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The future of care

Groundbreaking held for new Tsali Care Center

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

One Feather Asst. Editor

HEROKEE, N.C. - Ground was broken on the chilly morning of Thursday, Oct. 20 on a facility that will serve generations of members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI). The new Tsali Care Center, a long-term care facility, is being built on land adjacent to the current Cherokee Indian Hospital and is slated to be completed by November 2024.

The new Center will be two levels and will feature 120 private rooms, up from the 72 beds at the

see **CENTER** next page



Tribal officials break ground on the new Tsali Care Center long-term care facility on the chilly morning of Thursday, Oct. 20. Shown, left to right, are Cherokee Co. - Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha, Wolftown Rep. Bo Crowe, Painttown Rep. Dike Sneed, Tribal Council Chairman Richard French, Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley, Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, Cherokee Co. - Snowbird Rep. Bucky Brown, Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle, and Yellowhill Rep. TW Saunooke. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

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Casey Cooper, Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority chief executive officer, welcomes everyone to the event.

CENTER: Groundbreaking held for new Tsali Care Center, from front page

current facility, and will be broken into 80 skilled nursing rooms and 40 assisted living and memory care rooms. A dialysis building will be attached to the Center for more convenience for the residents.

"I'd like to first recognize all the wonderful staff that work at the Tsali Care Center," Casey Cooper, Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority chief executive officer, said as he welcomed everyone to the event. "The leadership and the staff, thank you so much for what you do and for taking care of the most precious resource this Tribe has and that, of course, is our elders."

He praised EBCI tribal leadership for the project stating, "We can't thank Tribal Council enough for their leadership on this project. As a matter of fact, (Wolftown Rep.) Bo Crowe and (Tribal Council Vice Chairman) Albert Rose and Dr. Winchester were pushing really, really hard on this project, well before the rest of us and really thought that we could pull it off. So, thank you for challenging us with such a noble vision and aspiration."

Cooper added, "It takes vision and aspiration. It takes a challenge like Bo, Albert, and Dr. Winchester brought to us. It takes support. It takes the financial resources. It takes a committed group of people. But, it also takes really, really, good partners. We've been very blessed on some of our large capital projects to have a design firm that has really gone out of the way to provide us with facilities that we can be really proud of and that will leave quite an impressive legacy in this community."

Multiple companies are working on this project including: master planning and architecture – McMillan Pazdan Smith Architecture, general contractor/ builder – Robins & Morton, structural/ MEP – Ska Consulting Engineers, civil engineer – CDC (Civil Design Concepts, PA), landscape – LandArt Landscape Architecture, and kitchen design – Camacho.

He went on to state his excitement for the project, "We're going to be building you a \$120 million facility with 120 rooms. It's going to be absolutely magnificent, two stories with four courtyards altogether and a big, beautiful center courtyard, and private rooms so that everybody has their own exterior window. Beautiful dining areas designed around communities of the building. And, we're doing this all for you (elders) because we love you, because you're special, and because you deserve it."

Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley commented, "I just want to say it's an honor to be here...me and Vickie (Bradley, secretary of EBCI Public Health and Human Services) have worked on this project for several years and it's hard to find the property and the land to build the facility as big as what we're going to build here."

He said usage of the property where the Center is being constructed has been discussed for years. "Vice Chief Gerard Parker had a vision to level this mountain years ago and that was in the late or mid-90s. He said one of these days if we keep moving enough dirt to fill all these other projects, we'll have a piece of property that we can build something that can benefit the entire Tribe. So, with Gerard Parker's vision, today we're going to have a great facility here."

Tribal Council Chairman
Richard French said, "It's a great
day to be here to have this great
facility built for our people here
on the Boundary. I'd like to thank
Bo, Albert, and Dr. Winchester for
that resolution for Tribal Council
to carry out the resolution. This is



The photo shows the site for the new Tsali Care Center long-term care facility. Construction has started and is slated to be completed by November 2024.

going to be a great facility to take care of our people and that's what we're here for - to take care of our people. A lot of people around Indian Country watch what we do, and they compliment us on how we take care of our people."

Dr. Blythe Winchester, Tsali Care medical director, spoke of the rise in the population of seniors. "We are experiencing an unprecedented growth in those reaching older age. By 2030, 1 in 6 people in the world will be aged 60 years or older. The number of persons aged 80 years or older is expected to triple between 2020 and 2050. For me, this is very exciting and I welcome this so-called 'Silver Tsunami' that we are experiencing."

She said that in mainstream society, aging is not always looked at with favor. "Within our Native communities as sovereign nations, our traditions, roots, and knowledge help us to know better. People who have accumulated lifetimes of experience are the most knowledgeable and the most valuable. They have been through things that have allowed them to have the best perspective possible

about the world around them."

Dr. Winchester added, "I work as a geriatrician here because I know that having knowledge and training about the complexities of aging is important to support the people who are the reason we are here. I want to do this work because they deserve the best - the best community, the best services, the best advocates, the best of everything...we have excellent tribal services to allow people to age in place for as long as possible, but for some having extra assistance in your day-to-day life is what will help you age well and stay safe."

She said the new Center will bring a new sense of community to the facility. "It's very exciting to be developing an entire community where people who need additional assistance can receive it along a continuum of needs. And, not all of the people who have those needs are older. Younger people also sometimes end up in a place of needing additional care. For both the younger and older people I'm so excited that this beautiful community will provide state-of-the-art services and facilities to

support them."

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed spoke last noting, "Today is a very special day. This project is one that has been needed for some time and I'm honored to be here with you today to officially break ground for the Cherokee Senior Assistance Campus."

"It's been stated that you can learn much about a people by the way they treat their children and the elderly. Without a doubt, our values as Cherokee people teach us to honor our elders and to care for them not only with our words by speaking respectfully and listening to their wisdom, but also by our actions. It's not enough to say that we honor our elders. Our actions must reflect our honor for them. This project will be the crowning achievement of our healthcare system where we make available to our elder community a state-ofthe-art senior care facility where elders can live in a caring community and receive the necessary assistance and medical care that they deserve."

Tribal Council Rep. Bill Taylor resigns

By JONAH LOSSIAH

One Feather Reporter

After being arrested on three charges, including domestic violence, Wolftown Rep. Dennis 'Bill' Taylor has announced his resignation.

At Annual Council on Monday, Oct. 17, Tribal Council Chairperson Richard French read into record a letter that was penned by Taylor and emailed to Tribal Council on Sunday evening.

"It's truly been an honor to represent the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians as a Tribal Council representative for nine years. At this time, I have decided to stay away from Tribal Council and take care of myself, my health, and my family. So, please accept my resignation Sunday, Oct. 16 as Tribal Council representative Wolftown/Big Y communities. Please keep me and my family in your prayers."

Taylor's resignation opens a second seat around the horseshoe. Late Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke, who represented her community on Tribal Council for 23 years, passed away on Oct. 9. With more than a year before the general elections, two replacements are expected to be established in the coming weeks.

"The Board of Elections will be meeting this afternoon to sort out some details about the upcoming special election. We will work with the Board of Elections to ultimately express the timing and other details of the special election in a Tribal Council resolution. Most likely, Tribal Council will consider and vote on a resolution at its next meeting which will be on Monday, October 24," said Chairperson French.

The Cherokee One Feather has reached out to the EBCI Board of Elections for a statement and any further information on the potential of a special election, but none has been provided.

Reports on Taylor's arrest came out last week following an arraignment hearing that was held on Monday, Oct. 10. A warrant was placed for his arrest on Oct. 6 following an incident involving himself and his wife. Taylor was held in Cherokee jail for a necessary 72-hour period from Oct. 7 until his arraignment. He faces three charges and was released on a \$5,000 unsecured bond.

The three charges are for domestic violence (Cherokee Code 14-40.1), assault with a deadly weapon (Cherokee Code 14-40.55), and reckless endangerment (Cherokee Code 14-40.64). These charges are under case numbers 22CR9853, 22CR9854, and 22CR9855 respectively. The detail of these violations can be found in Article IX of the Cherokee Code.

EBCI vs Dennis Edward
Taylor had its first day hearing
on Tuesday, Oct. 18. After a brief
discussion, the case was continued
to Nov. 1. The parties were tasked
with focusing on discovery and ensuring they were ready to proceed
at the next hearing. Judge Barbara
Parker said that she did not want
this case to be continued several
times. She also stated that the domestic violence protective orders
(DVPO) were still in place.

That next hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 1 at 9 a.m. in the Domestic Violence Courtroom at the Anthony Edward Lossiah Justice Center.



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School Board to request \$1.4 million budget increase for salaries

By JONAH LOSSIAH

One Feather Reporter

The Cherokee Central Schools (CCS) Board of Education addressed a pair of major financial issues at their latest meeting on Monday, Oct. 17.

Previously they had requested Howard Wahnetah, CCS finance director, to draft the cost of salary increase for the entire school. This increase would raise the minimum wage to \$15, a move that would match recent actions taken by the EBCI for tribal employees. As well to match the Tribe, the minimum wage increase would also see a 'living wage adjustment' to all employees already over the \$15 threshold. These workers would get a percentage increase from 3-6 percent based on a sliding scale.

Wahnetah reported that the total cost for this salary adjustment would be \$1,380,669. The overall salaries increase would cost just over one million dollars, with the remaining \$336,067 being the 'overall fringe increase'.

After a discussion amongst the Board members, a motion to submit this amount to Tribal Council was passed unanimously. With the CCS budget already established for the 2022-23 school year, this would budget increase would need to come directly from the Tribe via Tribal Council approval.

The other finance-oriented guest to the meeting was Polly Kelley from the EBCI Investment Committee. She was in attendance to provide an update on the CCS Reserve account that is managed by the Investment Committee.

Kelley described the current state of the account, painting a picture of the recent 'rocky' landscape of investments. The report she provided shows the volatility of the market this year. In June, the account lost nearly \$700,000 in value before jumping up over \$1.1 million in July. As of the start of October, the CCS Reserve Fund was worth \$14,024,901.76. She said that the volatility is something that is reflective of the market as whole, but also encouraged the Board and stated that the market would turn around as inflation slows and they ride out this wave.

Kelley's another major point was to request that the Board consider making regular contributions to the reserve account. She explained that currently the fund is simply growing with whatever the market provides. But she said that if the school wants to push for more self-sufficiency and create a more beneficial reserve fund. consistent contributions would be necessary. She said that when she was first tasked with taking over the CCS Reserve Fund, she did so without receiving much of a direction. She said that despite helping to manage the account for two years, she still felt that the account did not have a direction and that it was leaving a lot of potential gains on the table.

The Board discussed the concept of regular contributions to the investment fund with Ashford Smith, finance director of the Cherokee Boy Club. He said that it was possible, but they would need to figure out exactly where that money would come from. Some

Board members discussed contributing surplus cash the school had at the end of the year, while others suggested a base-contribution implemented into the budget. Smith did clarify that the funds would have to be Tribally funded dollars and not the BIE or other funding sources. No direct investment decisions were made in this meeting, but the Board said they would be coming back to the concept soon.

The Board passed the consent agenda unanimously, putting forth the following:

- Cassandra Bowman approved as the Part Time Security Monitor.
- Gabrielle Teesatuskie approved as the Part Time Security Monitor.
- Richard Grindstaff approved as the Part Time Security Monitor.

There was also one walkin resolution that passed. This approved Jason McMillan as the head coach of the boys' middle school basketball team. McMillan was previously the assistant coach for the team.

The Board also implemented a number of policy changes that were recommended and compiled by Campbell Shatley, PLLC, the third-party legal service hired by the Board. They voted on each of these separately, making revisions to the following policies:

- Policy 1750/7220, Grievance Procedure for Employees.
- Policy 4339/7312, Child Abuse –
 Reports and Investigations
- Policy 7410, Contracts
- Policy 7930, Professional Employees: Demotion and Dismal
- Policy 7945, Employee Disciplinary Procedures
- Policy 7947, Employee Code of

Conduct

- Policy 7950, Non-Career Status Teachers: Nonrenewal
- Title IX Policies
- A number of duplicative policies
 Campbell Shatley is also

Campbell Shatley is also reviewing and will offer recommendations for amendments to the Indian Preference policy at the school as well, but those changes were not yet voted on. Those were presented for first review.

The Board finished their meeting in a closed session to discuss 'student and personnel' issues.

They had a guest, Kathy Smathers, in as part of this closed session.

The Monday, Oct.17 meeting of the CCS Board of Education was called to order at 4:45 p.m. with Chairperson Jennifer Thompson; Co-Vice Chairs Tara Reed-Cooper and Melanie Lambert; Secretary Kristina Hyatt; Board members Berdie Toineeta and Regina Ledford Rosario; Superintendent Michael Murray; Assistant Superintendent Beverley Payne; HR Director Heather Driver; CCS Attorney Ashley Leonard of Campbell Shatley, PLLC; and Administrative Assistant Diane Driver all in attendance. Tribal Council Rep. T.W. Saunooke was absent from the meeting, citing Annual Council.

The next meeting of the CCS Board of Education is set for Monday, Nov. 7 at 4:45 p.m. Meetings are being held in the Administrative Offices at Cherokee Central Schools. These meetings are open to the public unless there is a call for an executive session.



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NEWS BRIEFS

Justice Dept. files lawsuit challenging policy barring Native Americans from accessing South Dakota hotel and sports lounge

WASHINGTON - The Justice Department filed a lawsuit today against the owners and operators of the Grand Gateway Hotel, and the Cheers Sports Lounge and Casino, a sports bar that operates within the hotel, located in Rapid City, South Dakota. The lawsuit alleges that the defendants discriminated against Native American customers in violation of Title II of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion or national origin in places of public accommodation, such as hotels and other places of entertainment. The suit is brought against the corporate owner, Retsel Corporation, and two of the company's directors, Connie Uhre and her son, Nicholas Uhre.

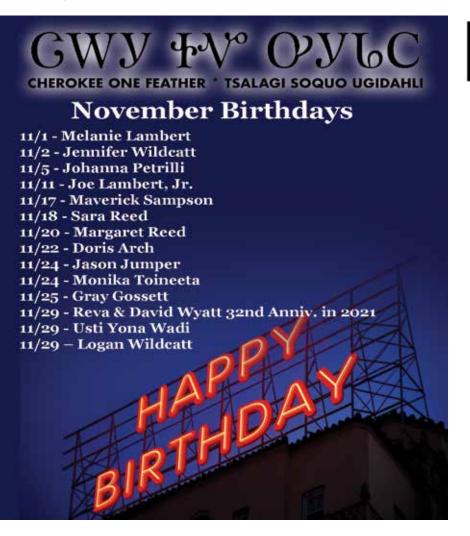
"Policies prohibiting Native
Americans from accessing public
establishments are both racially
discriminatory and unlawful," said
Assistant Attorney General Kristen
Clarke of the Justice Department's
Civil Rights Division. "The Justice Department will continue to
vigorously protect the rights of
all people to go about their daily
lives free from discrimination at
hotels, restaurants and other public accommodations around the
country."

"Restricting access to a hotel based on a person's race is prohibited by federal law," said U.S. Attorney Alison J. Ramsdell for the District of South Dakota. "At the U.S. Attorney's Office, we are called to ensure that individuals are treated equally at public accommodations in South Dakota. We are committed to protecting that fundamental right for Native Americans."

The lawsuit, filed Wednesday, Oct. 19 in the U.S. District Court for the District of South Dakota, alleges that, since at least March 20, the Retsel Corporation, Connie Uhre and Nicholas Uhre discriminated against Native American customers through policies and practices that denied Native Americans the full and equal enjoyment of access to the services, accommodations and privileges at the Grand Gateway Hotel and the Cheers Sports Lounge and Casino. Specifically, the complaint alleges that on March 20, Connie Uhre told other Rapid City hotel owners

and managers that she did "not want to allow Natives on property...The problem is we do not know the nice ones from the bad natives...so we just have to say no to them!" That same day, Connie Uhre allegedly posted a statement in a comment thread from her Facebook account announcing that "we will no longer allow any Native American [sic]" in the Grand Gateway or in the Cheers Sports Lounge and Casino. The complaint further alleges that on at least two occasions on March 21 and March 22, respectively, the defendants turned away Native Americans who sought to book a room in the Grand Gateway.

Under Title II, the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division can obtain injunctive relief that changes policies and practices to remedy the discriminatory con-



MISSING PERSON

Stephanie Jean Fuller

Alias Stephanie Dishman, Harden, Estes, Wilson

Female

American Indian/Alaska Native

Age: 46 years

Height: 5' 9" Weight: 185 lbs

Hair: Blond/Strawberry Eyes: Gray

Date of last contact: January 20, 2021

Location: Salupa, Oklahoma



Circumstances of Disappearance: Family member last had contact on January 20, 2021 via phone (discussing drug addiction).

If you have seen Stephanie Fuller contact Tyler Claborn, Investigator, Creek County Sheriff's Office (918) 227-6374.

Source: Namus.gov

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duct. Title II does not authorize the division to obtain monetary damages for customers who are victims of discrimination.

More information about the Civil Rights Division and the laws it enforces is available at http://www.justice.gov/crt. Individuals may report discrimination in places of public accommodation that violates Title II by calling the Justice Department at 1-833-591-0291, or submitting a report online.

The complaint contains allegations of unlawful conduct, and the allegations must be proven in federal court.

- Department of Justice release

Jackson Co. man receives life sentence for sexual assaults

A 40-year-old Jackson County man will spend the remainder of his life behind bars for the repeated sexual assault of two young girls, District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch said Thursday, Oct. 20.

Following a jury verdict and prior to sentencing, Kenneth David Groat admitted to committing the crimes he had been charged

with. They were:

- Three counts statutory rape.
- Three counts indecent liberties.
- One count statutory sexual offense.
- One count attempted first-degree kidnapping.

In May 2020 while out on bond, Groat began texting one of the victims. When law enforcement officers arrested him, they found in his car items such as duct tape, pepper spray, a knife, a pistol and ammunition, two ponchos and two containers filled with a total of 10 gallons of gasoline.

Groat had threated to kidnap the victim if she told authorities about the abuse.

Many of the jurors remained in the courtroom after rendering their guilty verdicts. Several went to and embraced one of the victims following sentencing (the other victim wasn't in the courtroom at the time).

Assistant District Attorney Chris Matheson and Assistant District Attorney Jenica Hughes, who co-prosecuted the case, said they'd never seen such an emotional reaction from jurors.

Superior Court Judge Bill

Coward sentenced Groat to serve a minimum of 89 years in prison and up to 134 years in prison.

Jackson County Sheriff's Office Detective Daniel Peoples played a key role in the case, as did the chief investigator, Lt. John A. Beegle.

Additionally, Matheson said, AWAKE "provided great emotional support to the victims."

AWAKE is a Sylva-based nonprofit that coordinates services for victims of child abuse.

- Office of District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch release

CIPD Arrest Report for Oct. 9-16

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.

Gloyne, Jimmie Clifton – age 24 Arrested: Oct. 10

Released: Oct. 13

Charges: Driving While Impaired, Child Abuse in the Second Degree

Maney Jr., Kenneth L. – age 45

Arrested: Oct. 11

Released: Not released as of report

date (Oct. 17)

Charges: Failure to Appear on

Misdemeanor

Flippo, Robert – age 26

Arrested: Oct. 14 Released: Oct. 14

Charges: Second Degree Trespass

Smith, Lucas Levi – age 24 Arrested: Oct. 14 Released: Oct. 14

Charges: Temporary Hold

White, Zachary Lee – age 24

Arrested: Oct. 14 Released: Oct. 14

Charges: Temporary Hold for

Jackson Co.

York, Jessica Ashley – age 27

Arrested: Oct. 14 Released: Oct. 14

Charges: Temporary Hold

Lane, Jacqueline Evonne – age 50

Arrested: Oct. 15

Released: Not released as of report

date (Oct. 17)

Charges: Failure to Appear on

Misdemeanor

Taylor, Taylor Norman – age 22

Arrested: Oct. 15

Released: Not released as of report

date (Oct. 17)

Charges: Domestic Violence; Contributing to the Delinquency, Undiscipline, Neglect, or Abuse of Minors; Simple Assault, Assault and Battery, Simple Affray

Albee, Torree Anne – age 29

Arrested: Oct. 16 Released: Oct. 16

Charges: Domestic Violence

Anthony, Perry Joe - age 38

Arrested: Oct. 16

Released: Not released as of report

date (Oct. 17)

Charges: Assault on Law Enforcement Officer, Disorderly Conduct

Lambert, Gina Louise - age 35

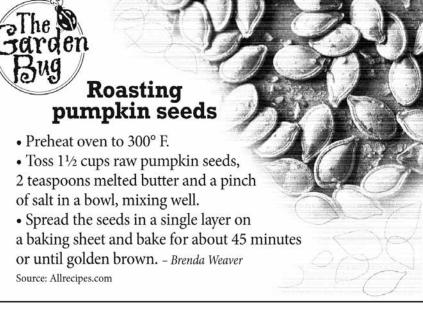
Arrested: Oct. 16

Released: Not released as of report

date (Oct. 17)

Charges: Second Degree Trespass; Resisting Public Officer; Assault on Law Enforcement, Probation,

or Parole Officer



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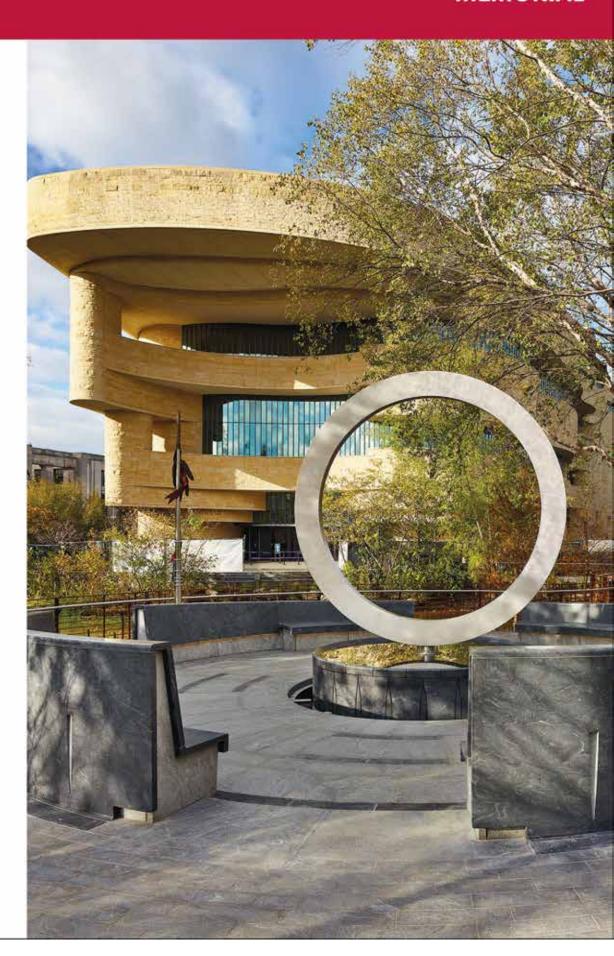
Veterans Procession and Dedication Friday, November 11, 2 p.m.

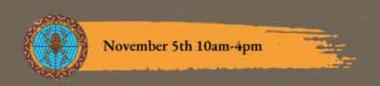
Weekend Celebration Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 12–13, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

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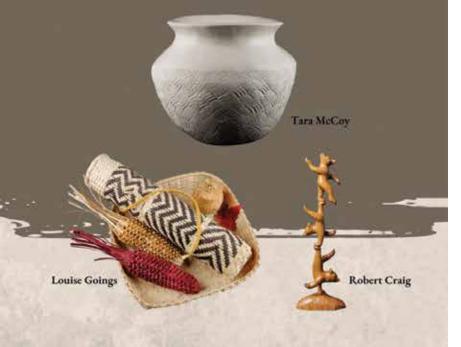


Photo by Alan Karchmer for the National Museum of the American Indian





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→ Located on the Riverwalk Shops (between Gordon Ramsey and the escalators in the Casino).

The Marketplace will feature 35+ EBCI artisans selling, demonstrating, and discussing their pieces.

























SPORTS DAK



The Cherokee Lady Braves varsity volleyball team is shown following their historic first playoff win which they garnered over Mountain Heritage on Saturday, Oct. 22 at the Charles George Memorial Arena. They are shown, left to right, back row – Kyla Moore, Alexis Smith, Kieran Wolfe, Assistant Coach Stephanie Maney, Loshi Ward, Alexis Davis, Kamia Wiggins, Assistant Coach Taylor Brooks; middle row – Team Manager Will Poolaw, Team Manager Evie Nations, Destiny Siweumptewa, Lila Reynolds, Coco Wells, Julia Layno, Creedon Arch, Head Coach Pam Bryant; kneeling – Awee Walkingstick, Dvdaya Swimmer. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

"It's their moment!"

Lady Braves get historic win on Saturday

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

One Feather Asst. Editor

CHEROKEE, N.C. – The Charles George Memorial Arena exploded as a Mountain Heritage ball sailed out of bounds giving the Cherokee Lady Braves a win in the first round of the 1A West volleyball playoffs. With the 3-0 win over the Lady Cougars on Saturday, Oct. 22, Cherokee advanced to the second round and also clinched its first playoff win in volleyball in school history.

"I'm super proud of these ladies and what they've done and how they represent this team, this school, and the community," an emotional Pam Bryant, Lady Braves head volleyball coach, said immediately following the historic win. "They come out every single day fighting because this is what they love. The biggest thing I can say is that they've earned this and they deserve every single bit of it."

She added, "It's huge. When you do something for the very first time, it's always special. But, it's special when you have a group of ladies who, like I said, they've earned this, they deserve this, they've worked for this and it's their moment."

When asked about the historic nature of



Eyes fixed on the ball, Cherokee's Creedon Arch shows good form on a set during the match.



Cherokee's Alexis Davis jump serves.

the win, Coach Bryant commented, "For a team that was 0-14 just two years ago, for them now to have the most wins and a first-time state playoff game, like I said, it's their moment."

The Lady Braves swept the match 3-0 on game scores of 25-16, 25-23, and 25-14. The first game started out evenly with both teams swapping points. Cherokee had an early, small lead, but

Mountain Heritage tied it up at 11-11. Then, Lady Braves' Alexis Davis came up to serve. Her jump serve proved hard for the Lady Cougars to handle, and she served seven in a row, backed up by solid play from the rest of the team, and the Lady Braves took the first game 25-16.

Game two was a back-andforth affair. Mountain Heritage took a 5-3 lead, then extended it to



Cherokee's Loshi Ward (#8) prepares to hit as Mountain Heritage's Keira Wilson goes up to attempt a block.

11-5. Cherokee's Julia Layno came up to serve, and the Lady Braves got fired up and tied the match at 11-11. Davis came in to serve again with the game at 18-15 in favor of Cherokee, and the Lady Braves extended that lead to 24-19. Mountain Heritage got four points in a row to make it 24-23, but Davis got a kill on a nice set from Creedon Arch to end the game at 25-23.

The Lady Cougars came out gunning in the third game taking an early 4-0 lead. But, the Lady Braves roared back and went on a 7-2 run to take the lead at 7-6 – a lead they would not relinquish en route to the 25-14 win.

Cherokee was set to travel to Mountain Island Charter for the second round of the playoffs on Tuesday, Oct. 25.

FOOTBALL

Smith scores four TDs to lead Braves over Hayesville

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

One Feather Asst. Editor

CHEROKEE, N.C. – Two minutes after scoring the go-ahead touchdown, Tso Smith, Cherokee Braves senior, intercepted a pass, a one-handed grab at that, in the end zone to seal the victory for Cherokee over Hayesville. The Braves won 28-21 against the Yellow Jackets in a game on the chilly evening of Friday, Oct. 21.

The Braves scored twice in the fourth quarter – both by Smith. The first was a 25-yard run with 9:28 left in the game. He also ran for the two-point conversion to give Cherokee a 21-14 lead. Following a Hayesville touchdown by Taylor McClure (1-yard run) to tie the game at 3:20, Smith answered with a 54-yard touchdown run with 2:28 left in the game to give the Braves a 28-21 lead.

Eight plays later, and with 29.5 seconds left in the game, Smith intercepted the Hayesville pass in the end zone.

On the night, Smith scored all of Cherokee's touchdowns on runs of 8, 1, 25, and 54 yards respectively. He carried the ball 20 times for 183 yards and completed 4 of 7 passes for 42 yards.

Luke Climbingbear led Cherokee defensively with 13 total tackles.

The game started evenly with both teams scoring on their first possession. Cherokee got into the end zone on Smith's 8-yard run and Hayesville answered four minutes later with a 2-yard run by McClure.

The first quarter flew by with both teams keeping the ball on the ground and the clock moving.



Cherokee's Tso Smith (#12) runs out of a Hayesville tackle during a game at Ray Kinsland Stadium on the evening of Friday, Oct. 21. The Braves won 28-21 behind four touchdowns by Smith who carried the ball 20 times for 183 yards and completed 4 of 7 passes for 42 yards on the night. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)



Cherokee's Luke Climbingbear (#43) pursues Logan Caldwell, Hayesville quarterback. Climbingbear led Cherokee with 13 tackles.

Cherokee scored at the 9:34 mark of the second quarter on its second possession of the game with a 1-yard run by Smith. The Braves took a 13-7 lead into the locker room.

Hayesville took the lead in the third quarter following a 9-yard touchdown pass from Logan Caldwell to Avery Leatherwood. That led to the fourth quarter drama described above.

Cherokee's last regular season game is set for Friday, Oct. 28 as they host rival Swain Co. at 7:30 p.m. at Ray Kinsland Stadium.

SCORING SUMMARY

1st Quarter

7:30 – CHEROKEE: Tso Smith 8-yard run, Mato Grant kick. Cherokee 7 Hayesville 0 3:44 – HAYESVILLE: Taylor Mc-Clure 2-yard run, Isaac Chandler kick. Cherokee 7 Hayesville 7

2nd Quarter

9:34 – CHEROKEE: Smith 1-yard run, kick no good. Cherokee 13 Hayesville 7

3rd Quarter

8:26 – HAYESVILLE: Logan Caldwell 9-yard pass to Avery Leatherwood, Chandler kick. Hayesville 14 Cherokee 13

4th Quarter

9:28 – CHEROKEE: Smith 25yard run, Smith two-point conversion. Cherokee 21 Hayesville 14 3:20 – HAYESVILLE: McClure 1-yard run, Chandler kick. Cherokee 21 Hayesville 21 2:28 – CHEROKEE: Smith 54yard run, Grant kick. Cherokee 28 Hayesville 21

TEAM STATISTICS

Total Plays: Cherokee 69, Hayesville 52 Total Yards: Cherokee 381, Hayesville 218

Passing Yards: Cherokee 42, Hayesville 83 Rushing Yards: Cherokee 339, Hayesville 135 First Downs: Cherokee 20, Hayesville 13 3rd Down Efficiency: Cherokee 7 of 13, Hayesville 4 of 8 4th Down Efficiency: Cherokee 3 of 4, Hayesville 1 of 1 Turnovers: Cherokee 1, Hayesville Fumbles Lost: Cherokee 1, Hayesville o Interceptions Thrown: Cherokee o, Hayesville 1 Penalties: Cherokee 7 for 77 yards, Hayesville 7 for 62 yards

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS:

Passing: Cherokee – Tso Smith 4 of 7 for 42 yards; Hayesville – Logan Caldwell 9 of 18 for 83 yards, 1 TD, 1 INT Rushing: Cherokee – Tso Smith 3 for 17 yards, Michael Mauney 1 for 10 yards, Avery Leatherwood 1 for 9 yards, stats incomplete for Hayesville
Tackles: Cherokee – Luke Climbingbear 13 (6 solo), Tyler Wolfe 4 (2 solo, 1 pass broken up), Mato Grant 8 (1 solo, 2 passes broken up), Chase Calhoun 5 (4 solo), Kaden Trantham 5 (2 solo), Xavier Otter 4 (1 solo); tackle statistics unavailable for Hayesville

20 for 183 yards, 4 TDs; Chase

incomplete for Hayesville

Calhoun 26 for 124 yards; Michael

Driver 9 for 32 yards; Hayesville -Kyle Lunsford 2 for 8 yards, stats

Receiving: Cherokee - Xavier Ot-

ter 1 for 15 yards, Michael Driver

1 for 11 yards, Kaden Trantham 1

yards; Hayesville - Kyle Lunsford

for 10 yards, Mato Grant 1 for 6

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"Creating a Cherokee language momentum shift"

A Look at the Cherokee Language Master-Apprentice Program

Submitted by KPEP

The Kituwah Preservation & Education Program (KPEP) held the first master-apprentice program in 2006 with funding from the Cherokee Preservation Foundation. The 10-week program was modeled after Leanne Hinton, PhD.'s work, which was introduced at the 2005 Symposium held in Cherokee. The first program had limited success with the masters being paid and not the apprentices.

In 2018, KPEP began a new

master-apprentice program, this time paying both the apprentice and the master in similar fashion to the Cherokee Nation (CN). The EBCI has worked closely with the CN's language department who have had adult immersion programs for over six years. The program is designed to place a learner (apprentice) with a Cherokee speaker (master). The masters and apprentices strive to stay in the language all the time. The masters and apprentices do not limit their learning to the classroom alone. For example, masters and apprentices go on field trips and visit elders' homes, visit historic sites, and learn to cook traditional foods for example.

Tohisgi Climbingbear, Master Adult Language consultant, and a member of the first cohort started as an intern about four years ago.

When asked about his experience in the program, he replied, "I love it." His language skills prior to starting the program were non-existent beyond saying his name and siyo. Today, he attests his proficiency is at the advanced intermediate level. He credits his Aunt Rachel and his Grandmother Myrtle D. Johnson for inspiring him and having a sense of humor.

He commented, "You can't take yourself too seriously, and if you can't laugh, you can't learn the language."

CLMAP (Cherokee Language

Master Apprentice Program) is led by Chi Utsesdi Shipman, Adult Language coordinator, who was also a member of the first cohort. Coming from a place of embarrassment because she did not know her language, she now encourages everyone to work on their language every day.

"We're all busy, but you can take five minutes out of your day to learn a new word and use it until you know it. As a Cherokee person, it's [Cherokee language] is one of the most important things we have, it teaches us who we are, teaches us how to live, how to see things...it has changed my outlook on the world."

For some apprentices, becom-





ing a member of CLMAP was their first exposure to the Cherokee language. Amber Allen, who is in her second year with the program, grew up off the reservation and did not have a Cherokee speaker in her family. For community members that follow CLMAP on social media, she is the voice talent for O/JS O/GO (Uneg Uwan). She, along with her peers, create entertaining short videos that they write, produce, and publish as a way of giving back to the community.

It is the desire to give back to the community that led Tara McCoy to become an apprentice. She shared, "I've always wanted to learn my language...I wanted to learn and hopefully I will be able to give back with classes." She is employed by the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute and coordinates the Right Path program. Her employer has invested in her learning by allowing her to be in the program and not use her leave and maintaining her full-time status.

This type of arrangement between the employer and the apprentice is promising. There have been interested parties who wanted to join the program but could not leave their jobs, benefits, and tenure. Currently, the apprentices are grant-funded positions with less than 40 hours a week. There is a renewed sense of hope and affirmation for the apprentices with the passing of Res. No. 410 (2022). On Thursday, Oct. 20, Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed ratified the resolution, which creates 28 fulltime apprentice positions. Fourteen of those positions are dedicated to the Dawonisi program in Snowbird and the remaining 12 will be housed at KPEP.

What does this mean for the apprentices? For Dannenah Calhoun, who joined the program in



Members of the CLMAP are shown with Cherokee speakers recently. Shown, left to right, front row - Moses Oocumma, Rachel Littlejohn, John Long, Maddie Welch, Charles Welch, middle row - Dawn West, Aaliyah Swimmer, Elnora Nations, Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, Lucille Lossiah, Nakoa Warrington, Tohisgi Climbingbear; and back row - Rachel Slee, Scarlett Guy, Amber Allen, Chi Shipman, Toby McCoy, and Tara McCoy. (Photo by Gabriella Thompson, KPEP electronic media coordinator)

August, she will be able to provide for her family. She commented that following her last paycheck, she was 13 cents in the negative. It was the low pay and hours that led to discussions last year between Bo Lossiah, Curriculum and Instruction supervisor and Chief Sneed and with Bo Taylor, Snowbird/Cherokee County Culture and Language Program manager.

In his address to CLMAP apprentices and masters, Chief Sneed credited both men for bringing their concerns to him. Chief Sneed thanked the learners and the speakers for making the commitment to learn, what many

have cited as one of the most difficult languages. He spoke to the compensation process and thanked Lossiah and Taylor for advocating for raising the pay for the learners. "Thank you all for what you're doing, this is going to be historic. None of this is possible without you all. Each one of you is leaving a legacy." He also credited Dakota Bird, who wanted to join the program but did not want to lose her tenure and employment status.

Scarlett Gigage Guy began her language journey in August and commented, "The increase in pay is affirmation for the students being with the elders...and the pay will encourage more people to apply."

Utsesdi commented on the passing of the Resolution, "I hope to see people beating down the door to get into this program. I see the people going through now, going on to be language leaders in their community."

ONLINE RESOURCES:
https://ebcikpep.com
Facebook: Kituwah Preservation and
Education Program
Facebook: Cherokee Language Master
Apprentice Program CLMAP
Siyobrokentrap.com
Youtube: Atse Kituwah



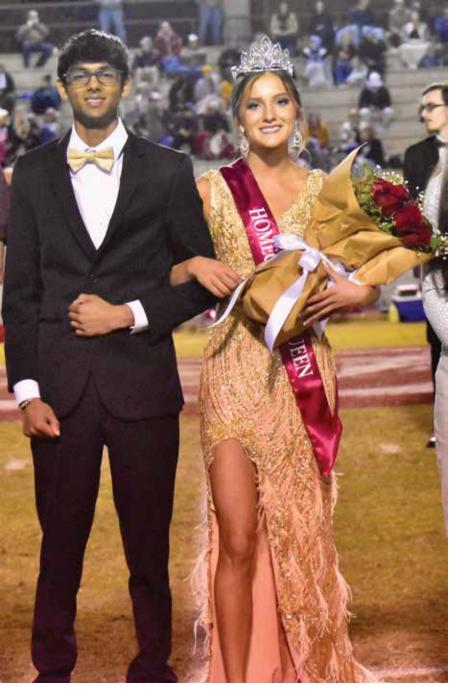




Cherokee High School 2022 Homecoming

Cherokee High School held its Home-coming festivities during halftime of the Braves' football game at Ray Kinsland Stadium on the evening of Friday, Oct. 21. TOP PHOTO: Alexis Smith, left, a senior from the Yellowhill Community, was named the 2022 CHS Homecoming Queen. Laura Martinez, second from right, a junior from the Big Cove Community, was named the 2022 CHS Maid of Honor. The ladies are shown with their escorts Coby Willis, second from left and Zachary O'Kelley, right. The couples are also shown in the two photos at left.

Photos by SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather



Swain Co. Homecoming Queen

Amaya Hicks, right, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and a senior at Swain Co. High School, was crowned Homecoming Queen on Friday, Oct.

14. She is the daughter of Michell and Marsha Hicks and resides in the Painttown Community. She was escorted by Ahbi Patel. (Photo by Joanna McMahan)



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Summer travels for EBCI students

The Ray Kinsland Leadership
Institute's Cherokee Youth
Council and Youth Cultural Exchange programs had a busy summer as they traveled to St. Louis
Missouri and Costa Rica.

Cherokee Youth Council members Amaya Hicks, Emma Taylor, Kaelin Jones, Kale Walkingstick, Lindley Wyatt, Marlee Hicks, Praire Toineeta, and Ross Clapsaddle traveled to St. Louis, Mo. to visit the Cahokia Mounds to learn and draw their own conclusions about the ancient city. Around 1,000 years ago, Cahokia had 15,000 to 20,000 people all from various tribes that converged there for some unknown reason. For comparison that population was more than London and Paris at that time. They also visited the City Museum and got an aerial view of the city from atop the St. Louis Arch.

The Youth Cultural Exchange Program traveled in the opposite direction to Costa Rica. Abigail Taylor, Alex Sneed, Bo Kinsland, Emma Taylor, Eva Bottchenbaugh, Harper Martin, Kaelin Jones, Lance Adams, Lucian Davis, and Ryleigh Long spent 11 days immersing themselves in Costa Rican culture while sharing their knowledge of Cherokee culture with the locals there.

Kaelin Jones said, "I liked be-

ing out in the wilderness and being able to be immersed in a different culture. Back home I don't really do a lot of outdoorsy stuff, so it pushed me out of my comfort zone in a good way."

Harper Martin shared, "My time in Sarapiqui was probably my favorite part of the trip. One night Lucian (Davis) and Alex (Sneed) spent hours teaching Bo (Kinsland) and me about the Cherokee culture. Although I loved rafting, tasting chocolate, salsa dancing and eating pineapple, my favorite part of Sarapiqui was learning more about where I am from."

Abigail Taylor talked about how inviting all the locals were. "Everyone was so nice and welcoming and made us feel at home. The community aspect reminded me of our core values mainly group harmony. They took us into their home and were so kind, something that Cherokees would do."

The Cherokee Youth Council and Youth Cultural Exchange programs are under The Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute at the Cherokee Boys Club and are sponsored by The Cherokee Preservation Foundation.

- Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute release



The Youth Cultural exchange program participants and chaperones are in front of a 400-year-old tree in the near the Arenal Volcano in Costa Rica. Shown, left to right, front row – Tonya Carroll, Bo Kinsland, Alex Sneed, Lucian Davis, Abigail Taylor, and Tara McCoy; second row - Chris Reed, Emma Taylor, Eva Bottchenbaugh, Kaelin Jones, Jake Stephens, Levi West; third row - Ryleigh Long and Lance Adams; and back row – Harper Martin. (Photo courtesy of Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute)

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

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





Dr. Lance Greene, left, did a presentation about the Welch Family from Valley River, N.C. at the Snowbird Library on the evening of Thursday, Oct. 20. He is shown talking with Kathi Littlejohn, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and noted Cherokee storyteller. Dr. Green wrote "Their Determination to Remain", a book chronicling the Welch family and the time period of the Removal. He noted that it was with the help of the late TJ Holland and Dr. Brett Riggs that this project came to fruition. John Welch, a Cherokee man, and his wife, Betty Welch, a non-Cherokee, moved into what is now Cherokee County in the 1820s, built a house, had a family, and, most importantly, bought land around their place. The book and Dr. Greene's presentation covered the archeology dig that was performed on part of the Welch land, and how the family was instrumental in helping Cherokees remain in the area, before, during and after the removal. (DAWN ARNEACH/One Feather photo)



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COMMUNITY NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Frell Owl Award nominations being accepted

2022 marks the 35th year that the Cherokee Boys Club Board of Directors will publicly recognize a person or persons with the Frell Owl Award.

The Frell Owl Award is given to those who best exemplify the character and accomplishments of the late Mr. Frell Owl, Cherokee educator and civic leader, and to those who have significantly contributed to the welfare of Cherokee children and families.

Past recipients of this award are: John Crowe, Stella Kanott, the Crowe Family, Ray Kinsland, Pearl and John Reagan, Betty Crisp, Jerri Kinsland, Mary Chiltoskey, Dora Reed, Marie Junaluska, Sharon and David Crowe, Ernestine Walkingstick, Jody Adams, Gary Maney, Mary Sneed, Mary Mantooth, David McCoy, Glenda Crowe, Denise Ballard, David McQueen, Skooter McCoy, Johnson "Booger" Arch, Kathy Wolfe, Carmaleta Monteith, Roy Lambert, Sandi Owle, Lana Lambert, Catherine Blythe-Sanders, Will Poolaw, Lou Johnson, Wilbur Paul, Alan and Mary Jane Smith, Isaac "Ike" Long, Michael Yannette, and Mianna "Peaches" Squirrel.

Anyone may submit a nomination. Any person or persons may be nominated with the exception of current Cherokee Boys Club Board Members.

The closing date for receiving nominations is Thursday, Nov. 10. You may pick up a nomination form from the receptionist at the Boys Club Information Window. Please return the nomination for and any support documents (Marked Confidential) to Benny Graves, Cherokee Boys Club, PO Box 507, Cherokee, NC 28719 or deliver to the Cherokee Boys Club at 52 Cherokee Boys Club Loop, Cherokee, NC 28719. If you have any questions, please call Jackie Bradley at 828-359-5508.

- Cherokee Boys Club

Yellowhill Community Club seeking input on events

- Are you interested in learning how to make vests or ribbon skirts? Yellowhill Community Club will be sponsoring this sewing event in the near future, but they need input and interest level to continue in planning. Call Stephanie 735-9001 or Virginia 788-8659 for details.
- A guided-tour of historical spots of the Qualla Boundary is being planned for November. To complete planning, Yellowhill Community Club needs your interest. On the guided-tour, there are seats available, and they are planning on the first 11 to call. Call Virginia 788-8659 if interested

Senior Citizens Heating Assistance program

Applications for the 2023 heating season are now available at Tsali Manor. Applications will be available Monday through Friday after 1 p.m. each day, and they can be returned Monday through Friday after 1 p.m. each day.

The deadline for applications is March 31, 2023.

If you are or will be 59 ½ by March 31, 2023, you are eligible for services upon turning 59 ½. 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 responsibili-

ty 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

EBCI Heating Assistance Program (low income and disabled persons) for 2022-23 season

Applications for the 2023 heating season for low income and disabled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) are now being taken at Tsali Manor. Priority application period entire month of October for households with children under the age of 6, disabled, elderly, working class and/or those with high energy burdens. All others apply Nov. 1. Restricted to residents within the PHHS Service Area. Heating Season ends March 31, 2023.

You may apply in person at the office of EBCI Family Support Services located in the Beloved Women and Children's Building at 73 Kaiser Wilnoty Rd. in Cherokee. Applicants do not need to make appointments. Applicants of Cherokee and Graham counties must apply at Snowbird Office for Family Services.

Low Income Applications must be submitted along with income verification, copy of electric bill, deliverable fuel bill (where applicable) and enrollment cards for all EBCI members of the home. Additional documentation may be required. You must resubmit any past documentation.

Disabled Applications must be submitted along with current award letter and heating bill.

- EBCI Family Support Services release



One Feather deadline - Fridays at 12 p.m.

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Exclusion List

The Tribe hereby declares that the power to exclude is an inherent and essential part of Tribal sovereignty. It is indispensable to the Tribe's autonomy and self-governance. Further, it is a natural right of the members of this Tribe, through their Tribal leaders and codified Tribal law, to exercise the power of exclusion to protect the Tribe's natural, economic, and cultural resources, and to protect the health, safety and welfare of Tribal members. CC 2-1 e.

Anyone banished by the EBCI is excluded from all Tribal lands and must vacate all tribal lands. If an excluded person is found improperly on Tribal lands will be treated as a trespasser and appropriate legal action shall be taken against them.

William Jesse Garrett - 2022 Angel Nicole Smith - 2022 Tiffany Marie Ward - 2022 Christopher Lee Johnson – 2022 James Cassidy Smith - 2022 Joshua Lawrence Bradley - 2022 Brandon Lee Gibson – 2022 Rachel Nicole Rogers - 2022 Tella Antoinette Page – 2022 Richard Allen Dickson - 2022 Lori Ann Buchanan - 2022 Johnathan Lee Newberry – 2022 Evanna Ulexis Lee - 2022 Eric Daniel Vaughn - 2022 Crystal M. Swayney - 2022 Paul Christopher Hampton Jr. – 2022 Cheryl Dion Cole - 2022 Lori Jane Cantrell - 2022 Steven Joseph Veeck - 2022 Boris Pesikan – 2022 Autumn Lynn McCoy – 2022 Ricci Weaber - 2022 Elmer McCarter III – 2022 Scott James Rossa – 2022 David Perry March - 2022 Johnny Tran - 2022 Dang Tien Tran – 2022 Jonathan Malpass – 2022 Christopher Ian Cotterman – 2022 Scott James Ross - 2022 Dontavius Juan Cox - 2022 Bradford Lamar Martin Jr. – 2022 Georgia Nicole Cape – 2022 Kendra Marie Bowen - 2022 Sawyer Arie Edwards - 2021 April Nations – 2021 Dustin James Kirkland - 2021 Joseph Daniel Burton - 2021 Eugene Murray Oocumma – 2021 Seth Emmerson Tapp – 2021 Robert Cody Gaddis - 2021 Haley Lauren Jarvis - 2021 Jessica Gail Conway - 2021 Katrina Cook - 2021 Avery Thomas - 2021 Erik Messick – 2021 Shane Christopher Holder - 2021 Vernie Franklin Taylor – 2020 Richard Sherman - 2020 Christine Roach - 2020

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Angelica Michele Ison – 2011 Patrick Scott Carringer – 2011 Ricky Lee Gunter - 2011 Zara Ellis Saddler - 2011 Charles Kyle Doalson - 2011 Christopher McNeilly – 2010 Edward Dewayne Gregory - 2009 Justin Edward Deign - 2009 Derrick Jamison Graham - 2009 Inoel Sanchez Vizcalla - 2008 Teddy Lee Wilson - 2008 Higinion Macedo - 2008 Stephanie Nicole Ogle - 2008 Chad N. Bragg - 2008 Peggy Darlene Bearden - 2008 David Dixon Owen - 2008 Michael Derek Braden - 2008 Isaac Ishmail Rivers - 2008 James Edward Ballew - 2007 Steven Anthony Melton - 2007 Connie Jean Martin - 2007 Jeffery Patrick Brooms - 2007 Reese Kevin Orr - 2007 Andrew James Henry - 2007 Craig McNeilly - 2007 Steven Ray Black - 2007 David Neal - 2007 Robert Christopher Sherrill – 2007 Aaron Dayton Keel - 2007 James David Cooper - 2007 Miguel Perez - 2007 Susan Denise Owen - 2007 James Michael Hornbuckle – 2007 Daniel West - 2007 Charles Ray Edwards - 2007 Pearl Dawn Fielding - 2007 Javier Garcia - 2007 Tamela Smith - 2005 Debbie Everhart - 2005 Robert Lee Smith - 2005 Randy Blevins - 2005 Drew Burrell - 2005 Jefferson Clinton Burrell – 2005 Wesley Burgess Young Jr. - 2004 Ruth Ann Martin Taylor - 2001 Polly Katherine Renfro – 2000 Eddie Junior Robinson – 2000 Buddy Powers - 2000 Jennifer Powers - 2000 Johnny Hartness – 2000

OBITUARIES JHHER

Harold Cecil Rogers Sr.

Harold Cecil Rogers Sr., 87, of St. Mary's, Ga., passed away on Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2022, at Hospice of the Golden Isles in Brunswick, Ga.

Born on June 20, 1935, in Cherokee, N.C., to the late Oscar Rogers and Edna Warren Rogers. He moved with his sister, Ruth, and her husband, Jasper Garrett, to Fernandina Beach, Fla., when he was 12 years old and graduated from Fernandina Beach High School in 1952. While attending the College of William and Mary, he worked for the Norfolk & Western Railroad, Ford Motor Company, and Norfolk News. After college, he married Alicia Russell in November 1957.

For several years, Harold worked in the family car dealership, Russell Chevrolet-Buick, in Kingsland, Georgia, where he resided with his wife and their son, Harold C. Rogers, Jr. He was a member of Christ Episcopal Church of St. Mary's.

Encouraged by his father-inlaw, C. G. Russell (himself an avid pilot), Harold pursued his dream of becoming a commercial pilot. He also served in the Florida Air National Guard. In addition to his flying career, Harold was an air-traffic controller for the F.A.A. and retired from there, as well. Harold also was a licensed flight instructor and flight examiner and helped many aspiring pilots earn their wings.

Harold also served on the Kingsland City Council, was a Sunday-School teacher, loved to fish, and was an avid motorsports enthusiast and participant, racing stock cars, hydroplanes, and dune buggies. He also loved sports and played football, basketball, tennis, and golf. He was also a generous and caring man, supportive of those around him, and always encouraging to others. He was the type of person who inspired those around him to pursue their dreams.

Employed in the flight department of Gate Petroleum up until his passing, some of Harold's fondest memories were of the famous people he was able to fly: Dignitaries such as Gerald Ford and his wife, Betty, General Norman Schwarzkopf, and also Muhammad Ali. Harold, himself a successful amateur boxer, greatly enjoyed discussing boxing and life with Ali.

Harold leaves behind his spouse of 64 years, Alicia Russell Rogers; son, Harold Jr.; daughterin-law, Kim Nelson Rogers; grandsons, Harold "Chip" C. Rogers III and Curt Nelson Rogers, all of St. Mary's. Harold was the youngest of eight brothers and sisters, Charles, Lois, Ruth, Alice, Shirley, Elsie, and Clarence, all of whom resided in and around Cherokee. He was predeceased by his parents and siblings. Harold had many nieces and nephews, including the late Barbara Garrett Owle, her son Joey and his wife Cheryl Owle's daughters, Heather and Joi, also of Cherokee. Harold was a proud member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee and will be missed by all who knew him.

A Memorial service was held on Saturday, Oct. 22 in the Burgess Chapel of at Oxley-Heard Funeral Directors in Fernandina. Internment will be at Oak Grove Cemetery in St. Mary's at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the Hospice of the Golden Isles.

Jon Tanoli Jessan George

Jon Tanoli Jessan George, age 35, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, Oct. 16, 2022, at Mission Hospital.

He is survived by his mother, Gale George; father, Eddie Stamper; fiancé, Star Locust; brothers; Chris Maney, Justin Walker, Christian Flying, Dylan Stamper, and Brian Winchester; sister Oosti French and Ayena French. Eddie George (Bobbi), Ailyne Stamper (Dave), and Suzi Morgan (David) also survive.

Jon was preceded in death by his brother, Austin Cain Ross; grandma, Shirlene George; and grandpa, Ed George.

A formal funeral service was held on Friday, Oct. 21 in the chapel of Long House Funeral Home with Matthew Tooni officiating. Burial was in the Drama Hill Cemetery. Pallbearers were among Family and Friends.

Regina Watty

Regina Watty, age 54, of Cherokee, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, Oct. 21, 2022, at Mission Hospital.

Regina was born on Nov. 11, 1968 in Cherokee, N.C. to the late Samuel Watty and Elsie Welch Watty.

Regina is survived by her son, Stephan Watty (Sasha); daughter, Brandy Pheasant (Jeremiah), both of Cherokee. In addition to her children, she is survived by three brothers, Samuel Chute Watty, Charlie Watty (Francine), Dennis Watty; one sister, Rebecca Watty (Cleto), all of Cherokee. Regina was the proud Gma Gina to four grandchildren, Suri, Sela, Shad, and Sian Watty; two grand pups Joseph, Marie and GiGi. Regina also leaves behind numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and many friends.

She worked for the Cherokee Boys Club in several departments over 14 years including Job Corps, Cherokee Elementary School and the main central office. She was an avid Carolina Tar Heels fan and loved spending time with her family and visiting with her grandbabies.

In addition to her parents, she will be welcomed home by her sisters, Mary Montelongo, and Anna Louise Watty; nephew, Michael Montelongo; uncles, Quincy, Johnny, Joseph, Anderson, Frank, Wilson, Simpson, Larch, and John; and aunts, Yonnie, Winnie, Lorrene, Charlotte, Agnes, Annie and Molly.

Funeral services were held at Straight Fork Baptist Church on Monday, Oct. 24. Pastor Harley Maney officiated the funeral. The burial took place at Samuel Watty Cemetery. Pallbearers were Justin Montolongo, Ray Montolongo, JR Reed, Jeremiah Pheasant, Evan Watty, Journey Watty, and Bryce Ledford.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.



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Constitution vs. Charter: Article IX Know the difference!

Proposed Constitution

Article IX - Impeachment of Elected Officials

Any elected or appointed official of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians who violates their oath of office or is guilty of any offense making them ineligible to hold said office may be impeached and removed from office by a two-thirds unweighted vote of council.

Section 1. Allegations of Misconduct. Any claims of misconduct by an elected or appointed official shall be referred to the Audit and Ethics Committee who shall meet within thirty (30) days to determine whether any further action is warranted.

Section 2. Drafting of Charges. If further action is warranted, the Audit and Ethics Committee shall investigate and determine whether there is sufficient cause to draft Articles of Impeachment. If there are multiple officials to be charged, separate articles shall be drafted for each official. The Audit and Ethics Committee will present the article (s) to Tribal Council.

Current Charter

Section 22. Any officer of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians who violates his oath of office, or is guilty of any offense making him ineligible to hold said office may be impenched by a two-thirds vote of council.

Why 2/3 unweighted vote?

The moveglited two-third you requirement of Tribal Council ensures that no less than eight members of council will be needed to unpends. It will not matter which communities the council members represent. Rather than playing to only certain members of council, it will be an issue of how each member feels about the information presented in the trial and whether the evidence and inteless meet the criteria to impeacle.

Why does the Audit & Ethics Committee do the initial investigation of claims?

The Audit and Effice Committee have the tools and personnel in place to perform needed investigations. If any of the officials to be investigated were a member of Tribal Council, it would be highly suspect to allow them to be part of the investigation. A separation of shifter, where an impeachment is concerned, is needed between the trial duties and those of Tribal Council to promote an environment conductive to a fair trial. If the same people are doing the investigation, prosecution, and serving as the judge and jury, how can it be called a fair trial?

Tibil Council's involvement happens after a resolution listing the Articles of Impeachment are presented for council to accept. The listing resolution is not to decide on the validity of the charges. That is what the trial is about it's about the processes having been followed and everything being in order to begin the impeachment had. The Audit and Effects Committee will be there to present information about the resolution and answer questions about the actions they performed for the invostigation. They are not there to present evidence or give opinions. That will be about that the trial.

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Proposed Constitution

Article IX - Impeachment of Elected Officials

Section 4. Hearings, Tribul Council will hold public horings on whether to convict the individual natural in the ratified Articles of Impenchment The ratified Articles are not a limiting factor in what the Tribul Council may consider.

Clause 1. Rights of the Accused, Persons named in ratified Articles shall have the right to defend themselves with their own attempty, present evidence, call witnesses, subposts persons or things pursuant to the Cherckee code, and perform cross-evanuations.

Clause 2. Procention. The Audit and Ethics Committee shall here an attorney to prosecute the case. If through the prosecution more charges are discovered, the Articles of Impendment may be amended.

Clause 3. Tribul Council. A quorum of Tribul Council shall convene to listen to the entire case without prejudice before rendering a verdict convicting or acquiring a defendant.

Clause 4. Duties of the Presiding Juriet. The Chief Joince of the Chrokee Supreme Court or his her peer justice as a designor, shall posside over the housings, rathe on evidentiary and procedural objections, possess the power of contempt, and ensure the proceedings are carried out in an ordered and subjusced manner. The Chief Justices shall not participate in the deliberations for imprecialment and does not have a vote.

Current Charter: Section 22. Any officer of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians who violates his oath of office, or is guilty of any offense making him ineligable to hold said office may be impeached by a two-thirds vote of conneil.

Why is the Chief Justice involved?

The Chief Justice or any of the pustices from the Cherokee Supreme Court should serve as the judge for these kinds of proceedings. They are in place to make sure the laws are followed, and the trial is beld in such a way that no one's rights are current ented. Inspeciment trials have to be done right the first time, as reputations are in the balance and can never be rejoired if massteps happen along the way. How evidence is presented, what is allowed to be heard, and how to tun a grad are not part of Tribal Council's daties so putting a junior in place is the most logical course of action.

Why does the Ethics Committee hire the prosecuting attorney?

The Audit & Ethics Committee has gathered enough evidence to draft the Articles of Improchanent, they are most familiar with what the charges are and from they go to tell the story of improper activity. By furing a prosecution to tell the story of wroughoing by someone in a trained position with knowledge and experience in court room proceedings, the likelihood of a successful prosecution is increased. It would be improper if the gadge or any fare the prosecuting attorney, there would be a conflict of interest and the jury could not be imported if they're bining the attorney.

What does "without prejudice" mean?

"Without purpolice" means that the purcy will not have a predetermined decision on the outcome of the hinl. The members of Tubul Council shall be no the case with an open mind, avoiding any preconceived ideas on the guilt or innocence of the accused

What is a peer justice?

A peer justice is an Associate Justice that sits on the Cherokee Suprame Coart with the Chief Justice III the Chief Justice is madde to oversee the impendament trial, then one of the other justices that serve on the Supreme Coart can fill that role. The purpose is to provide the opportunity for a fair and inflained hearing and that everyone's rights and protections are maintained.

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Section 3. Acceptance of Charges. In open session where a quorum is present, Tribal Council shall hear the allegations of misconduct presented in the Articles of Impeachment. The Audit and Ethics Committee shall bring the allegations of misconduct to the floor for a majority vote on whether to accept any Article of Impeachment. Upon acceptance, a date shall be set no later than sixty (60) days from the date of intification for a hearing on any article so intified.

Clause 1. Limited Presence. Anyone named in an Article of Impeachment shall be permitted to be present while the information is read into the record but shall not be permitted to be present during any discussions or vote on the article wherein they are named.

Clause 2. Ratification. The Tribal official numed in in Article of Impeachment shall not be involved in, nor interfere with the process of intification of that specific article.

Current Charter

Section 22. Any officer of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians who violates his oath of office, or is guilty of any offense making him inclinible to hold said office may be impeached by a two-thirds vote of council.

What is the difference between the acceptance of charges vote and an impeachment vote?

Before the impeadament trial can be field there has to be charges. The committee presents those charges to Tribal Conneil for them to agree that a trial should be field. The vote for acceptance is an acknowledgement that the process and policies that pertain to impeachment have been followed and a resolution listing the charges have been diaffied. This vote is not shoul the mill or impocured of the charges have then the field. This vote is not shoul the mill or impocure of the charges has whether everything is in order to move outs the next plane.

Why can the accused be present for the reading but not for the discussion or vote?

This is included to remove malue influence that the charged may create by being present when council is holding debote amongst themselves. They should be able to debute freely without working about what is said and how it would affect their relationship with the person.

Why would it be an issue if someone interfered with the process of ratification?

The ranification is the official acceptance of Articles of Imperchannt. This not the trial phase of an imposchment, this is where the charges have been drawn up after an investigation has been performed. If it is felt there is enough substance to the charges of misconduct, a resolution is doubted listing in detail the charges.

An official could use their knowledge and influence to delay or block the process from proceeding as it should. If there is enough evidence to being a resolution, then it needs to be dealt with quickly and equitably. The longer it festers, the more ancions the people will get, creating more doubt and mistrust with Tribal Council and whether everything is on the up and up.

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Section 5. Judgment. Less any Council Representative who may stand accused, Tribal Council may perform their deliberations in a closed session but shall be in an open session to cast votes.

Clause 1. Conviction. To sustain a conviction, the prosecution shall prove an Article of Impeachment by clear, logical and convincing evidence. A two thirds (2/3) supermajority unweighted vote of the Tribal Council quorum present must be reached to convict the accused. If convicted, the official shall be immediately removed from office. The vacancy created shall be filled according to applicable provisions of this Constitution.

a. Appeal. An official convicted by Tribal Council and thereafter removed from office following impeachment cannot seek judicial review of such conviction. Tribal Council has sole authority to impeach an elected or appointed official.

Clause 2. Acquittal. If a supermajority vote is not reached on an Article, the official shall be acquitted of that Article.

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Why should the deliberations happen behind closed doors?

If this was a court case, the jury would deliberate in private on the ments of the case. An impendiment is not a court case but a political one, should the deliberations still be held in private? The idea is to allow the "jury", in this case Tribal Council to make arguments with the other members without the fear of retailation. This may also encounage encubers to freely express their views to each other without the scrutiny of the public. As elected officials, they may not speak openly if they are more concerned about getting re-elected. They still have to vote in public, but the process that was used to get to their decision is private.

What does it mean to be acquitted?

An acquittal means not enough people voted to convict. It is not a declaration of innocence, it just means that the arguments to convict were not persuasive enough to convince a majority of the members of cosmed. There may be evidence for improchangut, but it takes the majority to agree that a specific charge meets their personal definition of an improchable offense.

How many articles of impeachment does a person need to be convicted of to be removed from office?

It only takes a conviction on one count to be impeached no matter the type of charge. Each person must weigh each individual charge on its own ments. Impeachment is about the behavior of an individual not meeting the expectations of the office they hold. It is the courts that will determine if the actions are criminal or not said if any prinshment should be applied. Once a person is convicted, they are immediately removed from office.

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COMMENTARY

Second-class citizens?

By ROBERT JUMPER

One Feather Editor

Then the Tribe decided to enter the world of adult gaming, the tribal leadership made a prevision in the law that basically said that every tribal member would receive a portion of the per capita distribution. The government set aside a portion of profits to use for its infrastructure (healthcare, elder care, education, etc.) and an equal portion to be distributed to every member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in the form of a check mailed on a

biannual basis.

Now, we all know that tribal membership in the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is dependent on being tied and identified to an ancestor listed on the Baker Roll. And the "purity" of your tribal blood can be tracked based on your descendancy from that role. On your enrollment card, there is a number expressed as a fraction; 4/4, 3/4, 1/2, 1/4, 1/16, 1/32 (and fractions in-between). It speaks to the level of Cherokee blood versus "other" you might have coursing through your veins. I am not talking about what makes you Cherokee in the philosophic sense, but the biologic. We all know there is more to being Cherokee than blood quantum. There has to be or we are quite literally doomed as a race. The purity of blood is continually being diluted. Eventually, the only trackable percentage of true blood will be through DNA. Our dependency on blood quantum as a tribal identifier is a path to extinction.

So, even though tribal blood percentage is tracked, until a descendant reaches the point that they fall beyond the percentage of being recognized as a member (there is a blood quantum that, while not considered a tribal membership level, does allow some privileges of membership), all are considered equally and fully Cherokee. Among those considered Cherokee, there are no degrees of membership or citizenship. We are all equally Cherokee. Right?

There is an ongoing debate on how tribal members will be allowed to vote. There are some that say a member shouldn't even have a right to vote unless they live on the Qualla Boundary. Others say that if they are allowed to vote, they should have to come to the Boundary to do it. Others say that if all of us are tribal members of equal value, then every effort should be made to get all the members' votes recorded.

In years past, the majority of our people lived on the Boundary. And before adult gaming, most of the monies generated by levy and grants were used on tribal lands and local programs, except for limited funding of Indian higher education. There were very limited per capita distributions, no where near the scale of today's gaming per capita. There was logic in the mentality that voting should be at least prioritized for on-Boundary





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But today is much different than those bygone days. We have grown in population. Before the casino, there were limited opportunities for life-sustaining work. So, many tribal members, like me, had to go outside the Boundary to have careers and quality of life. In addition, the availability of housing and land for living on the Qualla Boundary has been increasingly difficult to find. Even now, with significant efforts being made to make tribal housing available, supply is far behind demand.

Currently, the geographic distribution of our population is a roughly 50-50 split with approximately 8,000 members living on the Boundary and the rest off the Boundary in various counties, states, and countries. While more career opportunities have grown

on the Boundary, the land available for housing has not. And not everyone wants to work at the casino or in government, the two significant workforce opportunities available here.

Also different are the tribal enterprises. In the past few years, the tribe has been establishing beachheads in different states, expanding its economic potential through off-Boundary development. More and more, tribal members will be drawn away from the Boundary to other states, maybe even countries someday. As we grow, it will become even less likely that there will be sufficient land on the Boundary to accommodate the tribal population. In addition, many goods and services that are needed or wanted by tribal members are still lacking on-Boundary, which is another reason that members are living away so that they are closer to the amenities that they want for their families.

Yet, when the mention of loosening restrictions on the ability to vote absentee recently came up in Tribal Council, the same argument was raised again that those who live on the Boundary should be the decisionmakers for the tribe. This argument implies a disturbing concept, the acceptance of governmental regulation on a segment of tribal members, without representation. Inhibiting the ability to vote is a slippery slope. With potentially half of our tribe living off-Boundary, it is no longer an on-Boundary majority that is significantly impacted by decisions of our Tribal Council and Executive Office. It is a significant number of our total tribal community.

The answers to correcting this imbalance are not easy. While, by law, each tribal member is affiliated with a particular community, those who live off-Boundary may not keep up with the day-to-day needs and wants of that community. A person may be affiliated to a community by their parental connection, but live thousands of miles from it and know very little about it. Creating an "at-large" community with its own representatives is also challenging in that our power distribution system at our legislature is weighted based on population. Establishing representatives for the off-Boundary members would require drastic changes in the weight of each Tribal Council seat. When we add to that the small numbers on the Boundary (between 30 percent and 60 percent of those eligible) voting in elections, allowing more access to voting from off-Boundary members would have a profound effect on how the tribe is governed.

I guess the big question for

our tribe is "Do we believe that all Eastern Band Cherokee people are equal?" If the answer is yes, then we need to discuss ways to ensure that all tribal members have access to goods and services equally and are afforded equity in voting. If the answer is no, then what does that say about our tribe and sovereignty? How do we keep from disenfranchising a segment of our people, relegating them to second-class citizen status?

When we have debates about exclusion or banishment of tribal members from the Boundary for endangering the members of our tribe, many of us defend the right to membership even above that behavior that many would feel justly deserves that punishment. We say that we believe that membership is a right not to be taken away lightly. Do we feel the same regarding the rights of members, like the right to vote? When many peoples of the world are finding ways to include as broad of a representation of its people in elections as possible, will we be more concerned with maintaining the status quo?

The tribal government has the resources and technology to ensure that every eligible tribal member can have a vote in tribal elections. The tribe also can ensure that votes are counted accurately. If the people desire that every citizen of the Eastern Band have an equal say in the direction of the tribe, then it will be so.

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.

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SPEAKING OF FAITH

Church, Be the salt of the Earth

By REV. TIMOTHY L. MELTON, PASTOR

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

Read 2 Kings 2:19-22

"Father, we thank You today for the Word. I thank You Lord for Your Ability to heal the waters, the Ability to fix a barren land. Father, I thank You for the Word that's still as real as it ever was, and that You, for those here today to hear me ask You to touch every person here with the message strong and secure, let the Word go out by Internet or in this House today. We thank You for the Anointing that comes with the Word and the Understanding that brings the great Revelation that causes us to be able to walk in it. Lord, we love You and praise You in the Name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Cassie and I were there at this particular place in Israel to go to the Springs of Elisha. I had a feeling as one of the locals passed by, at that nice tiled place with a pool, which they called the Springs of Elisha, that I had a question to ask of him. "Is this the real Springs of Elisha?"

He answered me, "No, this is for the tourists." He told me we would have to go down the hill and through the woods where we'd come to a fence we could crawl through and into a junkyard to find it.

I asked, "Cassie let's break away and go to the real place I just heard about. A local person told me that we would go down this hill and through the woods to a fence, which we were to go through and under and into a junkyard. There would be the real Springs of Elisha."

So we left the group and set off trusting to find what we had been told we would see. We found the path down the embankment, went through some woods and when we got to the fence that had a hole in it where we crawled through and came up into a junkyard, where there were old cars and tires and whatever else laying around spread out and there was a pool of water that had no real stream to it but sprung up out of the ground and then flowed away.

When we looked inside the pool, it was filled with these tiny, little black snails, called pennywinkles. They are about this big, (the space between the thumb and forefinger) and flourish on the rocks around water that is very pure, clean and sweet. In fact, if there are any pesticides or impurities in the water, one will not find them there.

I looked inside that pool and it was filled with the pennywinkles. It might be in the middle of a junkyard, but it was pure, clean water.

How did I know that? I know because I took my face and I dunked my face down in the Springs of Elisha and I drank until my belly was full. It was sweet water. In fact the Bible says that "it was sweet even unto this day."

"Yeah but, that's only until the time that 2 Kings was written."

"You are right. And still I have more good news for you all. When God does the healing and when God puts things right, and when God fixes things, He knows how to do it and He knows how to keep it. Aren't you glad for that?"

"Now I can say I am securely in the Hand of my Lord. Nothing can pluck me out, there's no devil, no sickness or disease, no pain, no strain, that can pull me out of the Hand of my Lord. It's because when He does it, He does it right! And I don't have to worry about tomorrow.

"And we read the Prophet Elisha showed up and the men of the city of Jericho said, "But there's a problem. We have a beautiful city, a beautiful place. People love to come here and love to see the things we have to offer here. It's the water, there underneath, is the problem. We can't grow anything right. We don't have what we need to sustain life here. It's a beautiful place, but it's a place of death and barrenness."

"When I was reading through this, it reminded me of the land we live in today. We have a beautiful country that we live in on this planet, but we have an undercurrent of spirituality that's messed up. There's a misunderstanding and a misrepresentation and we seem to look at what's supposed to bring wholeness and health and that we are to destroy the barrenness. But, the problem is that the "salt of the Church seems to have lost its savor. The Church needs to get its saltiness back."

To be continued...

THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

These people are blemishes at your love feasts, eating with you without the slightest qualm, shepherds who feed only themselves. They are clouds without rain, blown along by the wind; autumn trees, without fruit and uprooted, twice dead.

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by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆



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- Is the book of Apollos in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- 2. Which mountain is associated with King David capturing the Jebusite fortress? Zion, Nepal, Rahab,
- 3. In Colossians 4, who does Paul call "our dear friend, the doctor"? Jesus, Mark, Luke, Asa
- 4. Jesus was about how much younger than John the Baptist? 12 days, 6 months, 1 year, 3 years
- 5. From Mark 14, how long will poor people be around? Always, Sometimes, Never, 40 years
- 6. In Genesis 42, which Hebrew governed Egypt? Darius, Sisera, Cornelius, Joseph

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- 1. MYTHOLOGY: What are the Nereids in Greek mythology?
- LITERATURE: Which 19th-century English novel has the subtitle, "The Parish Boy's Progress"?
- 3. ACRONYMS: In printing, what does the acronym DPI stand for?
- GEOGRAPHY: Which city lies near the largest natural harbor in the
- 5. ANIMAL KINGDOM: How does a bat find its prey?
- 6. HISTORY: Who is the youngest person to win a Nobel Peace Prize?
- LANGUAGE: What does the Latin prefix "super-" mean in English?
- 8. LAW: What is double jeopardy? GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Who
- founded the American Red Cross? 10. MEDICAL: What vitamin deficiency causes night blindness?

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EVENTS

BENEFITS/FUNDRAISERS

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

- Oct. 29 at 5 p.m., Free Labor Turkey Shoot
- Nov. 5 at 3 p.m., Brothers in the Wind Turkey Shoot
- Nov. 12 at 3 p.m., Cherokee Mavericks Turkey Shoot
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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Yellowhill Community October activities

- Pumpkin Carving Party/Contest, to be arranged
- Monthly newsletter, Oct. 31,
 Halloween Event to be discussed at monthly meeting

Bike Ride applications. Must be a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and at least 15 years of age by Jan. 1, 2023. Deadline for applications is Thursday, Oct. 27 at 4:30 p.m., and they should be turned in to the Cherokee Choices office. Applications are available at Cherokee Choices, 806 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, N.C. or contact Tori Trammell at victtram@ebci-nsn.gov. Info: Shelby

Parker at shelpark@ebci-nsn.gov or 359-6783

Big Cove Halloween Carnival.

Oct. 30 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Big Cove Community Club/ Gym. Trick-or-treating, 50/50 drawing, costume contests with cash prizes. Info: Call or text Venita 554-1199

Cherokee Speaker's Gather-

ing. Oct. 31 from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the New Kituwah Academy Multi-Purpose Room. Everyone is invited. There will be a potluck lunch so bring your favorite side dish or dessert. Everyone is encouraged to share a scary story. Info: Kayla Pheasant kaylphea@ ebci-nsn.gov or 359-6406

Pumpkin Patch Market. Nov. 3 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Shopping, food, and fun. Lunch by Melishia. Info: Denise Walkingstick 508-2211

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

Revitalization of Traditional



Cherokee Artisan Resources (RTCAR) Listening Session.

Nov. 17 at 4:30 p.m. at EBCI Cooperative Extension office. Info: Adam Griffith 359-6935 or adamgriff@ebci-nsn.gov

Cherokee Choices Health Holidays Cooking Demo. Nov. 18 from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. in the Cherokee Choices Community Room. To sign-up, contact April 359-6201 or apriinni@ebci-nsn.gov

HEALTH & SPORTS EVENTS

Adult Basketball League.

Men's and Women's 5-on-5, 18+. Games on Sundays starting Nov. 6 at the Painttown Gym. Entry Fees: Women \$300, Men \$400. Deadline to enter is Thursday, Oct. 27 at 4 p.m. Info: 359-3345 Cherokee Choices Turkey
Strut 5K. Nov. 19 at Kituwah
Mound. Registration begins at 11
a.m., race begins at 12 p.m. Proceeds will be donated to Cherokee
High School HOSA. To register
online, visit: https://runsignup.
com/cherokee5kturkeystrut Info:
Yolanda Saunooke, yolasaun@
ebci-nsn.gov or 359-6784

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.

Choctaw Pow Wow. Nov. 4-6 in Durant, Okla. Info: powwow@

Puzzle Answers

Answers

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— Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) Zion, 3) Luke, 4) 6 months, 5) Always, 6) Joseph



Answers

- 1. Sea nymphs.
- "Oliver Twist" (Charles Dickens).
- Dots per inch.
- Sydney, Australia.
- Écholocation (sending high-frequency sound waves).
- Malala Yousafzai of Pakistan, who fights for children's rights to education, was 17 when she won the award.
- 7. Above, over (supervise, etc.).
- Prosecuting a person twice for the same offense.
- Clara Barton.
- 10. Vitamin A.

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2nd Annual Onslow Veterans Pow Wow. Nov. 5-6 at American
Legion Post 265 in Jacksonville,
N.C. Info: Raquel Painter at onslowpowwow@gmail.com

Spirit Bear (formerly Red Hoop) Pow Wow. Nov. 6 at Shepherd University Wellness Center in Shepherdstown, W.V. MC: Reed Brown Jr. Host Drums: Medicine Horse, Gray Cloud. Info: Katherine Hutson (304) 433-1450, bearandhawk@gmail.com

San Carlos Veteran's Pow Wow. Nov. 11-12 at San Carlos High School Football Field in Peridot, Ariz. MC: Erny Zah. Host Drums: Cozad, War Paint. Info: Kodee Goseyun (928) 475-1794, kodee.goseyun@scat-nsn.gov Austin Pow Wow. Nov. 12 at Travis County Expo Center in Austin, Texas. MC: Juaquin Hamilton. Host Northern Drum: Plainz Drifterz. Host Southern Drum: Otter Trail. Info: Robert Bass (512) 371-0628, robert@austinpowwow. net

NTL 3rd Annual Pow Wow.

Nov. 12 at NSU Collins Pavilion and Practice Field in Natchitoches, La. MC: Herb "Chickdog" Johnson. Host Drum: AC Woodland Singers. Info: Belinda Smith (281) 924-0635, trichelfam@gmail.com

26th Annual Harvest Pow

Wow. Nov. 12-13 at Dupage County Fairgrounds in Wheaton, Ill. MC: Leonard Malatare. Host

see HAPPENINGS next page



Questions?

Contact Tricia Carver 359-6250 or triccarv@ebci-nsn.gov

or Candy Martin at 359-6865 or candmart@ebci-nsn.gov.

VETERANS ★ POST ★

by Freddy Groves

Changes for VA Small Businesses

If you hope to set up a business as a service-disabled veteran-owned small business (SDVOSB) or a veteran-owned small business (VOSB), your verification will no longer be done by the Department of Veterans Affairs. Instead, as of the beginning of 2023, the Small Business Administration (SBA) will be in charge.

No new applications will be accepted after Oct. 24, 2022, for either verification or reverification, due to the transition to the Small Business Administration. If you currently have a business and wonder about your next steps, go to vetbiz.va.gov and click on "See frequently asked questions concerning this change."

The Vets First Verification Program, using the Center for Verification and Evaluation (CVE), will be your go-to for all types of assistance, including working through the initial steps: Intake, Assessment, Federal Review and Decision.

The benefits are worth the trouble to become VA-verified, if only for the set asides that are at the heart of how the VA helps small businesses — competition is limited, which helps veterans compete for federal contracts. At least 3% of those contracts are held for service-disabled veterans who own their businesses.

To be a SDVOSB or VOSB, a business must be owned 51% or more by a veteran who did not receive a bad conduct or dishonorable discharge, and be controlled on a daily basis by a veteran who has the managerial experience to run the business. In addition, the veteran has to be the highest paid person in the company, working full time and holding the highest position in the company. To qualify as a servicedisabled business, the veteran must meet all of the above qualifications and also have a disability rating letter from the VA confirming a serviceconnected disability.

If you're ready to start a business, check out www.va.gov/osdbu/ verification/index.asp and scroll to the guides and forms.

If you're still at the thinking stage and need direction and help in becoming an entrepreneur, go to www.va.gov/ OSDBU/entrepreneur/index.asp for information on finding financial backing, growing your business or doing business with federal agencies and more.

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Solving a Litter Box Mystery

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: I'm responding to your recent column about the kitten who won't litter train. I've had kitties for over 50 years. The only time one of my kittens had trouble using the litter box, I made sure to watch him the next time he started sniffing around. It turned out that the sides of the litter box were too high! I replaced it with a litter box that had lower sides and it solved the problem. Love your column! — Linda P., Williamson, New York

DEAR LINDA: Thank you for the advice! Cats are experts at hiding their problems, and it can be difficult to see if a training issue is something to do with behavior, health problems or something else.

Your advice to observe the kitten closely, without interfering as it goes about its business, is perfect. If you've got time to follow a kitten around the house from a distance, that's great. Of course, many of us are busy or have to leave the house for most of the day for work. One way to get around that is to use an indoor security camera — one of the small cameras available for purchase online like a Blink or a SimpliSafe — and point it at the litter box. You can observe activity around the box while you're away (or in another room).

In this instance, the sides of the box were simply too high! A quick fix got the kitten back on track.

Now, what if you observe something else, like the kitten showing distress just before it pees or poops? Or interference from another kitten or cat? Contact your veterinarian for advice, a checkup if needed, and an action plan to solve the litter box mystery.

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

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HAPPENINGS: Event listings, from page 29

Drums: Little Thunder, Wind Eagle, Iron Bear. Info: Joseph Schranz (773) 585-8613, Msf@ midwestsoaring.org

Spirit of the Veteran and Warrior Pow Wow. Nov. 12-13 in Dayton, Tenn. MC: Joey Pierce. Info: Richard DeArk (423) 503-1407, hoahbuiltdaark@yahoo.com

Kent State University Native American Pow Wow. Nov. 12 at Kent State University Ballroom in Kent, Ohio. Info: smc@kent.edu

23rd Annual Pahrump Social Pow Wow. Nov. 18-20 at Petrack
Park in Pahrump, Nev. MC: Michael Reifel. Info: Paula Elefante
(775) 209-3444, pahrumppow-

wow@yahoo.com

Honoring Our Nation's Veterans Pow Wow. Nov. 19-20 at Cibolo Multi-Event Center in Cibolo, Texas. Emcees: Larry Liles, Al Santos. Host Northern Drum: Young Buffalo Horse. Host Southern Drum: Wild Band of Comanches. Info: Lenny Medina (210) 851-3514, lennythegeek@att.net

WESTERN N.C. & BEYOND EVENTS

Evening of spooky tales with Gary Carden. Oct. 28 at 5 p.m. at City Lights Bookstore in Sylva, N.C. Attendees will be treated to Gary's renditions from Irish, Jewish, Japanese, and Cherokee cultures. Seating is limited and admission is free. Info: 586-9499 or more@citylightsnc.com



Poets in Conversation: Lee Stockdale and Andrew Clark.

Oct. 29 at 3 p.m. at City Lights Bookstore in Sylva, N.C. Poets Lee Stockdale and Andrew Clark will most discuss "Gorilla", a collection of poetry about Stockdale's journey as a suicide survivor. Info: 586-9499 or more@citylightsnc. com

"We Will Not Be Silenced: Standing for Missing and **Murdered Indigenous Wom**en" exhibit reception. Nov. 2 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Bardo Arts Center at 199 Centennial Drive in Cullowhee, N.C. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be served at the reception. The exhibition, open now through Dec. 9, aims to raise awareness about the astonishingly high rates of violence experienced by Indigenous women in the United States and Canada. Developed by the WCU Cherokee Center in partnership with the WCU Fine Museum, this exhibition features artwork by six Indigenous artists—Ashley Tyler Evans, Dylan Rose, Moe Hernandez, R.A. Johnson, Chi Myriah Shipman, and Jaime Black-who are amplifying the voices of those seeking to end this violence. Info: www.arts.wcu.edu/wwnbs or call **227-ARTS**

Upcoming Native events at Western Carolina University.

- Wear Red Day. Nov. 1. Wear red on this day in honor or the start of Native American Heritage Month and to honor the Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women's Movement.
- Multicultural Mental Health Showcase. Nov. 10 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the UC Grandroom. A showcase of various cultural mental health challenges, tips, trades, and solutions.

- Rock Your Mocs Walk. Nov. 15 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Meet in the lobby of the Cherokee Tower at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort. Participants will walk the length of the casino. T-shirts will be available for purchase.

Info: WCU Cherokee Center 497-7920 or www.facebook.com/ wcucherokee

Swain County Genealogical and Historical Society meet-

ing. Nov. 3 at 6:30 p.m. at the Swain County Regional Business Education and Training Center at 45 East Ridge Drive in Bryson City. Peter Koch will give a presentation entitled "Migration of The Scots-Irish to Western North Carolina". Conversation and refreshments will follow the presentation. This is free and open to the public.

Spruce Grove Baptist Church Revival. Nov. 6 at 7 p.m. Sermons by Pastors Sam McMahan and Justin Ledford. Special singers are: One Accord Trio, Will Howell, Smoky Mountain Gospel Singers, Lane Crisp, Turning Home, Shuler Family. Info: Roger Roland 736-9606

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

Rick Buchanan for Sheriff

I was born and raised in Jackson County and my roots run deep in our community. Helping my community has long been priority in my life that continues to this day.

It was more than 15 years ago that I first considered the possibility of running for the Office of Sheriff in Jackson County. I was a detective at the time with the Jackson County Sheriffs Office and had already served for more than 15 years with the Savannah Volunteer Fire Department.

I began to think of the good things I could do as Sheriff and all the ways I could make a difference. What began as a dream became a plan.

A Sheriff is more than just someone in a public office. A Sheriff must be a leader, a friend, a listener, a person of trust, a motivator, and most of all a humble servant to the people of Jackson County.



A Community Moving Forward Together (828) 506-2468

Early Voting is Open and Election Day is November 8.

I appreciate your vote!





Childbirth Class

Saturday, November 5th

9am-4pm

Ginger Lynn Welch Building

Cherokee Choices Community Room

Learn about.....

Labor and Delivery, Comfort measures, The 6 healthy birth practices, Newborn care, Breastfeeding, And more........

Class taught by ICEA certified childbirth educators

For more information or to register, contact Michelle Raby at 788-5330 or Amy Collins at 788-4316. Snacks will be provided.

Bring a support person and some comfortable pillows

Upon completion of class, each pregnant person will receive a \$50 Gift Card



91 Sequoyah Trail Cherokee, NC. 28719

Showing

Thursday - Monday





Get tickets on Fandango
FRIGHT NIGHTS
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10/28- FRIDAY THE 13TH FOR ADULTS & HOTEL
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10/29 - NIGHTMARE ON ELM STREET FOR ADULTS & THE ADDAMS FAMILY OR KIDS

10/30- ARMY OF PARKNESS FOR ADULTS & SCOOB FOR KIDS

10/31- HALLOWEEN, ORIGINAL FOR ADULTS
& TIM BURTONS CORPSE BRIDE FOR KIDS

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SEEKING

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





ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Although you love being the focus of everyone's attention, it's a good idea to take a few steps back right now to just watch the action. What you see can help with an upcoming decision.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) "Caution" continues to be your watchword this week, as a former colleague tries to reconnect old links. There are still some dark places that need to be illuminated.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Making a good first impression is important. Revealing your often hidden sense of humor can help you get through some of the more awkward situations.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Are you taking that Cancer Crab image too seriously? Lighten up. Instead of complaining about your problems, start resolving them. A friend would be happy to help.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A widening distance between you and that special person needs to be handled with honesty and sensitivity. Don't let jealousy create an even greater gap between you two.

VIRGÓ (August 23 to September 22) Congratulations. Your handling of a delicate family matter rates kudos. But, no resting on your laurels just yet. You still have to resolve that on-the-job problem.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might surprise everyone by being unusually impulsive this week. But even level-headed Libras need to do the unexpected now and then.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A period of turmoil gives way to a calmer, more settled environment. Use this quieter time to patch up neglected personal and/or professional relationships.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A new relationship could create resentment among family and friends who feel left out of your life. Show them you care by making more time for them.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Concentrate on completing all your unfinished tasks before deadline. You'll then be able to use this freed-up time to research new career opportunities.

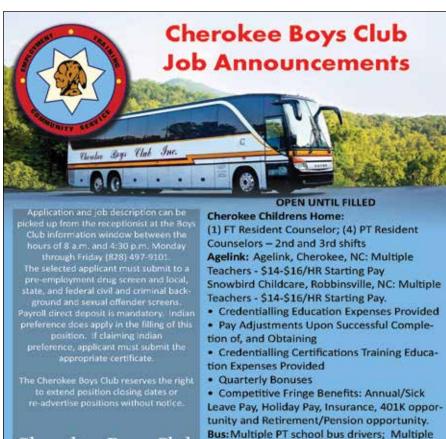
AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You're right to try to help colleagues resolve their heated differences. But keep your objectivity, and avoid showing any favoritism between the two sides.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your personal life continues to show positive changes. Enjoy this happy turn of events, by all means. But be careful not to neglect your workplace obligations.

BORN THIS WEEK: People of all ages look to you for advice and encouragement. You would make an excellent counselor.

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FT truck drivers

Construction/facilities: (2) skilled carpen-

ters/mason; (2) carpenter/mason helpers

ALL POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED

Cherokee Boys Club

P.O. Box 507

Cherokee, NC 28719



North Carolina 2022 Elections

Get a sample ballot for your county:

www.ncsbe.gov

Registration deadline for this year's election is October 14

One-stop, in-person early voting begins October 20





COMMUNITY DAY TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1514

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS

Event time: 2pm - 8pm

AT THE EXPO HALL

Free Buffet Dinner and a Chance to Win Prizes. Tickets available at the Cherokee Visitor Center starting Monday, October 10th.

Show your EBCI enrollment card to receive 4 tickets. Tickets will have time on them for reserved seating. Must bring ticket(s) to event.

Shuttle Bus from parking garage to EXPO HALL.



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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians **HUMAN RESOURCES**

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

Closing Sunday, October 30, 2022

- 1. Patrol Sergeant Cherokee Indian Police Department EBCI Law Enforcement (L14 \$25.17 - \$31.46 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 2. Compliance Officer Corrections EBCI Law Enforcement (L12 \$20.89 \$26.11 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 3. Victim Advocate Cherokee Indian Police Department EBCI Law Enforcement (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 4. Maintenance Supervisor Corrections EBCI Law Enforcement (L9 \$16.21 -\$20.26 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 5. Maintenance Technician Corrections EBCI Law Enforcement (L8 \$15.90 \$19.88 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 6. Animal Control Assistant Animal Control EBCI Law Enforcement (L8 \$15.90 -\$19.88 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 7. Budget Analyst Budget and Finance Treasury (L15 \$57,982 \$72,478)
- 8. Survey Technician Tribal Surveying Office of the Attorney General (L10 \$17.58 -\$21.98 per hour)
- 9. Survey Specialist Tribal Surveying Office of the Attorney General (L11 \$19.13 -\$23.92 per hour)
- 10. Administrative Assistant Internal Audit (L8 \$15.90 \$19.88 per hour)
- 11. Dental Clerk/Assistant Children's Dental Program Public Health and Human Services (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour)
- 12. Cook Senior Citizens Education (L6 \$15.30 \$19.13 per hour)

Open Until Filled

- 1. Detention Officer (Multiple) Detention Services Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 -\$41,574) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 2. Patrol Officer (Multiple) Cherokee Indian Police Department EBCI Law Enforcement (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 3. FT Paramedic Emergency Medical Services Public Safety (L8 \$30,357 \$37,946) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour)
- 4. PT Paramedic (Multiple) Emergency Medical Services Operations (L11 \$19.13 -\$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 5. Youth Development Professional Cherokee Youth Center Education (L6 \$15.30 -\$19.13 per hour)
- 6. Driver (Multiple) Transit Operations (L8 \$15.90 \$19.88 per hour) SAFETY SEN-SITIVE POSITION
- 7. Teacher (Multiple) Qualla Boundary Early Head Start Public Health and Human Services (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)
- 8. Teacher (Multiple) Qualla Boundary Head Start Public Health and Human Services (L10 \$17.58 - \$21.98 per hour)
- 9. Real Estate Associate Attorney Realty Services Office of the Attorney General (L15 \$72,342 - \$90,428)
- 10. Social Worker (Multiple) Family Safety Public Health and Human Services (L14 \$25.17 - \$31.46 per hour)
- 11. Legislative Executive Financial Director Tribal Council (19 \$97,792 \$130,389) 12. Tribal Prosecutor II - Criminal Law - Office of the Attorney General (L17 \$72,127
- -\$96,169)
- Electrician Helper Qualla Housing Services Housing (L4 \$25,261 \$31,581)
- 14. Carpenter (Multiple) Qualla Housing Services Housing (L7 \$33,250 \$41,574)
- 15. Carpenter Helper (Multiple) Qualla Housing Services Housing (L4 \$25,261 -
- 16. Maintenance Utility (Multiple) Qualla Housing Services Housing (L4 \$25,261 -\$31,581)
- 17. Utility Worker/Operator Assistant Qualla Housing Services Housing (L6 \$30,357 - \$37,946) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 18. Education Specialist Higher Education Education (L10 \$17.58 \$21.98 per
- 19. Housekeeper I (Multiple) Housekeeping Operations (L6 \$15.30 \$19.13 per
- hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION 20. Economic Analyst - Destination Marketing - Commerce (L16 \$64,581 - \$80,727)
- 21. Law Clerk Tribal Court Judicial Branch (L13 \$47,552 \$59,440)

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

Please attach any licenses, certificates, diplomas, resumes, etc. with application. If you are unable to attach the documents, you may drop them off at our offices located at 806 Acquoni Rd. Suite 100 or email them to the Employment Specialists listed on our website. Indian Preference does apply.

NOTICE: Due to the Tribal State of Emergency, we will only advertise positions that are classified as
Essential or Critical to Tribal Operations. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 22-110

In the Matter of the Estate of Caroline Conseen-Smith

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 PUBLI-CATION

Deborah Conseen-Bradley 1763 Camp Creek Rd Whittier, NC. 28789

10/26

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF SWAIN

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The undersigned, having qualified as ADMINISTRATRIX of the ESTATE OF THRESIA DARLENE EATON, deceased, late of Swain County, North Carolina, notifies all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned c/o Lisa M. Rothman at McGuire, Wood & Bissette, P.A., PO Box 3180, Asheville, NC 28802, on or before January 12, 2023, or this Notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned. This the 12th day of October, 2022. RACHEL KAY NATIONS,

ESTATE OF THRESIA DARLENE EATON 11/2

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 22-105 In the Matter of the Estate of

VILLAREAL WEST

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 PUBLI-CATION Christian West 16 Alfred West Rd. Cherokee, NC 28719 11/2

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA;

SWAIN COUNTY

22-E-75

In the Superior Court for Swain County, before the Clerk Estate of Chase Crowe, Deceased. To Jallen Calhoun, Ataliana Calhoun, and any other unknown heir at law of Chase Crowe; and to Myra Calhoun or any other person having custody of Jallen Calhoun, Ataliana Calhoun, or any other unknown minor heir at law of Chase Crowe, take notice that a pleading seeking to determine the heirs of Chase Crowe has been filed in the above-entitled proceeding. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: Petitioner seeks a court

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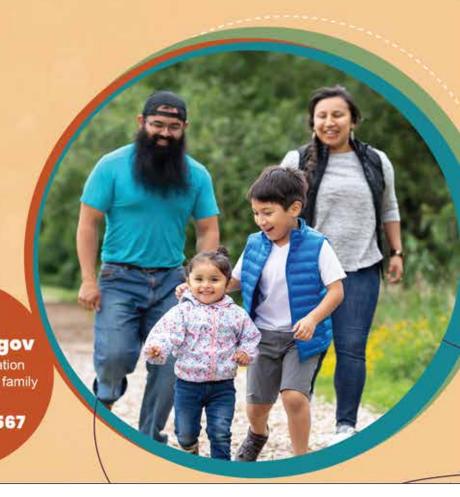
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order identifying the heirs at law of Chase Crowe.

You are required to file an answer to such pleading not later than December 2, 2022 and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

Take notice that a hearing on this matter will be held on December 8, 2022 at 10:00 AM before the Swain County Clerk of Superior Court, at the Swain County Court House. 11/2

BIDs, RFPs, etc.

Request for Proposals

The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks competitive proposals for scanning of documents for electronic access and storage. 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. Relevant Work Experience
 Proposals may be submitted at any
 time, but those received on or before October 31, 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
This is a solicitation of proposals
and not an offer to contract. The
Cherokee Tribal Court reserves
the right to decline any proposals
received. 10/26

Request for Proposal (RFP)

The EBCI Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Program (DV/SA Program) seeks competitive proposals for a Domestic Violence/ Sexual Assault Counselor on a contractual basis.

The DV/SA Program seeks a certified counselor with expertise in the fields of domestic violence and sexual assault to counsel its clients who are survivors of domestic violence and/or sexual assault.

Qualifications include:

- Education: Licensed social worker or counselor in the state of North Carolina and have a minimum of a master's degree in one or more of the following fields: mental health counseling, marriage and family therapy, social work, or related field.
- Experience: A minimum of Two(2) years of social services or relat-

ed experience.

Interested individuals should submit a brief proposal via email including the following information:

- Name and contact information
- Copies of certifications
- Relevant work experience

Proposals may be submitted at any time, but those received on or before October 21, 2022 will receive priority over later submissions. Please email proposals to both:

- Marsha Jackson, Manager of the EBCI DV/SA Program: marsdavi@ebci-nsn.gov
- Kayla Bigmeat, Outreach Coordinator of the EBCI DV/SA Program:

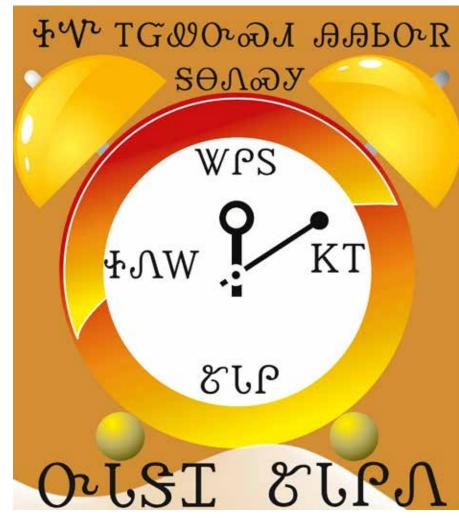
kaylbigm@ebci-nsn.gov

This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. The EBCI DV/SA Program



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

- Elementary Teacher (Multiple)
- 2. Elementary Teacher Assistant
- 3. Elementary School Counselor
- 4. Middle School Special Education Pathseekeers Teacher
- 5. Math Teacher (High School)
- Behavior Modification Teacher Assistant (Middle School)
- 7. Math Teacher (Middle School)
- 8. Part Time Food Service
- 9. Middle School Boys Basketball Assistant Coach



reserves the right to decline any proposals received. 10/26

RFQ

Kituwah LLC is seeking qualified commercial contractors to provide qualifications for assessing the HVAC system located at the Cherokee Cinemas and More. The facility is a 6-plex theater with approximately 24,431 sq ft of private and public spaces located at 91 Sequoyah Trail, Cherokee, North Carolina, 28719. The RFQ will assess qualified contractors on experience and expertise in the HVAC industry, including electrical and mechanical work. If the contractor qualifies for the request and is selected, they will provide a proposal to Kituwah to assess and replace any faulty HVAC equipment at the theater facility. Firms THAT DO NOT SUBMIT PROPOSALS

ON TIME WILL NOT BE CON-SIDERED, NO EXCEPTIONS. Proposals must be received by November 4, 2022, 11:00am EST. Please email Cameron Cooper for a complete RFQ or any questions at ccooper@kituwahllc.com 11/2

Request for Proposals for the Owner's Representative Services for the Museum of the Cherokee Indian

Project Description

The Museum of the Cherokee Indian (MCI), a 501c3 organization, is planning to construct a new storage facility on tribal lands located near Galbreath Creek Road in Bryson City, NC for the purpose of collecting, storing, and managing historical artifacts related to the history of the Cherokee Indi-

MCI is also planning a renova-

2013 Chevrolet Equinox LS

4D Sport Utility 2.4L 4-cylinder SIDI

DOHC FWD 6-speed automatic w/ OD,

op features incude Bluetooth wirele

phone connectivity, turn by turn

navigationn w/ Onstar eNav, and

remote keyless entry

Odometer 137,876

Stock # V8971B Price \$9,383

tion of the current Museum public facility, on the existing footprint at 589 Tsali Blvd Cherokee, NC. This project has the potential to be a complete rebuild. The purpose of this building is for MCI's permanent and changing exhibitions, public programming, and community engagement.

Scope of Services

The selected Owner's Representative Firm will work with MCI to provide a full range of Owner's Representative services related to the oversight of the design, construction, and project closeout of a specialized artifact collection and storage facility and the museum renovation.

Submittals must be received by 5:00 PM on November 11th, 2022. Electronic submissions are preferable. Learn more at mci.org/ employment. 11/9

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals will be received by The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians at Cherokee Water & Sewer Department 1840 Paint Town Rd, Cherokee, NC 28719 up to 2:00 p.m. on Thursday November 17, 2022 and at which time they will be opened in accordance with TERO procedures for the furnishing of labor, material and equipment entering into the construction of Acquoni Road Water & Sewer Replacement Project as associated with the replacement of water and gravity sewer lines. Complete plans, specifications and contract documents will be open for inspection in the office of Cherokee Water & Sewer Department and in the offices of Vaughn & Melton Consulting Engineers, in Asheville & Sylva, North Carolina,



Priced below KBB Fair Purhcase Price! Odometer is 53,638 miles below market eragel 4D crew cab 4.0L V6 DOHC RWD 5-speed automatic w/ OD. One local owner. Bed liner, bed liner/ trail hitch ckage, trailer hitch, Bluetooth wireless phone connectivity, and rear camera.

Odometer 3,578 P4111 Price \$29,576



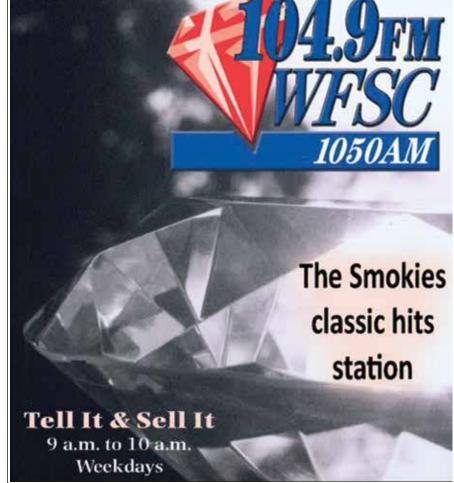
2021 Chrysler Voyager LXI 4D Passenger van 3.6L V6 24V VVT FWD 9-speed automatic, one owner, power liftgate, leatherette seat upholstery, ntgrated voice command w/ Bluetooth. and push start button.

Stock # 4113 Price \$25,949

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in the offices of the Associated General Contractors, Carolinas Branch, Charlotte, North Carolina, or may be obtained by those qualified and who will make a bid, PDF plans are available free of charge or hard copies are available upon deposit of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) in cash or certified check. Plans & specification will be available no later than October 28, 2022. A pre-bid conference will be held on November 7, 2022 at 11:00 am at the Cherokee Water & Sewer Department 1840 Paint Town Rd, Cherokee, NC 28719

Emailed bids may be submitted to Ethan Arch at ethaarch@ebci-nsn.gov. The EBCI firewall has been blocked bid documents in the past. It is the bidder's responsibility to confirm that emailed bids have been received prior to the deadline.

A single prime bid for all work will be received for the project. All proposals shall be unit price bid.

All contractors are hereby notified that they must have proper license under the state laws governing their respective trades.

General contractors are notified that Chapter 87, Article 1, General Statues of North Carolina, will be observed in receiving and awarding general contracts.

Davis-Bacon Wage Determination and Reporting- This project is partly funded by federal grant(s) and as such, the requirements of the Davis-Bacon Wage Act apply.

A performance bond and a payment bond will be required for one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price.

Payment will be made on the basis of ninety percent (90%) of monthly estimates and final pay-

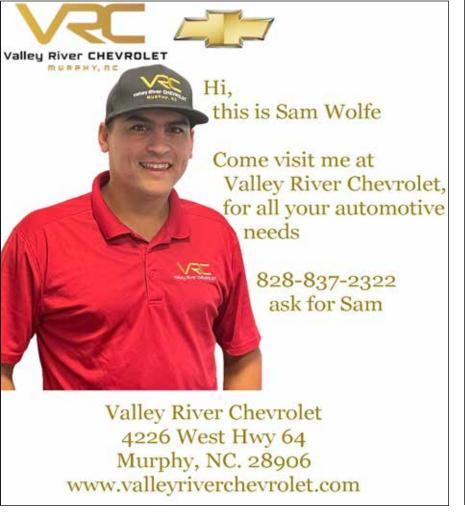
ment made upon completion and acceptance of work.

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids for a period of 90 days.

The owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive

informalities.
Ethan Arch
Cherokee Water Programs
Designer: Vaughn & Melton Consulting Engineers
40 Colonial Square
Sylva, North Carolina 28779
11/9









FINANCE:

Patient Access Specialist - Part Time Intermittent \$17.12 - \$19.26

Billing Analyst II \$19.66 - \$22.25

ENGINEERING:

Dietary Manager - \$52,339 - \$65,424

EVS Supervisor - \$21.13 - \$23.98

Maintenance Mechanic \$21.12 -\$23.98

EXECUTIVE

Credentialing Clerk - \$19.66 - \$22.25

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Master Level Therapist – Adult & Child positions available - \$56,891 - \$68,269 **\$3,000 Hiring Bonus

Targeted Case Manager - Family Safety \$39,576 - \$49,470

Targeted Case Manager - Women's Home \$39,576 - \$49,470

Residential Technician (Female) – Kanvwotiyi - \$17.12 - \$19.26 (PM/ Weekend differential pay) **\$3,000 Hiring Bonus

Beauty for Ashes Cultural Advisor - \$39,576 - \$49,470

Beauty for Ashes Program Manager - \$52,339 - \$65,424

Residential Technician (Female) – Women's Home - \$17.12 - \$19.26 (PM/Weekend differential pay)

OPERATIONS:

Clinical Pharmacist \$91,542 - \$114,427

Clinical Pharmacist - Part Time Intermittent \$91,542 - \$114,427

Dental Assistant II \$18.32 - \$20.67

Pedodontist \$157,686 - \$236,529

Optician \$22.76 - \$25.89

Ultrasound Technologist - Part Time Intermittent \$24.55 - \$27.99

System Administrator I - \$45,512 - \$56,891

Optometrist - \$109,504 - \$136,880

MEDICAL:

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Clinical Dietitian - \$45,512 - \$56,891

Advanced Practice Provide - Emergency Room \$80,863 - \$101,079

FNP/PA - ICC \$80,863 - \$101,079

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)

Registered Nurse - Analenisgi Inpatient \$33.68 - \$38.72

Care Manager (IDD/TBI) - Primary Care \$31.06 -\$35.64

Chiropractor \$69,219 - \$86,523

Licensed Practical Nurse - Immediate Care Center - \$22.76 - \$25.89

Massage Therapist \$45,512 - \$56,891

Registered Nurse - Inpatient - \$31.06 - \$35.64 ** \$3,000 Hiring Bonus (Night shift)

Registered Nurse - Inpatient - Part Time Intermittent \$31.06 - \$35.64

Telemetry Nursing Assistant - Inpatient - \$19.66 - \$22.25

TSALI CARE CENTER:

Certified Nursing Assistant \$17.12 - \$19.26 **\$2,000 Hiring Bonus**

Certified Nursing Assistant - Part Time Intermittent \$17.12 - \$19.26

Certified Medication Aide - \$17.12 - \$19.26

Registered Nurse - \$31.06 - \$35.64 **\$3,000 Hiring Bonus**

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

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

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Note: Prizes for all categories will equal \$100 each.

ADOLT DIVISION (15-up)
Cherokee Basket filled w/gifts

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

GROOP (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 Cherokeeonefeather1966@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!



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Jackson County Commissioner
Boyce Deitz
farmer

Jackson County Chairman
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firefighter

Jackson County Commissioner

Gayle Woody

teacher

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*funding our Sheriff's Office
*supporting our emergency services
*protecting our mountains and water
*expanding broadband

*combating the opioid crisis

*assisting small businesses

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