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# "We are still here."

Cherokee Tribes come together to celebrate Kituwah

> By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. One Feather Staff

ITUWAH - The sounds of people laughing, games being played, songs being sung, and the Cherokee language being spoken filled the valley at Kituwah on Saturday, May 21 as the three federally recognized Cherokee Tribes – the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), the Cherokee Nation, and the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians of Oklahoma (UKB) – came together to celebrate the Mother Town being back under Cherokee control.



Don Bradley, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and a senior standout athlete at Cherokee High School, soars up to get the ball during an exhibition stickball game at the Annual Kituwah Celebration held at Kituwah on Saturday, May 21. All three federally recognized Cherokee tribes came together to celebrate the land being put into trust by the federal government recently. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)



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Cherokee Memorial Day Observance Monday, May 30 at 11 a.m. at Cherokee Veterans Park Hosted by Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143



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Former Principal Chief Joyce Dugan speaks during the opening part of the Celebration.

**KITUWAH:** Cherokee Tribes come together at Mother Town, from front page

Kituwah, the Mother Town of the Cherokee, located just outside of Cherokee near Bryson City, was placed into trust for the EBCI by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), U.S. Dept. of the Interior last fall. The property was purchased by the EBCI in 1996, and according to the Public Notice to Acquire Land into Trust, the site totals 307.03 acres.

Former EBCI Principal Chief Joyce Dugan was instrumental in getting Kituwah back for the Cherokee people. In 1996, she took a resolution to Tribal Council asking that they purchase the property, then known to most as Ferguson Fields, for \$2.1 million. Council passed the legislation unanimously. "I think, looking back, it created a cultural renaissance because people began to learn about their culture," she told the crowd on Saturday. "If anything, the legacy that I left and the Tribal Council at that time left, was a renaissance of our culture, of our language, our customs for future generations. And, for the first time, our people began to say, 'our culture and our traditions are important'."

Chief Dugan went on to say, "Enjoy your day. Love each other. And think about what all went on down here on this piece of land. And listen to the sounds of those children, those mommas and daddies who lived here. I've been told that if you're real quiet down here in the evenings you can hear them. I don't doubt that."

EBCI Principal Chief Richard G.

Sneed said getting Kituwah put into trust status was a priority of his since taking office. "It is an historic day. As I mentioned earlier, we would not be here today if it were not for the vision and the leadership of Chief Dugan...Great leaders like Chief Dugan have several things in common and one is they have vision. If you're going to be in leadership, you're going to have to have vision for the generations of Cherokees that are coming after us."

He spoke of the importance of the Cherokee people getting Kituwah back and said it is time to look towards the future. "We have to stop thinking about just the 'right now' and instead the seven generations that are coming after us. That can't be empty rhetoric. It has to be how we think. It has to be how we believe. And, it has to be how we act."

Chief Sneed added, "We are here today as one people. We are today as Cherokees...it is our time, and it is our responsibility now to do what is right for future generations of Cherokees."

EBCI Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley was in his first term as a Tribal Council representative when the property was purchased in 1996. "We were at the very beginning stages of becoming a gaming Tribe back then, and \$2 million seemed like \$100 million at that time."

He also praised Chief Dugan for her vision and action. "Chief Dugan invigorated our culture at that time. We didn't know that much about our culture...I knew very little about our Cherokee history."

Saying it was a great day to be a Cherokee, Vice Chief Ensley noted, "When Chief Dugan brought this in, it reinvigorated our culture here in Cherokee, and it brought our culture, our language, and



Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed speaks during the opening part of the Celebration. He said, in part, "We are here today as one people. We are today as Cherokees."

everything just catapulted once we bought the homeland back."

**Cherokee Nation Principal** Chief Chuck Hoskin Jr. said, "This is a special day for all Cherokee people. I want to express my deep appreciation on behalf of the Cherokee Nation for the work of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. We all celebrate this as our Mother Town. We all celebrate this area as our homeland. But the burdens, the opportunities to seize to preserve this, of course, falls squarely on the Eastern Band. It's just remarkable to see what the Eastern Band has done in the area of historic preservation securing this land."

He said when he thinks about Kituwah having existed from "time immemorial", it helps him put things into perspective. "When we think about this site, it makes all the challenges that we might have in our governments or back home or in our economy or in our politics, it makes those seem much tamer as we think about how long this place has stood the test of time. When we think about how long this space has endured, it makes us realize that the tragedies that we have endured are not as great as all of our triumphs because so much of our triumphs are really embodied in this space."

Chief Hoskin further noted, "If Kituwah can endure then I feel like that means that we can endure. If Kituwah can survive, that means we will survive. If this place remains a sacred place, then that means our roots here will always run deep for each and every one of us. And, if we preserve this place for the future, as we're celebrating here today, that means the Chero-

### "We are here today as one people. We are here today as Cherokees."

- EBCI Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed

kee people have a bright future."

UKB Principal Chief Joe Bunch commented, "Coming here to the mountains is coming home. To our tribe, the Keetoowahs, it's coming home and that's good medicine for each and every one of us. It's where we started, certainly not where we ended. But, with all the successes that we've had throughout, and some of the small defeats and so on, we are still here. We are still here."

He read a proclamation from the UKB which designated May 21, 2022 as "Kituwah Mound Day". The proclamation states, in part, "The Eastern Band, the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians, and the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma together celebrate the return of our symbolic mother town and the union of our forefathers who gave the ultimate sacrifices in protecting the families and land and life as we knew it back then."

Chief Bunch concluded by saying, "Believe me, it is coming home. It is good medicine. No doubt about it. It is wonderful medicine. What a grand day it is to be Keetoowah."

The Celebration also included storytelling, exhibition stickball games, dancing and songs, and several lectures.



Leaders from the three federally recognized Cherokee tribes are shown with the royalty from the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) during the Annual Kituwah Celebration at Kituwah on the morning of Saturday, May 21. Shown, left to right, are Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Chuck Hoskin Jr., Miss Cherokee Tyra Maney, Teen Miss Cherokee Tsini McCoy, EBCI Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley, former EBCI Principal Chief Joyce Dugan, Little Miss Cherokee Trinnity Jackson, Junior Miss Cherokee Makaula Lambert, United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indian Principal Chief Joe Bunch, and EBCI Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed.



Several exhibition stickball games were played throughout the day. Rather than regular teams facing off against each other, a blind draw was instituted so players could meet new people.

# Food for the Tribe's future

### Groundbreaking held for "new" Tribal Foods Distribution building

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

The Tribal Foods Distribution Program of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) will move into its new home next summer. A groundbreaking was held on the warm afternoon of Thursday, May 19 for a project that will see a part of an existing building renovated and part of it torn down and rebuilt as a two-story, nearly 8,000 square feet addition for the Program.

The building is the old home of



Tribal and USDA officials break ground on the new building that will house the EBCI Tribal Foods Distribution Program and the EBCI Tribal Cannery. Shown, left to right, are Joey Owle, EBCI Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources; Yellowhill Rep. David Wolfe; Wolftown Rep. Bo Crowe; Cherokee Co. – Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha; Painttown Rep. Dike Sneed; Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley; Izra Brown, deputy regional administrator for the USDA Southeast Regional Office in Atlanta; Dr. Lilly Bouie, USDA Food & Nutrition Service regional director; and Frank Dunn Sr., Tribal Foods representative. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

# Congratulations Class of 2022 Graduates!

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205 Smokey Park Hwy, Asheville, NC 28806 (828) 665-4444 www.ashevillechevrolet.com The Cherokees craft business and, once completed, will house both the EBCI Tribal Foods Distribution Program and the EBCI Tribal Cannery.

"This has been a moment our team has been looking forward to for a while," said Frank Dunn Sr., Tribal Foods representative. "We would not be gathered here today without the support of many key stakeholders."

He added, "Our team is looking forward to the possibilities of what this renovated structure will mean as we safely serve our community from a pandemic-ready building that will last for the next generations that follow."

Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley commented, "We've learned over the past two years what it means to have a food source for our people with the pandemic."

He said the last few years have been rough in many places throughout the country due to the COVID-19 pandemic. "I've seen a lot in my time being in the tribal government. He and Abe (Wachacha) supported a resolution back in 2000 to put money into new equipment for the Cannery. The headline of the resolution was to make safe, economical ways and means of protecting our foods. That's still true today."

Vice Chief Ensley said the project was funded through a \$5.3 million USDA grant, \$4 million in ARP (American Rescue Plan) funds, and \$1 million from the capital fund of the EBCI.

EBCI Secretary of Public Health and Human Services Vickie Bradley praised the Tribal Foods Distribution staff and thanked Dunn for getting the ball rolling on the new program. "The hard work really belongs to this team. We want to make things better for seven generations." Frank Dunn Sr., Tribal Foods representative, shows plans of the building to Dr. Lilly Bouie, USDA Food & Nutrition Service regional

director.

She also noted, "We know how to take care of our own better than anyone else. We want to be innovative, and we want to exercise our sovereignty. We want to find synergies throughout the Tribe."

Secretary Bradley said food insecurity is an issue. "In our 2018 tribal health assessment, we found out that 25 percent of our respondents said they'd gone without food because of lack of access or lack of funding in the last month... so, when we saw that, Frank and his team immediately began to partner with Manna Food Bank."

EBCI Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources Joey Owle said, "It's a pleasure to be here and gathered with you all to celebrate this monumental occasion for what's going to benefit our community, our tribal government, and our future generations into the future for the next 100 years."

He added, "It's been a tremendous learning experience over the last year having regular meetings, working on the design, going through the various phases of 40, 50, 70, 90 percent design to make sure that we're getting what we're wanting. Getting something that is going to last for years and for decades and for generations to come."

Secretary Owle spoke highly of the Tribal Cannery noting, "That cannery has been around a long time. It's made a lot of products. It's served a lot of people. It's served multiple generations of Cherokee families."

Looking to the future of what the Tribal Cannery and Tribal Food Distribution Program will be, he noted, "It's truly 21st century, 22nd century thinking with what we're moving forward with this project."

Dr. Lilly Bouie, USDA Food & Nutrition Service regional director, was on hand for Thursday's event and said she felt "the energy and a level of support and collaboration" with the tribal programs.

"Thanks to the team, all of you all who stand today or who sit and you provide services in various places so that families in the communities benefit from the services that you already provide. We thank you for every contribution that you have made and the contributions that you will make in the future as a result of this foundation that sits behind me. We know already that it will benefit the families here."

She further said, "As gaps in services are identified, possibly there are more children and families who could benefit from more food. And, with this gap in service being identified, you're going to fill that gap through the foundation, through the services that you will continue to provide."

Dr. Bouie concluded with, "We walk hand-in-hand with you all the way."

She was joined by Izra Brown, deputy regional administrator for the USDA Southeast Regional Office in Atlanta, who said, "To me, the impact of this whole project just encourages me even more to catch a vision...what we're looking at is just catching a vision, not of where we're at currently, but where we will be a couple of months from now, a couple of years from now, just how important this strategic partnership can be and how much further it can go."

For more information on the Tribal Food Distribution Program, visit: https://food.ebci-nsn.gov/

### Wilma Mankiller Quarter to be released during June 6 ceremony

### From Anadisgoi (Cherokee Nation news)

**T**AHLEQUAH, Okla. —On June 6, a limited number of the 2022 Wilma Mankiller Quarters will be released to the public in Tahlequah, the capital of the Cherokee Nation.

The Cherokee Nation, Banc-First, U.S. Mint and Wilma Mankiller Trust are partnering to host the "Wilma Mankiller Quarter Release and Celebration" event.

The event honoring the life and work of the first female Chief of the Cherokee Nation starts at 10 a.m. at the Cherokee National Capital Museum lawn and allows the public to purchase Wilma Mankiller Quarters following the event inside the museum.

"Traditionally women have had an important leadership role in our Indian Nations, so we are deeply honored for Wilma to be recognized along with the other great women selected to be represented on the quarter," said Charlie Soap, Wilma's widower, executive of her trust and a former Director of Community Programs during her term as Chief of the Cherokee Nation.

The Wilma Mankiller Quarter is the third quarter released in the Mint's American Women Quarters<sup>™</sup> Program.

The quarter features a portrait of the late former Chief in a resolute gaze to the future. The wind is at her back, and she is wrapped in a traditional shawl. To her left is the seven-pointed star of the Cherokee Nation and includes "Cherokee Nation" in the Cherokee Syllabary.

"This coin's design reflects the strength and determination it took for Wilma Mankiller to become



the first woman elected principal chief of the Cherokee Nation and to fight for Native American and women's rights," said United States Mint Deputy Director Ventris C. Gibson. "We hope everyone who sees it will be inspired to learn more about her contributions to the Cherokee people and our Nation as a whole."

The ceremony will include many special guests including senior officials from the U.S. Mint and noted friends of Mankiller, including writer and feminist leader Gloria Steinem.

"In a just world, Wilma Mankiller would have been President, but now, she will be on a coin that is part of our daily lives. I hope more people will be inspired to read about Wilma, her leadership, and the democracy we inherited from Native Americans," Steinem said.

Former Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Ross Swimmer who served during Wilma's term as Deputy Chief, and current Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Chuck Hoskin Jr. will also attend in celebration of Chief Mankiller.

"Chief Mankiller was the voice that first elevated Native American tribes and tribal issues in this country and served as the first female Chief in a role dominated by men during a time that the Cherokee Nation was first getting its footing after decades of suppression by the U.S. Government," Chief Hoskin said. "While we defend our sovereignty today, she was the pioneer who stood firmly for tribal sovereignty and treaty rights four decades earlier. She fought for civil rights and equality, and self-sufficiency for the Cherokee people, and was the anchor establishing what has now become the largest tribal health care system in the country. We are so proud she is forever honored on this coin by the U.S. Mint."

Mankiller was elected chief in 1987, and four years later, re-elected in a landslide. She tripled the tribe's enrollment, doubled employment, and built new housing, health centers and children's programs in the Cherokee Nation Reservation. Under her leadership, infant mortality declined and educational levels rose. Her leadership on social and financial issues made the Cherokee Nation a national role model. After leaving office in 1995, she remained a strong voice worldwide for social justice, native people, and women.

Mankiller received the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1998, the highest honor given to civilians in the United States. She was also inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame in 1993.

BancFirst was selected by the U.S. Mint to be the issuing institution for the public release of the Wilma Mankiller Quarter.

BancFirst will receive \$50,000 worth of quarters. Each customer will be limited to purchase two rolls. Each roll is 40 quarters at a cost of \$10.

Each roll has been prepared under the authority of the U.S. Mint and will be a cash only sale, and will continue until the supply is exhausted or at day's end.

"It is a distinct honor for Banc-First to officiate the release event of the Chief Mankiller Quarter," said Tahlequah BancFirst President Rob Headley. "It's exciting to offer these quarter rolls to the Tahlequah area community on June 6 for this special event in honor of Wilma Mankiller."

According to the U.S. Mint, only two other Cherokee Nation citizens, Mary Golda Ross and Sequoyah have coins in their names.



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### CIPD Arrest Report for May 9-15

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.

Driver, Joshua Henry Dale – age 28 Arrested: May 9 Released: Not released as of report date (May 17) Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Squirrel, Joshua Brent – age 35

Arrested: May 9 Released: Not released as of report date (May 17) Charges: Failure to Comply with Pre-Trial Release (three counts)

Sutton Jr., John Theodore – age 25 Arrested: May 9 Released: May 12 Charges: Obstructing Justice, Assault with a Deadly Weapon

Bradley, Crystal – age 45 Arrested: May 10 Released: May 12 Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance (Simple Possession of Marijuana), Possession Drug Paraphernalia, Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court, Probation Violation

Tran, Dang Tieu – age 36

Arrested: May 10 Released: May 10 Charges: Temporary Hold

Brown, Natasha Dainelle – age 37 Arrested: May 11 Released: May 12 Charges: Public Nuisance, Child Abuse in the Second Degree (two counts), Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public, Simple Affray

Corral, Humberto – age 30 Arrested: May 11 Released: May 13 Charges: Elder Abuse and Neglect

Johnson, Alisha Ann – age 42 Arrested: May 11 Released: May 11 Charges: Simple Affray (two counts)

Johnson, April D. – age 38

Arrested: May 11 Released: May 11 Charges: Simple Assault

Mendoza, Cenobio – age 34 Arrested: May 11 Released: May 11 Charges: Temporary Hold

Rattler, Cornelia Iona – age 24 Arrested: May 11 Released: May 11 Charges: Probation Violation

Rattler, Jacob Hunter – age 29 Arrested: May 11 Released: May 12 Charges: Hold for Wellness Court

Tomas, Kelby – age 21 Arrested: May 11 Released: May 12 Charges: Drinking Under Age 21, Domestic Violence



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Clouse, Marilyn Catherine – age 47 Arrested: May 12 Released: May 12 Charges: Contributing to the Delinquency, Undiscipline, Neglect, or Abuse of Minors

Guerrero, Jose – age 38 Arrested: May 12 Released: May 13 Charges: Domestic Violenc; Simple Assault, Assault and Battery, Simple Affray

Wilnoty Jr., Michael Warren – age

30 Arrested: May 12 Released: May 13 Charges: Possession Drug Paraphernalia

Wolfe, Tara Lynn – age 25 Arrested: May 12 Released: May 12 Charges: Possession Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of a Controlled Substance

Jenkins, James Derrick – age 30 Arrested: May 13 Released: Not released as of report date (May 17) Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor, Driving While Licensed Revoked, Driving While Impaired (two counts), Child Abuse in the Second Degree, Reckless Endangerment

Garcia, Alexander Martinez – age 25 Arrested: May 14 Released: May 15 Charges: Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle

Jones, Stephanie Dawn – age 41 Arrested: May 14 Released: May 15 Charges: Public Nuisance

Meeks Jr., Lanzy – age 62 Arrested: May 14 Released: May 14 Charges: Assault

Shelson, Daniel Lee – age 28 Arrested: May 14 Released: May 14 Charges: Communicating Threats, Brandishing a Weapon

Clementi, Richard – age 46 Arrested: May 15 Released: May 15 Charges: Temporary Hold



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### THE GOOD STUFF



### Thompson promoted at CIH

Jennifer Thompson, DPT, CLT, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, was recently promoted to physical therapy manager for the Physical Therapy department at Cherokee Indian Hospital. Thompson, who resides in the Yellowhill Community, is the daughter of Walter and the late Jannie Thompson and holds a Doctorate in Physical Therapy from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

"In high school, my dad was the first athletic trainer in western North Carolina, and I helped him after school and during games," said Thompson, "I loved helping him, and he encouraged me to look into the profession of Physical Therapy. I set my goal in high school to become a physical therapist."

Inspired after a summer externship at CIHA during undergraduate school, Thompson began working as a Physical Therapist at CIHA in 2003 after graduation The values that guide Thompson through her career and life are loyalty, honesty, commitment, and passion. Thompson shared that she considers every patient she has like family. "My passion for helping someone restore a function that they once lost is the most rewarding aspect of my job," she stated, "and continues to be a significant driving force in my career."

> - Cherokee Indian Hospital release

### Tribal member named to Public Art Advisory Council

Angelina Jumper, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the cultural resource supervisor for the Junaluska Museum, has been named to the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation (ZSR) Public Arts Advisory Council. The Council will continue the work of ensuring that art is opening doors to conversations across the state.

The Council, which is comprised of a demographically- and geographically-diverse group of North Carolinians, is responsible for reviewing Letters of Intent and grant applications to recommend semifinalists and finalists to ZSR's Board of Trustees for the Foundation's Inclusive Public Art initiative. ZSR's Board of Trustees make final decisions regarding grant awards.

Ultimately, the Council has a vital role in ensuring ZSR invests in public art initiatives that share stories of diversity, equality, inclusion and equity as they relate to the people and places of North Carolina, especially those whose stories are often untold or under told.

"After an impactful inaugural cohort of Inclusive Public Art grantees, ZSR knows that this effort can spark important community conversations that result in a shared and fuller understanding of our common history — and common bonds — as North Carolinians," said Maurice "Mo" Green, executive director of the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation.

ZSR's Inclusive Public Art initiative addresses three main issues it identified after a statewide listening and learning tour: North Carolinians desire deeper connection with one another; issues of race and racism are not openly discussed in many communities; and the demographics of North Carolina's communities continue to rapidly change.

"This initiative is one way the Foundation can offer a starting place for people to engage in important conversations about their communities' past, present and future," Green said. "Clearly, the pandemic has only deepened the need for connection and community, while the global racial reckoning and the war in Ukraine remind us that our shared histories and public symbols matter." Letters of Intent for ZSR's Inclusive Public Art initiative were due in March. The Foundation expects to announce semifinalists in June. Semifinalists will receive a \$5,000 planning grant and an invitation to submit a full application by early 2023.

Additional resources will be available for community engagement activities surrounding each art project. Projects must be permanent, visual artwork, accessible to the public and not performance based. Learn more about ZSR's Inclusive Public Art initiative here: https://www.zsr.org/inclusive-public-art.

- Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation release

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

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





### THE GOOD STUFF:

The current kindergarten classroom at New Kituwah Academy learned all 84 Cherokee syllabary characters this school year. Shown, left to right, are Gitaya Ramirez, Saligugi Tiger, Elohi Slee, Diyeligi Gloyne, Alitami Panther, Alisgisgi Yona Lambert, Galvlod Welch, and Inola Shipman. (Not pictured are Amagasga Hogner and Yansha Mckinney) (Photo courtesy of Kelly Murphy/New Kituwah Academy)



### **OBITUARIES** JhfiFR

### **Katie Marlene Reed**

Katie Marlene Reed, age 53, of Haywood County, passed away unexpectedly on Monday, May 16, 2022.

She is the daughter of Margaret Reed and the late David Robert Feather. In addition to her mother, Katie leaves behind children, Alesha Nicole Reed, Cage Jones and Seth Payten Reed; brother, Lee Reed; sisters, Mary Reed and Doris Arch; aunts, Rosie, Elsie, Darlene, Ellalee; and several grandchildren.

Katie was preceded in death by her uncles, Joe and David; grandmother, Minnie; and grandparents, Edison and Ester Littlejohn.

A funeral service was held on Saturday, May 21 at Wesleyan Methodist Church.

Long House Funeral Home as-

sisted the family with final arrangements.

### **George Steffen Beck**

George Steffen Beck, of Cherokee, passed away on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at Tsali Care Center after an extended illness. He was the son of Niels K. and Anna Louise Beck who were Danish immigrants, that married in Racine, Wisc.

George was the youngest of five children, four of whom served in the Navy. George served on the USS Piper, a pre-nuclear submarine, toward the end of the Korean War. After the Navy, he attended and graduated with a Business Degree from Michigan State University. While there, he met and married Frela Owl Beck in 1961. They lived and worked in Owosso and Roscommon, Mich. In 1976, he and Frela and their children moved to Cherokee to assist Frela's parents with the Piney Grove Campground, and eventually built apartments where the campground had been. Besides owning and managing the apartments, he grew Christmas trees for many years.

He was privileged to live 86 years and was married to Frela for 60 of those years. He is survived by his wife, Frela; son, Emil (Annalise) Beck of Newport News, Va.; daughter, Amy (Gene) Thompson of Rock Hill, S.C.; grandchildren, Cliff Thompson and Austin Thompson; sister, Carol Beck Havig of Billings, Mont.; plus special friends and relatives: Alberto and Vicki Cruz, Bruce and Patricia Beck, Tiana Melquist, Norman and Eleanor Stolzoff, and Ben and Judy Melquist.

At his request, services will be private and held at a later date.

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### **Austin Cain Ross**

Austin Cain Ross went to his heavenly home too soon on Sunday, May 15, 2022 at the age of 24.

Cain was a 2016 graduate of Cherokee High School and attended Appalachian State University before returning home to work and attend SCC.

Cain came to his grandma and grandpa when he was 4-years-old and from the moment they saw him, they loved him. He was such a happy child and always loved being silly and making everyone laugh. A sensitive soul, Cain oftentimes took his grandma to Water Rock Knob to watch the sunset and it's moments like those that she'll cherish forever. Cain loved his brothers and always found time to keep in touch with them no matter how far the distance between them. He

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created great memories with his friends, especially those that he worked with on the parking crew and enjoyed the times they shared together. They'll always be attached at the heart.

Cain is loved by his family so much and it will be hard to live without him. He will be missed but he is now in a better place. Cain

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was saved when he was twelve years old, and the family takes comfort in knowing God will take care of him and love him.

He is survived by his father. Eddie Stamper (Michelle Stamper), and mother, Michelle Ross; his paternal grandparents, Alvne and Dave Stamper of the home, and Ned Stamper; maternal

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grandparents, Evelyn Wahnetah (Dave Wahnetah) and John Ross; uncles, Ben Stamper and Dwayne Stamper,; brothers, Chris Maney, John George, Justin Walker, Dillon Stamper, Tristan Flying, and Brian Winchester; two sisters, Tylie Bridges and Taelynn Pheasant; a special cousin who was raised with him like a sister, Tierra Stamper; close friends Ben and Mattie Sierra; and many cousins, extended family. and wonderful friends.

He was preceded in death by his uncle, Raymond "Taters" Ross.

Pallbearers will be Ben Sierra, Wade Wolfe, Logan Teesateskie, Eli Littlejohn, Darius Thompson, Trace Lambert, Kenzie Garcia and Steven Straughn. Honorary pallbearers are Cain's brothers, Chris,

John, and Dillon.

Funeral services were held at Bethabara Baptist Church on Friday, May 20. A burial followed at Birdtown Cemetery. Pastor David Hall officiated.

### Joshua Squirrel Jr. "Moose"

Joshua Squirrel Jr. "Moose", age 58, passed away at his residence on April 24, 2022.

He was the son of the late Josh Squirrel Sr. and Bessie Wallace. Moose was a rock mason by trade and spent several years as a men's traditional pow wow dancer. He was also a talented craftsman.

A private graveside service was held on Thursday, April 28 with burial in the Wallace Family Cemetery.

**Congratulations Peaches!** Congrats on receiving the Frell Owl Award! Grandpa Squirrell

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### **COMMUNITY BRIEFS**

### Right Path Adult Leadership Program call for nominations

The Right Path Adult Leadership Program (RP) is accepting nominations for participation in the 2022-23 program. This program is for members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI). Participants will learn Cherokee history and culture and develop leadership competencies. Participants will meet two days per month, for 12 months, and will engage in case study work, classroom lectures, and experiential learning.

Candidates must be age 18 and over, have a high school diploma or GED. Knowledge of Cherokee culture and/or experience in a professional environment is a plus.

Nomination forms can be found at RIGHT PATH MEM-

BERSHIP FORM – Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute (rkli.org) or by contacting Tara McCoy 359-5542 or tara.mccoy@cherokeeboysclub. com.

Deadline for submission: Letters of nomination will be accepted by mail, email, or in-person delivery, by 5 p.m., June 29 to the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute located at the Cherokee Boys Club on, Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC, Attention, Tara McCoy, Right Path: • Mail: Attention: Tara McCoy P.O. Box 507 Cherokee, NC 28719. Must be postmarked on or before June 29, 2022.

• Email: tara.mccoy@cherokeeboy-sclub.com

• In-person delivery: Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute at Cherokee Boys Club at 171 Boys Club Loop on Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC 28719 (two-story building behind Cherokee Boys Club)

\*It is the responsibility of the nominator to ensure receipt of his/ her nomination form(s) on or before the deadline. Nominations are not a guarantee of acceptance into the program. \*

The Right Path Adult Leadership Program is a culturally-based leadership program under the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute. The Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute is a department of the Cherokee Boys Club and is funded by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation.

Info: Tara McCoy, Right Path Leadership specialist, 359-5542 or tara.mccoy@cherokeeboysclub. com

> - Right Path Adult Leadership Program

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

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### New Kituwah Academy opening

The New Kituwah Academy (NKA), a Cherokee language immersion school, opened its doors officially on Oct. 7, 2009 in Cherokee. That day, former Tribal Council Chairman Dan McCoy who was also a NKA parent, noted, "Today is not a day of grand opening. This is a day of history. It is a resurrection of our language. We've got a language that's been living since day one."

Then-Principal Chief Michell Hicks said, "There's been many people who have had a hand in this. It's not about taking credit. It's about taking pride.' Renissa McLaughlin, then-Kituwah Preservation and Education Program manager, said, "If we lose our language, we cease to exist as Cherokee people."

PHOTO: JC Wachacha, left, a first language Cherokee speaker, gives helpful hints and guidance to students at New Kituwah Academy as they planted two raised garden beds on the morning of Wednesday, April 18, 2018

Source: Cherokee One Feather



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 memberMust reside in one of the 50 Unit-
- ed 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

### THANK YOU LETTER Thanks for help

This is an overdue shout out, gratitude, and thankfulness to the following who proved excellent service to myself last September 2021: EMS (six persons), Mission Hospital, Autumn Care. I want to thank again all at Tsali Manor, my Church family at Christ Fellowship, other Churches for their prayers; also my neighbors Buela Benefield, Doris Smith, and Loretta Welch. Also, many thanks to my sister, Karen Bauman who came up from Alabama to assist and help in my recovery at home. God bless you all!

### Suzanne Muschek

### UNMC accepting poem submissions

The YES Program at the University of Nebraska Medical Center is developing poetry-based cancer education resource materials. They are requesting poetry submissions that share perspectives, experiences, and knowledge about cancer from persons who identify as American Indian and Alaska





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Now online at 941classic country (QR code provided for convenience) Native (AI/AN). Poetry about cancer across the cancer continuum (cancer etiology, prevention, detection, diagnosis, treatment, survivorship, and palliative care) in any format will be accepted. All poetry submissions will be considered for inclusion in YES curriculum materials and analyzed as part of an arts-based research project to better understand the lived experience of cancer through the perspectives of AI/Ans. Submissions will be accepted through Tuesday, May 31. The first 20 writers to submit a poem about cancer will be compensated \$25 in the form of a gift card. Submit to Mariah Abney, YES Cancer Research intern and poet, at Mariah.Abney@unmc.edu

### NATIONAL PARK NEWS

### Foothills Parkway temporary closure schedule modified

Great Smoky Mountains National Park has announced that the Foothills Parkway closure from the Look Rock Observation Tower parking area west to the Highway 129 intersection near Chilhowee Lake has been extended through June 17 for the repaving project. From June 20 through Aug. 31, the roadway will then be fully closed from the Flats Road intersection near Look Rock to the Highway 321 intersection near Walland, Tenn. These full roadway closures are necessary to complete the work safely and efficiently.

During these periods, the roadway sections are fully closed to all pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists. The remaining construction work will be conducted with single-lane closures from Aug. 31, 2022, through May 5, 2023. Motorists should expect delays during this time period. Butterfly Gap Road, Flats Road, Happy Valley Road, and Top of the World will remain accessible for local travel throughout the closure period.

For more information about alternative scenic roads to explore during the construction period, please visit the park's website at www.nps.gov/grsm/planyourvisit/ autotouring.htm.

- National Park Service



The caterpillars of fritillary butterflies hatch in the fall, go dormant right away without feeding, and sleep through the winter. They awaken in the spring at the same time as violet plants, their



only food, begin to grow. It is feared that global warming may disrupt this delicate and important synchronization and cause extinction of fritillary butterflies.

> - Brenda Weaver Source: www.fs.fed.us

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### COMMENTARY

# Nasty

### By ROBERT JUMPER One Feather Editor

It is easy to forget when you look at all the beauty in nature that there are some pretty nasty environmental issues in the wild. I am not talking about the manmade messes we bring in and leave. You know that you shouldn't do that, and I am probably not going to alter your behavior by browbeating you in commentary. There's an app for that.

I would like to discuss how we lull ourselves into a false sense of security about the "natural" environment. We see what looks like a crystal-clear stream and jump in up to our necks in it, gulping down a swallow or two of that "sweet" water. Because of our love for nature, we forget that things urinate, defecate, and decompose in the wild. And these creatures typically do all of that wherever they happen to be at the time it is necessitated, even if they happen to be standing in the river.

I am trying to maintain a walking regimen for my health. I get out as many days as possible and get in an intentional 30 minutes to an hour of "steps". Technology companies have made a fortune creating neat watches that count everything from your steps to your heart condition. I have one of those. So, walking is an exercise that I can do with little to no excuse, and I try to keep a routine.

It was on one of these routine walks by the river that I noticed something in the water. It was one of the "oh how sweet" moments you have when you see something pretty and inspiring in the wild. I looked off into the water and saw the butterflies congregating near a rock on what I thought was a tree limb that had broke off and floated down the river. I thought what a neat example of nature, the butterflies coming down together to drink at the same watering hole on that log. Only, as I continued to enjoy this tranquil scene, I noted that, under the water line, the log had feet and a large, flat tail. The limb or log was actually the carcass of a beaver, from the looks of it a very old, large beaver. The butterflies weren't drinking water. They were feeding on the liquified

portions of that carcass.

About a hundred feet away from this scene, there are children, elders, and families enjoying a cool dip in the river. Splashing, or as one of my old bosses used to call it, "spladder-dashing" in what seemed to be the pristine water. I don't have to go too far with the imagery of what they might have been ingesting with every accidental gulp of river water.

If you have ever watched a survivalist show on TV or happen to be an outdoor enthusiast yourself (I think they might call them "trekkers" these days), you know that it is a bad idea to drink untreated water from a river or lake. They are pretty keen on telling you that it might be okay to find a rushing head water stream that has the opportunity to run through a



natural filter of the leavings of the forest canopy, but still or slower moving water is a big no-no. Even water in your backyard pool must be routinely treated to prevent bad bacterial growth. Imagine what the bacterial growth would be like in a slow-moving river downstream of a rotting carcass.

I am not suggesting that we be afraid to frolic in the river. People have been doing it for years, hundreds of years, with little ill effect. I am just saying we should frolic with forethought. Be aware and reminded. Because nature is unpredictable, water quality is going to vary day-to-day. When I realized what I encountered, I made an effort to contact authorities so that the issue would at least be called to the attention of someone who could mitigate any contamination that might affect water quality to an extent that might be harmful to health. On that subject, it might be a good idea for the powers that be to post signage along the river to provide contact information for those finding potential health hazards. I am just saying to the public that a little awareness goes a long way. The knowledge of that old, expired beaver laying in the water upstream of them might have modified the behavior of those playing in the water just a hundred feet away. Or not. As I said before, these things likely happen multiple times a day up stream in any river or lake you care to mention, and, as in the case of the beaver carcass, most folks don't know it's there. It is natural.

The ducks and geese that visit our river, riverbanks, and islands are notorious for their droppings. It is very difficult to distinguish be-

# 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.  $GWY + V^\circ OY + C$ 

tween the skat of a Canadian goose and a small dog. They definitely leave their mark. The efforts of the tribal government to reduce their impact can be seen as you walk along some of the more traveled parts of the greenways. You don't see as many ducks and geese as in recent years, but you do see their leavings just about everywhere along the walkways. And since our greenways tend to run next to and parallel to the river, all it takes is a little bit of rain to move big bird droppings into the waterway. And if these birds are floating in the water, they don't waddle up on the bank to do their business. The fowl just foul the water where they are; again, in the same waterway that we enjoy soaking our heads in.

The good news is that the bio dump of forest animals hasn't been a health concern for most of us. Thousands of locals and tourists submerge themselves in the river with no ill effects. Seeing things like a beaver carcass in the river has more of a gross-out factor than a sick-out (as long as you don't think about it too long). I have always heard, since I was a little boy, that trout are some of the most finicky fish when it comes to water quality, only thriving in the cleanest water. And since we are known for having some of the best trout fishing on the planet, I would say that our river gets a pretty high grade when it comes to water cleanliness.

But, as in everything, you are going to run into exceptions. An overall clean water system only needs an isolated incident to make it not overall clean.

Back to the manmade contaminants, we all need to do our part

to reduce the load on nature to try to clean up. As we have discussed God's wildlife does a pretty good job of contributing contaminants that have to be filtered and processed. Those natural droppings and decay have a place in the structure and under normal conditions, it is normal and beneficial to the cycle of life. But when we pack manmade items into that ecosystem, it causes nature to have to attempt to mitigate unnatural elements that invade that natural cycle of life. We have created materials that were never meant to be a part: Styrofoam and other plastics in the form of straws, drink and food containers, syringes, a multitude of pharmaceuticals and chemicals. All serve a purpose for mankind but have no place in nature. When we are negligent in our use of those manmade items, we are a detriment to that natural environment that leaves us in wonder and gives us peace.

Local and visitor alike are guilty, so blaming one or the other is a waste of time and energy that could be better spent on education and meaningful action. Especially those of us who have been placed here as caretakers of the land, water, and air, and profess a special connection to them, we should be that much more diligent in caretaking. Let's do what we can to keep the Boundary natural, instead of making it nasty. If you are reading this, as I said in the beginning, I am probably preaching to the choir, but hopefully you will be an influence for someone who needs to do better and be more aware when it comes to the environment.

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### COMMENTARY MMIW Movement on the Boundary

### **By TIA PANTHER**

The Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls (MMIW) crisis is affecting all Nations of Indigenous people today. The MMIW movement was created to spread awareness and give a voice to our stolen sisters whose stories have not been heard.

There are many things that contribute to the lack of justice for those affected and awareness of the movement as a whole. There is a huge shortage of media coverage for the cases of our missing women and girls, as 95 percent of these cases aren't covered by national or international news and are often overlooked by judicial entities due to jurisdictional complications between Tribal and State jurisdictions. These jurisdictional difficulties are not the only issues with the current justice systems, as Tribal justice systems tend to be under-funded and unable to use funding in the most productive ways, which has forced many families to become detectives of their loved ones' cases.

Indigenous women are murdered at a rate that is 10 times higher than the national average, according to the U.S. Department of Justice, with homicide being one of the leading causes of death for indigenous women and girls (3rd leading cause for ages 10-24 and 5th leading cause for ages 25-44). These are alarming statistics as the population of native peoples



Maggie Jackson, right, speaks prior to the MMIW Walk on Saturday, April 30 starting as Sheyahshe Littledave holds a sign recognizing her cousin who is currently missing. Along with Ahli-sha Stephens, Jackson and Littledave produce and host the "We Are Resilient" podcast which focuses on MMIW cold cases. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

makes up 2 percent of the United States' overall population.

As a community, we must teach and learn from one another as well as spread awareness to those beyond our communities; and the Cherokee MMIW Committee is working to do just that. The local committee's mission statement is "Through spreading awareness and education of this emergency, we want our communities to be aware that this crisis is not only an issue on the national level but that it is happening right here on the Qualla Boundary."

Currently, there are 23 MMIW that we know of from the Qualla Boundary. One of the best ways for those of us living in Indigenous communities to help is to participate in the census and community survey, in order for funds to be allocated more effectively amongst our communities. Getting involved and participating in MMIW events happening in your local area such as protests, walks, vigils, etc. is also extremely helpful in spreading awareness of this issue.

The Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls crisis is not a trend in which participants put on a red shirt or ribbon skirt, but it is a movement in which we all must fight for justice and representation. These women and girls who have been tragically lost were and still are important. The Cherokee MMIW Committee asks that we come together as a community to protect our women and girls. Extra! Extra! Read all about it! The print edition of the Cherokee One Feather is carried by these fine establishments...



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### speaking of faith Follow Him, choose His way...

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

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

Again, read Matthew 18:15-35; and Leviticus 19:18

This has been a rather interesting thing, because if one realizes what God is saying here, a person can be and will most likely be offended by others at one time or another. It can and does happen to any and all of us. The best thing to understand is that it is not all right to stay that way once it happens to us. Offense is coming, but a person can always get to use the best option to deal with it in the right way.

Now turn to the Old Testament Book of Leviticus, Chapter 19, verse 18. Here is what God has said, "Thou shalt not avenge nor bear any grudge against any of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself, I Am the Lord. He says, "You're not to hold a grudge or try to avenge yourself." He means, one doesn't even have to take up for oneself.

Has somebody done you wrong? Just bless the Lord! And, you also keep on loving that particular person, because when you do this, you are actually obligating God to take care of you! He has said, "I Am the Lord. I Am Jehovah." In other words, what He's saying here is, "If you will do this My way, I'll take care of the situation. Amen. He is telling you; I'm going to take care of it.

Go back to Matthew 18 for just a minute. If we have dealt with offense right, then we're able to bind things on the earth and that Heaven will bind them, and we're able to loose things on the earth toward heaven, and Heaven will loose, let's say healing. Sometimes we're just there. I need to preach the power of binding and loosing, because I may just need to bind up an enemy. Sometimes I may need to bind up the Prosperity of the Lord to myself.

Do you mean, that you can do good or bad with this (binding and loosing)?

Sometimes I need to bind the Prosperity of the Lord to myself. You can do good or bad, but

you have to know the Law. One has to know how it operates. He said those laws are lost to the Church that is offended. In verse 19, He goes on one more time. He says, "and again I say unto you that if two of you shall agree on Earth, and is touching anything that they shall ask it, it shall be done for them of My Father, which is in Heaven.

We've always used that verse independently of offense. How many times have you heard somebody say that if two or three agree? Well, that's true, but Jesus says, these are the laws that are activated when there's no offense in the house.

Open your eyes because seeing it, as offense that isn't dealt with is sinful. Well, you just don't know what they did to me.

Listen, they nailed Jesus to a cross. They beat the flesh off of His back. Josephus said, His entrails were hanging out of His back while He carried a cross on Mount Calvary. He did all that for you wearing thorns on His head and here's what He said, Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.

Until you've been struck up, beat half to

death, have had your flesh ripped off of you and left on a cross to die, let the offenses go! Jesus' example was letting it go. Let the offense go! Because the same laws that work for you work for Him. Jesus didn't do anything outside of the Law of God. That's why He said these words, and these are some of my favorites. He said, "I'm going to My Father in Heaven. When I do greater things, shall you? He was talking about it being necessary in quality. He did amazing things, but He was talking about equality. He understood that offense would take away the ability to move in the same realms He moved in.

While they beat Him, He said, "what they do, Amen." (Let it be so.) (Do we begin to see how offense can cripple a Church?) Let's be honest, every person in here has been offended at one time or another, including me, but how one deals with it will determine how God deals with us. Verse 20, "for where two or three are gathered together in My Name...there I am in the midst of them, who'd refused to be offended.



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# Weekly SUDOKU

### by Linda Thistle



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

### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:

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1. Is the book of Judah in the Old Testament or New Testament or neither? 2. In which book's 12th chapter did

Jesus tell the multitudes the very hairs of their heads were numbered? Matthew, Mark, Luke, John

3. From 2 Samuel 14, who cut his hair once a year, as it was too heavy to carry around? Samson, Esau, Absalom, Sisera

4. Which prophet's work is quoted in the New Testament more than any other? Joshua, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel

5. In Deuteronomy 34, Moses saw the promised land from what mountain? Hermon, Zion, Ararat, Nebo 6. Artaxerxes was king of ...? Phila-

delphia, Judah, Persia, Zion

Hardcore trivia fan? Visit Wilson Casey's subscriber site at www.patreon.com/triviaguy.

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1. U.S. STATES: Which state is the smallest in land area?

2. MEDICAL: What is a common name for the medical condition called hyperlipidemia?

3. PSYCHOLOGY: What is the abnormal fear represented by peccatophobia?

4. FOOD & DRINK: What fish is the basis of Worcestershire sauce?

5. GEOGRAPHY: Nuuk is the capital of which island constituent country?

6. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which state has produced the most presidents?

7. ART: In which major city would you find the Uffizi Gallery?

8. MOVIES: What is the main setting of the "Mama Mia!" movies?

9. MYTHOLOGY: What is the name of the Greek god of wine?

10. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Where is the rock formation called Giant's Causeway located?

### see **PUZZLE ANSWERS** page 24



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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**

### Turkey Shoots at the Jesse Welch Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community.

June 4 at 3 p.m., sponsored by Big Cove Free Labor. June 11 at 3 p.m., sponsored by Norman Walkingstick. At both shoots, participants will shoot shotgun and some .22 caliber rifle rounds with attachments (scopes, lasers) or you can shoot open sight. Bring your .22 how you like to shoot it – should be fun. Good food, good fun, great prizes, great benefit.

**Cherokee Braves Kickoff Clas**sic 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

**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.

### NAIWA Strawberry Festival.

May 28 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Featuring strawberry pancakes and strawberry shortcake. Strawberry baked goods received from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. with prizes awarded at 2 p.m. Vendor spaces are available for \$10/per table. Tables free to fundraising groups and vendors with children's activities. Info or to reserve tables: Lucile Wolfe 736-5285 or email carmaleta@msn. com

**Cherokee Customer Celebration Day.** May 28 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Cherokee Welcome Center. Vendors needed. Info: Cherokee Welcome Center 359-6490 or Josie Long 359-6491 or 269-8221

### Chief Saunooke's Trading

**Post Market Days.** May 28 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Local vendors with handmade crafts and direct sales companies. Info: Denise Walkingstick 508-2211

### **Cherokee Gourd Gathering.**

June 1-5 at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. On Wednesday morning from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., children are invited to make a free birdhouse. Supplies are provided and each child (6-16) will go home



with a completed birdhouse ready to hang. Children must be accompanied by an adult. On Wednesday from 12 p.m. to 5p.m., there will be around 20 Make-and-Take classes. No experience or registration required. Each class is about an hour long, and the cost per class is \$10. Everything is provided. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday will see classes in progress from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. During this same time period, vendors of raw gourds, finished gourds, supplies, tools, and other craft supplies will be open. Info: www.gourdgathering.com

**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



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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-



ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Luke 12:7; 3) Absalom; 4) Isaiah; 5) Nebo; 6) Persia



### Answers

- 1. Rhode Island
- High cholesterol
- 3. Fear of committing sins or imagi-
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- 6. Virginia, with eight presidents
- 7. Florence, Italy
- 8. Skopelos, Greece
   9. Dionysus
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### Animal Clinic hosted by Christian Veterinary Mission.

June 10-11 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Sponsored by Master's Mission, Grace Community Church, and EBCI Animal Control. Info: Dan Teasdale 735-1876, Tammy Jackson 359-6934, or Cherokee Animal Control 359-2380

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

### HEALTH & SPORTS EVENTS 2022 EBCI Fish Tournament Lineup

see HAPPENINGS next page

# 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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### Young Puppy Just Can't 'Hold It'

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: We adopted a puppy last month. "Jake" is having some problems adjusting to his new home. He has soiled his own bed three times so far (we crate him at night) and doesn't make it through the day — he starts whining by the door around lunchtime and, if we're not home, will just go anywhere in the house. How can we fix this? — Carl B., via email

DEAR CARL: How old is Jake? It sounds like, barring any unknown physical issues or illness, he is a young puppy with a small bladder. He simply can't hold it as long as a fully grown dog.

The fact that Jake makes it a point to whine by the door means that the house training is effective, but you may be waiting much too long to take him out. When he has to go, he will go. That includes soiling his crate, which is an absolute last resort for a dog.

Follow this guideline, published by the American Kennel Club, called the "month-plus-one" rule: Take your puppy's age in months, and add one. That gives you a rough estimate of the maximum number of hours Jake should wait before going outside to pee or poop.

For example, if Jake is four months old, add one to that number. The total, five, means he should be taken outside every five hours. Every puppy is different, so Jake may need to go out a little sooner. And yes, that means he may need to go out in the middle of the night, or on a pee pad.

He should always be taken out just before bedtime and first thing in the morning, regardless of his age.

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

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by Freddy Groves

### A Jumble of Wait Times for VA Medical Care

A recent audit by the Department of Veterans Affairs Office of the Inspector General outlined what so many of us already knew — that it's difficult to understand the wait times for appointments and medical care at the VA. It seemed to some of us that the rules changed day by day, that our appointments were at the whim of whatever program was being followed at the time and that there was no transparency about how those dates were calculated. Turns out that we were right all along.

In a perfect world, wait times at the VA always begin with an accurate starting point. If, for example, a veteran wants to seek civilian care because the wait is too long at the VA, he doesn't qualify for that outside care until he's waited a certain amount of time. Precisely when that period of time begins is at the heart of the problem.

Since 2014, the OIG discovered, the VA has used various methods of calculating wait time and figuring out when the criteria is met to seek civilian care. The rules for those calculations were in writing back to 2014. But without following those rules consistently, wait times varied and wandered all over the place. It didn't help that the website gave misleading information about how dates were to be calculated, with differences between wait times for new patients and what was written in the scheduling directive.

Enter the OIG, with its excellent investigators who always leave no stone unturned. While the recent audit doesn't assign blame (which the OIG won't hesitate to do when it's called for), the VA knew about these problems. The OIG has officially asked the VA to respond and let them know what steps they're going to take to fix this.

To read the details, go to www.va.gov/ oig/pubs/VAOIG-21-02761-125.pdf. Don't miss the timeline on the cardiology patient whose provider wanted him seen pronto. There was a 66 day wait. © 2022 King Features Synd., Inc. **HAPPENINGS:** Event listings, from page 25

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

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

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.

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. com

### 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

### **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

Swain County Genealogical and Historical Society meeting. June 2 at 6:30 p.m. at the Swain County Regional Business Education and Training Center at 45 East Ridge Dr. in Bryson City. Dick Sellers will present "Facts & Stories of the Origins of WNC Names of Ridges, Hollows, and Creeks". Free and open to the public. Conversation and refreshments will follow the presentation.

### June Art Walk in Murphy.

June 3 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in down Murphy. Art, shopping, food, and fun. Info: Murphy Art Center 360-3038

### **Cowee School Farmer's**

**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

### **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. Email them to Scott at: scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov

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### **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

### **TRADING POST** DG.௮ℴ₯₰ D& \$Ө.₰₯₰

### YARD SALES

Large garage sale. June 3 and 4 at 9 a.m. each day next door to the Quality Inn Cherokee (US441N bypass). \$15 tables & chairs – all in good condition; \$25 32" TV w/remote; 10' by 12' rug (like new) -\$299; 12' by 14' rug (like new, oriental) -\$399; TV entertainment center (new) - \$495; 5 drawer dresser (new) -\$499; 88-inch-long sofa bed (new) -\$995; many mirrors, pictures, and assorted end tables; Curio cabinet (Ethan Allen); Queen size padded headboard w/rails; clothes galore and much more. Info: 226-0994 or 497-9427

Yard Sale – May 28 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Old No. 4 Road upper end. Look for signs. Cancelled if raining. Info: 497-2037.

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) A heads-up alert to all free-spirited Ewes and Rams: Be wary of a deal that could result in compromising your independence. Check every detail before making a commitment.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) New facts emerge that help put an irksome workplace situation in perspective. Meanwhile, pay more attention to a family member who needs your wisdom and strength.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) A slight setback in plans is nothing to worry about. Use this delay to deal with a number of matters you might have ignored for too long. Expect news from someone in your past.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) You're entering a period of stability. Use it to straighten out any outstanding problems related to a very personal situation. Also, pay closer attention to financial matters.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) As much as you love being a social Lion, you might well benefit from staying out of the spotlight for a while. You need time to reflect on some upcoming decisions.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) A difficult family situation improves, thanks to your timely intervention. You can now start to focus more of your attention on preparing for a possible career change.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) An on-the-job change works to your benefit by offering new opportunities. It's up to you to check them out. Meanwhile, a stalled romantic situation starts up again.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) That flare-up of Scorpian temperament cools down, leaving you more receptive to suggestions about changes that might need to be made in your personal life.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) An unusual period of indecisiveness is a mite frustrating. But things soon clear up, allowing the sage Sagittarian to make those wise pronouncements again.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) You might feel that you know best, but it's not a good idea at this time to try to force your opinions on others. Best advice: Inspire change by example, not by intimidation.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Some setbacks could affect your plans to fortify your financial situation. But things start moving again by early next week. Meanwhile, enjoy your resurgent social life.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Show that often-hidden steely spine of yours as you once again stand up to an emotional bully. You've got the strength to do it, especially as friends rally to your side.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** Your ruling planet, Mercury, endows you with a gift for writing. Have you considered penning the world's greatest novel?

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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 Central Schools Job Openings

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Apply online at https://phl.applitrack.com/cherokeecentral/ onlineapp/ or visit: www.ccs-nc.org for more information.

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

- Seasonal Maintenance Intern (2)
   Closing 5/31/22. Preference given to high school/college students.
- 2. CMS Counselor
- 3. CHS Math Teacher
- 4. CHS English Teacher
- 5. CHS Social Studies Teacher
- 6. CHS Automechanics Teacher
- 7. CHS Special Education Teacher - Life Skills
- 8. CES Speech Language Patholo-

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**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 deposti is mandatory Indian preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate.

The Cherokee Boys Club reserves the right to extend position closing dates or re-advertise positions without notice.

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

**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\*

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### Closing Sunday May 29, 2022

1) Manager of Transit: EBCI Transit Services / Department of Transportation (L13 \$57,554 - \$71,954) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION 2) Finance Manager: Qualla Boundary Head Start & Early Head Start

/ PHHS (L12 \$52,635 - \$65,811)

3) Utility Worker: Tribal Construction - Operations (L4 \$25,261 -\$31,581)

4) Child Advocate Coordinator: Heart to Heart - PHHS (L9 \$40,105 - \$50,121)

5) Truck Driver: Infrastructure - Administration & Public Works (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

6) DV Sexual Assault Victim Advocate: DV Program - PHHS (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625)

7) Housekeeper II - Heavy Duty: Housekeeping - Support Services (L4 \$25,251 - \$31,581)

8) Administrative Specialist: Kituwah Education & Preservation Program - Department of Education (L9 \$40,105 - \$50,121)

### **Open Until Filled**

1) Evidence Technician I: Cherokee Indian Police Department – Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION 2) Patrol Officer: Cherokee Indian Police Department - Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION 3) Detention Officer (Multiple): Detention Services - Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION PT Paramedic (Multiple): Emergency Medical Services – Public Safety (L8 \$17.55 - \$21.94 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION 5) Youth Development Professional: Cherokee Youth Center - Community Education & Recreation Services (14 \$25,261 - \$31,581) 6) Certified Nursing Assistant: Tribal In-Home Care Services -

PHHS (14 \$25,261 - \$31,581)

7) Driver (Multiple): Transit - Operations (14 \$25,261 - \$31,581) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

8) Teacher (Multiple): Qualla Boundary Head Start & Early Head Start - PHHS (1.7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)

9) Teacher Assistant (Multiple): Qualla Boundary Head Start & Early Head Start (13 \$22,990 - \$28,732)

10) Real Estate Associate Attorney: Tribal Realty Services - Office of the Attorney General (L15 \$68,704 - \$85,886)

11) Workforce Development Coordinator: TERO (L8 36,500 -\$45,625)

12) Social Worker (Multiple): Family Safety Program - PHHS (L10 \$43,956 - \$54,950)

13) Housekeeper I - Light Duty: Housekeeping - Support Services (13 \$22,990 - \$28,732)

14) Legislative Financial Director: Tribal Council (L21 \$116,354 -\$145.421)

15) Corrections Officer: Cherokee Indian Police Department - Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION Detention Sergeant (Multiple): Detention Services – Public Safety

(L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

17) 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.

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### LEGAL NOTICES

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**  Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 22-062 In the Matter of the Estate of Kimberly Elaine Parton

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

Anne Holt P.O. Box 1015 Cherokee, NC 28719 **6/15** 

### GWY TV° OYGC CHEROKEE ONE FEATHER · TSALAGI SOQUO UGIDAHLI June Birthdays 6/2 - Aura Johnson 6/2 - Desting Crosses and Wade Howell

6/5 – Destiny Crowe and Wade Howell 3rd Wedding Anniv. 6/7 - Kyler Crowe 6/9 - Angie Lewis 6/16 - Kailee Ledford 6/17 - Eeyannah Catolster 6/19 - the late Bill Ledford , former Vice Chief and Tribal Council member 6/19 - Renee Ballew Gossett 6/21 - Jose Jesus Martinez Hernandez 6/21 - John Brady 6/21 - Bill Bennett 6/23 - Scott Smith 6/29 - Chase Brady

### BIDs, RFPs, etc.

### 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** 

### 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** 

### CHEROKEE INDIAN HOUSING DIVISION

**RFP: DANGEROUS TREE** 

REMOVEL 687 Acquoni Road, CHEROKEE, NC f Work

Scope of Work

The Cherokee Indian Housing Division is seeking proposals from qualified firms to remove several trees that have been deemed hazardous around the main Housing Division office on at 687 Acquoni Road. Successful contractor will be responsible for cutting and disposing of all trees, limbs and debris. There will be a mandatory site visit on June 2, 2022. For additional information or questions contact Nathanial Crowe at (828) 359-6903. All bids will be due June 10, 2022 at 2:00 PM. **5/25** 

### Kituwah Global Government Group, LLC is seeking lawn, vegetation mowing, edging and debris removal services at the KG3/Kituwah Office, the Kituwah

Homes Model Center and the KG3 Warehouse. TERO procurement policy applies.

Please visit the KG3 Office at 1158 Seven Clans Lane to pick up the Request for Quote (RFQ) or contact Jessica Myers, Director of Administration at

jessica.myers@kituwahG3.com or 828.477.4617. **5/25** 

### PUBLIC NOTICE

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 Water Division Permitting and Grants Branch Atlanta Federal Center 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303 (404) 562-9749 Public Notice No. 22NC00001 Date: May 25, 2022 NOTICE OF PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF TWO NATIONAL POLLUTANT DIS-CHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMITS

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency intends to reissue two National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits within the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) Qualla Boundary in western North Carolina. The permittee name, permit number, and locations for each facility are: Cherokee Trout Farm (NC0054992 – 10285 Big Cove Road, Chero-



kee NC 28719, discharge to Raven Fork) and EBCI Trout Hatchery (NC0052451 – 954 Straight Fork Road, Cherokee NC 28719, discharge to Straight Fork of Raven Fork). The draft NPDES permits authorize the discharge of concentrated aquatic animal production (aquaculture) effluent in accordance with the Clean Water Act.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to any aspects of the permit issuances or wishing to request a public hearing, are invited to submit the same in writing within thirty (30) days of this notice to the NPDES Permitting Section, Water **Division**, Environmental Protection Agency, 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960, ATTENTION: Mr. Craig Hesterlee. Comments may also be sent via email to: R4NPDESPermits@epa. gov. Pursuant to 40 CFR § 124.13, any person who believes that any proposed permit condition is inappropriate must raise all reasonably ascertainable issues and submit all reasonably available arguments in full, supporting his/her position, by the close of the comment period. The public notice number and NPDES number should be included on the first page of comments.

All comments received within the 30-day period will be considered in the formulation of a final determination regarding the permit issuance. Also, within the 30-day period, any interested person may request a public hearing. Where there is a significant degree of public interest in a proposed permit issuance, the EPA Regional Administrator will schedule and hold a public hearing which would be formally announced in accordance with 40 CFR §§ 124.10 and 124.12.

After consideration of all written comments and the requirements and policies in the Clean Water Act and appropriate regulations, the

EPA Regional Administrator will make a determination regarding the permit issuance. The EPA Regional Administrator will notify all persons submitting written comments of the final determination on the permit. EPA will issue a "response to comments" document along with its final permit decisions. If the Regional Administrator proposes to issue a permit that is substantially changed from the draft permit, EPA may issue a new public notice allowing further public comment on a revised draft permit. Appeal of NPDES permits may be filed after the Regional Administrator makes the above-described determination. Additional information regarding appeal of NPDES permits is available in 40 CFR § 124.19, or by contacting Paul Schwartz of the Office of Regional Counsel at (404) 562-9576.

The administrative record, including the draft permits, statements of basis, applications, all data submitted by the applicants, comments received and additional information on hearing procedures are available by email (send request to: R4NPDESPermits@epa.gov) or at cost by writing to the EPA at the address above between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (copies will be provided at a minimal cost per page). The draft permits, statements of basis, and this public notice can be downloaded from: https://www. epa.gov/aboutepa/about-epa-region-4-southeast.

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of persons whom you know will be interested in this matter. If you would like to be added to our public notice mailing list, submit your name and mailing address to the EPA, at the address given above. **5/25** 



# EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

### **Open Positions**

Analenisgi inpatient - Inpatient Technician Analenisgi inpatient - Inpatient Technician PTI Analenisgi Inpatient – Registered Nurse PTI AP Processor – PRC **Behavioral Health RN PTI Behavioral Health LPN** 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\*Night shift Licensed Clinical Social Worker Care Manager -Primary Care \*\*\*\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus Masters Level Therapist – Analenisgi Inpt. \*\*\*\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus Masters Level Therapist – Dora Reed Masters Level Therapist – Analenisgi ) \*\*\*\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus Masters Level Therapist - Family Safety (2 Positions) \*\*\*\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus Masters Level Therapist – Integrated Classroom \*\*\*\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus Masters Level Therapist (Child) – Analenisgi

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