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Gearing up for the fall

**CCS School Board
discusses school
safety and coaching
contracts**

By JONAH LOSSIAH

One Feather Staff

The June 6 meeting of the Cherokee Central Schools (CCS) Board of Education lasted just under one hour and most of the meeting was spent addressing questions from Board members. Superintendent Michael Murray offered the majority of the information in the meeting, providing updates on several projects on campus. He said that a major focus lately has been ensuring the safety of the school.

"We've been working on getting that shooter detection

system to cover the buildings that are new. That wasn't put into the plan. It's really expensive. We have the rest of the school with that in place...This addition was funded. We got a grant that's approved for \$41,119."

Dr. Murray said that recent events have sparked a rush of grant writing for safety options. He said that CCS intends on following suit and continuing to improve each aspect of security at CCS. He said while they are working diligently to improve, the changes from when he first stepped onto campus are substantial.

"There were nine cameras that didn't work, and we didn't have enough cameras. It was awful. It's still not where we want it, we discussed it today. It isn't right that we have some cameras that can't pull a tag number up," said



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Murray.

Chairperson Jennifer Thompson asked the superintendent about one of the new buildings on campus. Particularly, she was curious if there was going to be more permanent seating in the Gathering Place, similar to the old

structure.

"They may get more flexible. I know folks have fussed because they were used to having the bleachers set, and we have bleachers so we can look at banking

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something different. But they wanted it more flexible to vary the use. To be honest, I liked how the old Gathering Place looked better. But it wasn't as user-friendly as this one," said Murray.

The Board reviewed a letter they received from their attorney, John Henning of Campbell Shatley, PLLC. It addressed an issue that Lori Taylor previously presented to the Board. Following a confusing episode, the Smoky Mountain Conference informed the Cherokee Middle School Softball team that they must forfeit a game which had a scheduling error. Henning described in detail the circumstance and his view on the matter. He disagreed with the conference's decision to forfeit the matchup. He stated in the letter that he was working with CCS Athletic Director Sean Ross to 'explore what relief or remedy, if any, is available for this matter.'

The consent agenda consisted of 27 resolutions, all attached to a school position that was being renewed or hired at the school. The consent agenda was unanimously approved, putting forth the following:

- Nellie Stephens approved as the returning head coach of Varsity Cross County and Track.
- Taylor Brooks approved as a returning assistant coach for Varsity Cross County and Track.
- Ty Andrews approved as a returning assistant coach for Varsity Cross County and Track.
- Taylor Brooks approved as the returning Head Coach for Middle School Cross County and Track.
- Taran Swimmer approved as the returning head coach of Middle School Volleyball.
- Carrah Swimmer approved as a new assistant coach of Middle School Volleyball.
- Taylor Brooks approved as the new head school for JV Volleyball.

- David Opperman approved as a new assistant coach for JV Volleyball.
- Pam Bryant approved as the returning head coach for Varsity Volleyball.
- Stephanie Maney approved as a returning assistant coach for Varsity Volleyball.
- Jennifer Martens approved as a new assistant coach for Varsity Volleyball.
- Norman Beck approved as the returning head coach for Co-Ed Middle School Soccer.
- Kevin Primo approved as the returning head coach of Varsity Men's Soccer.
- Norman Beck approved as a returning assistant coach for Varsity Men's Soccer.
- David Napert approved as the returning head coach for Varsity Football.
- Tim Hawkins approved as a returning assistant coach for Varsity Football.
- Matt Maney approved as a returning assistant coach for Varsity Football.
- Langston Wood approved as a returning assistant coach for Varsity Football.
- Kayla Smith approved as the returning head coach for Varsity Cheerleading.
- Chase Sneed approved as the returning head coach for JV Football.
- Clarence Roberts approved a returning assistant coach for JV Football.
- David Anderson approved a returning assistant coach for JV Football.
- Drew Grant approved a returning assistant coach for JV Football.
- Valerie Faith Dillard approved as an English teacher at Cherokee High School (CHS).
- Joel Young approved as a Social Studies teacher at CHS.
- Kari Read approved as a Social Studies teacher at CHS.
- Hezekiah Bird approved as for an intern position with maintenance.
- Jacob Norton approved as for an intern position with maintenance.

The Monday, June 6 meeting of the CCS Board of Education was called to order at 4:45 p.m. with Chairperson Jennifer Thompson; Co-Vice Chairs Tara Reed-Cooper and Melanie Lambert;

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Constitution vs. Charter: Article IV (continued)

Know the difference!

Proposed Constitution

Article IV – Legislative Branch (continued)

Section 3. Election for Tribal Council. Council Representatives shall be elected to their respective offices by the registered citizens of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, who have attained the age of eighteen (18) years and are constituent citizens of the respective Townships.

Clause 1. Time of Election. The general election for Tribal Council Representatives shall be held on the first Thursday in September of 2023, following the adoption of this Constitution and every two years thereafter under such rules and regulations as may be adopted by the Board of Elections, consistent with this Constitution.

Clause 2. Selection. The successful candidate elected as a Tribal Council Representative shall be the candidate who receives a simple majority of votes cast by registered voters of each respective Township.

First Election after Adoption. In the first election after this Constitution is adopted, the two Council Representatives from each Township shall be selected as follows. The candidate that receives the most votes shall serve the full four (4) year term while the candidate that receives the next highest number of votes shall only serve a one-half term of two (2) years for the purpose of staggering terms of Representatives in each Township.

Current Charter

Section 2. The Principal Chief or Vice-Chief and members of Council shall be elected to their respective offices by the enrolled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, who have attained the age of eighteen (18) years. All officers elected by the Council shall hold office until the first annual council held after the next tribal election and all officers shall hold office until their successors are duly qualified.

Section 3. The election for Principal Chief and Vice Chief and Tribal Council shall be held on the first Thursday in September, 1987, and every two (2) years thereafter, under such rules and regulations as may be adopted by the council.

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**Article IV is being presented in parts. More on
Article IV next week!**

Why is there a section about the first election after adoption?

The first election after constitution adoption would establish staggered terms for each community's Tribal Council seats. During this election, the candidate that receives the highest number of votes from their community would be seated for 4 years. The candidate with the second highest number of votes would serve a two-year term. Two years after this election, the seat held by the candidate who received the second highest votes would be eligible to serve for four years. The election, two years after constitution adoption would set the process for allowing all Tribal Council seats to serve a four-year term.

In the first election after the constitution's adoption, how would the Tribe determine who serves 2 years and who serves 4 years?

The votes would be counted in a particular community and the candidate who receives the most votes would be elected to serve 4 years in the seat, while the candidate with the second highest vote count would serve only 2 years before facing election again. The next time that seat was filled, the candidate would serve a full four years.

Hypothetical example:

The constitution is adopted in 2023. The next Tribal election is held in 2025 and will be the first election under the new constitution. In 2025, the General Election in a community would have 4 candidates for 2 council seats. It elects Candidate #1 with 800 votes and Candidate #2 receives 750 votes. Under this section of the Constitution, Candidate #1 would serve 4 years, because they received the most votes and would run for re-election in 2029. Candidate #2 would serve 2 years for coming in second and be up for re-election in 2027.

For the 2027 election, the Community would have 2 candidates for one seat and the winner would serve 4 years and the seat would be up for a vote in 2031.

Rep. Crowe investigated by Ethics Review Committee

By **JONAH LOSSIAH**

One Feather Staff

An ethics investigations report has found there was ‘probable cause’ that Tribal Council Rep. Bo Crowe committed a Code of Ethics violation during an incident that occurred on Feb. 7.

The EBCI Office of Internal Audit and Ethics conducted this investigation following the filing of three complaints. The report states the identity of those that filed complaints is confidential. The situation in question happened after a meeting of the Cherokee Central Schools Board of Education. Tribal Council Rep. Crowe, who was assigned to attend School Board meetings, had an altercation with CCS Superintendent Michael

Murray.

“After the meeting adjourned and a quick break, the school board members and school personnel returned to hear Mr. Crowe. Mr. Crowe began addressing Dr. Murray in what was described as a hostile manner including a raised voice and cursing,” as stated in the report.

The code violation that is being reviewed is Cherokee Code Section 117-45, Standards of Ethical Conduct. The report specifically addresses 117-45.3(d), which states:

“Tribal officials of the EBCI shall not act individually, jointly or through another, threaten, intimidate, or discipline any person as reprisal for any legitimate action taken by the person.”

The report said that the next step will be up to the Tribal leadership.

“It is recommended that this report be sent to the Executive Office, Tribal Council, the Attorney General’s Office, and the Tribal Prosecutor for the purposes of imposing the appropriate penalty as provided in Cherokee Code Chapter 117, Article IV.”

The case is now under review by these parties. If further action is deemed necessary, the case could move to Tribal Court. As stated in Section 117-45.3(f) of the Code: “Any Tribal official who violates Cherokee Code, Chapter 117, Article IV, Section 117-45, Standards of Ethical Conduct, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and may be punished by the Cherokee Court

or any successor court, by a fine of no more than \$5,000.00 or 12 months’ confinement, or both.”

The Ethics Review Committee interviewed Rep. Bo Crowe regarding this case, as well as the three individuals that filed complaints and Superintendent Murray. Murray told the Cherokee One Feather that he ‘has the upmost respect for all of Tribal Council’ and that he was not involved with the filing of any complaints. He stated that his only involvement in the case was being interviewed at the request of the Ethics Review Committee.

The analysis of this investigation states the reason for probable cause. To come this conclusion, the individual in question must exhibit behavior that the investigator would consider ‘threatening and



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intimidating'. In their analysis of the incident and the relationship between Rep. Crowe and Superintendent Murray, the investigator said that 'the behavior exhibited by Mr. Crowe was intimidating, unprofessional and inappropriate.' The report continued in further detail.

"Mr. Crowe admitted to making the comment, 'if I were on the school board, I would fire your ass' to Dr. Murray. Mr. Crowe also admitted to another incident that had occurred at a ballgame in which he told Dr. Murray he had something on his shirt, put his finger on Dr. Murray's chest and then when he looked down, Mr. Crowe popped Dr. Murray's mask. Mr. Crowe also admitted to smashing Dr. Murray's sandwich (with the wrapper on it). Witnesses confirmed Mr. Crowe had stuck

his finger in Dr. Murray's food a couple of times."

The Cherokee One Feather attended the meeting in question. There was no formal closed session called, and this interaction did not occur during open session. The One Feather reporter exited the meeting following adjournment. The incident occurred shortly after the reporter had left.

"Mr. Crowe did not follow the school boards process regarding closed sessions; he waited until after the meeting and the press had left before confronting Dr. Murray. The school board only goes into closed session when an attorney is present. When asked about the temperament of Mr. Crowe, it was described as 'out of control' and witnesses confirmed Mr. Crowe raised his voice and cursed at Dr. Murray. Witnesses

characterized Mr. Crowe's behavior as aggressive. Multiple witnesses stated they were shocked and taken aback by the events that had transpired. Mr. Crowe admitted he was upset when he confronted Dr. Murray, but believed his actions were justified."

Rep. Crowe offered this following statement to the One Feather. "I was taking up for two Indian women and I got three complaints."

Tribal Prosecutor Cody White could not confirm if this particular case was being reviewed, but he did say that any reports filed to the Prosecutors Office from the Ethics Review Committee become a matter of ongoing investigation. He said that could not make comment on such a situation. White said that if there is further action taken following investigation, then the

case will become a matter of public record.

EBCI Attorney General Michael McConnell offered the following statement when asked about the case:

"I can confirm that I have received a letter and report of investigation from the Ethics Review Committee (part of the Office of Internal Audit and Ethics) regarding an incident involving Representative Teresa McCoy, and a letter and report of investigation regarding an incident involving Representative Bo Crowe. The incidents involving Ms. McCoy and Mr. Crowe are not related. Both matters are under review. I have no further comment at this time."

The One Feather has received information on the incident involving Rep. McCoy, and an article is forthcoming.

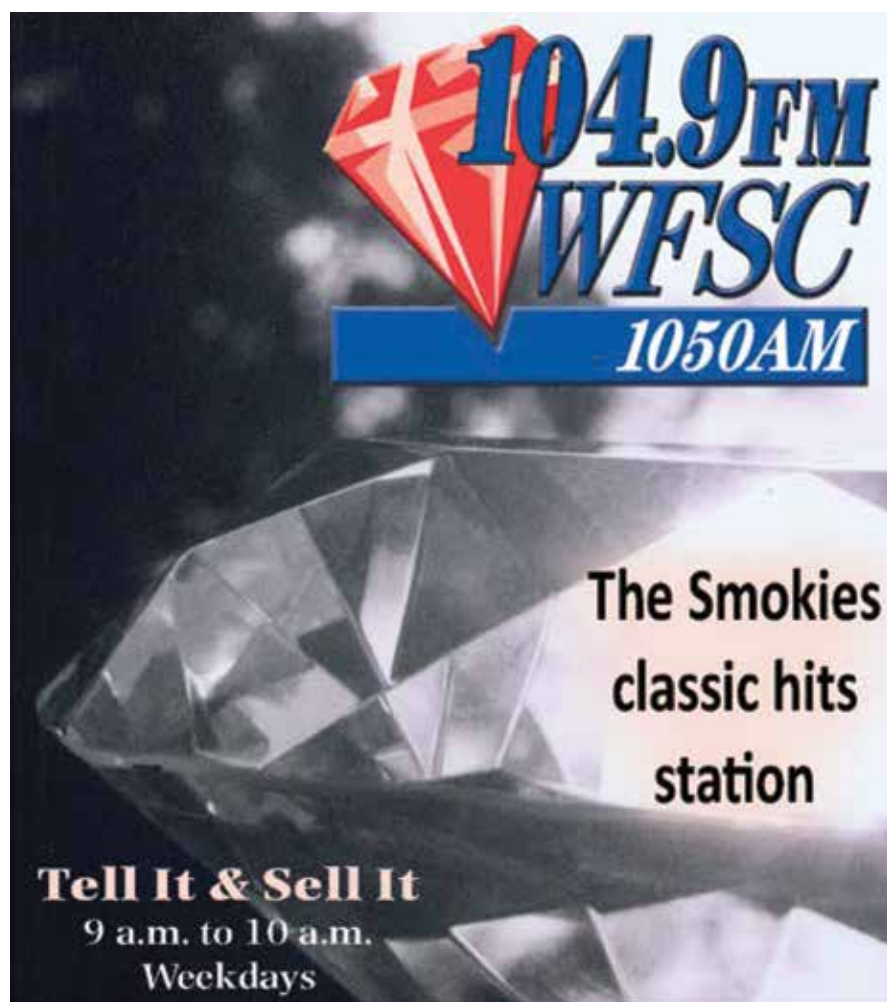
STATEMENT FROM CHIEF OF POLICE JOSH TAYLOR:

(Note: This statement was posted to Facebook on the evening of Monday, June 13. A full article on this development is forthcoming for next week's One Feather.)

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the community for allowing me to serve as the Chief of Police for the Eastern Band. It has been my honor to serve my community and the people I care so much about.

We have accomplished a lot of great things this past year, but it is time for new adventures. I appreciate all of you and thank you for your understanding. I would also like to thank Chief Sneed, Vice Chief Ensley, and Tribal Council for understanding and supporting my decision to resign from my position.

Josh Taylor



Kituwah, LLC discusses investment and acquisitions strategy

Kituwah, LLC discusses their Investment and Acquisitions Strategies. “One of the first formal actions the Kituwah, LLC Board took was to develop guiding principles and documents to benchmark and analyze investment and business decisions,” said Mark Hubble, Kituwah, LLC chief executive officer.

The Investment Policy outlines the fiduciary responsibility of both the Board as well as the Chief Executive Officer and also clarifies the types of investment vehicles that can be used as well as percentage ranges for each investment type.

For example, investment equities have an investment range of 10 percent to 45 percent of the

overall portfolio and must consist of high-quality securities traded on the New York, NASDAQ or American Stock Exchange.

Kituwah, LLC also developed guidelines for acquiring business that include minimum qualifications such as:

- Kituwah, LLC typically avoids start-ups
- A preference for a minimum of three years of profitable operating history
- The business must have accurate recordkeeping so that we can conduct thorough due diligence
- Kituwah, LLC will typically need tax records to provide an independent assessment of revenues and expenses
- The Company generally seeks independent appraisals on real estate purchases.

Both the Investment Policy

and Acquisition Guidelines are much more extensive and provide structure when making business decisions. As Adam West, vice chair of the Kituwah Economic Development stated, “Our primary goals revolve around risk management, reasonable returns, and steady, predictable growth.”

In addition to the Investment and Acquisitions policies, the Kituwah LLC Board recently adopted an updated Conflict of Interest Policy and has instituted internal auditing. Sam Owl, secretary and treasurer of the Kituwah Economic Development Board added, “We provide a general financial discussion with Tribal Council on a quarterly basis and provide full audited financials on an annual basis. These audited financial statements are then integrated into the Tribe’s financial statements.”

Chrissy Arch, Chair of the KEDB stated, “Our goal is increased transparency and less confusion. In the coming months, we’ll be sharing more of our business strategy with the community and discussing our major acquisitions in-depth.”

Established in 2018, Kituwah, LLC is an economic development enterprise wholly-owned by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI). Kituwah, LLC is dedicated to creating an innovative future. Their Mission is “To create or acquire profitable businesses and investments that provide substantial opportunities for the members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.”

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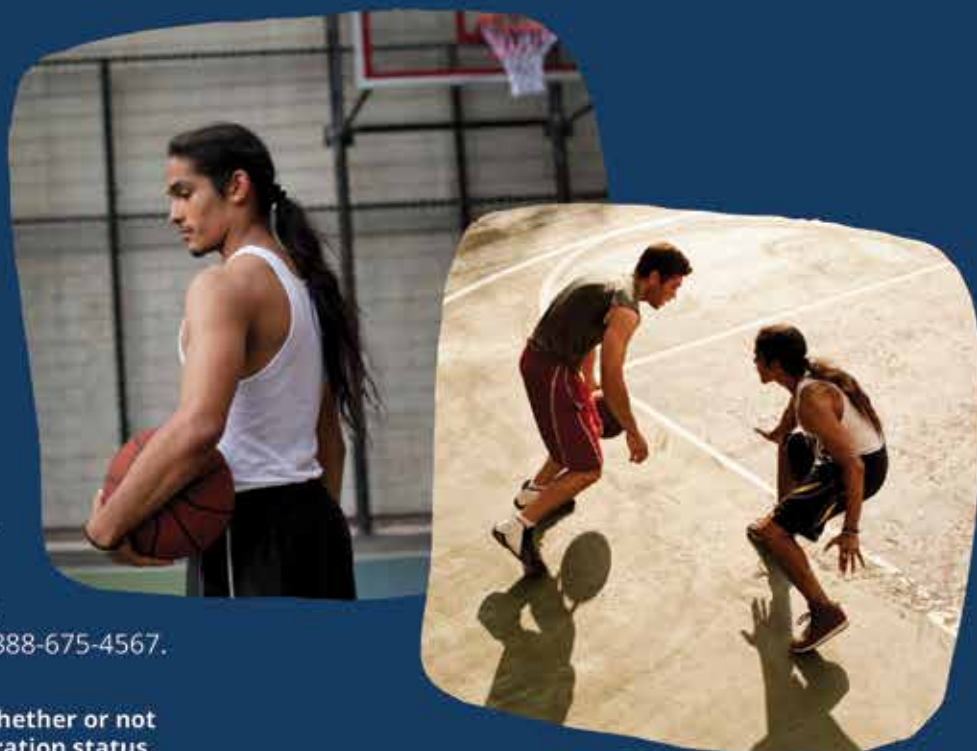
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In October 2021, the EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) Tribal Court was accepted into the Domestic Violence Court Mentoring Program through the Center for Court Innovation. The EBCI sought to be part of the mentoring program as part of the ongoing goal of enhancing the current response to domestic violence cases.

The EBCI was paired with the Tulsa County Domestic Violence Court in Oklahoma. The Tulsa County Domestic Violence Court is a court model that handles misdemeanor and felony domestic violence cases and coordinates with family court in an urban setting.

The EBCI team consisting of representatives from the EBCI Tribal Court, EBCI Legal Assistance Office, EBCI Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Program, Office of the Tribal Prosecutor, and the Cherokee Indian Police Department were able to travel to Tulsa on June 1, 2022 to meet the mentors in person. For a day and half the team was able to observe court, work peer-to-peer, tour the Family Safety Center and Domestic Violence Intervention Services, and begin action planning for ways to improve the EBCI's response to domestic violence. The team is shown, left to right, back row – Victoria Lowe, DV Court coordinator; Bonnie Claxton, EBCI Legal Assistance Office manager; Kerri Crabtree, DV Mentor Court project manager; Jamie Arnold, EBCI Legal Assistance Office attorney; Shelli Buckner, prosecutor, Office of the Tribal Prosecutor; Wayne Dover, CIPD detective; front row – Judge Sunshine Park, EBCI Tribal Court; Marsha Jackson, EBCI Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Program manager; and Heather Maney, EBCI Legal Assistance Office paralegal. (Photo courtesy of EBCI Tribal Court)

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Secretary Kristina Hyatt; Board members Berdie Toineeta and Regina Ledford Rosario; Superintendent Michael Murray; Assistant Superintendent Beverley Payne; Tribal Council Alternate Rep. T.W. Saunooke; HR Director Heather Driver; and Administrative Assistant Terri Bradley all in attendance.

The next meeting of the CCS Board of Education is set for Thursday, June 23 at 4:45 p.m. Meetings are being held in the Administrative Offices at Cherokee Central Schools. These meetings are open to the public unless there is a call for an executive session.



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FDA launches campaign aimed at preventing e-cigarette use among Native youth

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced the launch of the “Next Legends” Youth E-cigarette Prevention Campaign on Wednesday, June 8 as part of the agency’s ongoing efforts to protect youth from the dangers of tobacco use. The campaign will educate American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) youth, ages 12-17, about the harms of vaping through unique branding and tailored messaging created to inspire a new generation to live Native strong and vape-free.

There are approximately 400,000 Native teens in the U.S., and more than half of them are at-risk of using tobacco products, including e-cigarettes. Studies show that Native youth are more susceptible to e-cigarette use than their non-Native peers, and they demonstrate disproportionately high experimentation and current use of e-cigarettes. Data from the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System indicate that:

- AI/AN youth are more likely to use e-cigarettes and almost twice as likely to be frequent users of e-cigarettes than high school students overall;
- 47.3 percent of AI/AN high school students reported past 30-day use of “electronic vapor products” including e-cigarettes compared to 32.7 percent of high school students overall; and
- 19.9 percent of AI/AN high school students reported using electronic vapor products frequently (on 20 or more days in the last 30 days) compared to 10.7 percent of high school students overall.

“The Next Legends campaign is an important and creative way to educate Native youth about the

harms of vaping,” said Michele Mital, acting director of the FDA’s Center for Tobacco Products. “E-cigarettes are the most used tobacco product among youth, and they pose serious health risks if used during adolescence, when the brain is still developing. Next Legends builds on the success of previous youth e-cigarette prevention campaigns while also addressing health disparities among Native Americans and Alaska Natives associated with tobacco use. Communicating with Native youth through culturally-aligned messages will help these youth make informed decisions about healthy behavior, including being vape-free.”

The “Next Legends” campaign will reach AI/AN teens where they spend much of their time- online. Digital video advertisements will be placed on social media sites such as Instagram, Snapchat and TikTok, and streaming and gaming platforms such as YouTube and Twitch. In addition to the campaign’s digital video and social media presence, out-of-home billboards, radio, and TV (in Alaska) will also be used to help spread the public health messages to Native youth. The ads feature members of the AI/AN community and messaging focused on the negative health consequences and addiction risks of using e-cigarettes, the dangerous mix of chemicals and metals found in them, and how vaping can negatively affect aspects of life that are very important to the community.

In consultation with AI/AN community members and other experts in Native culture, media, and public health research, the FDA conducted robust research to develop effective messaging to reach Native youth. Strategies included extensive research and

analysis to identify messaging needs and unique cultural considerations for commercial tobacco use prevention efforts; focus groups with AI/AN youth from across regions of the U.S.; and testing of video ads through an online survey with a large sample of Native youth. To ensure cultural relevancy for this audience, the FDA’s media contractor, Rescue Agency, partnered with G+G Advertising, a native-owned advertising agency with more than 20 years’ experience working with AI/AN tribes and communities.

The FDA’s tobacco prevention campaigns are critical to its public health mission. In addition to public education campaigns, the agency protects youth from the harms of vaping through regulation, scientific review of products, and taking enforcement actions against tobacco manufacturers, retailers, importers and distributors, when needed. The FDA restricts youth access to tobacco products by, for example, requiring retailers to check ID prior to sale and not sell to anyone under the age of 21.

- FDA news release

CIPD Arrest Report for May 29 to June 6

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.

Decoteau, Mary Lynn – age 27
Arrested: May 29
Released: May 29
Charges: Injury to Real Property

Taylor, Derrick Kyle – age 30
Arrested: May 29
Released: Not released as of report date (June 6)
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Jenkins, James Derrick – age 30
Arrested: May 31
Released: May 31
Charges: Temporary Hold

George, Jon Tanoli – age 35
Arrested: June 1
Released: June 1
Charges: Driving While Impaired

Jackson, Rain Edwind-Swimmer – age 27
Arrested: June 1
Released: June 1
Charges: Drug Paraphernalia, Drug Trafficking

Locust III, William Russell – age 31
Arrested: June 1
Released: June 3
Charges: Failure to Appear

Velazquez, Javier Omar – age 21
Arrested: June 1
Released: June 1
Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree

Wolfe, Daliyah Lanae – age 24
Arrested: June 1
Released: June 1
Charges: Temporary Hold for Swain Co.

Arkansas-Bradley, Errika Leah – age 44
Arrested: June 2
Released: Not released as of report date (June 6)
Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance, Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court, Resisting Lawful Arrest, Second

Degree Trespass

Figueroa, Francisco Kalvloi – age 20

Arrested: June 2

Released: June 2

Charges: Assault on a Female

Radford, Hunter Allen – age 22

Arrested: June 2

Released: Not released as of report date (June 6)

Charges: Possession of Firearms by a Felon, Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property, Obstructing Governmental Functions

Radford, Jake Michael – age 23

Arrested: June 2

Released: Not released as of report date (June 6)

Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance, Obstructing Justice, Failure to Appear

Saunooke, Tivan Dean – age 18

Arrested: June 2

Released: June 3

Charges: Obstructing Justice, Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedule I-V

Seay, Robert Daniel – age 19

Arrested: June 2

Released: June 5

Charges: Child Abuse in the First

Degree, Domestic Violence

Swayney, Ellisa Nicole – age 34

Arrested: June 2

Released: June 2

Charges: Second Degree Trespass

Lewis, Isaiah Nittakmiti – age 26

Arrested: June 3

Released: Not released as of report date (June 6)

Charges: Larceny; Injuring Telephone Wires, Wires, or other Community Equipment; Interfering with Emergency Communication; Child Abuse in the Second Degree, Assault by Strangulation; Assault on a Female; Domestic Violence

Sequoyah, Tashina Pepion – age 39

Arrested: June 3

Released: Not released as of report date (June 6)

Charges: Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance, Possession Drug Paraphernalia

Swayney, Dewayne Edward – age 52

Arrested: June 3

Released: June 3

Charges: Probation Violation

Decoteau, Mary Lynn – age 27

Arrested: June 4

Released: Not released as of report date (June 6)

Charges: Public Intoxication

Gunter, Austin Allen – age 30

Arrested: June 4

Released: Not released as of report date (June 6)

Charges: Public Intoxication, Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court

Khondoker, Shawn Nicholas – age 30

Arrested: June 4

Released: June 5

Charges: Temporary Hold for Swain Co.

Lossiah Jr., Kirk Wilson – age 32

Arrested: June 4

Released: Not released as of report date (June 6)

Charges: Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court

Wooten, Dillon Hawk – age 26

Arrested: June 4

Released: Not released as of report date (June 6)

Charges: Public Intoxication, Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court

Haywood man sentenced to 105 years on rape, sexual

assault charges

A Haywood County man's guilty plea this week on rape and sexual-assault charges netted a 47-year-old Haywood County man a likely life sentence.

District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch said Gary Brown-ing admitted to five counts of statutory rape and five counts of statutory sexual assault.

The victim suffered abuse from about age seven and into high school.

Assistant District Attorney Kate Robinette, who prosecuted the case, crafted a plea deal that left sentencing to the judge's discretion.

Superior Court Judge Marvin Pope listened to testimony from both the victim and a Maggie Valley Police detective. He then handed down his verdict: a total prison sentence for Browning of 105.8 years.

"We are pleased with this tough sentencing decision," District Attorney Welch said. "We believe Judge Pope matched the severity of the crimes with time behind bars."

- Office of District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch release

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Christian Veterinary Mission provides services in Cherokee

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

For two days, pet parents lined up with their cats and dogs at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds for veterinary services. Volunteers with the Christian Veterinary Mission, based in Washington state, provided the services on the Qualla Boundary for the first time on June 10-11.

“We share Christ’s love through veterinary medicine,” said Dr. Page Wages, DVM, organizer and team leader with Christian Veterinary Mission. “It’s a way to bring people together through animals, and then we get to chat with them a little about Christ.” She said the team did about 50 various spay and neuter surgeries on Friday, June 10, and there was a sizeable line forming on Saturday morning. “I lead trips, and we normally go to Robbinsville. I’ve been doing that probably 15 years.”

Dr. Wages was very pleased with the turn-out in Cherokee. “Everybody has been really receptive. I think people are enjoying it. It’s kind of a low-cost spay and neuter, but otherwise, we can just reach out and reach people.”

The event in Cherokee was a partnership between the Christian Veterinary Mission, Grace Community Church, and Cherokee Animal Control.

Scott Hill, pastor at Grace Community Church, said, “There’s just such a need on the reservation. As you guys know, pets roam. So, to do the shots to make sure they’re up on their vaccines and things, just for public safety and health and so forth. But, really,



As Shane Davis, left, Cherokee Animal Control program manager, assists, Daniela Jaramillo, veterinary student at N.C. State University, does a preliminary check-up on Maze during a clinic hosted by the Christian Veterinary Mission at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on Saturday, June 11. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

even more than that is just to minister to the community - folks that otherwise, because it’s expensive to get dogs spayed and neutered, it’s just an opportunity to say, ‘hey, if you want it done, here’s a low-cost alternative that we can help you out with.’ So, really to minister and to reach out and say, ‘let us come alongside of you and help you in this way.’”

He was also pleased with the turnout. “You know they’ve been over in Snowbird for a number of years and never been here. So, with the turnout we’ve had this year, we’re hoping that this can become an annual event.”

Pastor Hill was complimentary of the Christian Veterinary Mis-

sion staff. “These guys are absolutely amazing. I’ve never seen this done before but they’re just like a well-oiled machine in there. And the really amazing thing is they’ve never worked together before. There’s a couple of them that have done this together, but the majority of them, they’re just folks that signed up and said, ‘hey, I want to do this.’ So, this is their first experience of working together as a full team, which is unreal.”

Tammy Jackson attends Grace Community Church and was very happy with the partnership formed between the organizations and what it could mean for the animals on the Qualla Boundary. “If people are taking better care of

their animals, getting them spayed and neutered, we won’t have the population of animals that people can’t feed or take care of.”

She said that will aid Cherokee Animal Control in their mission on the Qualla Boundary. “Anything we can do to help that tribal program, we’re willing to do and also to help the community at large.”

Shane Davis, Cherokee Animal Control program manager, spoke highly of the partnership. “I had heard about it (Mission) before because they’ve had it in Robbinsville, and I’ve been trying to figure out how to get this here. Tammy (Jackson), through her church, got in touch with them, and then got in touch with me. Of course, I was excited and I was glad it was coming here.”

He added, “I can’t take any credit. I’m just here doing what I can and Tammy made it happen. It’s what this community needs.”

Davis said a successful and continued partnership would help reduce the animal population in the coming years and avoid entire litters being dropped off at the Cherokee Animal Shelter.

Annette Rodriguez, of Cherokee, brought four dogs to the event on Saturday to get neutered. “I think it’s fantastic because it costs \$365 to have one dog done and here it’s going to be \$30.”

She went on to say, “It’s good that they’re doing it because a lot of people here can’t afford to get all this done, especially if you’ve got a house full like me. A lot of people have three or four cats, and you can’t afford \$365 for each.”

For more information on the Christian Veterinary Mission, visit: www.cvm.org



Chloe Lambert, second from left, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and a recent graduate of Swain Co. High School, was awarded the Kesha Young Health Careers Scholarship recently. Given by Mission Health for 25 years, the Scholarship is given to high school seniors and college students of color from western North Carolina who are pursuing careers in healthcare. It is named in honor of Kesha Young, a 22-year-old, bi-racial woman who was born with mental and physical disabilities and underwent multiple surgeries at Mission Hospital. Kesha died just months before she was scheduled to earn her high school diploma. Shown in the photo, left to right, are Jameka Johnson, former scholarship winner; Lambert; Jorie Matikevich, Mission Health regional vice president of human resources; and Chad Patrick, Mission Hospital chief executive officer. (Photo courtesy of Mission Health)



Shout-out from Heart-to-Heart Child Advocacy staff

We ordered a very large fish tank for the children to enjoy that come to visit us – clients. It was very large and heavy. We asked the Cherokee Fire Dept. Shift C if they could help us lift and move it out of the very large, heavy wooden shipping containers. Without hesitation, they arrived to the Center and got to work. Not only did they remove it from the containers, but they also moved it and set up the sump filtration system for us as well. They went above and beyond for the Center, and we want to acknowledge them. (Photos courtesy of Heart-to-Heart Child Advocacy)

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Mark Welch Crowe

Mark Welch Crowe, 74, of the Big Y Community of Cherokee, went to meet his heavenly Father on Sunday, June 5, 2022 while at the Cherokee Indian Hospital. Mark was a servant of God and loved to share the Word. He was a member of the Big Witch Baptist Church.

Mark also was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend. Mark Retired after 42 years of service with the Cherokee Boys Club where he served as president for 12 years.

Mark was preceded by his parents, Jim and Elizabeth (Wilnoty) Crowe, and siblings, Kaiser Wilnoty, Richard Arneach, and Carolyn Crowe.

He is survived by his loving wife, Glenda, of 53 years; his sons, Troy Crowe (Missy) and Chester Crowe (Brandy); brothers, David, Sylvester, and Roland Crowe; sister, Maryann Crowe all of Cherokee; grandchildren, Kayla (Sonny), Jacobi (Harry), Laura (Skylar), Trae, Mark (Kendra), Sidney (Dean), Taloa and Isaac; great-grandchildren, Talan, Cynthia, Jovane, Colton, Delilah, and Taysom; special great-grandchildren, Devin, Hunter and Logan; several nieces and nephews along with beloved nephew and niece, Sam Crowe and Libby Ensley and his special friend, Odie Swayney.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, June 8 at the Big Witch Baptist Church with Jimbo Sneed and Keith Carson officiating. Pall bearers were Talan Crowe, Odie Swayney, Carr Crowe, Little Mark Crowe, Isaac Saunooke, Bo Crowe, Dick Crowe, Peanut Crowe, and Colton Crowe.

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

Stephanie Dawn Jones

Stephanie Dawn Jones, 41, of 53 Myers Drive in Cherokee, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, June 4, 2022 at her home.

Stephanie was the daughter of Mr. William Junior Jones (Jean) and Ms. Karen “Kay” Jones (Sam) both of Cherokee. She was the valedictorian of the 1998 Cherokee High School Graduates. She was also on the State Championship basketball team of 1995-1996.

Stephanie is survived by her children, Gabby Jones Cody, Gaige Jones, and Isabella Jones; brother, William Jones; sister, Shelly Jones; aunts, Tammy Lambert, Kitty Taylor, Martha (Sissy) French, and Sherry Jones; uncles, Steve Lambert and Mernie Taylor; grandchildren, Gunner Cody and Jaycob Jones; and nephew, Dustin T. Smith.

Stephanie was preceded by sister, Dusty Jones; grandparents, Phyllis Faye Lambert, Sam Lambert, Nancy (Jim) Taylor, Martha George, and Wm. Lawrence Jones; and nephews, Jacob Colby Smith and Joshua P. Smith.

Stephanie had a graveside funeral service on Thursday, June 9 at the Bethal Cemetery off Union Hill Rd. of Cherokee. Pall Bearers were among the family and friends in attendance.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Family.

Geraldine Sarah Jackson Thompson

Geraldine Sarah Jackson Thompson, of the Painttown Community in Cherokee, went home to be with the Lord, Tuesday, June 7, 2022. A native of Jackson County,

she is the daughter of the late Ed Jackson and Marjorie Arneach Rattler.

In addition, she was preceded in death by her husband, Eugene Thompson; brothers, William, Jacob, and Robert Jefferson Jackson, George Arneach, Sylvester Arneach; sisters, Lula Jackson, Shirley Oswalt, and Katherine Lambert.

Geraldine was a member of the Rock Springs Baptist Church of which her grandparents Jefferson and Sara Arneach founded in Cherokee. She retired from the Indian Health Service as an LPN serving for 30 years. She was also a member of the Cherokee Indian Rescue Squad, a member of the North American Indian Women’s Association, Lions Club, and the eldest member of the American Legion Auxillary Steve Youngdeer Post 143. She was an avid bowler, cornhole, horseshoe, bocce, and shuffleboard player, especially in the Senior Games, of which she won many gold, silver, and bronze medals.

A very important group she belonged to is the Cherokee Cancer Support Group at Betty’s Place. She was a boarding school survivor. She proudly worked with volunteers on the Fall Festival Committee. In younger years, she was active with the Painttown Community Club, and served as a Painttown Representative on the Cherokee Central School Board. She also danced with the Tsali Manor Clogging Team. The highlights of her year was watching the Cherokee Braves basketball and football teams, of which she was a dedicated fan. She was also very proud of her Cherokee heritage.

She is survived by a brother, Gilliam Jackson; sisters, Edith Crowe, Lou Jackson, Ethel Moose, Esther Williams, Anna Owens;

daughters, Vickie Thompson, Donna Sequoyah (James), Eugenia Guess, Rita Driver (Bob), and Charlene Otter; sons, Eugene Thompson (Amy), and Edward Thompson; special nieces, and nephews, Mag Teesateskie, Tami Hogner, Cathy, Debbie, Lena, James, Anthony, and Robert Arneach; grandchildren, Jeremy Sequoyah (Sarita), Joshua Sequoyah, Stephanie Sequoyah, Cliff Thompson, Austin Thompson, Brian Thompson, Anthony Calona-heskie, Amanda Thompson, Miranda Meyers, and Michael Otter; great Grandchildren, Gola Crowe (Lupi), Marleigh Thompson, Camaron Thompson, Ezekiel Sequoyah, Zechariah Sequoyah, Logan Sequoyah, Asija Meyers, Meli Meyers, Raelyn Strohm, Landon Strohm, Benjamin Meyers, and Grayson Meyers; great-great granddaughters, Florence Crowe and Lorelei Crowe.

All the children in her life were special, especially: Duck Lossiah, Josh Lossiah, Bobby Crowe, Chet Cucumber, and Tasha Cucumber. Geraldine was a Christian, loving mother, sister, aunt, cousin, grandmother, and friend who will be dearly missed.

Funeral Services were held on Friday, June 10 at Rock Springs Baptist Church. Burial followed at Thompson Family Cemetery. Pall bearers were Gene Thompson, Ed Thompson, Austin Thompson, Cliff Thompson, Dewayne Lambert, Duck Lossiah, Felix Lossiah, Anthony Arneach, Mike Parker, and Steve Bird. Officiating Preachers: Bobby Watts, Greg Morgan, Keith Carson, Foreman Bradley, Scotty Chickalelee.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Betty’s Place. PO Box 2220. Cherokee, NC 28719.



The "Teach What Your Know, Share What You Have" Conference was hosted by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the Kituwah Preservation & Education Program (KPEP) at the Harrah's Cherokee Convention Center on Thursday, June 2. The conference was funded by a grant through the American Rescue Plan. EBCI tribal programs/departments and guests from the Cherokee Nation presented on various topics related to Cherokee language education. The conference was streamed live on KPEP's Facebook page and the EBCI Communications department recorded the event to be shared on Channel 28 at a later date. For more information about the conference, or to be added to a mailing list for upcoming events, please contact: gabrthom@ebci-nsn.gov. Pictured are all of the presenters at the Conference. (Photo courtesy of KPEP)



The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) and Kituwah Preservation & Education Program (KPEP) hosted the annual Cherokee Speakers' Consortium on May 31 through June 3. The Speakers' Consortium was created as part of the Kituwah Language Revitalization Initiative, funded in part by a grant from the Cherokee Preservation Foundation. Since 2005, the EBCI, Cherokee Nation, and the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokees have worked together on various Cherokee language activities. The sister tribes have a long-standing relationship with the established language programs for sharing of resources and bringing Cherokee speakers together for fellowship. Prior to COVID-19, the Speakers' Consortium met once or twice in-person, with participants traveling between Cherokee and Tahlequah, Okla. The speakers have amassed a large collection of new words along with bringing back older and less commonly used words. If you are a Cherokee speaker and would like to be added to a mailing list for future events, please contact: Kayla Pheasant at kaylphea@ebci-nsn.gov or call 359-6401. Pictured are members of the Cherokee Speakers' Consortium, EBCI Cherokee Language Master Apprentice Program (CLMAP), and visitors from the Cherokee Nation viewing a mural of Cherokee Beloved Women in Robbinsville. (Photo by Gabriella Thompson/KPEP)



Moments in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

- On **July 3, 1863**, the third day of the Battle of Gettysburg, Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee's last attempt at breaking the Union line ends in disastrous failure, bringing the most decisive battle of the American Civil War to an end. Exhausted, both armies held their positions until the night of July 4, when Lee withdrew.

- On **July 2, 1938**, Helen Wills Moody defeats Helen Jacobs to win her eighth Wimbledon singles title. Her record stood until Martina Navratilova won her ninth Wimbledon title in 1990.

- On **June 28, 1940**, Gen. Charles de Gaulle, having set up headquarters in England upon the establishment of a puppet government in his native France, is recognized as the leader of the Free French Forces, dedicated to the defeat of Germany and the liberation of France.

- On **June 29, 1967**, actress Jayne Mansfield is killed instantly when the car she's riding in strikes the rear of a trailer truck on I-90 east of New Orleans. Her three children, asleep on the back seat, survived.

- On **June 30, 1971**, the three Soviet cosmonauts who served as the first crew of the world's first space station die when their spacecraft depressurizes during re-entry and a critical valve opens.

- On **June 27, 1985**, after 59 years, the iconic 2,200-mile Route 66 is decertified when the American Association of State Highway and Transportation officials votes to remove all its highway signs. Most of the original Route 66 followed a path through the wilderness forged in 1857 by U.S. Navy Lt. Edward Beale at the head of a caravan of camels.

- On **July 1, 1997**, Hong Kong reverts back to Chinese rule in a ceremony attended by numerous Chinese, British and international dignitaries. A policy based on the concept of "one country, two systems" was designed to preserve Hong Kong's role as a principal capitalist center in Asia.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Art being accepted for Cherokee Homecoming Art Show & Sale

TAHLEQUAH, Okla. — Cherokee Nation is accepting artwork for its annual Cherokee Homecoming Art Show & Sale. The show is being offered both virtually and in person Aug. 13 – Sept. 10 at the gallery adjacent to the Cherokee National Research Center, and the deadline for submissions is July 8.

The all-Cherokee, juried show is in its 27th year and is open to citizens of Cherokee Nation, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and United Keetoowah Band. Artists of distinction, including Cherokee National Treasures, UKB Tradition Keepers and EBCI Beloved Persons, are exempt from jury but must complete the online entry process by the

July 8 deadline to participate.

Selected artists will compete for more than \$15,000 in two divisions: traditional and contemporary. The traditional division is defined as “arts customary to Cherokee people before European contact” and consists of three categories: basketry, pottery and traditional arts. The contemporary division is defined as “arts arising among the Cherokee after European contact” and consists of seven categories: paintings, sculpture, pottery, basketry, beadwork, jewelry and textiles.

Winning work will be announced at an awards reception Aug. 12 at 6 p.m., followed by the public opening on Aug. 13.

For additional information or to register and submit art, visit: <https://www.visitchokeeanation.com/chokeee-homecoming-art-show-and-sale>

- Cherokee Nation release

On Fridays this summer, SCC will go virtual for employees

SYLVA – Due to the ever-rising costs of gasoline, Southwestern Community College’s administration has decided to move to virtual operations every Friday starting on June 10 at all SCC campuses and locations.

Even though staff members will be working virtually, the college will remain open and fully operational while continuing to provide support for current students and welcoming new and prospective students to enroll for the fall semester.

Southwestern has one on-campus class on Fridays, and it will continue as scheduled. All off-campus classes, clinicals and work-based learning will also continue on regular schedules.

However, all SCC buildings except the Public Safety Training Center will be closed on Fridays through at least Aug. 5. Prospective students can call 828.339.4000 or start the application process at www.SouthwesternCC.edu/enroll.

- Southwestern Community College release

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 cul-

ture and/or experience in a professional environment is a plus.

Nomination forms can be found at RIGHT PATH MEMBERSHIP 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@cherokeeboysclub.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

Atlanta Braves and 7G Foundation to host first-ever Native American All-Star Baseball Showcase

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ATLANTA – The Atlanta Braves and 7G Foundation will host the first ever Native American All-Star Baseball Showcase at Truist Park on July 16-17. The top 50 high school baseball players of Native American descent from around the country will participate in a pro-style workout on Saturday, July 16 and a showcase game on Sunday, July 17.

The Native American All-Star Baseball Showcase will highlight Native American high school baseball players who aspire to play the game at the next level. Scouts from the Atlanta Braves, University of Tennessee, Georgia State University, Savannah State University, South Georgia State College, Mercer University, and Emory University will be in attendance.

“We greatly value our longstanding partnerships in the Native American community and are constantly looking for new and impactful ways to support them,” said Derek Schiller, Atlanta Braves president and chief executive officer. “This first Native American All-Star Baseball Showcase will help create access and exposure for Native American student athletes as they work to build their baseball careers in college and Major League Baseball. We are looking forward to welcoming these tremendous athletes and providing not only the Major League setting, but also the tools and support they need to succeed.”

There will be two teams for the showcase game on Sunday, each with a 25-man roster. Each roster will include at least ten pitchers and two dedicated catchers. Major League Baseball former players Marquis Grissom, Johnny Estrada, Marvin Freeman, and Lou Collier will coach the teams.

“It’s an honor to work with the Braves as they recognize the unique talents that Native youth bring to the game. 7G has worked hard to

address the challenges facing Indian Country. This partnership with the Atlanta Braves will help continue our mission of taking our Native youth to the next level,” said Bennae Calac, Founder and Executive Director, 7G Foundation.

The pro-style workout on Saturday, July 16 will be executed by Marquis Grissom Baseball Association and will focus on defensive work, fielding, throwing, and catcher pop times. Four to six players will be selected during Saturday’s batting practice to participate in a Home Run Derby that afternoon following the workout. Rapsodo Hitting and Pitching units will be available to provide pro-level data and analytics to help players improve their game.

Native youth can register to play in the Native American All-Star Baseball Showcase at www.7gfoundation.com/nativeshowcase. Applications are open through June 17.

- Atlanta Braves release

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

THANK YOU LETTERS

Thank you Yogi Crowe Scholarship

Shiyo Nigada,

I am once again extending my gratitude to the Yogi Crowe scholarship and the board members for providing me with financial assis-

tance during my final semester of graduate school. As many in higher education understand, the rigors of classwork and daily life are always connected, and this has only intensified during the pandemic. I spent two and a half years working towards my higher educational goal and when I began my journey, I had no clue what was going to be in-store for me. Virtual learning and countless of Zoom classrooms dominated my time at the University of Kansas but thankfully Yogi provided assurance and security to help ease some of my financial burdens and obligations. I am thankful that during this pandemic I was afforded this additional assistance so that I could continue to focus on my course work and further pursue my personal and professional goals. I, again, appreciate the scholarship and the board members attentiveness to checking in on my academic endeavors and the continued personal support I have received. I will be forever grateful to all involved.

Sgi,

Jakeli Swimmer

Thank you from family of Vivian West Solis

We apologize for the delay but would like to take a moment to thank our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for blessing us with our mom/grandma Vivian West Solis for 59 ½ years. She was a true blessing; not only to us but many others as well. She is forever in our hearts.

A special thank you to Glo for all you did for our mom and family and for always being there for us to this day. A few others we would like to thank are: Kristie and family; Vin and family; Onie and family; Kelly and family; Chavis Wright; Deb and Amy West; Catt sisters; Norma Craig; Vice Chief B. Ensley, Libby,

see **ANNOUNCEMENTS** next page

and Chavella; Straight Fork Baptist Church; Cherokee Central Schools Cultural Dept.; Family Support; Cherokee Boys Club; Pastor Harley Maney Jr.; Pastor Scottie Chekelelee; Big Cove Free Labor; Tribal EMS; Tribal Construction; Office of the Attorney General; all the singers; all those who sent food and all the beautiful flowers; and all those who prayed for our mom and our family. Your acts of kindness did not go unnoticed, and we appreciate everything everyone did to help us through this hard time in our lives. Please continue to keep our family in your prayers.

Lupe, Reyna, Jabby, Damian, and the kids

Park continues efforts to eliminate unsafe roadside parking at Laurel Falls Trailhead

Great Smoky Mountains National Park staff will continue efforts to eliminate unsafe roadside parking at Laurel Falls Trailhead. Temporary roadside barriers will be re-established during the busy summer season through fall, beginning Thursday, June 9 through Sunday, Oct. 30. Unofficial parking will be blocked with temporary barriers, such as traffic cones, during this time. Visitor use management strategies such as permanent roadside parking barriers, parking reservation systems, and shuttle systems continue to be considered as a part of the Laurel Falls Trail Management Plan Environmental Assess-

ment (EA).

Laurel Falls Trail continues to be one of the most popular trails in the park, drawing a high level of use that has resulted in extreme congestion, crowding at the falls, and unsafe conditions along Little River Road. Vehicles parked along the roadside obstruct the flow of traffic and create blind spots for motorists, resulting in a significant safety hazard for visitors walking to or from their vehicles. Roadside parking also impacts adjacent habitats, damages road edges, and causes erosion.

Data collected at Laurel Falls trailhead show that there are frequently more than 100 cars parking outside of official parking areas, typically along the road shoulder. Visitors planning to hike to Laurel Falls should come prepared with alternative destinations in case they do not find parking available at the

site. Avoiding arriving during peak visitation periods, usually between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., can also help improve chances of obtaining a safe parking space within designated parking areas.

With more than 800 miles of trails across the park, visitors are encouraged to pre-plan to choose a less congested area of the park to visit during peak time periods. Backcountry Office staff are available 7 days a week to provide trip planning guidance in person and via phone at (865) 436-1297. Visitors may also receive in-person guidance at Sugarlands and Oconaluftee Visitor Centers. For more information about congestion monitoring in the park, please visit the park website at <https://www.nps.gov/grsm/learn/management/vs.htm>.

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The Remember the Removal Riders (RTR) were welcomed to the Big Cove Community Center on Saturday, May 28 along with several RTR alumni. "They were so appreciative and cordial," said Debbie West. "We shared a circle prayer and wished them safe travels. We are so very proud of these men and women – seven EBCI and five Cherokee Nation. Stay strong. Stay resilient. You are admired, loved, and we are praying for you and your safety." Shown, left to right, front row – Karen French, Emra Arkansas, Madison Whitekiller, Laura Blythe, Kayce O'Field, Desiree Matthews, Amy West, Debbie West, Lisa Hardesty; back row – Jeanetta Leach, Adrian "Bubba" Aguilera, Emily Christie, Justin Lambert, and Larry Blythe. (Photo courtesy of Debbie West)

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COMMENTARY

Wish lists

By **ROBERT JUMPER**

One Feather Editor

There is so much potential in the Tribe. We hear it all the time. From our kids to our land, we realize that the future could hold great things for the generations to come.

I once, actually more than once, heard our representatives talk about how we “plan ourselves to death”. It was specifically said whenever a program would bring in a request to do a feasibility study on a project that might have had two or three feasibility studies done over several years.

As important as having a good financial story is for a project, a key element to getting that project from the drawing board to the first golden shovel full of implementation, is political support. Yes, politics may be a dirty word to some, but it is an essential element in project planning on the Qualla Boundary.

You may have the best, most logical case for a plan in the world and it will fail if it does not have a majority of support within the Tribal Council. And, with the weighted vote, that doesn’t always mean seven of the 12 representatives around the “horseshoe”. Each Woltown representative has 12 percent of the Tribal Council vote. Each Snowbird/Cherokee County representative has six percent. The two Yellowhill representatives

have seven percent a-piece. Each Painttown representative has six percent. And each Birdtown representative has 12 percent. Each Big Cove representative has seven percent.

That is the breakdown of the power pie that has guided things for over a decade, even though a census, one prescribed by the Charter and Governing Document, has not taken place to ensure the legitimacy of the elections. That too, is a political decision to supersede the foundational law of our government. And it does impact the projects for both community and economic development.

The weighted vote brings the total number of Tribal Council representatives needed to either move a project forward or kill it to just five of the twelve. If the Bird-

town and Woltown representatives are in agreement on an issue, it only takes one more representative to pass or fail anything that goes before Tribal Council.

Then there is the issue of ratification. All laws passed through the Tribal Council go before the Executive Branch, particularly the Principal Chief to either be ratified into law, or vetoed, in which case, it would go back to Tribal Council to see if an override vote would take place. To override the veto of a Principal Chief, the Tribal Council would need to muster a super-majority, or two-thirds of the weighted vote (66 percent). That would require at least seven council members (a simple majority of the Tribal Council head count). I know that may be a little confusing to some, but the bottom line

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.

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of it is that weighted vote makes a huge difference in the way we are governed. It puts more power into the hands of the demographically bigger communities. It was designed to provide fair and equal representation. But when our governors choose to negate the foundation of the weighted vote, the periodic census that is prescribed by our foundational law, the Charter, they also negated the legitimacy of the weighted vote.

Since no official count has been made per the Charter, how do we know that a representative from Wolfstown should represent 12 percent of the total vote? Maybe it should be 14 or maybe it should be eight. Who knows? How can any of these voting percentages be correct if they are decades old?

People are not being born, dying, or relocating at a static rate. It is possible for the number of people in a community not to change, but it is highly improbable. People move from one community to another, they pass away, and they are born, all at varying rates within communities. It is highly unlikely that those percentages of community representation are the same as they were in the year 2000.

The way of life on the Boundary is dictated in many ways by the decisions of our Tribal Council. Our Charter gives the Tribal Council sweeping power to govern the affairs of the Tribe, from the largest decisions of financial and jurisdictional sovereignty down to settling two-party land disputes. Every area of life on the Boundary

is impacted by the decisions of Tribal Council.

You and I spend a lot of time wishing for better. For some of us, we feel like the only times we have any say in what goes on in our lives is the two times every two years that we select those who represent us in the halls of government. Others spend hour to hour, day to day, trying to effect change in government practice for the good (acknowledging that everyone's idea of "good" may differ).

Typically, discussions regarding changes like limiting terms and replacing the Charter get a pretty lethargic response. I am never sure that it is because we are all comfortable with the status quo, or we don't want to rock the boat, or if we are simply too naïve' to care.

What I do know is that lethargy will not bring change. It is not okay for the rights of the people to be subverted or ignored. And if a law has outlived its function; it should be done away with. But if it has not, then is it ethical for our leaders to continue to ignore the responsibility for executing that law?

We should not be lulled into inaction by a full belly and pockets full of cash and material things. Many of the decisions we are making today, generations of Cherokee people will live with. It is popular to say that we are thinking seven generations out into the future with our governmental decisions. Are we? Or are we just fulfilling our latest wish lists?



On behalf of Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed and the Cherokee Indians Housing Division (CIHD), congratulations to our new homeowners! CIHD, in partnership with Dogwood Health Trust, was happy to assist with Down Payment Assistance and Rate Buy Down Funds for Mr. & Mrs. Sena's purchase in Haywood County.



CIHD wishes to congratulate the Sena's on their brand new home!! We would like to thank Anthony & Ashley for allowing CIHD to assist them in making their family's homeownership dream a reality. Congratulations!!!

MISSING PERSON

Brittaney Littledave - female

Cherokee Nation (Okla.) citizen

Height: 5'2/5'3

Weight: 130lbs

Age: 36

Eye and hair color: brown

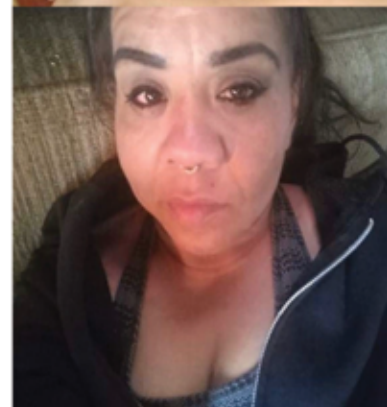
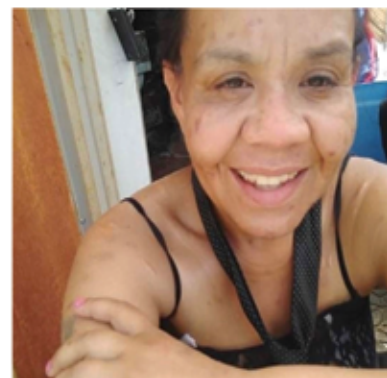
Tattoos: left upper arm, Cherokee Nation Seal, right upper arm: flowers and butterflies, back of neck: laugh now cry later

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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COMMENTARY

Why are Native students still being hassled at graduations?


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

Well, graduation season is just about coming to a close for the Class of 2022 and while it seems impossible in this day and age, we are still hearing reports of Native American students being hassled for wearing traditional items. Why? Why in the world is this still occurring?

Native students across the country reported issues wearing traditional attire, eagle feathers, beaded caps, etc. There were even




An exquisitely fully beaded cap is shown at the recent Cherokee High School graduation. CHS encourages the wearing of traditional attire and items as graduation such as beaded caps and feathers. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)



ALCOHOLISM IS HARD SOBRIETY IS HARD

BUT ONE GETS EASIER WITH TIME

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several instances reported from members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Why is this even close to being an issue that schools want to bother themselves with?

I would add that tribal schools, like Cherokee High School, allow and encourage their students to wear traditional attire and items. And, it works. It isn't a free-for-all that some fear. The caps are beaded by family or friends, and a lot of time goes into them. This year's CHS graduation was a fashion show of beautifully beaded caps and feathers.

Now, I am not going to name the EBCI students nor their schools as I don't want this commentary to be a back-and-forth about a particular situation. Rather, I'd like to get to the root of the problem.

To me, the problem stems from the fact that schools have policies at all. Why have them? It doesn't make any sense. While I surely haven't read each and every one across the country, all high schools have some form of dress code. So, just have the students follow the dress code at graduation as it relates to "offensive" or "inappropriate" attire and or items.

And, I'm willing to bet the farm that neither beaded caps nor eagle feathers are included as "offensive" in any of these dress codes.

The people making these graduation rules obviously have no idea the importance of these cultural items to the graduate and to their family. Many times, eagle feathers given during graduations are ones that are handed down from older members of the family

to honor that graduate.

My kid is a few semesters away from graduating from the University of Iowa – Go Hawks! My wife and them have already begun designing their graduation cap which will be done in some of my family's traditional bead patterns. Their eagle feather is from their late lala (grandfather), who used it on his men's traditional dance outfit and wanted them to wear it at their college graduation.

This type of family involvement is the norm throughout Indian Country and something that a lot of educators could stand to learn.

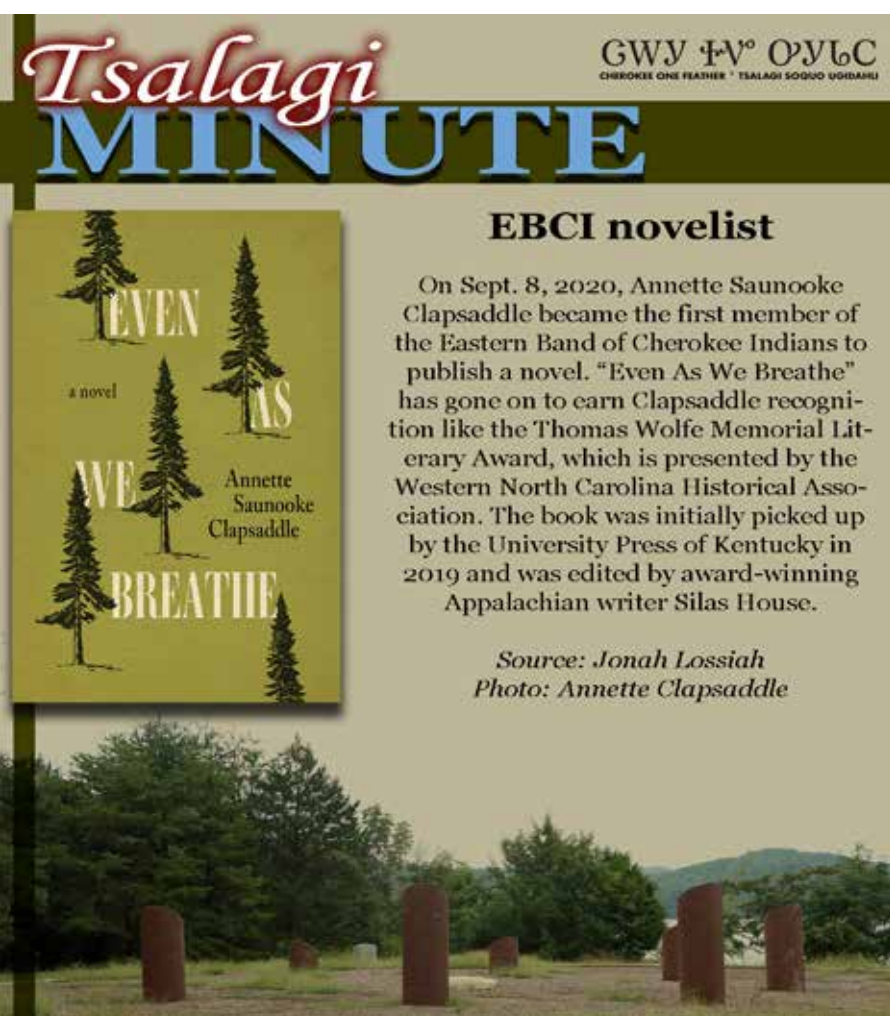
And, the good thing is that all of this can be done for my child without fear of them being hassled.

UI not only encourages students, all students, to decorate their caps; they even sponsor several events at the Student Union to help students along by supplying craft supplies, ideas, etc. This should be the norm throughout

the country in both high schools and universities.

Seven years ago, the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) passed a resolution stating, "...the National Congress of American Indians supports the right of American Indian and Alaska Native high school students to practice and express their traditional religious and spiritual beliefs and honor their academic and other achievements by wearing an eagle feather at their commencement ceremonies...NCAI urges all schools to respect traditional tribal religious and spiritual beliefs by allowing Native students to wear an eagle feather at graduation."

I don't think this has to continue to be an issue for school administrators and Native students alike. Just go by the dress code policy and use common sense when applying it on graduation day. The last memory of a student for their high school shouldn't be a controversy over one of their own traditional beliefs.



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EBCI novelist

On Sept. 8, 2020, Annette Saunooke Clapsaddle became the first member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians to publish a novel. "Even As We Breathe" has gone on to earn Clapsaddle recognition like the Thomas Wolfe Memorial Literary Award, which is presented by the Western North Carolina Historical Association. The book was initially picked up by the University Press of Kentucky in 2019 and was edited by award-winning Appalachian writer Silas House.

Source: Jonah Lossiah
Photo: Annette Clapsaddle



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Joining the Army of the Elderly

By THOMAS PATRICK-JOSEPH HANKS

Retired Pastor

When my daughter, Hope, was five, her Kindergarten teacher invited her and her classmates to share a little bit about what their parents did for a living. Hope later told me that she told her class, “My mommy works at a hospital and my daddy tells old people about Jesus all day long and he always visits his friends.” At first, I thought, “What an outrageous way to describe the work of a pastor.” But the more I thought about it, the more my six-year-old’s statement seemed fraught with wisdom. Jesus, our Savior was also known for some pretty outrageous, yet wisdom-filled statements during the days when he walked the earth. To Peter, in John 21:18 KJV, he promised unimagined trauma and death in his old age:

“Verily, verily, I say unto thee, When thou wast young, thou girdedst thyself, and walkedst whither thou wouldst: but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and carry thee whither thou wouldst not ”

In 1975, when I was a 17-year-old Cherokee High School student, I imagined that Jesus would return before this saying came true for me. But now, I have achieved the famous age about which the Beatles sang, 64. I don’t know why I never imagined that being old would be so difficult.

It was tough news to hear my neurologist

tell me the reason that my hand trembled, that my memory was beginning to fail and that I was being visited by golden angels at night. She told me that I suffered from Parkinson’s Disease with related psychosis and dementia. I wouldn’t believe it. The nightly visitors seemed more like a vision in answer to years of prayers than a psychotic symptom.

Forgetfulness is a natural progression of age, just as a tremor can be. But as I learned more about Parkinson’s Disease, her diagnosis seemed spot on.

Over the years, my tremor has worsened, and my memory has shortened, but I dream the most awe-inspiring dreams. I finally had to retire last month (a year and a half early) because my memory had worsened to the point that I was having a hard time remembering my sermons, or important meetings or visits. In short, I had grown ineffective in the work of a pastor.

I guess, that I have become a part of the growing army of people with whom my daughter once said I spent my days talking about Jesus. One might feel sorry for me and imagine that I no longer have a purpose or a reason to live. After all, I do need help getting dressed, now. It is very difficult for me to button my own buttons. I also have to be driven everywhere by my beautiful wife, Adele, because I can no longer safely operate a motor vehicle, so my neurologist had my license revoked. I can no longer do the work that I loved for 23 years, nor can I do the work that I did for the 13 years before that, teaching.

Oh, I guess I could sit around, take my pills, and watch TV all day, waiting for Jesus to come back or for my own death. But the same Jesus who predicted the suffering and death associated with old age, also promised in Matthew 28:20 to be with me always—even unto the end of the world. That means that he will be with me for as long as I am aware of myself and my shortcomings. For as long as I live. I am not the first person to suffer from Parkinson’s. I’m not the first to struggle with memory issues. I’m certainly not the first person to experience what seems to me to be God-given dreams

and visions. The doctor says that those dreams are a symptom of my disease. I prefer to think that God allowed me to see golden angels and have visions to comfort me during the next chapter of my life. I prefer to think that they are signs that God has not abandoned me, and that I still have meaningful work to do in this life.

Joining the Army of the elderly is nothing new. Physically, we change from the moment of our birth. First we grow into those beautiful people that we are in our late teens and early 20’s. Then, after what seems like a very short time we begin to notice that our hair starts graying, that our formerly smooth skin starts to wrinkle and spot. Next thing, we wonder how it could be possible that we are already filling out Medicare applications, or watching our first Social Security payments being deposited to our checking accounts. Suddenly, we find ourselves wondering, “Did I save enough for retirement? Do I have enough insurance? What will happen if I outlive my money?” Since 2011, about 10,000 people in the United States turn 65 each day! So I am certainly not alone from a human perspective.

From my point of view, my body may be older, it may slowly be wearing out, my organs may be deteriorating. But by God’s reckoning, since I gave my life to Christ, I extended my life from 70 or 80 years to eternity. Even as the little known fourteenth verse of “Amazing Grace” says:

*Yea, when this heart and flesh shall fail
And mortal life shall cease;
I shall possess within the veil
A life of health and peace.*

Sure, when my back aches, or my vision dims, when I can’t find my cane or when I cannot remember that woman’s name, I could complain to God. But instead, each wrinkle, each spot, each gray hair, each forgotten memory reminds me that Jesus promised that he would be with me always. He knows each sorrow. He knows the reason for every tear. One day, God will wipe away all tears. One day I’ll have a beautiful new body which will never grow old, instead I will live forever, without pain, without suffering, to rejoice forever in God’s presence surrounded by each person who ever loved me or prayed for me over the years. Suddenly, being old doesn’t sound so bad.



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*From heaven the Lord looks down
and sees all mankind;
from His dwelling place He watches
all who live on earth—
He who forms the hearts of all,
who considers everything they do.*

Psalm 33: 13-15

Detail of “Head of a Girl”
by Leonardo da Vinci (1483)

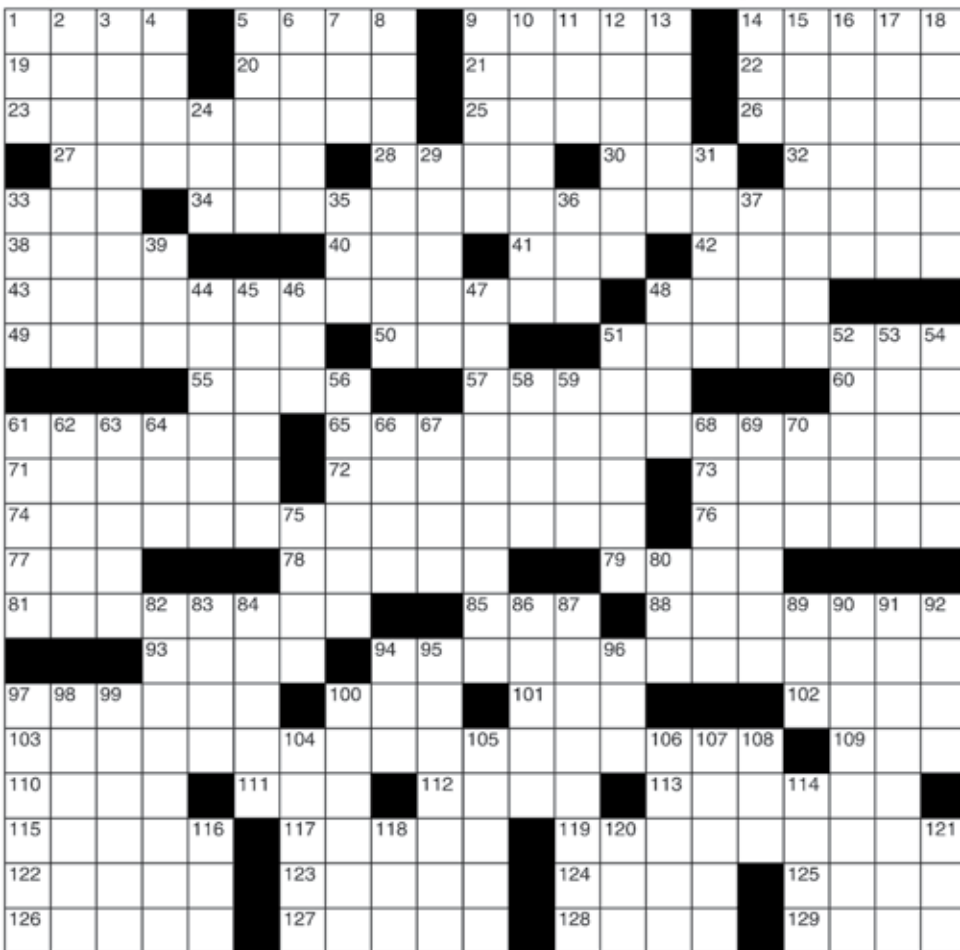
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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1. Is the book of Ishmael in the Old Testament, New Testament or neither?
2. From Psalms 141, "Let the righteous smite me; it shall be a ..."? *Judgment, Scorn, Grief, Kindness*
3. His favorite was Joseph, but how many sons did Jacob have? 2, 5, 8, 12
4. From Genesis 7, how old was Noah at the time of the flood? 100, 200, 600, 800
5. In John 10:14, Jesus said, "I am the good ..."? *Samaritan, Storyteller, Fisherman, Shepherd*
6. Which book reads like a love story? *Song of Solomon, Daniel, Titus, Jude*

"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. HISTORY: In what year did the Boston Tea Party take place?
2. MOVIES: Which 1990s animated movie has a character named Lumiere?
3. MUSIC: Who wrote the song "Make You Feel My Love," performed by Adele?
4. LANGUAGE: What is a zoonotic disease?
5. TELEVISION: Which TV sitcom was set at Greendale Community College?
6. ANATOMY: What blood type does a universal donor have?
7. GEOGRAPHY: Bantry Bay is an inlet in which European country?
8. FOOD & DRINK: What are sweetbreads?
9. LITERATURE: What kind of bird is titled in a John Keats' poem?
10. SCIENCE: What does an aux-anometer measure?

see **PUZZLE ANSWERS** page 24

EVENTS

BENEFITS/FUNDRAISERS

Maverick's Tsalagi Sunshine Bingo Night. June 17 at 5 p.m. at Birdtown Gym. \$25 and \$15 packs, \$5 kids games. All funds raised help to serve the MTS Mission.

Zoey Cable NAYO Fundraiser Bingo Night. June 17 at Birdtown Community Building. Doors open at 5 p.m., Bingo starts at 6 p.m. \$15 packs and \$5 kids packs plus \$2 special games. Concessions will be available. All proceeds go to help with travel expenses for the NAYO Tournament in Alabama.

Turkey Shoot at the Jesse Welch Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community. June 25 at 3 p.m. Fundraiser for the Mavericks team going to play at NAYO. 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 Classic golf tournament. July 15 at the Sequoyah National Golf Club. 18 hole captain's choice. Four-per-

son 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

Elder Abuse Awareness Walk. June 15 at Tsali Manor Pavilion. Meet at 5:30 p.m., walk starts at 6 p.m.

Alvin Myers/Nancy Ellen Griffin Family Reunion. June 25 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. All are invited. Bring a food dish for dinner. Info: Jan Myers Hall jhall6042@gmail.com

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

A Discussion on Generational Trauma. July 11 at the Harrah's Cherokee Convention Center. Morning session from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Afternoon session from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Must register by July 1. Ages 13-17 free, 18+ \$75. Register at www.RKLI.org. Info: Levi West at levi.west@cherokee-boysclub.com or 359-5543

HEALTH & SPORTS EVENTS

2022 EBCI Fish Tournament Lineup (General Fishing Waters, Cherokee, N.C.)

Tim Hill Memorial Tournament
- Saturday, July 9 to Sunday, July 10
- Registration deadline is Friday, July 8
- \$10,000 in cash prizes

Qualla Country Fish Tournament
- Saturday, Aug. 27 to Sunday, Aug. 28
- Registration deadline is Friday, Aug. 26
- \$20,000 in cash prizes

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

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

Galaxy Cheer Tryouts. June 6-8 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Puzzle Answers

Super Crossword

Answers

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Weekly SUDOKU

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ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Kindness (141:5); 3) 12; 4) 600; 5) Shepherd; 6) Song of Solomon



Answers

- 1773, when colonists dumped a shipment of tea into the Boston Harbor to protest taxes.
- "Beauty and the Beast"
- Bob Dylan
- A disease that can pass from one species to another, especially animals to humans.
- "Community"
- O negative
- Ireland
- Organ meat from the pancreas and thymus gland
- "Ode to a Nightingale"
- Plants' rate of growth

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nightly at Pirouettes Dance & Cheer Academy. Attire is athletic wear. Info: Samantha Hernandez 736-0452 or email pirouettesdanceacademy@gmail.com

Cherokee Youth Football and Cheerleading sign-ups. Now until June 17 or until capacity is reached. Ages 5-12 (Pee Wee 5-6, Termites 7-8, Mites 9-10, Midgets 11-12). July 31 is the cutoff age for each division. Register at the Birdtown Gym. Info: Birdtown Gym 359-6890

Basketball Skills Clinic featuring Lindy Waters III (Cherokee/Kiowa). June 25 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Charles George Memorial Arena. The advanced clinic will be held for our current high school men's

and women's basketball teams. The event is open to spectators, and there will be an opportunity to meet Lindy immediately following the clinic.


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 Powerlifting Federation to participate. \$15 late fee after Aug. 1. Info: Jesse Rodger (423) 255-3672, www.southernpowerlifting.com

UPCOMING POW WOWS

Note: This list of pow wows was compiled by One Feather staff.

see **HAPPENINGS** next page

THE CHEROKEE YOUTH COUNCIL PRESENTS:



A DISCUSSION ON GENERATIONAL TRAUMA

DATE: JULY 11, 2022



TIME: MORNING SESSION 9AM-12PM
LUNCH 12-1 PROVIDED
AFTERNOON SESSION 1PM-4PM

LOCATION: CHEROKEE CONVENTION CENTER

AGES: 13-17 FREE
AGES: 18+ \$75 REGISTRATION FEE
MUST REGISTER BY: JULY 1, 2022
REGISTER BY USING THE LINK BELOW

www.RKLI.org

For more information, please contact Levi West @ levi.west@cherokeeboysclub.com or (828) 359-5543

VETERANS ★ POST ★

by Freddy Groves

Homeless Vet Falls Through the Cracks

The Department of Veterans Affairs creates numerous programs to deal with homeless veteran populations — and this is all well and good. But it's the individual homeless vet who can fall through the cracks.

The VA Office of Inspector General reports about a veteran (I'll assume here it was a guy) who had multiple physical conditions on top of severe cognitive impairment. Years ago, he was given housing assistance and an evaluation and made part of a program. Eventually, he was booted out of the housing and thus booted out of the help program.

In the space of seven months, he took himself to the emergency room at a VA hospital a dozen times for various medical conditions, most a result of living outside or in a car. They admitted him for 33 days while he got evaluated for his cognitive functioning and had his medical conditions cared for. They discharged him and sent him off in a cab to a non-VA shelter.

For whatever reason, an hour later, he showed up at the ER again. They gave him a bus ticket to the shelter. The trip involved changes of buses, not an easy trick for someone with severe cognitive impairment. An hour later, he again showed up at the ER. Once more, they gave him a bus ticket and a printed list of instructions, telling him to go to the shelter.

The next day, a social worker discovered that he never made it to the shelter, and the following day, the family filed a missing person report.

Three days later, he was found at the shelter.

A reading of the OIG report shows one misstep after the other, with staffers putting a cognitively impaired veteran on a bus and not using one of the donated Uber gift cards and having him delivered right to the door of the shelter. Better yet, they could have told family members that he was being discharged.

To read the report: www.va.gov/oig/pubs/VAOIG-21-02209-147.pdf

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'Hip Hold' Is No Way to Stretch Your Dog

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My wife likes to pick up our dog's hind legs to help him stretch; that is, she holds Cheerio by the hips so his hind legs are up off the ground while he stands on his front legs. I thought I read once that this is not good and strains the dog's joints or back or something. Your advice would be appreciated. — Zina J.

DEAR ZINA: The "hip hold" is a safety grip to pull your dog away from a fight with another dog. It's not a hold that should be forced or held for long periods.

Stretching should be performed by owners when the dog's joints are not weighted — meaning the dog should not be standing or leaning on the leg being stretched. Holding Cheerio up by his hindquarters and forcing him to brace on his front legs puts him at greater risk for injury. It can cause great pain in older dogs with arthritis.

If your wife would truly like to keep Cheerio's joints healthy and improve his overall circulation and well-being, there are some great safe stretching methods, and safe massage techniques as well. Here's a YouTube video of safe dog stretching exercises by a veterinary therapist: tinyurl.com/4ay7sfjc. Notice that at no point does the therapist stretch a joint that the dog is standing on — they are all unweighted stretches.

Dogs also stretch themselves frequently, especially when getting up after a long nap. Don't try to assist their natural stretching — dogs stretch in a way that's comfortable for them. Therapeutic stretching and massage are designed to help facilitate a dog's natural movement without placing stress on the joints.

If you have more questions about your dog's mobility, talk with the vet at his next checkup.

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

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HAPPENINGS: Event listings, from page 25

The One Feather does not endorse any of these dances. It is simply a listing of ones occurring throughout the continent. Please call before traveling.

59th Annual Aamjiwnaang

Pow Wow. June 18-19. Bear Park, Sarnia, Ontario, Canada. Info: Tracy Williams (515) 336-8410, twilliams@aamjiwnaang.ca

Imperial Beach Pow Wow By the Sea.

June 18-19. Imperial Beach Pier Plaza, Imperial Beach, Calif. MC: Randy Edmonds. Host Drums: Dancing Cloud Singers, Red Warriors. Info: Jackson Jackson (619) 708-7858, grassdancer7@yahoo.com

Raritan Native American Heritage Celebration. June 18-19 at Middlesex County Fairgrounds, East Brunswick, N.J. Info: www.raritanpw2022.eventbrite.com

Stewart Father's Day Pow

Wow. June 18 in Carson City, Nev. MC: Hank Johnson. Host Drum: Sage Point. Info: Sarina Nez, (775) 687-8333, snez@nic.nv.gov

Baby Bison Days Charity Pow

Wow. June 18-19 at Boss Bison Ranch in Cadiz, Ohio. MC: Aaron Stevens. Host Drum: Red Bird Singers. Info: Karen Sticht, (740) 942-8726, bossbisonranch@gmail.com

**WESTERN N.C. & BEYOND
EVENTS**

Intermediate Pine Needle

Crafts. June 15 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Murphy Arts Center on Valley River Ave. in downtown Murphy. Class is open to the public. Info: 360-3038

Introduction and Intermediate Zentangle Class for Youth.

June 18 from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Murphy Art Center on Valley River Ave. in downtown Murphy. Class is appropriate for ages 13-17. Info: 360-3038

Swain County Democratic Party Whittier-Cherokee

precinct meeting. June 20 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Agenda items include voter registration and getting more people involved and out to vote. Share your concerns and ideas. For more information or to request the Zoom link, email maryherr2017@gmail.com or call 497-9498

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.cowee-school.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

MISSING PERSON

Cara Marie Cox Female

Enrolled with the Muscogee (Creek) Nation
Height: 5'4"-5'6" Weight: 100-120 lbs
Age: 41 Hair: Brown Eyes: Brown
Missing date: Friday, May 15, 2022

Last Known Location: Seminole, Oklahoma

Circumstances of Disappearance: June 8th, 2022-Received information of possible sighting of Cara near Joseph City, AZ. Reporting party advised that they seen a female walking "on the back roads of Joseph City on

the Westover Bridge" on June 3rd, 2022 at approximately 5:30 pm. Tattoos: Green Care Bear on right shoulder and scorpion on back of neck. Vehicle (2000 Honda Civic License LEQ736) has been confirmed as being towed from Love's Travel Stop on May 20. Cara will be on foot and probably trying to hitchhike.

If you have seen Cara Cox, contact Deputy Kendra Goodwin, Seminole County Sheriff's Office (405) 257-5445. Agency Case Number 22-0536,

Source: www.bia.gov



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for healthcare wishes
is available now.

Call Liz or Turner
at 828-227-2893

Visit www.EBCI-ACP.WCU.edu
to learn more

FOR RENT

2 Studio Apartments, 1person/wifi, tv, water, electricity, trash pickup. Background check, easy access. In Dillsboro. (828)421-5914. 6/22

SEEKING

Baileyton Celebration is seeking Native American vendors for the event Sept. 9-11. Biggest in Greene County (Tenn.) as of last year. Exit 36 off of I-81. Interested vendors should call (423) 963-8869 or email mda-vis3238@yahoo.com. 6/29

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) Information you need might be coming in sporadically, but at least what you're getting is valuable. Continue to wait until more is available before acting on that career move.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You continue on an upbeat cycle, and with that strong Taurean energy you should see favorable results from your hard work. A pleasant surprise awaits you in your private life.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A misunderstanding needs more time to be worked out. Don't give up on it just yet. Remain open to providing explanations, if called for. Another friend offers good advice.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Fast action can correct a seemingly minor problem that has taken on some unexpectedly difficult aspects. Stay with it until it's resolved. News on a more positive note is due soon.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Some snags could cause delays in those plans you're eager to see put into operation. But be patient. The Clever Cat will soon have good reason to celebrate a job well done.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Be careful not to let that Virgin sensitivity dissuade you from being the hardheaded realist you should be at this time. Your goals are in sight. Stay focused on them.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A more positive aspect opens up, allowing you to make some important changes in a personal situation. Remember to seek balance and avoid extremes as you proceed.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) This is a good week to get out and enjoy the fine times you missed while you were so deep in those workaday projects. Be sure to share it with that special person.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Work and play are in balance this week. However, expect news that could tip things toward the workplace for quite a while. But all to a good end.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You're more productive on the job than you have been in some time. That's good. But be careful not to overlook some situations developing in your private life.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You've been doing a lot for others (as usual). But now it's time to focus on your needs, including finally going on that long-delayed trip you've been hoping to make.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) It's all smoothly going on 'twixt you and that very special person in your life. But a colleague causes some disruption on the job that you might be called on to help settle.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are sensitive to the needs of others. But you're no pushover. You would make a fine teacher, psychologist or minister.

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Employment Opportunities

Position: Massage Therapist

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

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

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

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

EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS TRIBAL EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS OFFICE



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

June 3, 2022

Human Resources Technical Consultant

RFP #: EBCI-TERO-01-2022

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Tribal Employment Rights Office seeks a Human Resource(s) Technical Consultant to provide Human Resource support for TERO Vendors. This request seeks proposals from qualified human resource providers that will provide technical assistance and five deliverable products that will be made available to TERO Vendors. Preference will be given to qualified Indians with demonstrated knowledge and experience in the human resources fields.

OSHA Trainer

RFP #: EBCI-TERO-02-2022

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) seeks an Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Trainer to provide OSHA and flagging courses. This request seeks proposals from certified OSHA trainer. Preference will be given to qualified Indians certified to provide training in OSHA 30 training for the construction industry, including flagging, curricula.

PROPOSAL CONTACT

For any additional information about this Request for Proposals, please contact:

Terri Henry, Director
Tribal Employment Rights Office
Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
PO Box 1839
756 Aquoni Rd
Cherokee, NC 28719
Phone: 828.359.6540
Email: terrihenr@ebci-nsn.gov

The full RFP's are available on
www.ebci-tero.com/jobs-2 or use
this QR Code.



EMPLOYMENT

Wanted: House Keeper/Personal Assistant. Decent Pay. Flexible hours. Call Sandi Reagan at 828-507-5049. 6/22

LEGAL NOTICES

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 PUBLICATION

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

**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
PROCESS BY PUBLICATION**
Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

In the Tribal Court
In the Matter of R.Q., A Minor Child,
File No. CVJ 22-006
TO: The Unknown Father of Minor
Child R.Q.

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, R.Q., born January 20, 2020 is a neglected and drug endangered child, filed in the Cherokee Tribal Court on January 27, 2022. A court order from the Cherokee Tribal Court directing that service of process on

you take place by publication was entered on May 17, 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 IMMEDIATELY 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 hearings. First published this the 1st day of June, 2022.

Sybil G. Mann
Family Safety Program Attorney
P.O. Box 455
Cherokee, N.C. 28719
(828)359-1559
N.C. Bar No. 16729
6/15

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 22-055
**In the Matter of the Estate of
Carroll James Parker**

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS

FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION
Michael Andrew Parker
PO Box 100
Cherokee, NC 28719
6/22

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 22-056
**In the Matter of the Estate of
Lawanda Louise Taylor**

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

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

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


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Monica Wildcatt, P.O. Box 137,
Cherokee, NC 28719; or Kim Wildcat, P.O. Box 304, Cherokee, NC 28719
6/22

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 22-048
**In the Matter of the Estate of
Martha Elaine Sherrill**


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

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

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



Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements



Application and job description can be picked up from the receptionist at the Boys Club information window between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday (828) 497-9101. The selected applicant must submit to a pre-employment drug screen and local, state, and federal civil and criminal background and sexual offender screens. Payroll direct deposit is mandatory. Indian preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate.

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

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

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) TEACHER

BUS: (10) PT SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS

SHOP/GARAGE: (5) PT SEASONAL LAWN CREW - \$14/HOURLY, EVENING and WEEKEND HOURS AVAILABLE

TION
Ronda Owle
43 Joe Owle Drive
Cherokee, NC 28719
7/6

BIDs, RFPs, etc.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Project Management Program
Ginger Lyn Welch Bldg.
810 Acquoni Road, Suite 118
P.O. Box 1328
Cherokee, N.C. 28719
Ph. (828) 359-6703
Project Title: Big Cove Eco-tourism
Parking Lot Construction
The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Project Management Program is seeking the services of a licensed general contractor to provide construction services for the development of a new parking area near the Cherokee Central Schools Campus. The project includes parking for approximately 50 vehicles, concrete sidewalks, pre-fabricated all weather bathroom, utilities connections, site lighting, and crosswalks.

The project area is located on the Cherokee Indian Reservation approximately 0.9 miles past the Blue Ridge Parkway Bridge on Big Cove Road, Cherokee NC 28719. Contact Ken Green at (828)359-6120 or by email at kengree@ebci-nsn.gov with any questions or to request a copy of the RFP.

Proposals should be addressed to Mr. Chris Greene in a manner prescribed in the RFP and must be received by 11:00 a.m on 7/20/2022. Any proposal 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. **6/15**

Public Notice:

The Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources Water Quality Office invites public comment on 401 Water Quality Certification Grants for Cherokee Trout Farm and the EBCI Tribal Hatchery. The certifications can be viewed in their entirety on our website, cherokeenaturalresources.com. Comments may be directed to Michael Bolt, Water Quality Supervisor via email at michbolt@ebci-nsn.gov, via post at PO Box 1925 Cherokee, NC 28719, or by phone at 828-359-6772. Thank you! **6/22**

Public Notice:

The Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources Water Quality Office invites public comment on the Antidegradation Analysis Reports for the EBCI Tribal Hatchery and Cherokee Trout Farm. The analyses can be viewed in their entirety on our website, cherokeenaturalresources.com. Comments may be directed to Michael Bolt, Water Quality Supervisor via email at michbolt@ebci-nsn.gov, via post at PO Box 1925 Cherokee, NC 28719 or by phone at 828-359-6772. Thank you! **6/22**

REQUEST FOR DESIGN BUILD PROPOSALS

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Project Management Program
Ginger Lyn Welch Bldg.
810 Acquoni Road, Suite 118
P.O. Box 1328
Cherokee, N.C. 28719
Ph. (828) 359-6703
Project Title: Water Quality
Laboratory Expansion
The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Project Management Program is seeking the services of a licensed general contractor to provide work under a design-build contract for the construction of a 600 sq ft building addition for the

tribal water quality laboratory. The project includes a 24'x25' expansion of the existing metal building, a new roof for the entire structure, and painting or otherwise re-furbishing the existing structure exterior paint.

The project area is located on the Cherokee Indian Reservation at 2000 Old Number 4 Road, Cherokee NC 28719. Contact Ken Green at (828)359-6120 or by email at kengree@ebci-nsn.gov with any questions or to request a copy of the RFP.

A non-mandatory Pre-Proposal meeting is scheduled for 11:00 AM (EST) on 6/29/2022. Proposals should be submitted to Mr. Chris Greene in a manner prescribed in the RFP and must be received by 11:00 a.m on 7/14/2022. Any proposal 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. **6/15**

Request for Proposals General Notice

Qualla Housing Services (QHS) is requesting proposals from all interested qualified contractors for services and labor to be performed within the area of Swain County. The following scope is:

- Abatement of toxic substances from two rental units.

QHS reserves the right to reject all submissions. The work to be performed under this RFP is subject to TERO guidelines. TERO certified vendors will be given preference. Bid packages can be picked up at the warehouse or emailed to interested parties. Deliver sealed proposals to the QHS warehouse located at 2234 Old Mission Road, Cherokee, NC, 28719. Deadline for sealed proposals is June 30, 2022 at 4:00 P.M. Please email Robert Welch at robewcl@ebci-nsn.gov or by phone at 828-

359-6344. **6/22**

Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Department of
Transportation
680 Acquoni Road
Cherokee, North Carolina 28719
Phone: (828) 359-6530
Finance Parking Lot

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting Sealed Bid Proposals from Qualified Firms to provide the following services: Pavement removal and replacement, erosion control, pavement markings for the existing parking lot at the Finance Building on Sequoyah Trail. The deadline for submitting Bid Proposals will be July 7, 2022 at 10:00 AM, EST. Please be advised that all TERO rules and regulations, Tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations and laws shall apply to the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation and to the procurement of work solicited through this advertisement. You may request the full Request for Proposals (RFP) and requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Robert Willcox, CDOT Engineer at (828)-359-6122/(828)-736-3921 (cell) or Darrell Brown, CDOT Planner at (828)-359-6534. **6/22**

Request for Proposals

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Division of Commerce, an Equal Opportunity Employer, is soliciting proposals for an Advertising Agency of Record. All proposals should be submitted to our office by Tuesday, July 5, 2022. Proposals can be mailed to our office at P.O. Box 460, Cherokee, NC, 28719 or emailed to stepmane@ebci-nsn.gov. Please contact our office at 828-359-6479 with questions or for additional information **6/22**



Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians HUMAN RESOURCES

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

Closing Sunday June 19, 2022

- 1) Dadiwonisi Language Specialist: SB CC Language & Cultural Program – SB CC Services (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)
- 2) Domestic Violence Intake Technician: DV Program – PHHS (L5 \$27,642 - \$34,541)
- 3) Head Cook: Tsali Manor – CERS (L5 \$27,642 - \$34,541)
- 4) Grounds Maintenance: Tribal Construction & Roads Maintenance (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
- 5) Office Administrator: Cherokee Choices & Nurse Family Partnership (L6 \$30,357 - \$37,946)
- 6) Travel Counselor: Destination Marketing – Commerce (L \$22,990 - \$28,732)
- 7) Firefighter: Cherokee Fire & Rescue – Operations (L8 \$36,500 - \$46,625)

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 - \$46,625) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 3) Detention Officer (Multiple): Detention Services – Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 4) PT Paramedic (Multiple): Emergency Medical Services – Public Safety (L8 \$17.55 - \$21.94 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 5) Youth Development Professional: Cherokee Youth Center – Community Education & Recreation Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
- 6) Certified Nursing Assistant: Tribal In-Home Care Services – PHHS (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
- 7) Driver (Multiple): Transit – Operations (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 8) Teacher (Multiple): Qualla Boundary Head Start & Early Head Start – PHHS (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)
- 9) Teacher Assistant (Multiple): Qualla Boundary Head Start & Early Head Start (L3 \$22,990 - \$28,732)
- 10) Real Estate Associate Attorney: Tribal Realty Services – Office of the Attorney General (L15 \$68,704 - \$85,886)
- 11) Social Worker (Multiple): Family Safety Program – PHHS (L10 \$43,956 - \$54,950)
- 12) Housekeeper I – Light Duty: Housekeeping – Support Services (L3 \$22,990 - \$28,732)
- 13) Legislative Financial Director: Tribal Council (L21 \$116,354 - \$145,421)
- 14) Corrections Officer: CIPD – Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 - \$46,625) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 15) Detention Sergeant (Multiple): Detention Services – Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 - \$46,625) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 16) Property Control Officer: Financial Assets – Treasury (L10 \$43,956 - \$54,950)

**All applications and job descriptions are available at
www.ebeci.com/jobs**

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

Cherokee Central Schools Job Openings

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 :

1. CMS Counselor
2. CMS Science Teacher
3. CMS Special Education Teacher
4. CHS Math Teacher
5. CHS Automechanics Teacher
6. CHS Special Education Teacher - Life Skills
7. CES Speech Language Pathologist
8. CES Special Education Teacher - STARS
9. CES Special Education TA - STARS
10. CES Special Education TA

11. CES Special Education Teacher
12. CES School Counselor - ARPA
13. Elementary Teacher
14. Cherokee Language Instructor
15. Math/Reading Interventionist (High School)
16. Head Coach - Middle School Soccer
17. Assistant Coach - Middle School Soccer
18. JV Cheer Coach
19. JV Women's Basketball Head Coach
20. Food Service Worker - 4 hr
21. Food Service Worker - 6 hr
22. Part-Time Security
23. Custodian
24. Substitute Teachers

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CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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Supply Warehouse Technician – \$19.66 – \$22.25

ENGINEERING:

Dietary Services Supervisor - \$18.32 - \$20.67
EVS Technician - \$15.00 - \$16.77
Maintenance Technician \$18.32 - \$20.67

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Registered Nurse – Part Time Intermittent - \$33.68 - \$38.72
Licensed Practical Nurse - \$22.76 - \$25.89
Residential Technician (Male & Female) – Kanvwotiyi - \$17.12 - \$19.26 (PM/Weekend differential pay)
Master Level Therapist – Adult & Child positions available - \$45,512 - \$56,891 **\$3,000 Hiring Bonus
Targeted Case Manager – Family Safety - \$39,576 - \$49,470
Certified Drug & Alcohol Counselor - \$39,576 - \$49,470
Child Services Manager - \$69,219 – \$86,523
Registered Nurse –Grant Funded Position - \$33.68 - \$38.72

OPERATIONS:

Dental Assistant II - \$18.32 – \$20.67
Dentist - \$116,443 - \$145,554
Pedodontist - \$139,732 - \$174,665
Phlebotomist – \$17.12 - \$19.26
Optician - \$22.76 - \$25.89
Optometrist - \$97,036 - \$121,295
Ultrasound Technologist - Part Time Intermittent - \$24.55 - \$27.99
Clinical Pharmacist - \$91,524 - \$114,427
Dental Assistant I - \$17.12 - \$19.26

MEDICAL:

Physician/Hospitalist - Inpatient - \$139,732 - \$174,665
Physician – Primary Care - \$139,732 - \$174,665
Advanced Practice Provider – Emergency Room - Part Time Intermittent \$80,863 - \$101,079

Clinical Dietitian – Full Time & Emergency Hire - \$39,576 - \$49,470

NURSING:

Registered Nurse - Inpatient - \$31.06 - \$35.64
Telemetry Nursing Assistant - Inpatient - \$19.66 - \$22.25
Certified Medical Assistant/Licensed Practical Nurse - Primary Care - \$21.13 - \$23.98** 3,000.00 Hiring Bonus
RN Care Manager – Primary Care - \$31.06 - \$40.22
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Licensed Clinical Social Worker Care Manager – Primary Care - \$45,512 - \$68,269 **\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus
Registered Nurse – Emergency Room - \$31.06 - \$35.64
Analenisgi Inpatient Technician – Full Time & Part Time Intermittent – \$17.12 - \$19.26 (PM/Weekend differential pay)
Registered Nurse PTI – Analenisgi Inpatient - \$33.68 - \$38.72
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Registered Nurse – Immediate Care Center - \$31.06 - \$35.64
Licensed Practical Nurse – Immediate Care Center - \$22.76 - \$25.89
Care Manager Supervisor (IDD/TBI) – Primary Care - \$33.68 - \$38.72
Care Manager (IDD/TBI) – Primary Care - \$31.06 - \$35.64

TSALI CARE CENTER:

Assistant Administrator - \$52,339 - \$65,424
Medication Aide - \$17.12 - \$19.26
Certified Nursing Assistant - \$17.12 - \$19.26
Certified Nursing Assistant – Part Time \$17.12 - \$19.26
Registered Nurse Supervisor - \$36.56 - \$42.11
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