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75 years in,
Museum is looking
to the future

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**

One Feather Asst. Editor

CHEROKEE, N.C. – As the Museum of the Cherokee Indian enters its 75th Anniversary year, its leadership is looking to the future. The Museum was established in 1948 and has been at its current location in the cultural district of Cherokee since 1976.

“When I was hired, the Board was interested in redoing the permanent exhibit,” said Shana Bushyhead Condill, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) and the Museum’s executive director since June

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The Museum of the Cherokee Indian, shown in this photo on the morning of Thursday, Jan. 26, is looking to expand its exhibits and educational opportunities. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

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A piece by Shennelle Feather, entitled "Medicine, Choose How You Use", is on display in the Museum of the Cherokee Indian's latest exhibit entitled "Disruption". Feather's piece replaces ceremonial Stomp Dance Shakers which were previously on display. The exhibit's goal was to remove ceremonial and funerary objects that were on display and replace those with artwork from contemporary Cherokee artists.

MUSEUM: Officials are looking to the next 75 years, from front page

2021. "We've been thinking about what the Museum could be compared to what it is now. The Museum has a long legacy of being innovative. When this building was built in the 1970s, this was cutting edge museum technology."

The Museum went through its last renovation and changing of the permanent exhibit in 1998. Condill noted, "That renovation blew people away. It was extremely innovative for the 90s with the idea being an immersive experience touching all of your senses with the sound, going through the Trail of Tears section and feeling cold, the lighting – all of that sort of tied into that immersive experience."

In September 2022, the Museum launched "Disruption" which switched some gears on its permanent exhibit taking funerary and items deemed ceremonial off display. "Disruption" was our

way of putting sort of a Band-aid fix on that exhibition. One of the things that we've been doing, and will still continue to do as an ongoing project, is speak to different groups about what they're interested in."

As the idea of creating a new permanent exhibit goes forward, Condill said she wants to make sure that they're listening to the wants and concerns of the EBCI tribal members. "One of the things that always comes to mind for me is the timeline way of telling a story is sort of what we expect to see regarding Native representation in museums. And, the thing that keeps coming up over and over again is that it's more about theme. And a theme that comes up in every conversation is the importance of place. We're not done having these conversations, but we already know that being of this place is really important to us, as Cherokee people, and we want to make sure that is a theme that runs throughout."

She further expressed that the idea of place shows itself in many ways from art to historic objects. What we are coming to is that timelines can be useful especially when we're talking about the formation of the Eastern Band, but not putting our entire story in a timeline is what we're hoping to do."

Speaking more on the 'sense of place', she said, "That influences our language. It influences our art. It influences our relationships with each other. It is a thread that runs throughout everything."

Condill said when the Museum addresses the Indian Removal Act and others, "What we want all people to understand is that this type of legislation didn't end in the 1800s. We're still having battles in the Supreme Court today."

The concept of "we are still here" is also important she said. "In a natural history museum, you have dinosaur eggs and diamonds, butterflies and then you have Native people. It's hard not to consider us relics of the past along with all of those things. That's important for us as well to make sure that we draw a thread to contemporary life. That's what exciting about 'Disruption'. It forces you to do that. These artists that are in this exhibition now are all living."

Condill added, "We are still here. We are so lucky to be on our ancestral homeland. There are lots of tribes that aren't on their ancestral homeland."

The current permanent exhibit is around 27,000 square feet with one rotating exhibition space. When she first came on board, Condill noted she thought, "I need more space here to tell more stories. What if we removed our collection storage from this space? It would give more room on this footprint if we had an off-site col-



"Three Worlds" by Atsei Cooper is another piece in the current "Disruption" exhibit. The piece brings to light the issue of looting Native artifacts.

lections facility." And, that is exactly what is going to occur.

Tribal Council approved unanimously Res. No. 145 (2021) on Feb. 3, 2022 that designates "the parcel across Galbraith Creek Road from the current THPO (Tribal Historic Preservation Office) office and across Hwy. 19 (Ela Road) from Kituwah Field in Swain County...be allocated for the Museum of the Cherokee Indian collections/archival facility".

Samantha Ferguson, Museum board president who submitted the legislation, said in a press release following the legislation being passed, "The MCI Board of Directors is pleased to have completed this next step in the process of constructing an off-site Museum collections and archives facility. We are grateful to Chief Sneed, Vice Chief Ensley, and Tribal Council for their continued sup-

port in the development of a state-of-the-art home for the Museum's objects and paper archives."

Condill said the need for this facility is urgent. "We have EBCI holdings all over the country that we need to bring home. So, it required another building for sure. We don't have the storage here."

She went on to say, "One of the problems that we've had is that the HVAV system wasn't made for a museum and so our collections are suffering. There's an urgent need for us to move our collections. It's really hard to control the humidity. That's reeking a little bit of havoc."

As for the current Museum building plans, Condill commented, "We'll take these three acres and rethink it. Of course, we need an engineer to come in and tell me what is worth doing and what the cost is for whatever it is we do. I am dedicated to figuring out a way

that we wouldn't close, at least not for long. That's a goal... I think our community just wants a place that we can go to where we feel proud of, that is also for us and not just our visitors."

The simple logistics of walking through the Museum itself is also being looked at during this time of brainstorming ideas for the future of the facility. "For our community, if they want to just pop-in and see the changing exhibition, we want to make sure that it is easily accessible. Right now, you have to walk through the exhibit to get to another side of the building. There's logistical things that would be nice to clean up in here."

Condill stresses that no concrete plans have been made. "We've been able to do conceptual thinking about it, but we're nowhere near building plans or anything like that. But, we're just sort of dreaming big."

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Council holds confirmation hearing for Noah Hicks

Tribal Council held a confirmation hearing for Noah Hicks, front row center, for a position on the Cannabis Control Board on the morning of Wednesday, Jan. 25. He was confirmed. Now, a resolution will be brought into Council during the February session for final and official approval. Hicks, who currently serves as the realty leasing specialist for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Tribal Realty Services, has a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and is enrolled in the Master of Business Administration program at The Haslam College of Business at the University of Tennessee. Pictured, left to right, front row – Hicks; middle row – Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle, Cherokee Co. – Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha, Wolfstown Rep. Bo Crowe, Tribal Council Vice Chairman Albert Rose; back row – Painttown Rep. Sean “Michael” Stamper, Yellowhill Rep. David Wolfe, Wolfstown Rep. Andrew W. Oocumma, and Painttown Rep. Dike Sneed. (Photo by Tosh Welch, EBCI Tribal Council legislative public relations specialist)



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Cherokee Police Commission meets for first time in 2023

By **JONAH LOSSIAH**
One Feather Reporter

CHEROKEE, N.C. - The Cherokee Police Commission met on Thursday, Jan. 19 to address items at the turn of the year and any ongoing issues involving the police department.

They began with public comments. Secretary Anita Lossiah said that they would be receiving a visitor to the meeting, a community member who was looking to file a complaint. There was no additional information given, but the Commission did entertain the complaint. They went into a closed session with the community member to discuss the issue.

Chairperson Tunney Crowe addressed the reported communi-



NRE Officer Jonah Bird (standing) presents his report to the EBCI Police Commission on Thursday, Jan. 19. (JONAH LOSSIAH/One Feather photo)

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cation issues that were occurring at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort. The Commission had previously hosted Mollie Grant and Chavella Bailey from EBCI Emergency Management to discuss this situation.

"We had a meeting with the Casino, the TCGE board, and the communications people from the Tribe - Mollie Grant and Chavella Bailey. We had a meeting there on the property. The communications team from the Tribe came in and reported that they had everything under control - that they were ordering new equipment to make sure that the communication is good there in the Casino. We're waiting to hear back from them," said Crowe.

The next problem was presented by Vice Chairperson Buddy Johnson.

"One other comment. I was at the gym for the NASA (Native American Sports Association) tournaments up there at Big Y. We might need to think in the future of posting somebody, volunteer or otherwise, just to have a police presence there. They were having those elimination games and we had an incident with one of our local folks...we had to have escorted out. I think championship night at Birdtown, there were a couple of fights outside," said Johnson.

Chairperson Crowe said that he had heard about the issue and had already contacted Cherokee Police Chief Carla Neadeau to make them aware of the situation.

The first report to the Police Commission came from Jonah Bird of EBCI Natural Resource Enforcement (NRE). He said that the season had been relatively slow and that the major concerns his department have been facing involve the elk.

"We've had to put down three

that's been hit by vehicles. The biggest thing is them coming around highways. We just want to ask the public but more cautious, especially around Yellowhill and Big Cove," said Bird.

Buddy Johnson suggested that it could be beneficial to implement more signs in the problem areas, especially along Acquoni Rd. and Big Cove Rd. Officer Bird said that it would have to be a collaborative effort with other departments, but that he agreed. He specifically said that there were incidents on both those roads.

He said the other significant issue regarding this was the elk that was illegally shot in December.

"An update on the investigation on the elk that got shot with a crossbow. It is confirmed that it was a crossbow. We do have a name on it, and we're following up on it. But we can't divulge too much information because it's still ongoing. We'll hopefully have that tied up in the next couple of weeks. We've had to reach out to some outside agencies to give us a hand on it. I can tell you one thing, it's not a local," said Bird.

Next to speak was Cody White to present for the Office of the Tribal Prosecutor. He offered a rundown of their monthly report, and highlighted one piece in particular. He said that starting on Oct. 1, 2022, the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2022 was enacted. This amended some jurisdictional issues that directly affected the Qualla Boundary.

"We now have had two convictions under VAWA 2022, one of which is a felony conviction that occurred earlier this week. So, two individuals that we have never had jurisdiction over before we've been able to charge and convict," said

White.

Before finishing his report, White formally announced that he would be stepping into a new position.

"I have taken a demotion from being the lead tribal prosecutor to being the attorney of the police department...my primary assignment will be to advise the Cherokee Indian Police Department. I also have various other responsibilities for the Attorney General's office. It was by my choice to do that. I have a second child that was born recently, and it's been almost seven-and-a-half years, and I just need a little more time mentally and physically with my family," said White.

This leaves Shelli Buckner as the lone prosecutor for now. White said that he would be staying on board and assisting the office until another position was filled. This means that there now two open prosecutor positions in the office, and soon there will also be a victim advocate position open as well.

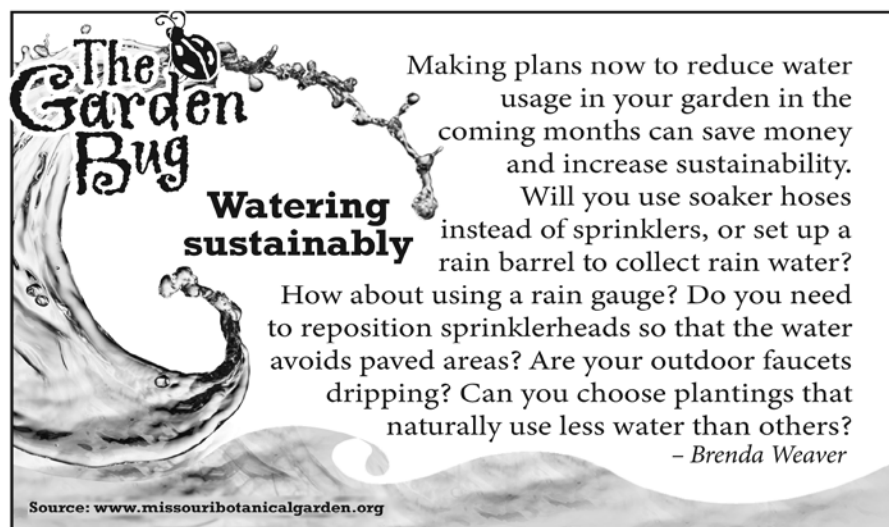
The final report came from Cherokee Chief of Police Carla Neadeau. Her main topic of discussion was vacancies at the department. She mentioned that she is unable to advertise all of these positions, but is hopeful to

keep pushing for more officers. According to the report there are 15 patrol vacancies, 12 under the corrections department, and three for NRE.

She said that they are looking at different options to incentivize potential recruits, and that she is working at increases to pay and amenities. Chief Neadeau mentioned that reimplementing state retirement has helped some and that she is confident that moves will be made soon to boost the CIPD.

The Thursday, Jan. 19 meeting of the Cherokee Police Commission was called to order just after 12 p.m. with Chairperson Tunney Crowe; Vice Chair Buddy Johnson; and Commissioners Lisa Taylor, Kym Parker, Solomon Saunooke, and Frank Dunn present. Secretary Anita Lossiah and Hillary Norville attended the meeting virtually.

The next meeting of the Police Commission is set for Thursday, Feb. 9 at noon. Due to the flooding of the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex, the Commission is meeting in the training room of at the Anthony Edward Lossiah Justice Center. These sessions are open to tribal members until the Commission moves into an executive session.



Brady sentenced to prison on arson conviction

ASHEVILLE, N.C. –James Ralph Brady, 55, of Cherokee, N.C. was sentenced to four years in prison on Thursday, Jan. 26 followed by five years of supervised release for the arson of a home that caused approximately \$10,000 in damage, announced Dena J. King, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina. In addition to the prison term imposed, Brady was ordered to pay \$10,000 in restitution.

Chief Carla Neadeau, of the Cherokee Indian Police Department (CIPD), joined U.S. Attorney King in making the announcement.

According to filed court documents, on July 25, 2021, a residential structural fire was reported at 37 Bob Owle Road in Cherokee.

The residence is a single-wide trailer, and the fire was set to an exterior wall with damage done throughout the residence. Court records reveal that Brady was on house arrest on tribal charges (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) at the time, and his ankle monitoring device pinged at the residence near the time the fire was discovered.

According to court documents, when Brady was questioned by CIPD officers, he admitted throwing an incendiary device commonly called a “Molotov cocktail” near the residence before it caught fire. Law enforcement records show that Brady thought his intended target lived at the residence but was mistaken and that he had no dispute with the actual victim. The victim was able to put the fire out but not before substantial damage

was done to the home.

Brady is currently in federal custody and will be transferred to the custody of the federal Bureau of Prisons upon designation of a federal facility.

In making the announcement U.S. Attorney King thanked the Cherokee Indian Police Department for their investigation of the case.

Assistant U.S. Attorney John Pritchard of the U.S. Attorney’s Office in Asheville prosecuted the case.

- U.S. Dept. of Justice release

CIPD Arrest Report for Jan. 15-22, 2023

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.

Sequoyah, Danica. J. – age 26
Arrested: Jan. 16
Released: Jan. 16
Charges: Warrant

Arch, Treannie – age 25
Arrested: Jan. 17
Released: Jan. 17
Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree

Cardenas, Ayana Marie – age 22
Arrested: Jan. 17
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 23)
Charges: Warrant, Providing or Possessing Contraband, Simple Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance

Jacobs, Brad Lee – age 54
Arrested: Jan. 17
Released: Jan. 20
Charges: Domestic Violence and Dating Violence, Child Abuse in the Second Degree

Maney Jr., Robert Ammons – age 25
Arrested: Jan. 17
Released: Jan. 17
Charges: Leaving the Scene of an Accident

Sutton Jr., John Theodore – age 26
Arrested: Jan. 17
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Wildcatt, John Travis – age 31
Arrested: Jan. 17
Released: Jan. 17
Charges: Probation Violation

Wolfe, Daliyah Lanae – age 25
Arrested: Jan. 17
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 23)
Charges: Grand Larceny

Wolfe, Dara Chantia – age 25
Arrested: Jan. 17
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 23)
Charges: Exploitation of an Elder

Johnson, Kevin Woody – age 37
Arrested: Jan. 18
Released: Jan. 18

Charges: Temporary Hold for Jackson Co.

Rickman, John Preston – age 35
Arrested: Jan. 18
Released: Jan. 18
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Sutton, Jamie – age 44
Arrested: Jan. 18
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 23)
Charges: Receiving or Transferring Stolen Vehicles, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Violation of Registration Provisions

Wolfe, Diamond Spring – age 28
Arrested: Jan. 18
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 23)
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Wolfe, Victor Jason – age 50

Arrested: Jan. 19
Released: Jan. 19
Charges: Violations of Exclusion Resolutions and Orders

Queen, Ruby Marie – age 28
Arrested: Jan. 20
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 23)
Charges: Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance

Taylor, Brandon Craig – age 38
Arrested: Jan. 20
Released: Jan. 20
Charges: Temporary Hold

Brown, Ca'leo Skye – age 23
Arrested: Jan. 21
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 23)
Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree, Assault by Strangulation

Owle, Aaron Levi – age 26

Arrested: Jan. 21
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 23)
Charges: Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance, Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property, Possession of an Immediate Precursor Chemical, Drug Trafficking, Possession Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Firearm by Felon, Drugs and Children, Drugs and Guns

Davis, Camille Yvonne – age 32
Arrested: Jan. 22
Released: Jan. 22
Charges: Grand Larceny

Thomas Jr., Rex Phillip – age 49
Arrested: Jan. 22
Released: Jan. 22
Charges: Temporary Hold for Jackson Co.

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Cherokee hosts Robbinsville in important conference games

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Cherokee Lady Braves 77 Robbinsville Lady Black Knights 50

The Cherokee Lady Braves hosted the Robbinsville Lady Black Knights at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the evening of Tuesday, Jan. 24. SCORING: Cherokee – Kyla Moore 10, Dvdaya Swimmer 16, Loshi Ward 3, AJ Hill 5, Cree-don Arch 8, Whitney Rogers 20, Kamia Wiggins 15; Robbinsville – Desta Trammell 23, Suri Watty 6, Liz Carpenter 7, Kensley Phillips 8, Aubrie Wachacha 4, Fala Welch 2



Cherokee's Dvdaya Swimmer goes for a shot in the second half of Tuesday's game while Robbinsville players Abby Wehr (#3) and Suri Watty (#11) try to defend. Swimmer scored 16 points on the night as the Lady Braves went to 16-3 overall and remain undefeated (6-0) and in first place by two games over Robbinsville in the Smoky Mountain Conference (as of Jan. 24).

Robbinsville Black Knights 58 Cherokee Braves 48

The Cherokee Braves hosted the Robbinsville Black Knights at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the evening of Tuesday, Jan. 24. SCORING: Cherokee – Elijah Lineberry 11, Michael Driver 4, Jack Jack Teesateskie 12, Josiah Teesateskie 3, Savian Davis 2, Tso Smith 10, Mato Grant 4, Luke Smith 2; Robbinsville – Brock Adams 22, Xander Wachacha 12, Bo Rattler 3, Bryce Adams 10, Donovan Carpenter 10



Cherokee's Elijah Lineberry (#11) goes for a shot down the middle as Robbinsville's Bryce Adams (#10) and Xander Wachacha (#3) defend. Lineberry had 11 points on the night. The Braves go to 11-8 on the season and 5-2, a game behind Robbinsville, in the Smoky Mountain Conference (as of Jan. 24).

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HENDERSONVILLE – The NCHSAA Women's West Regional meet was held at North Henderson High School on Thursday, Jan. 26. Swain County tied for third place in the team event behind a regional championship by Tasia Neadeau, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, in the 138lb. division.

The top four finishers in each weight class qualify for the state championship meet. According to information from the NCHSAA, "All matches up to the championship and consolation finals will be wrestled on Friday, Feb. 3, 2023 at the Rise Indoor Sports Center, Bermuda Run, N.C. Championship and consolation finals will be wrestled on Saturday, Feb. 4, 2023 at the Greensboro Coliseum Fieldhouse in conjunction with the

NCHSAA State Dual Team Finals." Following are results per track-wrestling.com:

Team Scores (top 7)

- 1 – North Henderson 105
- 2 – Smoky Mountain 91
- 3 (tie) – Swain County and Olympic, both with 88
- 5 – Franklin 65
- 6 – Pisgah 58
- 7 – Enka 41

100lb

- 1 – Jeulenea Khang, Freedom
- 2 – Gracie Short, North Henderson
- 3 – Charity Thornton, Olympic
- 4 – Savannah Cunningham, Swain Co.

107lb

- 1 – Omarzria (Ria) Wright, West Caldwell
- 2 – Morgan Repasky, McDowell
- 3 – Liliana Zapote, North Henderson
- 4 – Miranda Valerio, Maiden

114lb

- 1 – Sydney Mark, Asheville
- 2 – Claire Buff, Chase
- 3 – Raigan Loudermilk, North Henderson

- 4 – Treyleigh Miller, Pisgah
- ### 120lb

- 1 – Ariana Anderson, Burns
 - 2 – Betty Huntley, East Rutherford
 - 3 – Nevah Montijo, East Gaston
 - 4 – Stephanie Ortiz, Franklin
- ### 126lb

- 1 – Abby Carpenter, Franklin
 - 2 – Marissa Cole, Rosman
 - 3 – Hayokelyn Nylekoyah, Olympic
 - 4 – Lilli Denton, Hayesville
- ### 132lb

- 1 – Jasmin Valencia, Franklin
- 2 – Emma Burnes, Smoky Mountain
- 3 – Asiah Ball, Swain Co.
- 4 – Paulina Barrera-Vences, Bandys

138lb

- 1 – Tasia Neadeau, Swain Co.
- 2 – Abrianna Risener, Stuart Cramer
- 3 – Amber Hay, Olympic
- 4 – Riley Denton, Hayesville

145lb

- 1 – Kaya Brown, Brevard
- 2 – Kayla Figgins, Pisgah
- 3 – Nivea Ferrell, Olympic

- 4 – Emanuela Rotari, Enka
- ### 152lb

- 1 – Paloma Ramirez, Pisgah
- 2 – Mackenzie Bell, Smoky Mountain
- 3 – Lily Flores, Avery
- 4 – Sophie Lamondro, East Henderson

165lb

- 1 – Franshesca Morales, North Henderson
- 2 – Lylah Cogdill, Swain Co.
- 3 – Janden Holmes, Olympic
- 4 – Gabriela Roman Bruno, Smoky Mountain

185lb

- 1 – Emma Warren, Enka
- 2 – Veronica Mathis, Smoky Mountain
- 3 – Anasette Cooper, Swain County
- 4 – Ariana Flores, North Henderson

235lb

- 1 – Kimberly Talton, Madison
- 2 – Liliana Hoyle, Bessemer City
- 3 – Mackinzie Basinger, Jimmy C. Daughn
- 4 – Riley Stokes, Smoky Mountain

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Little Free Library dedicated and funded at Dora Reed Children's Center

By JONAH LOSSIAH

One Feather Reporter

CHEROKEE, N.C. - Tuesday, Jan. 24 marked the dedication ceremony for the now-named Vonne and Shih-Rong Little Free Library located at the Dora Reed Children's Center.

Dr. Anthony Chow, director and professor at San Jose State University, has been working with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) as part of a grant called Reading Nation Waterfall. He and his parents, Dr. Chak Chow and Lynne Chow, have pledged to donate \$3,000 a year for the next 10 years to fund this little free library.

Dr. Chow and his parents spent a few days in Cherokee and spoke at the dedication ceremony on Tuesday afternoon.

"It is a true honor to be able to dedicate this little free library to the memories of Vonne and Shih-Rong Wang. Vonne was my mother, Lynne Chow's, twin sister and my aunt," said Dr. Chow. "Vonne was a Real Estate agent who always had a lot of sparkle and life. Shih-Rong was a nuclear physicist who was so bright, proud, and strong. They loved one another dearly and were lifelong companions. They passed within six months of one another."

He also said that had a meeting with Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed about the initiative and hopes to stay involved with the project. He said that the goal is to raise reading standards in anyway that he can, and he is hopeful that



Dr. Anthony Chow helps a child pick a book outside Dora Reed Children's Center on Tuesday, Jan. 24 during the dedication ceremony for the now-named Vonne and Shih-Rong Little Free Library located at the Dora Reed Children's Center. (JONAH LOSSIAH/One Feather photos)



Pictured from left to right: Dora Reed Program Director Tina Saunooke, Qualla Library Manager Adam Lambert, Lynne Chow, Dr. Chak Chow, and Dr. Anthony Chow.

a project like this will spur others to join in on this mission.

“My parents, Dr. Chak Chow and Lynne Chow, believe that funding the Vonne and Shih-Rong Little Free Library at \$3,000 a year is a fitting way to remember their names forever by providing for the future of young children through books as part of my federally funded early children’s literacy IMLS grant called Reading Nation Waterfall.”

The donation and grant is not just fund the Little Free Library, however. Dr. Chow said that a portion of the annual donation is set to assist with original publication of material. He said that after talking with partners in the project, the first book that is set for publication is a kid’s book about Cherokee stickball.

Also in attendance were Dora

Reed Program Manger Tina Saunooke and Qualla Boundary Public Library Manager Adam Lambert. The team spent the afternoon handing out books to the children and parents at the entrance to the Dora Reed Children’s Center.

The Reading Nation Waterfall states the following about its focus:

“The name Reading Nation Waterfall represents an aspirational and resolute metaphor for the vision and desired outcomes of our project. As waterfalls tirelessly carry pure water that turn into streams and rivers bringing the nutrients for life to flourish, we hope to do the same for tribal communities by saturating the daily ecosystem of children and families with carefully selected books for children and their caregivers



Dr. Anthony Chow sorts through books while preparing to hand them out to children.

and information about culturally relevant programs and resources at their local libraries.”

Dr. Chow said that he was proud to be part of something like this and that he can’t wait to see what other ideas come in the future.

“Hopefully this little free

library will provide fun, excitement, and a brighter future for all children and adults who use it in their memory,” said Dr. Chow.

The EBCI is one of five tribes that have collaborated with this project. More information on the Reading Nation can be found at <https://myreadingnation.com/>.

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EBCI tribal members chosen for Indigenous Leadership Academy

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**

One Feather Asst. Editor

Two members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) have been selected to participate in the Indigenous Leadership Academy through the Arizona State University (ASU) American Indian Policy Institute. Devyn Smith and Tevis Blankenship were chosen for the Spring 2023 cohort program.

A total of 22 people, representing 15 federally recognized tribes, were selected for the 2023 cohort. Information from the program states, “The ILA (Indigenous Leadership Academy) is the first program inclusive of Indigenous leadership principles within an idea landscape. The differentiating factor for this program is that it is not just for tribal leaders. Its for emerging Indigenous leaders in Arizona and nationally. The initial ILA program started in January 2022 with seed funding from Arizona Public Service (APS). By collaborating with APS, and various schools at ASU and professors, we were able to create a brand and curriculum that attracted emerging Indigenous and community leaders from Arizona and nationwide. This signature program is committed to building the next

generation of tribal leaders.”

Smith, who has a Bachelor of Art in Political Science from the University of North Carolina Asheville, is currently the outreach counselor for Project Discovery – Talent Search at Western Carolina

University. “I was surprised and grateful to hear that I had been selected. I know there are many qualified applicants across Indian Country, and I am honored to be part of the next cohort of Indigenous change-makers.”

Blankenship’s educational background includes an undergraduate diploma in Networking Technology from Haywood Community College, Associate of Applied Science in Business Administration from Haywood Community College, Bachelor of Art in Criminology & Criminal Justice from ASU, a Master in Public Safety & Administration from ASU, and in a few months, he’ll finish a Crime Analysis graduate program at ASU. In addition to serving on the board of directors for the Arizona Law Enforcement Record Managers’ Association, he

is the public records supervisor for the Arizona State University Police Dept. overseeing daily operations of the Records & Evidence Bureau at all four campus locations.

“When receiving the news that I was one of only 22 people across

the entire nation selected for this prestigious program, I was both humbled and honored. Being that I was once a high school dropout, I am filled with pride to see just how far I have come and to know that I am making my family, friends, and community proud.”

Both gentlemen are looking forward to working with the cohort. Smith noted, “I hope to take everything in. The theory, practice, and connections will be crucial to whatever lies ahead for me. I work in the community now and what I hope to take away will directly affect that. I want to ensure the amazing resource of education that current tribal members enjoy, and I myself enjoyed, will be sustainable for generations to come. This has been important to me personally and professionally for

years, and it’s cool to think about how I can tie my passion to this program.”

Blankenship commented, “The ILA was developed to support emerging tribal leaders in expanding their knowledge, skills, and networks to address public policy issues and engagement in the tribal government, non-profit, and private sectors. I am most looking forward to the opportunity to be among top faculty members, industry professionals, and tribal leaders and benefit from them by strengthening my skillset and applying it in my efforts to excel in the workplace and community. Being a member of this cohort is not only a great opportunity, but a major step on my ladder to success.”

Traci Morris, Ph.D., a member of the Chickasaw Nation who is the executive director for the ASU American Indian Policy Institute, said in a statement, “The cohort is an impressive group of individuals who bring a diverse wealth of knowledge and community understanding. We have a one-of-a-kind curriculum with a goal to give the participants an Indigenous framework on becoming leaders in the community.”



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"Thirteen Moon" author recognized at New Kituwah

The New Kituwah Academy hosted a ceremony on Thursday, Jan. 26 to celebrate the translation work between EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) Beloved Woman Myrtle Driver Johnson, right, and Charles Frazier, author of "Thirteen Moons". The pair have worked together for years, and the ceremony was to focus on the progress made since their initial time working together, and to introduce more copies of "Thirteen Moons" into the Cherokee language community. The Cherokee Adult Language Learners received copies of the book, as well as the Cherokee audio for the translated portion of the book. Beloved Woman Driver Johnson also presented an eagle feather to Frazier, as well as another translated book and rope bead necklace to his wife, Katherine Frazier.
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Social dances

Cherokee Winter Social held at Peaches Squirrelrell Sports and Recreation Complex on Saturday, Jan. 28

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OBITUARIES JHFR

Kaitlyn "Katy" Cree Muzzy

Kaitlyn "Katy" Cree Muzzy, 27, of Sylva passed Friday, Jan. 20, 2023. Katy is survived by her mother, Dorothy Sue Boardman; sisters, Lonna McCullen Bennet and Emily Bridge Wallace; and best friends, Kelsey Bradley and Callie Farrington.

Katy attended Person First Services of Sylva where she loved being with her friends. Katy was a beautiful soul inside and out. She loved the simple things in life; music, swinging, bouncing on her ball, shopping, dancing, and being loved by her girls and mom. The love she reciprocated will be cherished forever.

"Angels come down, from the heavens. Just to help us on our way. Come to teach us, then they

leave us, and they find some other soul to save." - Chris Stapleton
Katy was an angel to those that embraced her. Her light will always shine through.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

Sarah Rosalie Cabe Lewis

Rosalie Lewis passed away at Novant Presbyterian Hospital on the evening of Saturday, Jan. 21, 2023, due to complications from flu-related pneumonia. Her 17-day battle with the illness was a true testament to her mental and physical strength.

She was thankful to all the healthcare professionals who provided her with such loving care.

Sarah Rosalie Cabe Lewis was born Oct. 30, 1945. She was a member of the Birdtown com-

munity. She was the daughter of the late James Crawford Cabe and Mary Jo Cooper Cabe Plott.

She is preceded in death by her husband, George "Scroop" Lewis, Jr. and her brothers, Max Cabe and James Cabe. She is survived by her daughters, Susan Lewis Westbrook and Angie Lewis, and their spouses, James Westbrook and Jessika Lewis. She is also survived by her sisters, Bonnie Smart and Becky Bristol; nieces, Amber Palmer and Alicia Cledaras; nephews, Max Cabe Jr., Todd Cabe, Jimmy Brendle, Tommy Cabe, Terrance Cabe, Tony Cabe, and Jeff Cabe; and her found family, friends Mona and Sam Hyde, Melissa Watkins, Connie Crisp, and Billy Freeman.

Rosalie (a perfectly fitting name for this fiery redhead) grew up in Cherokee and was a Homecoming Queen and 1963 graduate of Swain County High School. When she was in high school, she met the love of her life, George "Scroop" Lewis, Jr., while he was working at Wonderland theme park. They married and eventually resided in Maggie Valley for several years before returning home to Cherokee in their thirties. While living in Haywood County, she worked for Mountain Projects as a coordinator for high school work programs. She was also a chair of the Democratic Party there and remained a lifelong Democrat. She believed in being informed and always kept up with local politics and news.

Rosalie loved watching sporting events and never missed a game of her beloved Atlanta Braves. She loved classic country music, family road trips, sweet tea, and being with family. She was very generous and supported a different charity each year.

Rosalie loved all people but

especially the black sheep or those who struggled in their lives. She did so because she considered herself to be a black sheep as she had her own mental health diagnosis of bipolar disorder, which was crippling for decades. It led to depression and her abuse of alcohol and controlled substances. She was proud to be an example of someone who gained sobriety and triumphed over these issues by stopping the use of alcohol and physician-prescribed opioids for real medication which dealt with her depression and bipolar. Her children were always on her mind, and she phoned them very often to see what they were doing or if they might be able to pick some pasta salad from Lulu's for her if they were going in that direction sometime during the day. She hated fish sticks and White Castle food and would hang up the phone if anyone jokingly said that they would pick up a hamburger from White Castle for her. She loved the Christmas season and had a tradition of watching the movie "Christmas Vacation" every year with family. Her favorite thing was the annual family summer beach trip to Tilghman in North Myrtle Beach. Rosalie loved hanging out on the balcony and taking in the sights and the people. She started a music party at the pool once where some people on the balcony above may or may not have gotten undressed and danced around. She also loved being chauffeured around in the big truck to get her hair and nails done. Rosalie was mischievous, and one never knew what she was going to say or do, but she was always entertaining. When she told you that she loved you, she meant it. She was legendary for her Maggie Valley women's "Tupperware" parties, which Dad later told us were actually pot par-

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ties with a few sales of Tupperware on the side.

There is so much to say about this complex woman, but it really boils down to this: she loved her life and everyone in it. She wanted others to love their lives until their last breath and forgive people along the way, as we are all human. Let her legacy be that going forward you love everyone close to you as deeply as you can and never give up on those who haven't found their way yet.

The family will receive friends at 2 p.m. on April 30, 2023, in the chapel of Long House Funeral Home in Cherokee. Visitation will be followed by a short service which will celebrate her life. A private family dinner will be held after the service. The delay in this service is out of respect for elders and healthcare professionals

during this very difficult season of flu and Covid illnesses. In lieu of flowers please donate to local foster children, nursing homes, animal charities, and cancer charities as Rosalie did.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

Gabriel Dillon "Gabeybaby" Chekelelee

Gabriel Dillon "Gabeybaby" Chekelelee, 31, of the Snowbird Community, went home to be with the lord on Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2023.

Gabe was born in Sylva, N.C. on April 23, 1991 and graduated from Robbinsville High School in 2010. He was an avid Carolina fan. Go Heels!! A beloved son, grandson and brother; he was also and uncle, cousin, and friend.

Gabe is preceded in death by his father Alan Chekelelee; grandparents, Wayne and Evelyn Wachacha, Ed Chekelelee and Carroll Lambert Sr.; great grandparents, Katie Panther, Martha and John Wayne Wachacha; uncles, Don Chekelelee and Troy Crowe; along with cousin, Destinee Ellington.

Gabe is survived by his six fur babies, Reece, Tinnie, Minnie, Bubba, Buddy, and Loki; his mother, Eve Wachacha; grandmother, Anona "Sugie" Lambert; brothers, Ajay, Chase (wife Shina), Zachary "Bear" (wife Brittney), Kaleb "Chub", and Isaiah; his nieces and nephews, Olivia, Ashton, Bentley, Zachlan, Zayleigh, Zeller, Mason, Sequoia, Dakota, Zadie-Beth, Zavi, Abel, Mabel and Jasper; also Andyn, Emory, Legend, Bryan, and Andrae.

Funeral Services were held Sunday, Jan. 29 at the Church of the Lamb. Revs. Scott Chekelelee Henry Etherage officiated with burial following right after at DeLozier Chekelelee Family Cemetery. The pallbearers were Bone Wachacha, Talon Crowe, Taylor Teesateskie, Cassidy Galaviz, Cruz Galaviz, Rossi Wachacha, Dasan Gross, and JR Nunez. Honorary Pallbearers were Jaron Ayers, Luke Swimmer, Randy Hernan-

dez, Bryan Aguilera, and Andrea Aguilera.

Richard Allan Lossiah

Richard Allan Lossiah, 53, of Cherokee passed away Thursday, Jan. 26, 2023.

A native of Cherokee, he was the son of Paul and Ruby Hornbuckle Lossiah.

He was a member of Bigwitch Baptist Church.

Richard was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, David and Lydia Wilnoty Lossiah; maternal grandparents, Ben and Mary Wolfe Hornbuckle; aunt, Ruth Mata; and his cousin, Jamie Reagan.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his children, Kashayla, Chantele, and Nekyle Lossiah; grandchildren, Kyrie and Makray Lossiah, and Kale and Jace Smith; sisters, Angela Moncada, Rebecca Lossiah; brother, Paul Anthony Lossiah; several nieces, nephews and cousins.


Funeral services were held Tuesday, Jan. 31 at Bigwitch Baptist Church. Darrell Woody and Ben Reed will officiate with burial in the Bradley Lossiah Cemetery.

Pallbearers were his son, nephews, and the Wolftown Stickball Team.



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COMMUNITY NEWS

2023 Cherokee Indian Fair Theme Contest

If you are a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, you are eligible to enter the 2023 Cherokee Indian Fair Theme Contest. The contest is open to all ages, and the winner will receive \$250. Entrants younger than 18-years-old must have a parent or guardian co-sign a liability release form and submit it with a W9 form.

The theme must be culturally-oriented, and it must be seven words or less. Write a short paragraph describing the meaning of your theme. Only one entry per person.

The deadline for entering the contest is Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 4 p.m. The entry forms will be available at the Cherokee Welcome

Center, (828) 359-6490, between the hours of 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily. Forms can also be emailed to interested parties. Contact Lisa Frady at lisafrad@ebci-nsn.gov for a form. Completed forms can be emailed or turned in at the Welcome Center. The winner will be selected at the next Cherokee Indian Fair Committee meeting.

EBCI Destination Marketing Dept. employees, and their immediate families, are not eligible to enter the contest.

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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reward offered in Cherokee elk-poaching case

The EBCI Natural Resources Department is offering a \$1,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and filing of charges

against the person, or persons, responsible for shooting an elk calf on the Qualla Boundary. On the morning of Sunday, Dec. 18, 2022, EBCI Natural Resources Enforcement staff responded to a citizen report of an elk calf at Tsali Manor (55 Echota Church Rd.) that had been shot with an arrow. If anyone has information about the case, please contact EBCI Dispatch (828) 497-4131. Caller information will remain anonymous.

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NATIONAL PARK NEWS

Inaugural Tremont Writers Conference now accepting applications for creative retreat in Great Smoky Mountains National Park


TOWNSEND, Tenn. — Great

Smoky Mountains Institute at Tremont is pleased to announce the first-ever Tremont Writers Conference, an intensive five-day retreat for writers of fiction, nonfiction and poetry coordinated in conjunction with Great Smoky Mountains Association. Applications to participate in the event may be submitted online now through April 30 at writers.gsmit.org.

From Wednesday, Oct. 25, through Sunday, Oct. 29, a small group of selected writers will join renowned authors and professional park educators for a writers conference like no other, set on a lush, secluded campus nestled within America's most visited national park. Participants will enjoy brainstorming and fine-tuning their work with award-winning author workshop leaders while

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Hartwell Francis becomes an honorary member

On Sept. 9, 2021, Dr. Hartwell Francis became an honorary member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Dr. Francis began his work with the Cherokee language and culture in 2006. He has been a full-time employee of the EBCI since 2016, dedicating his time to language revitalization and cataloging. Tribal Council unanimously passed a resolution to make him an honorary member, with that resolution being submitted by the Cherokee Speakers Council. Bo Lossiah, secretary of the Speakers Council, is seen here placing a gorget onto Dr. Francis after formally becoming an honorary member.

Source: Cherokee One Feather report.
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also learning and writing in small groups throughout the day.

"At Tremont, we work to connect people to nature in various ways, and this program is an extension of the work we are already doing," said Catey McClary, president and CEO of Great Smoky Mountains Institute at Tremont. "Often, it's when we hear from those who've spent time exploring with us that we best understand the impact of our work. So, as the writers build connections to the national park and to each other, it's exciting to think about the ripple effect these collective experiences will have on the work they create. I hope that the writers come to see this as an opportunity to shift the way they think about themselves, their relationship with each other, and with life and the natural world as a whole."

Small-group morning workshops in fiction, nonfiction and poetry will take place outdoors, led by faculty members Annette Saunooke Clapsaddle (fiction), Janet McCue (nonfiction) and Frank X Walker (poetry). Guest novelist Richard Powers, a MacArthur Fellow and Pulitzer Prize-winning fiction writer, will lead several sessions for the entire group, including a craft talk with conversation. Each afternoon, writers will join experienced Tremont naturalists for guided

explorations that spark curiosity and wonder through hands-on experience with the region's cultural and natural history. Evenings will conclude with hearty dinners, fellowship with peers, and readings by writing faculty. Meals and lodging are provided.

Applications for the October conference should be submitted no later than April 30. Acceptance to conference workshops is based on manuscript evaluation, with chosen writers notified by July 14. Limited financial aid is available. Organizers recommend that writers upload their strongest work, regardless of publication status. Fiction and nonfiction submissions should be no longer than 5,000 words, though they may be excerpts from longer projects. Multiple shorter pieces that fit together within the word limit are also acceptable. Poetry submissions should be no more than 10 pages (with no more than one poem per page) in single-spaced, 12-point font. All manuscripts will be judged anonymously and should not include the author's identity.

Additional information about the Tremont Writers Conference and complete 2023 application guidelines can be found at writers.gsmit.org.

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COMMENTARY

Faded and dilapidated

By **ROBERT JUMPER**

One Feather Editor

Forward thinking. Progressive. Powerful. Great. Wise. Caring. Proud. Prosperous. All words used by one person or another to describe the people and lands of the Qualla Boundary. And, in many ways, we reflect all those words. So how do we feel when we are told that we look faded and dilapidated?

One of the first things visitors to the Boundary, whether tourists, businesspeople, or long-lost family members, see in Cherokee are the

road signs, billboards, and direction signs that litter the landscape of our community. Another is the condition of homes and buildings in the business district and our community. And much of what they see are aging facades; burnt out, rotting, crumbling buildings; and dilapidated damaged signs and utility fixtures.

We have become experts in the art of patching. Instead of replacing, we “fix” or “patch” things to get the last bit of good out of them. But at some point, being frugal becomes being miserly, so much so that people, local and visitor alike, wonder if the stories of economic success on the Boundary are merely stories.

Right or wrong, we are often judged by our appearance, both personally and as a community.

Being clean and pressed makes a statement about our personal and professional integrity. Don’t get me wrong, I know that good people sometimes appear bad, and bad people sometimes appear good. I am just saying that putting our best foot forward often results in reward, and the reverse is true.

When I was a “youngin”, we didn’t have a bunch of choices as to what we wore. Born into a family of limited means, most of my clothes were third or fourth generation hand-me-down things picked up at a church yard sale. Back in the day, churches would gather clothes and other essentials and announce yard sales. Very little selling went on at these events. Everyone knew that needy people would come to these events with little or no money. And ev-

eryone knew that this was a good opportunity to give essentials to the poor (with a little proselytization thrown in for free as well). If not for the kindness of these good congregations, my wardrobe back then would have been even worse. Mom always made sure I was clean, but most of the time, she couldn’t do much about the condition of a hand-me-down pair of britches.

As I got older and able to contribute to the family and my personal income, I started contributing nicer things to my family and making a better presentation of myself. For as long as I have been in the workforce, I have been told that appearance matters. Much of a potential boss’ opinion of you or me is that first look at how much and how well we maintain our



Courtney M. Leonard - BREACH: Logbook23 | CORIOLIS, installation view at WCU Fine Art Museum



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“look”. And I always felt better about myself when I was clean and pressed.

Our obsession as a society with outward appearance extends to our vehicles. I know folks who live in campers and drive new Lexus SUV’s. There can’t be much question that we, communally, put much stock in appearance, at least at a personal level.

So, it is perplexing to see us, communally, being complacent about the way our Boundary appears. We patch together buildings until they are no longer viable (and sometimes way beyond viability). We seem to have trouble with maintaining curb appeal. Walking the greenways, I typically play dodge the goose or elk droppings, or try not to get tripped up by fallen branches (these are paved concrete pathways). Wayfinding

signs, if they exist at all, are faded and dilapidated to the point of looking like they belong to a ghost town. Visitors have to wonder if an attraction is still open when they see a sign that looks like it hasn’t been maintained in years.

I get that we are building infrastructure and resources are being applied to that effort. I applaud, for example, the long overdue overhaul of the sewer system from downtown to Big Cove. Yes, it is inconvenient, but sometimes we must be inconvenienced if we want a better life for our community. And the departments involved in the project have planned to include detailed ways to minimize the stress and impact on our community, including our school system.

I think what is the most concerning thing to me is our lack

of focus on curb appeal. Where the water and sewer project paid close attention to the detail when it came to impact on the community, that same attention to detail doesn’t seem to be applied to showcasing the valuable asset of curb appeal.

Sure, we have pretty, new buildings in those places where it became impossible or impractical to patch one together, but those are small areas in the larger footprint of our community.

When I was young and dumb, I was one of those who didn’t give a thought to tossing trash out my car window, but I would never think of tossing that trash in my front yard (or, heaven forbid, leave the mess in my ride). And now when I see that behavior, it infuriates me because I see the land, water, and air in a totally different way than I did in my juvenile days. I know now that my home extends beyond my front yard or my car’s floorboard or backseat.

And being in marketing for a good portion of my career, I know how critically important appearance, a.k.a. curb appeal, is to the economy of a community—not just financially, but from a viewpoint of morale. Just like individuals, our community feels better when we look better. All those positive words and thoughts mentioned at the beginning of the piece come to the top of our minds when we see a well-kept roadside and walkway. We stick out our chests with pride when we see clean fresh signage, well-maintained public areas, and roadside buildings that are new or removed, or invisible because we have either created a natural barrier or privacy fencing to block them from public view.

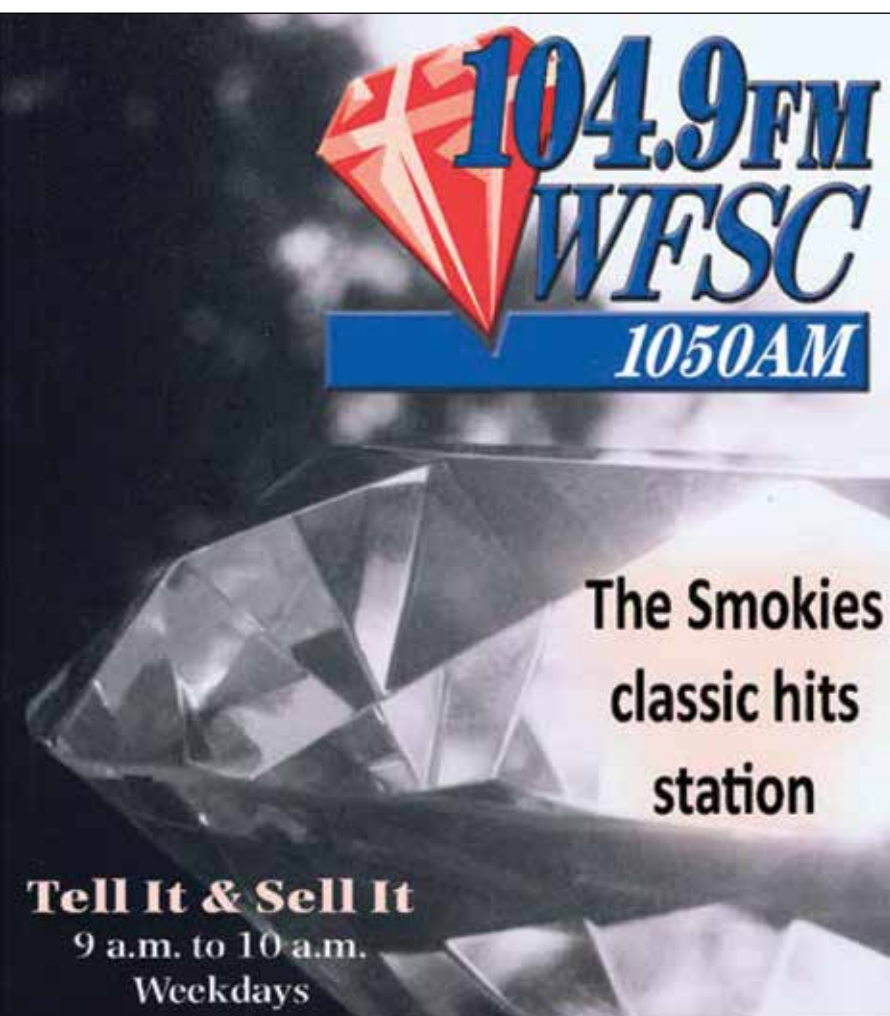
Surely, the government bears a great deal of the responsibility when it comes to curb appeal, but

not all. We all have a responsibility to educate ourselves and our children that throwing our wrappers, cigarette butts, and syringes on our land or in our streams is not harmless. That love for the land, water, and air should be taught like math to young people.

A friend once told me about her experience in a far northern state. She said that everywhere you looked, the roadsides and yards were immaculately groomed. No trash. No overgrowth. It wasn’t due to government maintenance. It was the local homeowners and community groups adopting areas of their community to personally clean up. They used a combination of government-funded materials and private labor to ensure that curb appeal was not just maintained but a focus, beautifully landscaped and coordinated down to synchronizing the types of flora they used.

Even our neighboring municipalities have groups like the Rotary Club, who will select a public area to call their own as far as making sure that their space is properly landscaped and cleaned. Individuals and civic groups volunteer for the “Adopt a Highway” program, a collaboration with departments of transportation, so that the government supplies trash bags and other resources and the community does the work of clean up on selected strips of roadside. Locally, groups organize to do river clean ups in our local streams. There is no question that we can do the work if we only will.

Urge your legislators and executives to put more effort and resources toward the look of our community. Curb appeal is much more important than we think and should be given a high place in the list of our priorities as a Tribe.



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How can they find each other?

By REV. TIMOTHY L. MELTON, PASTOR

(Transcribed by Myra D. Colgate)

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church

Read: Genesis 22:1-19; Genesis 15:4; Isaiah 49:9-10; Hebrews 11:8-19

Continuation...

“God is about to do something.” In verse 9, they finally got to the place God told Abraham to go and Abraham told Isaac, “God will provide Himself a lamb.” How does that happen here, on top of the mountain? We’re about to find out.

In verse 9, Abraham had built an altar there. He laid the wood on the altar, in order. Then bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar on the wood. He stretched forth his hand, and made ready to take the knife to slay his son.

Wow, what a man of faith! That he would be willing to do the unthinkable at the Word of a God that he’s never seen. At the Word of One Who declared one thing, and now he’s experiencing another. What do we do with this?

The Bible says the Angel of the Lord, in verse 11, called out from Heaven. He said, “Abraham, Abraham” twice. When He wanted his attention the first time, He had called and wanted to hear, “Here am I.”

When He wanted Abraham’s attention the first time, He called “Abraham.” He was so focused on what God was asking him to do, He had to call out his name twice, the second time. He was determined to do what God had asked him to do.

Verse 12, the Angel said, Lay not thy Hand upon him, the lad, neither do him any harm, neither do anything to him. For now I know that thou fearest God. You have not withheld thy son, thine only son from Me. He had been so focused on what the Lord was saying that he had to call Abraham twice.

God knows all things. He’s omniscient. In this instance He’s testing Abraham to see if Abraham knows it, too. He has to shake us a bit because He has to know what a person

already knows. The issues are not what one can see, but really what one can’t see. There are battles going on in the heavens above us or going on behind the scenes right now that one can’t see, that of good vs. evil. There are battles going on for one’s mind right now. That God is working for one’s good even if they don’t see it. And I found out that if one goes behind the scenes, there’s more important things going on than on the stage of one’s life. I have realized oftentimes that God was doing more for me when I was asleep than when I was awake.

Sometimes while I think God is busy dealing with the other cosmic business around me, that the Lord is really setting me up for some success and setting me up to bless me. I have found that some of the greatest tests that have come my way were really instituted so that could bring one of the greatest blessings I’ve ever had my come my way. One will see what happens behind the scenes as when began to speak to Abraham in Chapter One when Abraham said “Here am I, Lord, speak for Your servant heareth while God was speaking to Abraham. Do we realize God has many voices? There is only one way to heaven and that is Jesus and I’m glad about that. But the Bible says when God speaks, it will sound like many waters. It means that while He’s singing over me, He could be prophesying over you and

while he’s prophesying over you and while He’s prophesying over you he could be speaking a Promise over me.

“In fact, the Truth is, God is always speaking. God doesn’t “do” anything but speak. That is a real Truth. Watch what happens.

“This is what I believe. I believe He spoke and His Voice went across the land some six days away going into Iran.

“Abraham you are about to go through one of the greatest tests than you’ve ever gone through before in your life.”

“And meanwhile His Voice was speaking to Iran. And His Voice made it’s way to Iran and a mountain called Moriah. There a ram turned it’s direction and started making it’s way (commanded by the Voice of God) to make the journey up to Mount Moriah.

“And I believe that early that same morning, when Abraham arose, the ram also arose. And when Abraham stopped and gathered things together, the ram started getting its strength up, because that ram had a journey to make.


“On the other side of that mountain, Abraham and his son, Isaac, and two young menseservants, began their journey while the ram began his journey to the other side of that mountain where the answers were going to meet.

To be continued...

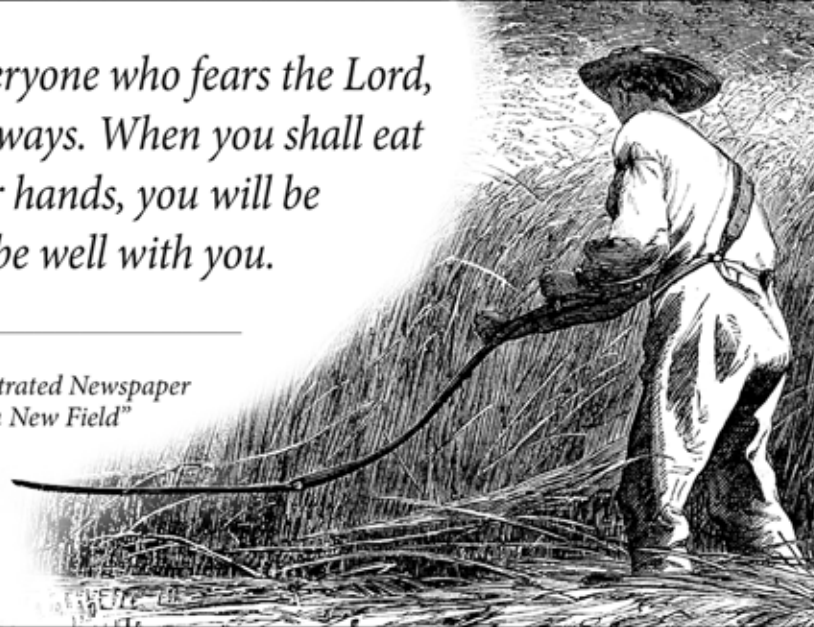


THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

*How blessed is everyone who fears the Lord,
who walks in His ways. When you shall eat
of the fruit of your hands, you will be
happy and it will be well with you.*

PSALM 128:1-3 

*Detail of Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper
version of "The Veteran in a New Field"
by Winslow Homer
(1867)*



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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
 ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Ruth (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From 2 Samuel, who commanded the rebel army when Absalom rebelled against David? *Arioch, Abner, Abishai, Amasa*
3. In the Old Testament, who said, "Speak, Lord; for thy servant heareth"? *Noah, Isaiah, Samuel, Adam*
4. Who wrote most of the Proverbs? *David, Solomon, Paul, Isaiah*
5. What's the Sea of Galilee called in John 6? *Tiberias, Dead, Jordan, Geneva*
6. Who was the mate of Zipporah? *Hosea, Amos, Moses, Malachi*

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1. **GEOGRAPHY:** Where is Mount Fuji located?
2. **MOVIES:** What is the material used in Captain America's shield?
3. **MUSIC:** Who wrote the lyrics to the 1961 "West Side Story" movie?
4. **SCIENCE:** Which color has the longest wavelength?
5. **HISTORY:** When did the United States outlaw child labor?
6. **TELEVISION:** Who played the leading role in the legal series "Ally McBeal"?
7. **AD SLOGANS:** Which fast-food chain tells customers that "We have the meats"?
8. **LITERATURE:** What is the setting for the "Divergent" novel series?
9. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** Which animal represents the 2023 Chinese zodiac year?
10. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is a group of butterflies called?

EVENTS

BENEFITS & FUNDRAISERS

Turkey Shoot. Feb. 4 at 3 p.m. at the Jesse Welch Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community. Benefit for the Turkey Shoot Facility. Good food, good fun, great prizes, great benefit.

Bingo Fundraiser for Savian Davis. Feb. 11 at the Big Y Gym. Concession available starting at 5 p.m., games start at 5:30 p.m. \$15 per pack. All proceeds go to Savian Davis and his travels to play basketball for Legendary Elite in Oklahoma, Colorado, New York, Washington, and Arizona.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Valentine's Day Pop-up Market at the Museum. Feb. 11 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian lobby and store. Shop for locally and Indigenous-made items for your sweetheart and loved ones.

Painttown Valentine's Day Party. Feb. 13 at 6 p.m. at the old Painttown Community Building. Food, music, crafts. Any volunteers that want to help set up and prepare snack, meet at the building on Sunday, Feb. 12 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Info: Mariah Hill 788-

4574

37th Annual Fading Voices. May 27 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Little Snowbird Church playground, Snowbird Community, Robbinsville, N.C. Mound Ceremony at 11 a.m. Demonstrations: beadwork, pottery, quilting, wood carving, storytelling, and much more. Info: 735-4959, 582-7369, or 479-1201

Annual Kituwah Celebration. June 9 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Kituwah Mound. Celebrating the return of the Mother Town.

HEALTH & SPORTS EVENTS

Qualla Boundary Local Senior Games. March 2 to May 1. Ages 50 and over. Registration is now through Friday, Feb. 17 at 4:30 p.m., and registration forms are available at the following locations: Tsali Manor 359-6860, Snowbird Recreation 346-6961, Birdtown Gym 359-6890, Snowbird Senior Center 346-6746, and John Welch Senior Center 835-9741. Events include: archery, basketball shooting, billiards, bocce, bowling, cornhole, croquet, cycling, football throw, golf, horse-shoes, shuffleboard, softball throw, table tennis, pickleball, track and field events, mini-golf, basketball

tournament, and a softball tournament. Info: Janelle Rattler, Qualla Boundary Senior Games coordinator, 359-6890

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.

FIHA Thunder on the Beach Pow Wow. Feb. 17-19 at Indian River County Fairgrounds in Vero Beach, Fla. Host Northern Drum: Warpaint. Host Southern Drum: Ottertrail. Info: (772) 519-7888, info@FIHA.us, or www.FIHA.us

North Carolina School of Science and Math Pow Wow. Feb. 4 in the Charles R. Elber Physical Education Center in Durham, N.C. MC: Kaya Littleturtle. Host Northern Drum: Red Clay. Host Southern Drum: Smokey River. Info: admissions@ncssm.edu or www.ncssm.edu/powwow

50th Anniversary Seminole Tribal Fair & Pow Wow. Feb. 10-12 at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino in Hollywood, Fla. Emcees: Juajuan Hamilton and Ruben Little Head. Info: 1-800-683-7800 ext. 11468, Wanda Bowlers (954) 444-9827, or Eugenia Osceola (786) 537-1905

WESTERN N.C. & BEYOND EVENTS

Presentation by Valerie Cole-

Puzzle Answers

Super Crossword

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Weekly SUDOKU

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

ANSWERS: 1) Old, 2) Amasa, 3) Samuel (1 Samuel 3:9), 4) Solomon, 5) Tiberias, 6) Moses

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

Answers

1. Japan.
2. Vibrantium.
3. Stephen Sondheim.
4. Red.
5. 1938.
6. Calista Flockhart.
7. Arby's.
8. Chicago.
9. The rabbit.
10. A kaleidoscope.

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How do you say that in Cherokee?

V TGA DA VNEHA?
Do iyusdi advneha?
What is she doing?

DAPBD.
Agoliyea.
She is reading.

V TGA osda uyelvho ugoiyedi?
Do iyusdi osda uyelvho ugoiyedi?
What does she like to read?

Note: These words are provided by Kituwah Language Revitalization Initiative. Illustration by Justin Reed, EBCI Communication Dept.

man entitled "How Rosenwald-Funded Schools helped change the education of African-Americans in the 19th Century". Feb. 2 at 2 p.m. in the Estelle Bennett Hughes Theater at the Funk Heritage Center in Waleska, Ga. Info: www.reinhardt.edu/funkheritage

Swain County Genealogical and Historical Society. Feb. 2 at 6:30 p.m. at the Swain County Regional Business Education and Training Center at 45 East Ridge Drive, Bryson City, N.C. "Tarheels in the Pacific Northwest" will be the title of the presentation by Rob Ferguson. Conversation and refreshments will follow the presentation. This is free and open to the public.

Presentation by Liz Malone



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Guess what, Lamb? You're about to experience a new perspective on a situation you long regarded quite differently. What you learn could open up more opportunities later.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The Bold Bovine is tempted to charge into a new venture. But it might be best to take things one step at a time so that you know just where you are at any given point.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) It's a good time to go on that fun getaway you've been planning. You'll return refreshed, ready, and, yes, even eager to tackle the new challenge that awaits you.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The Moon Child loves to fantasize about magical happenings in the early part of the week. But the sensible Crab gets down to serious business by week's end.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) What goes around comes around for those lucky Leos and Leonas whose acts of generosity could be repaid with opportunities to expand into new and exciting areas of interest.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your concern about your job responsibilities is commendable. But it's time for you to take some quiet moments to share with someone who has really missed being with you.

entitled "Life & Death in a Georgia Town: The Roots of Marietta, Ga." Feb. 9 at 2 p.m. in the Estelle Bennett Hughes Theater at the Funk Heritage Center in Waleska, Ga. Info: www.reinhardt.edu/funkheritage

Paint & Sip class. Feb. 10 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Murphy Art Center in Murphy, N.C. A fun class with acrylic paint and drinks (brought by students) and a painting. Ages 21 and older only. Info: Sammi Crow (239) 560-4072, scrows42@gmail.com

Valentine Cork Wreath Class. Feb. 11 from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Murphy Art Center in Murphy, N.C. This is a MACkey Mouse Art Club class suitable for kids.

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LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Aspects favor getting out and meeting new people. And, as a bonus, you might find that some of your newly made friends could offer important business contacts.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You might take pride in wanting to do everything yourself. But now's a good time to ask family members to help with a demanding personal situation.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Pay more attention to the possibilities that could come with a workplace change. It could show you the way to make that long-sought turn on your career path.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your need to succeed might overwhelm obligations to your loved ones. Ease up on that workload and into some well-deserved time with family and friends.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Love rules for amorous Aquarians who can make good use of their ability to communicate feelings. Don't be surprised if they're reciprocated in kind.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Fishing for compliments? No doubt, you probably earned them. But it's best to let others believe they were the ones who uncovered the treasure you really are.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your good work flows from an open, generous heart. Nothing makes you happier than to see others happy as well.

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VETERANS POST

by Freddy Groves

Get Your Free PACT Act Screening

As of the first week of 2023, the Department of Veterans Affairs had screened 1 million veterans for exposure to toxins. As part of the PACT Act, signed last summer, they pulled out all the stops to get this done.

If you're one of the million who stepped up to get your screening, well done. If you haven't, don't let this opportunity pass by.

The PACT Act expands benefits for veterans who were exposed to toxins from Agent Orange and other chemicals, as well as from burn pits, Camp Lejeune water, radiation and others. The damage from those can take years to surface in your health.

You might have been turned down in the past if you filed a claim, but the PACT Act opens a big new door: You no longer have to prove that your illness was caused by toxic chemicals. It will be assumed that it was based on your service in that location. The PACT Act adds to the list of presumed medical conditions, called "presumptives."

If you've never received VA health care, you can still qualify for this screening. Call them. They're doing screenings at VA facilities across the country, and it takes about 10 minutes. It's better to get going with the VA now rather than wait until down the road when a health issue might crop up. Get the screening; get your information on file. Benefits will be backdated to the time the bill was signed, so don't delay.

Survivors of a veteran also might be eligible for the benefits — either a monthly payment or a one-time payment — for a surviving spouse, dependent child or dependent parents.

To learn more about the PACT Act, go to www.va.gov/resources/the-pact-act-and-your-va-benefits. At that link you can apply online for disability compensation with Form 21-526EZ. You can also call them at 800-698-2411. Or call 800-827-1000 for help applying online. Look for Form 10-10EZ to apply for VA health care or to check the status of an application you already submitted.

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Crying in the Car Is Never a Good Thing

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My Border Collie, Sugar, gets very anxious during car rides. She is not one of those dogs who likes to stick their head out of the window! Instead, she whimpers, cries, drools and paces around on the back seat. I'm very worried that she'll try to jump into my lap. How can I stop her crying? — Wendy G., Atlanta

DEAR WENDY: Poor Sugar! Anxiety in pets is often tied to a distressing experience in their past. And her uncontrolled movement around the car is a safety issue.

Talk to Sugar's veterinarian about her behavior. They can provide advice and help determine if and when anti-anxiety medication should be given.

Adding a pet restraint system (like a doggie seat or seat belt) or kennel cage will keep Sugar from sliding around in the car and may help her feel more secure.

Next, help reduce Sugar's anxiety by helping her associate car rides with good things. This will take a little extra time and effort each day, but it's worth it.

— With the car parked in the driveway, sit in the back seat with Sugar (in her seat or cage) for about five minutes. Give her a small treat and lots of praise when she does. Do this daily, without driving anywhere.

— When Sugar regularly stays calm, shift to the driver's seat after sitting with her in the back seat.

— Step up to the next level: Turn on the car, giving Sugar a treat when you do so. Put soothing music on the radio.

A trainer can be a good investment, as well. They'll work with Sugar (and often the vet) to make her car rides bearable, and maybe even enjoyable.

How does your pet stand car rides? Tell us about it at ask@pawscorner.com.

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Students will make a cork wreath heart for hanging. Ages 10-15. Info: Dian McKelvey (404) 580-5740, dbmckelvey@gmail.com or the Murphy Art Center 360-3038.

Presentation by Brian Paley entitled "Unrepresented: White, Cherokee, and Enslaved Women". Feb. 16 at 2 p.m. in the Estelle Bennett Hughes Theater at the Funk Heritage Center in Waleska, Ga. Info: www.reinhardt.edu/funkheritage

Cardinal Welcome Plaque class. Feb. 18 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Murphy Art Center in Murphy, N.C. Painting a two-lay cardinal plaque in Dixie Belle Paint. Info: Barbara McMillan 557-5881, bmcmillan0927@gmail.com

Haywood Co. Arts Council (HCAC) featured artists' exhibit. Through Feb. 27 at the Haywood County Arts Council 86 N Mail St, Waynesville, N.C. This specially-curated exhibit features 12 HCAC artist members who will have monthly features throughout 2023. Artists are chosen by opting into a drawing during membership renewal. The opening reception is on Feb. 3 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Info: www.haywoodartscouncil.org, (828) 452-0593

Presentation by William Isom II entitled "Cherokee Slaveholders & East Tennessee". March 2 at 2 p.m. in the Estelle Bennett Hughes Theater at the Funk Heritage Center in Waleska, Ga. Info: www.reinhardt.edu/funkheritage

Making Clay Faces Class. March 18 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Murphy Arts Center in Murphy, N.C. This is a MACkey Mouse Art Club class suitable for kids. Students will make, bake, and paint faces of clay and decorate to hang. Ages 7-17. Info: Dianne Gardner (760) 974-6583, rosie091504@gmail.com or the Murphy Art Center 360-3038.

Southwestern Community College community courses.
• Raku Potter. March 6-29, Mondays and Wednesdays 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. \$70, Swain Center Room 125. Instructor – J. McKee. Learn the art of Raku. Explore crackle and luster glazes. Students will learn what types of forms to create and how to glaze and fire them. Cost of materials not included. Pre-req: Beginning Wheel and/or instructor's permission
• Horse Hair Pottery. April 3-26,

Mondays and Wednesdays 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. \$70, Swain Center Room 125. Instructor – J. McKee. Explore this simple process that creates expressive results. Students will learn what types of clays to use, what shapes and forms best, and how to safely use this process. Cost of materials not included. Pre-req: Beginning Wheel and/or instructor's permission
• Beginning Wheel II. April 4 – May 25, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. \$125, Swain Center Room 123. Instructor – M. Burrell. For beginning students. Students will learn to center clay on a wheel and make basic forms including cylinders, bowls, and plates, as well as turning, trimming, and glazing basic forms. Must be 18-years-old or older. No pre-requisite. Cost of materials not included.

• Color & Weave. May 5-6, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. \$70, Swain Center Room 123. Learn the basics of weaving and create a table runner or scarf in this two-day workshop. Spend the first day on how to warp and set up your loom, then begin weaving. The second day, you will continue to weave and complete your project. All materials provided. No pre-requisite. Info: Register online at: <https://www.southwesterncc.edu/class-schedule>

Cherokee High School and Teacher exhibit. May 3-29 at the Haywood County Arts Council 86 N Mail St, Waynesville, N.C. This specially curated exhibit, curated by Lori Reed, features work of Cherokee High School students and their teachers in celebration of the unveiling of the Cherokee-inspired and -designed mural on the HCAC's building back wall facing Wall Street. Info: www.haywoodartscouncil.org, (828) 452-0593



The Jones - Bowman Leadership Award Program is currently accepting applications for the 2023-2024 program year.

If selected, Fellows receive \$4,000 to use for their leadership endeavors and for travel opportunities. Fellows will also raise awareness and work on community issues, receive personal and professional support from Mentors in our community and have networking opportunities.

To apply, please visit www.rkli.org/jones-bowman or visit the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute at 171 Boys Club Loop, Cherokee.


Applications are due to Christopher Reed by March 24, 2023 at 4:30pm.



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

Send your event listings to us at

Cherokeeonefeather1966@gmail.com



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MISSING PERSON

Vickie Elaine Shanks Female

Affiliated/Enrolled with The Choctaw
Nation of Oklahoma

Age: 57 years

Height: 5' 3" Weight: 150 lbs

Hair: Brown Eyes : Brown

Date of last contact: January 21, 2023

Location: Mead, Oklahoma

Circumstances of Disappearance: Subject was driving through Mead,
OK when her vehicle broke down. Subject took off walking on foot
heading West towards Durant, OK. Per her daughter, the subject
knows no one at all in the area. No way of contacting the subject.
Subject has not been seen or heard from since 1-21-2023.

If you have seen Vickie Elaine Shanks, contact the Chickasaw Nation
Lighthorse Police (580) 436-1166.

Source: Namus.gov



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EMPLOYMENT

Space for Rent

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) invites small businesses with expertise in retail to submit proposals for space to lease in the Downtown Horseshoe area, also known as the Cherokee Village Community Parcel No. 104-B, containing 3028.97 Sq. Ft.

The complete proposal for the expectations and plans for the space to be provided by the business to be selected as a tenant is part of a complete proposal package document which may be obtained by contacting Sabrina S. Arch, Director of Enterprise Development, at the EBCI Commerce Office, at 828-359-6708. sabrarch@ebci-nsn.gov.

Completed proposals are due in the offices of the EBCI Enterprise Development Office by the close of business on Friday, February 3rd, 2023. They should be sent to Sabrina S. Arch, Director of Enterprise Development – Commerce Office, 810 Acquoni Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719, or via email at sabrarch@ebci-nsn.gov. Proposals must be submitted as required in the proposal package. **2/1**

LEGAL NOTICES

Wanted: Tribal members and others age 18 and older living in Swain County Democratic Party Whittier-Cherokee precinct (Big Cove, Birdtown, Yellowhill and Whittier), registered as Democrats who are interested in getting involved, serving as precinct officers and helping elect Democrats in 2024.

For more info, contact **Mary Herr** at **828-497-9498** or **maryherr2017@gmail.com**.

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 22-131

In the Matter of the Estate of SAMMY W. OWLE

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
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Tonya Yvonne Owle
783 MTN. Noble Rd.
Cherokee, NC 28719

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 23-001

In the Matter of the Estate of Kobe Gavin Toineeta

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

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

below.

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS
FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-
TION

Robert O. Saunooke
P.O. Box 309
Cherokee, NC 28719

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 22-127

In the Matter of the Estate of LIBBY HAMPTON

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

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

below.

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS
FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-
TION

Travis Teeters
9015 Big Cove Road #37
Cherokee, NC 28719

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 22-126

In the Matter of the Estate of Allen Edward Reed

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



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TION

Anita Smith Reed

382 Blue Wing Church Rd.

Cherokee, NC 28719

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BIDs, RFPs, etc.

Bid Proposals

Robins & Morton will be ac-
cepting bid proposals from Sub-
contractors and Vendors for the
project noted .

Ruth's Chris Steak House Ren-
ovation and High Limits Renova-
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Resort, Cherokee, NC.

The following scopes of work
are available to bid:

Demolition, Concrete, Misc Metals,
Drywall & ACT, Flooring, Painting,

Specialties, Millwork, Upholstery,
Plumbing, Mechanical, Electrical,
Doors & Frames, Specialties, Fire
Protection, Fire Alarm, Testings &
Inspections, Commissioning, Tele-
com, Signage, Solid Surface Materi-
als, Audio Visual, Security.

Proposals due date is : February
22, 2023 at 5:00 PM CST.

Please contact Bob Legler
bob.legler@robinsmorton.com or
Erskine Ramsay eramsay@rob-
insmorton.com for further infor-
mation regarding this request for
proposal.

Every bidder is responsible for
reviewing all contract documents
and including all costs associated
with the contractor's scope of work.
Any questions regarding discrep-
ancies, conflicts or insufficient in-
formation are to be directed to Bob
Legler bob.legler@robinsmorton.
com or Erskine Ramsay eramsay@

robinsmorton.com. The project
is to be bid per plans and spec-
ifications. Voluntary alternates,
methods and/or substitutions are
encouraged, but must be identified
and quoted separately from your
base bid. **2/1**

RFQ

Maintenance and Repairs for Building Rental Program

The Eastern Band of Cherokee
Indians (EBCI) invites compa-
nies with expertise in commercial
building maintenance and repairs
to submit proposals for completing
maintenance issues with commer-
cial buildings for the Eastern Band
of Cherokee Indians in Cherokee,
North Carolina.

The complete scope of work to
be provided by the firm to be hired
as Contractor is part of a complete
RFQ document which may be
obtained by contacting Sabrina S.
Arch, Director of Enterprise Devel-
opment, at the EBCI Commerce Of-
fice, at 828-359-6708. sabrarch@
ebci-nsn.gov. **2/1**

Completed proposals are due in
the offices of the EBCI Enterprise
Development Office by the close of
business on Friday, February 3rd,
2023. They should be sent to Sabri-
na S. Arch, Director of Enterprise
Development – Commerce Office,
810 Acquoni Rd., Cherokee, NC
28719, or via email at sabrarch@
ebci-nsn.gov. Proposals must be
submitted as required in the pro-
posal package.

First preference will be given to
qualified TERO contractors. **2/1**

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOUSING DIVISION REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS MASONRY BLOCK FOUNDATIONS BLOCK UNDERPINNING PURPOSE:

The purpose of this REQUEST

FOR PROPOSAL is for the con-
struction of SIX (6) single-family
masonry slab/ foundations for
members of the Eastern Band of
Cherokee Indian residing on trust
lands and receiving assistance
through the Cherokee Indian
Housing Division (CIHD). Con-
tracts will be awarded based on
per-project basis and competitive
pricing. Projects will be monitored
by CIHD-HOUSING PRODUC-
TION MONITOR and CIHD also
reserves the right to add addition-
al contracts as needed based on
scheduling demands. Qualification
packets can be picked up at MAN-
DATORY on site meeting, Call for
meeting date and time at 828-788-
6785, if you don't make mandatory
meeting you will not be considered
for proposals. Contact person
for this RFQ is Nathaniel Crowe,
HOUSING PRODUCTION Manag-
er, (828) 3596903 or buncrow@
ebci-nsn.gov. **2/1**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS GUT REHAB SERVICES FOR 2 HOUSES

Cherokee Indian Housing
Division is seeking contractors to
provide gut rehab services on four
homes located at 190 Tsali Manor
Street – Unit 15 and 39 Carol Beck
Lane in Cherokee, NC. Demo has
been completed. Work will consist
of returning the units to new con-
struction condition. Work will con-
sist of tasks from insulation to final
trim out including the replacement
of exterior doors. Installation of all
electrical switches and outlets will
be installed by Housing Division
staff. Installation of commodes
and plumbing fixtures will also be
handled by Housing Division staff.
Mandatory site visit will be held on
January 31 at 2 PM. Material lists
with item numbers will be pro-
vided at that time. For additional
information contact Peanut Crowe

**Housing & Community
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Tribal Construction Program (TCP)
Tribal Utilities Bldg.

1840 Paint Town Road

P.O. Box 547

Cherokee, N.C. 28719

Ph. (828) 359-359-6146

Project Title: Domestic Water Well
Drilling in Five Western Counties
of North Carolina

The Eastern Band of Cherokee
Indians Tribal Construction Pro-
gram is requesting separate sealed
bids for the services of a licensed
water well driller for the purpose of
drilling an estimated 50 water wells

in western North Carolina between
March 2023 and March 2025.
The project area is located in Jack-
son, Swain, Cherokee, Haywood
and Graham Counties with the bulk
of the work anticipated to be within
a 20 mile radius of Cherokee,
NC. An estimated 50 wells will be
drilled, as needed, during the con-
tract period. Prospective bidders
must be familiar with the terrain
and drilling practices of western
North Carolina. Contract specifica-
tions and bidding documents will
be provided to any licensed well
driller upon request. Contact Mr.
Jeremy Watkins at (828)359-6146
or by email at jerewatk@ebci-nsn.
gov request a bid package.
Pre bid meeting will be held on
February 13th, 2023 for any ques-
tions regarding the bid package,
contact Jeremy Watkins for ap-
proved time.

Bid packages should be ad-
dressed to Mr. Watkins at the ad-
dress above and must be received
by 11:00 a.m., February 24, 2023,
at which time they will be opened
in accordance with TERO proce-
dures. Any bid received after the
time and date specified shall not be
considered.

This work is being funded by
the Indian Health Service. Please
be advised that Indian Preference
(TERO) applies for this contract.
Equal Employment Opportunity
(EEO) documentation required by
Executive Order 11246 as Amended
and regulations (41 CFR Part 60-4)
shall be applicable throughout the
performance of any work awarded
pursuant to this solicitation.

If you have any questions or
comments, please contact Mr. Wat-
kins at (828) 359-6146 or by email
at jerewatk@nc-chokeee.com 2/8

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians,
Tribal Construction Program
Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Project Title: Utilities Engineering
Service for Tribal Homesite
Development

The EBCI is requesting pro-
posals from qualified engineering
firms to provide planning, design,
permitting, bidding assistance, and
construction administration for
projects related to development
of infrastructure improvements
including expansion, replacement,
upgrade, or improvement of ex-
isting treatment and distribution/
collection systems. Firms wish-
ing to request a proposal package
should contact Jeremy Watkins, at
(828)359-6146 or by email at jere-
watk@ebci-nsn.gov or Ken Green,
at (828) 359-6120 or by email at

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Proposal packages must be submitted in accordance with the instructions included in the RFP to Jeremy Watkins, EBCI Tribal Construction Program. Proposals must be received by 02/28/2023@11:00 AM at which time they shall be opened and evaluated in accordance with tribal procedures. Any proposal received after this time will not be considered.

Please be advised that Indian preference (TERO) regulations apply to this solicitation and award of this contract.

If you have any questions or comments, you may address them to Jeremy Watkins or Ken Green.

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Intent to Revise

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Project Management Program, in accordance with National Flood Insurance Program regulation 65.7(b)(1), hereby gives notice

of the Tribe's intent to revise the flood hazard information, generally located along the Oconaluftee River. Specifically, the flood hazard information will be revised along the Oconaluftee River from a point approximately at the confluence with the Tuckasegee River to a point approximately 3,200 feet upstream of Enloe Floyd Bottoms Road. As a result of the revision, the floodway will widen and/or narrow along the route. The 1-percent-annual-chance water-surface elevations shall increase and/or decrease, and the 1-percent-annual-chance floodplain will widen and/or narrow within the area of revision.

Maps and detailed analysis of the revision can be reviewed at the Office of Environment and Natural Resources, 1840 Painttown Road, Cherokee, NC. Interested persons may contact Ken Green, PE at 828-359-6120 or by email at kengree@ebci-nsn.gov for addi-

tional information from 7:45 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday. Review of maps is available until 03/08/2023. Comments must be received by 03/15/2023.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

GUT REHAB SERVICES FOR 2

HOUSES

BIG COVE HOUSING

Cherokee Indian Housing

Division is seeking contractors to provide gut rehab services on two homes located at 24 Big Cove Housing and 26 Big Cover Housing Cherokee, NC. Demo has been completed. Work will consist of returning the units to new construction condition. Work will consist of tasks from insulation to final trim out including the replacement of exterior doors. Installation of all electrical switches and outlets will be installed by Housing Division staff. Installation of commodes and plumbing fixtures will also be handled by Housing Division staff.

Mandatory site visit will be held on January 31 at 2 PM. Material lists with item numbers will be provided at that time. For additional information contact Peanut Crowe at (828) 788-7087 or peancrow@ebci-nsn.gov. Sealed bids are due by 4:00 PM February 10, 2023. Label the sealed envelope HOUSING GUT REHAB. 2/8

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

HOUSE DEMO

PIONEER VILLAGE

Cherokee Indian Housing Division is seeking general contractor for demo of two homes located at the Pioneer Motel. Mandatory Site Visit will be held on February 7th at 2:00 PM. All interest parties are to meet onsite at the Pioneer motel office. Sealed Bids are due by 4:00 PM February 10, 2023. Label Sealed Envelope PIONEER DEMO. For additional information contact Bunsey Crowe at (828) 788-6785. 2/8



Cherokee Veterans: We want to share your stories.

The Cherokee One Feather would like to share your stories in a column we call "Veteran's Corner". Send your written stories to Robert Jumper, editor, at robejump@nc-chokeee.com. Or, if you prefer to sit down for an interview with one of our reporters, call 359-6482 (Robert), 359-6263 (Scott), or 359-6264 (Jonah).

Thank you for your service, and we look forward to hearing from you so we can share your stories of service with the entire community.

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Income Deductions:

- 20% (.20 x gross income)
- Utility (\$400)
- Medical (Costs >\$35)
- Paid Child Support
- Dependent Care Expenses
- Home Care Meal-Related Deduction (\$281)

Gross Income (20% Deduction)

- Paid Weekly - Gross amount of check x 4.3 = Gross monthly income before 20% deduction
- Paid Bi-Weekly - Gross amount of check x 2.15 = gross monthly income before 20% deduction

Certification Periods

- Zero Income (little chance of change) - every 3 to 6 months
- Zero Income (frequent changes in income) - every 1 to 2 months
- Stable (non-changing income) - 12 months
- Elderly/Disabled (fixed income) - up to 24 months
- Self-employed - recertification should fall when they receive the majority of their income

Household Size

(Net Monthly Income Standards)

1 -	\$1326
2 -	\$1719
3 -	\$2113
4 -	\$2506
5 -	\$2931
6 -	\$3358
7 -	\$3751
8 -	\$4144

Each additional member +\$394

EBCI Per Capita and Per Capita Loans are not considered as income at this time. Please contact us for any questions and detailed eligibility information. Sgi!

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians HUMAN RESOURCES

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

Closing Sunday, February 05, 2023

1. Certified Nursing Assistant – Tribal In Home Care Services – Public Health and Human Services (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)
2. Hatchery Technician (SEASONAL) – Fisheries and Wildlife Management – Agriculture and Natural Resources (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

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. Evidence Technician – Cherokee Indian Police Department – EBCI Law Enforcement (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)
4. Bailiff – Cherokee Indian Police Department (Corrections) – EBCI Law Enforcement (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
5. Probation Officer (Multiple) – Cherokee Indian Police Department (Corrections) – EBCI Law Enforcement (L11 \$39,806 - \$49,758) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
6. FT Paramedic – Emergency Medical Services – Public Safety (L8 \$30,357 - \$37,946) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour)
7. PT Paramedic (Multiple) – Emergency Medical Services – Operations (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
8. Youth Development Professional – Cherokee Youth Center – Education (L6 \$15.30 - \$19.13 per hour)
9. Driver (Multiple) (Shift: Monday through Friday, 3pm – 12am) – Transit – Operations (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
10. Teacher (Multiple) – Qualla Boundary Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)
11. Teacher (Multiple) – Qualla Boundary Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L10 \$17.58 - \$21.98 per hour)
12. Real Estate Associate Attorney – Realty Services – Office of the Attorney General (L15 \$72,342 - \$90,428)
13. Social Worker (Multiple) – Family Safety – Public Health and Human Services (L14 \$25.17 - \$31.46 per hour)
14. Electrician Helper – Qualla Housing Services – Housing (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
15. Carpenter Helper (Multiple) – Qualla Housing Services – Housing (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
16. Maintenance Utility (Multiple) – Qualla Housing Services – Housing (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
17. Lead Horticulture Technician – Natural Resources – Agriculture and Natural Resources (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour)
18. Legal Services Attorney – Legal Assistance Office – Office of the Attorney General (L16 \$64,389 - \$85,852)
19. Financial Analyst (Multiple) – Budget and Finance – Treasury (L15 \$57,982 - \$72,478)
20. Certified Biological Waste Water Treatment Operator – Waste Water Treatment – Operations (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
21. Supervisor – Biological/Waste Water Operator – Waste Water Treatment – Operations (L14 \$25.17 - \$31.46 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
22. Head Cook – Snowbird Senior Citizens – Snowbird and Cherokee County (L7 \$15.60 - \$19.50 per hour)
23. Tribal Prosecutor II – Criminal Law – Office of the Attorney General (L17 \$72,127 - \$96,169)
24. Telecommunicator – Public Safety Communications – Operations (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
25. Supervisor (Regulatory Compliance) – Natural Resources – Agriculture & Natural Resources (L14 \$52,349 - \$65,437)
26. Commercial Property Specialist – Enterprise Development – Commerce (L13 \$22.86 - \$22.58 per hour)
27. Family Safety Grants Coordinator – Family Safety – Public Health and Human Services (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour)

All applications and job descriptions are available at
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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.

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Tribal Employment Rights Office

756 Aquoni Rd, Cherokee, North Carolina.

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 7:45am-4:30pm

The TERO Office is pleased to provide the following jobs listing for the Cherokee area. We ask that when applying for any of these jobs, to please reach out to us to enroll in our Job Bank.

If you have any questions or need more information about a specific opening, please contact Hillary Norville or Douglas McCoy at the email or telephone numbers below.

If you need a Job Bank Application, please email Hillary or Doug, or you may download the form from our website at this link: [WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT – EBCI TERO \(ebci-terro.com\)](https://www.ebci-terro.com).

Hillary Norville – TERO Job Bank Coordinator

828.359.6422

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Local Job Openings for January 2023:

Scan the QR code with your phone's camera, then follow the link to our website to see the job list.



**Cherokee Central Schools
Job Openings**

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

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

1. Middle School ISS Teacher Assistant
2. Talented and Gifted Teacher
3. Human Resources Director
4. Maintenance Worker III
5. K-5 Lifeskills Teacher
6. Cultural Department Coordinator
7. 6-8 Special Education Alternative Teacher
8. K-5 Lifeskills Teacher Assistant
9. Middle School Science Teacher
10. Middle School English/Language Arts Teacher
11. 8 Hour Food Service Worker (Full Time w/ Benefits)
12. 6 Hour Food Service Worker (Full Time w/ Benefits)
13. 4 Hour Part Time Food Service
14. Elementary Teacher
15. Elementary School Counselor
16. Middle School Special Education Pathseekers Teacher
17. Math Teacher (High School)

Attention EBCI Artists/Craftspeople

The One Feather is developing a list of Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians artists and craftspeople to help get your name out there for potential buyers. If you would like to be included, please send your name, contact information (phone, email, etc.), and what mediums you are selling to: Scott at scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov or message us on our Facebook page.





CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

FINANCE

Patient Access Specialist – Emergency Hire
\$17.12 - \$19.26
Accounts Payable Processor \$19.66 - \$22.25
Billing Analyst II \$19.66 - \$22.25

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Master Level Therapist – Adult & Child
positions available **\$5,000 Hiring Bonus
Targeted Case Manager – Family Safety
\$44,107 - \$55,134
Targeted Case Manager – Women's Home
\$44,107 - \$55,134
Targeted Case Manager – Cherokee Central
Schools \$44,107 - \$55,134
Registered Nurse *Part Time Intermittent -
\$33.68 - \$38.72
Behavioral Health Consultant I - \$50,723 -
\$63,404 **\$5,000 Hiring Bonus

ENGINEERING

EVS Technician \$15.00 - \$16.77
Food Service Worker \$15.00 - \$16.77

HUMAN RESOURCES

Training and Development Specialist
\$50,723 - \$63,404
HR Generalist \$50,723 - \$63,404

OPERATIONS

Clinical Pharmacist - \$102,023 - \$127,528
PGY2 Pharmacy Resident \$102,023 - \$127,528
Dentist – Satellite Clinics \$131,405 - \$164,256
Dentist – Pediatrics \$131,405 - \$164,256
Dental Assistant II \$18.32 - \$20.67
Optometrist - \$109,504 - \$136,880
Medical Technologist - \$28.68 - \$32.85

MEDICAL

Advanced Practice Provider- Full time/
Part Time Intermittent - \$109,504 - \$136,880

Clinical Dietitian - \$50,723 - \$63,404

FNP/PA – ICC \$91,254 - \$114,067

Physician – Primary Care \$157,686 - \$197,108

Physician/Hospitalist - Inpatient – Full Time / Part
Time Regular - \$157,686 - \$197,108

NURSING

Acupuncturist - \$67,082 - \$83,852

Analenisgi Inpatient Registered Nurse - \$33.68 -
\$38.72 **\$5,000 Hiring Bonus

Analenisgi Inpatient Registered Nurse – Part Time
Intermittent \$33.68 - \$38.72

Analenisgi Inpatient Tech - \$17.12 - \$19.26

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

Licensed Practical Nurse – Immediate Care Center
- \$22.76 - \$25.89 **\$5,000 Hiring Bonus

Massage Therapist \$50,723 - \$63,404

Registered Nurse – Emergency Room \$33.68 -
\$38.72**\$5,000 Hiring Bonus

Registered Nurse - Inpatient - \$31.06 - \$35.64
**\$5,000 Hiring Bonus (Night shift)

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

Registered Nurse – Satellite Clinic TJCC/BH -
\$31.06 - \$35.64**\$5,000 Hiring Bonus

Social Worker – Inpatient - \$44,107 - \$55,134

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

TSALI CARE CENTER

Certified Nursing Assistant \$17.12 - \$19.26
\$3,000 Hiring Bonus

Certified Medication Aide - \$17.12 - \$19.26

Registered Nurse - \$31.06 - \$35.64 **\$5,000
Hiring Bonus**

Fiscal Coordinator - \$50,723 - \$63,404

To apply, visit careers.cherokeehospital.org

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



Employment Opportunities

1) Licensed General Contractors

2) Licensed Plumbing

3) Licensed HVAC

4) Licensed Electricians

5) Roofers

6) Gutters

7) Drywall

8) Painters

9) Masonry (Footer/Foundation/Basements/Slabs)

10) General Carpentry

11) Siding

12) Decks

13) Excavation

14) Tree removal

15) Project Management

General requirements:

- Must have appropriate liability insurance and workman's compensation insurance
- Must have ability to work with limited supervision
- Must be able to work at a fast pace on multiple jobs
- Appropriate appearance standards and good communication skills (visible to customers)
 - Modular construction experience is a plus

**Please stop by Kituwah Office
at 37 Tsalagi Road, Cherokee, NC. 28719
(Old Chesnut Tree Motel)
and complete a company profile to be
considered for opportunities.**

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 Groundhog Day



Udayvladvīsghno agowata?
Did he see his shadow?

ბჲ დსჴ აჲ გსჲ?
Sike agada gola tsaduli?
Do you want more winter?

ii, OBC DŸƳŴV.
Vv, uhyvtsv agilvgwdo.
Yes, I love the cold.

GŌŌTŌJĬ AĤŌ TĜŦŌVĬ?
Tsadvnvisditsu gogeyi iyulsdodi?
Are you ready for spring?

ii, DIŋOutoŋA Aŋŋ TGŋoVŋ.
Vv, agwadvnvisdi gogeyi iyulsdodi.
Yes, I am ready for spring

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