to EBCI Tribal Construction; EBCI Cherokee Indian Housing Division; EBCI Tribal Government; EBCI Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley; and EBCI Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed. If we have missed someone, please know it was not intentional. Down to the trash bin and power company, we are grateful to all of you. Our son now has space to spread out, he now has his own room, and he now has a yard! We love our home and are so excited to begin making memories as a family there. Thank vou all again.

> وص Sgi, Martinez Hemphill family

#### Thank you from the family of Katherine Panther

The family of Katherine N. Panther would like to express our thanks and appreciation to all those who came visit or cooked or prayed. Thanks to all the singers and to all those who sent the beautiful flowers. Special Thanks to Loretta, Tammy, DeeDee, Shayna, Richard, Stu, jessie/Bufford Smith, Melvina, Marilyn, Chief and Vice Chiefs and Staff, Scott Chekelelee, Ernie Styles, Sadie, Vita, Kenny Davis, Sharon French, Karen French, Richard and Angie French, Teresa McCoy, Sally Davis, Pat, Gloria Jim, and Rick, Kathy, Jerri Kinsland, Christine, Peaches, Lee Ann, Mattie, Totsie, Cindy, Mariah, Delbert, Deino, Kendra (for doing the slide show), Flora, Juanita Swimmer, Lulu Youngdeer, Yvonne Bushyhead, Alama, Hattie, Tasha, Sugar, Joe Wolfe, Carolyn, Tonya C. Nancy Wahnetah, Mary and Alan Smith, Ernest, Terri, Donna, John, James and Donna Sequovah, Arthur and Vicki Sluder, Stacy, Reva Rebecca, Sue Hornbuckle, Four Seasons Hospice, Big Cove Church, Cancer Support, Big Cove Free Labor, Tribal Construction, Tribal Facilities, Cherokee Firemen(Pallbearers), Emergency management, Long House Bruce and Staff, Viv Wildcatt, Zena and Melvin Wolfe (Waterfalls Baptist Church. If I left anyone off it wasn't intentional.

May God Bless You All! Gail, Gregg, Sarita, and Grandchildren

#### NATIONAL PARK NEWS

#### Rangers respond to Little River fatality

Great Smoky Mountains National Park rangers responded to a report of a body in Little River approximately 1-mile west of Metcalf Bottoms at approximately 1:30 p.m. on Monday, May 9. Rangers, along with Gatlinburg EMS/Fire discovered the body of Charles Queen, age 72 of Bybee, Tenn., partially submerged in the middle of the river. A technical swiftwater rescue team recovered the body, which was released to the Sevier County Medical Examiner's office. A vehicle, registered to the deceased, was located in a pull out approximately 600 feet upriver along a steep embankment.

No witnesses have been identified to the events leading up to the discovery and there were no obvious signs of foul play. An autopsy will be performed to assist in determining the time and cause of death.

- National Park Service release

#### Park launches science communications podcast "Smoky Signal"

Great Smoky Mountains National Park has announced the launch of podcast "Smoky Signal", to share the science behind the Smokies.

"Storytelling is a time-honored human tradition, and a key part of how park rangers engage with visitors when they come to Great Smoky Mountains National Park," said Stephanie Kyriazis, chief of Resource Education. "Launching a podcast allows us to share Smokies stories about science and culture with a broader audience, even when they are far away from the park."

Season one examines the theme of Collections, asking what can be learned through acts of collecting. Episode one explores renewing Cherokee traditional plant gathering practices in the park and Cherokee foodways. Episode two delves into the mysteries and discoveries within the thousands of specimens in the park's natural history museum – some that date back more than 100 years.

To listen to the "Smoky Signal" podcast, please visit https://www. nps.gov/podcasts/smoky-signal. htm or listen on Apple Podcast at https://podcasts.apple. com/us/podcast/smoky-signal/ id1614445713. For more information on the podcast, contact Science Communicator Antoine Fletcher at antoine\_fletcher@nps.gov.

- National Park Service release

# Second Contraction of the second contract of

## COMMENTARY Sitting by the pool

#### By ROBERT JUMPER One Feather Editor

We continue to debate internally how we will use our land. And the debate boils down to political versus practical applications of the land.

The latest battle over property has been the discussion of work force housing versus tribal housing. Some believe that any land development on the Qualla Boundary should only be for enrolled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. An emotional case can be made for this argument, since there is allegedly a waiting list of tribal members who want homes on the Boundary. I say allegedly because I have not seen an actual list. I remember filling out some forms several years ago that was supposed to put me on "the list", but when I recently inquired about my status on the list, I was told that there is no list. So, if anybody has access to the list, I would be curious to know, and I am sure others would too. But I digress...

In recent sessions of Tribal Council, we were informed that the two casino operations are in need of additional labor force with officials indicating that there are in the neighborhood of 1,000 unfilled positions. Now, we all know that

there is a nation-wide issue with labor. COVID-19 continues to be a factor in the hiring difficulties with some companies even lowering their education and experience standards to hire folks that they would not have normally considered. Because of the nature of our adult gaming business, lowering hiring standards is not an option for us. So, we need qualified workers at an education and experience level that will satisfy the wants and needs of the rollers who we want to spend money in our establishments.

Since we know that we do not have enough housing on Boundary to satisfy the wants of our people, then we can be assured that there is not enough housing for those workers who are not tribal members. And while it feels good to say that we want to home our people first and foremost, we have also gotten into a mindset of saying that we aren't going to provide workforce housing until we put all tribal members who have a want to live on the Boundary a home. While this is great idealistic thinking, it defies logic.

We have grown accustomed to the incredible amenities that our gaming operations have provided. In addition to the obvious, the per capita dividend that we receive every six months (the latest distribution being the largest of the June installments), we are able to provide food services, child and youth services, elder services, medical services, post-high school educational funding, burial ser-



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

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

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

GWY HV OYLC CHEROKEE ONE FEATHER \* TSALAGI SOQUO UGIDAHLI vices, and, yes, housing. And the bulk of the remittance for all of this comes from our adult gaming tourists who pull the levers and sit at the card tables. And it is those workers who service those tourists who facilitate collections.

We have heard Tribal Council, on many occasions, but particularly when a per capita payment is announced, give thanks to the workers at the casinos for providing the good customer service and hard work that ensures our gaming revenue continues and continues to increase. And the way we keep and reward them is through employee benefits - paycheck, health, retirement. But, based on this significant development of being 1,000 positions down in the workforce, something else is needed. We are having to search farther and farther away from the Boundary to find qualified workers. And we already employee people from over two counties away from us in the current workforce. It would seem that a logical, beneficial amenity to add would be assistance in finding suitable accommodations for workers so that they may contribute to that bottom line that we all enjoy so much.

The same applies to other enterprises that we want to have progress on the Boundary. There has always been a disconnect in our community in the understanding of how community development and economic development and economic development is about the wants and needs of the citizenry. Economic development is how you pay for the wants and needs of the citizenry. You will not have community development without a way to pay for it and it is paid for by economic development. A playground and community building doesn't pay for themselves. They do not take in revenue, and if they did, it would be very little, nothing in comparison to the cost. And the cost goes beyond the building, as it's use requires ongoing maintenance for as long as it is in use.

Gaming for us has been so successful that I believe that we may have become a little spoiled. We have become unaccustomed to being told that we cannot have a particular want, because our governors want us to be happy, after all they are elected by us, and we have, for the past 20 or so years, had money to burn. Oh, we have had officials urging us to conserve and be prudent, but the much louder voices are the ones who holler "I want this or that", and worse, "I am not letting anything else happen until I get what I want".

If you have good credit and a healthy income, you can get a lot of your wants fulfilled. But, at some point, you will reach the limit of what your credit and income will allow. And if you live to the limit of your means long enough, there will come a day when you have a want or need, and you will not be able to fulfill it. Our community wants and needs are dependent on our credit and income. And for years we have been living right up to what our economy provides. We have been anything but austere. We create strategic plans that map a three, five, 10-year course to prepare for and mitigate financial threats that are coming, then the year after we create them, we go off the course that we set in them.

We, as a government and people, need to create and own a true community plan that includes an overall assessment of our current land inventory and specific planning for the long-term. Planners should include not only Tribal Council and Executive, but the Community Club Council and a representative group of those members of our tribe who live off-Boundary. It may be time to get representation in the government for all tribal members, including the interests of those living away.

The Tribal Council and Executive find themselves in Catch-22 situations all the time. We, the citizens, sometimes ask them to do the impossible. First, we say we want all the tribal land to be used for community services. Then we say that we don't want them developing business off-Boundary because we want all that to be on-Boundary for local benefit. Clearly, you cannot do both, nor is it logical or practical to do so. Our leaders struggle constantly to maintain the balance between community and economic growth. But they do so in an environment and with a people that says you better make concessions for us or we'll vote you out in two years.

The two-year term made sense in the past, but it is no longer logical or practical. In fact, it is one of the things that keeps us in constant turmoil. It is a hinderance to the strategic mindset that we all need to get in to. It creates a lever for special interests to push a want agenda instead of taking care of needs and preparing for the future. Until we address fundamental changes in our governance, we will continue to have a government that is tactically focused, forcing it to continually put out fires, instead of creating long-term solutions. We shouldn't wait for catastrophic failure before we become engaged as citizens of the Eastern Band.

# MISSING PERSON

### Brian Lynn Zinke

Male Age: 39

Enrolled with Chippewa Cree Indians of the Rocky Boy's Reservation

Height: 6'0" Weight: 240-300 lbs

Hair: Brown Eyes : Brown

Last Known Residence: Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Circumstances of Disappearance: Brian Zinke was last known to be in

Milwaukee, WI on June 8, 2021. He lives a transient lifestyle and has traveled through the northwest, including Great Falls, MT where he has some family.

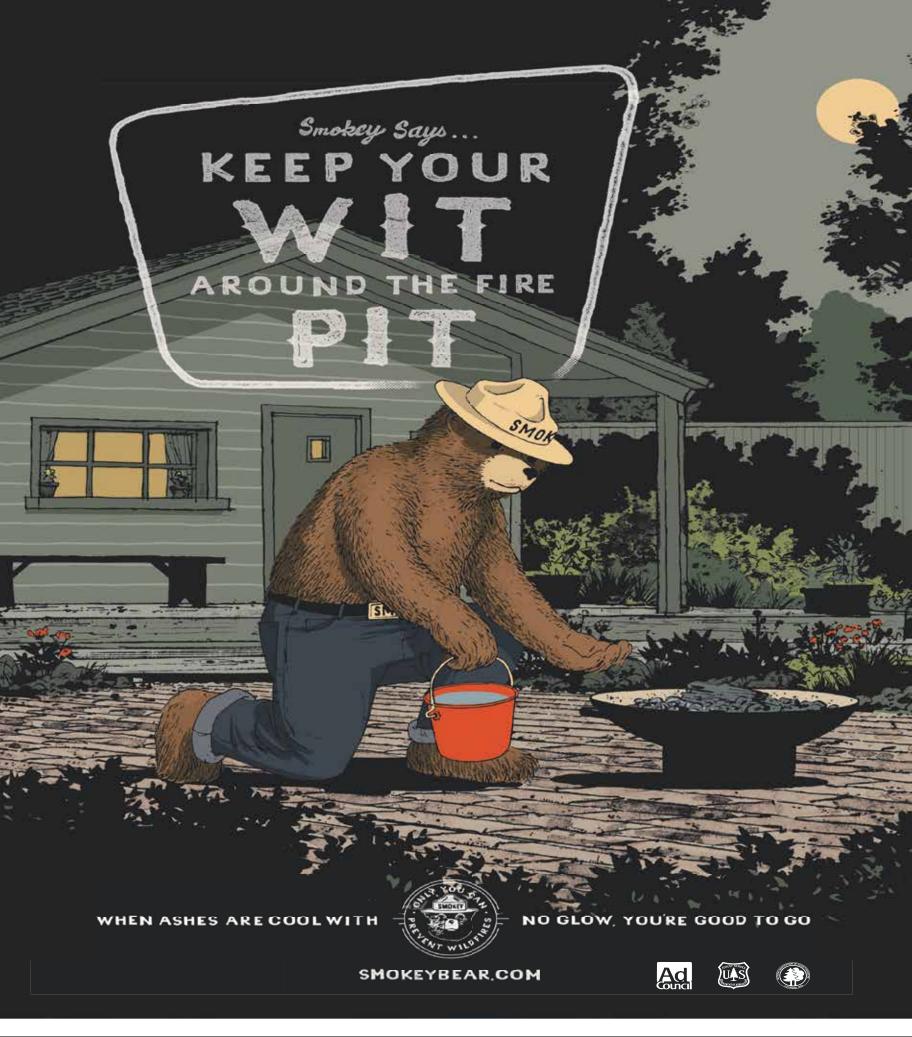
If you have seen Brian Zinke, contact Great Falls Police Department (406) 727-7688. Agency Case #22-03844.

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#### EMERGENCY NUMBERS

In an emergency, call 911

Tribal Dispatch 497-4131

Cherokee Indian Police Dept. 359-6600

Tribal Fire and Rescue 359-6584

Tribal EMS 359-6450 or 497-6402

Cherokee Indian Hospital 497-9163

#### EBCI TRANSIT NUMBERS

Transit Main Line Dispatch 359-6300

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

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### 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 numbers James Jones, Snowbird site supervisor, 346-6744 Samantha Teesateskie, Senior Services coordinator, 346-6745

> 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



### SPEAKING OF FAITH Learn How Heaven's Binding and Loosing Works For You

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

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

(Continued from last week). Read Matthew 18:15-35

Now there are some people who can be mean, mean enough to have actually intended to offend the person angering them. When they may have intended to, and one first goes to them, their anger may keep them from listening to anything one says. They are more inclined to stick to their own way of thinking. Has anyone here ever dealt with someone like that? Am hoping it was not in a church setting, but how many know a lot of people have been hurt in a church? And, there may not even have been any real call for anger.

When that has happened, here is what one should do. The very next thing they should do is take one or two others, brothers and/or sisters from within the church, who are able and willing to talk with them.

So, let me explain to everyone how this works. Don't run and get your family to go with you. Find somebody whom the individual who offended you actually respects. Does that make sense? Why? It's because it shows it's not to be done as if you are coming there against them. It should show them that this person cares enough to set up an equal playing field for them, so to speak, so that each can be comfortable enough to sit down and just talk it out.

If done properly, then they have to realize, too, that, "maybe I was out of order, or out of line, and I do want to get this fixed." And, it is so much better to see what God can do, when we are willing to give God and His Wisdom a chance by allowing Him some room to show up in the midst of our own situation. All individuals should definitely be led into a better, more comfortable, frame of mind and ready to cover all their "bases."

Now, thirdly, if that way hasn't worked,

come with them into the office setting at the church.

(Here's what one doesn't do. Don't arrange for it to happen on a Sunday morning. "One's anger could cause them to stand up and declare, 'so and so' offended me and we now want to have it dealt with." No, this means we would be bringing things only to the leadership of the church privately for a satisfactory resolution for these individuals.

When done in this fashion we all can sit down together and talk it out, right? People in leadership can work with them together, teach them, train them, counsel with them, until all can come to a reasonable understanding between these two individuals that's acceptable to both parties.

If this won't happen, here's what the Lord has said to do. They're to be treated as anyone else placing themselves outside the church fellowship and "invited to move on," if that should be one's decision.

How many here have actually been in a church that actually did this? This is the Word of God, right? Somebody says, when "so and so" is offended, and the leadership has done everything they can, and they still want to move on, let them move on. Go right ahead because it could make a difference in fellowship. Let me show you what offense does. Are you ready? Let's look at Verse 18 of Matthew, Chapter 18.

So let me make a statement. Offenses will come, yes, they will. Right? They do. But, you had better get over them quick, because if you harbor it, it's a sin, and it's a felony in the eyes of God. As it's a sin, it's because it takes the Power away from the church until it's resolved to Heaven's satisfaction.

Somebody gets offended and if one doesn't deal with it properly, the whole church suffers. Yes, Amen. This is directly because we're trying to bind up things and loose things and nothing's happening, alright? Everybody here has an opportunity to be offended. Do we all see this? Yes, Lord Jesus said it. But, woe unto him through whom the offense came. There's a woe attached to it. What does that mean? That means an unforgiving and unrepentant spirit has begun to operate and will continue until that something has been dealt with properly. How many of you have ever ridden a horse? Just as 'whoa' means "stop", just as a 'woe' can mean "everything stops." It will stop blessings. It'll stop healings, It'll stop anointings. It can stop everything. Believer's should not become offended with each other and certainly cannot remain that way. Each member should be dealing with anger or possible unforgiveness so nothing stops the Blessings, the healings, and the anointings.

### THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

Flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come, the cooing of doves is heard in our land.

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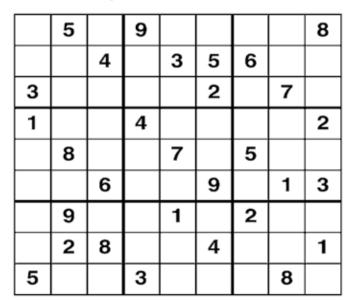
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## Weekly SUDOKU

## by Linda Thistle



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## DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: • •

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by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Ezra in the Old Testament, New Testament or neither? 2. From Galatians 5:22-23, the fruit

of the Spirit is made up of how many traits? 3, 4, 9, 12 3. Which son of David had been

drinking much wine when he was killed? Amnon, Kileab, Absalom, Shephatiah

4. From Psalms 114, what do mountains skip like? Rocks, Children, Rams, Stars

5. Who was the mother of Samuel? Deborah, Rachel, Sarai, Hannah

6. In Judges 15, who prayed for a drink of water? Elijah, Jeremiah, Samson, Ezekiel

"Test Your Bible Knowledge," a book with 1,206 multiple-choice questions by columnist Wilson Casey, is available in stores and online.

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1. GEOGRAPHY: Which country in Africa is the largest in land area?

2. MUSIC: What was the original name of the punk rock band Green Day?

3. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president formally declared the executive mansion to be the White House?

4. ART: In which major city would you find the Tate Modern museum?

5. MYTHOLOGY: What is the name of the Greek goddess of revenge?

6. U.S. STATES: Which state is the only one that doesn't have a mandatory seat belt law?

7. MOVIES: What is the Dude's favorite drink in "The Big Lebowski"? 8. FOOD & DRINK: What is albumen?

9. MEDICAL: What is a more common name for a transient ischemic attack?

10. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is an ibex?

## see **PUZZLE ANSWERS** page 38

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 Event listings are free of charge. Send your event name, date and time, location, and contact info to scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov.

## **EVENTS**

### **BENEFITS/FUNDRAISERS**

**Cherokee Braves Kickoff Classic golf tournament.** July 15 at the Sequoyah National Golf Club. 18 hole captain's choice. Four-person teams, \$120 per person. 8 a.m. registration. 9 a.m. shotgun start. Lunch, prizes, and raffle items. Proceeds from this tournament support the Cherokee Braves football program. Info: Chase Sneed 226-1068

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

Animal Clinics hosted by Christian Veterinary Mission. May 20 and 21 from 9 a.m. 4 p.m. daily at the Little Snowbird Baptist Church in Robbinsville; June 10-11 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Info: Dan Teasdale 735-1876, Tammy Jackson 359-6934, EBCI Animal Control 359-2380

**Remember the Removal Memorial Bike Ride EBCI send-off ceremony.** May 27 at 5 p.m. at Kituwah Mound site. Food catered by Granny's Kitchen. Everyone is welcome.

**Cherokee Customer Celebration Day.** May 28 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Cherokee Welcome Center. Vendors needed. Info: Cherokee Welcome Center 359-6490 or Josie Long 359-6491 or 269-8221

Teach What You Know, Share What You Have Conference. June 2 at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort Council Ballroom. The conference will offer professional development opportunities and other entities to share the work they are doing to save the Cherokee language. Registration is free when you complete the online survey. Registration deadline is May 15. The conference is sponsored by the Kituwah Preservation and Education Program. Info: https:// ebcikpep.com/conference

## Family Beef Box Giveaway.

June 6 at three locations including: Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds at 10 a.m., Church of the Lamb in the Snowbird Community at 12:30 p.m., and the John Welch Senior Center in Cherokee County at 10:30 a.m. 10 lbs. of ground beef and 1-3 lbs. of roast. One box per vehicle. Must show EBCI enrollment card. Masks required for all in the vehicle. Info: Mollie Grant 359-6430 or Zena Rattler 735-4594

**Cherokee Choices Summer** 



**Camps.** Yoga Camp (ages 7-11) June 6-23. Cultural Camp (ages 10-12) June 27 – July 14. Activities include horseback riding, rafting, arts and crafts, yoga, creek snorkeling, and more. Camps are Monday through Thursday from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Applications must be submitted by May 3. Space is limited. Info: Tori Bryson, MHS, RDN, LDN 359-6778 or victtram@ebci-nsn.gov

## Cherokee Summer Social.

July 9 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the RC Field next to Kituwah Mound. Evening to celebrate Cherokee language, culture, song, dance, and food. Everyone is welcome. Featured singers: Bo Taylor, John Grant, Skylar Bottchenbaugh, Rich Bottchenbaugh, Micah Swimmer, Jarret Wildcatt, Will Tushka. MC:



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Catcuce Tiger. Traditional dress and ribbon skirts/shirts encouraged. Bring your own chairs. Info: cherokeewintersocial@gmail.com

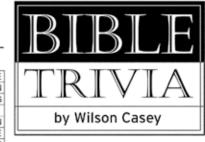
### **HEALTH & SPORTS EVENTS**

**Summer Chakra Yoga Series.** Thursdays May 12 to June 9 from 12 p.m. to 12:50 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Cherokee Choices Yoga Studio. Free and open to everyone. Attend four out of the five classes and receive a Chakra Yoga book. Info: Robin 359-6785 or robibail@ebci-nsn.gov

## 2022 EBCI Fish Tournament Lineup

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

General Fishing Enterprise Waters are closed to everyone from Saturday, March 12 to Fri-



ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) 9; 3) Amnon; 4) Rams; 5) Hannah; 6) Samson



Answers

- Algeria
- 2. Sweet Children
- 3. Theodore Roosevelt
- London, England
   Nemesis
- New Hampshire
- 7. White Russian
- 8. Egg white
- 9. Mini-stroke
- 10. A wild goat
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day, March 25. Each tournament requires a 2-day fish permit covering both tournament days (\$17) and Tournament Registration Fee (\$15).

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

- Registration deadline is Friday, May 27

- \$10,000 in cash prizes

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

- Registration deadline is Friday, July 8

- \$10,000 in cash prizes

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

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

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

Info: Office (828) 359-6110, text (828) 788-3013, https://fishcherokee.com and https://www. facebook.com/fishcherokee - EBCI Natural Resources Div.

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**Galaxy Cheer Tryouts.** June 6-8 from 6 :30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. nightly at Pirouettes Dance & Cheer Academy. Attire is athletic wear. Info: Samantha Hernandez 736-0452 or email pirouettesdanceacademy@gmail.

## see HAPPENINGS next page





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## by Freddy Groves

## The VA Releases Its Equity Action Plan

In response to Executive Order 13985, the Department of Veterans Affairs has now released its Equity Action Plan.

The order, signed in January 2021, was intended to bring equity to underserved communities, such as Blacks, Latinos, Native Americans, Asian Americans and others, as well as lesbian, transgender, LGBTQ+ and gay persons, as well as those who live in rural areas. The role of the White House Domestic Policy Council was to formulate and implement the administration's policy objectives and embed them across federal government. Hence the VA's newly released Equity Action Plan.

The VA's highest priorities are to provide all veterans with world-class health care, ensure that veterans and their families can access benefits and honor veterans with a final resting place as a tribute to their service.

And it must be done in a fair and impartial way, with tools and resources for all veterans, by eliminating barriers and creating opportunities. To ensure this, the VA will:

 Develop data for equity strategy (capture the demographics so women, LGBTQ+, Blacks and others can be identified),

 Improve access (reduce barriers by "creating institutional pathways for underserved vets to increase awareness" of VA benefits and services),

 Increase contract awards to women-owned businesses and small disadvantaged businesses,

 And address health equity for underserved veterans (which is impacted by race, gender, income, education and more).

VA officials already have started taking steps. For example, they have expanded the gender-affirming care and benefits package for LGBTQ+ veterans. (The VA provides all medically necessary gender-affirming care to transgender veterans, short of surgical interventions.) Additionally, they've instructed VA adjudicators to classify as eligible for benefits any veteran who was discharged due to sexual orientation, gender identification or HIV status. Medical records now display the patient's birth sex, self-identified gender identity, sexual orientation and preferred pronouns.

To read the details of the plan, go to www.va.gov/ORMDI/docs/EO13985-VA\_Final\_Equity\_Action\_Plan.pdf © 2022 King Features Synd., Inc.



## Veterinarian Wait Times Keep Getting Longer

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: I've been waiting more than three months to get my dog "Maisie" in for a regular checkup and shots. The veterinarian's office says they are running behind and had to delay her appointment. Talking to a friend across the country this week, I learned that they are waiting months to get their pets to the vet as well. Is this a national trend? — Cheryl K.

DEAR CHERYL: Unfortunately, it is, especially in major metropolitan areas. The wait for a vet appointment was already lengthening before 2020. After months of waiting, pet owners are all trying to get caught up on checkups and vaccinations. Many more people adopted pets during the lockdown in 2020 to keep them company. And many pandemic restrictions, such as building occupancy limits, are still in place.

Add to this a chronic shortage of veterinarians — an industry that sees some 2,000 vets leaving every year, citing a poor work-life balance. That's twice the rate of physicians quitting their profession, says the American Veterinary Medical Association.

And the lower availability of vet appointments can be seasonal. For large animal vet practices (which deal with livestock, horses, cattle, etc.), spring is their busiest season with calving and foaling taking place. The warm weather reminds pet owners to take their companion pets to the vet as well.

Until the wave of catch-up appointments subsides, just be patient. Keep the appointment that is already set with the veterinarian and schedule Maisie's checkup for next year, if possible.

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

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**HAPPENINGS:** Event listings, from page 39

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## Southern Powerlifting Federation Rumble in the Smokies.

Aug. 13 at 8:30 a.m. at the Cherokee Fitness Complex. General Admission: \$10, Kids 12 and under are free. Must be a current Southern Powerlifing Federation to participate. \$15 late fee after Aug. 1. Info: Jesse Rodger (423) 255-3672, www.southernpowerlifing. com

## WESTERN N.C. & BEYOND EVENTS

**Official Bob Ross Technique Class.** May 21 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Murphy Art Center on Valley River Ave. in downtown Murphy. This class, hosted by the Valley River Arts Guild, is open to the public. Info: 360-3038

Indivisible Swain County meeting. May 23 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Agenda items include action steps for 2022 priorities – Medicaid expansion, voting, education, environment, and May 28 voter registration at Strawberry Festival at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. All are welcome to join and share your concerns and ideas. Info or to request a link, email maryherr2017@gmail.com or 497-9498

## **Swain County Democratic** Women monthly meeting.

May 24 at 6 p.m. at the Historic Calhoun House Hotel at 135 Everett Street in Bryson City. Agenda items will include conversation and the election of officers. All registered Democrats welcome. Info: 488-1234

## **Basic Pine Needle Basket**

**Class.** May 26 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Murphy Art Center on Valley River Ave. in downtown Murphy. The class is sponsored by the Valley River Arts Guild and is open to the public. Info: 360-3038

## **Cowee School Farmer's**

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**Market.** Every Wednesday from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Produce, plant starts, eggs, baked goods, flowers, food trucks, and music. Located at 51 Cowee School Drive in Franklin. Info: 369-4080 or www.coweeschool.org

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### **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

Event listings are free of charge. Send your event name, date and time, location, and contact info to scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov.

# MISSING PERSON

## Brittaney Littledave - female

Cherokee Nation (Okla.) citizen

Height: 5'2/5'3 Weight: 130lbs Age: 36

Eye and hair color: brown Tattoos: left upper arm, Cherokee Nation Seal, right upper arm: flowers and butterflies,back of neck: laugh now cry later

She has a septum piercing which is the bull nose ring.

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

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

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# COLD CASE



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

The Cherokee Indian Police Dept. reported at the time that "foul play" was suspected. No arrests have been made in this case. A **\$20,000** reward is offered for information leading to an arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible.  $GWY \pm V^{\circ} OY_{b}C$ 

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## **TRADING POST** DG.Эод. D& SӨ.ЛФ.Л

## FOR SALE

2007 GMC Yukon Denali XL with a Cam. Clean title, title in hand. Sale For \$6,000 please call or text 828-736-5640. 5/18

Classified listings are FREE of charge for all items under \$25,000. You can message your listings to us on Facebook or email them to Scott at scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might have to turn your Arian charm up a few degrees if you hope to persuade that persistent pessimist to see the possibilities in your project. Whatever you do, don't give up.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A "tip" about a co-worker's "betrayal" might well raise the Bovine's rage levels. But before charging into a confrontation, let an unbiased colleague do some fact-checking.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Although a relationship still seems to be moving too slowly to suit your expectations, it's best not to push it. Let it develop at its own pace. You'll soon get news about a workplace change.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A continually changing personal situation makes you feel as if you're riding an emotional roller coaster. But hold on tight; stability starts to set in early next week.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Believe it or not, someone might dare to say "No!" to the Regal One's suggestion. But instead of being miffed, use this rebuff to recheck the proposition and, perhaps, make some changes.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You might find it difficult to make a decision about a family matter. But delay can only lead to more problems. Seek out trusted counsel and then make that important decision. LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Concentrate your focus on what needs to be done, and avoid frittering away your energies on less-important pursuits. There'll be time later for fun and games.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Although the conflicts seem to be letting up, you still need to be wary of being drawn into workplace intrigues. Plan a special weekend event for family and/or friends.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your quick wit helps you work through an already difficult situation without creating more problems. Creative aspects begin to dominate by the week's end.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Be patient. You'll soon receive news about a project that means so much to you. Meanwhile, you might want to reconsider a suggestion you previously turned down.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) There are still some aspects about that new job offer you need to resolve. In the meantime, another possibility seems promising. Be sure to check that out as well.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Opening up your emotional floodgates could leave you vulnerable to being hurt later on. Watch what you say, in order to avoid having your words come back to haunt you.

BORN THIS WEEK: You're usually the life of the party, which gets you on everyone's invitation list. You also have a flair for politics.

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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



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.

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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 Chib reserves the right to extend position closing dates or re-advertise positions without notice.

Cherokee Boys Club P.O. Box 507 Cherokee, NC 28719 OPEN UNTIL FILLED CHEROKEE CHILDREN'S HOME: (1) FT RESIDENT COUNSELOR; (5) PT RESIDENT COUNSELORS AGELINK:

(2) TEACHERS; (4) TEACHER ASSISTANTS; (1) COOK ASSISTANT; (2) GROUP LEADERS SNOWBIRD CHILDCARE: (1) TEACHERS BUS: (10) PT SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS SHOP/GARAGE:

(5) PT SEASONAL LAWN CREW

OPEN UNTIL MAY 25 ADMINISTRATION: (1) HUMAN RESOURCES/BENEFITS ASSISTANT

OJT POSITIONS: SHOP/GARAGE: 4 POSITIONS AGELINK: 3 POSITIONS CONSTRUCTION/FACILITIES: 2 POSITIONS \*\*\*OJT WILL BEGIN 6/13/22 THROUGH 7/29/22\*\*\*

## Harrah's Cherokee Job Fair

## Wednesday May 18 10 am -3 pm Harrah's Cherokee Ballroom Located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor-Resort Hotel

Hiring for: Security, Surveillance, Cooks, Call Center, Cashiers, Front Desk Clerks, Servers, Stewards, Table Games, EVS,

## And more!

For a complete listing of jobs visit: www.harrahscherokeejobs.com



Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

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

#### **Open Until Filled**

1. Patrol Officer (Multiple) – Cherokee Police Department – Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSI-TION

 Detention Officer (Multiple) - Detention Services - Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
 PT Paramedic (Multiple) - Emergency Medical Services -Public Safety (L8 \$17.55 - \$21.94 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

 4. Youth Development Professional – Cherokee Youth Center – Community/Education/Recreation Services (L4 \$25,261 -\$31,581)

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

6. Cook – Cherokee County Senior Citizens – Snowbird/Cherokee County Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)

7. Cultural Resource and Archive Officer – Kituwah Preservation Education Program – Community/Education/Recreation Services (L12 \$52,635 - \$65,811)

8. Driver (Multiple) – Transit – Operations (L4 \$25,261 -\$31,581) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

9. Teacher (Multiple) – Qualla Boundary Head-Start/Early Head-Start – Public Health and Human Services (L7 \$33,250 -\$41,57 SA4)

10. Teacher Assistant (Multiple) – Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L3 \$22,990 - \$28,732)

 Real Estate Associate Attorney – Tribal Realty Services – Office of the Attorney General (L15 \$68,704 - \$85,886)
 Facilities Maintenance Worker – Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L6 \$30,357 - \$37,946) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

13. CDOT Program Manager – Cherokee Department of Transportation – Operations (L14 \$62,918 - \$78,630) SAFETY SENSI-TIVE POSITION

14. Workforce Development Coordinator - TERO (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625)

15. Social Worker (Multiple) – Family Safety – Public Health and Human Services (L10 \$43,956 - \$54,950)

16. Housekeeper 1 Light Duty (Multiple) – Housekeeping – Operations (L3 \$22,990 - \$28,732)

17. Legislative Financial Director – Tribal Council (L21 \$116,354 - \$145,421)

18. Corrections Officer – Cherokee Indian Police Department – Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625)

19. Detention Sergeant (Multiple) – Detention – Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

20. Property Control Officer: Financial Assets – Treasury (L10 \$43,956 - \$54,950)

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

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



#### LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 22-047 In the Matter of the Estate of **Annie Welch French** 

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 PUBLICA-TION Marissa E. Smith PO Box 730 Cherokee, NC 28719 5/18

In the General Court of Justice in Jackson County, District Court Division: File Number 21 JT 15 In the matter of Toineeta, a minor child for Termination of **Parental Rights** Petitioners: Cheryl Colleen Franks and Kayla Nicole Cogdill Respondents: Taryn Krista Eliza-

beth Toineeta and Thomas Eugene Pheasant, Sr. and Any Unknown Father

Petitioners' attorney: Shira Hedgepeth, PO Box 514, Cullowhee, NC 28723, Phone 828-585-5044 Thomas Eugene Pheasant, Sr. or any Unknown Father must enter a defense to the pleadings within 40 days of this notice. If Thomas Eugene Pheasant, Sr. or any Unknown father fails to make a defense within the time required, the Petitioners will apply to the Court for the relief

#### sought. 5/18

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 22-049 In the Matter of the Estate of **Annie Jean Arch** 

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 PUBLICA-TION

Davy Mitchell Arch 1419 Old Soco Road Cherokee, NC 28719 6/1

BIDs, RFPs, etc.

### **CHEROKEE INDIAN** HOUSING DIVISION LAND WANTED **BIG COVE COMMUNITY**

Cherokee Indian Housing Division is seeding land in the Big Cove Community for purchase. Seeking fifteen (15) to twenty (acres). Land must be buildable. Will consider three to four smaller tracks. Please contact Nathanial Crowe if interested. (828) 359-6903. 5/18

## **CHEROKEE INDIAN** HOUSING DIVISION **Houses Wanted**

Cherokee Indian Housing Division is looking for houses in sub-standard condition for possible purchase. Houses will be rehabbed to provide affordable housing stock for enrolled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Houses can be located on or off Tribal prop-

erty. Only houses with no liens will be considered. Contact Michelle Stamper if you own a property that you would like to offer for sale. (828) 359-6904. 5/18

#### NOTICE OF SERVICE OF **PROCESS BY PUBLICATION**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians In the Tribal Court In the Matter of M.B., A Minor Child, File No. CVJ 21-075 TO: The Unknown Father of Minor Child M.B.

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled juvenile action. The nature of the relief being sought is the adjudication and disposition of a petition alleging the minor child, M.B., born June 2, 2010, is a neglected child, filed in the Cherokee Tribal Court on November 2, 2021. A court order from the Cherokee Tribal Court directing that service of process on you take place by publication was entered on April 21, 2022.

You must answer or otherwise respond to the pleading within forty (40) days of the date of first publication of this Notice. If you fail to answer or otherwise respond within the time prescribed, the matter will proceed to disposition. If you are not already represented by appointed counsel, you are entitled to appointed counsel in this matter, and to that end, provisional counsel will be appointed for you in this matter, and the appointment of provisional counsel shall be reviewed by the court at the first hearing after service of process in this matter.

You are advised to IMMEDI-ATELY contact the Clerk of Tribal Court for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians at (828) 359-6213, to obtain further information about this case, including a copy of the pleadings filed herein and the date(s) and time(s) of scheduled

#### Apply online at https://phl.applitrack.com/cherokeecentral/ onlineapp/ or visit: www.ccs-nc.org for more information. 1. CMS Special Education 14. CES School Counselor -Teacher - Pathseekers ARPA 2. CMS Counselor 15. Elementary Teacher (Multiple) 4. CHS Drone Teacher 16. Cherokee Language Instructor 17. Math/Reading Interventionist (High School) 18. JV Cheer Coach 19. JV Women's Basketball Head Coach 20. Varsity Football Assistant Coach 21. Food Service Worker - 4 hr 22. Food Service Worker - 6 hr 11. CES Special Education TA -23. Part-Time Security 24. Custodian

**25.** Substitute Teachers

**Cherokee** Central

Schools Job Openings

3. CHS English Teacher 5. CHS Engineering Teacher 6. CHS Social Studies Teacher 7. CHS Automechanics Teacher 8. CHS Special Education Teacher - Life Skills 9. CES Speech Language Pathologist **10. CES Special Education** Teacher - STARS STARS 12. CES Special Education TA 13. CES Special Education

Teacher

hearings. First published this the 4th day of May, 2022. Sybil G. Mann Family Safety Program Attorney P.O. Box 455 Cherokee, N.C. 28719 (828)359-1559 N.C. Bar No. 16729 **5/18** 

## NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians In the Tribal Court In the Matter of C.W., A Minor Child, File No. CVJ 21-076 TO: The Unknown Father of Minor Child C.W. Take notice that a pleading

seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled juvenile action. The nature of the relief being sought is the adjudication and



<u>Construction Jobs Available</u> Cherokee Enterprises, Inc., an Equal Opportunity Employer, is accepting applications for heavy construction employees including laborers, heavy equipment operators and CDL truck drivers.

-General Laborer: \$18.00/hr

-CDL Dump Truck Drivers: \$22.50/hr

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-Project Superintendent: Negotiable

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-Employer matched Simple IRA plan

Please contact our office at 828-497-5617 with questions or for additional information. You may also pick up an application at 1371 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC. from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday. Pre-employment drug testing, background check and reliable transportation required. disposition of a petition alleging the minor child, C.W., born September 25, 2021 is a neglected and drug endangered child, filed in the Cherokee Tribal Court on November 2, 2021. A court order from the Cherokee Tribal Court directing that service of process on you take place by publication was entered on April 20, 2022.

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## Project Title: Adams Creek Stream Construction Project

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Natural Resources Department is requesting separate sealed proposals for the services of a qualified contracting firm with experience in stream restoration projects for the purpose of conducting an in-stream channel restoration planning project on Adams Creek. The project area is located on Adams Creek Road (NC-19) in Cherokee, North Carolina. An estimated 600 linear feet of streambank restoration/stabilization and native planting installation is planned to be restored utilizing natural channel design principles. Project components include stabilizing and protection for two sections of eroded bank, providing enhanced aquatic habitat, and providing native vegetation for further stabilization and habitat enhancement. The proposed project is within a floodplain that is heavily impacting property owners. The culvert upstream is the limit of the stream restoration project. Prospective bidders must be familiar with project location, stream restoration techniques and construction practices. We are currently seeking experienced contractors with at least five years of stream restoration skills. All proposals must meet stream restoration objectives at the aforementioned site. Site visits and field assessment opportunities will be provided to any qualified contractor upon request. Contact Dylan Rose at (828) 736-0578 or by email at dylarose@nc-cherokee.com for further questions.

Proposal packages should be addressed to Mr. Rose at the address above and must be received by 11:00 AM, June 1 st , 2022, at which time bids will be opened in accordance with TERO procedures. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. Please be advised that Indian Preference (TERO) regulations apply for award and execution of this contract. **5/25** 

## CHEROKEE INDIAN HOUSING DIVISION

## HOUSING PRODUCTION REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR: SITE PREPARATION AND GRAD-ING May 6, 2022 PURPOSE:

The purpose of this "REQUEST FOR QAULIFICATION" is to establish a pool of on-call contractors for the construction of single-family house sites and driveways for members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee receiving assistance through Cherokee Indian Housing Division: Housing Production Program. Contracts will be awarded based on per-project basis and competitive pricing. Contracts will be for a period of one year with an option to renew for two additional years. Projects will be monitored by Housing Production Project Monitor. CIHD reserves the right to add additional contractors to the on-call pool as needed based on scheduling demands. Proposal packets can be picked up at 687 Acquoni Rd, Cherokee, NC 28719. The contact person for this RFQ is Bunsey Crowe, Housing Production Manager, (828) 788-6785 or bunscrow@ ebcinsn.gov. Sealed RFQ's need to be submitted by 4:00 PM May 27, 2022.

Dated: May 06, 2022 Bunsey Crowe, Housing Production Mgr. **5/18** 

## CHEROKEE INDIAN HOUSING DIVISION

HOUSING PRODUCTION REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION FOR: GUTTERING SYSTEM May 6, 2022 PURPOSE: The purpose of this "RE-

The purpose of this "RE-QUEST FOR QAULIFICATION" is to establish a pool of on-call contractors for the construction of single-family guttering systems for members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee receiving assistance through the Cherokee Indian Housing Division: Housing Production Program. Contracts will be awarded based on per-project basis and competitive pricing. Contracts will be for a period of one year with an option to renew for two additional years. Projects will be monitored by the Housing Production Project Monitor. CIHD reserves the right to add additional contractors to the on-call pool as needed based on scheduling demands. Proposal packets can be picked up at 687 Acquoni Rd, Cherokee, NC 28719. The contact person for this RFQ is Bunsey Crowe, Housing Production Manager, (828) 788-

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#### **Advertisement for Bids**

Cherokee Enterprises, Inc., an Equal Opportunity Employer, is soliciting subcontractor and material proposals for the Proposed Site Improvements for the Tribal Foods Project from TERO vendors. This phase of work generally consists of survey, grading, excavating, paving, trucking and site utilities. All proposals should be in our office by Friday, May 27, 2022 at 1 p.m.. Proposals can be mailed or faxed to our office, 828-497-5566.

Project plans and specifications

can be viewed at our office located at 1371 Acquoni Road in Cherokee, N.C. with prior appointment. Workers compensation, auto, and general liability insurance are required from all subcontractors. Please contact our office at 828-497-5617 with questions or for additional information. Project bonding may be required depending upon scope. **5/25** 



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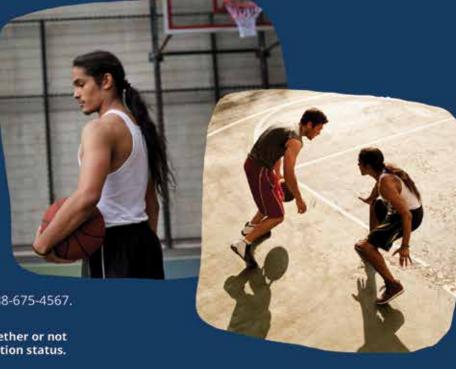
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## CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

## **Open Positions**

Analenisgi inpatient - Inpatient Technician Analenisgi inpatient - Inpatient Technician PTI Analenisgi Inpatient – Registered Nurse PTI **AP** Processor – PRC Behavioral Health RN – Analenisgi PTI Case Management Support – Primary Care Certified Medical Assistant/Licensed Practical Nurse – Primary Care (3 positions) \*\*\*3,000.00 **Hiring Bonus** Clinical Dietitian (2 Positions) **Clinical Dietitian Emergency Hire** Dental Assistant II (3 Positons) Dentist **Dietary Services Supervisor Durable Medical Equipment Specialist** Emergency Room - Advanced Practice Provider PTI (PA/FNP) **Emergency Room - Registered Nurse EVS** Technician **Immediate Care Center - Registered Nurse** Immediate Care Center – License Practical Nurse Inpatient - Physician /Hospitalist Inpatient - Registered Nurse Licensed Clinical Social Worker Care Manager -Primary Care (7 Positions) \*\*\*\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus LPN – MAT Clinic Analenisgi Masters Level Therapist – Analenisgi Inpt. \*\*\*\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus Masters Level Therapist - Dora Reed 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 (Child) – Analenisgi

## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

\*\*\*\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus Optician **Optometric** Assistant Optometrist Patient and Referred Care Manager Pedodontist **Phlebotomist PTI PTI - Ultrasound Technologist PTI Patient Access Specialist** Residential Technician (Female) – Kanvwotiyi (2 positions) Residential Technician (Female) – Women's Home (2 positions) Residential Technician (Male) – Kanywotiyi (2 positions) RN Care Manager – Primary Care \*\*\*\$3,000.00 **Hiring Bonus** Targeted Case Manager – Dora Reed **Telemetry Nursing Assistant Tribal Justice Center - Licensed Practical** Nurse\*\*\*\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus Wound Care - Registered Nurse

## Tsali Care Center

Assistant Administrator Cook \*\*\*\$2,000.00 Hiring Bonus Medication Aide \*\*\*\$2,000.00 Hiring Bonus Registered Nurse – Full Time LPN \*\*\*\$2,000.00 Hiring Bonus CNA \*\*\*\$2,000.00 Hiring Bonus CAN – Part time \*\*\*\$1,000.00 Hiring Bonus **Retention Bonus Eligible Positions** Medication Aide (Starting Pay \$18.00/Hr.) Registered Nurse (Starting Pay \$35.36)

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