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# **Historic document progressing**

Proposed Tribal Constitution receives EBCI Community Club Council endorsement

> By ROBERT JUMPER One Feather Editor

HEROKEE, N.C. - The Constitution Committee, a committee ordained by Tribal Council to facilitate the community creation of a constitution to replace the Charter which currently acts as the governing document for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, met in joint meetings recently with the

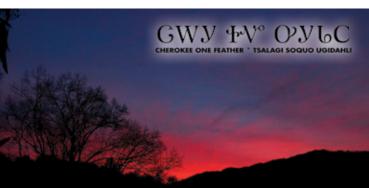
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Participants in the March 21 Constitutional Convention are shown, left to right, seated - Carmaleta Monteith, Yellowhill Community Club; Melvin Crowe, Big Y Community Club; Ernest Tiger, Yellowhill Community Club; and Robert Jumper, meeting moderator; standing - Venita Wolfe, Big Cove Community Club; Marilyn Lambert, Towstring Community Club; Janice Crutchfield, Towstring Community Club; Stephanie French, Yellowhill Community Club; Virginia Johnson, Yellowhill Community Club; Ginger Southard, Wolftown Community Club; Janelle Rattler, Snowbird Community Club; and Lloyd Arneach Jr., Constitution Committee. (Photo by Jayson Crusenberry/EBCI Communications)



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**DOCUMENT:** Community Club Council gives proposed constitution an endorsement, *from front page* 

Community Club Council. They met in open sessions to finalize and approve the draft that will be submitted with a resolution to be put on the April agenda of the Tribal Council.

These two sessions were established as parts one and two of a "Constitutional Convention" to solidify the will of the community regarding a governing document. To thoroughly review the 16 articles of the draft constitution took two, two-hour sessions, one on Monday, March 13, and the other on Tuesday, March 21. Each article was reviewed by the Community Club Council and given time for discussion and amendment.

EBCI Communications' Jayson Crusenberry provided the digital platform to stream the March 21 meeting, which allowed for questions from the community to be considered during the session. The Chairperson for the Constitution Committee, Lloyd Arneach Jr., managed the editing of the document as the Community Club Council approved or disapproved each recommended or suggested change. Community Club Vice Chairman Ernie Tiger conducted the March 21 session, while Chairman Bunsey Crowe led the March 13 session.

The draft constitution includes several civil rights not listed in the tribal charter. The various committees identified several items in the Cherokee Code that they believe rise to the level of rights instead of privileges. Should the constitution be approved to replace the charter, the constitution would be the guiding document for the Cherokee Code, so all laws contrary to the Constitution would have to be amended to comply. And, just as with the Charter, the Constitution could only be amended through a majority vote of the citizens of the EBCI.

The preamble at the beginning of the draft reads, "We, the Principal

People, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, acknowledging the Creator, being determined to maintain our sovereignty, hold fast to our ancestral homelands and our natural resources; and, to establish justice, ensure tranquility, promote our culture, our education, our language and our common welfare; and, to secure for ourselves and our posterity the blessings of liberty, do ordain and establish this Constitution of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Herein we acknowledge the foundation laid by the 1875 Lloyd Welch Constitution, Chapter 207 of the 1887 North Carolina State Charter and the 1986 Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Charter and Governing Document and declare that this Constitution supersedes these and all other previous governing documents."

There are 16 articles in the draft: organization of government, territory and jurisdiction, citizenship, legislative branch, executive branch, judicial branch, grand council, oath of office, impeachment of elected officials, voter recall, civil rights, public land, sovereign immunity, savings clause and transitional provisions, amendments, and adoption (of the document).

The vote among members of the Community Club Council to approve or support the final draft of the constitution was unanimous in the quorum present. At least five communities needed to be represented at the meeting to achieve a quorum. In addition, Cherokee County representation could not be present for the meeting but sent a message that they support the adoption of this Constitution. Painttown and Birdtown Community Club representatives were contacted for their position but as of the close of the session, they had not responded.

If Tribal Council hears and passes the referendum resolution in the April session, the referendum question concerning the adoption of the constitution could be on the September ballot.



### THE WAY I'M WIRED: ARTIST REFLECTIONS ON NEURODIVERSITY EXTENDED THROUGH MAY 5

Everyone's brain is wired differently. This exhibition invites artists to share their lived experiences with neurodiversity and how these experiences have impacted their work as an artist.

(Top) Katie Miller, Boy with a Tangled Earphone (detail), 2014, oil on panel, 16 x 12 inches. Courtesy of the Artist.

### **COURTNEY M. LEONARD – BREACH: Logbook23 | CORIOLIS** JANUARY 17 - MAY 5 | RECEPTION ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, FROM 5-7PM Immerse yourself in the latest WCU Fine Art Museum exhibition, which explores cultural and historical connections to water, fishing practices, and sustainability. Created by Shinnecock Nation ceramic artist Courtney M. Leonard as part of her BREACH series, the installation is a response to the artist's research in Western North Carolina and asks the question, "Can a culture sustain itself when it no longer has access to the environment that fashions that culture?"

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

### SCHOOL OF ART AND DESIGN FACULTY BIENNIAL 2023 January 17 - May 5 | Reception on Thursday, January 19, From 5-7PM

Outside of the classroom, faculty members in the School of Art & Design are active artists and scholars that make significant contributions to the arts. Organized by the WCU Fine Art Museum, the School of Art and Design Faculty Biennial provides students and the community with an opportunity to view recent work created by these distinguished faculty members whose primary research output is studio based.

(Bottom) Kevin Kirkpatrick, Untitled (detail), 2022, charcoal on paper, 18 x 24 inches.

### 55TH ANNUAL JURIED UNDERGRADUATE EXHIBITION

FEBRUARY 21 - MARCH 24 | RECEPTION ON THURSDAY, MARCH 2, FROM 5-7PM Western Carolina University's Annual Juried Undergraduate Exhibition is one of the longest-running Catamount art traditions. This exhibition is an extraordinary opportunity for WCU undergraduate students to share their artwork with a larger public and to enhance their skills in presenting artwork in a professional gallery setting. Entries are reviewed by an outside art professional who selects the works for exhibition at the WCU Fine Art Museum. This year, the exhibition juror is Margaret Curtis, a feminist artist and painter who has been creating work since the late 1980s.







# School Board discusses finances and investments

### **By JONAH LOSSIAH** One Feather Reporter

CHEROKEE, N.C. - The Cher-Okee Central Schools (CCS) Board of Education primarily discussed budgeting and investment strategies at their meeting on Monday, March 20.

The first guest was Ashford Smith, finance director for the Cherokee Boys Club. He was there to provide a budget update for the

### school.

"These financials in front of you have been updated to reflect the salary adjustment we had at the beginning of this fiscal year. As of right now, the school overall is 20 percent under budget," said Smith.

"When looking at why that is, it's important to note that since that salary adjustment, 78 percent of the school's budget is in salary fringe. So, anytime the schools under budget, that's the first place I like to look. What I'm seeing, as you dive through the numbers, is that there's salary savings in basically every department of the school. If you look at the job advertisements, that kind of confirms that theory. That's the big picture. Every department is under budget just because of salaries."

Smith said that the numbers

were not a surprise, and that the budget was in good shape.

"When it comes to the other expenses, they're also several departments that are under in that capacity, as well. But that usually ramps up near the end of the fiscal year as spending starts to increase. One, supplies start depleting, so more supplies are needed. But then also, prep for the next fiscal year also starts," said Smith.

The discussion around staffing prompted Painttown Tribal Council Rep. Dike Sneed to ask about the open positions at the school. He was answered by Heather Driver, CCS director of Human Resources. She said that some of the openings have been filled multiple times and that staffing issues are very common in education right now.

"It's just depending on the po-

sition...a lot of the time it happens to be within our Special Education Department. Those are hard across the board. We just heard from Jackson County; they've had six they haven't filled all year either. It's not just us," said Driver.

Next to report at the meeting was the EBCI Investment Committee. The Committee was represented by Chairperson Jimmy Burns and former chairperson Polly Kelly. Burns said that numbers were down in February, but that was expected given the nature of the market recently.

"We lost money, but we didn't lose as much as everyone else in a similar type of investment. For the quarter, we're still up .81 percent. If you go all the way over to 'since inception', we've actually made 3.41 percent on the return," said Burns.



"We're expecting somewhat of a flat year. So, the next quarterly update should be something similar to what we're seeing. Just single-digit changes. Hopefully, once the Fed starts lowering those interest rates, we'll start seeing the market take off and recovering. Really see some gains in the endowment."

Following the market update, School Board Chairperson Jennifer Thompson opened the conversation around contributions to the CCS Reserve Fund. She wanted the Board to move forward in deciding the best way to add to this account annually, something they have discussed previously. Thompson said that it would be important that everyone understand the plan, especially Tribal Council.

"We're adding this to this fund, and Council might be like 'why are we giving you this money? you're just putting it into this endowment fund.' But that's the whole point. The end-term goal was to be self-sufficient with our own endowment. In case something happened to our gaming revenue or our other revenues that the Tribe has. Or if something happens with the Federal government and we don't get as much from the BIE (Bureau of Indian Education)," said Thompson.

The Board discussed the concept for a few minutes. Rep. Sneed said that the Tribal Council could be of additional assistance, as they have recently hired a certified public accountant (CPA). Burns expanded upon that offer.

"What I think would be a great idea, if it was okay with Dike, is to get together with the CPA and set up a contribution goal. So that you



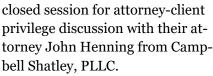
can talk with them and say 'this is what we want to accomplish with this fund'. We want it, one day, to able to fund operations. How much would we need to reach to get to that? How much would we and Council feel comfortable with contributing annual so that we can meet that goal. If we have that plan together, everyone's on the same page and we can refer back to it year-over-year in case there are ever questions," said Burns.

Before closing discussion on this topic, Kelly requested that specific numbers from this public and open session not disseminated.

"We ask that our numbers for the Fund is not to be put in the paper. Because to me, I see the paper. It's kind of a like, we want to, just like our other fund, we don't want the world to know what kind of monies you have. However, if someone calls and wants the information, it's free to our people and our parents. But it's not for the whole world to look at," said Kelly.

The final guests in the open session were members from the CCS Student Council to offer a report on a trip they made to Washington, D.C. The students presented a slideshow and talk about some of their favorite parts of the trip, primarily discussing the monuments and memorials.

The School Board then moved into session to have a conversation with a student at Cherokee High School. The Board then stayed in



After the closed session, the Board unanimously passed the consent agenda. That decision put forth the following:

• Madison Dills approved as an elementary teacher.

• Tagan Crowe approved to fill the agriculture teacher position full time.

• Chazi Blankenship approved for an increase to level 5 pay scale.

• Rileigh Hazen approved as a substitute teacher for Cherokee Middle School.

The Monday, March 20 meeting of the CCS Board of Education was called to order at 4:45 p.m. with Chairperson Jennifer Thompson; Co-Vice Chairs Tara Reed-Cooper and Melanie Lambert; Secretary Kristina Hyatt; Board members Berdie Toineeta and Regina Ledford Rosario; Tribal Council Rep. Dike Sneed; Interim Superintendent Dr. Beverley Payne; HR Director Heather Driver; CCS Attorney John Henning of Campbell Shatley, PLLC; and Administrative Assistant Diane Driver all in attendance.

The next meeting of the CCS Board of Education is set for Monday, April 3 at 4:45 p.m. Meetings are being held in the Administrative Offices at Cherokee Central Schools. These meetings are open to the public unless there is a call for an executive session.



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# **Certified candidates for EBCI 2023 Election**

Following is a list of certified candidates, per the EBCI Board of Elections, for the 2023 Tribal Election:

### **Principal Chief:**

1. Michell Hicks 2. Gene Crowe Jr 3. Robert Saunooke 4. Richard Sneed 5. Lori Taylor 6. Gary Ledford Vice Chief: 1. Alan B Ensley 2. Teresa McCoy **Birdtown Tribal Council:**  Cyndi Lambert 2. Albert Rose 3. Joi Owle 4. Boyd Owle 5. Jim Owle **Big Cove Tribal Council:** 1. Carla Pheasant Neadeau 2. Richard French 3. Perry Shell 4. Venita Wolfe **Painttown Tribal Council:** 1. Sean "Michael" Stamper 2. Andre Brown Dike Sneed 4. Jeff Thompson 5. Richard Delano Huskey Carolyn West Yellowhill Tribal Council: 1. T.W. Saunooke 2. David Wolfe 3. Stephanie Saunooke French 4. Tom Wahnetah 5. Ernest Tiger Snowbird/Cherokee Co. **Tribal Council:** 1. Janell Rattler 2. Adam Wachacha 3. Bucky Brown

### Wolftown/Big Y Tribal Council:

- Bo Crowe
   Andrew Oocumma
- 3. Qiana Powell
- 4. Chelsea Taylor
- 5. Mike Parker

6. Peanut Crowe
 School Board Yellowhill:

 Jennifer Lynn Thompson
 School Board Painttown:
 Regina Rosario
 Micah Swimmer
 Keyonna Hornbuckle

 School Board Big Y:

 Samantha Crowe-Hernandez
 Tara Reed – Cooper

### Native America Calling receives National Humanities Medal

ANCHORAGE, Alaska - Native America Calling, a program of the Alaska-based Koahnic Broadcast Corporation, is a recipient of the National Humanities Medal from The National Endowment for the Humanities. The award was presented to Koahnic's president and chief executive officer, Jaclyn Sallee, by U.S. President Joe Biden at a White House ceremony on Tuesday, March 21.

Since 1995, the live call-in program Native America Calling has brought public radio stations, listeners, and online audiences together every weekday for a thought-provoking national conversation about issues specific to Native communities.

Each Native America Calling program connects noted guests and experts with callers throughout the United States, and it is the only program of its kind that focuses on Native American issues.

"We are grateful and humbled to receive this recognition for Native America Calling's service to listeners across the nation, and for Native communities in particular," said Sallee, who is Iñupiaq.

"Koahnic was founded in the early 1990s by a visionary group of Alaska Native leaders who saw a media environment where Native people barely existed," said Sallee. "Native America Calling was developed in 1995 by Native producers working together from Alaska, New Mexico, and Nebraska to create a much-needed broadcast forum for Native public affairs."

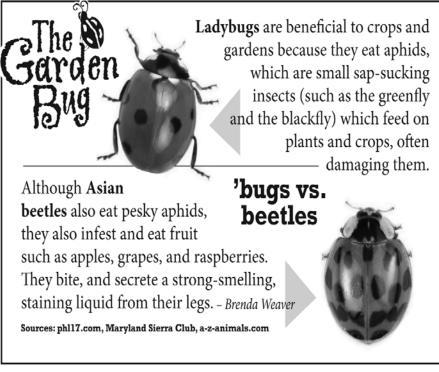
Over the last three decades, Native America Calling, other Native-made programming, and Native-operated radio stations have ensured that Native voices and viewpoints are part of our national conversations.

The National Humanities Medal, inaugurated in 1997, is a prestigious honor presented to 12 or fewer awardees per year whose work has "deepened the nation's understanding of the humanities and broadened our citizens' engagement with history, literature, languages, philosophy, and other humanities subjects."

Past honorees include public radio host/producer Terry Gross, Director Steven Spielberg, The Iowa Writers Workshop, Novelist Toni Morrison, and musician Elton John. Native America Calling is the first non-individual Native honoree to-date.

"The humanities help us to understand ourselves as humans, what connects us. Ensuring Native voices have a platform and that our stories are told and heard is immensely important," said Sallee.

Other recipients of the award included: Richard Blanco, Johnnetta Betsch Cole, Walter Isaacson, Earl Lewis, Henrietta Mann, Ann Patchett, Bryan Stevenson, Amy Tan, Tara Westover, Colson Whitehead, and Sir Elton John. - Koahnic Broadcast Corporation release



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\* Words provided by the Kituwah Education & Preservation Program

### 4th Quarter 2022 Cherokee Court Report

Editor's note: The following is a summary of the October to December 2023 Cherokee Court report. Associate Judge Barbara Parker submitted the report on behalf of the Cherokee Court. It was submitted in three separate graphic representations which are being summarized as a Microsoft Word document for print consideration. The three reports may be seen in their original form at www.theonefeather.com.

Performance measures:

Average days from case charge to judgement: 47

Average days from case charge to dismissal 55 Average days from first discovery received date to plea agreement date: 12

Average days from case charge to judgment to dismissal: 51

Total number of defendants with at least one case charged within three years after judgment accepted: 64

Rate of defendants with at least one case charged within three years after judgment accepted: 17.19%

CR Summary by Offense Type-Enrolled defendants: 23 Non-Enrolled defendants: 5

Child abuse in the second degree/Total: 11 Charged: 10

Domestic violence and dating violence/Total: 13 Charged: 13

Homocide in the first degree/Total: 1 Charged: 1

Assault by strangulation/Total: 2 Charged: 2 Assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill and inflicting serious injury/Total: 1 Charged: 1 Assault on law enforcement, probation, or parole officer/Total: 3 Charged: 3

Assault with a deadly weapon/Total: 3 Charged:3

Assault on a female/Total: 2 Charged:2 Simple assault; assault and battery; simple affray/Total: 6 Charged 6

Injury real property-Charged: 1 Outstanding: 1 Injuring telephone wires, wires, or other communication equipment; interfering with emergency communication. Charged: 1 Outstanding: 1 First degree trespass-Charged: 1 Dismissed other: 1

Second degree trespass-Outstanding: 2 Guilty: 3 Dismissed per plea: 2 Dismissed other: 2 Breaking and entering-Charged: 4 Outstand-

ing: 3 Dismissed per plea: 1

Larceny-Charged 6 Outstanding: 5 Guilty: 1 Grand larceny-Charged: 3 Outstanding: 1

Guilty: 1 Dismissed per plea: 1

Receiving or possessing stolen proper-

ty-Charged: 3 Outstanding: 2 Dismissed per plea: 1

Theft of property lost, mislaid, or delivered by mistake-Charged: 1 Dismissed other: 1

Criminal mischief to property-Charged: 2 Outstanding: 2

Public intoxication-Charged: 4 Dismissed per plea: 1

Drinking alcoholic beverages in public places-Charged: 1 Dismissed per plea: 1

Intoxicated and disruptive in public: Charged: 1 Outstanding: 5 Dismissed per plea: 1 Dismissed other: 1

Providing alcoholic beverages to /possession of/consumption of alcoholic beverages by/persons under 21 years old-Charged: 1 Outstanding: 1

Criminal conspiracy: Charged: 1 Outstanding: 1 Disorderly conduct-Charged: 5 Outstanding: 3 Guilty: 2

Contributing to the delinquency, undiscipline, neglect, or abuse of minors-Charged: 2 Outstanding: 1 Dismissed per plea: 1

Child abuse in the second degree-Charge: 10 Outstanding: 6 Guilty: 1 Dismissed per plea: 3 Weapons offense-Charged: 1 Outstanding: 1 Aggravated weapons offense-Charged: 1 Dismissed per plea: 1

Purchase or possession of firearm, etc. by person subject to domestic violence order-Charged: 1 Guilty: 1

Domestic violence and dating vio-

lence-Charged: 13 Outstanding: 4 Guilty: 2 Guilty per plea: 1 Dismissed per plea: 2

Exploitation of an elder or vulnerable adult: elder and vulnerable adult protection criminal

code: Charged: 1 Outstanding: 1

Assault by strangulation: Charged 2 Outstanding: 1 Dismissed other: 1

Assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill and inflicting serious injury-Charged: 1 Outstanding: 1

Assault on law enforcement, probation, or parole officer-Charged: 3 Outstanding: 2 Guilty per plea: 1 Assault with a deadly weapon-Charged 3 Outstanding: 2 Dismissed per plea: 1 Assault on a female-Charged: 2 Outstanding: 1 Guilty: 1 Simple assault; assault and battery; simple affray-Charged: 6 Outstanding: 4 Guilty: 2 Reckless endangerment-Charged: 2 Guilty: 1 Guilty per plea: 1 Offensive touching-Charged: 1 Guilty per plea: 1 Communicating threats-Charged: 3 Outstanding: 3 Cruelty to animals-Charged: 2 Outstanding: 2 False pretenses-Charged: 1 Outstanding: 1 **Obstructing governmental functions-Charged:** 2 Outstanding: 1 Guilty: 1 Providing or possessing contraband-Charged: 9 Outstanding: 6 Guilty: 1 Guilty per plea: 1 Dismissed other: 1 Resisting lawful arrest-Charged: 5 Outstanding 1 Guilty per plea: 2 Dismissed per plea: 1 Dismissed other: 1 Failure to obey a lawful order of the court-Charged: 13 Outstanding: 7 Guilty: 4 Guilty per plea: 1 Dismissed per plea: 1 Dismissed other: 1 Escape from imprisonment and custody-Charged: 1 Dismissed per plea: 1 Resisting, delaying, or obstructing officers-Charged: 14 Outstanding: 11 Guilty: 1 Dismissed per plea: 2 Indecent exposure-Charged: 1 Outstanding: 1 Drug paraphernalia (using possessing)-Charged: 3 Outstanding: 1 Drug paraphernalia (advertising)-Charged: 1 Outstanding: 1 Possession of a controlled substance-Charged: 23 Outstanding: 16 Guilty: 1 Guilty per plea: 1 Dismissed per plea: 3 Dismissed other: 3 Manufacture, sell or deliver, or possession with intent to manufacture sell or deliver a controlled substance (Schedules 1-5)-Charged: 12 Outstanding: 10 Guilty: 1 Dismissed per plea: 1 Manufacture, sell or deliver, or possession with intent to manufacture sell or deliver a controlled substance (Schedule 6-marijuana)-Charged: 3 Outstanding: 3 Drug trafficking-Charged: 3 Outstanding: 3

Driving while impaired-Charged: 7 Outstand-

ing: 8

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Impaired driving (N.C.G.S)-Charged: 9 Outstanding: 7 Guilty per plea: 1 Dismissed per plea: 1

Driving by person less than 21 years old after consuming alcohol or drugs-Charged: 1 Outstanding: 1

Making false certifications or giving false information a misdemeanor-Charged: 1 Outstanding: 1

Issuance and renewal of drivers licenses (a) license required-Charged: 1 Outstanding 1

**Disposition Summary** 

Dismissed per plea (26): Dismissed other

(4), At request of complainant and/or complainant's failure/refusal to appear and/or testify (9), Interest of justice (5), No labs and/ or discovery provided (3), Per prior plea (1), Upon compliance/proof/successful completion of deferred sentence (1), Upon further investigation (1).

Charges per conviction

Guilty (26): Admitted (12), Guilty per plea (10)

Guilty (26), Dismissed per plea (26), Guilty per plea (10), Admitted (12).

Service of warrants, FTAs and DVPOs (October-December 2022)

Charges filed: October (63), November (90), December (70) Warrants issued: October Issued (44)/Served (43), November Issued (55)/Served (55), December Issued 43/Served 46 FTAs issued: October Issued (30)/Served (15), November Issued (49)/Served (33), December Issued (19)/Served (29) DVPOs issued: October Issued (14)/Served (17), November Issued (9)/Served (12), December Issued (11)/Served (5).



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### CIPD Arrest Report for March 13-19, 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.

Owle, Kenneth Randall – age 60 Arrested: March 13 Released: March 14 Charges: Failure to Appear, Criminal Mischief to Property

Climbingbear, Henderson Junior – age 74 Arrested: March 14 Released: March 15 Charges: Filing a False Emergency Report

Jenkins, Corey Michael – age 30 Arrested: March 14 Released: March 15 Charges: Public Nuisance

Plummer, Wendy Lynn – age 53 Arrested: March 14 Released: March 14 Charges: Temporary Hold

Thompson, Homer Lee – age 36 Arrested: March 14 Released: Not released as of report date (March 21) Charges: Probation Violation

West, Shoshoni Ayanna – age 31 Arrested: March 14 Released: March 14 Charges: Resisting Public Officer, Assault on Law Enforcement

Paul, Jason Leroy – age 28 Arrested: March 15 Released: March 15 Charges: Second Degree Trespass

Mejia, Ernesto Montes – age 50 Arrested: March 16 Released: March 19 Charges: Assault on a Female (DV)

Standingdeer, Shena Dale – age 41 Arrested: March 16 Released: March 20 Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance, Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court

Sweet, Alexander Charles – age 19 Arrested: March 16 Released: March 17 Charges: Temporary Hold for Jackson Co. Youngdeer, John Irvin – age 62 Arrested: March 16 Released: March 17 Charges: Failure to Appear

Bradley, Nichole Dominique – age 30 Arrested: March 17 Released: March 17 Charges: False Pretenses, Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property

Savage, Joseph Wilton – age 47 Arrested: March 18 Released: March 18 Charges: Speeding to Elude Arrest, Seizure, and Sale of Vehicles; Resisting, Delaying, or Obstructing Officer; Reckless Driving

# MISSING PERSON

### LARRY TYREL SCOTT

(no photo available)

Enrolled with the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Age: 47 years Male

Height: 6'0"-6'1"

Weight: 190-205 lbs

Hair: Brown Eyes : Blue

Date of last contact: December 3, 2022

Location: Ada, Oklahoma

Circumstances of Disappearance: Did not return from store.

If you have seen Larry Tyrel Scott contact Chickasaw Nation Lighthorse Police (580) 436-7016.

Source: Namus.gov







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### Historic Lands Reacquisition Act

Three Tribal Council representatives traveled to Chattanooga, Tenn. on the evening of Thursday, March 16 to meet with Republican Party members. The Council representatives are continuing to work on the return of Cherokee historical and cultural land tracts in the State of Tennessee through the Eastern Band of Cherokee Historic Lands Reacquisition Act (H.R. 548) which was passed in the U.S. House of Representatives in February. The legislation is currently in the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs. Shown, left to right, are Painttown Rep. Michael Stamper, Wolftown Rep. Andrew Oocumma, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Kevin McCarthy (R-Calif.), Tribal Council Chairman Richard French, and Congressman Chuck Fleischmann (R-Tenn.) who introduced H.R. 548. (Photo by Tosh Welch/EBCI Tribal Council legislative public relations specialist)



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### FOOTBALL

# Hill signs to play at Maryville College

**By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.** One Feather Asst. Editor

CHEROKEE, N.C. – Kenton Tsisqua Hill, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and a senior at Cherokee High School (CHS), will continue his football career at the next level. He signed a letter of intent during a ceremony at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the morning of Wednesday, March 22 to play football this fall at Maryville College in Maryville, Tenn.

Tsisqua, who is considering studying sports medicine, told the One Feather, "It hasn't really hit me yet."

He started playing football in pee wees, and when asked when he began to dream about playing college football, Tsisqua replied, "It was probably at the end of my junior year when I began to get really strong, knowing what my strength was, and knowing that I could go places."

The Maryville Scots play are a NCAA Division III team playing in the USA South Athletic Conference.

"We are extremely proud of this fine young man right here," Craig Barker, CHS assistant principal, said during the signing ceremony. "He always represents our school and our Tribe with dignity. He is a phenomenal football player, but, more importantly, he is a phenomenal young man."

Barker thanked the friends and family who came out for the event. "This is literally a testimony to the support he has and the support for our school system. I thank each



Kenton Tsisqua Hill, center, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and a senior at Cherokee High School, signed a letter of intent during a ceremony at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the morning of Wednesday, March 22 to play football this fall at Maryville College in Maryville, Tenn. Shown, left to right are, Josiah Teesateskie, brother; Chris Ledford, father; Tsisqua Hill; Joni Hill, mother; and Ogana Ledford, brother. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

of you for the part you played in molding this young man into what he is today."

David Napert, CHS Braves head football coach, commented, "Ever since I met him, he's always lifted the room up. Wherever he is, he always has a positive attitude."

Praising Tsisqua's work ethic, Coach Napert stated, He's just now realizing how powerful he is in the weight room. He's throwing up some big-time weight. He's one of the best leaders we have all the way across the board." Chris Ledford, Tsisqua's father, said, "I know what kind of talent he has. He is a great example of perseverance and resilience. He came back from a bad injury, worked his tail off, and I'm proud of him."

Joni Hill, Tsiqua's mother, said it feels amazing for her son to be going on to college and play football at the next level. "I'm super proud, and I cannot put into words how proud I am of him. He has worked super-hard. I love it!"

# "He's one of the best leaders we have all the way across the board."

- David Napert, CHS head football coach

### CHEERLEADING

# Frady signs to cheer at Mars Hill University

**By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.** One Feather Asst. Editor

CHEROKEE, N.C. – Adia Frady, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and a senior at Cherokee High School (CHS), will continue her cheerleading career at the next level. She signed a letter of intent during a ceremony at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the morning of Thursday, March 23 to join the Cheerleading and Dance Teams at Mars Hill University.

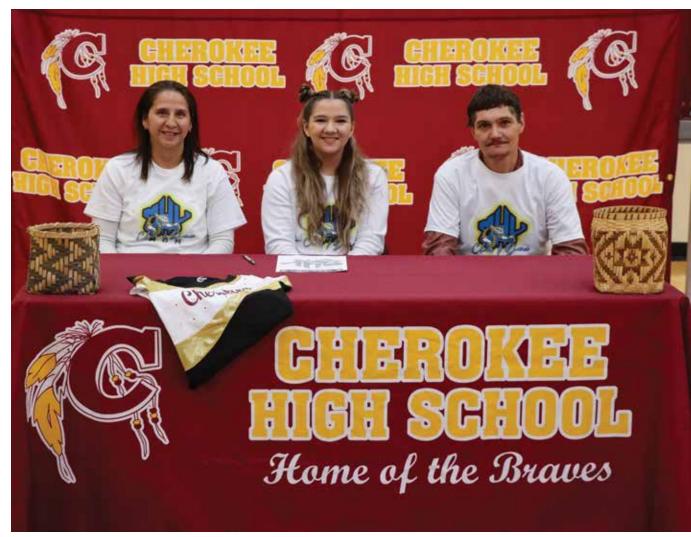
"Right now, it feels unreal," said Adia who plans to study business management at Mars Hill. "I'm super-excited. It's an amazing opportunity and something I've wanted for a long time."

She started in cheerleading around at 6- or 7-years-old and started with competition cheer in the seventh grade. "I was a part of the first team at Cherokee to ever win at nationals for competition cheer. I've just continued it ever since. It's something I love."

Adia is also a member of the Galaxy Cheer team out of the Pirouette's Cheer and Dance Academy in Bryson City, N.C. "We're like a little family. A lot of them have shown up today which is awesome."

When asked about her favorite aspects of competition cheer, Adia noted, "I like that you have to be at your best at every competition. You get one shot. You have a two-minute routine, and you have to nail it. I love that and the competitiveness, and I love the family that you have with that."

Craig Barker, CHS assistant principal, told the crowd gathered,



Adia Frady, center, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and a senior at Cherokee High School, signed a letter of intent during a ceremony at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the morning of Thursday, March 23 to join the Cheer and Dance Team at Mars Hill University. She is shown with her parents Lisa Frady, left, and Trint Frady. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

"This is a momentous occasion. I appreciate Adia and the time that I've gotten to spend with her. It's truly been a blessing for me, and, as a school system, she is a high-quality, high-character young lady."

He added, "We're excited about this opportunity – mostly excited about the education she's going to get."

Lisa Frady, Adia's mother, said, "I'm excited for her. It's a great opportunity, and I'm just excited to see what she does there. She's always loved competition cheer. She fell in love with it and wanted to focus on that."

Kayla Smith, CHS head cheerleading coach, commented, "I've been in this position for four years so Adia has been with me four years now. So, seeing her go on and pursue her dream is so fulfilling. She is one of my first ones to go and do it. I know she loves cheerleading, and I know she's going to be great at it." "I'm superexcited. It's an amazing opportunity and something I've wanted for a long time."

- Adia Frady

### TRACK & FIELD Cherokee participates in WNC Kickoff Invitational

One Feather Staff Report

CULLOWHEE, N.C. – The Cherokee High School (CHS) track and field team participated in the WNC Kickoff Invitational at the Western Carolina University track in Cullowhee on the afternoon of Friday, March 24. Following are results, per nc.milesplit.com, showing the top three finishers in each event plus all CHS finishers:

### Men's Team Scores

1 – Christ School 135.33 2 – Franklin 117.83 3 – Swain Co. 66 4 – Robbinsville 58.5 5 – Pisgah 52 6 – Smoky Mtn. 45 7 – Erwin 39 8 – Cherokee and Mountain Heritage (tie at 37) 10 – Enka 28 11 – Murphy 23 12 – Hayesville 19 13 – Andrews 18 14 – Tuscola 11 15 – East Burke 8 16 – Freedom and Hiwassee Dam (tie at 3) 18 – Asheville School 1.33 Women's Team Scores 1 – Franklin 134 2 – Swain Co. 127.5 3 – Tuscola 63 4 - 127.5 5 – Hayesville 49.5 6 – Robbinsville 44 7 – Murphy 40 8 – Cherokee 37 9 – Smoky Mtn. 36 10 – Rosman 31 11 – Freedom 29 12 – Asheville School 22 13 – Madison 20 14 – Andrews 16 15 – Enka 15 16 – East Burke 6 17 – Erwin 4 18 – Tri-County Early College 1

### Women's Discus

1 – Ella Capps, Madison, 102'8" 2 - Alexis Smith, Cherokee, 94'11" 3 - Charley Seagle, Franklin, 92'3" 22 – Jaelyn Lossiah, Cherokee, 63'1" **Men's Discus** 1 – Jesse Shelton, Mountain Heritage, 170'0" 2 - Iggy Welch, Erwin, 143'0" 3 - Nse Uffort, Swain Co., 138'10" 5 – Kensen Davis, Cherokee, 133'8" 23 - Luke Smith, Cherokee, 102'10" 31 – Nathaniel Littlejohn, Cherokee, 89'11" Women's Discus Wheelchair 1 – Jordan Oliver, Murphy, 17'0" Women's Shot Put 1 – Ella Capps, Madison, 35'5.75" 2 - Charley Seagle, Frnaklin, 34'10" 3 - Sam Morgan, Pisgah, 34'8" 11 – Alexis Smith, Cherokee, 27'2" 28 - Jaelyn Lossiah, Cherokee, 22'6" **Men's Shot Put** 1 - Jesse Shelton, Mountain Heritage, 54'4.50" 2 - Antonio Lorenzo, Smoky Mtn., 48'1" 3 - Taylor McClure, Hayesville, 47'10" 7 – Kensen Davis, Cherokee, 43'11" 20 - Luke Smith, Cherokee, 37'3" 44 – Jayden Tramper, Cherokee, 26'10" Women's Shot Put Wheelchair 1 – Jordan Oliver, Murphy, 8'1" Women's Triple Jump 1 – Zoie Shuler, RObbinsville, 38'1.50" 2 - Addison Coker, Franklin, 33'9" 3 - Lydia Norman, Smoky Mtn., 33'5.50" 8 - Loshi Ward, Cherokee, 29'9" 14 – Selu Swayney, Cherokee, 26'11" 17 – AJ Hill, Cherokee, 26'8.50" **Men's Triple Jump** 1 – Tony Murphy, Christ School, 42'6.50" 2 – Morlue Eesiah, Christ School, 41'6" 3 – Samuel Preston, Andrews, 41'0" Women's Long Jump 1 – Zoie Shuler, Robbinsville, 18'4" 2 – Laura Covarrubias, Franklin, 17'8" 3 - Addison Coker, Franklin, 16'5" 10 - Loshi Ward, Cherokee, 13'10.5" 23 - Lilly Ramos, Cherokee, 11'0.50" 25 - Adi Cooper, Cherokee, 9'9" **Men's Long Jump** 1 – Quinton Cancel, Christ School, 20'8.50" 2 - Cuttler Adams, Robbinsville, 20'5" 3 – Jake Lowery, Pisgah, 20'3.50" 24 – Ayden Thompson, Cherokee, 16'8.50"

### Women's Pole Vault

1 – Amelia Rogers, Swain Co., 18'6" 2 - Boston Stringer, Franklin, 10'0" 3 - Alden Thomas, Swain Co., 9'0" **Men's Pole Vault** 1 – Matthew Gray, Swain Co., 16'6" 2 – Kenneth Byrd, East Burke, 16'0" 3 – Blake Cassada, Franklin, 13'0" Women's High Jump 1 – Gracie Sutton, Swain Co., 5'2" 2 - Naomi Feagin, Swain Co., 4'10" 3 – Ella Matheson, Hayesville, 4'8" 11 - Loshi Ward, Cherokee, 4'6" 15 – Niya Mora, Cherokee, 4'4" **Men's High Jump** 1 – Adam Ledford, Mountain Heritage, 6'2" 2 - Brock Adams, Robbinsville, 6'0" 3 – Malakai Davis, Enka, 5'10" 16 – Aizen Bell, Cherokee, 5'4" Women's 4x800M Relay 1 - Swain Co. A, 9:56.60 2 - Tuscola, 11:07.65 3 - Swain Co. B, 11:20.61 4 - Cherokee, 11:22.71 Men's 4x800M Relay 1 – Cherokee, 8:42.13 2 - Swain Co., 8:53.64 3 - Christ School, 8:55.64 Women's 100M Hurdles 1 – Caroline Spilliards, Smoky Mtn., 16.38 2 – Emma Shook, Hayesville, 16.86 3 – Makynna McDonald, Rosman, 17.49 19 - Shelby Solis, Cherokee, 22.22 **Men's 110M Hurdles** 1 - Brock Adams, Robbinsville, 15.26 2 – Elijah Cochran, Franklin, 15.78 3 - Austin Jenkins, Swain Co., 15.81 5 – Levi Winter, Cherokee, 17.06 Women's 100M Dash 1 – Zoie Shuler, Robbinsville, 12.51 2 - Laura Covarrubias, Franklin, 12. 57 3 – Journey Morrison, Asheville School, 13.14 21 – Aaliyah Ben, Cherokee, 14.64 25 - Niya Mora, Cherokee, 14.97 26 - Ella Sokol, Cherokee, 14.97 Men's 100M Dash 1 – Evan Byrd, Pisgah, 10.94 2 - Cuttler Adams, Robbinsville, 11.00 3 - Elijah Cochran, Franklin, 11.14 26 - Levi Winter, Cherokee, 12.16 Women's 100M Wheelchair 1 – Jordan Oliver, Murphy, 37.95

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Women's 4x200M Relay 1 – Franklin, 1:51.55 2 – Swain Co., 1:54.48 3 – Smoky Mtn., 1:58.24 6 – Cherokee, 1:58.99 Men's 4x200M Relay 1 – Christ School, 1:34.01 2 – Robbinsville, 1:34.69 3 – Murphy, 1:35.23 10 – Cherokee, 1:44.10 Women's 1600M Run 1 – Eva Rinker, Tuscola, 5:14.70 2 – Katie Deacon, Freedom, 5:19.24 3 – Meah Walsh, East Burke, 5:37.01 Men's 1600M Run 1 – Dawson Reeves, Christ School, 4:17.42 2 – Kahzi Sealey, Christ School, 4:19.25 3 – Caleb Phillps, Christ School, 4:28.07 6 – Jaylan McCoy-Bark, Cherokee, 4:33.65 14 – Tyce Hogner, Cherokee, 5:03.27 20 – Aizen Bell, Cherokee, 5:11.40 21 – Tanis Esquivel, Cherokee, 5:12.08 29 – Samuel Hernandez, Cherokee, 5:27.34 32 – Oztin Swayney, Cherokee, 5:30.17 Women's 4x100M Relay 1 – Pisgah, 53.34 2 – Franklin, 53.34 3 – Smoky Mtn., 54.28 9 – Cherokee, 57.14

### Men's 4x100M Relay

- 1 Christ School, 44.48
- 2 Pisgah, 44.99
- 3 Erwin, 45.39

- 11 Cherokee, 48.56 Women's 400M Dash 1 - Chandler Lowery, Pisgah, 1:03.35 2 - Ava Cooke, Freedom, 1:03.64 3 – Dvdaya Swimmer, Cherokee, 1:04.03 Men's 400M Dash 1 – Evan Byrd, Pisgah, 50.34 2 – Isaiah Roots, Franklin, 50.51 3 - Cameron Grooms, Murphy, 51.68 9 – Anthony Lossiah, Cherokee, 53.00 37 - Isiah Ledford, Cherokee, 1:09.05 Women's 300M Hurdles 1 – Emma Shook, Hayesville, 49.75 2 - Kinsley Hyatt, Swain Co., 52.10 3 - Mya Burrows-Kurr 52.17 Men's 300M Hurdles 1 – Elijah Cochran, Franklin, 40.81 2 - Brock Adams, Robbinsville, 41.35 3 – Austin Jenkins, Swain Co., 43.44 16 - Levi Winter, Cherokee, 49.07 21 – Eli Bird, Cherokee, 53.20 Women's 800M Run 1 – Eva Rinker, Tuscola, 2:23.94 2 - Dvdaya Swimmer, Cherokee, 2:28.51 3 – Annie Lewis, Swain Co., 2:30.18 21 - Izzy Raby, Cherokee, 3:04.99 Men's 800M Run 1 – Dawson Reeves, Christ School, 1:57.12 2 – Kahzi Sealey, Christ School, 1:58.68 3 - Logan Russo, Franklin, 1:59.41 15 – Tanis Esquivel, Cherokee, 2:12.59 20 - Samuel Hernandez, Cherokee, 2:22.18
  - 22 Oztin Swayney, Cherokee, 2:23.59

55 – Isiah Ledford, Cherokee, 2:48.88 64 - Gideon Freeman, Cherokee, 3:26.87 Women's 200M Dash 1 – Laura Covarrubias, Franklin, 25.75 2 – Zoie Shuler, Robbinsville, 26.29 3 - Makynna McDonald, Rosman, 27.26 7 – Letsi Burgos, Cherokee, 28.65 25 - Lexi Davis, Cherokee, 31.42 26 - Ella Sokol, Cherokee, 31.44 Men's 200M Dash 1 – Isiah Roots, Franklin, 23.26 2 - De'Aijaha Ray, Erwin, 23.62 3 - Malachi McKneely, Smoky Mtn., 23.68 24 - Ayden Thompson, Cherokee, 25.64 Women's 3200M Run 1 – Olivia Arnold, Tuscola, 13:24.89 2 - Marden Harvey, Swain Co., 13:56.89 3 – Abigail Pope, Franklin, 14:16. 02 Men's 3200M Run 1 – Caleb Phillips, Smoky Mtn., 10:08.59 2 - Jaylan McCoy-Bark, Cherokee, 10:10.41 3 - Barrett Stork, Franklin, 10:16.36 8 Tyce Hogner, Cherokee, 10:45.22 Women's 4x400M Relay 1 - Franklin, 4:21.32 2 - Swain Co., 4:21.73 3 – Pisgah, 4:27.58 5 - Cherokee, 4:35.12 Men's 4x400M Relay 1 – Franklin, 3:27.22

- 2 Christ School, 3:29.97
- 3 Swain Co., 3:40.52
- 4 Cherokee, 3:42.93

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### MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK Cherokee competes at meet in Hayesville

### **One Feather Staff Report**

HAYESVILLE, N.C. – The Cherokee Middle School (CMS) track and field team competed in a three-school meet hosted by Hayesville Middle School at the Hayesville High School track on the afternoon of Monday, March 20. Following are results, per nc.milesplit.com, showing the top three finishers in each event plus all CMS finishers:

### **Boys Events**

### **Team Scores**

- 1 Swain Co. Middle 97.5
- 2 Hayesville Middle 96
- 3 Cherokee Middle 26.5

### 100M Dash

- 1 Kaden Sawyer, Swain Co., 12.11
- 2 Colin Walker, Hayesville, 13.13
- 3 Jacob Allison, Hayesville, 13.13

- 6 Kimo Sokol, Cherokee, 13.65
- 9 Brayon Tucker, Cherokee, 14.89
- 10 Mack Burgess, Cherokee, 15.29 200M Dash
- 1 Johan Webb, Hayesville, 24.95
- 2 Jacob Allison, Hayesville, 26.32
- 3 Lance Coker, Hayesville, 26.73
- 7 Aiden Larch, Cherokee, 31.05
- 11 Brayon Tucker, Cherokee, 32.94 **400M Dash**
- 1 Kaden Sawyer, Swain Co., 1:00.44
- 2 Kaden Cucumber, Swain Co., 1:04.34
- 3 Silas Lovingood, Hayesville, 1:04.46
- 9 Mack Burgess, Cherokee, 1:14.86 **800M Run**
- 1 Jackson Dye, Hayesville, 2:31.31
- 2 James Loftis, Swain Co., 2:31.79
- 3 Micah Moss, Hayesville, 2:31.87
- 4 Kaden Stephens, Cherokee, 2:34.06
- 11 Utsela Saunooke, Cherokee, 2:49.31
- 16 Levi Oocumma, Cherokee, 3:06.06

### 1600M Run

- 1 Ross Clapsaddle, Swain Co., 5:20.36
- 2 Jackson Dye, Hayesville, 5:27.83

3 - James Loftis, Swain Co., 5:42.18 12 - Levi Oocumma, Cherokee, 6:35.42 110M Hurdles 1 – Johan Webb, Hayesville, 17.24 2 - Silas Lovingood, Hayesville, 21.03 3 - Kale Walkingstick, Swain Co., 21.05 5 – Kimo Sokol, Cherokee, 21.25 4x100M Relay 1 – Swain Co., 51.05 2 - Hayesville, 53.15 3 - Cherokee, 57.49 4x200M Relay 1 - Hayesville, 1:47.98 2 - Swain Co., 1:53.79 3 - Cherokee, 2:00.62 4x400M Relay 1 - Swain Co., 4:05.39 2 - Hayesville, 4:28.63 4x800M Relay 1 - Swain Co., 10:02.65 2 - Hayesville, 10:10.81 **High Jump** 

- 1 Derek Gunter, Swain Co., 5-00
- 2 Kimo Sokol, Cherokee, 5-00



- 3 Blake Lambert, Swain Co., 4-10
- 4 Mack Burgess, Cherokee, 4-10

### Long Jump

- 1 Johan Webb, Hayesville, 17-00
- 2 Brett Hanna, Hayesville, 13-03
- 3 CJ Finn, Hayesville, 13-00.50
- 6 Utsela Saunooke, Cherokee, 11-07
- 10 Levi Oocumma, Cherokee, 11-00

### Triple Jump

- 1 Johan Webb, Hayesville, 34-06.75
- 2 Kaden Cucumber, Swain Co., 32-10.50
- 3 Ayden Kirkland, Swain Co., 29-09.50

### **Discus** Throw

- 1 Christian Grant, Cherokee, 105-00
- 2 Mason Buckner, Hayesville, 98-06
- 3 Sam Owle, Swain Co., 34-03.50
- 6 Johnny Long, Cherokee, 31-01
- 7 Reginold Hyatt, Cherokee, 30-05

### Girls Events

### **Team Scores**

- 1 Hayesville Middle 94
- 2 Swain Co. Middle 75
- 3 Cherokee 55

### 100M Dash

- 1 Kaydence Morrow, Hayesville, 14.32
- 2 Marlo Joyce, Hayesville, 14.34
- 3 Lilly Lossiah, Cherokee, 14.52
- 4 Nazari Bell, Cherokee, 14.70
- 5 Austin Fourkiller-Raby, Cherokee, 14.75
- 7 Taytem Saunooke, Cherokee, 15.21

### 200M Dash

- 1 Kaydence Morrow, Hayesville, 30.44
- 2 Cara Aldridge, Swain Co., 31.09
- 3 Emily Dowling, Hayesville, 31.42
- 7 Cambry Stamper, Cherokee, 33.43
- 9 Keysa Ann Collins, Cherokee, 34.87

### 10 – Khloe Cucumber, Cherokee, 36.14 400M Dash

- 1 Leilani Queen, Swain Co., 1:10.49
- 2 Kazandra Cooper, Swain Co., 1:10.64
- 3 Alexia Fields, Hayesville, 1:11.75
- 4 Cambry Stamper, Cherokee, 1:14.08
- 9 Kyla Keel-Aguilera, Cherokee, 1:22.87

### 800M Run

- 1 Savannah Burch, Hayesville, 2:45.31
- 2 Emily Grey Stargell, Swain Co., 2:52.49
  3 Sydney Greenstone, Hayesville, 3:01.94
- J Sydney Greenstone, Hayesvine, 3.01.9
- 5 Maya Lossiah, Cherokee, 3:10.15
- 14 Jamee McMillan, Cherokee, 3:25.93
- 17 Viola Williams, Cherokee, 3:42.29

### 1600M Run

- 1 Emily Grey Stargell, Swain Co., 6:07.70
- 2 Austin Fourkiller-Raby, Cherokee, 6:13.18
- 3 Sydney Greenstone, Hayesville, 6:13.64
- 4 Maya Lossiah, Cherokee, 6:39.73
- 6 Morgan Hernandez, Cherokee, 6:52.54

### 100M Hurdles

- 1 Khylei Alberta, Hayesville, 20.14
- 2 Annabelle Bradley, Swain Co., 20.27
- 3 Emily Dowling, Hayesville, 20.28
- 4 Kyla Keel-Aguilera, Cherokee, 22.09

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### 4x100M Relay

- 1 Hayesville, 58.52
- 2 Swain Co., 1:03.11
- 3 Cherokee, 1:03.65

### 4x200M Relay

- 1 Hayesville, 2:03.99
- 2 Cherokee, 2:09.63
- 3 Swain Co., 2:12.88

### 4x400M Relay

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active EBCI service men/women to

provide aid and support.

Info: Warren Dupree 508-2657

David McQueen 736-9572

- 1 Cherokee, 4:54.52
- 2 Swain Co., 5:08.41
- 3 Hayesville, 5:09.56

### 4x800M Relay

- 1 Cherokee, 11:17.27
- 2 Hayesville, 11:33.24
- 3 Swain Co., 11:46.95

### High Jump

- 1 Kazandra Cooper, Swain Co., 4-04
- 2 Josclyn Stamper, Cherokee, 4-02
- 3 Leilani Queen, Swain Co., 4-02
- 5 Jamee McMillan, Cherokee, 4-00

### Long Jump

- 1 Marlo Joyce, Hayesville, 13-09
- 2 Leilani Queen, Swain Co., 13-07
- 3 Gracie Deck, Swain Co., 11-06.75
- 8 Cambry Stamper, Cherokee, 10-08
- 9 Morgan Hernandez, Cherokee, 10-07

### **Triple Jump**

- 1 Lucy Trout, Hayesville, 29-10.70
- 2 Leilani Queen, 28-11
- 3 Mackenzee Bird, Swain Co., 26-09.50
- 4 Tayten Saunooke, Cherokee, 26-00.50
- 5 Deanna Long, Cherokee, 25-08.50
- 6 Nazari Bell, Cherokee, 25-07.50

### **Discus** Throw

Shot Put

- 1 Josclyn stamper, Cherokee, 87-02
- 2 Blaire Hedden, Hayesville, 75-02
- 3 Baylee Phillips, Swain Co., 69-04
- 8 Laylah Thompson, Cherokee, 56-07

11 – Briane Teesateskie, Cherokee, 52-03

1 – Viola Williams, Cherokee, 34-05.50 2 – Josclyn Stamper, Cherokee, 31-00

3 - Blaire Hedden, Hayesville, 29-02.50

9 - Laylah Thompson, Cherokee, 24-00

10 - Briane Teesateskie, Cherokee, 23-07

12 - Hailey Winchester, Cherokee, 17-02

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9 – Annie Tramper, Cherokee, 56-01

# **EBCI tribal members selected for Native American 40 Under 40**

**By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.** One Feather Asst. Editor

Sabrina Arch and Jeremy Wilson, both members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), have been selected to the National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development (NCAIED) Native American 40 Under 40 Award. The award will be presented at a dinner reception on Tuesday, April 4 at Caesars Palace Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas, Nev.

"The 2023 Native American 40 Under 40 awardees showcase the hard work, perseverance, and dedication that have come to define this prestigious award," Chris James, president and chief executive officer of The National Center, said in a press release. "This year's class includes leaders in a variety of fields from across the country, showcasing the depth and breadth of the current generation of Native leaders. They are truly making a difference in every aspect of American life."

Information from NCAIED states that the award is given "to acknowledge those emerging Native American, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian citizens between 18 and 39 years of age who have demonstrated leadership, initiative, and dedication to achieve significant contributions to Native communities throughout North America".

Arch, EBCI director of economic development, told the One Feather, "I am blessed and



Sabrina Arch (Photo contributed)

honored to have received this prestigious 40 Under 40 award presented by NCAIED. I would like to thank my family, friends, all the members of the EBCI, the Sequoyah Fund, Tribal Education, the local small businesses, all tribal programs, our tribal leadership, the Chief, the Vice Chief, and the Council. Together, we have received this recognition. Without all of you, I would not be who I am today, nor would I be able to help serve our great community. I enjoy seeing others succeed and am humbled by this recognition. My hope is to inspire others to reach for the stars."

She added, "You can do anything you put your mind to! We are fortunate to have a community



Jeremy Wilson (Photo contributed)

that cares so much for one another. Together we can continue to make a difference to help strengthen our Tribal community through leadership, initiative, and dedication."

Wilson commented to the One Feather, "First, I'd like to take the moment to thank God first for this blessing. I will say that it's always a rewarding feeling to be chosen for such an award or achievement – especially something of this caliber. I am definitely honored to have been chosen for the Class of 2023."

He added, "While I am appreciative and honored to have been chosen for this award, nothing outweighs the feeling of knowing you have made a positive impact

in your community, and in this case, Indian Country. There is no title nor amount of money that can compete with knowing you have helped make someone else's life better, or that you have worked to provide a better environment for your people, and to other parts of Indian Country. It will always be my life's intention to do good for my Tribe, and for wherever I go. I want to also thank NCAIED for selecting me, my family and circle of friends for being my support system, and to those who have always believed in me."

Wilson said, "My current role these days is being a tribal consultant to help tribes establish stronger economies and build healthy governmental relationships. My biggest hope is that our younger generations never forget they will always have value in life. Success is never given. It is built on life lessons, failures, and a constant process of growth and maturity. My hope from here is to see more EBCI members receive this award in the future."

Candice Craig, a member of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation with Eastern Band Cherokee and Seminole heritage, was also included in the list. From Cherokee, N.C., she currently resides in Tulsa, Okla. where she is the owner of The Joy Therapist.

In addition to Arch, Craig, and Wilson, the following were named to this year's Native American 40 Under 40 list:

• Shannon Barnett (Muscogee (Creek) Nation) - Muscogee (Creek) Nation, cultural academic specialist; Broken Arrow, Okla. • Luke Barteaux (Cherokee Nation) - Presiding Cherokee Nation District Court Judge; Tahlequah, Okla.

• Willow Blythe-Carroll (Muscogee (Creek) Nation) - HudsonLake Consulting, strategic communications manager, Consultant and Founder of Weaving Wisdom, LLC;Rockwall, Texas

• Brett Bucktooth (Oneida Indian Nation) – Haudenosaunee Ongweoweh Corp, supplier diversity manager; Hogansburg, N.Y.

• Joseph Byrd (Quapaw/Osage/ Cherokee) - Quapaw Nation, chairman, Quapaw, Okla.

• Quannah Rose Chasinghorse (Hän Gwich'in and Sicangu-Oglala Lakota) - IMG Models, model/activist/spokesperson; Mesa, Ariz.

• Kenneth Davis (Turtle Mountain

Band of Chippewa Indians) - Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians, tribal resource specialist; Rolette, N.D.

• Kyle Doney (Seminole Tribe of Florida) - Seminole Tribe of Florida, deputy executive director; Hollywood, Fla.

• Caleb Dunlap (Minnesota Chippewa Tribe (Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa)) – Amazon, program manager, brand protection; Cloquet, Minn.

• Kayla Gebeck (Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians) - Holland & Knight LLP, associate; Washington, D.C.

• Valery Giebel (Cherokee Nation) - United States Department of the Interior, senior Indian Law Attorney advisor, Tulsa, Okla.

• Dustin Goslin (Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation) - Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures, vice president



of Business & Economic Development; Onamia, Minn.

• Marya Halvorsen (Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak) – Koniag, Public Policy and Government Affairs specialist; Anchorage, Alaska

• Stephanie Hutch (Native Hawaiian) - Makai LLC, chief executive officer; Hopkinton, Mass.

• Krystalyn Kinsel (Navajo) - Jenner & Block, associate; Washington, D.C.

• Jenna Krohn (Native Village of Koyuk) - Bering Straits Native Corporation, corporate counsel; Anchorage, Alaska

• Alexander Mallory (Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska) - U.S. District Court, District of Arizona, judicial law clerk; Phoenix, Ariz.

• Chantay Moore (Navajo) - Heartland Institute of Financial Education (HIFE), certified financial educator and licensed financial professional; Chicago, Ill.

• Andi Murphy (Navajo) - Native America Calling, senior producer; Albuquerque, N.M.

• Buu Nygren (Navajo), Navajo Nation president; Window Rock, Ariz.

• Brandi Payton (Cherokee, Cheyenne, Arapaho, and Hopi) - Cherokee Nation Health Services, clinic administrator; Owasso, Okla.

• Cameron Poindexter (Curyung Tribe/Choggiung Limited) - Choggiung Limited, president and chief executive officer; Dillingham, Alaska

• Leonard Powell (Hopland Band of Pomo Indians) - Jenner & Block, senior associate; Washington, D.C.

• Zachary Pullin (Chippewa Cree Nation) - Washington Conservation Action/Washington Conservation Action Education Fund, communications director; Seattle, Wash.

• PaaWee Rivera (Pueblo of Pojoaque) - The White House, senior advisor for Intergovernmental Affairs and director of Tribal Affairs; Washington, D.C.

Jaclyn Roessel (Navajo) -Grownup Navajo, LLC, president and founder; Bernalillo, N.M.
Kendra Root (Muscogee (Creek) Nation) - National Indigenous Women's Resource Center, research associate; Claremore, Okla.

• Travis Ruiz (Cheyenne and Arapaho) - Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, speaker of the Legislature/ Arapaho District 3 Legislator; Weatherford, Okla.

• Nikki Santos (Coeur d'Alene Tribe) - Center for Native American Youth, executive director; Washington, D.C.

• Kyle Scherer (Munsee Delaware Nation) - Venable LLP, partner and co-chair, Native American Law & Policy Practice; Washington, D.C.

• Bryan Shade (United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma) - Lippes Mathias, LLP, senior associate; Rockville, Md.

• Jacelyn Shavney (Cherokee Nation) - Cherokee Nation Businesses, Cultural Programs and Event Projects manager; Catoosa, Okla.

• Sterling Springer (Seminole) - DT-Trak Consulting, Inc, president/chief executive officer; Miller, S.D.

• Kristen Talbert (Sisseton-Wahpeton Dakota Oyate) - American Indian Policy Institute, Arizona State University, program manager; Phoenix, Ariz.

• Sean Vasquez (Pechanga Band of Indians) - Pechanga Development Corporation, 1st vice president; Irvine, Calif.

• Craig Williams (Mississippi Choctaw) - Jenner & Block, special counsel; Washington, D.C.

• Isabel Yasana Hawley (Klamath Tribe) – Nike, Consumer Direct Value Brand manager; Tigard, Ore.

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

### Donations taken for Frances Hess Scholarship Fund

Smoky Mountain High School, in Sylva, N.C., is now accepting donations to the Frances Hess Scholarship fund. This scholarship is available to graduating seniors from Smoky Mountain High School who plan to attend a postsecondary program in health science.

Hess taught health science for 17 years at Smoky Mountain High and for 13 years at Cherokee. She received her diploma from Mission Memorial's nursing school, and then managed the Emergency Room at Mission for some time. She then earned her BSN from Western Carolina University. Frances worked in a pediatrician's practice in Sylva before transitioning to her teaching career. She is an honorary member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

In honor of Frances' impact on our schools and community, we are accepting donations to the scholarship fund. Interested persons can contact Kaila Day at 586-2177 ext. 2046 or kday@jcpsmail.org. Checks should be made out to SMHS HOSA with a memo "Frances Hess Scholarship." Donations for the 2022-23 graduates are due by March 31.

- Smoky Mountain High School

### **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.

### HIP Housing for the Elderly and/or Disabled has changes coming

Per the Cherokee Boys Club Construction and Facilities Dept.:

Due to HIP Committee working on changes to the HIP Ordinance, we are not taking applications currently. We hope to have everything changed by the end of April. The program will still follow their income guidelines and home ownership policy. These changes will not affect already built Scattered Site homes (homes built on Enrolled Member's Property). Only new scattered site applications will be affected by the changes.

If you have questions or would like to leave your name and number to be put on a list, contact Cindi Squirrel at 828-359-5520.



### Cherokee High School Third Quarter Honor Roll

### 9th Grade

**Principal's Honor Roll:** Marleigh Aguilera, Logan Biddix, Elora Fuson, Javan Garcia, Jayvin George, Kayla Morgan, Dailin Panther, Jadence Saunooke, Gabriella Smith, Keith Smith, Cecily Swimmer **Alpha Honor Roll:** Krenston Armachain, Tayvin Bark-Cruz, Brihana Burgos Delgado, Tsa-li Dv-Di-S-Di, Isaiah Ledford, Chaske' Raines **Beta Honor Roll:** Owen Bird, Traelin Carey, Audrina Cooper, Talan Crowe, Zayden Crowe, Gabriel Dial, Kieaira Ensley, Oscar Guillien-Swayney, Samuel Hernandez,

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Shawnee Kirkland, Josilyn Ledford, Leilah Lossiah, Michael Lozano-Rodriguez, Hailey Owle, Jaime Panther, Yvonne Saunooke, Jonathan Saylor, Nia Sequoyah, Matix Stamper, Johnathon Thompson, Jayden Tramper

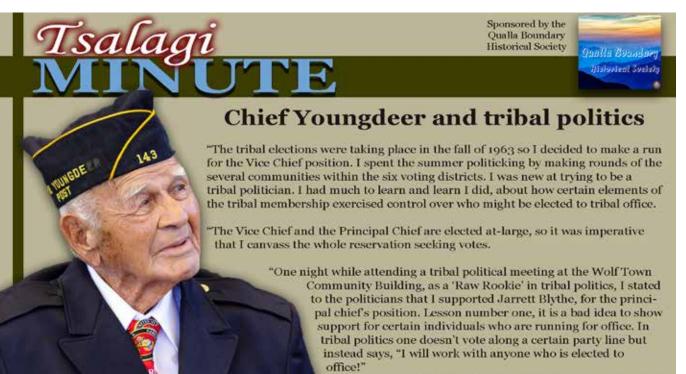
### 10th Grade

**Principal's Honor Roll:** Kendra Arch, Paytyn Barker, Lillian Blythe-Ramos, Denise Clemons, Noqwisi Crowe, Jada Cruz, Alexis Davis, Brett Elders, Isabelle Fourkiller-Raby, Matthew Garcia Wahnetah, Kiri Hill, Tyce Hogner, Cameron Jackson, Amiya Lequire, Amila Lossie, Kyla Moore, Hannah Morgan, Nevayah Panther, Joseph Porter, Sadie Rivera-Gomez, Thomas Sequoyah, Marilyn Swayney, Addi Taylor, Tyruss Thompson, Hailee Velazquez-Lossiah, William Welch **Alpha Honor Roll:** Keaton Arch, Kennica Bradley, Dalton Burgess, Tricyus Calhoun, Sophie Cooper, Gideon Freeman, Waushila Grant, Isabella Jones, Elijah Lineberry, Aubree Lossiah Rice, Elijah Squirrel, Kieran Wolfe

**Beta Honor Roll:** Werahre Codynah, Abreana Hornbuckle, Tyanna Ledford, Maxine Lossiah Rice, Ayosta Lossie, Xain Maney, Ismael Matamoros, Cheyton Medford, James Owle, Vincent Owle, Erin Rogers, Brandon Santiago, Kai Saunooke, Elliot Shell, Julianne Smart, Luke Smith, Cameron Squirrell, Josiah Teesateskie, Ariyanna Toineeta, Abbygail Wildcatt, Kaniah Wolfe, Haylie Woodard

### 11th Grade

**Principal's Honor Roll:** Christian Alfaro, Kayd-Lynn Bradley, Ericka Brady, Luke Climbingbear, Jenna Cruz, Jimya Driver, Mato Grant,



Source: "The Memoirs of Robert Youngdeer"

Madison Ledford, Laura Martinez, Dalaina Mills, Niyahi Mora, Evan Nations, George Saunooke, Dante Taylor, Tahlaya Thompson, Coco Wells, Bayley Wright **Alpha Honor Roll:** Roxi Bark, Jayle Creson, Janna Girty, Azucena Gomez, Danica Hill, Carys Holiday, Collin Ledford, J'Ron Lineberry, Victoria Palmer, Kyleigh Sherman, Evonne Stamper, Ann Toineeta,

Hermione Ward

**Beta Honor Roll:** Creedon Arch, Aizen Bell, Emily Blankenship, Letsi Burgos Delgado, Breydan Ensley, Leondes Garcia, Julia Gonzalez, Ayriona Hendrix, Brendan Lambert, Ezequiel Martinez, Alitama Perkins, Samuel Postal, Makenzie Rattler, Littlehawk Reed, Jon Robison, Shelby Solis, Gabriel Terrell, Awee Walkingstick, Isaac Welch, I Le Ye Ni Wolfe

### 12th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Katherine Armachain, Milli Bryson, Idalis Crowe, Chayme Cucumber, Autumn Greene, Ariyonna Hill-Maney, Destyni Johnson, Anthony Lossiah, Jaelyn Lossiah, Gabriel Palmer, Vivian Ross, Alexis Smith, Keeifer Taylor Alpha Honor Roll: Mahala Allison, Anna Bigwitch, Mason Long, Alessandra Luna-Martinez, Eli McCoy, Hayden McCoy, Alessandra Oocumma, Adam Panther, Brixton Reed, Lilah Reynolds, Kaden Smith, Ellise Stamper, Kamia Wiggins Beta Honor Roll: Dominyk Arch, Elexia Bird, Johnny Bradley, Nicholas Cole, Kensen Davis, Tanis Esquivel, William Hartbarger, Da'Quan Jumper, Jacklin Lossiah, Zechariah Maney, Aida Martinez, Connor Pheasant, Madison Plummer, Cavan Reed, Chandler Shelton, Destiny Siweumptewa, Nessa Smith, Emma Taylor, Ayden Thompson, Jayden Tooni, Avlin Welch, Kyra West

### **OBITUARIES** JhfiFR

### William Bird

William Bird, 58, of the Wolfetown Community, passed away peacefully, at Harris Regional Hospital on Saturday, March 18, 2023. He loved being outdoors and being in the woods. He also enjoyed spending time with his friends and family.

He was the son of the late Lee Andy and Myrtle Queen Bird. In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by his brother, Johnny Bird, and a nephew, Robert "Bonehead" Bird.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his children William "Gator" Bird of the home and Michelle Bird of Cherokee; sisters, Bernadette Armachain, Bernadene Long (Donald), and Mary "Penny" Gomez (Art); a brother, Fredrick Bird; and a host of nieces and nephews. His nephews will be the Pallbearers for the services.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, March 21 at the Chapel of Crisp Funeral Home. The Rev. Harley Maney Jr. officiated with burial following in Lee Bird Cemetery.

### Thomas Nelson "Pop" Treadway

Thomas Nelson "Pop" Treadway, 84, of Bryson City passed away Saturday, March 18, 2023. A native of Swain County, he was the son of the late James Nelson and Julia Lambert Treadway and husband of the late Ruth Treadway.

He was a member of Spruce Grove Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by

his brothers and sisters, Frank, Ann, Fred, and Jean.

He is survived by his broth-

er, Ted Henry Treadway; son, Scott Cody (Vida); grandchildren, Thomas and Taylor Cody, Isabella Sellers (Will); great grandchild, Dwayne Sellers; and special son, Larry Roland.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 22 in the chapel of Crisp Funeral Home. Revs. Roger Roland and Sam McMahan officiated with burial in Swain Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to your favorite charity.

The family would like to give a special thanks to the staff of Tsali Care Center.

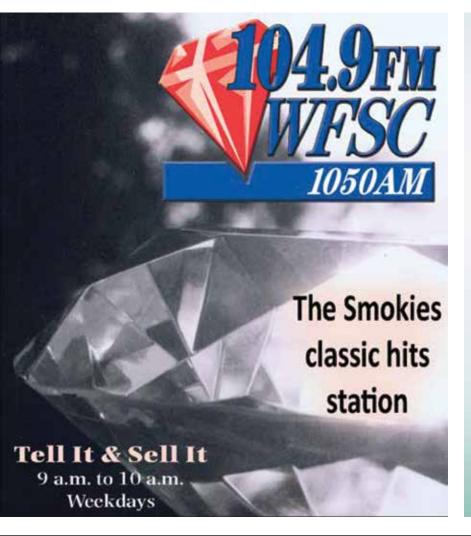
### Tina Murphy Curry

Tina Murphy Curry, 52, of the Wolftown Community, went home to be with the Lord Saturday, March 18, 2023. A native of Cherokee, she was the daughter of Carl Murphy of Maggie Valley and Mary Bradley and her husband Mack of Cherokee.

Tina was preceded in death by sister, Trina Murphy, and grandparents, Harriett Johnson, James Burrell Johnson, Mary Murphy, and Lawrence Murphy.

She is survived by her husband of 15 years, Dennis Curry; two sons, William Murphy and wife Heather of Cherokee, and Eric Dossett of Cherokee; one daughter, Courtney Dossett of Kings Mountain; grandchildren, Noah, Xander, Lily, and Dominic; Brothers, and sisters, Elizabeth (Red) Murphy, Joseph Murphy, James Murphy, and Amanda Bradley; many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.





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### **Everett F. Legassey**

Everett F. Legassey, age 62, passed away on Sunday, March 19, 2023 at Harris Regional Hospital after an extended illness.

He is survived by his children, Adam Legassey of Louisianna, Kimberly Marshall, Kala Legassey and Everett Legassey all of Connecticut; sisters, Cathy Hurt of Cherokee and Bonny Legassey of Sylva; nephews, Robert E. LaPante, Russell Jillson, Lance Legassey, Lyle Legassey, Alan Legassey, and Ernest Legassey; nieces, Brenda Dostaler, Heather Harold, Cassie Legassey, and Jackie Legassey; great nephews, Robert D. LaPlante, Gabriel LaPlante, Jacob LaPlante, Jordan Rodrigues, and Shayne Dostaler; and great nieces, Alanna Rodrigues and Monica LaPlante.

Everett was preceded in death

by his parents, Ernest F. Legassey and Evelyn Owl Legassey; brothers, Ernest Legassey and Tracy Legassey; sister, Wendy Jillson; and grandfather, George Allen Owl. Everett loved to fish and catch. He laughed out loud and liked to party and have a good time. He was a fabulous stain glass maker. He will be missed by all who knew him. No services are planned at this time.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

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### COMMENTARY

# Oh, what a tangled web we weave

### By ROBERT JUMPER One Feather Editor

Thave always been a great proponent of transparency in government. And I know that some of you are wondering why I won't let go of the topic. I think it is a critical need that is at the forefront of the issues of our Tribe. The trickle of information that comes to the public many times is just fertilizer for the gossip mill that takes a grain of truth and extrapolates a story that may be based on a small truth but has been built up into a big misrepresentation.

I was talking to a friend yesterday about the many areas of progress that are being made throughout our infrastructure, particularly the off-Boundary business development that we are seeing for the first time on any kind of grand scale for many decades in our Tribe. The problem is that so little information flows from these projects that one cannot readily see the benefits.

The truth is that the legislators and executives of our Tribe must and do work together to create improvements to our infrastructure that benefit us. There is a symbiosis between the two branches of government that has generated some pretty amazing things. We have been spoiled by the success of our adult gaming operation on-Boundary. When I say we, I mean me. And by me, I mean the average tribal member who hears both from the government and from members of the community, who sometimes tell stories about the same projects that have very different interpretations.

I don't think there is much argument that the gaming revenue has made us different. Our attention spans and patience are short. Our tribal members back in the day [unfortunately, as we allow ourselves to become a casino town, time benchmarks end up being before casino (BC) and after casino (AC)], including tribal employees, learned to live on the federal and state government timelines for grants, because most of our funding BC was through grants and what we could make from family tourism. We learned to be content in waiting.

But all learned patience was quickly unlearned when adult gaming came to town. No longer was the Tribe dependent on federal and state subsidies. The money started coming in fast and furiously, and so has our appetite for spending it. I am not sure if our ancestors were impulse buyers, but I am pretty sure they would be wide-eyed at the way we blow through cash. The number one question from the population about any economic development project in the tribe's strategy these days is "Will the money go to per cap?"

We want our cake, and we want to eat it too. We expect the per capita check to increase, but



Custom Jewelry - Rock Shop Panfor GolD BeneralDS SAPPHIRES RUBIES & MORE Smoky Mountain GOOD RUBBY Number Hwy. 441 Downtown 828-497-6574 Cherokee www.smgrm.com we also insist that our tribal community services do too. It's like we have got one of those mechanical milking machines attached to our cash cow and still, we can't seem to get enough milk to satisfy our cravings. And it seems like as the tribal services have increased and the per capita payments have gotten bigger, the biggest outcry is for more of both.

I once saw a child with its mama in a checkout line. The child was walking behind her, eyeballing all the candies along the front of the counter. It is no accident that owners of these businesses put candy at the counter. They know that adult and child alike find it hard to resist a serving-size packet of a sweet treat especially if we are at the counter with no time to ponder the consequences for our waistline or blood sugar levels. So, this child, before mom turns around, has gathered eight or nine bars of candy into his arms. When she does see the child, she tells him to put all of that back because they have candy at home. At this, a sound comes from the child like a car door has been slammed on his fingers. Large bellows and boohoos follow, along with a pretty fair stomping dance. I am sure the child would have rolled on the floor but that would have necessitated that he let go of the candy, which was not in his plan. You see, the child did not need the candy, he just wanted it. And when he was told no, he used whatever tools at his disposal to express his displeasure to the world, and to kowtow his mother into allowing

him to keep what he wanted. John D. Rockefeller, the famous businessman who once owned wealth equal to one percent of the entire U.S. economy and owned 90 percent of the oil and gas industry of his time, was once asked how much money would be enough for him. His response? "Just a little bit more." And from one of the richest men in the world to that child in the checkout line to you and me waiting for the next per capita announcement, we echo the same refrain, all we want is just a little bit more.

We ask for per capita increases. Not only do we get per capita increases, but we also get a new program that basically releases more of those dollars to us through tax relief. We ask for housing on a Boundary that is limited in the amount of buildable land available. So, we get multi-family housing complexes in addition to clearing and making available additional home sites. We want workers for our businesses, but we don't want them using our lands for housing. So we get off-Boundary workforce housing projects started to accommodate our need for workers. We asked for better facilities for our elder population. So, we get a massive, new tribal elder community project. We ask for more and better community services. So, we get a multimillion-dollar upgrade to our water and sewer capabilities that will not only serve the current population but is being expanded to accommodate the additional growth that will eventually add stress to the

infrastructure. We say we want off-Boundary business development because we are afraid that with the growing competition, our cash cow may start to dry up. So, we get four new, never had tribally, business LLC operations to seek and develop sustainable economic growth for our tribe, making large purchases in other states, like other tribes have successfully done in Indian Country for decades. These among other things are going on in our tribe as we speak. But, for some of us, it won't be good enough until we get "just a little bit more". And until then, we will take our grains of truth, embellish them, hold them up in our arms, and cry out that we want more.

I still believe that more needs to be done to share with our people and, yes, with the public, as much detail on infrastructure progress as possible so that those who might create their own narrative have less to work with and so the community may be informed when it comes time to ask questions and make governance decisions. In the world of information communication, gossip grows in a vacuum. Where there is an information void, that is where conjecture grows. As a tribal member, citizen, constituent, voter, every time there is a closed session, mention of an undocumented trip, or withheld or "lost" document, your "Spidey-Sense" should be triggered. For those who are not a fan of Marvel comics, the term "Spidey-Sense" was a superpower of the comic book character

Spiderman. It was first introduced in 1962. Spidey-Sense allowed the hero to sense and react to danger before it happened and may even have been responsible for the quick reflexes for moving quickly. A corny analogy to convey some truth. Every time you are blocked from seeing what is going on in government, it should trigger you to inquire from your leaders about what is going on behind closed doors. Yes, Spidey-Sense is part of a fantasy world. Then again so are some of the stories and tales that get created about the work of the government and the general well-being of the community. Good decisions are a combination of knowing and understanding the facts and using good common sense. Without information, it is hard to make any sense of anything. Without common sense, you may have all the information in the world, and it won't do you any good. And this is not to say that our leaders aren't doing a good job (see the paragraphs above). But all it takes is the appearance of impropriety, just a seed of doubt, a sprig of gossip to alter the course of development in a negative way.

And who knows tribal member, you may be the one who after using your good common sense to analyze the facts, will come up with a better way for, not just you and for your family, but for the whole of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians community to grow and prosper in ways we never dreamed of. Truly, you may just be our Peter Parker.



### **COMMENTARY** Tsali Manor Seniors thankful after bus scare

Submitted by Deb West on behalf of Tsali Manor Cherokee elders

On the evening of Dec. 8, 2022, Tsali Manor Senior Citizens were on their annual Christmas outing to Pigeon Forge Tenn.

After enjoying The Hatfield's and McCoy's Dinner show, we were going to drive through Pigeon Forge and see the Christmas Lights. Having made a left turn instead of right, we were going to make a U-turn and go back thru town. While making the left turn, I suggested to driver, Sam Crowe, that could we just circle on around

SOU ART because most of the little side roads circle back into the main highway.

Aside from the rain, it was a very nice and pleasant evening.

While stopping at a stop sign on a small incline, the back of the bus began to slide and dropped off the pavement. There was no shoulder, and we had no idea what was beyond the edge. The bus was leaning sideways with the front tires several feet off the ground.

Shaken but unhurt, most were afraid to move for fear of causing the bus to rock and maybe slide more.

Once our driver called 911, it was within minutes first responders, police, firetrucks, and many more emergency folks were there. Danny Ellis, Director of Transportation with Sevier County School System provided a school bus. Two ginormous wreckers secured our bus, and everyone was helped off. Folks were assisted onto the school bus and brought back to the hotel. Once back at the hotel there were several of the emergency responders waiting to assist everyone getting off the school bus. We were so grateful for these men.

An ambulance was also on hand.

While it was a very scary ordeal, we must commend our driver, Sam Crowe, for his composure and total concern for everyone's welfare. Although we could see the worry on his face, everyone reassured him that he had done all he could, and it would be ok. Sam apologized profusely, but it was all in God's hands. We appreciate Merritt Youngdeer and the men for leading prayers and all the silent prayers as we waited on the bus to be rescued.

With all the Emergency workers from the Pigeon Forge and Sevierville area, there are so many to say thank you too, and I'm sure we can't name them all. But, please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. We truly appreciate the gentle care and help you gave our Tribal Elders.

First and foremost, we Thank God above. He was with us. He protected and prevented harm to everyone.

Great care was taken to help folks off the bus as the door was practically facing the ground.

Thank you Sam Crowe. You always offer the most assistance, care, and concern while on all our trips and, you are greatly appreciated.



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### South Arts Grants

In These Mountains: Central Appalachian Folk Arts & Culture FY24 Project Grants

This funding program is open to a wide variety of organizations, including community cultural organizations, schools/colleges/universities, libraries, museums, performing arts presenters, community festival organizations, faith-based organizations, etc. Organizations must be located within and serve at least one Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) county in Kentucky, North Carolina, or Tennessee, Three projects from each eligible state (Kentucky, North Carolina, and Tennessee) will be selected, for a total of nine recipient organizations.

### Important Dates & Deadlines

Application Open: February 14, 2023 Application Deadline: May 1, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. ET Awardees Notified: June 12, 2023 Projects must take place between: July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024 Final Reports Due: July 17, 2024

The following is a top-level list of the main requirements necessary to be considered for an In These Mountains: Project Grant, Please refer to the full list of eligibility requirements in the program's Guidelines,

\*Applicants must be not-for-profit or educational organizations located in Appalachian Regional Commission counties in Kentucky, North Carolina, and Tennessee.

\*Funds may support projects such as broadcasts (television, radio, or podcast); exhibits; festivals; publications; research; educational activities; etc.

\*Projects must take place between July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024. \*Grants are awarded in the amount of \$10,000.

\*Up to 20% of awarded funds may be used for organizational overhead.

https://www.southarts.org/programs-conferences/these-mountains/these-mountains-project-grants#guidelines



# The Health and Human Services Poverty Guidelines are used to determine income eligibility for participation in Head Start and Early Head Start programs.

Children from birth to age five who are from families with incomes below the poverty guidelines are eligible for Head Start and Early Head Start services. Children from homeless families, and families receiving public assistance such as TANF or SSI are also eligible. Foster children are eligible regardless of their foster family's income. Program staff members may refer to this section of the Head Start Act to further understand eligibility for Head Start and Early Head Start: Sec. 645 of the Head Start Act.

Persons in family/household	Poverty guideline					
1	\$14,580					
2	\$19,720					
3	\$24,860					
4	\$30,000					
5	\$35,140					
6	\$40,280					
7	\$45,420					
8	\$50,560					

The poverty guidelines (shown at left) are adjusted for families of different sizes and may be used to determine financial eligibility for certain federal programs such as Head Start and Early Head Start services. The guidelines are issued each year in the Federal Register by the Department of Health and Human Services. A single set of guidelines applies to the 48 contiguous states and the District of Columbia. There are separate sets of poverty guidelines for Alaska and Hawaii. These guidelines may be used when determining a family's eligibility for Head Start and Early Head Start services.

### speaking of faith Stuck in the middle

### By TIMOTHY L. MELTON

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church Pastor Transcribed by Myra D. Colgate

### Read: Matthew 14:22-33; Mark 6:35-52

How many basketfuls of the boy's lunch leftovers remained? What a miracle that was in the middle of that region with no large cities nearby! There were at least 5,000 men, their wives, and children, but only men were counted, not their wives and children who were also fed. Think about this; consider it within your family group too. What would have been their thoughts? What does each person in your family think about this account of the miracle of Jesus?

I believe the 12 leftover baskets were given to the disciples to carry with them since they were asked to gather all the fragments, leave them there by boat, and go on over to the other side of the Sea of Galilee. Each was sitting with one basket full of the remnants of the miracle which God had wrought that day. Each man would have been exhausted and still having to row, with there being a contrary wind against them in that rowboat, and left with plenty of time to ponder over all that happened. They had to have been very tired by the end of that day. It had been full of His preaching and teaching, and the feeding of the whole crowd in that wilderness area and of answering any questions the multitudes would have had, as Jesus preached.

Jesus sent them off in the boat alone and sent the people home. He then went up the mountain to pray. He was high enough to look down and could see the disciples struggling, heading into the contrary wind, each afraid they might not survive the building storm. Jesus had decided to walk over on the water near them in the boat but would have walked on clear over to the other side, until they saw Him, walking on the water, and thought He might have been a spirit walking. Jesus was walking on the water they thought might be sinking them! The doubters had screamed out in fear.

Only Peter decided to seize the opportunity and asked Jesus if he could come out of the

boat and walk to Jesus on the water too. That "little" faith was honored by Jesus. As stated in Mark's Gospel that He had intended to go on walking past until Peter asked if he could join Him. However, there was the distraction of the sign of the boisterous wind on the water that Peter began to pay attention to and had begun sinking until Peter called out to Jesus for his rescue. In the middle of the sea, Peter heard Jesus' voice and calmed down enough so he decided to walk out to Jesus, showing everyone, he had trusted Jesus enough to do that much, but when distracted, he let go of his confidence. His confidence was still in Jesus, but not in himself. Then as they both arrived safely at the side of the boat they were invited into the boat and climbed into it and the winds immediately ceased.

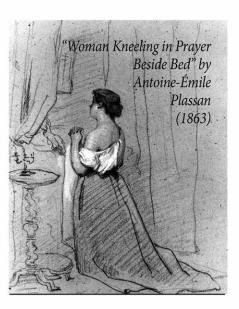
As Jesus and Peter were immediately surrounded closely by all of them, they each worshipped Jesus and began to say, "Truly this is the Son of God, as even the winds obey Him" Matthew 14:33.

Even though Peter had begun to sink into the water, God had planned. He never has lost anyone He loves and will reach out with His hand for them. He never has lost anyone He loves and will reach out with His hand for them. Peter knew and believed that! Jesus needs us to have our growing faith in Him and He can and will do all things. He has set His parameter for Himself to do just as Peter believed. Jesus's "eventually" is only because of His decision to limit what God can do by our own set of believed restrictions. His power was demonstrated as He and Peter climbed back in the boat and the wind immediately stopped. Peter first stepping out of the boat was all Peter's idea. All we can ask of think is limited by our own imagination or dreams!

Their reaction to Jesus' sudden appearance in the middle of the Sea of Galilee was because they were not expecting Him to show up in that way in the middle of the storm. Remember to set some parameters for He is willing to do all that one's own imagination can have in the middle of one's life. Don't get stuck in the middle of the circumstance. He is God! The disciples did not even understand the significance of the miracle of the loaves and fish (possibly as many as 20,000 people). Their hearts had been too hard to consider that and take it all in all at the same time. No one else had even tried to walk on that water.



I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. ROMANS 12:1



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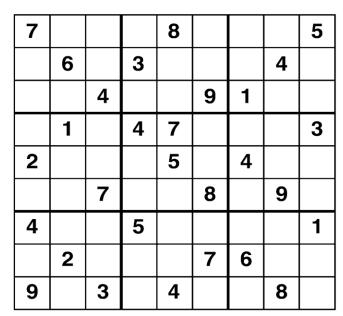
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# Weekly SUDOKU

### by Linda Thistle



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### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

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1. Is the book of Thyatira (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither? 2. Who was David's oldest broth-

the Old or New Testament or neither? 2. Who was David's oldest brother who picked on him for coming to the battle lines? *Abner, Omri, Amasa, Eliab* 

3. After Sodom and Gomorrah were destroyed, who lived in a cave with his daughters? *Job, Lot, Levi, Joel* 

4. In Luke 3, who told Roman soldiers to avoid taking money by force? John the Baptist, Paul, Mark, Matthew

5. What Canaanite city was burned down by the men of Dan? *Tarsus, Antioch, Laish, Cana* 

6. In which book is the phrase, "Salt of the earth"? *None, Matthew, Mark, Jude* 

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1. GEOGRAPHY: Which U.S. states share a border with Mexico?

2. MOVIES: Which movie was the first sports film to win the Best Picture award?

3. U.S. PRESIDENTS: How many former first ladies are still living?

4. TELEVISION: What is the name of Bart's teacher on "The Simpsons"? 5. LANGUAGE: What does the Jap-

anese phrase "domo arigato" mean in English?

6. CHEMISTRY: What is the lightest element?

7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Who is Marie Laveau of New Orleans?

8. AD SLOGANS: Which product was advertised with the slogan, "Great taste, less filling"?

9. U.S. CITIES: In which city would you find Thomas Jefferson's Monticello?

10. LITERATURE: Who wrote the autobiography "Dreams From My Father"?

# 🔪 HAPPENINGS

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

### **EVENTS**

### **BENEFITS & FUNDRAISERS**

### **Turkey Shoots at the Jesse Welch Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community.** - April 1 at 3 p.m., benefit for little

Sofia Cagle Good food, good fun, great prizes,

great benefits.

### Cherokee Speakers Council Bingo and Silent Auction.

April 1 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Big Cove Gym. Concession will be available. Donations accepted. Hosted by the Kolanvyi Indian Ball Teams, all proceeds will go to the Cherokee Speakers Council. Info: Z. Michelle Long 359-6416 or Kayla Pheasant 359-6406

### EBCI COMMUNITY EVENTS

### **EBCI Community Garden Kit Giveaways.** Must be a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and must show enrollment card to receive a garden kit. One kit per household. Info: EBCI Cooperative Extension 359-6939

- April 3 from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. at the Cherokee County Community Club Pavilion.

- April 3 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Jacob Cornsilk Complex in the Snowbird Community.

- April 5 at the Yellowhill Commu-

nity Basketball Court. 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Elders only, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. all others

### **Kindergarten Information**

**Night.** April 3 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Dora Reed Center Multi-Purpose Room. The following schools will be on site with information: Cherokee, Swain East, and Smokey Mountain. Info: Laura Owl 359-3003

**Start By Believing Event.** April 5 from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Water Beetle Stage at 498 Tsali Blvd., Cherokee, N.C. Join the EBCI Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Program to raise awareness about sexual assault by telling your story, connecting with others, and learning appropriate responses when someone discloses a sexual assault. There will be an open mic at this event to share your story. If you are interested in open mic time at the event, please contact Kayla Bigmeat 359-6867.

**Easter Egg Market.** April 6 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Lots of local vendors and crafts. Lunch by Melitia. Info: Denise Walkingstick 508-2211

Virtual Forager Fridays with the Museum of the Cherokee

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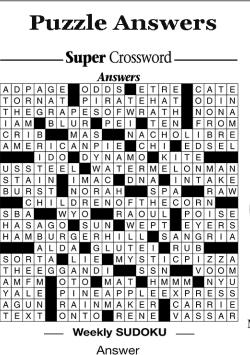
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Indian. View via the Museum of the Cherokee Indian's YouTube channel (https://www.youtube. com/@cherokeemuseum) • Ramps. April 14 at 5 p.m. - You-Tube premiere. Virtually tag along with a Cherokee forager on the hunt for ramps-wild onions that thrive on the Qualla Boundary and surrounding areas during the springtime. Learn how to identify and sustainably harvest this favorite allium so generations to come can continue to enjoy its bounty. • Sochan. April 28 at 5 p.m. - You-Tube premiere. Join the search for the flowering stalk sochan (also known as the green-headed coneflower or cutleaf coneflower), a delectable wild springtime green. • Wild Strawberries. May 12 at 5 p.m. - YouTube premiere. Join the search for the flowering

stalk sochan (also known as the green-headed coneflower or cutleaf coneflower), a delectable wild springtime green. Branch Lettuce. May 26 at 5 p.m. – YouTube premeire. The final Forager Friday of the season calls for branch lettuce—sometimes called "wild lettuce"— a versatile late spring green.

Virtual class, How to Plant and Grow Corn Beads. April 19 at 5 p.m. – YouTube premiere. Learn the step-by-step process behind planting, growing, and harvesting your very own corn beads to adorn clothing or jewelry. View via the Museum of the Cherokee Indian's YouTube channel (https:// www.youtube.com/@cherokeemuseum)



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ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) Eliab, 3) Lot, 4) John the Baptist, 5) Laish, 6) Matthew 5:13



### Answers

1. Four: California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas.

2. "Rocky" (1976).

3. Five: Rosalynn Carter, Hillary Clinton, Laura Bush, Michelle Obama and Melania Trump.

- 4. Edna Krabappel.
- 5. Thank you.
- 6. Hydrogen.
- 7. Famous voodoo queen.
- 8. Miller Lite beer.
- 9. Charlottesville, Virginia.
- 10. Barack Obama.
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### 7th Annual Spring Garden

**Fair.** April 21-22 at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Seeds, plants, yard art, education, and a RePurpose It contest for youth ages 5-17. Info: Lucille 736-5285, Hope 736-5453, or email Carmaleta at carmaleta@ msn.com

### Virtual Cooking Demonstration: Blackberry and Grape Dumplings with Nakota Chiltoskie (EBCI). May 8 at 5 p.m. – YouTube premiere. Blackberry

and grape dumplings have been a beloved dish among Southeastern tribes for centuries. Tune in and learn how to make and share something sweet this spring. View via the Museum of the Cherokee Indian's YouTube channel (https:// www.youtube.com/@cherokeemu-



**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Someone you relied on might resist your request for help. Get the facts behind their decision before jumping to conclusions. You might be in for a surprise.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) It's a good time for the winterweary Bovine to start plans for spring redecorating. Indulge in something super beautiful for your home. You deserve it.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) An inner conflict might keep you from taking the first step toward healing an old wound. Seek the advice of a trusted friend for help in dealing with your uncertainty.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Change can bring confusion. You need to take a strong stand to make sure your rights are respected despite all the fuss and fury going on around you.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Your financial situation continues to improve, although you still need to watch those expenses. Something from the past could affect a current situation.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Problems adjusting to a new job and unfamiliar surroundings might tempt you to give up. But hang in there — things get better in time.

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### Make Your Own Ribbon Skirt

class. May 20 from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Open to enrolled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians or other federally recognized tribes, this Community Learning workshop, taught by Kristy Maney Herron, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, guides attendees through the ribbon skirt making process from start to finish. This class is open to a limited number of participants and is offered at no charge. Participants must supply their own materials. Info: www.mci.org or (828) 497-3481

### **Cherokee High School Com-**

### See EVENTS next page

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Decision time is near. Talk out your doubts with trusted advisers. If your misgivings still outweigh your enthusiasm, it's best to rethink the whole deal.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) A situation has you puzzled. Be patient. The answers you seek will soon come from a source very close to the person at the center of your curiosity.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Your usually active social life is in super-high gear through this week. Your hectic party-going pace eases into a period of quiet time by the weekend.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) You need to start narrowing down those several new options that have come your way to just the two or three you really want to pursue.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) It's a wise Water Bearer who nurtures a fading friendship back to vibrant health. At work, a onceshelved idea is suddenly being reconsidered.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) You might feel swamped by a flood of work-related obligations, but the support of a trusted associate helps you get through each one successfully.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You are a caring person who often puts your own needs aside to help others. You have a gift for cultivating beautiful gardens.

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### by Freddy Groves

### Masks at VA Facilities not Gone

The Department of Veterans Affairs recently announced that they were relaxing the requirement for masks to be worn at all VA medical facilities. But if you heard on the news that the mask requirement is gone, it's not necessarily so.

There is now a three-tier safety system whereby each facility is rated as high, medium or low for COVID transmission problems, and each facility will be monitored weekly for any updates or changes.

So what does it mean if your facility ranks as high for COVID risk? I checked a half dozen VA facilities in my state, and all were ranked high. That means everyone has to wear a mask, they might screen for COVID at the door, only approved visitors can come in, physical distancing is required, and you should ask your care team about options for phone or video appointments instead of going in.

Sounds like nothing's changed over the past few years.

So I picked another state. Most were at a high level, but I did see a few rated medium. For those, the facility itself will decide based on what's going on in the area. Care partners will be welcome, but no other visitors.

Then there's the Off-stage and On-stage middle-of-the-pack medium mask category. For Off, it's any area where patient care is not being performed, like hallways and admin areas. For On areas, masks are required in patient rooms and anywhere patients are being provided care.

After much looking, I finally found a VA facility rated as low. The rule is simple: You must wear a mask if veterans are present. Read the signs when you go in so you'll know.

Bottom line: A mask might be required no matter what level facility you enter. Tuck one into your pocket just to be sure you have it handy.

To check the COVID safety level at any VA medical facility you visit, look at their website for their rating. See www.va.gov/find-locations for the list of locations.

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### Dog's Driveway Poop Is a Bone of Contention for Neighbors

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My next-door neighbor shares a driveway with me. We get along fine, organizing our cars so no one is blocked in. However, every morning she walks her dog up the side of the driveway and doesn't pick up after it. I've asked her to do so, but she said that since it's her side of the driveway she has the right to let him poop there. What can I do to solve this? — Stunk Out in Bradenton, Florida

DEAR STUNK: Neighbor disputes over dog droppings are always a bit nerve-wracking, especially when the offending neighbor asserts their right to leave a mess.

Check your neighborhood homeowners association rules to see if this issue is addressed. If you don't live in an area with an HOA, check out your city or county's website to find out if there are any restrictions for this sort of behavior, and if it's possible to file a complaint.

Even though your neighbor is keeping the dog on her side of the driveway, it's shared property. Further, dog poop left lying around, even on the edge of the driveway, is a health hazard. Not to mention how ick it is for anyone who parks on that side and accidentally steps out onto one of those "gifts."

No matter what, don't lose your cool. Stay civil toward your neighbor. Keep asking her to pick up after the dog, and note down the date and time of each interaction and each time poop is left behind. Take pictures with your phone as well. If the issue can't be resolved by politely asking, you'll need to file a complaint with the HOA or your municipality, and may have to provide evidence (notes and pictures, not the actual poo) to back up your complaint.

Readers, have you dealt with this problem? Tell us about it at ask@ pawscorner.com.

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### EVENTS: From page 31

### mencement Events.

- CHS Senior Parade. May 24 at 4 p.m.

Baccalaureate. May 24 at 6 p.m.
(following parade) in the Chief
Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center
Graduation. May 25 at 7:30 p.m.
in Ray Kinsland Stadium at CHS.

### 37th Annual Fading Voices.

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

### Annual Kituwah Celebration.

June 9 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the



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### Kituwah Mound. Celebrating the return of the Mother Town.

### **HEALTH & SPORTS EVENTS**

**Tai Chi classes.** Fridays from 12:15 p.m. to 12:45 p.m. for the month of March in the Welch Top Conference Center at the Cherokee Indian Hospital. Benefits include improved strength, flexibility, aerobic conditioning, and balance. Info: Ulela Harris, Cherokee Indian Hospital, 497-9163 ext. 7575

### **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.

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Monday - Thursday 5am - 9pm

Friday 5am - 6:30pm

What we Offer: State of the art equipment Group Classes Presonal Trainers Water Therapy All Classes are free with membership Smoothie Bar \*Coming soon - Hyrdo-massage chairs \*Parisi Speed School



### 43rd Annual Spring Pow

Wow. April 1 at America First Event Center in Cedar City, Utah. MC: Alex Shepard. Host Drum: Indian Creek. NASA Club (435) 322-0028, nativeasasuu@gmail.com

O'ahu Native Nationz Organization Pow Wow in Paradise. April 1-2 at Magic Island in Honolulu, Hawaii. MC: Kenneth "Tuffy" Helgeson. Host Drums: The Boyz, 808NDNs. Info: Lynnae Lawrence at ONNOpowwow@gmail.com

University of Central Oklahoma's 50th Annual Pow Wow. April 1 at UCO Hamilton Field House in Edmond, Okla. MC: Marty Thurman. Head Southern Singer: Kingston Pipestem. Info: Chris Hendricks (405) 974-3626 or chendricks4@uco.edu

Youth Pow Wow. April 1 at Grogan Park in Eden, N.C. MC: Vincent Short. Host Drums: Rez Ratz, Young Waters. Info: (336) 416-4913 or patrickjsuarez@gmail. com

Kiowa Tribe Liaison Office for Veterans Affairs Art Festival and Pow Wow. April 7-8 at the Kiowa Community Center in

Carnegie, Okla. Emcees: Tim Yeahquo and Warren Queton. Head Southern Singer: Sydney Toppah Sr. Info: Pershing Yeahquo (405) 274-2426 or LaRue Guoladdie (580) 919-1315

### **Relations & Resilience Pow**

Wow. April 8 at Ed Robson Arena, Colorado College, in Colorado Springs, Colo. MC: Steve LaPointe. Host Northern Drum: Medicine Bull. Host Southern Drum: Southern Plains. Info: Fer Juarez Duran (404) 281-9389 or f\_juarezduran@ coloradocollege.edu

### San Diego State Pow Wow.

April 8 at San Diego State University soccer field in San Diego, Calif. Info: Chris Medellin (619) 594-3188 or cmedellin@sdsu.edu

### WESTERN N.C. & BEYOND EVENTS ecoEXPLORE for children

**grades K-8.** March 29 at 4 p.m.in the Storytime Room at the Jackson County Public Library in Sylva. This month, participants will be celebrating the botany season with Emily from Balsam Mountain Trust, learning about the complex lives of plants. This program is free and open to the public. Info: 586-2016

Cherokee Days Festival. March 31 to April 2 at the National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C. The three federally recognized Cherokee tribes-Cherokee Nation, United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians, and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians-showcase the shared history and cultural lifeways of the Cherokee people through storytelling, traditional flute music, weaponry, woodcarving, beadwork, traditional games, basket weaving, pottery demonstrations, and music and dance performances. and dance performances. Info: https:// americanindian.si.edu/events/

### **Modern Political Philosophy**

**a four-part series.** On the four Tuesdays in April from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Jackson County Public Library in Sylva, N.C. Led by retired Clemson professor Todd May, this series will be in the Community Room. It is free, and no registration necessary. Info: Jackson County Public Library 586-2016

Lecture Series at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum (Dr. Lin Stepp). April 1 at 1 p.m. in the multi-purpose room. Dr. Lin Stepp will be lecturing and holding a book signing for her latest book, "Seeking Ayita" which is set in Cherokee, N.C. This is a free lecture. Info: Museum at (423) 884-6246

### Carly Robbins Reading and

**Book Signing.** April 1 at 3 p.m. at City Lights Bookstore in Sylva, N.C. Robbins will be presenting her new book in the "Secret Series" entitled "Secrets of the Unforgiven". Info: 586-9499

### Matzo Ball Soup demonstra-

**tion.** April 4 at 11 a.m. at the Jackson County Public Library in Sylva, N.C. In this hands-on demonstration, participants will make, sample, and learn the significance of Matzo Ball Soup in Jewish culture. This program is in the Atrium and is free of charge, however sign-

up is required as space is limited. Registration required by emailing JCPL-Adults@fontanalib.org or calling 586-2016.

Swain County Genealogical and Historical Society meeting. April 6 at 6:30 p.m. at the Swain County Regional Business Education and Training Center at 45 East Ridge Drive in Bryson City, N.C. Roy Burnette will be presenting "A Lost Mountain Tradition:

Foxhunting". Conversation and refreshments will follow the presentation. This is free and open to the public.

**Easter Hat Parade.** April 15 at 2 p.m. in Dillsboro, N.C. Judges select the best hats in more than 20 categories including: biggest, smallest, funniest, best-smelling, "poofy-est", most creatives, most

spring-like, and most outrageous. Easter egg hunt starts at 10:30 a.m.

### Women's Health Awareness Wellness Conference. April

15 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Long's Chapel United Methodist Church in Waynesville, N.C. Free health screenings, health education sessions, healthy living sessions, and health resources. Registration is free. Register at: https://niehs.nih. gov/womenshealthawareness. Info: (919) 541-3852, WHA@niehs.nih. gov

### 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

### Murphy Art Center events.

Visit: https://www.facebook.com/ OurMurphyArtCenter/events

### **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

# **Cherokee** Gutters



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### WE WANT YOUR ABANDONED AND DILAPIDATED HOUSES

The Cherokee Indians Housing Division is interested in purchasing your abandoned/dilapidated houses. As part of our mission to assist families with affordable housing, renovating these homes will provide enrolled members with numerous housing opportunities, while at the same time, beautifying the local surroundings.

For more information, contact Jonathan Rattler at 828-359-6357 or email jonaratt@ebci-nsn.gov.



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### EMPLOYMENT

### **Positions Available**

Bearmeat's Indian Den, has 2 full time positions available. Come in and we will show you what it is like to work at a wonderful place 4210 Wolfetown Rd, Cherokee. Or call 828-497-4052. **4**/**26** 

### VOC Job Openings

VOC has an opening for a Seasonal Project Supervisor. Must have a strong practical background in supervision, job estimating, sales, marketing, and must possess computer skills such as Microsoft Word and Excel. Must have basic mechanic experience in performing routine maintenance on vehicles, equipment with small mothers/ engines, lawn mowers, weed eaters, etc. A minimum of a High School diploma with three (3) years of working experience, in which (2) years in a supervisory position. Have and maintain a valid North Carolina driver's license. Pass required drug tests. Pick up Application/Job Description at VOC located behind the former Tribal Bingo. For questions, call 828-497-9827. **3/29** 

CTVRS has an opening for a Vocational Rehabilitation

**Counselor.** Indian preference does apply, but all applicants are welcome to apply. Job duties include providing Vocational Rehabilitation Services to Native Americans with disabilities in order to facilitate their employment and/ or re-employment by assessing the consumer needs, eligibility of service, and feasibility of vocational rehabilitation. Provide personal and vocational counseling, training, and job placement. Evaluate consumers' interests, qualifications, and limitations to develop appropriate employment objectives for them. A Bachelor's Degree in Vocational Rehabilitation, Special Education, Social Work, or a counseling-related field is required, with a master's degree in Vocational Rehabilitation or a related field preferred, Certified Rehabilitation Counselor certificate is desired. Previous work experience in a counseling position for a minimum of two years is required. Pick up Application/Job Description at CTVRS located behind the former Tribal Bingo. For questions, call 828-497-4300.3/29

### LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 21 - EST - 001 In the Matter of the Estate of

### In the Matter of the Estate of MATTHEW ARMACHAIN

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION Phillip Armachain PO Box 1091 Cherokee, NC 28719

Tribal Employment Rights Office Office Hours: Monday - Friday 7:45arn-4:30pm

### Now Available - TERO's Job Listing February 2023



The Tribal Employment Rights Office ("TERO") is pleased to provide a monthly job listing for the Cherokee area. Please visit the TERO Office or TERO's website at <u>ebci-tero.com</u> to receive the job list for February 2023. Our office is located at 756 Acquoni Rd in Cherokee, NC.

### **TERO Job Bank**

If you are seeking employment and you are:

- o An enrolled member of the EBCI
- Spouse, parent, or child of an EBCI enrolled member
- o An enrolled member of another federally recognized tribe
- o Spouse of an enrolled member of another federally recognized tribe

Youare eligible to enroll in TERO's Job Bank for job referrals. Please contact Hillary Norville or Douglas McCoy at the email or telephone numbers below.

> Hillary Norville -TERO Job Bank Coordinator 828,359,6422 hillnorvi@ebci-nsn.gov

Douglas McCoy -TERO Job Bank Coordinato 828.359.6478 dougeco@ebci-nsn.gov







# Oconaluftee

Now Hiring for the 2023 season

Open to all community members interested in employment opportunities centered around Cherokee history and culture.

> Village opens April 18th Flexible hours available Training provided

Apply online at CherokeeHistorical.org or pick up an application at our main office located at 564 Tsali Blvd Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 22E69 In the Matter of the Estate of Linda S. Sandlin

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION Collette Coggins PO Box 1914 Cherokee, NC 28719 **4/5** 

### RFPs, BIDs, etc.

### **Request for Proposals**

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Division of Commerce, an Equal Opportunity Employer, is soliciting proposals for the 2023 Island Park Halloween & Christmas Experience. All proposals should be submitted to our office by Friday, April 10, 2023. Proposals can be mailed to our office at P.O. Box 460, Cherokee, NC, 28719 or emailed to jayscrus@ebci-nsn. gov. Please contact our office at 828-359-7027 with questions or for additional information. **3/29** 

### **Requests for Qualifications**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Department of Transportation 680 Acquoni Road Cherokee, North Carolina 28719 Phone: (828) 359-6530 On Call Geotechnical Services and Materials Testing

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting Proposals from Qualified Firms to provide the following services: "On Call" Geotechnical Services and materials testing for projects on Tribal Lands. The deadline for submitting Proposals will be April 17, 2023, at 10:00 AM, EST. Please be advised that all TERO rules and regulations, Tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations and laws shall apply to the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation and to the procurement of work solicited through this advertisement. You may request the full Request for Qualifications (RFQ) and requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Robert Willcox, CDOT Engineer at (828)-359-6122/(828)-736-3921 (cell). 4/5

### Qualla Housing Mowing and Weedeating 2023

Qualla Housing Division is seeking qualified landscape care, to mow and weed eat grass every 10 days. The properties are 1. Wrights Creek Housing 2. Upper Birdtown Housing 3. Lower Birdtown Housing 4. Adams Creek Housing 5. Olivet Housing 6. Big Cove Housing 7. Bertha Saunooke Heights

There will be a site visit on March 28th @ 9:00am we will leave from the Qualla Housing Parking Lot (by the bridge). The bids will be due on Monday April the 3rd by 4:00pm. Put QHA Mowing on the sealed envelope and give to the QHA receptionist. For more information call Peanut Crowe 788-7097. **3/29** 

**Requests for Proposals** 

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Department of Transportation 680 Acquoni Road Cherokee, North Carolina 28719 Phone: (828) 359-6530 **On Call Paving** The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting Sealed Bid Proposals from Qualified Firms to provide the following services: "On Call" paving for pavement repairs on Tribal Lands. The deadline for submitting Bid Proposals will be April 17, 2023, at 10:00 AM, EST. Please be advised that all TERO rules and regulations, Tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations and laws shall apply to the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation and to the procurement of work solicited through this advertisement. You may request the full Request for Proposals (RFP) and requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Robert Willcox, CDOT Engineer at (828)-359-6122/(828)-736-3921 (cell). 4/5

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Water and Sewer O&M Program 1840 Painttown Road P.O. Box 547 Cherokee, N.C. 28719 Ph. (828) 359-6106 Project Title: Off-Site Water and Sewer Facilities in Whittier NC The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Water and Sewer O&M Program is requesting separate sealed bids from licensed general contractors for the purpose of installing an extension to the Whittier (TWASA) Sanitary Sewer District consisting of approximately 5,270' of 8"pvc sewer and

manholes and an extension to the Cherokee Community Water System consisting of approximately 2,300' of 10" ductile iron waterline with appurtenances.

Prospective bidders must be familiar with the terrain and construction practices of western North Carolina. Digital plans, contract specifications, and bidding documents will be provided to any licensed contractor upon request. Contact Mr. Ken Green at (828)359-6120 or by email at kengree@ebci-nsn.gov to request a bid package.

Bid packages should be addressed to Mr. Ethan Arch at the address above and must be received by 2:00 p.m., 05/04/2023 at which time they will be opened in accordance with TERO procedures. Bids submitted by email may be sent to Mr. Arch at ethaarch@ebci-nsn.gov. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered.

Indian Preference (TERO) applies for award of this contract.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Mr. Arch or Mr. Green at the numbers above. **4/5** 

# ADOPT A PET! 359-2380

CHEROKEE ANIMAL CONTROL All adoptions must be spay/neutered Fees paid by adopter.



### **Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements**

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

The selected applicant must submit to a pre-employment drug screen and local, state, and federal civil and criminal background and sexual offender screens.

Payroll direct deposit is mandatory. Indian preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate. The Cherokee Boys Club reserves the right to extend position closing dates or re-advertise positions without notice. Current Vacancies

Bus Department – (5) PT Bus Drivers

Cherokee Children's Home – Social Worker and Multiple Resident Counselors and Multiple PT Resident Counselors

Agelink Childcare – Multiple Teachers

Lawn Mowing Crew - Multiple Positions

Construction & Facilities - Skilled carpenter/ mason and experienced sheet rock finisher

Cherokee Boys Club P.O. Box 507, Cherokee, NC. 28719 828-497-9101

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Cherokee,NC. 28719 828-497-7384 Cherokeecinemas.com WE'RE HIRING .



# PUT ON YOUR NEW JOB NEW ME HAT.

Harrah's Cherokee Job Fair Wednesday April 5, 10am-3pm in the Resort Event Center Full Time, Part Time & On Call Position Available Finance, Culinary, Hospitality, Security, Surveillance, Marking positions available Benefits, Competitive Pay, Flexible Schedules

Get a head start and apply at: www.harrahscherokeejobs.com



### INDIGENOUS CONSERVATION CORPS CREW



EBCI YOUNG ADULTS 18-30

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

### <u>Benefits</u>

\$600 weekly living stipend

Food, Transportation, Outdoor Gear, Tools, and Supplies included. \$1,374 AmeriCorps Education Award-Upon completion of service Certifications in s212 chainsaw and wilderness first aid United States Forest Service Preferred hiring status On the job training with US Forest Service employees and CCNC staff.

### WorkForce Development

The Indigenous Conservation Corps Program is designed to give members skills, experience, and knowledge for careers with the US Forest Service and careers in the outdoor industry. Members will get training and professional development to help them enter a variety of agency career pathways.

> Learn more and Apply at: https://corpsnc.org/crew-positions

The Conservation Corps North Carolina Indigenous Conservation Crew is funded through the generous support from the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the United States Forest Service.



# Employment Opportunities

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

Senior Concierge for Front Desk and operations support - hospitality experience preferred

Concierge for Front Desk – hospitality experience preferred

Male Spa Host and Female Spa Host – no experience required

Competitive compensation and benefits packages available. EEOC

contingent on FT/PT and availability status

Apply in person or contact Angle Hill at angieh@mandaraspa.com or 497-8550.

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# SOUTHERN POWERLIFTING FEDERATION

Cherokee Barbell Classic

### March 25 starting at 9am

At the Cherokee Fitness Complex, 37 Cherokee Boys Club Loop, Cherokee, NC. 28719

FMI – Jesse Rodger 423-255-3672

Full Powerlifting, push/pull, bench press and deadlift Championship

Must be a SPF member to compete All records can be set at this event.

To compete contact Jesse Rodger

Guests can watch, but there will be an entry fee.



### Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians HUMAN RESOURCES

Cherokee, NC 28719

PO Box 553

828 359 6388

### Closing Sunday, April 02, 2023

1. School Resources Officer (Multiple) - Cherokee Indian Police Department - EBCI Law Enforcement (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

2. Juvenile Office - Cherokee Indian Police Department - EBCI Law Enforcement (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION 3. Maintenance Technician - Snowbird & Cherokee County HELP - Snowbird & Cherokee County (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)

### **Open Until Filled**

1. Detention Officer (Multiple) - Detention Services - Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

2.Patrol Officer (Multiple) - Cherokee Indian Police Department - EBCI Law Enforcement (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

3.Bailiff - Cherokee Indian Police Department (Corrections) - EBCI Law Enforcement (L11 19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSI-TION

4. Probation Officer (Multiple) - Cherokee Indian Police Department (Corrections) - EBCI Law Enforcement (L11 \$39,806 - \$49,758) SAFETY SEN-SITIVE POSITION

5. Community Response Officer - Cherokee Indian Police Department -EBCI Law Enforcement (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour)

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. Teacher (Multiple) - Qualla Boundary Early Head Start - Public Health and Human Services (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)

9. Teacher (Multiple) - Qualla Boundary Head Start - Public Health and Human Services (L10 \$17.58 - \$21.98 per hour)

10. Real Estate Associate Attorney - Realty Services - Office of the Attorney General (L15 \$72,342 - \$90,428)

11. Social Worker (Multiple) - Family Safety - Public Health and Human Services (L14 \$25.17 - \$31.46 per hour)

12. Legal Services Attorney - Legal Assistance Office - Office of the Attorney General (L16 \$64,389 - \$85,852)

13. Financial Analyst (Multiple) - Budget and Finance - Treasury (L15 \$57,982 - \$72,478)

14. Certified Biological Waste Water Treatment Operator - Waste Water Treatment - Operations (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSI-TIVE POSITION

15. Supervisor - Biological/Waste Water Operator - Waste Water Treatment - Operations (L14 \$25.17 - \$31.46 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

16. Tribal Prosecutor II - Criminal Law - Office of the Attorney General (L17 \$72,127 - \$96,169)

 Telecommunicator – Public Safety Communications – Operations (L12) \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

 Family Safety Grants Coordinator – Family Safety – Public Health and Human Services (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour)

19. Certified Nursing Assistant - Tribal In Home Care Services - Public Health and Human Services (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)

20. Hatchery Technician (SEASONAL) - Fisheries and Wildlife Management - Agriculture and Natural Resources (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

21. Registered Nurse - Tsalagi Public Health - Public Health and Human Services (L15 \$27.87 - \$34.84 per hour)

All applications and job descriptions are available at

www.ebci.com/jobs

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



### CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

### FINANCE

Billing Analyst II \$19.66 -\$22.25 Senior Accountant \$67,082 - \$83,852 Patient Access Specialist - \*Part Time Intermittent \$17.12 - \$19.26 Payroll Officer \$24.55 - \$27.99 Finance / HR Administrative Assistant \$19.66 - \$22.25

### **BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**

Master Level Therapist - Adult & Child positions available \*\*\$5,000 Hiring Bonus Targeted Case Manager – Family Safety \$44,107 -\$55,134 Targeted Case Manager – Cherokee Central Schools \$44,107 - \$55,134 Registered Nurse \*Part Time Intermittent - \$33.68 -\$38.72 Behavioral Health Consultant I - \$50,723 -\$63,404 \*\* \$5,000 Hiring Bonus Cultural Coordinator - Kanywotiyi \$21.13 - \$23.98 Integrated Classroom Skill Builder \$17.12 - \$19.26 Residential Technician - Kanvwotiyi \$17.12 - \$19.26 Residential Technician - Men's Home \$17.12 - \$19.26 Certified Alcohol & Drug Counselor - Kanywotiyi \$44,107 - \$55,134

### ENGINEERING

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

### **OPERATIONS**

Clinical Pharmacist - \$102,023 - \$127,528 PGY2 Pharmacy Resident \$102,023 - \$127,528 Dentist – Pediatrics \$131,405 - \$164,256 Dental Assistant I \$17.12 - \$19.26 Dental Assistant II \$18.32 - \$20.67 PT II - \$77,144 - \$96,430 Phlebotomist PTR - \$17.12 - \$23.98 Medical Laboratory Technician - \$22.76 - \$\$25.89

### MEDICAL

Clinical Dietitian - \$50,723 - \$63,404 Physician – Primary Care \$157,686 - \$197,108

# **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

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

### NURSING

Analenisgi Inpatient Registered Nurse – Part Time Intermittent \$33.68 - \$38.72 Certified Nursing Assistant – Emergency Room \$17.12 – \$19.26 Certified Medical Assistant – Pediatrics - \$21.13 - \$23.98 Certified Medical Assistant – Immediate Care Center -\$21.13 - \$23.98 Manager of Professional Nursing Development - \$77,144 -\$96,430 Massage Therapist - \$50,723 - \$63,404 RN Supervisor - Satellite Clinics \$36.56 - \$42.11 Registered Nurse – Emergency Room \$33.68 \$38.72\*\*\$5,000 Hiring Bonus Registered Nurse - Inpatient - \$31.06 - \$35.64 \*\*\$5,000 Hiring Bonus (Night shift) Registered Nurse - Immediate Care Center \$31.06 -\$35.64\*\*\$5,000 Hiring Bonus Registered Nurse - Kanvwotiyi \$33.68 - \$38.72\*\*\$5,000 **Hiring Bonus** Social Worker - Inpatient - \$44,107 - \$55,134 Telemetry Nursing Assistant – Inpatient \$19.66 - \$22.25

### TSALI CARE CENTER

Certified Nursing Assistant \$17.12 - \$19.26 \*\*\$3,000 Hiring Bonus\*\* CNA/PCA – PTR - \$17.12 - \$19.26 Certified Medication Aide - \$17.12 - \$19.26 RN Supervisor - \$36.56 - \$42.11 Registered Nurse (Nightshift) - \$31.06 - \$35.64 \*\*\$5,000 Hiring Bonus\*\* Registered Nurse - \$31.06 - \$35.64 \*\*\$5,000 Hiring Bonus\*\* Registered Nurse - PTI - \$31.06 - \$35.64 Fiscal Coordinator - \$50,723 - \$63,404

### **Tribal Option**

Tribal Option Business Analyst - \$67,082 - \$83,852 Tribal Option Administrative Assistant \$19.66 – \$22.25

## **To apply, visit careers.cherokeehospital.org**

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

# NC COOPERATIVE EXTENSION





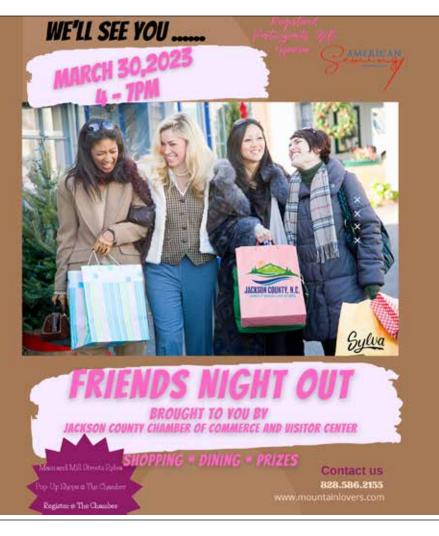
**YMCA Camp Watia Summer sign-ups** are going on now. Special rate for Enrolled members. For more information or to sign up, contact Tammy Jackson, Community Development Coordinator.

**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**-Deadlind 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** 



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Contact Courtney Mosley at courtney.mosley@robins morton.com

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BEHIND THE MASK CHEROKEE MASK MAKERS AND THEIR LEGACY

An exhibition at the CHIEF JOYCE DUGAN CULTURAL ARTS CENTER March 1 - June 1, 2023; Mon - Thurs, 10 - 4pm

> Reception April 6, 5 - 7pm

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