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Cycling Cherokee history

Remember the Removal riders complete journey

By Anadisgoi (Cherokee Nation News)

TAHLEQUAH, Okla. — Eleven Cherokee bicyclists who were part of the 2022 Remember the Removal Bike Ride finalized their 950-mile journey on Friday, June 17 with a homecoming ceremony in the capital city of the Cherokee Nation.

During the trek, cyclists from the Cherokee Nation and Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in North Carolina retraced the northern route of the Trail of Tears in honor of their ancestors who were forcefully removed from their homelands in the southeast more than

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RIDE: Remember the Removal riders arrive in Tahlequah, Okla., from front page

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The cyclists began the memorial ride in New Echota, Ga., on May 30 and pedaled through Georgia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas, and Oklahoma before they were welcomed back at the Cherokee National Peace Pavilion in downtown Tahlequah on Friday.

"Two centuries ago, the Cherokee people were facing tremendous obstacles, erosion of our way of life, threats to our land and resources and things we held dear. But the Cherokee people did not simply go away. We resisted mightily, we joined together as a people, but ultimately, we were removed in a manner that was quite simply, brutal. Along the Trail of Tears, we lost a quarter of our population because the government of the United States thought the answer was to wipe us away. And yet, in the wake of that we came here and we rebuilt the great Cherokee democracy, our great institutions. We had a rebirth of the Cherokee people right here," said **Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Chuck** Hoskin Jr. "I am convinced there's nothing the Cherokee Nation can't face down and overcome when we stand together united. Nothing we do embodies that more than the Remember the Removal ride. These cyclists witnessed the places our ancestors perished, the spot where they looked back one last time to their beloved homelands. I love the Remember the Removal ride and the stories of strength and growth by the riders. All of these riders represent the future of the Cherokee people and I believe they will take our great nation to heights we have

never seen – not in spite of our obstacles, but because of them, and I could not be more proud."

During their journey over the last three weeks, the team of cyclists visited historical spots that are significant to Cherokee history. These locations were emotional – sites like Blythe Ferry in Tennessee, which is the last piece of Cherokee homeland Cherokee ancestors stood on before beginning their forced trek to Indian Territory. Other stops included Mantle Rock in Kentucky, where Cherokee ancestors sought shelter as they waited for the Ohio River to thaw during a bitterly cold winter.

The ride is not an easy one, testing both the physical and mental capabilities of the cyclists. The team traveled through rain, sunshine, heat and hilly terrain sometimes pedaling almost 60 miles a day.

Cherokee Nation cyclists included Emily Christie, 24, of Stilwell; Kayce O'Field, 24, of Tahlequah; Jeanetta Leach, 23, of Rocky Mountain; Madison Whitekiller, 23, of Verdigris; and Desiree Matthews, 18, of Watts.

Eastern Band cyclists from North Carolina included Amy West, 25, of the Big Cove Community; Adrian "Bubba" Aguilera, 32, of the Painttown Community; Emra Arkansas, 39, of the Wolftown Community; Ethan Ledford, 56, of the Birdtown Community; Justin Lambert, 34, of the Birdtown Community; and Larry Blythe, 67, of the Birdtown Community.

"It's been a really challenging thing, which we all knew it was going to be, but physically it wasn't too bad. It was more the mental and emotional toll that was rough. And getting homesick or not always knowing what lies ahead. That was more the tough part than anything," said Cherokee Nation cyclist Madison Whitekiller. "I feel like I've had an amazing journey on this. I think I've cried more than I ever have in my life, but I've also laughed more and celebrated more than I ever have. So it's really been



an amazing journey that I can't believe is coming to an end."

The ride's inaugural event was held in 1984 to illustrate the hardships that the Cherokee people faced. It's estimated that 16,000 Cherokees were removed from Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee and North Carolina in the spring of 1838. Nearly 4,000 of them died during the roundup, incarceration and removal.

"This ride has been very challenging and tiring," said Cherokee Nation cyclist Kayce O'Field. "I don't think I have been this physically challenged in this short of a time, but it's been an amazing experience being able to see the sites we read about and actually being on the places our ancestors stood. That part took an emotional toll, and I feel like I am still processing that. But this ride has been

a humbling and very gratifying experience."

Cyclists were greeted in Tahlequah by hundreds of friends and family from the Cherokee Nation and Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.



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Tribal Council Rep. Teresa McCoy investigated by Ethics Review Committee

By JONAH LOSSIAH

One Feather Staff

An ethics investigations report has found there was 'probable cause' that Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy committed a Code of Ethics violation during an incident that occurred on Nov. 3, 2021.

The EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) Office of Internal Audit and Ethics conducted this investigation following the filing of five complaints. The report states the identity of those that filed complaints is confidential. The allegation in the reported stated that Rep. McCoy 'exhibited unprofessional conduct during a verbal altercation with the Pageant Board.' The incident in question happened outside of the Council House chambers that Wednesday morning. This report was fully approved on March 3 of this year. The investigator for the report interviewed multiple witnesses, the individuals who filed complaints, and Rep. McCoy. They also referenced a footage that was pulled from Council House surveillance cameras.

The five complaints alleged that Rep. McCoy violated nine sections of Cherokee Code Section 117-45.3(d). The ethics investigator dismissed seven of these but found potential violations under two sections: Section 117-45.3(d) (10) and Section 117-45.3(d)(15). Section 117-45.3(d)(10) 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 investigator offered the following insight on their view of the proposed violation: "Ms. McCoy's tone and demeanor were described as aggressive when addressing the Pageant Board. This was substantiated through interviews and a review of video footage. This verbal altercation escalated to the point that three different bystanders asked others to intervene in an attempt to diffuse the situation. These individuals felt it could have escalated into a physical altercation. One witness even stated, 'when attempting to break Ms. McCoy and the Pageant Board up they intentionally did not place their body in between the two parties because they feared they could be assaulted."

Section 117-45.3(d)(15) states 'Tribal officials shall maintain or enhance the honesty and integrity of their respective offices; and



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safeguard the reputation of the EBCI as a whole.'

"Three individuals were approached to intervene in an attempt to de-escalate the situation. The actions of these individuals indicate they believed the incident was outside of a normal disagreement and could escalate into a volatile situation. In viewing the video no one involved in the altercation attempted to back away during the confrontation. The only time anyone left was when there was outside intervention. As a representative of the EBCI, Ms. McCoy should always conduct herself in a professional manner. The behavior exhibited by Ms. Mc-Coy during this verbal altercation did not maintain the integrity of a Tribal Council Representative and did not safeguard the reputation of the EBCI as a whole."

As previously reported by the Cherokee One Feather, Tribal Prosecutor Cody White could not confirm if this particular case was being reviewed. He did say that any reports filed to the Prosecutors Office from the Ethics Review Committee become a matter of ongoing investigation. He said the Prosecutors Office 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 already published an article on the report regarding Rep. Bo Crowe. The process of these cases will continue to be monitored and any significant updates will be reported.

The One Feather attempted to contact Rep. McCoy for a statement on the matter but did not receive an answer by press time.



Cherokee women seeking name change for Clingman's Dome

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. One Feather Staff

For thousands of years, the area in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park called Clingman's Dome was known to Cherokee people as Kuwahi ("mulberry place"). Two Cherokee women are starting the process to change the name back to its roots.

Lavita Hill and Mary "Missy" Crowe, both members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), have drafted legislation in the hopes of getting Tribal Council and EBCI Executive Office support for this idea. The resolution has been submitted, and it is expected to be discussed during the July Tribal Council session.



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The resolution describes the area, "Kuwahi or 'mulberry place', is the highest point in our area and has significance to us as Cherokees as it was visited by medicine people who prayed and sought guidance from the Creator regarding important matters facing our people, and then returned to our towns to give guidance and advice."

Crowe spoke of the history of the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians whose ancestors went west prior to the Indian Removal Act due to a prophecy an elder received at Kuwahi. "It's an important and significant historic place for our people. We still recognize it today."

She added, "When we look at the importance of these areas, it's spiritual."

In an article for the Oklahoma Historical Society, Josh Clough wrote, "Although the UKB (United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee) received congressional recognition in 1946 and ratified its constitution, bylaws, and corporate charter in 1950, its origins are considerably older. Keetoowah people believe that 'Kituwah' or 'Keetoowah' is the true name of the Cherokee people given to them by the Creator atop a mountain peak known as Kuwahi.'"

Hill commented, "We understand that it's going to be a tedious process and a fight. What this resolution does, it's not saying 'grant the name change', it's saying 'support our action as we take the steps to attempt to address the proper channels that we can do this'. That's what we're hoping Tribal Council will read and will see and definitely support."

She added, "Hopefully, our leadership will want to take it to the next level with the Park and then the Park will agree to it."

That process starts with the filing of an application for a name change through the United States Board on Geographic Names (BGN).

Earlier this month, the BGN voted 15-0 to change the name of Mount Doane, located in the Yellowstone National Park, to First Peoples Mountain. According to

a press release from the National Park Service, "The peak was previously named after Gustavus Doane, a key member of the Washburn-Langford-Doane expedition in 1870 prior to Yellowstone becoming America's first national park. Research has shown that earlier that same year (1870), Doane led an attack, in response to the alleged murder of a white fur trader, on a band of Piegan Blackfeet. During what is now known as the Marias Massacre, at least 173 American Indians were killed, including many women, elderly tribal members, and children suffering from smallpox. Doane wrote fondly about this attack and bragged about it for the rest of his life."

The name change in Yellowstone was spurred by recommendations from the Rocky Mountain Tribal Council.

Hill hopes to get community support as well as support from park officials. "Where the Great Smoky Mountains National Park is now working with tribal members on the parking passes and things, I feel like something has started and we want that connection, we want a relationship, a friendship maybe."

"This is a very important, special place to the Cherokee people. In our oral histories, in our written history, in our legends, it's there. We've always had a tie to Clingman's Dome - with medicine people, with councils just visiting the area."

Crowe commented, "We have to be true to our history and that's what we want to bring – that educational knowledge of our true history back to who we are as a people."

Hill hopes that their efforts on the name change will also yield more opportunities to educate the public on Cherokee culture, history, language, etc. "There are plenty of visitors to Clingman's Dome, but there's no history to what it meant to the Cherokee people. So, I feel like this is a great educational avenue. It's a great time to put that information out there on websites, at the place, everything."



Police Commission reviews updates for patrol officers

By JONAH LOSSIAH One Feather Staff

Most of the Thursday, June 9 meeting of the Cherokee Police Commission was spent with Captain Gene Owl of the Cherokee Indian Police Department (CIPD). Owl was there on behalf of Captain Carrie Wade, and he provided a quick update on the CIPD. "We are going to get Axon, the other body cam and in-car cam system company. They're coming next week or the next couple of weeks to give us a demo of their

next week or the next couple of weeks to give us a demo of their product." The Police Department has

invested in getting new gear for each of the officers, and much of that has now been deployed.

"If you've been around, you've



The Thursday, June 9 meeting of the EBCI Police Commission was called to order at 12 p.m. with Chairperson Tunney Crowe and Commissioners Frank Dunn, Kym Parker, Solomon Saunooke, and Hillary Norville present. (JONAH LOSSIAH/One Feather photo)



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seen the officers, everybody is in their new uniforms now. Patrol officers. They look pretty sharp... we're getting our new vehicles on the road too. You might have seen those out and about."

One of the long-term changes that will be coming to the CIPD is the addition of a training program called Relias. This program is already being used at Cherokee Indian Hospital, and it can be specialized for different types of departments.

"We're working on Relias. There are like four different meetings we have to have with them before we're actually online with it. Right now, we are working on a career development path for officers. Which will be put into Relias. This is going to be all the training."

Captain Owl said that using Relias will help to clarify and streamline the process of career development in the department.

"I'll give you an example. If a patrol officer wants to become a detective or an investigator later on in their career, then they're going to have to follow these trainings in Relias. And that's going to be a requirement for them to even be considered for a promotion into a detective position, or any other position for that matter. Like a canine officer, swat team, if they want to be working on child victim crimes or elder abuse. Things like that."

The Commissioners and Captain Owl had a discussion about shooter response on the Qualla Boundary as well. At several points, they made reference to the tragedy in Uvalde, Texas. Captain Owl talked about the current active shooter procedure, as well as some of the difficulties that can arise. Chris Siewers, of the EBCI Attorney General's Office, asked if they study local layout for these situations.

"Yes. In the past days, whenever I was running the SWAT team, I had blueprints for all the buildings," said Captain Owl. "Which we do have those blueprints right now."

Captain Owl offered the monthly CIPD statistics to the Commission. They reported the following:

- Call for Service 2,092
- Arrests 96
- Accidents 38
- Citations 283
- Drugs Seized:
- o Processed Marijuana \$35,753
- o Crystal Meth \$164,884

o Opioid/Opioid Derivative - \$220 o Heroin - \$336 o Other (Prescription) - \$332.50 o Schedule II - \$0

The Thursday, June 9 meeting of the EBCI Police Commission was called to order at 12 p.m. with Chairperson Tunney Crowe and Commissioners Frank Dunn, Kym Parker, Solomon Saunooke, and Hillary Norville present. Secretary Anita Lossiah (vacation), Vice Chair Buddy Johnson (medical matter), and Commissioner Lisa Taylor (excused) were all absent for the meeting.

The next meeting of the Police Commission is set for Thursday, July 21 at noon. The Commission gathers monthly and has been meeting in the large conference room at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. These sessions are open to tribal members until the Commission moves into an executive session.



Barricaded subject in Big Cove surrenders to officers

In the afternoon hours of Tuesday, June 14, officers from the Cherokee Indian Police Department (CIPD) were engaged with a barricaded subject for several hours in the Big Cove Community. At approximately 6:09 p.m., the subject surrendered to officers.

Chief of Police Josh Taylor stated, "Thankfully, everyone involved in this situation left unharmed. I would like to thank the Jackson County Sheriff's Office, Federal Probation, the Bureau of Indian Affairs/Drug Enforcement Agency, Tribal Alcohol Law Enforcement, Tribal Fire, Tribal Emergency Management, Tribal Emergency Medical Services, Natural Resource Enforcement, EBCI Public Safety Communications Center, and officers of the CIPD."

CIPD related that no more information would be released at this time.

- Cherokee Indian Police Dept. release

Park responds to bear incident in Elkmont Campground

Great Smoky Mountains National Park wildlife biologists and park rangers responded to Elkmont Campground on Sunday, June 12, following a bear incident that resulted in human injury. After an investigation and on-thesite monitoring, wildlife biologists successfully captured the responsible bear. Due to the risk to human safety, the bear was humanely euthanized on Monday, June 13.

"The bear weighed approximately 350 pounds, which is not standard for this time of year, suggesting the bear had previous and likely consistent access to non-natural food sources," said Lisa McInnis, Chief of Resource Management. "In this incident, the bear was likely attracted to food smells throughout the area, including dog food at the involved campsite. It is very difficult to deter this learned behavior and, as in this case, the result can lead to an unacceptable risk to people."

A family of five were sleeping in their tent at Elkmont, with their dog, when a black bear ripped into the tent at approximately 5:20 a.m. on Sunday, June 12. After gaining access to the inside of the tent, the bear scratched a 3-yearold girl and her mother. The father was able to scare the bear from the tent and campsite, but only after several attempts. The family left a note at the campground office to report the incident and departed the campground to seek medical



melons. Spring-planted annuals are blooming and perennials are coming into their own. However, some vegetables are at their best when harvested in fall. Depending on your climate, you may still be able to plant swiss chard, turnips, collards, radishes, arugula and spinach where they get morning sunlight but are protected from intense afternoon sun. – *Brenda Weaver* Sources: www.almanac.com, www.gardeningknowhow.com

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attention. Both mother and daughter sustained superficial lacerations to their heads.

Park officials were notified of the incident at approximately 8:50 a.m. by the campground hosts. Park rangers responded to the site, closed the immediate area, interviewed the father of the involved family along with other campers, and collected site information such as bear tracks and other markers that could help identify the bear. Staff monitored the site for bear activity and set traps in the area. A male bear, matching the physical description of the involved bear, entered the campsite where the incident had occurred. The bear exhibited extreme food-conditioned behavior and lack of fear of humans, boldly entering the trap without wariness. Based on a match with physical measurements and descriptors, along with observed bear behavior, biologists successfully matched and identified the responsible bear.

The bear's behavior appeared to be inconsistent with predatory behavior, but rather that of a food conditioned bear. Human-bear conflicts peak in late May and June when natural foods, like berries, are not yet available. Bears are attracted to the smell of food and garbage in our developed areas, like campgrounds and picnic areas. Campers are reminded to take necessary precautions including properly following food storage regulations while in bear country. Park staff will continue to track reports of bear activity in campgrounds and other busy locations and notify the public regarding any site warnings or closures.

Though rare, attacks on humans can occur, causing injuries or death. If attacked by a black bear, rangers strongly recommend fighting back with any object available and remember that the bear may view you as prey. For more information on bear safety and bear encounters visit the park website at http://www.nps.gov/ grsm/naturescience/black-bears. htm or https://bearwise.org. To report a bear incident, call (865) 436-1230.

- National Park Service release

CIPD Arrest Report for June 6-12

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.

Panther, Natalie D.T. – age 34 Arrested: June 6 Released: June 7 Charges: Domestic Violence

Taylor, Edward Dwayne – age 34 Arrested: June 7 Released: Not released as of report date (June 13) Charges: Probation Violation

Cecil, Jamie Paul – age 51 Arrested: June 8 Released: June 8 Charges: Temporary Hold for Jackson Co.

George, Darrell – age 52 Arrested: June 8 Released: June 9 Charges: Hold until Sober

Jackson, Kendall Luanne – age 28 Arrested: June 8 Released: Not released as of report date (June 13) Charges: Failure to obey a Lawful Order of the Court, Transporting a Child Outside the Territory of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians with Intent to Violate Custody Order, Kidnapping

Rodriguez, Otono Milan – age 30 Arrested: June 8 Released: Not released as of report date (June 13) Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedules I-V (three counts)

Taylor, Stephanie Nicole – age 31 Arrested: June 8 Released: June 8 Charges: Probation Violation

Cucumber-Bradley, Ronda Lynn – age 57 Arrested: June 9 Released: June 12 Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedules I-V (two counts)

George, Darrell – age 52 Arrested: June 9 Released: June 10 Charges: Second Degree Trespass, Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public, Resisting Lawful Arrest

Vallejo, Luis Aquirre – age 40

Arrested: June 9 Released: June 12 Charges: DVPO Violation

Watty, Dalisa Daniela – age 28 Arrested: June 9 Released: Not released as of report date (June 13) Charges: Probation Violation

Wildcat, Charles Dwayne Joseph – age 27 Arrested: June 9 Released: Not released as of report date (June 13) Charges: Probation Violation

Cucumber, Ariane Alene – age 41 Arrested: June 10 Released: Not released as of report date (June 13) Charges: Probation Violation

Driver, Rachael Christine – age 26 Arrested: June 10 Released: Not released as of report date (June 13) Charges: Larceny, False Pretenses (two counts)

George, Darrell – age 52 Arrested: June 10 Released: Not released as of report date (June 13) Charges: Public Intoxication, Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court

Lincoln, Ellen Yellowhammer – age 27 Arrested: June 10 Released: June 10 Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedules I-V (two counts)

Lossiah, Mykel Tai Saloli – age 20 Arrested: June 10 Released: June 10 Charges: Driving While Impaired; Obstructing Governmental Functions; Transportation of Alcoholic Beverages; Providing Alcoholic Beverages to, Possession of, Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages by Persons Under 21-years-old (two counts)

Santiago, Beatriz – age 30 Arrested: June 10 Released: June 10 Charges: Temporary Hold in DWI

Smith, Adam James – age 29 Arrested: June 10 Released: June 10 Charges: Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule IV Controlled Substance

Watty, Stephanie Lorraine – age 45 Arrested: June 10 Released: Not released as of report date (June 13) Charges: Breaking and Entering; Simple Assault, Assault and Battery, Simple Affray

Wildcat, Craigan Stan – age 41 Arrested: June 10 Released: Not released as of report date (June 13) Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedules I-V, False Pretenses (two counts), Larceny

Smith, Alexis C. – age 23 Arrested: June 11 Released: Not released as of report date (June 13) Charges: Contributing to the Delinquency of a Juvenile

Taylor, Franklin Terry – age 61 Arrested: June 11 Released: June 12 Charges: Resisting Lawful Arrest, Public Intoxication

Toineeta, Storm Vincent – age 33 Arrested: June 11 Released: June 11 Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

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Cherokee culture on display

"Night of Gadugi" highlights Cultural Summer School By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

One Feather Staff

Cherokee culture and language "Night of Gadugi" at Cherokee Central Schools on the evening of Monday, June 13. The event featured art displays and performances by the students who completed the Cherokee Cultural Summer School program.

"The goal of the program is to incorporate language and traditional artisanship, craftsmanship, and putting our children, our community members with elders who are master crafts-makers and also educators," said Catcuce Tiger, Cherokee Language instructor at Cherokee Central Schools. "It's a good way to do outreach and kind of bring everything full circle – with language, with culture, with foods, with everything that displays the vibrant culture Cherokee people have."

Tiger noted that the program is for students in first grade through 12th grade. A total of 140 students were accepted into this year's program which lasted a little longer than two weeks. Students selected their favorite topics from a listing of 12 classes to take during the program.

"It's a lot of work every year, but it's good," said Tiger. "When you see all that in there, all those people, the community, coming together, kids laughing and smiling and displaying things they've made, it's all worth it. That's why



Kylexandra Pheasant, a rising third grader at Cherokee Elementary School, poses beside some of the Cherokee pottery pieces he made during Cultural Summer School. He is shown at the "Night of Gadugi" event held at Cherokee Central Schools on the evening of Monday, June 13. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

we do it."

Butch Goings, an elder of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, taught soapstone carving during the program. Speaking about how he approaches teaching it to the students, he noted, "I told them, get it in your mind what you think it looks likes. I think they're doing really well to be so young."

Laura Pinnix, Cherokee Language director at Cherokee Central Schools, commented, "If I had to talk for myself, I would have to say that keeping the Cherokee crafts and arts alive; that's what I want to do. We tie in a lot of the Cherokee language in how we're doing this. That's really our goal." She added, "Mostly, to keep the arts going and the language going – that's really the whole purpose...that these crafts and the language don't die out."

The following served as staff for the event:

Art: Shawnee Bark, Kaitlyn Parker, Carrah Swimmer, Sherry Wachacha

Basketry: Louise Goings, Sheri Cornelius, Nellie Jones, Diane Driver

Beadwork: Gail Panther, Kasey Crowe, Mary Maney, Martha Ledford

Dolls: Jessica Robertson, Jessica Santos, Rebecca Swayney Food: M. Galloway, Crissy Lambert, Nakoa Chiltoskie-Warrington, Shakyra Bottchenbaugh

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Tribal member participates in Atlanta art show

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. One Feather Staff

Three Cherokee women are featured in a new art show at the Atlanta Contemporary Art Center. Luzene Hill, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, joins Cherokee Nation citizens Brenda Mallory and Kade Twist in the show entitled "Returns: Cherokee Diaspora and Art" which will run from Saturday, June 11 and runs until Sept. 4.

Hill provided two pieces for the show entitled "Traces and Wounds" and "Now that the Gates of Hell are Closed". She feels the title of the show "is a broad reference to the feeling displacement that so many Native people feel – from being put on reservations far from their homelands, to boarding schools removing children from their homes and cultures, to the policy of termination in the 1950s, and the voluntary departure of Native young people away from tribal community in order to pursue careers, go to university, etc."

On 'Traces and Wounds', Hill said, "This work presents three numbers – 1492, 574, and 6,956. The first – the year a wave of invasions into the Americas began. The second – the number of federally recognized tribal nations in the United States. The third – the average reported number of Indigenous women sexually assaulted each year in the United States,



"Traces and Wounds", a piece by EBCI artist Luzene Hill, is part of a show at the Atlanta Contemporary Art Center entitled "Returns: Cherokee Diaspora and Art" which will run from Saturday, June 11 and runs until Sept. 4. (Photos contributed by Luzene Hill)

from data collected over a 12-year period."

Of the piece, she noted in her artistic statement, "Three panels with knotted cord abstractions of the Inka khipu, designate those significant numbers. In a khipu, the knots represent numbers, an amount, a sum. Unknotted strands and spaces indicate no number, zero. These knots are the wounds. Shadows of the loose cords, viewed from the front, are the traces. On the back, the pullthrough of the cords creates 'loose ends' reflecting the attitude of the U.S. government towards Indigenous people. Unknotted strands symbolize the number of sexual assaults on Native American women that are not reported, not counted."

On her second piece, Hill noted in her artistic statement, "When I was a freshman in college, a professor opened the first day of class by asking the young ladies on the front row to 'please cross your legs'. They complied, quizzically. Then, he stated, 'Now that the gates of hell are closed, we can begin'. Decades later, never having forgotten that class, this is my response."

She added, "The emergency of patriarchy obliterated matrilineal cultures, societies in which women had agency and sexual freedom – freedom of choice on so many levels."

When asked about the importance for Native representation for her and others to show in large, metropolitan areas such as Atlanta, she noted, "I just saw a clip this afternoon of Seth Meyers interviewing Jana Schmiedling, of 'Rutherford Falls' (TV show on Peacock). She mentioned in the interviews the crazy statistics about the dominant society in the U.S. not even realizing that Native people are alive today. I hope this exhibit helps dispel that myth. Native artists are doing all sorts of work – not just traditional crafts and not just representational art – that is iconographic."

Another Native exhibit is currently up at the Atlanta Contemporary entitled "You Are Heleswv (Medicine)" which includes multiple Native artists including Nate Cummings-Lambert, an EBCI tribal member. Of this exhibit, Hill stated, "The Atlanta Contemporary giving the entire exhibition space to two shows is remarkable, and I hope it generates interest and expands knowledge of contemporary Native people – not just the artists involved."

For more information on the "Returns" show, visit: https://atlantacontemporary.org/ exhibitions/returns



Hill's piece "Now that the Gates of Hell are Closed"









Kansas returns to Cherokee

By JONAH LOSSIAH One Feather Staff

fter 10 years, prolific rock band Kansas is coming back to the mountains of North Carolina and will play Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort this Saturday, June 25.

After nearly 50 years of gracing the stage, the band originally based out of Topeka is still pushing themselves in 2022. Rich Williams, who has been featured on every Kansas record, has seen each form the band. For him, it's about consistently staying sharp and finding ways to adapt his sound. "For musicians, and I think guitar players are really the worst of it, you're never happy with what you got. So, as gear changes with new innovations, etc., you're constantly in search of the holy grail of your voice in that equipment," said Williams.

"I started with basically one guitar and an amp. Now I have a room full of stuff. I have stuff being delivered now. It is a constant evolution of finding your voice within the parameters of what's available today."

He said that he has been blessed and cursed with a fascination of new gear. Whether it be adding to the collection in his guitar room or finding smaller pieces while researching online, he's always looking. A new toy that was waiting for him at his house was a Virtual Jeff Pro whammy bar that he couldn't wait to try.

"I know this one guy that has a Les Paul and a Marshall amp that he bought 30 years ago, and he's never had anything else. That's his rig, he doesn't want anything else.



Kansas is set for a 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 25 date at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Convention Center. (Emily Butler Photography)

I envy the guy," said Williams with a chuckle.

Williams loves to talk guitars and gear. Even the mistakes made along the way stick in his mind. That first guitar he had with Kansas was a Gibson 335, and the amp was a Marshall Lead 100.

"The band convinced me to sell the 335 because they said 'that's a cowboy guitar. You look like you're in a country band.' I listened, which was the stupidest thing I've ever done. I wish I still had that guitar. I went to the music store and I traded it for a Gibson L6-S, which is a solid body L6. That guitar is worth about 1,000 dollars today. Whereas the 335 is probably worth 20-grand."

While the 335 isn't in his col-

lection, that guitar room is a place of practice and peace for Williams. Not too long ago, he and his wife decided to move to the mountains of North Carolina. It was a decision sparked by the arrival of the pandemic. They traveled all over the country but found themselves enchanted with the area. Eventually, they began to split their time 50/50 in North Carolina and Atlanta, where Kansas is now based. One day when they were leaving the mountains, he simply asked the question 'what are we doing?'

We see plenty of the world when we're out on the road. It was time to find our forever home. A place that we can go to and just close the door on the world and just relax." Now when they're off the road it's calm mornings at their mountain abode.

"I'll go into my guitar room and while I'm just messing around about four or five hours has gone by. I don't force myself to do it. I'll get up early in the morning. The sun's coming up, I get a cup of coffee and go to my guitar room. Watch the sun come up and watch the animals running around the yard and just start playing. It's a great way to start the day."

Williams said that he is very excited to come back to Cherokee, especially now with home just down a couple hours down the road. He remembered fondly the last time they played in Cherokee with a sellout crowd. A major aspect that is different from 10 years ago is his lead singer.

Ronnie Platt took over the mic for Kansas in 2014. He said that touring has been tremendous since the band was able to get going again.

"It really has been great. It was wild to have that little interruption in time, which turned out to be not so little. We didn't even see each other for 13 or 14 months. Rehearsing was just impossible because travel was so difficult. We're spread all over the eastern half of the country," said Platt.

"Even the shows we've done lately, there's such an anticipation. You can feel the anticipation in the audience. The energy level is just so intense."

He said that playing the casino

often leads to a unique atmosphere, but it is one that he embraces.

"There are different elements as opposed to when we're playing a theater, which is strictly a Kansas show that is attracting the fan that knows of Kansas or wants to see a Kansas. Whereas a casino, you're getting a blend of the hardcore Kansas fan and that casino goer," said Platt.

Platt has always been a fan of Kansas, well before he joined the band. He said that he loves how the band has adapted and grown over the decades. He said that's what makes the live shows so much fun to be a part of.

"There's always been continuity with the music. It's one of the things that I have loved about this band, is how versatile the music is. From being really intense prog to some songs being in that pop vein. Or dare I say 'commercial'. That's a word that a lot of prog rockers don't like,"

Platt said that the band members are consistently pushing each other to perform at the highest. It doesn't matter how small the adjustment; they want to put on the strongest show that they can.

"Every once in a while, if we have a trip up or something, probably one percent or less of the audience is going to know that we made a little mistake. But to us, we remember that and we're drilling it the next day. These are songs that we've done over and over again."

Platt says the passion of his

band members is a constant inspiration. He especially appreciates what Rich William and drummer Phil Ehart have provided, being the only two that have featured on every Kansas record.

"Since the band's inception, it's been around 50 years. The kudos go to Phil and Rich. To have that constant in the band always be here. That's an inspiration in itself. For them to have such a love for the music and the band. And to keep it going all this time. It's pretty incredible."

You can purchase tickets for Kansas at Harrah's Cherokee through https://www.caesars. com/harrahs-cherokee/shows. The show is set for a 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 25.



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OBITUARIES JhfiFR

Ralph Elliot Burgess

Ralph Elliot Burgess, fondly known as "Bud", passed away on Thursday, June 9, 2022 at Cherokee Indian Hospital after an extended illness. He was 80 years old, born April 12, 1942.

Bud is the son of the late George Algar Burgess and Etta Leola Bradley Burgess. He was preceded in death by three brothers, Richard, Herb, and Sgt. John Burgess; and sister-in-law ,Bonnie McGee Burgess.

Bud worked at Cherokee Boys Club for 34 years from Jan. 25, 1967 until May 29, 2001. He was a man of many trades. Bud was the mechanic teacher for Cherokee High School, vocational manager, and a bus driver for any route they needed. After retirement, he went on to farm full time. He enjoyed spending time with all his grandbabies and great-grandbabies. He loved to fish, hunt, farm, and go up in the mountains with his wife, Maxine, to gather wild greens and mushrooms. He loved his family more than anything. Bud served in the army for three years during the Vietnam war. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal and was a sharpshooter. He thought he was the luckiest man ever, to be married 54 years to the love of his life, Maxine McCoy Burgess. They were inseparable from day one.

Bud is survived by his loving wife, Maxine McCoy Burgess; daughter, Missie Burgess; sonin-law, Scott Taylor; grandson, James Taylor; granddaughter, Sabrina Taylor; great-granddaughters, Avaleena Teesatuskie-Taylor, Lylavion Teesatuskie-Taylor; great-grandson, Sebastian Dean Stanberry; granddaughter-in-law, Shanali Teesatuskie-Taylor; sisters, Mary Catherine Smith and Vivian Owle; two special nephews, Charlie Burgess and Dink Burgess; and special friends, Mary and Robert Lambert. He also had several nieces and nephews and many sistersin-law and brothers-in-law as well.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, June 11 in the chapel of Long House Funeral Home. Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

Wayne Wachacha

Wayne Wachacha, 78, of Robbinsville, passed away peacefully at home with his family by his side on the night of Wednesday, June 15, 2022. He went to his heavenly home where was greeted by his beloved wife of 54 years, Evelyn Taylor Wachacha.

His parents, John Wayne Wachacha and Martha Wachacha; sisters, Stacy Rattler, Edna Chekelelee, Lula Rattler, and Susie Reed; and brothers, Dewitt, Jerome, and Mike Wachacha precede him in death.

Wayne is survived by his sisters, Margaret Wachacha and Gertrude Wachacha of Robbinsville.

He was a heavy equipment operator for many years and helped clear the way for the Cherohala Skyway. He enjoyed working alongside his brother, Dewitt.

Wayne was a faithful Black Knight fan. He and his best friend, Giles Linebeck, could be found at any and every Black Knight sporting event.

Wayne was a fluent Cherokee speaker. He enjoyed teaching his

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Wayne helped build the Church of the Lamb. He loved his church and cherished his church family. He was a Godly man and encouraged his loved ones to love and serve the Lord.

Wayne has seven children, Eve Wachacha of Robbinsville, Jennifer Wachacha of Robbinsville, Candace Wachacha Crowe (Sam) of Cherokee, Melissa Wachacha Crowe (Troy) of Cherokee, Jeremy Wachacha of Cherokee, Clara Wachacha of Robbinsville, and Paige Wachacha Gross (Aaron) of Robbinsville.

Wayne was the proud grandfather of Adrian Chekelelee, Zachary Chekelelee (Brittney), Samantha Crowe-Hernandez (Manuel), Kaleb Chekelelee, Kayla Crowe (Sonny), Isaiah Chekelelee, Carr Crowe (Kasey), Gabriel Chekelelee, Taylor Wachacha, Trae Crowe, Jaron Ayers (Macey), John Wayne Wachacha, Blake Wachacha, Jensen Thompson (Tye), Rossi Wachacha, Dasan Gross, Katie-Lyn Gross, and Canyon Gross.

Wayne's great-grandchildren are Talan, Samuel, Zachlan, Emory, Morgan, Zayleigh, Colton, Kaiser, Zeller, Legend, Rory, Maverick, Dwayne, Zadie, Carrson, and Zaeli.

He had two adopted daughters, Jill Jones and Mary Ann Trull, and two special grandchildren, Nadallee Beasley and Court Carpenter.

Pallbearers: Grandsons

Honorary Pallbearers: Sam Crowe, Troy Crowe, Aaron Gross, Giles Linebeck, Melvin Wachacha, Terry Rattler, and Adam Wachacha.

Crisp Funeral Home, of Bryson City, is handling the funeral arrangements. The funeral was held on Monday, June 20. The service was held at Church of the Lamb with Henry Ethridge and Chris Rumfield officiating. Burial took place in the Buffalo Church Cemetery.

Lucy B. Teesateskie

Lucy B. Teesateskie, commonly known as "Lucy T", age 77, passed away on Wednesday, June 15, 2022 at Tsali Care Center after a brief illness.

She is survived by her children, David Paul George "Gonzo" and Will Teesateskie "Will T"; brother, Charles W. Bigwitch; sister, Peggy Littlejohn; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; uncle, Jim Bigwitch; and close friend, Flora Bradley.

Lucy was preceded in death by her parents, Fred and Eva (Littlejohn) Bigwitch; husband, Roger Teesateskie; infant son, Turner George; brothers, Robert Bigwitch, Isaac Bigwitch, Fred Allen Bigwitch, James A. Bigwitch, and James Richard Bigwitch; sisters, Patricia Marie Armachain and Stacy Ann Bigwitch; and aunt, Ollie Bigwitch.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, June 21 at Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church, in the Wolftown Community, with Tim Melton officiating. Burial was in the Lucy T. Bigwitch Family Cemetery. Pallbearers were among close family and friends.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

Rebecca Sue Goings Thompson

Rebecca Sue Goings Thompson, age 67, of Cherokee, formally of Broken Bow, Okla., passed away on Thursday, June 16, 2022 at Cherokee Indian Hospital after an extended illness.

Sue, as she was commonly known, is survived by her children, Michelle Thompson and Steven Thompson (Freida), both of Cherokee; brother, Levi King of Moore, Okla.; grandchildren, Chayton Thompson (Sabrina), Darius Thompson, Becca Thompson, Ayden Thompson, Nyree Thompson, Jayanna Thompson, Tyruss Thompson, Niko Thompson, Laylah Thompson, and Elli Thompson; great-grandchildren, Kendra Crowe, Aliya, McKell, Everleigh, Leilani Thompson and Jeriah Williams; the father of her children, Sam Thompson; special daughters, Brandy Sequoyah and Jaime Lossiah; special granddaughter, Marissa Williams; sister-in-law and nephew, Elnora Thompson and Mike Thompson; cousins, Otis Tushka and Luweezie Kalonaheskie and families; best friend, Rose Maney; cousins in Oklahoma also survive; and her neighbor, Ms. Annie Dale. Sue was preceded in death by her father, Stebin Goings; mother, Lizzie Tushka King; and son, Jason Thompson.

Sue had a beautiful soul. She loved her family very much. She loved God and wanted her family to worship as she done when she was able. She loved her grandbabies and great-grandbabies to the fullest. She was their biggest fan in whatever they were participating in. She also loved the Tarheels and cheered for the Golden State Warriors.

A visitation will be held on Monday, June 20 at Cherokee United Methodist Church beginning at 6 p.m. A formal funeral service will take place on Tuesday, June 21 beginning at 2 p.m., with Scott Chekelelee and John Ferree officiating. Burial will be in the Thompson Family Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Chayton Thompson, Darius Thompson, Ayden Thompson, Tyruss Thompson, Niko Thompson, Will Tushka, and Mike Thompson.



THE HISTORY CHANNEL

• On July 9, 1777, New York elects Brigadier Gen. George Clinton as the first governor of the independent state of New York. Clinton would go on to become New York's longest-serving governor, as well as the longest-serving governor in the U.S., holding the post until 1795.

• On July 7, 1852, according to Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's stories, Dr. John H. Watson is born. Coincidentally, the Sherlock Holmes author died on this day in England at the age of 71.

• On July 4, 1911, record temperatures are set in the northeastern U.S. with the arrival of a deadly heat wave that would go on to kill 380 people. On July 13, New York alone reported 211 people dead from the excessive heat.

• On July 10, 1925, in Dayton, Tennessee, the so-called Monkey Trial begins with John Thomas Scopes, a young high-school science teacher, accused of teaching evolution in violation of a Tennessee state law. The law made it a misdemeanor to teach any theory that denied the story of man's Divine Creation.

• On July 5, 1946, French designer Louis Reard unveils a daring twopiece swimsuit at a popular swimming pool in Paris. Reard dubbed the swimsuit a "bikini," inspired by a U.S. atomic test that took place off the Bikini Atoll earlier that week.

• On July 8, 1950, the day after the U.N. Security Council recommended that all U.N. forces in Korea be placed under the command of the U.S. military, Gen. Douglas MacArthur is appointed head of the United Nations Command. When MacArthur later publicly threatened to escalate hostilities with China, President Harry Truman fired him.

 On July 6, 1971, Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong, one of the most influential musicians of the 20th century, dies in New York City at the age of 69. Armstrong pioneered jazz improvisation and the style known as swing.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Deadline for Yogi Crowe Scholarships is July 1

The Board of Directors of the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund reminds graduate and post-graduate students that Friday, July 1 is the deadline for requesting financial assistance from the Fund for fall semester. Applications and eligibility guidelines are available from any of the board members, from Tribal Education or from the Website www.yogicrowescholarship. org. Applications must be postmarked by the deadline date and mailed on or before the deadline. Applications not postmarked or received electronically by the deadline will not be considered.

For more information, contact any of the Scholarship Fund board members: Dr. Jennifer Thompson, president 507-5997; Dr. Reva Ballew, vice president 631-1350; Mary Herr, secretary 497-9498; Tamitha Fourkiller, treasurer 497-7034; Dr. Carmaleta Monteith 497-2717; Sunshine Parker 506-1952; Jan Smith 507-1519; or Shannon Swimmer 736-3191.

> - Yogi Crowe Scholarship Fund committee release

WCU accepting nominations for Mountain Heritage Awards

CULLOWHEE - The nomination period is now open for the annual Mountain Heritage Awards, which recognize contributions to Southern Appalachian history, culture and folklore.

Presented by the Mountain Heritage Center, recipients are honored during ceremonies at Mountain Heritage Day on Saturday, Sept. 24, at Western Carolina University.



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Nominations should be five pages or less, with a list of the nominee's accomplishments, awards and recognition; information about the nominee's influence in the relevant field of expertise, such as crafts, music or organizational cause; or information about the nominee's role as a teacher, advocate, leader or curator of mountain culture. Include a website address if applicable; the mailing address of the nominee; the founding date for organizational nominees.

Recent recipients include author and educator William H. Turner of Harlan, Kentucky, and Tried Stone Missionary Baptist Church of Asheville.

Nominations should be delivered no later than Friday, July 15, to the Mountain Heritage Center, located in Room 240 of WCU's Hunter Library; mailed to Mountain Heritage Center, 1 University Drive, Cullowhee N.C. 28723; or email pameister@wcu.edu.

- Western Carolina University release

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.visitcherokeenation. com/cherokee-homecoming-artshow-and-sale

- Cherokee Nation 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 culture 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 firstever Native American All-Star Baseball Showcase 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

arrears

- Rental arrears
- Utilities and home energy costs
- Utilities and home energy cost

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,

I am Jessica Rose Lambert of

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the Birdtown Community and a fulltime doctoral student at NC State University College of Veterinary Medicine. I want to say thank you to the Yogi Crowe Scholarship Fund for the recent scholarship award that I received.

It has been my lifelong ambition to be a veterinarian after growing up on a small farm in the Adam's Creek Section of Birdtown. I am the daughter of Kimlyn Sneed Lambert and the late Douglas Lambert.

As the only member of a federally recognized tribe in my class of 100, it is an honor to represent my Tribe at this prestigious school. I have been president of the Goat club and the Pathology Club.

I am currently doing surgical work on large animals. In May of 2022 I started my last year doing clinical rotations. I will graduate in May of 2023. I hope to apply for an internship doing anatomic pathology with an emphasis on equines.

The Yogi Crowe Scholarship has been a huge help for students like me that travel so far away from home and that have expenses that other funding does not cover. I very much appreciate the help that I have received from the Yogi Crowe Scholarship fund.

> Sgi, Jessica Rose Lambert, DVM class of 2023

NATIONAL PARK NEWS

Foothills Parkway new temporary closure begins June 20

Great Smoky Mountains National Park officials remind the public that the roadway will be fully closed from the Flats Road intersection near Look Rock to the Highway 321 intersection near Walland, Tenn. now through Wednesday, Aug. 31 for a paving project.

The roadway is fully closed to all pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists to allow workers with heavy equipment to complete the work safely and efficiently. Look Rock Picnic Area, Look Rock Observation Tower, trail, and parking area are open and accessible during the closure. Motorists are able to travel Foothills Parkway from Chilhowee Lake to the Look Rock area, but they must return via the same route. Visitors are encouraged to explore other scenic drives during this time frame, including the newer section of the Foothills Parkway between Walland and Wears Valley. For local residents, Butterfly Gap Road, Flats Road, Happy Valley Road, and Top

of the World will remain accessible throughout the closure period. These county roads are narrow and steep and restricted to resident, local travel only.

The final construction work will be conducted with single-lane closures from Aug. 31, 2022, through May 5, 2023. Motorists should expect delays during this time period. For more information about alternative scenic roads to explore during the construction period, please visit the park's website at www.nps.gov/ grsm/planyourvisit/autotouring. htm.

- National Park Service release

One Feather deadline Fridays at 12 p.m.

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On the morning of Thursday, June 16, the Oconaluftee Job Corps had its painted bear dedicated at the center. "Ms. Nikki Nations painted our bear to represent our mission of training young adults in our four vocational areas and our partnership with the EBCI community. She did an amazing job, and we are very proud to have her work displayed here on center. We would love to be able to recognize her work and to promote the students that we have on center who are striving to petter themselves," said James Lawler, who will be taking on a new role as the Liaison Specialist for the Center. (JONAH LOSSIAH/One Feather photo)



Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley tries out the new reclining seating available in several theatres at Cherokee Cinemas & More. The new seats, which have the capability to be heated and include a food tray, will be in every theatre by the end of the year along with some upgrades to the lobby and concession area. Cherokee Cinemas and More is under the management and operation of Kituwah, LLC – a limited liability corporation of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Mark Hubble, Kituwah, LLC chief executive officer, commented, "People are coming back to the movies. We sold 3,000 tickets last weekend alone. You just have to make it a stellar experience. It turned out really well. Owle Construction did a great job. It was on-time, on-budget, and looks amazing." (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)



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COMMENTARY

Let the madness begin

By ROBERT JUMPER One Feather Editor

"The buying and selling of dope in this country may be the last vestige of free enterprise left." - "Up in Smoke" (1978)

We are a Tribe in cultural and economic transition. We have been, in earnest, since the late 1990s, when our first casino began operation in the same location that our current, and new youth center stands today. Since the inception of adult gaming (not bingo, but the kind you play in Las Vegas) on the Qualla Boundary, much in Cherokee life has changed. Going from a low-double-digit multimillion dollar economy to a mid-triple-digit multimillion dollar economy, on an annual basis, has to bring some freedom and change to a community.

And in reading the history, for many, it was unwanted change. The decision to become casino operators was a painful one for our community. Traditionalists saw potential for losing long honored values. They feared for the generations to come and what it would look like to be Cherokee in the future, or if there would be even a remnant of the culture they had known for decades and had been

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The tribal election following the decision to join other tribes in taking advantage of adult gaming opportunities passed into law by the federal government was a tumultuous one, to say the least. The entirety of the Executive Office and nearly all the seated Tribal Council lost their seats. along with the Tribe's head attorney, and, in one report I read, the editor of the One Feather. That is one reason that I personally am not fond of taking sides and strive to have the One Feather be as impartial on issues as possible. Not only is it the ethical thing to do, but it is also the safest. It is much more important that the community's voice is heard than for me to be a lobbyist.

Even with all the "improvements" we have seen as a result of the influx of dollars, there are still those who will say that we gave up something more valuable than money in transitioning our community to a casino economy.

In "Cherokee Americans" (University of Nebraska Press 1991), author John Finger states, "The Eastern Band's identity varies considerably, depending on the groups or individuals involved. The benefits derived from the federal attachment and especially tourism will probably sustain at least a generalized Cherokee identity for the immediate future But the larger reality is that virtually all tribal members understand that their identity is subsumed within a national context. The twentieth century has sometimes brought painful rapprochement between them and the American government. They value their citizenship and the opportunities of modern America. Like

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.





their (non-Native) neighbors, they shamelessly lobby their congressmen and senators, vote according to self-interest, and accept the many federal benefits. In return they offer allegiance and present themselves as modern-day warriors ready to defend-and perhaps die for-America's institutions. They have endured the changing currents of Indian policy, adjusted as necessary, argued among themselves, survived, and in the end called themselves both Cherokees and Americans."

It is this relationship between the Eastern Band and federal government that makes our foray into the area of cannabis as a cash crop so interesting. I was once told that I try to sound smarter than I am, so here is my disclaimer: I am no expert on the legality of weed as a source of income for tribes. But here are a few tidbits of information that I do know. The Tribe recently enacted law that makes 1.5 ounces of marijuana to be legal to possess on the Qualla Boundary. This was done, according to the video recording of the Tribal Council session, to facilitate the construction of additional law with the end goal of the Tribe getting into the cannabis business as a supplier of medical marijuana. During the session, the Tribal Council asked the hard questions about the intent of those activists promoting tribal adoption of cannabis as a cash crop, for medicinal purposes, of course. The Council was assured that this step was intended only to get to the point of making cannabis medical cards available to those who would be prescribed it by a physician. The effect, however, was to eliminate any ability for law enforcement to inquire about the intent of possessing up to 1.5 ounces of marijuana. So, the Council, in enacting law with the purpose of making medical use easier to obtain, also facilitated recreational use.

How about those inter-state and inter-federal relationships? Concerning North Carolina law (from abeoutbailbonding.com), "Is weed legal in NC? No, and the answer won't change anytime soon. Even though it seems that new states are legalizing recreational marijuana every year, it does not appear that North Carolina will be one of them in the near future. This is because North Carolina state law forbids residents from getting issues put on the ballot through gathering signatures on petitions. This means that it is up to the lawmakers and not the general population as to what does and does not appear on the ballot. People are therefore not particularly optimistic about North Carolina weed legalization anytime soon."

So, on the Boundary, you would be legal, off the Boundary, not so much.

What if you are in Tennessee and want to pop over to Cherokee lands for cannabis and then go home? "Possession of a half-ounce of marijuana or less is a misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in jail and maximum fine of \$2,500. A \$250 fine is required for all first-time convictions. A subsequent offense brings a \$500 mandatory minimum fine." (norml.org)

Maybe Georgia? "Possession of 1 ounce or less of marijuana is a misdemeanor punishable by up to 12 months imprisonment and/or a fine of up to \$1000, or public works for up to 12 months. Possession of over an ounce is a felony punishable by a minimum of 1 and maximum of ten years imprisonment" (norml.org). Well, how about South Carolina, the last remaining bordering state to the Boundary? "Possession of 1 ounce or less is a misdemeanor punishable by a maximum sentence of 30 days imprisonment and a fine of \$100-\$200. A conditional release based upon participation in the pretrial intervention program may be granted. A subsequent conviction for possession of 1 ounce or less is a misdemeanor punishable by a maximum sentence of 1 year imprisonment and a maximum fine of \$2,000." (norml.org)

So, I checked for federal passes or penalties for marijuana possession. "Possession of marijuana is punishable by up to one year in jail and a minimum fine of \$1,000 for a first conviction. For a second conviction, the penalties increase to a 15-day mandatory minimum sentence with a maximum of two years in prison and a fine of up to \$2,500. Subsequent convictions carry a 90day mandatory minimum sentence and a maximum of up to three years in prison and a fine of \$5,000." (norml.org) Additional note: federal law, according to norml.org, does not distinguish between medical and recreational marijuana.

In the August 2021 session of Tribal Council, the Tribe moved to begin the process of establishing medical marijuana as a cash crop, or additional revenue stream. A Cannabis Control Board has been established to set policy and carry out the mission of production and development. During the June 2022 session of Tribal Council, questions were raised about the status of the plants themselves; how is the crop doing? The Council immediately went into closed session, citing that listening ears and seeking eyes might be there to want to know how big our marijuana plants were. I guess there is some validity to that. We may be in competition with other entities for the services of a medical marijuana facility. But the justifications were more along that line. Decisions, at least the publicly aired ones, were more about the profit than it was about the compassionate care of those in need of the marijuana for medical needs. It looks like we, as community members, aren't going to

know much about what is going on with cannabis for a while. And I am not sure that we should be okay with that.

For example, would you want the cannabis growing or processing operation to be near a facility where children routinely visit? That would never happen, you say? Keep in mind that 10 or 20 years ago, the thought of alcohol being legal on the Boundary was an idea that would have been laughed at, especially if you told tribal members that it would be put next to a church. Now, we have an ABC store across from a Baptist church downtown. With the limited land mass that we have to work with, I am betting that no plan is "off the table". We don't know where it is being grown if it is being grown. We don't know how long it has been grown and how big our crop is. We really don't know much about it, except that over a half million dollars is on the table to pay the annual salary of a cannabis board and facilitate operations. At least for the time being, all we are going to hear is "it is going to be great, trust me."

Again, I am not an expert in this area, and I am guessing you aren't either. I have never used marijuana. I guess I drank the Kool-Aid back in the day when the schools were showing "Reefer Madness" and similar education films, showing teenagers losing control and causing havoc after having marijuana parties. After seeing those films, I would get nervous just being near weed seeds, let alone a joint.

I am not pointing at cannabis and making judgement. It may be as great for the Tribe as we are hearing. But all I can do is hope so. Because we are using our normal level of transparency on this project, which is, in my opinion, little to none.

speaking of faith The remedy is to rest in God

By TIMOTHY L. MELTON, PASTOR

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

Read 1 Samuel 16:11-14; 1 Samuel 17: 39-52; Galatians 3:22-29 (NLT)

What is the remedy for the breaking of chains? For the breaking out of stagnant routines? Is it prayers? Does one get up and try to continue anyway? Is it fasting? We need a revival of hearts and we need to be "hungry" for His purpose in our lives.

Does one try to sacrifice until He comes? Just as happened to Jesse and in his son David's life, they were all to wait for David to come out of the field where he had been tending his father's sheep. He had not been considered by any of his family as being the one important enough to be Anointed as King as he was only the youngest son, and a young sheep herder. The enemy had come to misalign David from God.

However, David had spent the days of his time watching over the sheep, in praising and worshipping God, making music to honor Him, while also honing and practicing his skill with stones and a slingshot, keeping fit enough to wrestle a lamb away from a lion and then even a bear to protect the sheep from the predators of his father's sheep.

As in David's case, it is wise to get in alignment with God's will and His plan for one's life, for God may also have someone come to you. With a flask holding the Oil of Anointing it will be used to cover the right person with His Fresh Oil, and the Presence of the Lord. (Say, "Jesus." Knowing now that His Holy Spirit resides in you.) He's close enough to be in one's heart so one is and can be, with His help, more like David.

When there is an alignment adjustment needed on a car or truck, a laser with pin-point precision is pointed and used, when necessary, so one is able to have the vehicle adjusted to drive straight and true. In this same situation, we sometimes need adjusting so we can move correctly. When He speaks, I speak. When He moves, I move. When the real shows up, the counterfeit is exposed. Like David who was made a king, we are now to understand we are to be kings and priests to our God. There is a cause, and with enough Power to fulfill it, in His Anointing of each of us. We who are willing, will be successful. Believe. Only depend on His life, not on your own. Self confidence in us, should be removed from us. There should be no arrogance on our part, for all is of Him—not ourselves. We should never say, "Look what I have done." It is all of His doing!

David, in his speaking to Goliath, while also speaking in faith, took that stone, slung it at Goliath, where it sank into the giant's forehead and he fell over dead. So David who didn't even have a sword, was able to run towards him, stand over him and cut off his head with Goliath's own sword..

We are to be the warriors of God, who have been anointed and are willing to take over in power for the revival of the Church. We are to be so hungry and thirsty for the Lord. (Say, "Everything has changed. The table has been set. The Anointing flows.")

Our words are to be creative, for words

create molecules that stick to things, and they change them, can change everything. Every time words are spoken by human beings in faith, they can change everything, even the atmosphere.

Get aligned with God, so His Oil can flow, so a lifestyle of meaningful service can begin. Nothing but that kind of anointing will be as helpful.

The best form of Faith is to come with our resting in Him and in His Anointing. We can even say, "I live by the Faith of Jesus Christ." Meditate on what one has just said.

We are to only rely now on Jesus. We are no longer to rely on ourselves. Rest only in Him. After all, He said, from the cross, "It is finished." His having completed all of His works, completed His whole earthly Assignment. It was the removing of sin from us by His taking them upon Himself so He could carry all sin far away (as far as the east is from the west). In Him, we are not to be working on it any more, just receive that as His Wonderful Gift! This is the Lord's Doing and it's Marvelous in our eyes!



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see **PUZZLE ANSWERS** page 30

by Linda Thistle



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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: • • •

♦ Moderate
 ♦ ♦ Challenging
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1. Is the book of Syria in the Old Testament, New Testament or neither?

2. Which Psalm sets man's normal lifespan of threescore and ten? 1, 17, 23, 90

3. From Genesis 7, how many years did Noah live after the flood? 1, 50, 100, 350

 How many books of the Bible (KJV) begin with the letter "H"? 0, 2, 4, 6

5. What does the shield represent in the "armor of God"? Courage, Faith, Gallows, Doves

6. In John 6:35, Jesus said, "I am the ... of life."? Light, Wine, Giver, Bread

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1. TELEVISION: Which TV show is set at UC-Sunnydale?

2. FOOD & DRINK: What is an affogato?

 MOVIES: Which famous movie features a character named Almira Gulch?

 HISTORY: Which U.S. state was the first to legalize marijuana for medicinal use?

 ENTERTAINERS: What rapper/ songwriter's real name is Calvin Cordozar Broadus Jr.?

SCIENCE: What part of the brain controls hunger?

 GEOGRAPHY: The Gulf of Cadiz lies off the coasts of which two countries?

8. LITERATURE: Who are the best friends of Nancy Drew in the mystery series?

9. LANGUAGE: The archaic term "grippe" was used to describe what common ailment?

ASTRONOMY: What kind of star is the sun in our solar system?

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

EVENTS

BENEFITS/FUNDRAISERS

Turkey 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-person teams, \$120 per person. 8 a.m. registration. 9 a.m. shotgun start. Lunch, prizes, and raffle items. Proceeds from this tournament support the Cherokee Braves football program. Info: Chase Sneed 226-1068

COMMUNITY EVENTS

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

Kolanvyi Day. July 9 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Big Cove Stickball Field. Men's stickball exhibition, traditional dancing, gospel singing, duck derby, 50/50, cultural demonstrations, silent auction, vendors, kids activities, and more. Vendors: \$10 table fee. First 10 vendors will have a tent set-up provided. Contact Venita 554-1199 to reserve a table.

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@cherokeeboysclub.com or 359-5543



The Way We See the World: **Exploring Indigenous Repre**sentation in Film. July 22 at the Mountainside Theatre. Panel with Indigenous filmmakers at 6 p.m., film screenings start at 7:30 p.m., Q&A with Indigenous filmmakers at 8:30 p.m., VIP reception at 9 p.m. The evening features screenings of six acclaimed documentary and narrative short films from Native writers, directors, and producers including: Sterlin Harjo, Brit Hensel, Keli Gonzales, Anthony Sneed, and Peshawn Bread. Info: https://mci.org/learn/ programming/film

Retirement Celebration to honor Frances Maney (30 years of service to the EBCI). June 24 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in

Puzzle Answers



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the Cherokee Choices Community Room in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. Light refreshments provided.

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



ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) 90:10; 3) 350; 4) 4 (Hosea, Habakkuk, Haggai, Hebrews); 5) Faith; 6) Bread



Answers

- 1. "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" 2. Italian dessert of coffee and ice cream
- 3. "The Wizard of Oz"
- 4. California, 1996
- Snoop Dogg
- Hypothalamus
- 7. Portugal and Spain
- 8. Bess and George
- 9. Influenza
- 10. Yellow dwarf

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- \$20,000 in cash prizes

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

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

Free Soccer Camp. June 20-24 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. nightly at the Wolftown Stickball Field. Ages 5-15. Must wear sneakers or cleats. Experienced coaches will teach ball handling and agility skills. There will also be a brief Bible lesson. Family are invited to attend a cookout covered dish on Friday evening. This event is sponsored by Grace Community Church of Cherokee. Info: Pastor Scott Hill 508-7836

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

see HAPPENINGS next page





by Freddy Groves

Step Up to Help Your Fellow Vets

What are you doing this summer? If you have spare hours or days, consider stepping up to help your fellow veterans. Stand Downs are a good place to start.

Stand Downs were started in California in 1988 by two veterans who saw the great need for services to homeless veterans. Over the years, the number of events and the veterans served has grown to include help from government agencies, veteran service organizations, groups and individual volunteers all across the county. The need is so great that many locations see hundreds of veterans lined up outside the door before they even open on the first day.

The list of help provided at each Stand Down can depend on the location and the length of the event (usually one to three days), but typically includes health screenings, clothing, showers and haircuts, food, legal advice, dental and eye-care services, mental health counseling, substance treatment referral, employment help, benefits counseling (both Department of Veterans Affairs and others, such as Social Security), housing referral and more.

The schedule of Stand Downs in 2022, whether you need services or want to help, can be seen at www. va.gov/homeless/events.asp. Keep an eye on that page because new events can be added at any time. Another page to watch is the National Coalition for Homeless Veterans (nchv.org/current-stand-downs).

Or you can call your local VA medical facility and ask what's scheduled for your area. Best bet is to call them anyway and ask if the event is still planned due to COVID playing havoc with scheduling.

Ask about transportation, if you need it or can offer it. Sometimes an event will send a vehicle around to pick up veterans who have no other way to get to their local Stand Down.

If you're a veteran in crisis (either homeless or about to be) and can't wait for a Stand Down, call the National Call Center for Homeless Veterans: 1-877-424-3838.

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Fourth of July Fireworks Can Traumatize Pets

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: Please remind your readers that the noise and flash of fireworks can traumatize pets! Last year, my son and his partner took their dog "Bliss" to a Fourth of July festival. Someone set off a string of firecrackers a few feet from the booth they were visiting. Bliss bolted and pulled her leash out of my son's hand. She ran straight out into the road. Luckily, the cars all stopped, and one of the drivers caught her. Afterward she remained very anxious. Bliss now takes medication to stay calm, and it's difficult to take her to unfamiliar places. Please urge people not to set off fireworks; go to a professional display and leave the pets at home. - Judith in Lake City, Florida

DEAR JUDITH: You told them, and I thank you! I'm very sorry to hear that Bliss was traumatized, and I hope your son is able, through medication and training, to improve her confidence.

Bliss' parents didn't do anything wrong in taking her to the festival, but their experience shows how others' irresponsibility can have consequences for pets, and that owners have to be alert and ready to handle potential problems.

The Fourth of July can be a trying day for pets. Crowded parties and loud fireworks can really stress them out. Large fireworks displays are no different than big thunderstorms to most pets, and should be treated as such.

If fireworks will be within earshot of your home this holiday, prepare a safe area for your pet to shelter where the noise will not bother it as badly. If a ThunderShirt works for your dog (or cat), use it. Don't bring pets to fireworks displays, and if you're setting off backyard fireworks, put your pets inside.

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

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HAPPENINGS: Event listings, from page 31

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

UPCOMING POW WOWS

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

Sugar Run Pow Wow. June 25-26 in Sanbornton, N.H. Emcees: Sky King, Andy Sanborn.

Host Drum: Heavy Rain. Invited Drums: Sacred Earth, Humble Spirit. Info: Meredith Audet (603) 331-5813, infolihaofnh@gmail. com

White River Wacipi. June 25-26 at City Park in Crawford, Neb. MC: Chris Eagle Hawk. Info: Barb Torbert (308) 667-2025, whiteriverwacipi@gmail.com

13th Annual SIR Pow Wow.

June 24-26 in Susanville, Calif. MC: Kenny Brown. Host Drum: Sharpshooter Singers. Info: Amelia Luna (530) 249-7192, crzyluna@hotmail.com

31st Annual "Honoring our Veterans" Pow Wow. June 24-26 in Brimley, Mich. Emcees: Beedahsiga Elliot and Shannon Martin. Host Drums: Crazy Spirit,

COLD CASE



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

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

CIPD (828) 359-6600

Little Thunder. Info: Bay Mills Indian Community Pow Wow Committee (906) 248-8100, bmicpowwow@gmail.com

Duckwater Shoshone Tribe 43rd Annual Festival Pow

Wow. June 24-26 in Duckwater, Nev. MC: Harold Begaye. Host Drum: Red Spirit. Info: Lydia George (775) 340-4931

WESTERN N.C. & BEYOND EVENTS

23rd Taste of Scotland & Celtic Festival. June 17-19 in downtown Franklin. Scottish foods, music, Clan parade, Cherokee demonstrations, Scottish vendors and crafters, Highland Games competitions, Herding Dog demonstrations, and more. Info: (830) 460-0628, www.tasteofscotland.org

Swain County Rally 4 Recovery planning meeting. June 30 at 7 p.m. at the Methodist Church Fellowship Hall in Bryson City. Help plan the rally that will occur Saturday, Sept. 24 from 11 a.m.

to 3 p.m. at Riverfront Park in Bryson City. The rally is sponsored by Hope Springs, a men's transitional house in Bryson City. Info: Kaye Blanton McConnell (863) 698-4417

Cowee School Farmer's

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

SUPPORT GROUPS

Cherokee Cancer Support Group

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





EMERGENCY NUMBERS

In an emergency, call 911

Tribal Dispatch 497-4131

Cherokee Indian Police Dept. 359-6600

Tribal Fire and Rescue 359-6584

Tribal EMS 359-6450 or 497-6402

Cherokee Indian Hospital 497-9163

EBCI TRANSIT

Transit Main Line Dispatch 359-6300

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



Phone Numbers for Cherokee elders

Cherokee Indian Hospital main line 497-9163

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

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

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

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

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

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

> EBCI Domestic Violence 359-6830

EBCI Emergency Fuel Assistance 507-7825

Cherokee Immediate Care Clinic 554-5555

DaVita Cherokee Dialysis Center 497-6866

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

> Tsali Manor main line 359-6860

John Welch Senior Center main line 835-9741

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



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SERVICES

Tony's Handyman Services. Painting, Laming Flooring, Rustic Fences, Yard Mowing, Pressure Washing. All kinds of carpentry repairs. Call or text (828) 736-0816. 8/31

FOR RENT

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

SEEKING

Seeking a two-bedroom trailer in Cherokee. 788-5654.

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 mdavis3238@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) Be prepared to face some challenges stirred up by an envious colleague. Your best defense is the Arian's innate honesty. Stick with the truth, and you'll come out ahead.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your sensitivity to the needs of others is admirable. But be careful to avoid those who would take unfair advantage of your good nature, especially where money is involved.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Having an optimistic attitude is fine, as far as it goes. But don't be lulled into a false sense of confidence. There still are problems to deal with before you can totally relax.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You might feel somewhat "crabby," as you fuss over plans that don't seem to work out. Maybe you're trying too hard. Ease up and let things happen without forcing them.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Heed that keen **Leonine** instinct. It's trying to tell you to delay making a decision until you're sure there are no hidden problems that could cause trouble later on.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) This is a good time to reach out to those who might be nursing hurt feelings over recent events. Best advice: Ignore any pettiness that could delay the healing process.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your understanding helps a colleague get through a difficult period. Although you didn't do it for a reward, be assured that your actions will be repaid down the line.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You score some high marks in the workplace, which will count in your favor when you face the possibility of changing direction on your current career path.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your goal lies straight ahead. Stay focused on it and avoid distractions that could throw off your aim and cause potentially detrimental delays.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Keep that burst of exuberance in check and resist pushing through your new project before it's ready. In your personal life, a family member again needs help.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Paying attention to your work is important this week. But so are your relationships with those special people in your life. Make time for them as well.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Good news. Someone is about to repay a long-standing debt. But be warned. That same someone could try to charm you into lending it back unless you say no and mean it.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are sensitive to matters that involve your home and family. You would make a fine family-court judge or social worker.

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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

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

CUSTOMER SERVICE

Requirements

- Provide superior customer service to our clients, vendors, & associates.
- Manage large amounts of incoming & outgoing calls; Identify and assess customers' needs.
- Word processing, data entry, interpet research tasks

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mharris@balsamwest.net

- Onboarding of new customers and building solid customer
- relationships,
 Troubleshoot customer premise equipment (CPE).
- Manage overflow of billing, sales, and service requests for customers.
- Escalate issues/service tickets to departments for resolution.

Please Submit Your Resume To:

Email Subject: HFC Technician

Health, Dental, & Vision: 100% Employee Paid Premium Life Insurance, Short Term and Long Term Disability: Paid in full 401(k) Plan: 100% employer match up to 3% contribution and 50% match up to 5% contribution. Immediate 100% vesting. Available after 90 days of employment.

balsamwest.net 828.339.2999

Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements

Application and job description can be picked up from the receptionist at the Boys Club information window between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday (828) 497-9101.

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The selected applicant must submit to a pre-employment drug screen and local, state, and federal civil and criminal background and sexual offender screens. Payroll direct deposit is mandatory. Indian preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate.

The Cherokee Boys 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:

(8) TEACHERS (\$14.00-\$17.00/HOUR);
 (1) COOK ASSISTANT (\$10.00/HOUR)

SNOWBIRD CHILDCARE:

(1) TEACHER (\$14.00-\$17.00/HOUR); (1) HOUSEKEEPER (\$11.00/HOUR)

BUS: (10) PT SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS

SHOP/GARAGE:

(2) PT SEASONAL LAWN CREW (\$14.00-\$16.00/HOUR)



Harrah's Cherokee has many open positions including cooks of all levels, hosts, servers, baristas, and more.

> See all positions and apply at: harrahscherokeejobs.com

Select positions eligible for hiring bonus. Restrictions apply. Please see Talent Acquisition Department for details. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older and have a valid photo ID.

An Enterprise of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Harrah's Cherokee Casinos value diversity and inclusion, and are equal opportunity employers. 2022, Caesars License Company, LLC.





Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians HUMAN RESOURCES

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

Closing Sunday June 26, 2022

 Senior Services Coordinator: Cherokee County – Senior Citizens Snowbird/Cherokee County Division (\$25, 830 - \$32,288)
 EMT Paramedic Full-Time: Emergency Medical Services – Public Safety ((L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSI-TION

Open Until Filled

1)Patrol Officer: Cherokee Indian Police Department – Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION 2) Detention Officer (Multiple): Detention Services – Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION 3) PT Paramedic (Multiple): Emergency Medical Services – Public Safety (L8 \$17.55 - \$21.94 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

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

5) Certified Nursing Assistant: Tribal In-Home Care Services – PHHS (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)

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

7) Teacher (Multiple): Qualla Boundary Head Start & Early Head Start – PHHS (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)

8) Teacher Assistant (Multiple): Qualla Boundary Head Start & Early Head Start (L3 \$22,990 - \$28,732)

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

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

Housekeeper I – Light Duty: Housekeeping – Support Services (L3 \$22,990 - \$28,732)

14) Legislative Financial Director: Tribal Council (L21 \$116,354 - \$145,421)

 Corrections Officer: CIPD – Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 -\$45,625) SAFETY SENSITIVE

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

17) Business & Tax Specialist: Budget & Finance – Treasury (L8 \$36,500 – 45,625)

18) DV Administrative Assistant/Asst. Project Coordinator: DV Program – Public Health & Human Services (L4 \$25,261 -\$31,581)

19) DV Intake Technician: DV Program – Public Health & Human Services (L5 \$27,642 - \$34,541)

20) DV Sexual Assault Victim Advocate: DV Program – Public Health & Human Services (L8 \$36,500 - \$46,625)

21) Tribal Prosecutor II: Criminal Law Department - Office of the Attorney General (L18 \$89,580 - \$110,970)

22) Child Advocate Coordinator: Heart to Heart – Public Health & Human Services (L9 \$40,105 - \$50,121)

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

Please attach any licenses, certificates, diplomas, resumes, etc. with application. If you are unable to attach the documents, you may drop them off at our offices located at 866 Acquoni Rd. Suite 100 or email them to the Employment Specialists listed on our website. Indian Preference does apply. NOTICE: Due to the Tribal State of Emergency, we will only advertise positions that are classified as Essential or Critical to Tribal Operations. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

EMPLOYMENT

Qualla Arts & Crafts are hiring for sales clerk position. You can come by Monday - Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. to pick up an application. 497-3103. **7/13**

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 22-055 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 PUBLICA-TION 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 PUBLICA-TION

Monica Wildcatt, P.O. Box 137, Cherokee, NC 28719; or Kim Wildcat, P.O. Box 304, Cherokee, NC 28 719

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

EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS THE CHEROKEE COURT CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA FILE NO. CV 22-150 GEORGINA NICCUM , Plaintiff, VS.

> FRENANDO LEON, Defendant.

TO: FRENANDO LEON TAKE NOTICE THAT a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is DIVORCE, filed April 6, 2022, in EBCI Tribal Court. A written answer to the complaint must be filed with the EBCI Clerk of Court within 40 days of the first publication of this Notice of Service of Process by Publication. You are required to make a defense to this pleading not later than July 27, 2022. Your failure to do so may result in the Plaintiff, Georgina Niccum, receiving the relief she seeks. This the 13th day of June 2022. EBCI Legal Assistance Office – Tsoine Attorney for Plaintiff P.O. Box 2280 Cherokee, NC 28719 828.359.7400. **7/6**

BIDs, RFPs, etc.

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

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: <u>terrhenr@ebci-nsn.gov</u>





PO Box 1925 Cherokee, NC 28719 or by phone at 828-359-6772. Thank you! **6/22**

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 robewelc@ 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



"The story of the giant leech, Tlanusi (tla nu si-yi), marks the junction of the Valley and Hiawassee Rivers, which along with their tributaries provided homes to people for thousands of years. In Brasstown Valley, recent archaeological research shows that people lived there for 10,000 years in a landscape that we would find familiar. Now to this day, when we speak to older people that know the

name Murphy they call it 'The Place of the Leech'. And this is how it got its name-from the leeches that snatched up a little child then just a few days later they were killed by these two young boys. So that is how Murphy got the Cherokee name "The

Place of the Leech.' But the English name is Murphy, North Carolina. The Cherokee name is tla nu si-yi."

Source: Dr. Jerry Wolfe/Dr. Barbara Duncan Photo: Wikipedia 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**

Qualified Subcontractors

The Whiting-Turner Contracting Co. is soliciting qualifications from subcontractors to provide construction services and labor for the Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Expansion (HCVRE) located in Murphy, NC. Current packages include: • Sitework

- Interior + Exterior Walls/Ceilings
- Structural Concrete & Masonry
- Native Stone
- Roofing & Waterproofing
- Millwork + Finish Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC & Plumbing

RFQs due by 07/06/22 by 3:00pm EST. Pre-qualification forms can be forwarded upon contact; Workers compensation, auto, and general liability are required from all subcontractors, along with performance and payment bonds at certain package valuations.

Interested parties should contact Chris Dolan at 407-370-4500 or by email at chris.dolan@whiting-turner.com for further information. Please be advised that Indian Preference (TERO) regulations and procedures do apply. **6/29**

Good Housekeeping

Grilled Shrimp Tacos with Sriracha Slaw

Smoky, grilled shrimp and spicy slaw are the keys to next-level tacos.

- 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil
 3 tablespoons freshly chopped cilantro
 Juice of 3 limes, divided Kosher salt
 - Freshly ground black pepper 1 pound large shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 1/4 head red cabbage, shredded
- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
- 1 tablespoons sriracha
- 4 medium tortillas

 In a small bowl, mix together olive oil, cilantro and 1/3 of the lime juice. Season with salt and pepper.

2. Add shrimp to a baking dish and pour mixture over. Toss until completely coated and let marinate 20 minutes.

 Meanwhile, make slaw: In a large bowl, toss cabbage with mayo, remaining lime juice and Sriracha. Season with salt.

 Heat grill to high. Skewer shrimp and grill until charred, 3 minutes per side.

Grill tortillas until charred, 1 minute per side.

 Serve shrimp in tortillas with slaw. Makes 4 servings.

For thousands of triple-tested recipes, visit our website at www.goodhousekeeping.com/food-recipes/.

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CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

FINANCE:

Patient and Referred Care Manager – \$60,190-\$75,238 Grant Coordinator - \$52,339 - \$65,424

ENGINEERING: EVS Technician - \$15.00 - \$16.77

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 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

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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 **\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus 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 Licensed Practical Nurse - Tribal Justice Correctional Center - \$22.76 - \$25.89 **\$3,000.00 Hiring Bonus Registered Nurse - Immediate Care Center - \$31.06 -\$35.64 Licensed Practical Nurse – Immediate Care Center - \$22.76 - \$25.89 Registered Nurse PTI - Emergency Room \$31.06 - \$35.64 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 - \$65,424Medication Aide - \$17.12 - \$19.26Certified Nursing Assistant - \$17.12 - \$19.26Certified Nursing Assistant - Part Time \$17.12 - \$19.26Registered Nurse Supervisor - \$36.56 - \$42.11Life Enrichment Assistant - Part Time Intermittent - \$17.12 - \$19.26Ward Clerk - \$16.01 - \$17.95Housekeeper - \$16.01 - \$17.95Cook Aide - \$15.00 - \$16.77

TRIBAL OPTIONS:

Tribal Option Business Analyst - \$60,190 - \$75,238 EBCI Tribal Option Contract Liaison - \$60,190 - \$75,238

To apply, visit careers.cherokeehospital.org

If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR Dept. at (828) 497-9163 ext. 6343.

MISSING PERSON

Toby Wayne Calvert Male

Enrolled with the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma

Age: 22 years

Height: 5'10"-6'1" Weight: 130-150 lbs

Hair: Brown Eyes : Unknown

Date of last contact: May 31, 2022

Location: Sasakwa, Oklahoma

Circumstances of Disappearance: Left his father's residence located in Sasakwa, OK. Has blonde to black (top to bottom) longer hair style that stops just below the ears or possibly the neck. Facial hair stubble. Last seen wearing orange hoodie, blue jeans, camouflage backpack, unknown shoes.

If you have seen Toby Calvert contact Deputy Edward Trent, Seminole County Sheriff's Office (405) 257-5445.

Source: NamUs.gov

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CHEROKEE ANIMAL CARE CLINIC 1100 US 441 N WHITTIER, NC 28789 828-497-3401 WWW.CHEROKEEANIMALCARE.COM







July Birthdays

7/1 - Andreas Ramirez 7/3 - Brenda K Jumper 7/3 - Javvian Swavney 7/4 - Paislee Ammons 7/5 - Lennox Lambert 7/5 - Jordan Bennett 7/6 - Elyza Jones 7/6 - Holden Straughan 7/6 - Daniel Smith 7/7 - Leona Ramirez 7/8 - Alice R. Lambert 7/9 - Kim Crowe 7/10 - Sonny Hill 7/10 - Alessandra Ramirez 7/12 - Brooklynn Ledford 7/12 - Michale Welch 7/12 - Korbin Sampson 7/14 - Jesse Ramirez 7/22 - Branson Ledford 7/22 - Kim Lossie 7/23 - John G. Sneed, Jr. 7/23 - Rachel B. Sneed 7/25 - Tawania Ensley 7/27 - Lexi Lambert 7/28 - Kathy McMahan 7/30 - Joshua Ammons

EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

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JULY 1-3, 2022

GRAND ENTRIES FRI: 7 PM SAT: 1 PM & 7 PM SUN: 1 PM

ADMISSION

ADMISSION/TICKET PRICE: \$15/DAY CASH ONLY PURCHASED AT THE EVENT

HEAD STAFF

EMCEE: ROB DAUGHERTY (OK) **EMCEE: HOWIE THOMSON (SK) ARENA DIRECTOR: SHANNON ROSS (NC)** ARENA DIRECTOR: RANDY MEDICINEBEAR (CO) MALE DANCE JUDGE: WILL TUSHKA (NC) FEMALE DANCE JUDGE: ILIANA MONTOYA (MI) DRUM JUDGE: PERRY CHEEVERS TOPPIAH (OK) DRUM JUDGE: ROOSTER TOPSKY (MT)

REGISTRATION NO EXCEPTIONS! POW WOW DANCERS GATE 2

REGISTRATION: FRIDAY NOON-7 PM SATURDAY 9 AM- NOON GATES OPEN: FRIDAY 5PM **SATURDAY & SUNDAY NOON DANCER REGISTRATION: \$15 DRUM REGISTRATION: \$100** POINT SYSTEM BEGINS ON FRIDAY AT GRAND ENTRY

NORTHERN DRUMS

CRAZY SPIRIT (MI) BIRD TOWN CROSSING (NC) EAGLE FEATHER (IA) **MEDICINE TAIL (AL)** STARR SOCIETY SINGERS (MT) MESKWAKI NATION (IA)

NORTHERN SINGING CONTEST 1ST \$9,000 * 2ND \$7,000

3RD \$6,000 * 4TH \$5,000 5TH \$4,000 * 6TH \$3,000

> OVER ALL DRUM CHAMPIONSHIP: \$3,000 49'S: \$1,000 * HAND DRUM: \$1,000

EVENT & VENDOR INFO

DANIEL TRAMPER - (828) 399-0835 DTRAMPER@GMAIL.COM

FOR MORE INFO

CHEROKEE WELCOME CENTER 498 TSALI BLVD, CHEROKEE, NC 28719 TRAVEL@NC-CHEROKEE.COM * 1-800-438-1601

CHEROKEE, NC - ACQUONT EXPO CENTER **OLD CHEROKEE HIGH SCHOOL**

SOUTHERN DRUMS

WILD BAND OF COMANCHES (OK) **BLAZING BEAR (OK)** SOUTHERN SLAM (NM) **SOUTHERN BOYS (OK)** COZAD (OK) **SOLDIER CREEK (OK)**

SOUTHERN SINGING CONTEST 1ST \$9,000 * 2ND \$7,000 3RD \$6,000 * 4TH \$5,000 5TH \$4,000 * 6TH \$3,000

IST \$250 * 2ND \$200 * 3RD \$100 * 4TH \$50

JUNIOR BOY'S TRADITIONAL, GRASS, FANCY (6-12) UNIOR GIRL'S TRABITIONAL, JINGLE, FANCY (6-12) 1ST \$75 * 2ND \$50 * 3RD \$25 * 4TH \$15

TINY TOTS (5 & UNDER) EXHIBITION DAY MONEY

SPECIAL CONTESTS

ILIANA MONTOYA'S MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRADITIONAL (YOUR TRIBAL STYLE) \$1,000 PRIZE MONEY FOR MEN (\$500, \$300, \$200) \$1,000 PRIZE MONEY FOR WOMEN (\$500, \$300, \$200) **RED DRESS FANCY SHAW (\$500)** MEN'S CHICKEN (\$500) 4 DRAW OF THE HAT (\$500 EACH)

NO ATM AVAILABLE ON SITE

OVER \$150,000 IN PRIZES

MUST BE FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED OR **FIRST NATIONS PEOPLE & SHOW AFFILIATION REPRESENTATION IN** ORDER TO RECEIVE PRIZE MONEY

MEN'S GOLDEN AGE (55+)

FANCY/GRASS COMBINED, TRADITIONAL/STRAIGHT COMBINED WOMEN'S GOLDEN AGE (55+)

FANCY/ JINGLE COMBINED, NO. TRAD/SO. TRAD COMBINED SR. ADULT (35-54) * JR. ADULT (18-34) WOMEN'S NO. TRAD. JINGLE, FANCY NO. /SO. CLUTH, SO. BUCKSKIN MEN'S TRADITIONAL, GRASS, FANCY, STRAIGHT, CHICKEN 1ST \$1,000 * 2ND \$800 * 3RD \$600 * 4TH \$300

> TEEN BOY'S TRADITIONAL, GRASS, FANCY (13-17) TEEN GIRL'S TRADITIONAL, JINGLE, FANCY (13-17)