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BASKETBALL

Cherokee sweeps Murphy in home games

Photos by Scott McKie B.P./One Feather

Cherokee Lady Braves 77

Murphy Lady Bulldogs 41

The Cherokee Lady Braves hosted the Murphy Lady Bulldogs at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the evening of Friday, Jan. 20. SCORING: Cherokee - Awee Walkingstick 10, Kyla Moore 1, Dvdaya Swimmer 14, Loshi Ward 2, AJ Hill 12, Tsuli Lossiah 2, Creedon Arch 3, Lexi Smith 2, Whitney Rogers 17, and Kamiah Wiggins 6; Murphy - Lochlan Rogers 2, Julia Dockery 1, Addie Johnson 13, Lailee Holloway 19, Kayla Gere 2, and Emma Laney 4.

Cherokee Braves 82 Murphy Bulldogs 75

The Cherokee Braves hosted the Murphy Bulldogs at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the evening of Friday, Jan. 20. SCORING: Cherokee - Elijah Lineberry 15, Michael Driver 28, Jack Jack Teesates-kie 14, Savian Davis 6, Tso Smith 12, Mato Grant 1, and Luke Smith 6; Murphy - Will Carringer 3, Dillian Brown 10, Zach Skogen 28, Cole Laney 2, Dominick Rummler 31, and Ty Lane 1.

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Cherokee's Michael Driver (#3) goes for an inside shot during the second half of the game against the Murphy Bulldogs at the Charles George Memorial Arena. Driver led the Braves with 28 points as they defeated the Bulldogs 82-75. The win takes Cherokee to an 11-7 (5-1 SMC) record and puts them in a first-place tie in the Smoky Mountain Conference (SMC) with Robbinsville.

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Cherokee's Whitney Rogers (#32) goes for a layup during the second half of the game against the Murphy Lady Bulldogs at the Charles George Memorial Arena. Rogers led the Lady Braves with 17 points as they defeated the Lady Bulldogs 77-41. The win takes Cherokee to a 15-3 (5-0 SMC) record and puts them in first place in the Smoky Mountain Conference (SMC). Maxpreps lists the Lady Braves as third in the 1A West Regional.



Crowe receives Dogwood Award

Mary "Missy" Crowe, left, receives the Dogwood Award from N.C. Attorney General Josh Stein during a ceremony in Woodfin, N.C. on the afternoon of Tuesday, Jan. 17. Crowe, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), was honored for leading the charge, along with fellow EBCI tribal member Lavita Hill, to restore the name of the area in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park called Clingman's Dome to Kuwohi which means "mulberry place" in the Cherokee language. Hill received her award on Nov. 22, 2022. To read more about this, read the One Feather article published in November 2022: <https://theonefeather.com/2022/11/28/crowe-hill-receive-dogwood-awards/>

(Photo courtesy of Office of Attorney General Josh Stein)



"Pear Blossom"

All alone by the veranda railing,
teardrops drenching the branches,
although her face is unadorned,
her old charms remain.
Behind the locked gate,
on a rainy night,
how she is filled with sadness.
How differently she looked
bathed in golden waves
of moonlight, before the darkness fell.

Chinese poet Qian Xuan (1280)

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Saunooke turns down Tribal Gaming Commission appointment

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**

One Feather Asst. Editor

CHEROKEE, N.C. - Robert Saunooke has decided not to accept an appointment to serve on the Tribal Gaming Commission (TGC) for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI). Saunooke was appointed by Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed and was set to have a Tribal Council confirmation hearing on Wednesday, Jan. 25.

"Our Tribe is currently facing a

number of financial, cultural, and other challenges," Saunooke told the One Feather. "I believe my experience in tribal gaming would have been helpful to the Tribal Gaming Commission, but my experience, contacts, and knowledge may be better utilized elsewhere. While I appreciate the nomination, I feel it is more important for me to focus on my campaign for Chief."

Chief Sneed said in a statement, "Rob's initial eagerness to pursue the appointment and his background in gaming law identified him as a strong candidate for the appointment; however, I understand his decision to withdraw his name for consideration to the TGC Board and instead focus his efforts on his campaign for Principal Chief."

Saunooke, an EBCI tribal

member, served as president of the National Native American Bar Association for the term of 2019-20 and has been a board member since April 2011.

The powers of the TGC are outlined and codified in Cherokee Code Section 16-2.14 as follows: In accordance with the terms of this chapter, the Commission shall have the power and duty to:

- (a) Conduct or cause background investigations to be conducted on primary management officials and key employees and other gaming employees;
- (b) Review and approve all investigative work conducted;
- (c) Report results of background investigations to the NIGC;
- (d) Obtain and process fingerprints, or designate a law enforcement agency to obtain and process fingerprints;
- (e) Make suitability/eligibility determinations;
- (f) Issue licenses as authorized in this chapter, consistent with appropriate suitability determinations;
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- (i) Inspect, examine, monitor and audit all gaming activities, and have immediate access to review, inspect, examine, photocopy and audit all records of all gaming operations, for regulatory compliance purposes;
- (j) Ensure compliance with all

applicable Tribal, Federal, and, if applicable, State laws, rules, and regulations regarding Indian gaming;

(k) Hold hearings on patron gaming disputes, in compliance with procedures established in this chapter;

(l) Comply with any and all reporting requirements under this chapter, the IGRA, the Tribal-State Compact, and any other applicable law;

(m) Issue orders of temporary closure of gaming activities for violations of this chapter or of contractual obligations to the Tribe, the IGRA or the Compact or orders of permanent closure of gaming activities for violations of this chapter, Tribal gaming regulations or contractual obligations to the Tribe;

(n) Initiate civil and criminal actions in court to enforce provisions of this chapter, Tribal gaming regulations or the IGRA;

(o) Monitor all gaming activities conducted on the Tribe's Indian lands on a continuing basis;

(p) Conduct such hearings as authorized pursuant to article VI, including administering oaths or affirmations to witnesses and issuing subpoenas to compel witnesses to appear at such hearings;

(q) When information is received through audits or other investigations that indicates a violation of Tribal, federal or applicable state ordinances, laws or regulations, to treat as confidential and provide such information to the appropriate law enforcement officials;

(r) Adopt regulations as authorized in Section 16-2.15; and

(s) Adopt Class II and Class III gaming license applications.

One Feather deadline - Fridays at 12 p.m.

Getting rid of slur

Interior Department completes vote to remove derogatory names from several locations

WASHINGTON — The Department of the Interior announced recently the Board on Geographic Names (BGN) has voted on the remaining replacement names featuring the word sq____. In September, the Department announced the final vote for nearly 650 features, but completed an additional review for seven locations that are considered unincorporated populated places.

“Words matter, particularly in our work to ensure our nation’s public lands and waters are accessible and welcoming to people of all backgrounds,” said Secretary Deb Haaland. “I am grateful to the members of the Derogatory Geographic Names Task Force and the Board on Geographic Names for their efforts to finalize the removal of this harmful word. Together, we are showing why representation matters and charting a path for an inclusive America.”

The vote came after a year-long process to remove a term from federal use that has historically been used as an offensive ethnic, racial and sexist slur, particularly for Indigenous women. Noting that there are unique concerns with renaming populated locations, the BGN sought additional review and comments from Tribes, local communities and stakeholders before the final vote.

The seven places for additional review included:

• Sq____ Harbor, Alaska: Removed from consideration. Feature is



Skiers enjoy Sq__ Valley in California which will now be known as Yokuts Valley following a recent decision by the Department of Interior Board on Geographic Names to replace names featuring the word sq___. (Photo by Nick Windsor)

a historical area that no longer serves as an unincorporated community.

• Sq____ Hill, Calif.: Name changed to Loybas Hill. Proposed by the Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians, the name translates to “Young Lady” and honors the past, present and future Native women from and living in the area.

• Sq____ Valley, Calif.: Name changed to Yokuts Valley, which was proposed during the public comment period. Yokuts translates to “people.”

• Sq____ Gap, N.D.: Name changed to Homesteaders Gap, which was selected by the community in the populated area as relevant to their

local history.

• Sq____berry, Tenn.: Name changed to Partridgeberry, another common name for the plant for which the community is currently named.

• Sq____ Mountain, Texas: Name changed to Lynn Creek in honor of Isaac Lynn, who lived on the creek nearby that bears his name.

• Sq____ Place, Wyo.: Removed from consideration. Feature is a locale now listed as privately owned land.

The list of all new names will be updated on the U.S. Geological Survey website to reflect today’s vote along with a map of locations. While the new names are immedi-

ately effective for federal use, the public may continue to propose name changes for any features through the regular BGN process. Secretary’s Order 3404 considered only the sq____ derogatory term in its scope. Secretary’s Order 3405 created a Federal Advisory Committee for the Department to formally receive advice from the public regarding additional derogatory terms, derogatory terms on federal land units, and the process for derogatory name reconciliation. In August, the Department announced the members of the Federal Advisory Committee and held its first meeting in December.

- Dept. of the Interior release

**CIPD Arrest Report for
Jan. 8-15, 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.

Morgan, Trevos Dillion – age 25
Arrested: Jan. 9
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 17)
Charges: Failure to Appear, Probation Violation

Saunooke, Jonah Washington – age 25

Arrested: Jan. 9
Released: Jan. 12
Charges: Injuring Real Property, Domestic Violence (two counts), Child Abuse in the Second Degree

Alvarez-Blanco, Fernando Esau – age 21
Arrested: Jan. 10
Released: Jan. 10
Charges: Temporary Hold for Jackson Co.

Ledford, Clinton Lee – age 45
Arrested: Jan. 10
Released: Jan. 11
Charges: Domestic Violence

Panther, James Marlon – age 41
Arrested: Jan. 11
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 17)
Charges: Simple Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance

Wolf, Jason – age 21
Arrested: Jan. 11
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 17)

Charges: Violations of Exclusion Resolutions and Orders

Lauver, Grace Magdalene – age 60
Arrested: Jan. 12
Released: Jan. 13
Charges: DWI

Tomas, Sergio – age 49
Arrested: Jan. 13
Released: Jan. 14
Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedules I-V

Long II, David – age 44
Arrested: Jan. 14
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 17)

Charges: Breaking and/or Entering, Second Degree Trespass

Solomon, Terin – age 27
Arrested: Jan. 14
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 17)

Charges: Resisting, Delaying, or Obstructing Officers; Assault on Law Enforcement, Probation, or Parole Officer

Ben, Deyon Grant – age 23
Arrested: Jan. 15
Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 17)
Charges: Disorderly Conduct, Assault on a Female, Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public

Crowe, Adelia Lynn – age 23
Arrested: Jan. 15
Released: Jan. 15
Charges: Hold Until Sober

Frazier, Charlie Brian – age 43
Arrested: Jan. 15
Released: Jan. 15
Charges: Disorderly Conduct

Riggen, Keith – age 29
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Inside GSMNP Oconaluftee River & Small Streams	Hatchery supported waters are open	Based on water temperatures	Rainbow, Brown & Brook Trout	Squirmy wormy, egg patterns, mop fly, Pats rubber legs, wooly bugger, pheasant tail, perdigons, blow torch waltz's worm	Soft hackles, parachute adams, elk hair caddis

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RUNNING

Amaya Hicks signs to run at Western Carolina Univ.

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

One Feather Asst. Editor

RYSON CITY, N.C. – Ama-
ya Hicks, a member of the
Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
(EBCI), will continue her running
career at the next level at Western
Carolina University (WCU). The
six-time NCHSAA (North Carolina
High School Athletic Association)
state champion signed a letter of
intent during a ceremony held
at Swain Co. High School on the
afternoon of Thursday, Jan. 19.

“I’m just really grateful and
thankful for everybody who’s sup-
ported me along the way to get me
here,” said Amaya who will be do-

ing cross country as well as indoor
and outdoor track for WCU. “I’d
like to thank my friends and fami-
ly, my coaches, and Jesse Norman,
Western’s coach for allowing me
this opportunity.”

When asked how long she’s
been dreaming of running in col-
lege, she noted, “Honestly, not up
until this past year. My whole en-
tire life I’ve grown up thinking that
I was going to go play collegiate
basketball, but then it (running)
just fell into my hands.”

She does have a favorite event.
“The 800 is my main event. That’s
honestly just been the main event
that I’ve always run. This season
I think I’m more excited to try



Amaya Hicks, center, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI),
signed a letter of intent to run at Western Carolina University during a ceremony
held at Swain Co. High School on the afternoon of Thursday, Jan. 19. She is shown
with her parents including former EBCI First Lady Marsha Hicks, left, and former
EBCI Principal Chief Michell Hicks. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

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longer distances and see how I do with those as well.”

Amaya has one individual state title (4x800M Relay in 2022) and five team titles (Outdoor Track & Field 2021 and 2022, Indoor Track & Field 2021-22, and Cross Country 2021 and 2022). She was also the runner-up in the 1A state cross country championship in 2022.

In addition, she is also the holder of two Swain Co. High School records including the 4x400M Relay and the 4x800M Relay. Amaya has been named to the Smoky Mountain All-Conference team 11 times (nine for track & field and two for cross country), and she has been a part of five Smoky Mountain Conference team championships. She has been named All-State and All-Regional (1A West) seven times each, was the 2022 Farm Bureau Sportsmanship Winner at the NCHSAA 1A Cross Country State Championship, and is a nominee for the High School Heisman Scholarship.

Keith Payne, Swain Co. head cross country coach, commented, “I really don’t know if my words can express just how much Amaya brings to our running program and Swain County High School as a whole. When I first got here four years ago when she was a freshman, I heard about this Amaya Hicks girl and thought, ‘who is she?’. COVID hit and I didn’t see her in the spring of 2021, but when she came on board in track that next year it was just like lights out.”

He spoke of her importance to their team. “The common denominator in all of our state championships is this runner right here. She’s been our captain for cross country. She’s a true testament of what hard work and perseverance means. Coming from last year to her first full year in cross country



Hicks runs at the Smoky Mountain Conference championship meet held at Kituwah on Oct. 15, 2022.

to this year as captain and number two in the state, and now signing a letter of intent to a Division I college...we’re so proud. I’m just honored to be a part of your journey. Thank you for letting me be a part of that.”

Ian Roper, Swain Co. head track & field coach, said, “Amaya is the type of kid that makes the program. She’s also a kid that makes other kids better. She’s a leader and she pulls everybody up with her. Without her, I don’t know that

we’d have any of these pictures on the wall.”

Neil Blankenship, Swain Co. High School athletic director, said, “You don’t get here by yourself. It takes a lot of other people to get you to this point. Her family, her coaches, her teachers, her teammates - all these people take part in this journey, and they will continue to take part in this journey as she goes onto the next step. We will be there for you as you’re on to this next step.”

Amaya’s parents are thrilled of their daughter’s accomplishments. Her father, former EBCI Principal Chief Michell Hicks, said, “I just want to thank all the coaching staff for all the hard work, all the students. Anybody that has a dream can take this next step.”

He added, “One of the things I will say about Amaya is that from a child she was a very determined kid. Sometimes stubborn...some of you coaches may have seen that a little bit. I really think that she’s turned out to be a great leader, not only on behalf of her teams but her school and also her nation - the Cherokee Nation. I’m just really proud of what she’s been able to accomplish. This has been a tough journey.”

“I’m just really proud of her putting the work in and being diligent about making her decision.”

Amaya’s mother, former EBCI First Lady Marsha Hicks commented, “To be a part of her journey is humbling from my perspective. To see how hard she’s worked since she was a little girl to be able to earn what she has earned to this point and then feel confident in that and where she’s going to go and spend the next four years. It’s very rewarding from my perspective. I’m excited to be a part of that.”

WRESTLING Smoky Mountain Conference championship held

One Feather Staff Report

ROBBINSVILLE, N.C. – The 2023 Smoky Mountain Conference wrestling championship was held at Robbinsville High School on Saturday, Jan. 11. Robbinsville took the team championship with 260.5 points followed by Swain Co. with 168. Several wrestlers from Cherokee High School placed including: Jessie Catolster-Hernandez, fourth place 138lb; Michael Gayosso, third place 170lb.; J’Ron Lineberry, third place 182lb.; Talan Crowe, third place 220lb; and Noah Long, third place

285lb.
Following are full results per trackwrestling.com:

Team Results

- 1 – Robbinsville 260.5
- 2 – Swain Co. 168
- 3 – Murphy 101
- 4 – Hayesville 49
- 5 – Cherokee 38
- 6 – Andrews 10

106lb

- 1 – Adair Panama, Robbinsville
- 2 – Sully Cunningham, Swain Co.
- 3 – Jake Miller, Murphy

113lb

- 1 – Alexis Panama, Robbinsville
- 2 – Kale Stephenson, Swain Co.
- 3 – Dalton Farmer, Murphy

120lb

- 1 – Loxston Hooper, Robbinsville
- 2 – Andrae Aguilera, Swain Co.
- 3 – Amyna Denton, Hayesville

126lb

- 1 – Christian Phillips, Robbinsville
- 2 – Luke Hyde, Murphy
- 3 – Ian Matthews, Murphy

- 4 – Lili Denton, Hayesville

132lb

- 1 – Bobby Moore, Robbinsville
- 2 – Ashton Raxter, Murphy
- 3 – Riley Denton, Hayesville

138lb

- 1 – Owen Craig, Swain Co.
- 2 – Zach Kessler, Murphy
- 3 – Juan Rios, Robbinsville
- 4 – Jessie Catolster-Hernandez, Cherokee

145lb

- 1 – Willie Riddle, Robbinsville
- 2 – Gage Michael, Hayesville
- 3 – Treyvon Luther, Murphy

152lb

- 1 – Blake Powers, Robbinsville
- 2 – Mason Cook, Murphy
- 3 – Israel Ferguson, Swain Co.
- 4 – Caden Gordon, Hayesville

160lb

- 1 – Gabriel Lillard, Swain Co.
- 2 – Ryelon Waldroup, Robbinsville
- 3 – Andrew Reynolds, Robbinsville

170lb

- 1 – Turner Jackson, Robbinsville
- 2 – Lucas Sutton, Swain Co.
- 3 – Michael Gayosso, Cherokee

182lb

- 1 – Kage Williams, Robbinsville
- 2 – Robert Chastain, Murphy
- 3 – J’Ron Lineberry, Cherokee
- 4 – Kain Pina, Swain Co.

195lb

- 1 – Darius Saunooke, Swain Co.
- 2 – Kyler Branham, Robbinsville
- 3 – Nathan Shaw, Murphy

220lb

- 1 – Koleson Dooley, Robbinsville
 - 2 – Blake Sain, Swain Co.
 - 3 – Talan Crowe, Cherokee
- 285lb
- 1 – Kohlton Neadeau, Swain Co.
 - 2 – Jacob “Sweet T” Teesateskie, Robbinsville
 - 3 – Noah Long, Cherokee
 - 4 – Rayland Martinez, Hayesville

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Museum of the Cherokee Indian announces Winter Lecture Series

CHEROKEE, N.C. - The Museum of the Cherokee Indian (MCI) will host its 2023 Winter Lecture Series during January, February, and March 2023. Titled "Our Voices, Amplified: Indigenous Artistry Today," the series includes both on-site and virtual lecture and workshop opportunities that introduce audiences to innovative and inspiring artists from tribes across the country.

"The Winter Lecture Series takes a closer look at contemporary Indigenous arts and how artists are using their mediums to amplify their voices," says Jenn Wilson (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians), Aniyvwiya Community Program Coordinator at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. "Be it as activism, a push for cultural welding, or to tell stories, this series will feature artists from different backgrounds who are using different mediums to show what Indigenous art can be and mean today."

All Winter Lecture Series events are offered free of charge. Space is limited, and attendees may register for each panel via the links in the schedule below. Additional information can be found at mci.org/learn/programming. All recorded Lecture Series events will be uploaded to the Museum's YouTube channel.

Workshop: Beginner Pottery Class with Lori Reed

Jan. 26 and 27 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Museum of the Cherokee Indian
Learn how to make a beginner's level pinch pot with accomplished potter Lori Reed (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians)! Participants

will make at least one pot that will be kiln-fired for preservation. Pieces will be ready for pickup the Monday after classes. A Community Learning workshop, this class is open exclusively to enrolled citizens of federally recognized tribes; space is limited.

Maker Monday

Jan. 9 and 23 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Museum of the Cherokee Indian
Watch Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians artists demonstrate their artistic processes and showcase their work in the Museum lobby. Participating artists will have works for sale.

Our Voices, Our Identity

Feb. 15 at 5 p.m., Virtual
Afro-Indigenous artists join a panel to discuss their experiences and how their identity informs their art. Speakers to be announced.

Maker Monday

Feb. 6 and 20 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Museum of the Cherokee Indians
Watch Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians artists demonstrate their artistic processes and showcase their work in the Museum lobby. Participating artists will have works for sale.

Beaded Graduation Cap Class

March 13 and 14, Museum of the Cherokee Indians
Jennifer Wilson (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) will guide participants in making their very own beaded graduation cap. This class is open to enrolled citizens of federally recognized tribes. Registration link to come.

Our Own Words: Storytelling is a Journey

March 8 at 5 p.m., Virtual
Indigenous authors come together to share the stories they tell, their journey to being published, and how their cultural identity influ-

ences their craft and experiences. Speakers to be announced. Register here.

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- *Museum of the Cherokee Indian release*

THANK YOU LETTERS

Thank you Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship

Thank you to the Yogi Crowe Board Members for their continued support as I pursue the Doctoral Program at the University of Tennessee this Spring Semester 2023. The expenses related to my degree are increasing and cost in general are up for everything.

In the past, this scholarship has provided me with much needed help during my academic career to earn my master's degree and will continue to help as I pursue my doctoral degree.

I am grateful for this scholarship, without your help it would be much more difficult to complete my degree.

This scholarship is available to all Eastern Band of Cherokee Students who are pursuing a masters or doctoral program.

Signed,
Beau Carroll

Thank you

First and foremost, we would like to thank the good Lord for answering our prayers concerning Mia Faye and bringing her home so she could be with her loved ones during her final days. The

big thank you goes to Chief Sneed, Tribal EMS, Casey Cooper, and the nursing staff at CIHA. The nursing staff was excellent. The care that they provided for Mia and our family was outstanding. I would also like to thank my brother, Steven Lambert, for driving us to Charlotte twice to visit Mia. Also, thank you to the Chief's and Vice Chief's offices for the food that was prepared for the family and to those that brought food by. Thank you to everyone who sent flowers. They were all so beautiful. Driver Blythe, thank you for doing all you could for Mia. God bless all.

Sincerely,

Pamela Squirrel, Kristi Lambert, and Nikki Bradley

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.

- *EBCI Natural Resources Dept. release*

Senior Citizens Heating Assistance program

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

can be returned Monday through Friday after 1 p.m. each day.

The deadline for applications is March 31, 2023.

If you are or will be 59 ½ by March 31, 2023, you are eligible for services upon turning 59 ½. If you are applying for Electric Heating Assistance, please attach a current billing statement. If you do not use the contract companies, it is your and your company's responsibility to get your delivery invoices to the Assistance program as soon as possible. This year's heating season will end on April 30, 2023.

Info: 359-6860

- Tsali Manor

NATIONAL PARK NEWS

Great Smoky Mountains National Park announces early sales of 'Park it Forward' annual parking tags

GATLINBURG, Tenn.—On March 1, Great Smoky Mountains National Park will launch the 'Park it Forward' program which

requires visitors to buy and display a valid parking tag for any vehicle parking for more than 15 minutes. To make the transition as smooth as possible, the park is offering early sales of annual parking tags which started Jan. 17.

"Park it Forward is crucial to the future of the park and its resources," said Superintendent Casius Cash. "Parking tag sales will provide critically needed support to protect and enhance the visitor experience, not just for tomorrow, but for generations to come."

The \$40 annual parking tags will be available for purchase online through Great Smoky Mountains Association or at any of the park's visitor centers. Annual tags purchased prior to March 1 will be valid through the end of March 2024. The \$5 daily and \$15 weekly parking tags will become available for purchase Feb. 21 at 10 a.m. at recreation.gov.

Park users will directly contribute to protecting the park when they buy a parking tag. All reve-

nue generated through the Park it Forward program will remain in the park to support operational costs for managing and improving visitor services such as trail maintenance, custodial services, and trash removal. The program will also support more resource education programs, emergency responders, and law enforcement staff across the park.

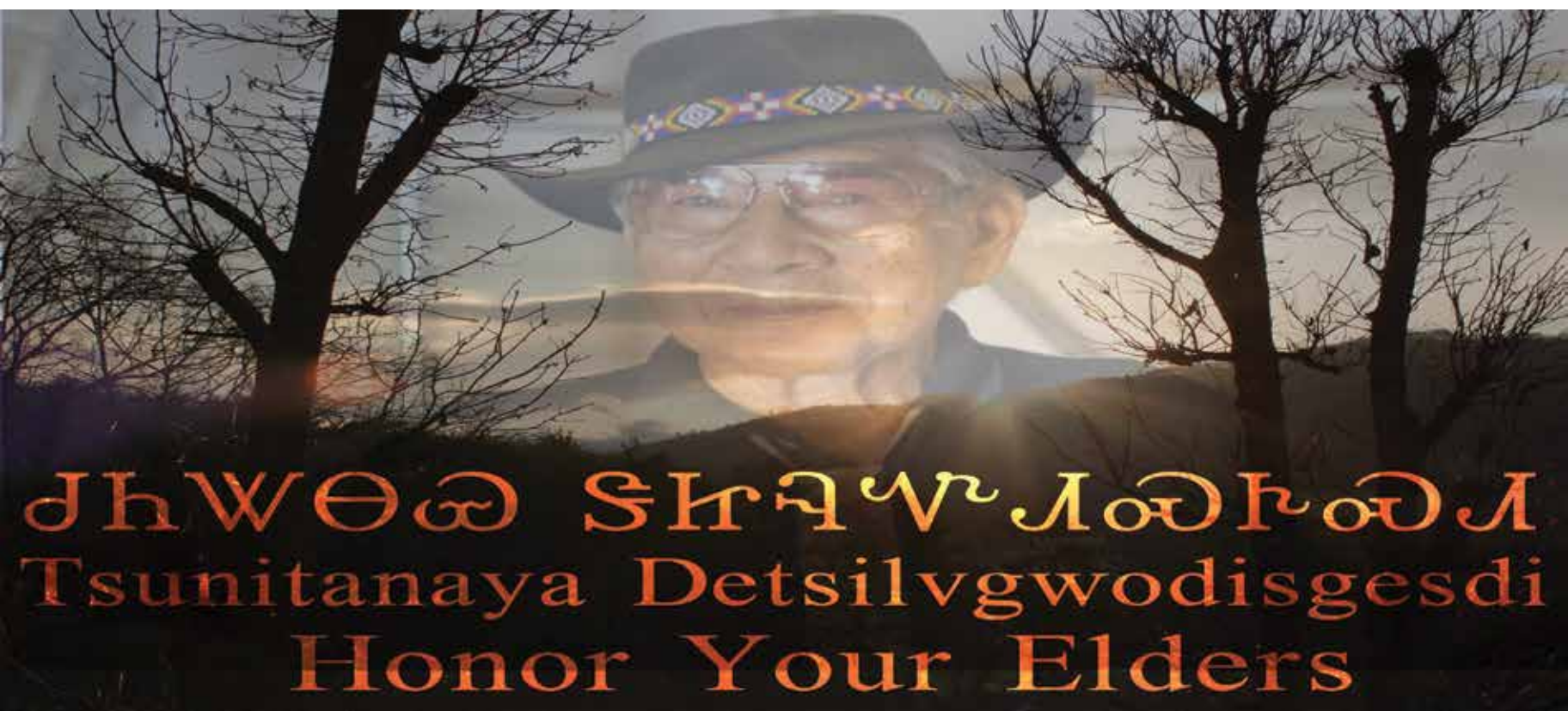
Parking tags cannot be transferred between vehicles and must include the license plate number matching the vehicle in which it is displayed. Obtaining a parking tag will not guarantee a parking spot at a specific location. Parking will continue to be available on a first-come, first-served basis throughout the park. Visitors are reminded to plan ahead when visiting busy locations like Laurel Falls Trail or Clingmans Dome by considering visiting during off-peak hours, mid-week, and during the cooler months to increase chances of securing a parking spot. With more than 800 miles of trails

and nearly 400 miles of scenic roadways, there are ample opportunities for recreation across the park each day.

To raise awareness for the Park it Forward parking tag program, Great Smoky Mountains National Park launched a comprehensive campaign that includes public service announcements on radio, television, and social media. The PSAs share important and detailed information about how, where, and why to buy a parking tag. The park also created a Park it Forward communications toolkit for partners and media.

Great Smoky Mountains National Park leadership announced the decision to adopt the Park it Forward parking tag program in August of 2022 following a robust civic engagement process that included feedback from more than 2,700 people from all 50 states.

- National Park Service release



OBITUARIES JHŦR

Billy Joe Sutton

Billy Joe Sutton, was a young 85-years-old when he passed away at home with his loving family by his side on Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2023. Born Oct. 15, 1937 in Whittier, Swain County, N.C., he was the son of the late Algie and Bessie Sutton.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his two sisters, Barbara Brooks and Betty Lee Sutton. Billy is survived by his wife of 64 years, Janice (Moles) Sutton - aka Dissie; son, Steven Kyle Sutton Sr. his wife Kelly; his two grandsons, Steven Kyle Sutton Jr. and Jerry Christopher Sutton; and his great-grandson, Robert.

A funeral service was held in the chapel of the Long House Funeral Home on Wednesday,

Jan. 18 with a burial following at the Bradley Cemetery in Cherokee with pallbearers being among the family and friends.

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

Adriana Nicole Garcilita

Adriana Nicole Garcilita, age 24, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, Jan. 15, 2023.

She is survived by her son, Jordan Watts; mother, Roberta Wolfe; father, Vicente Garcilita; sister, Reyna Garcilita; grandfather, Robert Wolfe; uncles, Dwayne Wolfe, Terry Wolfe, and JR Wolfe.

Adriana was preceded in death by her twin Sister, Araceli Garcil-ita; brother, Alex Rivera; and ma-ternal grandmother, Nancy Garcia.

A visitation was held on Thurs-

day, Jan. 19 at The Church of God in Soco. Adriana remained at the church until the hour of service on Friday, Jan. 20 with Aaron Bridges officiating. Burial was in the Waty-Family Cemetery, Pallbearers were among family and friends.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

Andreanne Rose Catt

Andreanne Rose Catt, a daughter of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the Sicangu Lakota Nation. Daughter of the late Rochelle Rae Walking Eagle and Boyd Andrew Catt (Andrew Iron Shell). Andreanne was born during a fierce summer storm that knocked the lights out in Valentine, Neb. on July 16, 1999. She made her spirit journey home from Mni Luzahan, Lakota territory on Jan. 12, 2023.

Andreanne's youth was on the Sicangu Nation, Box Elder, S.D. and Little Wound, S.D. where she attended Little Wound High School. In her adult years she resided in Rapid City with her hunka mom, Amy Jumping Eagle and Andreanne's beloved Sisters.

Andreanne answered the call to all water protectors and is a veteran of the DAPL fight at Standing Rock. It is there she found her calling, her voice as a community organizer, a generation builder through action. The International Indigenous Youth Council rose from Standing Rock as Andreanne is one of its founding members. Andreanne took an active role in the building of the Thunder Valley CDC Regenerative Community Development on Pine Ridge as well supported and volunteered with the social justice work at NDN Collective. A powerful advocate for our LGBTQ community, as well, was a non-violent direct action

trainer with the Native Organizers Alliance/Promise to Protect fight against KXL Pipeline. Andreeanne held candlelight vigils for our Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, volunteered in looking for missing in Rapid City and lived a life of service to her family and community. Her kindness, her laughter and her counsel will be greatly missed by all. Our family appreciates all who have offered prayers and support.

Andreanne is survived by her father, Boyd Andrew Catt; paternal grandmother, Shirley Catt-Iron Shell; brothers, Terrell (Kakeka Thundersky), Phillip, Issac, and Camrin Carter Catt, Moses Kvand, and Tristan Walking Eagle; sisters, Kasey Catt, Wamni Kvand, Wilhelmina Jumping Eagle, Rose Jumping Eagle (Charles Camp), Amaris Bull Bear, Bobbie Rose Gibbons-Ruiz, and Amber Yellow Bull; nieces, Riot Catt, Tokala Thundersky-Catt, Jeannette Bull Bear, Mariana Pena, Rhaynnie Squirrel Coat, Gabriella Standing Soldier, WoweCake Camp, Layla Bear Saves Life; and nephews, Akicita Catt, Victor Jumping Eagle, Henry “Hank” Squirrel Coat, Marcayous Squirrel Coat, and Charles Thunder Bull, Jr.

Andreanne was preceded in death by her mother, Rochelle Walking Eagle; maternal grandmother, Mary Lou Walking Eagle; maternal grandfather, Gerald Sharpfish, Sr.; grandfather, Eugene Iron Shell, Sr.; uncles, Lionel and Lloyd Walking Eagle; auntie, Nancy Walking Eagle; and cousin, LaVern Stewart.

Pallbearers will be Amaris Bull Bear, Wilhelmina Jumping Eagle, Joey Provancial, Nina Berglund, Charles Camp, Claire Bear Saves Life, Charles Thunder Bull, and Nate Iron Shell.

Honorary Pallbearers will be


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SḶ TG ṚḥGB?

Gatsv itsa widvnilosì?

Which way are they going to go?

DṢṖYh
agasgini
left



DṖḐB
akatisi
right

KY JG
tsogi ditsa
up - up the road

ḤT JG
gei ditsa
down - down the road

ṖhG ṚḥGB
hanitsa widvnilosì
They are going the other way

* Words provided by Kituwah Education & Preservation Program

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Faith Spotted Eagle, Nick Tilsen and Family, All International Indigenous Youth Council Chapters, Water Protectors, Black Snake Killaz, Jumping Eagle Tiospaye, White Plume Tiospaye, Victorio Camp, NDN Collective, All Ponca Tiospaye, Luke Cloudman, Kianna Cloudman, Mark Cloudman, Alva Angel, Sonao Mana, Vivi Amiztli, Yolanda Arguello, Melaine Stoneman, Judith LaBlanc, Madonna Sitting Bear, Tomas Lopez and Family, Alexandra Red Eagle, Calvin Iron Shell III, Shanice Provancial, Harmony Lambert, Chief Leonard Crow Dog Jr. SHARK, Roberta Spencer and Family, Amy Jumping Eagle, Margelyn Shoulders, Leroy Gevara, Lynn Thunder Bull, Martin Black Tail Deer, Leo Takes War Bonnett Jr. Leo Takes War Bonnett III, Paul John Red Cloud, Tiara Clifford, Katherine

(Dio) Red Cloud, John Clifford, Gloria (George) Red Cloud, Shay and Jace Armajo, Matthew Yellow Bull, James Iron Shell, Maurice Rebiex, Karen and Harold Porter, Carlos Terrazo, Fred Menard and Family, William Steele and Family, All Crow Dog's Paradise Sundancers, and all friends and relatives.

A one-night wake service started on Sunday, Jan. 22 at the Ama's Freedom School at Kiza Park near Manderson, S.D. Funeral services were held on Monday, Jan. 23 at the Ama's Freedom School at Kiza Park near Manderson, S.D. with Roberta Spencer officiating. Traditional Lakota Services were held by Moshanaposhe Camp. Burial services are to be announced.

Arrangements were entrusted with Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge, S.D.

Nevada "Vadie" Serenity Bone

Nevada transitioned from this life on Friday, Jan. 13, 2023, at the age of 39.

Nevada was born into the Deer Clan on July 2, 1983, on a stormy summer thunderstorm in Sylva, N.C. Nevada was an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and also Lakota Sioux ancestry.

She loved everyone. She was an aspiring singer and went on to record a few songs while in Los Angeles, Calif., in 2022. Nevada was a Christian and wasn't afraid to share her testimony in a powerful message of how GOD had changed her life. She enjoyed reading the Bible in the mornings and thanking Creator for another day.

Nevada enjoyed spending time with family and friends around a good fire, while barbequing meat over the open flame. She often stood up and began to dance and spin in her enjoyment of the evening. She loved her people fiercely.

Nevada's children, Drayke Russell and Lakota Russell, were the loves of her life.

She is survived by her two children; grandma, Amy Walker, of Cherokee, N.C.; mother, Dakota (Dwight) Parker of Rogersville, Tenn.; and father, Buddy Lemmons of Charlotte, N.C. Her surviving siblings of Cherokee, N.C. are Zahay (Caity) Bone and Keaw'e (Edden) Bone. She also has siblings from Charlotte, N.C., Jason Lemmons, Tiffany (Andrew) Calvert, and Stephanie Lemmons. Her nieces are Ladybug and Koa. Her nephews are Ku'u lei, Gareth,

and Liam.

Those who crossed over before her are Becky Walker, Lib Dowdle, and Charles Lemmons.

Nevada's final ceremony presented her to Creator into the Spirit World Jan. 14 at her home place. Prayer songs were offered up by John Toineeta (uncle) and Dakota Parker (mother).

This obituary was lovingly written by Nevada's mother, Dakota Parker. Trinity Memorial Centers (423-723-8177) is honored to serve Nevada's family.

Michelle Lavonne Rodriguez

Michelle Lavonne Rodriguez, age 50, of Cherokee, N.C., passed away peacefully at her residence on Thursday, Jan. 19, 2023. She is the daughter of the late David and Mary Catt.

Michelle is survived by her children, Kenneth Edward Cucumber and Mason Kade White, both of Cherokee; brother, Jose Orlando Rodriguez; and aunt, Gwen Wildcat.

In addition to her parents, Michelle is preceded in death by her sister, Mary "Tootsie" Rodriguez.

A formal funeral service was held in the chapel of Long House Funeral Home on Tuesday, Jan. 24 with Matthew Tooni officiating. Burial was in the Crowe-Littlejohn Family Cemetery. Pallbearers were Mason White, Kenny Cucumber, Anthony Smith, Tyler Toineeta, Michael Long and Skylar Bottchenbaugh. Honorary Pallbearers were Mason K. White Jr. and Alex Rodriguez Davis.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

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Cherokee High School 2nd Quarter Honor Roll

9th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll:

Marleigh Aguilera, Tayvin Bark-Cruz, Maya Brabham, Brihana Burgos Delgado, Audrina Cooper, Tsa-li Dv-Di-S-Di, Elora Fuson, Javan Garcia, Josilyn Ledford, Chaske' Raines, Cecily Swimmer, Johnathon Thompson

Alpha Honor Roll:

Logan Biddix, Danelle Bushyhead, Gabriel Dial, Jayvin George, Isaiah Ledford, Leilah Lossie, Lexcy Ortiz, Hailey Owle, Dailin Panther, Jadence Saunooke, Yvonne Saunooke, Gabriella Smith, Keith Snmith, Sara Toineeta, Keaton Arch

Beta Honor Roll:

Francesca Armachain, Krenston Armachain, Traelin Carey, Oscar Guillien-Swayney, Samuel Hernandez, Joshua Hornbuckle, Shawnee Kirkland, Mychaela Lambert, Colby Lossie, Lauren Myers, Jaime Panther, Ayla Ross, Alicia Salas, Timber Sampson Rattler, Jonathan Saylor, Matix Stamper, Jack Teesateskie, Madison Teesateskie, Izabella Terrell, Samantha Toineeta, Jayden Tramper, Zaina Wil-

liams, Slevin Youngdeer

10th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll:

Kendra Arch, Paytyn Barker, Lillian Blythe-Ramos, Kennica Bradley, Tricyus Calhoun, Sophie Cooper, Alexis Davis, Isabella Fourkiller-Raby, Gideon Freeman, Matthew Garcia Wahnetah, Sadie Rivera-Gomez, Kiri Hill, Cameron Jackson, Isabella Jones, Julia Layno, Amila Lossie, Ismael Matamoros, Kyla Moore, Nevayah Panther, Joseph Porter, Thomas Sequoyah, Elijah Squirrel, Marilyn Swayney, Addi Taylor, Tyruss Thompson, Hailee Velazquez-Lossiah, Abbygail Wildcatt

Alpha Honor Roll:

Dalton Burgess, Denise Clemons, Noqwisi Crowe, Jada Cruz, Tyce Hogner, Abreana Hornbuckle, Aubree Lossiah Rice, Maxine Lossiah Rice, Erin Rogers, Ella Sokol, William Welch, Eliana West

Beta Honor Roll:

Tazavian Byfield, Brett Elders, Corbin Freeman, Waushila Grant, Zackery Johnson, Ayosta Lossie, Chey-ton Medford, Hannah Morgan, Vincent Owle, Elliott Shell, Falon Welch, Kaniah Wolfe

11th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll:

Roxi Bark, Jayle Creson, Jenna Cruz, Jimya Driver, Madison Ledford, Laura Martinez, Evan Nations, Victoria Palmer, Kyleigh Sherman, Tahlaya Thompson, Ann Toineeta, Hermione Ward, Coco Wells, I Le Ye Ni Wolfe, Bayley Wright

Alpha Honor Roll:

Christian Alfaro, Kayd-Lynn Bradley, Ericka Brady, Luke Climbingbear, Preston Davis, Leondes Garcia, Julia Gonzales, Kaiden Lambert, Collin Ledford, Dalaina Mills, Shelby Solis, Dante Taylor, Gabriel Terrell

Beta Honor Roll:

Creedon Arch, Adrian Armachain, Maribel Armachain, Jamaya Balderas, Aizen Bell, Emily Blankenship, Letsi Burgos Delgado, Chase Calhoun, Breydan Ensley, Janna Girty, Elias Griffin, Ayriana Hendrix, Carys Holiday, Aliah Locust, Alitama Perkins, Samuel Postoak, McKenzie Rattler, Dyami Saunooke, Daulton Sneed, Evonne Stamper, Awee Walkingstick, Isaac Welch, Lauren Wooten, Sateva Youngdeer

12th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll:

Dominyk Arch, Idalis Crowe, Autumn Greene, Destyni Johnson,

Terrell Locust, Mason Long, Aida Martinez, Alessandra Oocumma, Gabriel Palmer, Madison Pummer, Cavan Reed, Rayna Ricks, Chandler Shelton, Destiny Siweumpte-wa, Alexis Smith, Nessa Smith, Emma Taylor, Keeifer Taylor, Avlin Welch

Alpha Honor Roll:

Mahala Allison, Katherine Armachain, Anna Bigwitch, Julius Bolden, Milli Bryson, Chayme Cucumber, Ariyonna Hill-Maney, Da'Quan Jumper, Jaelyn Lossiah, Hayden McCoy, Xavier Otter, Acadia Reed, Kaniah Reed, Ellise Stamper, Dacian Tafoya, Ayden Thompson, Kaden Trantham, Tyler Wolfe

Beta Honor Roll:

Deonta Bird, Johnny Bradley, Darrin Brown, Tanis Esquivel, Adia Frady, Jack Garcia-Wahnetah, Amiya George, William Hartbarger, Dasgigidi Hill, Anthony Lossiah, Alessandra Luna-Martinez, Rachel Maney, Zechariah Maney, Eli McCoy, Jaylan McCoy-Bark, Adam Panther, Connor Pheasant, Allyson Reed, Brixton Reed, Lilah Reynolds, Keneil Saunooke, Oztin Swayney, Kamia Wiggins, Coby Willis, Kayandra Youngdeer

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

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



Ribbon cutting for Pregnancy Care Center

On Thursday, Jan. 19, the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors held a grand re-opening ribbon cutting ceremony for their chamber members at the Smoky Mountain Pregnancy Care Center (SMPCC). Located in their new location at 1165 West Main Street in between Sylva and Dillsboro (next to Mark Watson Park), the SMPCC helps women and men facing an unexpected pregnancy make an informed choice. They offer pregnancy testing with confirmation through limited obstetric ultrasound. All of their services are free and confidential. On the front row, from left, are Pam Bowen, Elaine Parfitt, Michael Reich, Jenny Golding, Senator Kevin Corbin, Ron Urrutia, Beckie Langston, Annette Sutton, Pam Raby and Valarie Niskanen. On the back row, from left, are Ambassadors Karson Walston, Marne Harris, Laurie Bryson and Chelsea Allman.

For more information, call (828) 293-3600 or visit www.SMPCC.ORG.

(Photo by Kelly Donaldson/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce)



Cherokee Winter Social Dance

Saturday, Jan. 28
5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Peaches Squirrell
Sports and
Recreation Complex
(formerly Birdtown
Gym)

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February Birthdays

2/1 - Jessica Messer
2/5 - Christopher Reed
2/6 - Carol Long
2/8 - Steven Straughan
2/9 - Kimbo Crowe
2/12 - Sasha Sampson
2/14 - Bo & Kim Crowe Wedding
Anniversary (19 years in 2023)
2/14 - Angela Nelson
2/16 - Logan Woodard
2/16 - Kathrine Kurkendall
2/17 - Susie Jones
2/18 - Brianna Teesateskie
2/23 - Yonnie Hill
2/24 - Makennedy Ensley
2/24 - Chris Siewers
2/24 - Samuel F. Reed
2/24 - Kennan Panther
2/25 - Hezekiah Davis
2/27 - Chris and Lavita Siewers
2nd Anniv. in 2023
2/27 - Ollie Reed
2/28 - Jordan Sampson



COMMENTARY

Don't leave it to your loved ones.

By **ROBERT JUMPER**
One Feather Editor

Every so often we have a week or two where the volume of obituaries we receive from our community and readership increases significantly. The past few weeks have been riddled with local people passing, both old and

young. With my family and circle of friends, I have reached the age where deaths are not just noticeable, they hurt. They hurt because the longer I live, the more familiar I am with the person who leaves this realm for the next. And each passing reminds me of my own mortality.

Most of us avoid the reality of death, well, like its death. The longer we live, the more we see it and the closer we get to it. Despite the wonderful stories, there either is no Fountain of Youth, or whoever found it is a master at keeping secrets, and they are not sharing. Surely, medical advances have extended our days on the Earth, but the truth is that the mortality rate of mankind is 100 percent. We all have a date with death.

Not to be morbid, but death is a part of life. It is one of those inevitable things that we will deal with in our lives. It is one of those things in life that is a surety, like the old saying goes "Nothing is certain but death and taxes," No one likes to talk about it. No one likes to contemplate it. No one likes to prepare for it.

"For all of the information and apps we have available in the 21st century, most of us don't prepare for death in any way. In fact, recent studies show that fewer than 50 percent of adults have any sort of will in place. Even worse, nearly 75 percent of adults don't have anything ready if something tragic were to happen." (www.postage.com)

When I reached middle-age,

I started to have a fascination with the inevitability of dying. Again, not morbid death wish type fascination. I am just a history fan and one of the richest sources of historic information beyond the museums and antique stores are the cemeteries. I think it began because that is the time when many of the family members closest to me started to pass away and as my trips to the cemeteries became more frequent because of funerals, I noticed how much valuable information is told via tombstones.

Those graveyard visits and my subsequent curiosity made it much easier to be comfortable thinking and talking about death. Of course, that hasn't been well received by those in the family that prefer to keep that type of conversation to



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



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BREACH: Logbook23 | CORIOLIS

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a minimum. My wife told me once that she was fine with me making the preparations but she really didn't need to know about it until it was time. And that is the usual reaction from most folks when the subject of death comes up.

One of those things that you hear a bunch about is called "estate planning". You may not be doing it, but if you own anything of value and anyone knows about it, you can bet that someone is wondering if they are going to get it when you no longer need it. Having a will is one of those things that you hear talked about among those with plenty of money or stuff. The word conjures visions of a Biltmore Estate-style sitting room with folks in fancy Victorian outfits waiting for an attorney to read "the will".

As Denzel Washington fa-

mously said, "You'll never see a U-Haul behind a hearse. Now, I've been blessed to make hundreds of millions of dollars in my life. I can't take it with me, and neither can you."

And sadly, some of the most hurtful and violent family quarrels come at a time that should be a time of deepest grief and at a time when family members need to be able to draw strength from each other. After the person's passing comes the battle for their worldly possessions. "Who gets their money? Who gets their stuff? Who gets their land?" Thus, the need for some forethought of death.

And how you die should be important to you too. If you don't preplan for what happens to you in certain medical situations, you will have to leave it to others, family members and in some cases

lawyers and courts, to decide what happens to you if you are incapacitated and can't give instruction to medical care givers. Not only does that take your fate out of your hands, but it could also traumatize your loved ones by saddling them with your life and death decisions unnecessarily.

The will is the most prominent of items that we first think about as we contemplate dying. It may be that selecting and buying a plot (a piece of land as your "final resting place"), your container, your clothing, and the disposition of your body are all things that make you a little uneasy to consider. As you experience that uneasiness, maybe right now as you are reading these words, think about how much more uneasy it will be for your loved ones when, immediately after losing you, they must make all those decisions. Most funeral homes and insurance companies will help you lay out a plan for your funeral arrangements if you contact them with a desire to do so.

Experts tell us that there are four key documents that you should consider having in place to be prepared for the afterlife.

- First is a Living Will or an Advance Directive to tell your family and those attending you medically about "decisions you've made about what should happen to you before you die in case you can't communicate", including what type of care you want, types of treatment you approve of, whether you want to be kept alive long-term by machines, organ donation decisions, and care and treatment of your body after you die.
- Second would be a Health Care Power of Attorney which outlines who can make decisions for your health if you are unable to do so.
- Third is called a Durable Power

of Attorney and it will identify who you want to take care of business, financial, and child custody during your incapacity.

- Fourth, of course, is the Last Will and Testament that conveys your wishes concerning finances, assets, property, debts, dependent protection, and even pet care. It outlines what happens to your belongings after you die.

The Tribal Legal Assistance program provides guidance regarding end-of-life planning. "The EBCI Legal Assistance Office drafts simple wills, powers of attorney, health care powers of attorney, and advance directives for enrolled members, spouses of enrolled members, first descendants, and tribal employees."

If you fall into one of the people groups listed, contact the Legal Assistance Office at (828) 359-7400 or email legalhelp@nc-cherokee.com. We are fortunate to have great attorneys with excellent expertise at our disposal. It is one less excuse to procrastinate.

And in this case, procrastination may be tragic. As we are seeing in our obituary column, life may end at any stage and age of life. One moment you are feeling fine. The next moment you are on life support. The next moment, your loved ones may be dealing with all those issues that you put off too long.

Leave your loved ones your legacy, whatever that may be. But don't leave your final affairs to your loved ones. If you love them, don't put them in the position of making those end-of-life decisions when they are in mourning. If you love them, make your passing as easy on them as possible. The last best thing you can do for them is to have your affairs in order so they may be able to grieve and heal in peace.



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God's promises are always sure

By REV. TIMOTHY L. MELTON, PASTOR

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

Read: Isaiah 46:9-10; Genesis 22:1-19; Genesis 15:4; Hebrews 11:8-19

"I remember hearing an older preacher say, one I had known as a boy, that Abraham knew if he sacrificed his son who was the Promise, that God would raise Isaac from the dead if he needed to do so. It didn't matter. Abraham was sure all would be accomplished just as God intended.

So we find that without hesitation, Abraham decided that he was going to do just what God told him to do. So they started up the mountain.

"Climbing up a mountain is never easy, in fact, hiking is one of the hardest walks one can take, because one is constantly climbing, and constantly working muscles a person doesn't even know beforehand they had. Even as a young man I found I hurt in places that I didn't know could hurt.

"Mountains are not fun. But, once one gets to the top of it and is able to look off and see what God has created and what God has been able to do, it makes a person just fall in love with God a little more, it seems to me. Living here and when getting up to higher places and looking off into the distance and seeing the panoramic view of the valleys, the rivers, and trees, the plants, and the wild life, we soon can begin to declare "there has to be a God." This world wasn't made by any accident. This world was not a star that boiled over and just exploded into view."

Abraham's journey was not only difficult (he would most probably have been over 110 years old), but in his mind he would have had to fight with some other things, too.

"I like to read my Bible and find out what the patriarchs were thinking, but I have to temper that with reality. The reality is that while he was climbing, there was still a devil, which I can guarantee would be whispering in his ear

and talking to him, "You're about to lose your Promise", or "you're about to make a mistake." "What if it wasn't God that was speaking to you?" I have heard all of those kind of voices, and because I've heard them myself before, I believe so have all of us.

"I do realize there's a Voice that's louder than all the other voices and that is the Voice of the Word of God declaring that My Lord knows how to take things that an enemy meant for evil, (Genesis 50) and can turn them around to be for our good. God knows how to take the plans of the enemy and cause them to fall flat on their face. I also realize that God can cause weapons that were formed against me not to prosper in my life. All I have to do is stand and the devil will flee from me. God's Word is Powerful and True."

In Verse 6, Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it upon his son, Isaac, and he took the fire in his hand and the knife with them together. I believe that the reason Abraham caused Isaac to have to carry the wood that he would eventually lay upon is because he realized the burden the boy would carry was going to set him free and deliver him before this was over.

Isaac spake unto Abraham, his father, and said, "My father," Abraham answered, "I am here, my son."

"Behold here is the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" Abraham, in Verse 8, said, "My son, God will provide for Himself a lamb for a burnt offering." So they went on, both of them, together.

This is the faith of the man of God, whom God has called a friend. Abraham knew something, that most of us have forgotten or didn't know at all. God declared, to us all, "that with every temptation, He will provide a way of escape." It is a better translation than one finds in the KJV, Genesis, Verse One, the Bible says, "God tempted Abraham."

I deliberately substituted a word there that was "test". God is not tempting us he is "testing" us. God said He will provide a way of escape. God is not tempting us to sin, or to fall, but with every "test" He will provide a way of escape. Abraham didn't know how God was going to fix this. I don't believe that Abraham was looking at his son Isaac carrying the wood or at the fire. However, this is what I know. He knew Who God was. He knew. If anyone figures out Who God is, they will realize God "has got their backs" even if everybody else has failed them. "Even when nobody else can save them. He can. Even if nobody else knows what to do next. He does."

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She made a vow and said, "O Lord of hosts, if You will indeed look on the affliction of Your maidservant and remember me, and not forget Your maidservant, but will give Your maidservant a son, then I will give him to the Lord all the days of his life, and a razor shall never come on his head."

1 SAMUEL 1:11 

Detail of "Les Morphinomanes" by Paul-Albert Besnard (1887)



Super Crossword

SCRAMBLING TO
GET THINGS DONE

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1 "Just a moment!"	51 Anticipated		DOWN
7 Crusade	53 Downy quilt	92 Santa — (desert winds)	1 Ogre of myth
14 Changes gears	54 Locke adds decorations?	95 Zero	2 "Uh-uh"
20 Debonair	57 Carders' demands	96 Engrave	3 Scratch (out)
21 Spiritedly, in music	60 Nothing more than	97 Singer Janis	4 Chicken with long, soft plumage
22 Bull battler	61 Work for	98 Baseball's Felipe or Moises	5 Curvy letters
23 Clinton drains material away by percolation?	62 "ER" roles	99 Scottish Celt	6 Herb of the parsley family
25 Celebrity chef Lagasse	63 Up — (cornered)	100 Thompson works as an usher?	7 Actor Linden
26 Deborah of "Separate Tables"	65 Cobra variety	104 Deane goes on a cruise?	8 Ryan and Tatum of film
27 Coach Parseghian	66 Romero competes in a relay?	106 Bush press secretary	9 Fib tellers
28 Competent	70 Ford marks a word for omission?	107 Old British gun	10 Family rec facility
30 "Red Book" chairman	72 "7 Faces of Dr. —" (Tony Randall film)	108 Alternative to Yahoo	11 Infant cry
31 Presley wears a disguise?	73 Matt of "Good Will Hunting"	109 Russia's — Tass	12 Lunched, e.g.
35 Rathbone jumps ship?	74 Links org.	110 One of Janet Jackson's sisters	13 Lovers' flowers, in Spain
38 RSVP encl.	75 FBI guy, e.g.	112 Wiig mends a sweater?	14 Superb
39 Ideologies	76 Words clarifying a spelling	119 Precursor to web forums	15 Native
40 Kylo — (Darth Vader's grandson)	78 Osaka money	120 Tartish brew	16 Wrath
41 British peer	79 Heaney makes people smile?	121 Peanut butter cup brand	17 Physicist Enrico
42 Prefix with angle	84 Fiber for hose	122 Composed	18 Case hearing
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44 Keaton argues back in a debate?	88 Submit taxes paperlessly	between plant communities	24 "Am not!" comeback
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			64 "Daniel Boone" actor
			66 Trolley sound
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			103 Foot-leg joint
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			105 "— alive!"
			108 At — time (prearranged)
			111 Words before dare or diet
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			116 "There — god!"
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

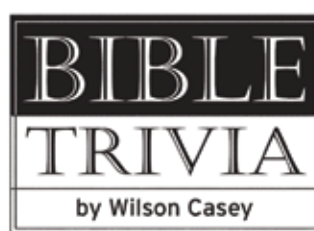
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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1. Is the book of Nahum (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Leviticus 19:25, the fruit of a newly planted tree must not be eaten until which year? 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th
3. What was Bathsheba doing on the roof when David first saw her? Bathing, Praying, Singing, Hiding
4. Samson's strength was correlated with what part of his body? Heart, Chest, Hair, Legs
5. Job suffered from what physical affliction? Deafness, Boils, Blindness, Coughs
6. Who was the mate of Esther? Jehu, Darius, Xerxes, Abner

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1. MUSIC: Which band sang the theme song to TV's "Friends"?
2. ANATOMY: What is the only bone in the human body that isn't attached to another bone nearby?
3. LITERATURE: What is the setting for the "Anne of Green Gables" novel series?
4. TELEVISION: Who plays the lead role in the sitcom "Mr. Mayor"?
5. GEOGRAPHY: Where are the Spanish Steps located?
6. HISTORY: How long did the first man in space, Yuri Gagarin, orbit the planet?
7. AD SLOGANS: Which restaurant chain advises customers to "eat fresh"?
8. SCIENCE: What is the only form of energy that can be seen with the human eye?
9. ANIMAL KINGDOM: With which animal do humans share 98.8% of their DNA?
10. MOVIES: Which movie features the famous line, "I see dead people"?

BENEFITS & FUNDRAISERS

NAIWA Indian Dinner Fund-

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.

Fundraiser for Zaynon's

Travel Expenses. Jan. 27 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Wolfstown Gym. Indian dinners \$10 and include: fried chicken, cabbage, fried potatoes, bean bread, fatback, and drink. Pre-orders only – deadline to place order is Jan. 25. For expenses for him to play in the O-D All-American Bowl in Los Angeles, Calif. Info: 736-4049

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Makers' Circle with Can-
numpu Hanska Luger. Jan.
26 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the
Museum of the Cherokee Indian

art studio. Potters and artists of other disciplines are invited to join acclaimed artist Cannupa Hanska Luger (Mandan/Hidatsa/Arikara/Lakota) for a Makers' Circle and informal open discussion. Participants are encouraged to bring current projects with them to work on during the workshop. Discussion topics will include navigating the art world as a Native artist and connecting contemporary art with cultural practice. Lunch will be provided. This free workshop is presented in partnership with Center for Craft and UNC Asheville and open to enrolled members of federally recognized tribes. Register here: <https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/WebLink.aspx?name=E357706&id=47>

Big Y Indoor Yard Sale. Jan. 28 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Big Y Gym. 50 tables, 25 families set up.

Retirement reception for Cherokee Church of Christ minister Jim and Debbie Sexton. Jan. 28 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the church on Hwy. 19 and Old Mission Road. Help send them off to their new home in Mississippi.

Cherokee Winter Social. Jan. 28 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the

Birdtown Gym. Everyone is welcome. MC: Catcuze Tiger. Traditional dress and ribbon shirts/skirts encouraged. All Cherokee dance groups welcome. All Cherokee singers welcome. Bring your own rattles and drums. Food provided by Nikki's Frybread. Info: cherokeewintersocial@gmail.com

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.

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 Cere-

mony 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-

- Super Crossword

Answers

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Weekly SUDOKU

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

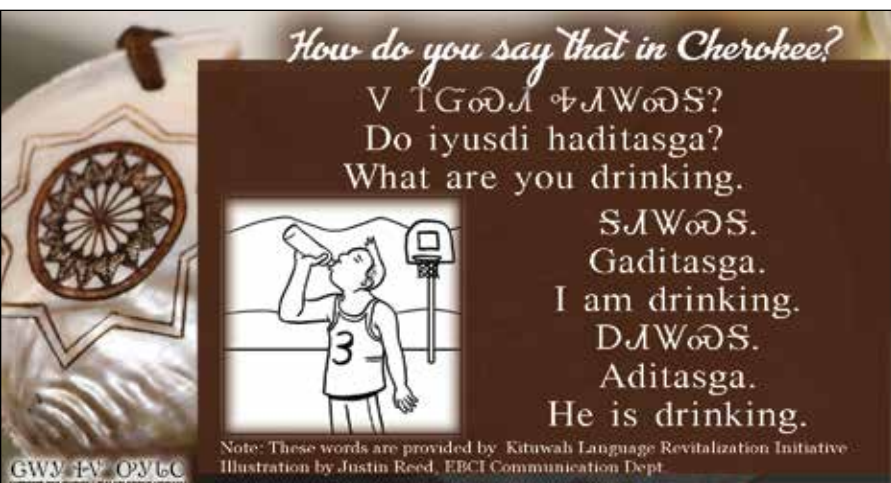
ANSWERS: 1) Old, 2) 5th, 3) Bathing, 4) Hair, 5) Boils, 6) Xerxes



Answers

1. The Rembrandts ("I'll Be There for You").
2. The hyoid bone.
3. Prince Edward Island.
4. Ted Danson.
5. Rome, Italy.
6. 108 minutes.
7. Subway Restaurants.
8. Light.
9. Chimpanzee.
10. "The Sixth Sense" (1999).

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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: Juaquin Hamilton and Ruben Little Head. Info: 1-800-

See **EVENTS** next page



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might be hurt by a colleague's harsh criticism. But don't let it shake your confidence in what you're trying to do. A more positive aspect starts to appear by week's end.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You're torn between your sensible self and the part of you that enjoys acquiring lovely things. Best advice: Wait for a sale, and then buy yourself something wonderful.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your artistic side has practical applications this week, such as redecorating your home or redesigning your personal stationery. Whatever you do, someone special will like it.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You could be drawn into a problem between friends or family members. Best bet: Ask the questions that go to the heart of the matter, and then get them all together for a group hug.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) As much as you love being the center of attention, your big Lion's heart impels you to share the spotlight with a colleague who helped you with that well-praised project.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your eagerness to act on a challenge is wisely tempered early in the week by a lack of necessary information. Things begin to clear up during the weekend.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A relationship you'd hoped would keep going seems to be going nowhere. Close it out and move on to a brighter romantic aspect just beginning to manifest itself.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Things don't go completely as planned this week. But enjoy the surprises, even if you have to adjust your schedule. Some of them could be quite delightful.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Making choices is usually easy for you straight-shooting Archers. But a new development could deflect your aim. Try to put off decisions until you know more.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) While part of you might prefer taking a more familiar path, let your more daring and — admit it — super-curious self see what the unexplored has to offer.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Those nasty types have slithered back under the rocks and present no more problems. Now's the time to move ahead on that promising new relationship.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A new offer could clear up that lingering money problem. Also, a more confident attitude on your part might help you get that personal situation back on track.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a way of turning chaos into order. You're also generous with your help for those who seek it.

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VETERANS ★ POST ★

by Freddy Groves

Scammers Nabbed in False Claims Cases

It's not the brightest of individuals who try to con the Department of Veterans Affairs out of goods, services and money. They eventually get caught.

A Pennsylvania company has been fined \$44 million for allegations about services they didn't provide. In this false claims case, the service they allegedly provided was cardiac monitoring. Instead of doing what they'd been contracted to do, when they got "busy," they farmed out the services to India. The diagnostic testing and monitoring, as well as other services, were done by personnel in India who weren't qualified. Patients getting health care via the VA, TRICARE, Medicare and the Federal Employee Health Benefits Program, and likely their physicians, had no idea.

To their credit, it was some former company employees who blew the whistle and brought the whole thing to light. (They'll be getting \$8.3 million as a reward.) The company, meanwhile, was fined and denied access to any further government business, right? Wrong. Per the press release, the company was put under a five-year agreement to do assessment and internal review to pinpoint compliance risk.

In another false claims case, a New York man is going to prison for 20 years for crimes involving investment fraud and the sale of nonexistent N95 masks. Over the years, in a long-term Ponzi scheme, he continued to solicit money, using new money to fund new acquisitions and a fancy lifestyle.

Enter the pandemic and the need for masks and personal protective gear in hospitals and clinics. Pretending to have a direct pipeline to U.S. factories that could provide those items, he conned \$7.4 million out of medical supply companies that believed they were buying the hard-to-get gear. It didn't help that the criminal attempted to con the VA out of \$3 million in upfront money for 125 million masks, in what would have been a \$750 million deal. Besides the 20 years in prison, he'll also be paying back \$106 million in money he stole from investors.

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Cats Can Hide Illness Symptoms, So Be Aware

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My cat Sisko became very unaffectionate a few days ago. He hid under the bed or crouched in the corner of the living room and refused to cuddle. Then I noticed when he sat in the litter box that he meowed as if he was in distress. I called the veterinarian, and they had me bring him right in. Turns out that Sisko had a urinary tract infection! He's doing fine now, but I wanted to tell my story so that other readers will know that a sudden behavior change in their cat could be a medical problem. — Kurt W., Parsippany, New Jersey

DEAR KURT: Thank you for sharing! You did absolutely the right thing: You noticed a sudden change in your cat's behavior, kept a closer eye on his activities and litter habits, and contacted the vet's office to share your observations and get advice.

Cats are very secretive about their health. It's an instinctive behavior that helped their ancestors hide from predators. So it is common for owners not to notice when their cat is experiencing pain, such as a sore tooth or an illness like a urinary tract infection.

While the occasional hairball episode isn't a cause for concern, there are some symptoms that should prompt a call to the vet for an appointment.

— Your cat acts withdrawn, sits hunched over, refuses to play or be petted.

— Eating or drinking habits change.

— Litter box behavior changes: meowing, missing the box or noticeable diarrhea.

— Grooming problems develop, or they have clumpy fur or irritated skin.

— Physical symptoms: eye or ear discharge, strange breathing, unusual vomiting, lethargy or drooling.

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

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683-7800 ext. 11468, Wanda Bowers (954) 444-9827, or Eugenia Osceola (786) 537-1905

WESTERN N.C. & BEYOND EVENTS

Winter Heritage Festival. Jan. 28 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Great Smoky Mountains Heritage Center at 123 Cromwell Drive in Townsend, Tenn. Cromwell Dr, Townsend, Tenn. - learn about traditional foods, customs and language. This year's event will showcase Cherokee culture with interpretive guides, including a genealogist and a linguist who will teach the Cherokee language. You will also have the opportunity to interact with other living history demonstrators, storytellers and musicians throughout the day. Info: Facebook visit Great Smoky Mountains Heritage Center

Presentation by Valerie Coleman 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

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. 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.

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

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

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For many visitors, having their picture taken with a "chief" on the streets of Cherokee was their first experience with a real Native American. Beginning in the early twentieth century, a public influenced by Wild West shows, medicine shows, and silent westerns expected to see all Native Americans in Plains Indian dress. Cherokee people invited to demonstrate "authentic" traditions in Atlanta in the 1930s arrived to find their tipis waiting. Some audiences today will expect any "real Indian" to be wearing lots of feathers. Pictured: Chief Henry (Lambert) who started in the "chiefting" trade in 1948. "I put on the feathers in 1948," Chief Henry said, "and I never looked back." Henry Lambert passed away in 2007, but his legacy of joy for many locals and visitors lives on today through family memories and photographs.

Source: Barbara Duncan and Brett Riggs



NC COOPERATIVE EXTENSION



YMCA Camp Watia Summer sign-ups are going on now. Special rate for Enrolled members. For more information or to sign up, contact Tammy Jackson, Community Development Coordinator.

March Community Wide Reading Challenge- March 1st-March 31st, For more information contact Tammy Jackson, Community Development Coordinator

Community Garden Kit Give Away- April 3rd & 5th: On Monday April 3rd-Cherokee County at the Community Club Pavilion 12-2pm, Snowbird Community at the Jacob Cornsilk Complex 2-5pm On Wednesday, April 5th-Cherokee at the Yellowhill Basketball Court 12-2pm (elders only), 2-5pm all others.

Community Wide Landscape Beautification Contest-Deadline to enter is Friday, May 19, judging week: May 22-25

For more information on any of these events please call the Extension Center at 828-359-6939




KANANESGI FASHION SHOW

The Kananengi Committee is looking for:
CLOTHING & ACCESSORY MAKERS
& GRAPHIC DESIGNERS
for a designer resource guide.

The guide will be used to connect designers with skilled makers to help create their collections.

To participate visit:
<https://sequoyahfund.wufoo.com/forms/kananesgi-fashion-show-designer-resource-guide/>

Or call Hope @ 359-5005



A listing in the guide does not guarantee work. All business transactions will be between maker and designer, not the Kananengi Committee. No enrollment required.



CLASSIFIEDS

If you have any land on the Qualla Boundary available for residential use and want to sell it, please call 828-736-1918. **1/25**

EMPLOYMENT

Data Entry Operator

Kituwah Services, LLC is accepting applications for Data Entry Operators to provide records management support at the Cherokee Court.

Please visit the KG3 Office at 1158 Seven Clans Lane to pick up full description and application or contact Maggie Toineeta, HR Manager at maggie.toineeta@kituwahG3.com or 828.604.8229. Tribal employment preferences apply. Open until filled. **1/25**

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

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
FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

Tonya Yvonne Owle
783 MTN. Noble Rd.
Cherokee, NC 28719
2/1

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 PUBLICATION

Robert O. Saunooke
P.O. Box 309
Cherokee, NC 28719
2/1

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 PUBLICATION

Travis Teeters
9015 Big Cove Road #37
Cherokee, NC 28719
2/1

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

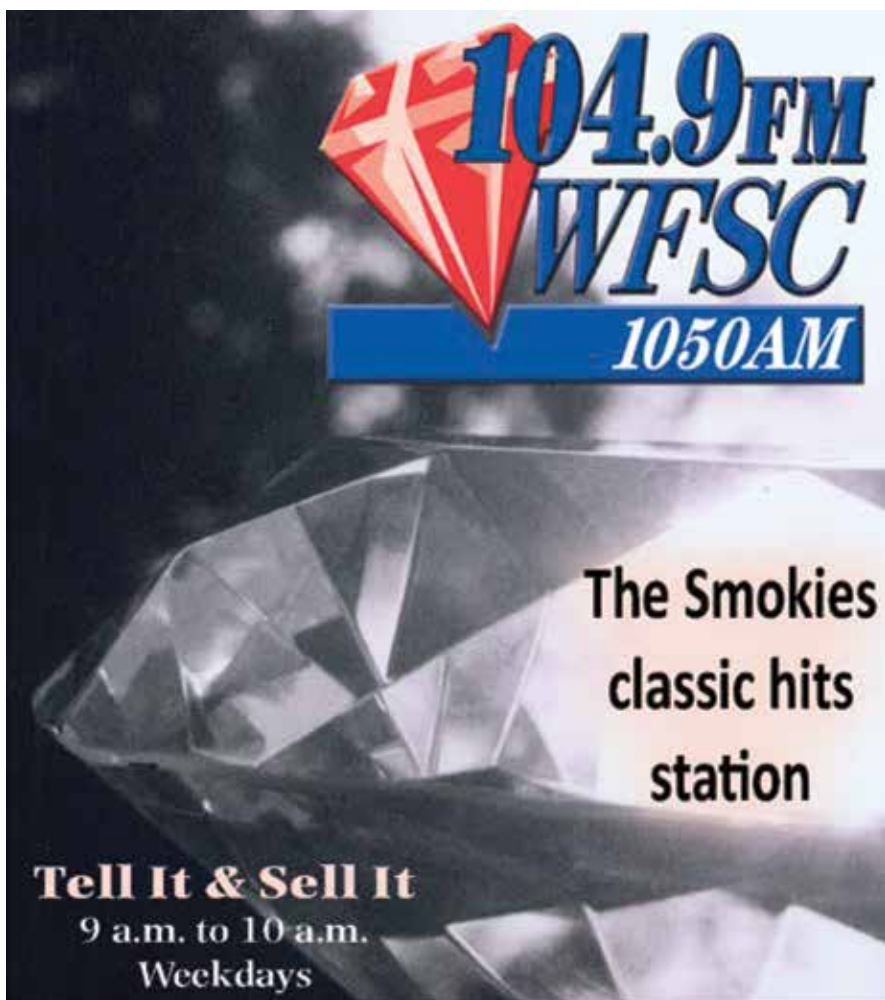
In the Matter of the Estate of Allen Edward Reed

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Bid Proposals

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

Ruth's Chris Steak House Renovation and High Limits Renovation at Harrah's Cherokee Casino 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, Telecom, Signage, Solid Surface Materials, 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@robinsmorton.com for further information 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 discrepancies, 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 specifications. 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 companies with expertise in commercial building maintenance and repairs to submit proposals for completing maintenance issues with commercial 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 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.

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 construction 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). Contracts will be awarded based on per-project basis and competitive pricing. Projects will be monitored by CIHD-HOUSING PRODUCTION MONITOR and CIHD also reserves the right to add additional contracts as needed based on scheduling demands. Qualification packets can be picked up at MANDATORY 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 Manager, (828) 3596903 or buncrow@ebci-nsn.gov. 2/1

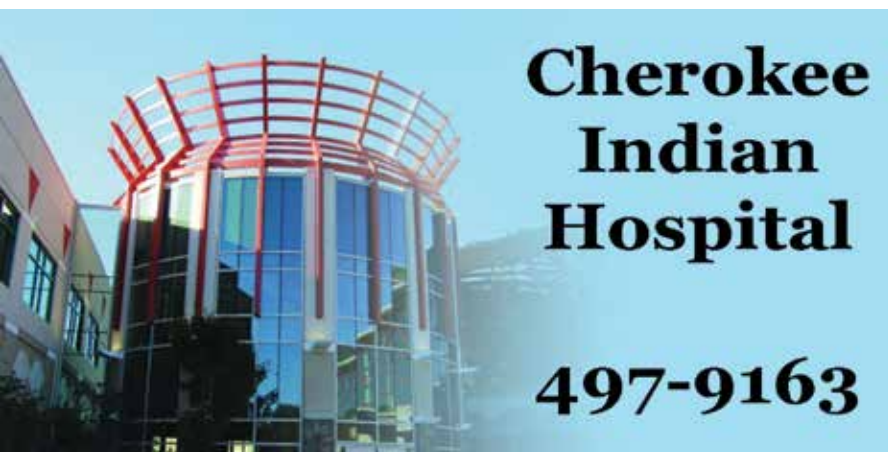
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS REHAB SERVICES FOR 4 HOUSES

Cherokee Indian Housing Division is seeking contractors to provide rehab services on four homes located at 97, 98, 126 Upper Old #4 Housing and 1312 Old #4 Road in Cherokee, NC and one

home : 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 27 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 3, 2023. Label the sealed envelope HOUSING GUT REHAB. 1/25

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS REHAB SERVICES FOR 5 HOUSES

Cherokee Indian Housing Division is seeking contractors to provide rehab services on one apartment located at 30 Newman Arneach Road, Cherokee, NC. Work will consist of: replace all flooring, replace baseboard, painting walls and ceiling, replace kitchen and bath fixtures, replace all electric switches and outlets, replace pocket doors with sliding barn doors, repair drywall as needed, replace & paint porch posts and exterior door trim, replace all commodes, paint kitchen cabinets and replace all light fixtures. Mandatory site visit will be held on January 27 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 3, 2023. Label the sealed envelope HERITAGE REHAB. 1/25



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- 11) **Siding**
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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 \(ebci-tero.com\)](http://WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT - EBCI TERO (ebci-tero.com)).

Hillary Norville – TERO Job Bank Coordinator

828.359.6422

hillnory@ebci-nsn.gov

Douglas McCoy – TERO Job Bank Coordinator

828.359.6478

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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. Middle School Full Time Permanent Substitute Teacher
3. Cultural Department Coordinator
4. 6-8 Special Education Alternative Teacher
5. K-5 Lifeskills Teacher Assistant
6. Middle School Science Teacher
7. Middle School English/Language Arts Teacher
8. 8 Hour Food Service Worker (Full Time w/ Benefits)
9. 6 Hour Food Service Worker (Full Time w/ Benefits)
10. 4 Hour Part Time Food Service
11. Elementary Teacher
12. Elementary School Counselor
13. Middle School Special Education Pathseekers Teacher
14. Math Teacher (High School)
15. Maintenance Worker - III



CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

FINANCE

Patient Access Specialist – Emergency Hire
\$17.12 - \$19.26

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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

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\$44,107 - \$55,134

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Schools \$44,107 - \$55,134

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\$33.68 - \$38.72

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\$63,404 **\$5,000 Hiring Bonus

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HUMAN RESOURCES

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\$63,404

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OPERATIONS

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Laboratory Supervisor - \$31.03 - \$35.64

Clinical Pharmacist - \$102,023 - \$127,528

PGY2 Pharmacy Resident \$102,023 - \$127,528

Dentist – Satellite Clinics \$131,405 - \$164,256

Dental Assistant II \$18.32 - \$20.67

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

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 – ICC \$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 – 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)

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Intermittent \$31.06 - \$35.64

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

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

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

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Hiring Bonus**

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

Are you an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee, residing or wish to reside in Buncombe County?

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The EBCI Cherokee Indian Housing Division is now able to assist enrolled members with Down Payment Assistance (DPA), Rate Buy Down (RBD) Funds and Foster Parent Renovation Loans.

Applicants are eligible for a maximum Down Payment Assistance of \$30,000 to be repayable over a five-year term after the mortgage is satisfied. This includes loans for either the purchase of an existing home or for new construction. If approved for DPA, borrower will automatically be awarded the RBD gift funds to purchase discount points to lower their interest rate.

Parents who wish to increase living space and have foster children or have kinship placement are eligible to apply for the Foster Parent Renovation Loan. This loan may be considered forgivable if certain criteria are met that are included in the current policy.

Please contact one of our friendly Homebuyer Services Coordinators for more information. We look forward to working with you and making your homeownership dream a reality!!!

Tina Larch-Rivera
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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians HUMAN RESOURCES

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Closing Sunday, January 29, 2023

1. Teacher Assistant – Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L6 \$15.30 - \$19.13 per hour)
2. Grounds Maintenance – Public Works – Operations (L7 \$15.60 - \$19.50 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

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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 (Multiple) – Qualla Housing Services – Housing (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)
16. Carpenter Helper (Multiple) – Qualla Housing Services – Housing (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
17. Maintenance Utility (Multiple) – Qualla Housing Services – Housing (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
18. Utility Worker/Operator Assistant – Qualla Housing Services – Housing (L6 \$30,357 - \$37,946) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
19. Lead Horticulture Technician – Natural Resources – Agriculture and Natural Resources (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour)
20. Legal Services Attorney – Legal Assistance Office – Office of the Attorney General (L16 \$64,389 - \$85,852)
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22. Certified Biological Waste Water Treatment Operator – Waste Water Treatment – Operations (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
23. Supervisor – Biological/Waste Water Operator – Waste Water Treatment – Operations (L14 \$25.17 - \$31.46 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
24. Head Cook – Snowbird Senior Citizens – Snowbird and Cherokee County (L7 \$15.60 - \$19.50 per hour)
25. Tribal Prosecutor II – Criminal Law – Office of the Attorney General (L17 \$72,127 - \$96,169)
26. Telecommunicator – Public Safety Communications – Operations (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
27. Supervisor (Regulatory Compliance) – Natural Resources – Agriculture & Natural Resources (L14 \$52,349 - \$65,437)
28. Commercial Property Specialist – Enterprise Development – Commerce (L13 \$22.86 - \$22.58 per hour)

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