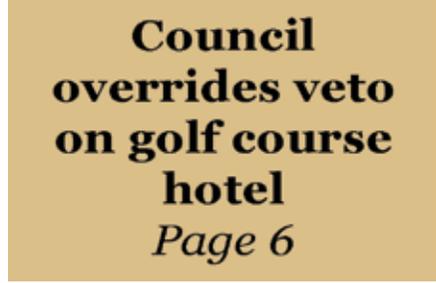




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# Honoring Cherokee heroes

**Council approves \$1 million budget for Veterans Cemetery**

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

The memory of two Cherokee heroes will forever endure at a cemetery bearing their name which is currently being developed by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI). A dedication ceremony was held in March for the Burgess-Oocumma Veterans Memorial Cemetery, and now Tribal Council has approved funding for the project which is being spearheaded by the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143.



Lew Harding, Commander of the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143, salutes the flag during the National Anthem which was played during a dedication ceremony for the Burgess-Oocumma Veteran's Memorial Cemetery, located in the Wolfstown Community, on the morning of Tuesday, March 29. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

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**VETERANS:** Funding approved for Burgess-Oocumma Veterans Memorial Cemetery; *from front page*

Council passed unanimously Res. No. 395 (2022), submitted by Wolfstown Rep. Bo Crowe on behalf of Post 143, during its regular session on Thursday, Sept. 1 which approves a one-time donation up to \$1,000,000 from the EBCI Endowment No. 2 “to assist with the development, design, and construction costs” for the project.

The cemetery is named for Sgt. John Burgess, a soldier with the 9th Infantry Division who was killed in action on April 18, 1969, and PFC John Edward Oocumma, a soldier with the 4th Infantry Division who was killed in action on Feb. 16, 1967. Both were EBCI tribal members.

“This project is dear to our hearts,” Sam Lambert, a member of Post 143, told Council on Thursday. “We think a whole lot about veterans who have gone on before us. We need a place of honor for these veterans, and we’ve worked really hard to get this cemetery to where it is now.”

EBCI Secretary of Treasury Cory Blankenship spoke to the funding of the project stating, “This project was originally contemplated as part of a federal grant program, and we’ve missed deadlines. We’ve had miscommunications about the grant. So, we have had conversations with the Legion (Post 143) and (EBCI) Project Management and said, ‘let’s just move forward with tribal dollars’. I think it is best to move forward with tribal dollars. The Legion already has a work group to vet the projects. Our office would be responsible for processing the invoices in accordance to the Tribe’s Fiscal Management Policy.”

He added, “I’m very comfortable with where we are today. I think this project is long overdue. We’ve talked about it since I’ve been in Finance. So, we just need to move forward with it. The amount was up to \$1 million. I

don’t know that it will require the entire million dollars to accomplish what the Legion has envisioned for the property, but I think we have an appropriate level of controls in place to deliver a project.”

Warren Dupree, Post 143 service officer, commented, “Thank you very much. Please rest assured that we, the veteran community, the Steve Youngdeer Post, will manage this whole development of our new Veteran’s Cemetery and our existing one as we would in the military. Everything will be dress, right, dress and accurately done – open transparency, everything will be available for scrutiny at any time. The recordkeeping will be perfect, absolutely.”

Cherokee Co. – Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha, a U.S. Army veteran, said he is glad the project is underway. “I want to make sure, whether through Project Management or through another department that either helps, assists, or facilitates, that this cemetery is truly an honor because look at the names that are going to be added to it. I know you all will do anything within your power to make sure it is going to be the best around. I just want to make sure that we do our part as a government to make sure that you all are assisted in a proper way to make sure that everything falls in line.”

For his service, Sgt. Burgess, whose name appears on panel W27, Line 105 of the Vietnam Veteran’s Memorial Wall in Washington, D.C., received the Silver Star with one oak leaf cluster, Bronze Star with two oak leaf clusters, Purple Heart, Vietnam Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, and the Combat Infantryman’s Badge. PFC Oocumma, whose name appears on Panel 15E, Line 49, received the Silver Star, Purple Heart, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, and the Combat Infantryman’s Badge.

# “Historic day” for Tribe

## First female Cherokee Chief of Police sworn-in

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

After serving in the interim spot since late June, Carla Neadeau has been appointed and was officially sworn-in as the Chief of Police of the Cherokee Indian Police Dept. (CIPD) on the morning of Thursday, Sept. 1. She took the oath of office from Cherokee Judge Barbara “Sunshine” Parker at the beginning of Tribal Council’s regular session.

“I just want to thank everybody for giving me the chance to do this and lead our department,” Chief Neadeau told Council on Thursday. “Our department wouldn’t be where we are today if it wasn’t for our officers. I can’t take all the credit for that. I give my credit to my officers because they’ve been outstanding.”

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed said, “The reality is that for law enforcement officers and for corrections officers, every day they place their life on the line. This is an historic day. She will be the first female Chief of Police for the Eastern Band so it’s an historic day for her. It’s an historic day for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.”

Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley said, “She’s done an outstanding job -



Carla Neadeau, center, shown with her husband, Roger Neadeau, left, takes the oath of office as the new Cherokee Chief of Police from Cherokee Judge Barbara “Sunshine” Parker in the Tribal Council Chambers on the morning of Thursday, Sept. 1. (ROBERT JUMPER/One Feather photo)

her and the former Chief of Police (Josh Taylor). He started it in the right direction, and she’s picked up right in the direction he’s put us in. She’s done an excellent job. She’s the first female Chief of Police we’ve ever had and a long-term police officer of our department. I’m just proud of Carla. She’s a good friend of mine, and I just want to congratulate her.”

Cherokee Co. – Snowbird Rep.

Bucky Brown noted, “I’d like to say congratulations to Carla. You’ll be a big asset to the Tribe, and I know you have already made your mark in Snowbird.”

Following her swearing-in, Chief Neadeau, who started at the CIPD in 2009, told the One Feather she’s excited to tackle the challenges associated with the job. “I look forward to it. I know it’s not going to be easy. There will be

bumps in the road, but I’m looking forward to it, and I know I can do it. And, I have a great staff. I wouldn’t be who I am today if it wasn’t for our workers.”

When asked what some of her immediate actions will be, she noted, “Get our Community Response Team out there working and get them out there doing their license checks and focusing on our drug areas of the communities. So, that hopefully will be done in the next few weeks. And, we want to get the rest of our force hired. We’re working with HR right now to do the state retirement, get that back out there for our officers so that they can get them hired.”

Later in the session, Chief Neadeau presented Res. No. 396 (2022) which adds 16 new positions to the CIPD and Cherokee Corrections Program. The legislation passed unanimously and adds the following positions:

- Cherokee Indian Police Dept.
  - one detective reporting to Sergeant – Investigations
  - two assistant chief of police report to the chief of police
  - 10 patrol officers reporting to Sergeant – Patrol
  - one victim advocate reporting to lieutenant – investigations
- Cherokee Corrections Program
  - one compliance officer reporting to the Corrections captain
  - two maintenance technicians reporting to the Corrections captain



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# Council overrides veto on golf course hotel funding

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**

One Feather Staff

The construction project for a hotel at the Sequoyah National Golf Club will continue. With Res. No. 373 (2022), an additional \$15.5 million was approved by Tribal Council during its Aug. 4 session, but Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed vetoed that measure on Aug. 30.

Council overrode his veto during the regular session on Thursday, Sept. 1. Council Vice Chairman Albert Rose made the motion to override the veto, and the measure passed 51 to 25 with the voting going as follows: For – Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy, Cherokee Co./Snowbird Rep. Bucky Brown, Vice Chairman Rose, Tribal Council Chairman Richard French, Wolftown Rep. Bo Crowe, Yellowhill Rep. T.W. Saunooke; Against – Cherokee Co./Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha, Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle, Yellowhill Rep. David Wolfe; Absent – Wolftown Rep. Bill Taylor, Painttown Rep. Dike Sneed, and Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke.

In his veto letter, Chief Sneed wrote, “I have issued this veto not

because I disagree with the project or the value that it could create for this entity, but for reasons of fiscal accountability and process. In the last two years, the Tribal Council has authorized over \$600 million of funding commitments for various projects that are revenue-generating, economic development projects or community service infrastructure projects. Revenue-generating projects have been required to meet a high bar, as they should, for revenue-generating potential. The project pro forma for this project has an over-reliance on the Tribe’s casino gaming enterprise for customer flow, and currently there is no formal agreement in place between the two entities that establishes rates or customer commitments. Without a formal agreement, the pro forma for the project is overstated and risk of not meeting stated performance indicators is high. This should be of significant concern to tribal leadership as 100 percent owners of the property the tribal government would necessarily be forced to subsidize any underperformance.”

He went on to reference Res. No. 151 (2022) authorizing a project workgroup and workflow.

“While the golf course hotel project was part of the 5-year capital plan, the project was effectively stopped when approval was not granted for additional funding for sitework. Because of the significant changes in scope and cost as presented recently for this project, this project should be treated as a new project and directed through project workgroup as approved by Tribal Council. Further, this project should be considered in coordination with the current Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) process that is in its final stages.”

Rep. Wachacha made a motion to uphold the veto, but his move didn’t garner a second and died on the floor.

Following the vote, there was some confusion as to what constituted the required two-thirds vote to override the veto.

Michael McConnell, EBCI attorney general, quoted the Cherokee Code, “Section 117-18 Veto Override says, ‘In the event, the Principal Chief shall veto any act or resolution of the Council, such veto may be overridden by a two-thirds vote of the Tribal Council.’ Three Council representatives were absent for this vote.

Rep. T.W. Saunooke said, “Two-thirds of the vote of the current, present Council right now is 50.6 percent. 51 percent just voted yes.”

Res. No. 373 was submitted by Curtis Wildcatt, Sequoyah National Golf Club board chairman, and added the \$15.5 million to the project bringing the total to \$39 million including the \$23.5 million approved in 2019.

During discussion of that legislation in August, Wildcatt told Council, “We had a little bit of reconsideration. We added the amenities necessary to represent us in a positive light – restaurant amenities, bar, suite rooms, upgrades on materials used. That’s where these increases come from. Then, of course, all the inflation due to COVID and then the current economic situation.”

Res. No. 373 passed as follows: For – Rep. Crowe, Rep. Taylor, Rep. McCoy, Chairman French, Vice Chairman Rose, Rep. T.W. Saunooke, Rep. Brown, Rep. Owle; Against – Rep. Wolfe, Rep. Wachacha, and Rep. Tommye Saunooke; Absent – Rep. Sneed.

**Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 is seeking contact information for active EBCI service men/women to provide aid and support.**

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# 2022 Cherokee Indian Fair Stickball Schedule

## Wednesday, Oct. 5

- 2 p.m. - Wolftown vs Big Cove (6-9 year olds) at old High School
- 3 p.m. - Big Cove vs Wolftown (10-12 year olds) at old High School
- 6 p.m. - Wolftown vs Hummingbirds (men) at Unity Field

## Thursday, Oct. 6

- 3 p.m. - Wolftown vs Hummingbirds (6-9 year olds) at old High School
- 4 p.m. - Elders game at old High School
- 6 p.m. - Big Cove vs Birdtown (men) at Unity Field

## Friday, Oct. 7

- 2 p.m. - Hummingbirds vs Big Cove (6-9 year olds) at old High School
- 3 p.m. - Big Cove vs Wolftown (10-12 year olds) at old High School
- 5 p.m. - Wolftown vs Big Cove (men) at Unity Field
- 6 p.m. - Birdtown vs Hummingbirds (men) at Unity Field

## Saturday, Oct. 8

- 2 p.m. - Big Cove vs Wolftown (13-17 year olds) at old High School
- 4:15 p.m. - Wolftown vs Birdtown (men) at Unity Field
- 5:30 p.m. - Hummingbirds vs Big Cove (men) at Unity Field

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# EBCI looks to clear 'nuisance buildings' from Cherokee

By **JONAH LOSSIAH**

One Feather Staff

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) now has the ability to abate and demolish 'nuisance buildings' on the Qualla Boundary.

Resolution No. 341 (2022) was passed by Tribal Council this July, opening the door to this process. This created a \$150,000 line item for the General Fund of the EBCI for the purpose of abatement and demolition of commercial buildings deemed a 'nuisance'. Buildings could be added to this list if they are dilapidated or being neglected and used for illegal activity.

The process for this action

would go through multiple departments, and that meant that perspectives were shared from many different areas of the Tribe. This resolution involves Tribal Operations, the Finance Office, Attorney General's office, Cherokee Indian Police Department, and EBCI Public Health and Human Services (PHHS).

Vickie Bradley, secretary of PHHS, said that the programs have been having these conversations for some time.

"This initiative started a little over a year ago with the enactment of public health law 130. Then section 145 from environmental. Because we had so many complaints about public nuisance properties. So, we put together a multifaceted

team to see what we could do," said Bradley.

Michael McConnell, EBCI attorney general, offered some explanation to Council.

"The 150,000 that is requested here is requested because there is not currently a budgeted amount for this. And this might not go to demolition ... the hope is that we can say 'if you agree, then we can help you'. Rather than go through a long, potentially contentious process," said McConnell

"The cost is as much for assessment and abatement. Say there's an old building that has asbestos in it. We need to find that out to go to the next step of 'who's going to pay for that?' We are focusing, in this effort, on properties

that are the most visible to Tribal members and others who are in the main business district."

Cory Blankenship, secretary of Finance, gave more insight into the process.

"In some instances, there are grant dollars that are available that the Tribe could apply for in order to take these buildings down. In this case, we're committing Tribal dollars to offer a similar program. It's essentially a grant to that property owner to take that building down," said Blankenship. "We are targeting buildings where there are drug issues. Where there is a high call volume to police and EMS for services because these properties are being utilized for those types of activities. There's

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Age: 25 Hair: Black Eyes: Brown

Missing date: Friday, July 5, 2022

Last Known Location: Enid, Oklahoma

Circumstances of Disappearance: Last seen on July 5, 2022 in Enid, Oklahoma. Battelo has dimples and currently has short hair but often wears wigs of various hair colors.

If you have seen Kendra Nicole Battelo, contact Detective J Torres, Enid Police Department, (9580) 242-7000

Source: NamUs.gov



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a list with a working group from Public Health and Human Services, Office of Environmental and Natural Resources, the Police Department, the Attorney General's office."

Tribal Council had several questions about the process. One that was brought up multiple times was a concern about people 'gaming the system'. Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy voiced this concern. "Let's say somebody beats the system. Comes in here and we take down an old building and they turn around and put a car lot on it. What we've done is use our money and resources to take care of something that they may have been responsible for. I want to make sure we don't do that," said Rep. McCoy.

Blankenship said that there is not a perfect system, but there are ways to limit this kind of behavior. "I think the response to that is vigilance over how this is being

done," said Blankenship.

"Say that possessory holder says yes, Tribe, I want to work with you to tear this thing down. Currently, that thing's vacant. We're not getting any levy off of it. Say we tear it down and they rebuild. Yes, they do get a benefit from that, but we get a benefit too. Through more traffic, through levy, those things."

Secretary Bradley said that there have been multiple steps to determine which buildings they need to focus on first. She said that they took into account the number of complaints and reports received from areas and buildings. She said that it also involved boots-on-the-ground research to determine which buildings were the most dangerous to the community. She said that the team created a list, and specifically started looking at the ten worst offenders.

"There are some challenges, but the ultimate goal is to make

the community safer. To use the law to prevent these public nuisance properties from existing. We didn't really get into a lot of the questions you're asking because we didn't feel like that was our role. Our role is to apply to the law to make the community a safer place. If it brings value to the possessory holder and they want to use that property in the future, of course that would have to come to business committee," said Secretary Bradley.

She also wanted to address the idea of people gaining from the system, stating that the programs are primarily focused on getting the job done more than anything. "We felt like, honestly, we could get more cooperation with a carrot than a stick. Because there are a lot of possessory holders that own some of these properties. Quite honestly, they don't have the means to mitigate. They don't have the means to do what they need

to do. But we felt like the community's safety was more important, because we might be waiting forever."

Rep. McCoy added the idea of zoning to the conversation. She said that there needs to be a better standard for buildings on the boundary, and that zoning might be the next step.

"We've got to have a zoning law. We have got to just sit down one day and have a long, hard talk about that. I know it rubs people the wrong way. But it works in other places, and it can work here. I just think it's time for us to do that," said Rep. McCoy.

The resolution passed after a move was made by Wolfstown Rep. Bill Taylor and was seconded by Yellowhill Rep. T.W. Saunooke. Yellowhill Rep. David Wolfe and Painttown Reps. Tommye Saunooke and Dike Sneed all voted against the resolution.

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## NEWS BRIEFS

### CIPD Arrest Report for Aug. 21-28

*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](http://theonefeather.com).*

Reed, Seth Payton – age 30  
Arrested: Aug. 21  
Released: Aug. 24  
Charges: Domestic Violence; Assault by Strangulation; Assault on a Female; Resisting, Delaying, or Obstructing Officers

Voss, Kyle August Paul – age 36  
Arrested: Aug. 22  
Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 29)  
Charges: Probation Violation

Morgan, Jennifer Renee – age 21  
Arrested: Aug. 23  
Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 29)  
Charges: Probation Violation

Murphy, Reena Lashanda – age 30  
Arrested: Aug. 24  
Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 29)  
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Ross, Cassandra Dawn – age 36  
Arrested: Aug. 24  
Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 29)  
Charges: PWIMSD, Reckless Endangerment, Providing or Possessing Contraband, Possession of a Controlled Substance

Tyler Blankenship – age 33  
Arrested: Aug. 25  
Released: Aug. 28  
Charges: Public Intoxication; Simple Assault, Assault and Battery, Simple Affray; Resisting, Delaying, or Obstructing Officers, Domestic Violence

Sampson, Dustin Vernon – age 36  
Arrested: Aug. 25  
Released: Aug. 25  
Charges: Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public

Tramper, John Leroy – age 24  
Arrested: Aug. 25  
Released: Aug. 25  
Charges: Diving While Impaired

Youngdeer, Steven Henry – age 40  
Arrested: Aug. 25  
Released: Aug. 26  
Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree, Assault with a Deadly Weapon

Jackson, Kendall Luanne – age 28  
Arrested: Aug. 26  
Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 29)  
Charges: Non-Compliant With Wellness Court

Teeseateskie, Treavor – age 53  
Arrested: Aug. 26  
Released: Aug. 26  
Charges: Failure to Appear

Wachacha, Kyzik Dominique – age 20  
Arrested: Aug. 26  
Released: Aug. 26  
Charges: DWI

Wildcatt, Joshua Anthony – age 20  
Arrested: Aug. 26  
Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 29)  
Charges: Assaulting by Pointing

Gun, Criminal Mischief to Property

Armachain, Brian William – age 32  
Arrested: Aug. 27  
Released: Aug. 27  
Charges: Driving While Impaired

Brady, Wendy Pearl – age 44  
Arrested: Aug. 27  
Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 29)  
Charges: Domestic Violence

Cromer, Joseph Leland – age 79  
Arrested: Aug. 27  
Released: Aug. 27  
Charges: Temporary Hold for Swain Co.

Johnson, Anthony Dean – age 44  
Arrested: Aug. 27  
Released: Aug. 28

Charges: Hold Until Sober

Wherry, Desmond Alexander – age 32  
Arrested: Aug. 27  
Released: Aug. 27  
Charges: Temporary Hold

Ayers, Mitchell Wayne – age 40  
Arrested: Aug. 28  
Released: Aug. 28  
Charges: Failure to Appear

Bennett, Cassandra – age 20  
Arrested: Aug. 28  
Released: Aug. 28  
Charges: Underage Alcohol Consumption

Birchfield, Natasha – age 21  
Arrested: Aug. 28  
Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 29)  
Charges: Domestic Violence

# COLD CASE



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

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

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## **Cherokee Co. man sentenced to decades in prison for trafficking drugs**

A Cherokee County man who sold large quantities of illegal drugs out of a Canton hotel room will spend, at minimum, one month shy of 44 years in state prison.

District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch said Haywood County jurors found Richard “Ricky” James King, 53, of Marble, guilty last week for trafficking and conspiracy.

The charges filed were:

- Trafficking by Possessing 400 Grams or More of Methamphetamine – received 225 to 282 months
- Trafficking by Transporting 400 Grams or More of Methamphetamine – received 225 to 282 months
- Maintaining a Vehicle for Controlled Substances – received 7 to 18 months
- Conspiracy to Traffick in Methamphetamine – received 70 to 93 months

Superior Court Judge Steve Warren handed down consecutive sentences for each of the four charges, for a total sentence of 527 months to 675 months, or 43 years and 11 months in prison to 56 years and three months.

On April 30, 2021, Haywood County Sgt. Detective Micah Phillips and Detective Jordan Reagan set up surveillance at the Canton hotel. When King left the hotel, driving away on a revoked license, the two detectives initiated a traffic stop.

The detectives searched the vehicle. They discovered a large sum of money and digital scales. Later, they found drugs stashed in a void between the car’s truck and bumper.

Kate Robinette and Jeff Jones

served as co-prosecutors in securing the conviction.

- *Office of District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch release*

## **Jackson Co. man pleads guilty to second-degree murder in fatal crash**

A Jackson County man pleaded guilty Thursday, Sept. 1 in Haywood County Superior Court to killing one person and injuring two others on July 21, 2021, after he intentionally drove into oncoming traffic, District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch said.

Fleeing law enforcement officers and, his lawyer said in court, while “strung out on methamphetamine” after abusing the drug for days on end, Dalton Suttles’ westbound vehicle slammed head-on into an eastbound pickup truck on U.S. 23/74.

Zenen Lopez-Guzman, 46, died in the wreck just inside Jackson County near the Haywood County line.

District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch said that Suttles, 21, pleaded guilty to:

- Second-degree murder.
- Flee to elude.
- Trafficking in methamphetamine from 28 grams up to 200 grams.

Senior Resident Superior Court Judge Bradley B. Letts consolidated the charge of flee to elude with the second-degree murder charge for the purposes of sentencing. He imposed a 194-month minimum prison sentence up to a 245-month maximum sentence.

At the expiration of that prison term, Suttles will serve an additional, consecutive prison sentence of 70 to 93 months for trafficking in methamphetamine.

Additionally, Judge Letts ordered Suttles to pay two fines, \$1,000 for second-degree murder and \$50,000 for trafficking, as

well as \$13,321 in restitution.

Judge Letts thanked N.C. Highway Patrol Trooper Samantha Hyatt “personally for her excellent work.” Other agencies involved were Haywood County Sheriff’s Office, Jackson County Sheriff’s Office and Waynesville Police Department.

“He didn’t just make poor decisions, he made malicious decisions,” Assistant District Attorney Jeff Jones said to Judge Letts about Suttles prior to sentencing.

Jones co-prosecuted the case with Assistant District Attorney Chris Matheson.

The event started to unfold after Haywood County Detective Micah Phillips spotted Dalton Suttles, wanted on outstanding felony warrants, driving a Chevrolet Tahoe on N.C. 209. The vehicle has a fictitious plate.

Detective Phillips attempted a traffic stop on U.S 23/74. Suttles fled, driving at speeds that at times exceeded 100 mph.

On the highway, Suttles drove into oncoming traffic, weaving around several cars before slamming into the pickup truck.

In court and before sentencing, he apologized to the surviving victims and family members of Lopez.

- *Office of District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch release*

## **Swain Co. man sentenced after pleading guilty to trafficking drugs**

FRANKLIN - A Swain County man pleaded guilty Monday, Aug. 28 in Macon County Superior Court to trafficking illegal drugs, District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch said.

Casey Wayne McKeehan, 40, of Bryson City, fled last week when his case was called for trial, resulting in a court order for his arrest.

The following day, his bail agent handed him over to authorities. Then came his plea on Monday.

McKeehan received a minimum prison sentence of 70 months in prison up to a maximum sentence of 93 months in prison. Superior Court Judge Robert Bell also ordered McKeehan to pay a state-mandated \$50,000 fine for trafficking in methamphetamine.

On Sept. 7, 2021, Franklin Police Officer Randy Dula was patrolling on Georgia Road when he noticed a driver acting suspiciously. He initiated a traffic stop after running the vehicle’s plate and discovering it was fictitious.

A K9 alerted on the truck, and methamphetamine was discovered after the subsequent search.

Assistant District Attorney John Hindsman prosecuted the case.

- *Office of District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch release*

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**FOOTBALL**

# Choctaw wins Battle of the Nations

**PHOTOS By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**

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**Choctaw Central Warriors 30**

**Cherokee Braves 20**

Friday, Sept. 2; Ray Kinsland Stadium

**SCORING SUMMARY**

*1st Quarter*

11:30 - CHOCTAW: Keyshawn Ben 21-yard run, point-after blocked. Choctaw 6-0

7:47 - CHOCTAW: Elias Bell 5-yard pass to Gage Lewis, 2-point conversion no good. Choctaw 12-0

1:07 - CHOCTAW: Ben 8-yard run, point-after blocked. Choctaw 18-0

*2nd Quarter*

10:12 - CHOCTAW: Jeriah Jimmie 57-yard run, point-after blocked. Choctaw 24-0

*3rd Quarter*

7:07 - CHEROKEE: Chase Calhoun 23-yard run, Calhoun run for 2-point conversion. Choctaw 24-8

38.9 - CHEROKEE: Calhoun 7-yard run, 2-point no good. Choctaw 24-14

*4th Quarter*

11:00 - CHOCTAW: Ben 44-yard run, point-after blocked. Choctaw 30-14

3:28 - CHEROKEE: Calhoun 13-yard run, 2-point conversion no good. Choctaw 30-20

**TEAM STATS**

Total Plays: Cherokee 64, Choctaw Central 56

Total Yards: Cherokee 335, Choctaw Central 408

Total Passing Yards: Cherokee 48, Choctaw Central 143

Total Rushing Yards: Cherokee 287, Choctaw Central 265

First Downs: Cherokee 21, Choctaw Central 16

3rd Down Efficiency: Cherokee 6 of 11, Choctaw Central 3 of 7

4th Down Efficiency: Cherokee 2 of 3, Choctaw Central none

Turnovers: Cherokee 3, Choctaw Central 1

Fumbles Lost: Cherokee 2, Choctaw Central none



Cherokee's Zach Maney (#52) tackles a Choctaw Center runner. On the night he had 2 tackles and 5 assisted tackles.

Interceptions Thrown: Cherokee 1, Choctaw Central 1

Penalties: Cherokee 7 for 85 yards, Choctaw Central 11 for 91 yards

**INDIVIDUAL STATS:**

Passing: Cherokee - Tso Smith 2 of 11, 48 yards, 1 INT; Choctaw Central - Elias Bell 9 of 14, 143 yards, 1 TD, 1 INT

Rushing: Cherokee - Chase Calhoun 32 for 206 yards and 2 TD, Tso Smith 14 for 66 yards;

Choctaw Central - Keyshawn Ben 12 for 122 yards and 3 TD

Receiving: Cherokee - Kaden Trantham 2 for 48 yards; Choctaw Central - Gage Lewis 1 for 5 yards and 1 TD

Tackles: Cherokee - Luke Climbingbear 1 tackle and 11 assists, Zac Maney 2 and 5, Smith 5 and 2, Josh Phillips 7 assists, Trantham 2 and 4 with 1 INT and 3 blocked extra points



Chase Calhoun (#8), Braves running back, dives for the end zone on a 7-yard touchdown run in the third quarter of the Battle of the Nations game against Choctaw Center on the evening of Friday, Sept. 2 at Ray Kinsland Stadium. On the night, he rushed 32 times for 206 yards and 2 TDs.



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Emiliano Garcia (#35), JV Braves running back barrels in for a tough 8-yard touchdown run in the first quarter. A Murphy JV roster was unavailable.

## JV FOOTBALL

**Photos by Scott McKie B.P.**

One Feather Staff

Murphy JV Bulldogs 24

Cherokee JV Braves 6

Thursday, Sept. 1; Ray Kinsland Stadium

### 1st Quarter

1:22 – CHEROKEE: Emiliano Garcia 7-yard run. 2-point failed.

Cherokee 6-0

### 2nd Quarter

6:45 – MURPHY: #10 1-yard run.

2-point failed. Cherokee 6 Murphy 6

1:58 – MURPHY: #10 65-yard pass to #3. 2-point failed. Murphy 12 Cherokee 6

### 4th Quarter

9:55 – MURPHY: #10 8-yard pass to #3. 2-point failed. Murphy 18 Cherokee 6

1:04 – MURPHY: #5 16-yard run. 2-point failed. Murphy 24 Cherokee 6



Jack Jack Teesateskie (#8) dips out of a Murphy tackle.



Cherokee's Ogana Swimmer (#3) makes an open field tackle on a Murphy running back.

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# 2022 Qualla Country Fish Tournament draws 450 anglers

The 2022 Qualla Country Fish Tournament was held in the enterprise waters of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians on Aug. 27-28. A total of 450 anglers registered with 89 of them turning in a total of 177 tags. The tournament was hosted by the Fish Cherokee program in the EBCI Natural Resources Division.

Joseph Osbourne, of North Wilkesboro, won the grand prize of \$5,000 as well as an additional \$100 on another tagged fish. Mike Eachos, of Cleveland, Tenn., and Michael Banoy, of Statesville, both won \$1,000 prizes.

Other winners included:

- \$500 – Terry Wright, Franklinton; Cauthen G. Pierce, Lancaster, S.C.
- \$100 – William Patrick, Vansant, Va.; Rex Bell, Thomson, Ga.; Thomas Hill, Eastanolee, Ga.;

Tournament organizers said, “A huge congratulations to all our winners! Fish Cherokee says adieu as we conclude the tagged fishing tournament lineup for 2022. We went out with a bang by distributing a total payout of \$13,150 for the Qualla Country Trout Tournament in cash prizes over a two-day period. We had the chance to meet some wonderful people this year and heard fantastic fishing tales not heard before. It was our pleasure to meet new anglers and to revisit with old friends. Join us again for next year’s Opening Day Fish Tournament which will be held March 25-26, 2023. We give thanks to all our anglers and appreciate your participation in our fishing program.”

For more information on fishing in Cherokee, visit: [fishcherokee.com](http://fishcherokee.com)

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Joseph Osbourne, of North Wilkesboro, won the grand prize of \$5,000 as well as an additional \$100 on another tagged fish in the 2022 Qualla Country Fish Tournament held in Cherokee on Aug. 27-28. (Photo courtesy of EBCI Natural Resources)



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# CMS Girls win at Tri-County meet

**One Feather Staff Report**

MURPHY – For the second consecutive week, the Cherokee Middle School (CMS) girls cross country team came out on top as they won a meet hosted by Tri-County Early College on the afternoon of Wednesday, Aug. 31. Livia Crowe led the way with a first-place finishing time of 13:34.9

Dvdaya Swimmer took first place in the high school girls race with a time of 20:16.2, and her brother, Ogana Swimmer, took second place in the middle school boys race with a time of 11:35.1.

Following are results, per [nc.milesplit.com](http://nc.milesplit.com), showing the top seven finishers in each race as well as each Cherokee Middle School and Cherokee High School runner:

**Middle School Girls**

- 1 - Livia Crowe, Cherokee, 13:34.9
- 2 - Kennedy White, Murphy, 13:47.4
- 3 - Halie Hill, Murphy, 13:59.6
- 4 - Lolo Bell, Cherokee, 14:27.4
- 5 - Rachel Carver, Carolina Mountain XC, 14:32.5
- 6 - Marlo Joyce, Hayesville, 14:35.8
- 7 - Hensley Pickelsimer, Fannin County, 14:46.
- 11 - Lilly Lossiah, Cherokee, 14:59.2
- 12 - Jacque Fourkiller-Raby, Cherokee, 15:00.9
- 14 - Morgan Hernandez, Cherokee, 15:10.3
- 22 - Nyra Reed, Cherokee, 16:09.5
- 23 - Maya Lossiah, Cherokee, 16:14.2
- 29 - Cambry Stamper, Cherokee, 16:24.2
- 30 - Josclyn Stamper, Cherokee, 16:30.3
- 41 - Kennedy Moore, Cherokee, 18:05.3

**Team Scores**



The Cherokee Middle School girls cross country team is shown following their first-place finish at a meet hosted by Tri-County Early College on the afternoon of Wednesday, Aug. 31. They are shown, left to right, back row – Josclyn Stamper; middle row - Livia Crowe, Lilly Lossiah, Cambry Stamper, Kennedy Moore, Lolo Bell; and front row - Maya Lossiah, Nyra Reed, Morgan Hernandez, and Jaque Fourkiller-Raby. (Photo by Miranda Stamper/Cherokee Central Schools)

- 1 - Cherokee 35
- 2 - Murphy 50
- 3 - Fannin County 64
- 4 - Swain 78
- 5 - Robbinsville 152
- 6 - Mountain Discovery Charter 159

**Middle School Boys**

- 1 - Koen Verner, Fannin County, 11:11.7
- 2 - Ogana Swimmer, Cherokee, 11:35.1
- 3 - Gabe Clark, Andrews, 11:49.7
- 4 - Xamuel Wachacha, Robbinsville, 11:59.9
- 5 - Ross Clapsaddle, Swain, 12:12.9
- 6 - Oscar Page, Hiwassee Dam/Ranger, 12:29.1
- 7 - Levi Clark, Andrews, 12:38.9
- 30 - Kaden Stephens, Cherokee, 14:56.1
- 32 - Utsela Saunooke, Cherokee, 15:00.0
- 35 - Jeron Martens, Cherokee, 15:13.3
- 42 - Drake Cruz, Cherokee, 15:45.4

- 43 - Levi Oocumma, Cherokee, 15:58.1

**Team Scores**

- 1 - Andrews 45
- 2 - Fannin County 56
- 3 - Hayesville 82
- 4 - Swain 98
- 5 - Cherokee 121
- 6 - Robbinsville 142
- 7 - Murphy 157
- 8 - Mountain Discovery Charter 228

**High School Girls**

- 1 - Dvdaya Swimmer, Cherokee, 20:16.2
- 2 - Amaya Hicks, Swain County, 20:57.4
- 3 - Gracie Monteith, Swain County, 21:28.3
- 4 - Annie Lewis, Swain County, 21:44.0
- 5 - Fern Crayton, Tri-County Early College, 22:29.3
- 6 - Marden Harvey, Swain County, 24:24.4
- 7 - Lauryn Linton, Swain County,

- 24:41.3
- 14 - Letsi Burgos, Cherokee, 25:36.7
- 22 - Jaylynne Esquivel, Cherokee, 28:40.0
- 27 - Adi Cooper, Cherokee, 29:55.6
- 30 - Tsuli Lossiah, Cherokee, 31:13.8
- 33 - Boie Crowe, Cherokee, 32:53.5

**Team Scores**

- 1 - Swain County 20
- 2 - Hayesville 53
- 3 - Cherokee 71
- 4 - Robbinsville 103

**High School Boys**

- 1 - O'Malley Salinas, Andrews, 17:43.8
- 2 - Connor Brown, Swain County, 18:01.0
- 3 - Jaylan Bark, Cherokee, 18:02.2
- 4 - Kane Jones, Swain County, 18:17.0
- 5 - Tyce Hogner, Cherokee, 18:32.3
- 6 - Ethan Russell, Hiwassee Dam, 18:52.1
- 7 - Aizen Bell, Cherokee, 19:23.3
- 11 - Tanin Esquivel, Cherokee, 20:03.3
- 14 - Dacian Tafoya, Cherokee, 20:31.2
- 16 - Ayden Thompson, Cherokee, 21:17.0
- 22 - Anthony Lossiah, Cherokee, 21:48.6
- 30 - Oztin Swayney, Cherokee, 23:07.7
- 31 - Eli Bird, Cherokee, 23:22.7
- 57 - Matox Stamper, Cherokee, 27:23.7

**Team Scores**

- 1 - Swain County 30
- 2 - Cherokee 34
- 3 - Hayesville 93
- 4 - Robbinsville 119
- 5 - Hiwassee Dam 127
- 6 - Carolina Mountain XC 140
- 7 - Murphy 166
- 8 - Tri-County Early College 189

## Senior Citizens Heating Assistance program

Applications for the 2023 heating season will be available at Tsali Manor starting on Monday, Sept. 12 via drive-thru. Applications will be available Monday through Friday after 1 p.m. each day. Heating applications will be handed out at the drive-thru. Please stay in your car, and the applications will be brought out to you. They can be returned Monday through Friday after p.m.

The deadline for applications is March 31, 2023. If you are 65 or older by March 31, 2023, you are eligible for services upon turning 65. If you are applying for Electric Heating Assistance, please attach a current billing statement. If you do not use the contract companies, it is your and your company's responsibility to get your delivery invoices to the Assistance program as soon as possible. This year's heating season will end on April 30, 2023. Info: 359-6860

- Tsali Manor



## Staring a journey

The Brothers In The Wind took off on their 12th annual trip to Oklahoma this morning, August 29. The riders were met by several members of Tribal Council and Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley before launching off just after 9 a.m. (JONAH LOSSIAH/One Feather photo)



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## VETERANS HONOR DAY - FRIDAY, OCT. 7

All events will be held at Harrah's Cherokee Convention Center exhibition hall.

**11 a.m.** - Honor Songs by Drum Group

**11:30 a.m.**

- Presentation of Colors by Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143

- National Anthem sung by Angela Toomey

- Invocation by Chaplain Vaughn Benner, U.S. Army

- POW/MIA Ceremony by Jim Babcock, U.S. Army

- Welcome message by Lew Harding, Post 143 commander

- Welcome message by Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed

- Guest Speaker, Secretary Walter Gaskin, NCDMVA

- Introduction of special guests

- Recognition of all veterans

**12:30 p.m.** - "Brothers and Sisters Like These" Stores by Steve Henderson

**1:15 p.m.** - Musical entertainment by Angela Toomey

**1:45 p.m.** - Closing Ceremony, EBCI Roll Call, Sounding of "Taps", Closing prayer by Chaplain Benner

**2 p.m.** - Retiring of colors and service flags

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## OBITUARIES ᏊᏁᏂᏂᏂ

### **CPO Herbert Sneed Sr., USN (Ret.)**

CPO Herbert Sneed Sr., USN (Ret.), 86, of the Wolfstown Community, was welcomed into the arms of the Lord on Friday, Aug. 26. He passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by his loving family after a long illness originating from his service to his country and tribe.

Herb was born in Cherokee and was the son of the late Ernest and Leana Sneed. He grew up learning to farm, hunt and work with Wolfstown Free Labor, alongside his dad, before enlisting in the US Navy in 1952.

Making a career of the Navy, Herb came to love the sea as he served as a Seabee, diver and Vietnam Veteran, retiring after 30 years of service.

Herb met and married the love of his life, Merlina, while serving overseas. After his active-duty retirement, they returned to Cherokee and raised five children while he worked as the Engineering Equipment Operator Foreman for the BIA Roads Division. He retired from the BIA and continued em-

ployment as the Tribe's Engineering Foreman for the Roads Division before retiring a third time.

In his retirement, Herb loved spending time with his family. He enjoyed fishing and hunting and continuing his talents with woodwork and farming. He often times could be found around the home property on his bulldozer, working on his equipment or caring for his Chevys. Herb was a huge Cherokee Braves fan and supported them through his children's school years and into his grandsons' football years. He enjoyed what he considered the fine living of home cooked meals with his favorites being traditional dishes and buttermilk and cornbread. Herb was a God-fearing man, lived by the word of the Lord, and had last attended Macedonia Baptist Church.

Along with his parents, Herb was preceded in death by his brother, Ernest "Bud" Sneed Jr.; his sister, Winnie Lee Nunez; and his grandson, Shane Sneed.

He is survived, and will be dearly missed, by his wife of over 50 years, Merlina, and his five children, Robert (Jaclyn), Herb Jr., Bo (Bobby), Michelle (Ray) and Nena (Zach); his granddaugh-

ters Jaisa (Justin), Carter, Dorien (Nick), Drew (Nick), Talon (Tony), Kamea (Michael), Brynn, Monroe, Alisha, and Shay; his grandson, Johnny; and great-grandchildren, Marlie, Rogue and Oscar. Herb is also survived by his brothers, Hill, Jimbo, and Piney; sisters, Gertha and Carie Lou; and many extended family members and special friends.

Pallbearers are son, Herb Sneed Jr.; sons-in-law, Ray Long, Zach Loch, and Bobby Stone; grandson, Johnny Long; nephew, Paul Sneed; and grandsons-in-law, Justin Kearns and Nick Jones.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Four Seasons Hospice and special friends at Tsali Care Center.

Visitation was held on Thursday, Sept. 1, until the hour of service on Friday, Sept. 2 at the Wolfstown Community Center. Burial with military honors was at the Shane Sneed Memorial Garden Cemetery. Chaplain Donny Edwards officiated. Services were provided by Crisp Funeral Home.

### **Janet Jessie Walkingstick-Mehaffey**

Janet Jessie Walkingstick-Mehaffey, 77, of 71 Hyatt Cove Rd. in Cherokee, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, Aug. 27, 2022 while at Mission Hospital in Asheville.

Janet was the daughter of the late William Walkingstick and Nancy Ledford Walkingstick. Janet had completed an Associates Degree in her youth but made her way mostly as a waitress for a very long while at the Pizza Inn of Cherokee.

Janet is survived by her husband of the home, Buddy Mehaffey; grandchildren, Trent "Diggy" Wolfe and Brandon Van Wolfe both of Cherokee; great-grand-

child, Tyree Tohigwo Wolfe of Lewisville.

Janet was also preceded by her son, Wayne Lamar Wolfe; brothers, Wayne Walkingstick and Bill Leford; and sisters, Ernestine Walkingstick and Jean O'Kelly.

Janet had a short visitation on Wednesday, Aug. 31 in the Chapel of Long House Funeral Home followed by a short service officiated by Pastor Arron Langston. She was immediately buried at the Birdtown Cemetery with pallbearers being among the family and friends.

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

### **Rachel Mathews Mathis**

Rachel Mathews Mathis, 67, of the Towstring Community, went home to be with the Lord Thursday, Sept. 1, 2022. A native of Cherokee, she was the daughter of the late Seab and Floy Mathews. In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by three brothers, Wayne Mathews, Doug Mathews, and Robert Mathews.

She is survived by her husband of 45 years, Bob Mathis; brothers and sisters, Bertha Pilkington, Raymond Mathews, Janice Crutchfield, and Roy Mathews and wife Cathy all of Cherokee; three sisters-in-law, Glenda Mathews, Cindy Mathews, and Sandy Fisher; one brother-in-law, Danny Mathis; and several nieces and nephews.

A graveside service was held Sunday, Sept. 4 at Towstring Cemetery. Revs. JT Lambert and Raymond Mathews officiated.

The family received friends Saturday, Sept. 3 at Crisp Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Jeff Fisher, Chris Crutchfield, Phil Farmer, Scott Mathews, Brian Mathews, and RL Mathews.

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# 2022 Cherokee Indian Fair Schedule

## Tuesday, Oct. 4 - Parade Day

- 2:30 p.m. – Judging of Floats
- 4 p.m. – Parade starts
- 7 p.m. – Opening Prayer by Scott Chekelelee (Outdoor Stage)
- 7:10 p.m. – Presentation of Colors (Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143), National Anthem by Ernestine Driver (Outdoor Stage)
- 7:35 p.m. – Welcome greetings by Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley, and Tribal Council (Outdoor Stage)
- 7:55 p.m. – Recognition of Grand Marshals – Cherokee Speakers (Outdoor Stage)
- 8:20 p.m. – Welcome by Miss Cherokee (Outdoor Stage)
- 8:35 p.m. – Cherokee Elementary School Dancers (Outdoor Stage)
- 9 p.m. – Museum of the Cherokee Indian Dancers (Outdoor Stage)
- 9:30 p.m. – Bailey Mountain Cloggers (Outdoor Stage)
- 10:05 p.m. – Storytelling and Flute by Jarrett Wildcatt (Outdoor Stage)

## Wednesday, Oct. 5 - Children's Day

- 9 a.m. – Gates and Exhibit Hall opens, Archery sign-ups and contest (Unity Field)
- 10 a.m. – Free bracelets for rides begins (Outdoor Stage)
- 10:15 a.m. Sign-up for contests (Outdoor Stage)
- 10:30 a.m. – Baby Crawling Contest (Outdoor Stage)
- 11 a.m. – Lunch begins, Soldiers of Truth/Turtle Race (Outdoor Stage)
- 11:15 a.m. – Axe Throwing (boys) and Lid Toss (girls) (Outdoor Stage)
- 12 p.m. – Rides begin
- 12:30 p.m. – Longest Hair Contest for ages 5-7 (Outdoor Stage)
- 12:45 p.m. – Longest Hair Contest for ages 8-12 (Outdoor Stage)
- 1 p.m. – Longest Hair Contest for ages 13-17 (Outdoor Stage)
- 2 p.m. – Youth Stickball (6-9), Wolfstown vs Big Cove (old High School)
- 3 p.m. – Youth Stickball (10-12), Big Cove vs Wolfstown (old High School)
- 6 p.m. – Men's Stickball, Wolfstown vs Hummingbirds (Unity Field)
- 7 p.m. – Youth Dance Contest, ages 5-12 (Outdoor Stage)
- 8 p.m. – Teen Dance Contest, ages 13-17 (Outdoor Stage)
- 9:30 p.m. – Lip Sync Contest for Youth (Outdoor Stage)
- 10 p.m. – Lip Sync Contest (Outdoor Stage)
- 11 p.m. – Gates close

## Thursday, Oct. 10 Elder's Day

(events will be held inside Exhibit Hall unless otherwise noted)

- 9 a.m. – Gates open
- 9:15 a.m. – Presentation of Colors
- 9:30 a.m. – Cornhole sign-up
- 10 a.m. – Cornhole
- 10:30 a.m. – Field Events until 2 p.m.
- 10:30 a.m. – Maybelle and Alfred Welch
- 11 a.m. – Ice-Breaker Questions
- 11:30 a.m. – Lunch and door prizes
- 12:30 p.m. – Door prizes
- 1:45 p.m. – Door prizes
- 2 p.m. – End of Field Events

- 3 p.m. – Traditional Fashion Show
- 3 p.m. – Youth Stickball (6-9), Wolfstown vs Hummingbirds (old High School)
- 4 p.m. – Elders Stickball (old High School)
- 6 p.m. – Men's Stickball, Big Cove vs Birdtown (Unity Field)
- 6 p.m. – Robert Runningwolfe concert (Outdoor Stage)
- 9 p.m. – Cherokee Idol (Outdoor Stage)

## Friday, Oct. 7 - Veteran's Day

- 11 a.m. – Lunch, Honor Songs (Exhibit Hall)
- 11:30 a.m. – Opening Ceremony (Exhibit Hall)
- Presentation of Colors by Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 Color Guard; National Anthem by Angela Toomey; Invocation by Chaplain Vaughn Benner, USA; POW/MIA; Welcome Message by Post 143 Commander Lew Harding; Welcome Message by Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed; Guest Speaker Secretary Walter Gaskin, NC DMVA; Introduction of Special Guests; Recognition of all veterans
- 12:30 p.m. - "Brothers and Sisters Like These" stories from Steve Henderson (Exhibit Hall)
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- 1:45 p.m. – Closing Ceremony (Exhibit Hall)
- EBCI Roll Call of Fallen Warriors, Sounding of "Taps", Closing Prayer by Chaplain Benner
- 2 p.m. – Retiring of Colors and Service Flags (Exhibit Hall)
- 2 p.m. – Youth Stickball (6-9), Hummingbirds vs Big Cove (old High School)
- 3 p.m. – Youth Stickball (10-12), Big Cove vs Wolfstown (old High School)
- 5 p.m. – Men's Stickball, Wolfstown vs Big Cove (Unity Field)
- 6 p.m. – Men's Stickball, Birdtown vs Hummingbirds (Unity Field)
- 6 p.m. – Thompson Boys (Outdoor Stage)
- 8 p.m. – Trial by Fire – Tribute to Journey (Outdoor Stage)
- 10 p.m. – Cherokee Idol finals (Outdoor Stage)

## Saturday, Oct. 8 - Community Day

- 8 a.m. – Archery and Blowgun contest sign-up (Unity Field)
- 8:45 a.m. – Archery and Blowgun contests (Unity Field)
- 10 a.m. – Snowbird/Cherokee County Community Day event (old Elementary School site)
- 11:15 a.m. – Big Cove Community Day event (Outdoor Stage)
- 12:30 p.m. – Wolfstown and Painttown Community Day events (Outdoor Stage)
- 1:45 p.m. – Birdtown Community Day event (Outdoor Stage)
- 2 p.m. – Teen Stickball (13-17), Big Cove vs Wolfstown (old High School)
- 4:15 p.m. – Men's Stickball, Wolfstown vs Birdtown (Unity Field)
- 5 p.m. – Sugah & The Cubes (Outdoor Stage)
- 5:30 p.m. – Men's Stickball, Hummingbirds vs Big Cove (Unity Field)
- 7 p.m. – Big Y Community Day event (Outdoor Stage)
- 8 p.m. – Boyz 2 Men Concert (Harrah's Cherokee Event Center)
- 10:15 p.m. – Cherokee Idol (Outdoor Stage)
- 11 p.m. – Pretty Legs Contest (Outdoor Stage)

Theme: "Say it in Cherokee", "Hniwi Tsalagi"

## COMMENTARY

# Are we being Fair?

By **ROBERT JUMPER**

One Feather Editor

I don't know about you, but I am ready for the Fair. That's the Cherokee Indian Fair. You know the one we had to miss for two consecutive years because of the COVID-19 outbreak? You know, on the Qualla Boundary, the Fair is one of the life-celebration times that, even though it happens in the fall when the plants are "dying", it is very much a time of Cherokee life and renewal.

I was honored to be able to be in on the planning and execution

of many of the Fall Festivals over the last 20 years, being a coordinator or manager of some sort for at least 12 of those years. One of the great joys of the job was interacting with the people who visited the Fair. During some of those years, I would be at the Fairgrounds (Ceremonial Grounds) from six or seven in the morning until one or two the next morning, and then repeat for a four-day stretch. Needless to say, I got to spend some quality time at the Fair.

While the location was venerable, it really wasn't the land that made Fair time special. It was and always has been the people. It is that special feeling you get when you connect in-person with your friends and family. The fun of familiarity; ribbing each other over some silly thought or action;

people watching some of the very unique looks that people wear at the Fair; sharing a fried Oreo while solving all the worlds problems, or at least the Tribe's; and generally reacquainting with each other after maybe not seeing or hearing from that person since the last Fair.

I like Fair time. I like the smell of freshly roasted corn on the cob that has been drowned in melted butter, pork chops, frybread, and fried chicken (lots of fried chicken). My wife is addicted to the kettle corn from the Cherokee Indian Fair. Loves the stuff. I sometimes made special trips to the Fair just to pick up some of that kettle corn.

The exhibits have been amazing over the years. From agricultural to the arts, our people shine through the hundreds of exhibits

that adorned the exhibit hall every year. We know we have some of the most talented people on the planet. At the Fair, those extraordinary artists get to shine their brightest in front of their most beloved audience, the Cherokee people. It also shines through in the community exhibits, each community showing their pride in their home communities within the Boundary. You can get a lot of history just strolling through the exhibit area, as well as eyeball some pretty massive candy roasters.

One of my favorite pastimes at the Fair was listening to the old timers tell their stories of life. Some of our tribal elders have never left the Boundary, remaining here their life's long, just like their ancestors. Then others have circled the globe, serving, and protecting loved ones during military service. That is another great sight to see at the Fair. For many years, Mollie Grant collected photos of Tribal military service members and created an extensive display to recognize their service. Cherished photos of loved ones, many who had passed from this life to the next, so valuable and treasured that Mollie wouldn't let them out of her possession even long enough to be replicated. Such was her dedication to preserving those memories so that they could be enjoyed by generations to come.

One memory that, once I heard it, I could never get out of my mind was one shared by Tribal Elder and Beloved Man Jerry Wolfe. Many of our tribal elders get a boost and extra twinkle in their eye when they are asked to share their stories. Jerry was no exception. I was privileged to hear Jerry tell the story of the early days of the Fair, when carnival

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rides were a new and unexperienced thing on the Boundary. In the early days, when the carnival rides would appear for the Fair, Jerry explained that those rides would be more popular with the elders and adults than they were with the young people. The older generation was fascinated with the idea of riding something that went nowhere but gave the feeling of going somewhere. Back in the day, Jerry said that it was nothing to see great, long lines of older folks standing and waiting for their turn on carnival rides. There is more to Jerry's story about the waiting line, but it is a tale better told in person, maybe we will meet at the Fair this year and I may share it with you.

The folks who assemble the day activities for the Fair are the staff of the Cherokee Welcome

Center. This same group of folks have helped organize the Fair and Fair Parade for many years. They were given a particularly challenging assignment this year due to the necessity of closing the Ceremonial Grounds. If you are local, a tribal member, you will know these day planners. They are members of your communities. They take pride in their work, and they love their communities. And they are committed to bringing the best experience they can create for the community and for the visitors who attend the Fair. They are doing the same great job they have always done; they are just executing it in a different location.

Now, all that being said, it is disappointing that we will not be back on the Fairgrounds for the Cherokee Indian Fair this year. As we said in the previous edition,

there have been decades of memories made on the Ceremonial Grounds and it is a tough pill to swallow after basically a two-year hiatus that the first Fair back is not going to be where it traditionally has happened for over a hundred fairs. No one, including those who had to make that decision, wanted it to be this way. But it is.

And looking at the options available to them, the leadership decided that the safest, most practical, and economical option for this year is going to primarily be at the Harrah's Event Center, with stickball still at Unity Field and the old high school sites. I think a few of the other outdoor activities may also be scheduled at Unity. Some in our community have expressed concern or dislike of the location, primarily because of their disagreement with adult gaming. The debate over gaming will rage on long after the Fair, some saying it is ethically unacceptable while others will praise the enormous economic benefits and the ability to provide social services and cultural preservation that would never have happened without the money from the gaming operations.

We all know how difficult it is to find space that will accommodate a large event like the Fair. And being that the Fair is a once-a-year event, venues like the old elementary school site and the high school site, which would seem more user friendly, are being

prepped for more long-term, continuous use projects. Or they do not have utilities in place to facilitate large events like the Fair. On the other hand, the Harrah's Event Center was created to hold... events. It says so right there in the name. It is Cherokee land that is designated for holding Cherokee events.

When it comes to our Fall Festival, we don't like to see change. It is like an old familiar friend, and it makes us uncomfortable when our old friend makes a dramatic change. But the Cherokee Indian Fair will still be what it has always been; an opportunity to gather, to be excited, to laugh and poke fun, and to enjoy some good, hot roasted corn and frybread.

I guess if we are intent on looking for reasons not to enjoy the Fair, we will find them. I don't recall a single Fair in my 20-year relationship with it in which there were no complaints. Not because anyone didn't do their jobs or there were issues with the venue. It was simply because we are all different and what pleases one will not necessarily, please all. And even though there were those who were critical each year, each year we came back to enjoy another year of the Cherokee Indian Fair.

So, ready, or not, here the Fall Festival comes. Oct. 4-8. I hope to see you there. And honey, don't worry, I already have it my notes to pick up some kettle corn.



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## SPEAKING OF FAITH

# Receive your own download...

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

(Transcribed by Myra D. Colgate)

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church

Continued...

Read Luke 18:1-8, James 1:27, 1Timothy 5:3

“Father, I pray You would just open the Scriptures up to us in our hearing, that You, Holy Spirit, would open up our understanding to every person to receive a download from You today.

“Father, that those in Your House, those hearing or reading this, would walk away with a greater understanding and a realization of what kind of Judge You really are, what You have made available, and what it takes to “get” it. Father, we give You the Praise, the Glory, and the Honor, in the Name of Jesus Christ. Amen.”

Let’s go back to Verse 1. “Men ought always to pray and not to faint.” In other words here’s what He said, “One ought to believe in something so greatly that they refuse to ever let it go, that they never quit praying for it; or fall out; that they don’t stop, but hang on. Why? Because there is a Righteous Judge now. Today, I want to work on this because we need to see.

First, Jesus told the parable and the woman kept coming, and coming, and coming. “I have an enemy and I need You to deal with them.”

The judge did not care about this woman. She came to him, and came to him and came to him, but finally when she walked in again...He would have rolled his eyes and said to himself, “Not this woman again, whatever she wants, she’s going to get because I want her to go away.”

Isn’t that an amazing statement? Why would Jesus say that here, when He’s talking about “men ought to pray and not faint?” It’s because He’s drawing the distinction between the world and the spiritual realm. He’s showing us the difference between those who have declared and those who have not.

All of this is a picture of the Church. He’s

not talking about the Courthouse in Sylva or in Bryson City. He’s talking about the House of God. There are some who don’t even care about others, but then there are others who are trying to bless the others. The others who may not be trying to give or to love anyone, they can just be wanting what they can get.

But God isn’t like that. Many of you know that in the Kingdom of God, when the Kingdom has entered on the inside and a person has begun to operate, but just because they are selfish people, that doesn’t go well in the Kingdom of God, but it can still be the Truth, because we can see what we are like and what they are like on the inside of that person. Does it mean that you are powerful? Does it mean that one can have the things of God?

It can mean that the folks that make pastoring not so fun on your Sundays, I can say this to you, because you are our Sunday night people. Look at your neighbor and say, “Talking about you.” Don’t get all upset, I’m not talking about you. I’m talking about those who’ve tasted enough of the God that they thought they wanted, they want something, but they don’t want it to cost them anything. Jesus is talking about those who don’t fear God. They didn’t regard man. Do you see this in Verse 4? However, they will do what they have to do when they get troubled enough. (I’m

trying to help you.)

Come on, they don’t fear God enough to spend any time during the week. They don’t regard man enough to see a need and deal with it, but when enough trouble comes, they’ll make us a picture of a lot of different Christians stuck at a lot of differing levels of understanding, and they will understand they too need more than they have thus far...

As we are to live by faith, we must persist in prayer. Surely each person can begin to help the most vulnerable and needy of God’s people—widows, especially those who have no family, and orphans. They will have needs and distresses, that we could choose to be able to help in their being properly cared for, not letting the world corrupt us by seeking gains only for ourselves. In truly serving them by helping meet their needs, the Lord calls this pure and genuine religion being practiced in His Sight.

We need to consider never allowing ourselves to give up on ourselves or them. Constant prayer continually, as we live day by day, while believing Him for the answers helps them and us, too. God may delay His answering, but His delays always have good reasons. As we persist in prayer, we will develop in our character, faith and hope. We can know we are living the way we each should be, gaining much more for now, and for later, as well.



## THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE



“Head of a Man” by Pablo Picasso (1908)

*...The wicked boasts of his soul's desire; he blesses the greedy and despises the Lord. The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek God; God is not in all his thoughts.*

*PSALM 10: 3,4*

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## EVENTS

### BENEFITS/FUNDRAISERS

**Turkey Shoot at the Jesse Welch Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community.** Sept. 10 at 5 p.m. This will be a fundraiser to help with medical travel expenses for Cindee West and family to visit Chuckie. Good food, good fun, great prizes, great benefit.

**Bingo Night.** Sept. 10 at the Birdtown Gym. Doors open at 4 p.m., Bingo starts at 5 p.m. Concession available. Cost: Adults \$20 (Native prizes), kids \$10 (toys). Money raised to be used for Sampson and Lizzie Arneach Welch family reunion.

### COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Cherokee County Indian Community Club Heritage Day.** Sept. 10 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Cherokee County Indian Community Club at 300 Airport Rd. in Marble. Hayes Brothers Band, Cherokee history by Billy Ray Palmer, silent auction, and food.

**Amy Smoker and Lee Teesateskie Birthday Memorial Dinner.** Sept. 10 at 2 p.m. at the Little Snowbird Playground in Robbinsville. Bring a covered dish and a lawn chair. Chicken, paper prod-

ucts, and drinks will be provided.

**RTCAR to host EBCI artisan Listening Session.** Sept. 12 at 3 p.m. at the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office. The Revitalization of Traditional Cherokee Artisan Resources (RTCAR) program will host the first artisan listening session open to all EBCI artisans. RTCAR wants to hear about the needs of EBCI artisans: what materials are you having trouble locating, what are your frustrations, and how can RTCAR help? There will be food and drink served along with giveaways provided by the Sequoyah Fund. RTCAR recognizes the link between contemporary Cherokee art and traditional art and welcomes all artisans but is particularly interested in the natural resources needs of artisans. All EBCI artisans are welcome. Info: Adam Griffith 359-6935 or [adamgriff@ebci-nsn.gov](mailto:adamgriff@ebci-nsn.gov)

**10th Annual Cherokee Archaeological Symposium.** Sept. 15-16 at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort. Free and open to the public. Register with Eventbrite (search Cherokee Archaeological Symposium)

**Sampson and Lizzie Arneach Welch family reunion.** Sept.

24 at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Please bring a covered dish or dessert. Meat, drinks, water, bread, plates, and silverware will be provided. A photographer will be available. Door prizes. Bring your old photos.

### 2022 EBCI Royalty Pageant schedule

- Little Miss Cherokee. Sept. 28 at 6:30 p.m.
- Teen Miss Cherokee. Sept. 29 at 6:30 p.m.
- Junior Miss Cherokee. Sept. 30 at 6:30 p.m.
- Miss Cherokee. Oct. 1 at 6:30 p.m.

All pageants will be held in the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center on the campus of Cherokee Central Schools.

**Speak to the Mountain Divine Healing Crusade.** Tuesday through Saturday (now through Oct. 4) at 7 p.m. nightly at 3548 Wolfstown Road in Cherokee. Info: [www.newsongcherokee.com](http://www.newsongcherokee.com)

**Food Truck Boot Camp.** Nov. 7-10 in Cherokee. Everything you need to know about starting and growing a food truck business. Info: Laura Lauffer 359-6926 or [lwlauffe@ncsu.edu](mailto:lwlauffe@ncsu.edu)

### HEALTH & SPORTS EVENTS

**2nd Annual Smoky Mountain Softball Camp.** Sept. 13-14 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. each day at the Webster Softball Field in Sylva. This is for youth entering third through eighth grades. Skills, fundamentals, drills, knowledge, hitting, infield/outfield, base-running, and pitching. Cost: \$80/camper for both days. \$50/camper for one day. Info: (704) 477-9876, [morganblanton13@gmail.com](mailto:morganblanton13@gmail.com)

**Fall Brawl at Wolfstown wres-**

**ling tournament.** Sept. 24 on the outdoor covered basketball courts at the Wolfstown Gym. Boys and girls divisions; elementary, middle school, and high school; and open age groups. Register (\$40) at [trackwrestling.com](http://trackwrestling.com). Info: Cheryl Baynard 290-8788 or [TeamNCpairing@gmail.com](mailto:TeamNCpairing@gmail.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.*

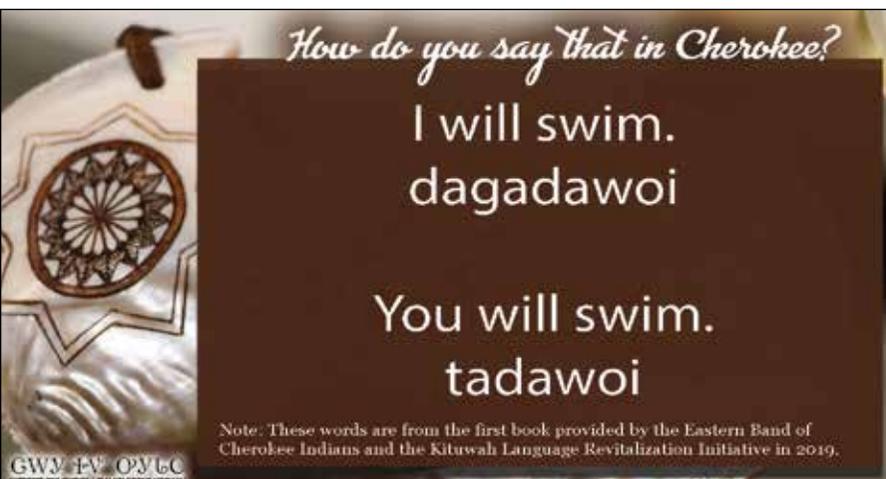
**Sycuan Pow Wow.** Sept. 9-11 in El Cajon, Calif. Emcees: Ruben Little Head, Ral Christman, Mylo Smith. Host Drum: Wakinyan Luta. Info: (619) 445-2613, [jalabrake@sycuan-nsn.gov](mailto:jalabrake@sycuan-nsn.gov)

**Mendota Mdewakanton's 25th Annual Traditional Wacipi.** Sept. 9-11 at St. Peter's Church Grounds in Mendota, Minn. MC: Jerry Dearly. Host Drum: Scotty Brown Eyes and Southside Ramblers. Info: Sharon Lenartson (651) 452-4141, [mendotadakota@gmail.com](mailto:mendotadakota@gmail.com)

**35th Annual Trail of Tears Pow Wow.** Sept. 10-11 in Hopkinsville, Ky. MC: Rob Daugherty. Host Drum: Medicine Tail. Info: Tim Moss (270) 987-9806

**44th Annual Nanticoke Indian Pow Wow.** Sept. 10-11 in Milton, Del. MC: Keith Colston. Host Drums: Red Blanket, Stoney Creek. Info: Carolyn Plotts (302) 945-3400, [info@nanticokeindians.org](mailto:info@nanticokeindians.org)

**Andersontown Pow Wow and**



**Market.** Sept. 10-11 in Alexandria, Ind. MC: Gabriel Ayala. Host Southern Drum: Strong Heart. Host Northern Drum: Kingfishers. Info: Debbie Webb (765) 203-9770, Debbie.webb@att.net

**46th Annual Honolulu Intertribal Pow Wow.** Sept. 10-11 in Honolulu, Hawaii. MC: Dan Nanamkin. Host Drum: Wildhorse. Guest Drum: Phoenix Boyz. Info: Loa Simoes at honolulupowwow@gmail.com

**Dix Park Intertribal Pow Wow.** Oct. 8 at Dix Park in Raleigh. Info: trey@dixparkconservancy.org

**WESTERN N.C. & BEYOND EVENTS**  
**Cherokee Fall Festival.** Sept. 10-11 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day at the Sequoyah Birthplace

Museum in Vonore, Tenn. Cherokee arts and crafts demonstrations, music, dance; demonstration of the Museum's 1800s Acorn Printing Press; demonstrations in the blacksmith shop; Civil War battle re-enactment at 2 p.m.; cooking demonstrations by Johnnie Sue Myers; performances by the Warriors of Anikituhwa; and more. Food (including frybread and Indian tacos) and drinks will be sold. This event is funded, in part, by the Tennessee Arts Commission Rural Arts Program Grant and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Tickets: Adults \$10, Teens (13-18) \$5, and children 12 and under are free. Family rate of \$25 is also available. Info: Sequoyah Birthplace Museum (423) 884-6246

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# VETERANS ★ POST ★

by Freddy Groves

## Finding Employment in the Civilian World

If you're a veteran or are just about to leave the service, one thing that might be on your mind is future employment in the civilian world. What are you going to do for work? How do you fill out an application when you don't know the civilian title equivalent for the jobs you seek or the skills you have? Do you wonder if your skills even have application outside the military world?

Oplign, owned and operated by veterans who've been there, might have the answers you need. Oplign has a high-powered search engine computer that translates and matches the civilian job with the military veteran. Whether you're a veteran seeking a job or a civilian employer with positions to offer, Oplign can help. For the veterans information, see vetlign.com, or check out the video at vimeo.com/522935777.

RecruitMilitary (RecruitMilitary.com) does things in a different way with an MOS, NEC or AFSC translator. Enter your classification or just your ZIP code and see what jobs are available near you. A fast look at jobs in my area showed a wide range of opportunities, from pharmacist to aviation mechanic to paint store supervisor and more. One other helpful section is the list of veteran-centric job fairs, including those that are also for military spouses.

Check the Veteran Jobs board at military.com, also with a classification translator, job listings and a place to upload your resume.

Consider looking for a position with your state government. Chances are that if you are searching for a position that requires licensing or certification, your state will have opportunities that can ease the process of getting those based on your military service and experience.

Check your state's Department of Labor as well; they frequently have "hire a vet" goals to meet and will go out of their way to help you.

If you have a medical/health care military background, it might take no more than a single phone call to your local hospital to find employment.

And remember: If you aim for a government job, you might have Veteran's Preference Points. Those are valuable.

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## Rally Family, Friends to Find Lost Cat

**DEAR PAW'S CORNER:** My orange striped cat, Charlie, went outside for the night about two weeks ago. I haven't seen him since. He's been an indoor/outdoor cat since I adopted him at a year old and always goes outside for about two hours after the sun sets, then scratches at the screen door to be let back in. I'm not able to walk far or drive these days. How can I let people know to look for him? — Janice L., via email

**DEAR JANICE:** It's time to rally the troops to hunt for Charlie. Call your family members, friends, acquaintances, church — everyone you know. Post on Facebook. Ask for their assistance in looking for Charlie and explain your situation.

A Facebook post will get the word out to friends or family that you're connected to. From there, they should post a photo or description of Charlie to local community groups and lost pet groups on the social media service.

Contact all the local shelters — you can call or email them — to see if Charlie is being cared for there. These shelters may have a newsletter that you can subscribe to, and if they have a lost pet section, they might mention it in the newsletter. (Shelters rarely announce lost pets on public social media groups.)

Have friends or family members put up "lost cat" signs around the neighborhood with a photo and description of Charlie and a contact number. See if they can periodically drive the nearby streets to see if Charlie darts past them.

I wish you all the best in finding your cat.

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

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**HAPPENINGS:** Event listings, from page 25

**Swain County Democratic Party meeting.** Sept. 12 at 7 p.m. at the Technology and Training Center at 45 E. Ridge Dr. in Bryson City. Please wear a mask. The meeting will also be conducted via Zoom. Call for a link to join the virtual meeting. All are welcome. Info: 488-1234

**Gallery talk with EBCI Artist Jody Bradley.** Sept. 14 at 4 p.m. at Carson-Newman University's Appalachian Cultural Center located on Russell Ave. in Jefferson City, Tenn. The event, "And Still, We Dance: A Story of Cherokee Resiliency", is free and open to the public. The exhibit, on display now, is a series of paintings/mixed media, and celebrates the Cherokee Syllabary, its trove of legends, traditional dress, and traditional

foods.

**Swain County Democratic Party cookout with candidates.** Sept. 17 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Riverfront Park at 101 Mitchell St. in Bryson City. Free food and drinks. Meet the candidates. Silent auction. 50/50 drawing. Info: 488-1234

**Meet and Greet Conservative Candidates of Jackson County.** Sept. 17 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Qualla Community Building at 181 Shoal Creek Church Road. This event is hosted by Jean Howe and Jackson County GOP.

**Pine Needle Basket class.** Sept. 20 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Murphy Art Center at 33 Valley River Ave. in Murphy. This is a regular class, suitable for adults or other ages. Learn to make a small needle basket and leave with information to find most of the materials locally to continue your learned skill. Info: Liisa Cull (321) 480-9530, LiisaCull@gmail.com

**William Ritter Album Release Concert.** Sept. 23 at 7 p.m. in the Community Room of the Jackson County Public Library. Ritter will be releasing his debut solo album "Mentor". Info: 586-2016

**12th Annual Symposium Integrating Indigenous Knowl-**

**edge, Language, Health, Environment (Rooted in the Mountains).** Sept. 29-30 in the Blue Ridge Conference Room at Western Carolina University in Cullowhee. The theme for the event is "Nv wa tohi ya da a de hi di yi – Living in a Continued State of Wellness". Cost: Students \$25, Adults \$75 through Sept. 18 (\$125 after). Info: Email llefler@email.wcu.edu or visit: www.rootedinthemtns.wcu.edu

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**SUPPORT GROUPS**  
**Cherokee Cancer Support Group**

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



**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) As eager as you are to take on that new challenge, it would be best to temper that spurt of "Ram"-bunctious energy until you have more facts to back up your decision.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) This is a good time for hardworking Bovines to take a break from their hectic on-the-job schedules to bask in the unconditional love and support of friends and family.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Pay attention to what you hear in the workplace. You could pick up some hints about possible changes. Meanwhile, a new infusion of creative energy sets in by week's end.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Try to be more flexible in dealing with a suddenly difficult situation, whether it's on the job or at home. Others might have some good points to offer. Listen to them.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) You might think you're not getting the royal treatment you deserve. But, be careful not to become a royal pain by complaining about it. Be patient and allow things to work out.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Watch that penchant for being super judgmental at work. It might create a bad impression with someone whose decisions could determine the course of your career.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) You've been your usual busy-bee self, gathering nectar wherever you can find it. But now's a good time to kick back, relax and just enjoy smelling the roses.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) That pesky personal situation seems to be improving. But, change comes slowly, so be patient. Expect someone to bring more positive news by week's end.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Whoa! Ease up on that hectic pace you've been putting yourself through. Take time to recharge your energy levels before going at a full gallop again.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Try to be intrigued, not intimidated, by the issues you're suddenly facing, and you'll be ahead of the game. Don't be afraid to demand answers to your questions.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Are new associates freezing you out of their inner circle? Never mind. Put a warm smile on that friendly face of yours, and you'll soon thaw them all down to size.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Your wise guidance helps colleagues agree to compromise and move forward. Meanwhile, there are still vital issues you need to deal with in your personal life.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You enjoy being free with your emotions, but you can exercise disciplined focus as well. You would make a fine artist.

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Alcoholics Anonymous is an international mutual aid fellowship dedicated to abstinence based recovery from alcoholism through its spiritually inclined Twelve Step program. AA is a 501c3 non-profit organization.

**BUYING**

Buying Wild Ginseng starting Sept. 1. Green only until Sept. 15 then green and dry. Buying at Jenkins Store in Cherokee every Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Also buying at my home every from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. Call Ricky Teem (828) 371-1802 or 524-7748.

10/11

**SEEKING**

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

**YARD SALES**

Going out of business evening yard sale at Cherokee Motel. Thursday, Friday, Saturday starting Sept. 1 at 6 p.m. Every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday until everything is gone. No holds. Double beds, night stands, mirrors – all the contents of a motel room. Info: Jennifer 506-7278.

9/14

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](mailto:scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov).

WE'RE HIRING



PUT ON YOUR  
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NEW ME  
HAT.**

Harrah's Cherokee Job Fair  
Wednesday September 14  
Resort Hotel Ballroom 10am - 3pm  
Fun, Exciting and Rewarding Opportunities await.

Get a head start and apply at:  
[www.harrahsherokeejobs.com](http://www.harrahsherokeejobs.com)



**Puzzle Answers**

**Super Crossword**

Answers

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**BIBLE TRIVIA**  
by Wilson Casey

ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) Two, 3) 30, 4) Adoniram, 5) Six, 6) Profit

**Trivia test** by Fifi Rodriguez

- Answers
1. Nauru, an island nation in the Pacific Ocean.
  2. The Year of the Tiger.
  3. 1995.
  4. 70. She just celebrated her Platinum Jubilee.
  5. Hugh Jackman.
  6. West Virginia.
  7. Earth.
  8. Anubis, god of death.
  9. Three.
  10. Buddha was born in what is modern-day Nepal.

**Weekly SUDOKU**

Answer

7	3	2	6	9	8	4	5	1
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6	8	5	9	4	3	2	1	7
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# Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements



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

**AGELINK:**  
TEACHERS (\$14.00-\$17.00/HOUR);  
(1) COOK ASSISTANT AT SNOWBIRD  
(\$10.00/HOUR)

**BUS:**  
(10) PT SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS  
(10) PT TRUCK DRIVERS

**CONSTRUCTION/FACILITIES:**  
(2) SKILLED CARPENTERS  
(2) CARPENTER HELPERS



# Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians HUMAN RESOURCES

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

## Closing Sunday, September 11, 2022

1. Telecommunicator – Public Safety Communications Center – Operations (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
2. Housekeeper I Light Duty (Multiple) – Housekeeping – Operations (L3 \$22,990 - \$28,732)
3. Resource Inventory Coordinator – Cherokee Indian Police Department – Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625)
4. Economic Analyst – Destination Marketing – Commerce (L12 \$52,635 - \$65,811)
5. Truck Driver – Tribal Construction – Operations (L6 \$30,357 - \$37,946) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

## Open Until Filled

1. Detention Officer (Multiple) – Detention Services – Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
2. PT Paramedic (Multiple) – Emergency Medical Services – Public Safety (L8 \$17.55 - \$21.94 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
3. Youth Development Professional – Cherokee Youth Center – Community/Education/Recreation Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
4. Certified Nursing Assistant – Tribal In Home Care Services – Public Health and Human Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
5. Driver (Multiple) – Transit – Operations (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
6. Teacher (Multiple) – Qualla Boundary Head-Start/Early Head-Start – Public Health and Human Services (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,57 SA4)
7. Real Estate Associate Attorney – Tribal Realty Services – Office of the Attorney General (L15 \$68,704 - \$85,886)
8. Social Worker (Multiple) – Family Safety – Public Health and Human Services (L10 \$43,956 - \$54,950)
9. Legislative Financial Director – Tribal Council (L21 \$116,354 - \$145,421)
10. Tribal Prosecutor II – Criminal Law – Office of the Attorney General (L18 \$89,580 - \$110,970)
11. Office Administrator – Cherokee Choices/Nurse Family Partnership – Public Health and Human Services (L6 \$30,357 - \$37,946)
12. Arts and Crafts Instructor – Cherokee Youth Center – Community/Education/Recreation Services (L3 \$22,990 - \$28,732)
13. Electrician Helper – Qualla Housing Services – Housing (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
14. Watershed Coordinator – Natural Resources – Agriculture and Natural Resources (L9 \$40,105 - \$50,121)

**All applications and job descriptions are available at  
[www.ebci.com/jobs](http://www.ebci.com/jobs)**

Please attach any licenses, certificates, diplomas, resumes, etc. with application. If you are unable to attach the documents, you may drop them off at our offices located at 806 Aquonni 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 Opportunities

Mandara Spa at Harrah's Cherokee is seeking applicants for the following positions:  
\*\*\* Signing Bonus up to \$2,500 \*\*\*

- Senior Concierge for Front Desk and operations support – hospitality experience preferred
- Concierge for Front Desk – hospitality experience preferred
- Male Spa Host and Female Spa Host – no experience required

*Competitive compensation and benefits packages available. EEOC*

\*\*\* contingent on FT/PT and availability status

Apply in person or contact Angie Hill at [angieh@mandaraspa.com](mailto:angieh@mandaraspa.com) or 497-8550.



# CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

# EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

## FINANCE:

- Patient Registration Clerk (Grant) \$17.12 - \$19.26
- Patient Access Specialist - Part Time Intermittent \$17.12 - \$19.26
- Patient Access Specialist - \$17.12 - \$19.26
- Contracting Officer \$24.55 - \$27.99
- Billing Analyst II \$19.66 - \$22.25
- ACA Insurance Specialist \$19.66 - \$22.25

## ENGINEERING:

- Dietary Manager - \$52,339 - \$65,424
- Emergency Hire - Food Service Worker - \$15.00 - \$16.77
- EVS Technician \$15.00 - \$16.77

## EXECUTIVE:

- Administrative Assistant - Engineering / Performance Improvement \$19.66 - \$22.25
- Credentialing Clerk - \$19.66 - \$22.25

## BEHAVIORAL HEALTH:

- Licensed Practical Nurse \$22.76 - \$25.89
- Master Level Therapist – Adult & Child positions available - \$56,891 - \$68,269 **\*\*\$3,000 Hiring Bonus**
- Targeted Case Manager – Family Safety \$39,576 - \$49,470
- Office Coordinator \$19.66 - \$22.25
- Residential Technician (Female) – Kanvwotiyi - \$17.12 - \$19.26 (PM/Weekend differential pay) **\*\*\$3,000 Hiring Bonus**
- Integrated Classroom Skill Builder – Cherokee Central Schools - \$17.12 - \$19.26

## OPERATIONS:

- Clinical Pharmacist \$91,542 - \$114,427
- Dental Assistant II \$18.32 - \$20.67
- Pedodontist \$139,732 - \$174,665
- Optician \$22.76 - \$25.89
- Optometrist \$97,036 - \$121,295
- Ultrasound Technologist - Part Time Intermittent \$24.55 - \$27.99
- Helpdesk Support Specialist - \$22.76 - \$25.89
- Systems Administrator II - \$52,339 - \$65,424

## MEDICAL:

- Advanced Practice Provider – Emergency Room - Part Time Intermit-

- tent \$97,036 - \$121,295
- Clinical Dietitian \$45,512 - \$56,891
- MAT Clinic – PA/FNP \$80,863 - \$101,079
- Physician – Primary Care \$139,732 - \$174,665
- Physician/Hospitalist - Inpatient – Full Time & Part Time Regular - \$139,732 - \$174,665

## NURSING:

- Acupuncturist - \$60,190 - \$75,238
- Analenisgi Inpatient Technician – Part Time Intermittent \$17.12 - \$19.26 (PM/Weekend differential pay)
- Care Manager (IDD/TBI) – Primary Care \$31.06 - \$35.64
- Care Manager Supervisor (IDD/TBI) – Primary Care \$33.68 - \$38.72
- Certified Medical Assistant/Licensed Practical Nurse - Primary Care \$21.13 - \$23.98 **\*\*\$3,000 Hiring Bonus**
- Chiropractor \$69,219 - \$86,523
- Licensed Practical Nurse – Immediate Care Center - \$22.76 - \$25.89
- Licensed Practical Nurse – Tribal Justice Correctional Center \$22.76 - \$25.89 **\*\*\$4,000 Hiring Bonus**
- Massage Therapist \$45,512 - \$56,891
- Medical Social Worker- Primary Care - \$39,576 - \$49,470
- Registered Nurse - Inpatient - \$31.06 - \$35.64 **\*\*\$3,000 Hiring Bonus**
- RN Care Manager – Primary Care \$31.06 - \$35.64 **\*\*\$3,000 Hiring Bonus**
- Scribe Program Coordinator \$19.66 - \$22.25
- Specialty Services Nurse Manager \$69,219 - \$86,523
- Telemetry Nursing Assistant – Inpatient - \$19.66 - \$22.25

## TSALI CARE CENTER:

- Assistant Administrator \$52,339 - \$65,424
- Certified Nursing Assistant \$17.12 - \$19.26
- Certified Nursing Assistant – Part Time Intermittent \$17.12 - \$19.26
- Certified Medication Aide - \$17.12 - \$19.26
- RN Supervisor (Night Shift) - \$36.56 - \$42.11
- Cook \$16.01 - \$17.95
- Housekeeper \$15.00 - \$16.77

## TRIBAL OPTIONS:

- Tribal Option Business Analyst \$60,190 - \$75,238
- CM Data Reporting Analyst \$60,190 - \$75,238

To apply, visit [careers.cherokeehospital.org](https://careers.cherokeehospital.org)

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

## EMPLOYMENT

### Grant Writer (Contract)

The Museum of the Cherokee Indian (MCI) seeks contract assistance for a grant writer. MCI is an instrumentality of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, but not an entity—it is a separate 501c3, and submits grants of all kinds on its own behalf.

The hours per week will range from 10-20. Work will consist of entire grant cycle including but not limited to applying for new grants, managing currently awarded grants, reporting, compliance, and closeouts. Contractor will work closely with MCI Executive Team to identify funding needs and identify potential grants to meet funding needs.

The contractor shall demonstrate skills and experience in the

following areas:

- Applying for and successfully being awarded grants in the range of \$250,000 to \$5,000,000
- Gathering information and data to create grant budgets
- Grant management
- Working with local grantors (e.g. Cherokee Preservation Foundation), federal grantors (e.g. National Endowment for the Arts), and corporate grantors (e.g. Ford Foundation)
- Grant experience working with federally recognized tribes

MCI will offer a flat contract rate between \$40 and \$60/hour. When grants allow, the contractor shall fully fund or subsidize the contractor's administration costs within the grant.

Learn more and apply at <https://mci.org/archives/employment/grant-writer-contract>. **9/7**

**Payroll and Benefits Coordinator** position available at Swain County Schools.

Apply at [swain.k12.nc.us](http://swain.k12.nc.us). **9/14**

### LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 22-094

#### In the Matter of the Estate of EDWIN GEORGE

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

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

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

Charleston George  
PO Box 840  
Cherokee, NC 28719

**9/14**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. EST 22-098

#### In the Matter of the Estate of Alice B. Lewis

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

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

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

James Aaron Lewis  
PO Box 2056  
Robbinsville, NC 28771

**9/21**

### BIDs, RFPs, etc.

#### Request for Proposals

The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks competitive proposals for two (2) Guardian ad Litem Attorney Advocates. The GAL Attorney Advocates will assure the protection of a child's legal rights by taking all action necessary to zealously represent the child's best interest. This service will be paid on a contractual basis from the Cherokee Tribal Court. Interested individuals should submit a brief letter proposal including the following:

1. Name and Contact Information
2. Copies of Certificates and Licenses
3. Relevant Work Experience

Proposals may be submitted at any time, but those received on or before September 16, 2022, will receive priority over later submissions. Please mail or email proposals to:

Amber Shuler,  
Court Administrator  
Cherokee Tribal Court  
PO Box 1629  
Cherokee, NC 28719  
[ambeshul@ebci-nsn.gov](mailto:ambeshul@ebci-nsn.gov)

This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. The Cherokee Tribal Court reserves the right to decline any proposals received. **9/14**

#### Request for Proposals

The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks competitive proposals for a Public Administrator. This service will be paid on a contractual basis from the Cherokee Tribal Court. Interested individuals should submit a brief letter proposal including the following:

1. Name and Contact Information
2. Copies of Certificates and Li-



**Cherokee Central Schools Job Openings**

Apply online at <https://phl.applitrack.com/cherokeecentral/onlineapp/> or visit: [www.ccs-nc.org](http://www.ccs-nc.org) for more information.

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

1. Teacher Assistant (Gen. Ed, Preschool, and Special Education)
2. Behavior Modification Teacher Assistant -Middle School
3. Elementary Teacher (Multiple)
4. Custodian
5. Math Teacher (Middle School 1 & High School 1)
6. English Language Arts Teacher (Middle School)
7. Special Education Parent Support Specialist
8. Elementary School Counselor
9. Cherokee Language Instructor
10. Middle School Special Education Teacher
11. Part-Time Security

censes

### 3. Relevant Work Experience

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### RFP: GRAVEL

BID/RFP DUE DATE: September 14, 2022. Must be sealed and US mailed or delivered to Purchasing, Harrah's Cherokee Resort & Casino, 777 Casino Drive, Cherokee NC 28719.

BID STATUS: Open and accepting bids and proposals.

Bid/RFP Reference: Gravel  
SCOPE:

1. Procure and deliver:
  - a. Between 1,000-2,000 tons of ABC (NCDOT specified and approved) – including delivery.
  - b. Between 1000-2,000 tons of #57 stone – including delivery.
  - c. Delivery address:  
Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino

777 Casino Parkway  
Murphy NC 28906

2. Bid should include spreading from the truck via spread gate. No other equipment necessary.
3. Include lead time for delivery.

Questions and requests for additional information can be directed to:

jchant@harrachs.com or call David Ott at 828-541-9978.

**9/7**

### RFP – RELOCATE POLAR KING

BID/RFP DUE DATE: September 14, 2022. Must be signed, sealed and US mailed or delivered to Purchasing, Harrah's Cherokee Resort & Casino, 777 Casino Drive, Cherokee NC.

BID STATUS: Open and accepting bids and proposals.

Bid/RFP Reference: Relocate Polar King

MANDATORY SITE VISIT REQUIRED ON September 7, 2022 at 8:00 am at Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino & Hotel, 777 Casino Parkway, Murphy NC 28906 – Enter at the Employee Entrance and report to Security.  
SCOPE:

1. Remove HT1420 Polar King from present location behind BOH area.
2. Deconstruct existing slab and fencing structure to allow install of HT1420 Polar King at new location.
3. Construct new slab area to accommodate HT1420 Polar King behind FEC/Bowling Alley.
4. Place HT1420 Polar King on new slab and ensure access for pallets into cooler.
5. Construct new fencing structure with privacy slats around HT1420 Polar King with allowance for storage of wheeled bins.
6. Maps of the areas referenced above can be emailed to you upon request.

For additional bid package information or for questions, please contact:

jchant@harrachs.com or call David Ott at 828-541-9978828-422-5101  
**9/7**

### RFP – RELOCATE

**EMPLOYEE SMOKING AREA**  
BID/RFP DUE DATE: September 14, 2022. Must be signed, sealed

and US mailed or delivered to Purchasing, Harrah's Cherokee Resort & Casino, 777 Casino Drive, Cherokee NC 28719.

BID STATUS: Open and accepting bids and proposals.

Bid/RFP Reference: Relocate Employee Smoking Area  
MANDATORY SITE VISIT REQUIRED ON September 7, 2022 at 8:00 am at Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino & Hotel, 777 Casino Parkway, Murphy NC 28906. Enter at the Employee Entrance and report to Security.

SCOPE:

1. Remove commercial awning from existing smoker's area.
2. Attention must be given to adequate drainage of the area.
3. Concrete slab – form and pour with the following specs:
  - a. Slab should have a trench drain around the perimeter to handle drainage from modular and sidewalks.
  - b. Drains should be directed to existing grate drain.
  - c. Slab should be 4" thick with welded wire and fiber reinforcement.
4. Re-erect commercial awning on new slab.
5. Construct half wall around slab with 8" block with entry point at lower end.
6. Masonry half walls should be capped with solid block and plastered on both sides.
7. Replacement curtains will be necessary to close off the smoking area from surrounding area. Curtains must be similar to those present in existing area and allow sight through to see in or out of the area.

For additional bid package information or for questions, please contact:

jchant@harrachs.com or call David Ott at 828-541-9978  
**9/7**

### Commercial Space available in Cherokee

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has commercial space available for lease in downtown Cherokee, NC. The space is +-4,200 square feet and could be utilized as retail or restaurant as a full kitchen is included. It also includes riverside deck space. If you are interested in this property, please contact the EBCI Building Rental office at 828-359-6706 or 828-359-6708. **9/7**

### REQUESTS FOR BIDS

Harrah's Cherokee Casino is requesting bids from TERO-certified hoteliers for TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE HOUSING rooms for the balance of the 2022 calendar year AND PART OF 2023. Bids will be accepted through Thursday, September 22, 2022.

Please Email Jan Stubbs at jstubbs@harrachs.com or Charlie Myers at cmyers1@harrachs.com or call 497-8850 for more information. **9/14**

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**YOUTH DIVISION (4-14)**

Cherokee Basket filled w/candy

**BABY/TODDLER (0-3)**

\$100 gift certificate to Baby Gap

**PET DIVISION (ALL PETS)**

\$100 gift certificate to PetSmart

**GROUP (2 OR MORE PEOPLE)**

\$100 gift certificate to Gordon Ramsay Food Market at Harrah's Cherokee

Winners will be announced on  
Monday, Oct. 31 at 12 p.m.



Send photos to the One Feather at [Cherokeefonefeather1966@gmail.com](mailto:Cherokeefonefeather1966@gmail.com). Entries will not be accepted via Facebook Messenger. Please include name, age, and community or town/city with each entry. For pet entries, please include breed of animal.

Entries will be posted on our Facebook page as soon as receive them, and the entries with the most reactions in each division by the announcement deadline will win. So, enter now!

**GWY ƒV° OYLC**

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