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# Shedding tears of joy

Council approves September referendum vote on Constitution

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

HEROKEE, N.C. – Tears flowed and people exclaimed for joy as Tribal Council passed legislation approving a referendum on a proposed Constitution for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. During its regular session on Thursday, April 6, Tribal Council approved unanimously a resolution submitted by the Cherokee Community Club Council that calls for a referendum

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Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy, center, cries as she hugs Tammy Jackson, left, following passage of legislation by Tribal Council on Thursday, April 6 that grants a referendum vote on the proposed Constitution for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Shown at right is Stephanie French, Yellowhill Community Club. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

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Members of the Cherokee Community Club Council and the Cherokee Constitution Committee are shown on the front steps of the Tribal Council House following passage of the legislation. Shown, left to right, front row – EBCI Beloved Woman Carmaleta Monteith; Stephanie French, Yellowhill Community Club; Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy; Trudy Crowe, Big Y Community Club; Bunsey Crowe, Community Club Council chairman; middle row – Venita Wolfe, Big Cove Community Club; Ginger Southard, Wolftown Community Club; Deb West, Big Cove Community Club; Tammy Jackson, EBCI Cooperative Extension Office working with the Community Club Council; Virginia Johnson, Yellowhill Community Club; back row – Robert Jumper, Cherokee One Feather editor and moderator for the recent Constitutional Convention; Ernest Tiger, Community Club Council vice chairman; and Lloyd Arneach Jr., Constitution Committee.

**CONSTITUTION:** Referendum vote planned for September, *from front page* 

on the Constitution to be held during the September General Election. You can read the entire proposed Constitution at https://sgadugi.org

"This is absolutely one of the best days I have had in 22 years as a Council representative," Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy, who made the motion to pass the legislation, said following its passage. "I see a future going forward with unity and strength. I see law that is solid that will protect our culture, traditions, our Indian community for the rest of our lives."

Prior to the vote, Bunsey Crowe,

Cherokee Community Club Council chairman, told Tribal Council, "I think it is a very important document for our Tribe...this is a living document. It's not set in stone."

He added, "It's for our Tribe as a whole, and that's why we feel very passionate about this and moving forward and letting the people have their say."

The Community Club Council lent its support to the proposed Constitution following a two-day Constitutional Convention held recently.

The legislation states that a referendum question will be added to the ballot for the General Election to be voted on by EBCI tribal members who would vote

yes or no as to whether or not to approve the proposed Constitution. If approved by the referendum, the Constitution would replace the current Charter and Governing Document which was enacted and adopted on May 8, 1986 by Res. No. 132 (1986).

Ernest Tiger, Cherokee Community Club Council co-chair, was delighted at its passage. "I see the Constitution as a riverbank, and the Tribe is currently flowing down the river with no clear direction on where we are going or even where we are because there currently is no shoreline. The Constitution is that riverbank and provides a clear understanding of where barriers are and also provides a compass on what direction we should move towards. You can read through the current Tribal Charter and there are zero accountability laws written into this document. However, what you will find is a plethora of obstacles written into the Charter to keep tribal citizens from holding public officials accountable in their spending or performance."

EBCI Beloved Woman Carmaleta Monteith has worked on the proposed Constitution for six years and said she was overjoyed at the decision. "I think they (Council) understand that governments need constitutions, not business charters, to be the governing document."

Monteith said she feels strongly about several parts of the proposed Constitution including raising the age to run for Tribal Council from 18 to 25. "Even though we don't have many people that age running, at least it acknowledges where we stand – that people need to have experience in

order to make good decisions."

Another part of the Constitution she particularly likes involves Grand Council which is outlined in Article VII and describes it as such, "Grand Council, being a unique body in Cherokee culture and tradition, shall be an assembly of the Principal People which consists of Tribal citizens eighteen (18) years of age or older. The Cherokee Community Club Council shall convene, establish the procedures for, set the agenda for, and preside over Grand Council." The Article goes on to describe the following: call for Grand Council, Financing Grand Council, Agenda, Officers, Quorum, and what to do with the results from a Grand Council.

Section 10 of the Charter & Governing Document states in one sentence, "The Principal Chief shall have the right to call a Grand Council of all enrolled members to attend and he shall preside over such meeting."

Monteith is vehement about the Grand Council section of the proposed Constitution. "One of the reasons I feel that should stay in there is the last one that was held was such a mess. Even though we don't know how it was always conducted (historically), at least this keeps a simple framework."

She said giving the Community Club Council the right to call a Grand Council is "including the voice of the people".

This came up four years ago, but Tribal Council voted to withdraw a resolution from the Citizens for a Constitution group that was asking for the same thing – for the constitution to be voted on in a referendum.

One of the original members of the Constitution Committee, Lloyd Arneach Jr., was elated following the passage on Thursday. "I'm emotionally overwhelmed. It's been six years that we've been working on this version of the document, and to see it enthusiastically approved to be on the ballot, so the people have a voice, so they can say this is what they want – I didn't think we'd get here this fast."

He added, "I was expecting pushback and delay."

So, now the Constitution Committee is switching into education mode for the upcoming referendum.

"We've got a couple of billboards that will be going up in about two weeks to start promoting it," said Arneach. "We're going to be putting together some mailers to send out to all the registered voters."

He said educational materials on the Constitution will also be distributed at the Community Club level. "In the Constitution, this version, the community and the people have more leverage than the current document that we're being governed by. We have a say in the government. We don't have authority, but we have protections and we have rights. And, that's one of the things that's lacking currently. It's just historic."

Article XVI of the proposed Constitution discusses adoption of the document stating, "This Constitution shall become the supreme law of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians when adopted by a majority vote of the registered voters of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians voting in an election and shall become effective after certification by the Election Board."

The General Election is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 7 from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.



### Native American Issues Subcommittee meets in Cherokee

**By JONAH LOSSIAH**One Feather Reporter

CHEROKEE, N.C. - Last week, the United States Attorney's Office for the Western Division of North Carolina hosted the annual meeting of the Native American Issues Subcommittee (NAIS) in Cherokee.

NAIS is one of the United States Attorney General's Advisory committees. The Chair of NAIS is U.S. Attorney Dena King. She held a press conference with Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed to discuss the importance of holding this meeting. The committee met at The Cherokee convention center at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort from Tuesday, April 4 to Thursday, April 6.

"During our NAIS meeting this week we will hold multiple panel discussions with experts on Indian Country matters on the topics of crime deterrence and intervention, criminal, legal, and legislative updates, missing or murdered indigenous people, drug enforcement and substance use disorder prevention efforts, reentry courts, assistance in provision of services to victims of crime, outreach efforts and programs related to community safety, and public health and wellness, among others", said King at the press conference.

King said that a primary focus of hers is to build strong relationships with tribal nations, especially with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

"When I first became U.S.



Dena King, left, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina, is shown with Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed at the annual meeting of the Native American Issues Subcommittee (NAIS) held at The Cherokee center at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort in Cherokee on the morning of Tuesday, April 4. (JONAH LOSSIAH/One Feather photo)







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Attorney, one of the first calls I made was to Chief Sneed. I wanted to introduce myself to him and let him know I was looking forward to meeting with him and to working with him to explore ways we could partner together to promote public safety in Indian Country. Right from the start, Chief Sneed has welcomed my partnership. He has continued to engage with me and my office to strengthen our relationship and advance our shared goals," said King

Chief Sneed offered his own insight on their working relationship.

"In order for the relationship between tribal nations and the federal government to flourish, we must have open and meaningful dialogue. I applaud U.S. Attorney King for her leadership in initiating the conversation. I look forward to the positive outcomes that occur when we collaborate to meet the needs of our Tribe and all of Indian Country," said Chief Sneed.

King said that it is important for her and her office to understand the intricacies of working with the Tribe. She wants to understand the specific issues and ideologies of Cherokee, and she said she has made a habit of visiting the Boundary.

"Chief Sneed and I collaborate and talk together. I think part of the problem has always been when you are in a position such as myself, U.S. Attorney, but you're never engaged in the community in which you serve...it's important for me to come to the community. To meet with members of the community, so that I can hear directly from members of the community.

To include young people about what their cares, concerns, and issues are. I can then better serve as a liaison for the Department."

Part of these efforts mean incorporating conversations with the youth of Cherokee. King said that the NAIS will be meeting with the Cherokee High School Student Council during this visit as a way to hear those voices.

Chief Sneed said that the efforts King makes don't go unnoticed, and that meetings like this one are part of building a stronger working relationship at a bigger scale as well.

"It's no big secret that one of the biggest issues between the federal government and tribal nations is trust.. how we create that is through relationships and building trust between individuals who are in leadership positions with agencies. I think that's where it starts here, at the ground level," said Chief Sneed.

The pair also addressed some of the issues they were most interested in discussing during the week's meetings. Chief Sneed directed attention to the 2022 Supreme Court case Oklahoma v. Castro-Huerta, which has been a major concern of his over the last year.

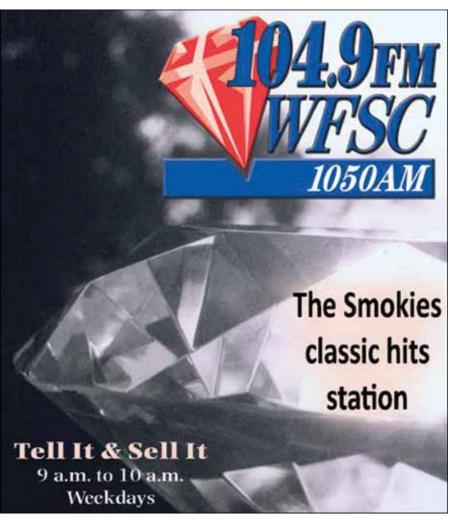
"One of the things that's an area of concern really across Indian Country given the Supreme

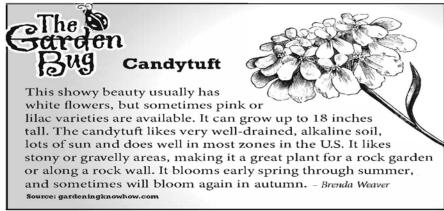
Court Castro-Huerta case that was decided, there are still many unknowns on that. Essentially the ruling said that the state now has concurrent jurisdiction, along with the Federal government, with crimes committed by non-Indians against Indians on Indian land. It's unique, because for most Americans, trying to comprehend that there's a government that doesn't have the ability to prosecute an individual when they commit a crime against one of its citizens, it's hard for them to fathom," said Chief Sneed.

King said this meeting was a perfect opportunity to update folks on this case and many other concerns Indian Country.

"Because that is such a great concern, that is actually one of the panel discussions we plan on having this week with the greater NAIS. Fortunately to date, so far here specifically in Cherokee, there have not been any issues with the state coming and trying to exert control over any case," said King.

The NAIS is the longest standing subcommittee to the Attorney General's Advisory Committee and it meets annually. King is the U.S. Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina and is based out of Charlotte. More information on her and this subcommittee can be found at justice.gov.





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### School Board discusses finances and spring break at latest meeting

**By JONAH LOSSIAH**One Feather Reporter

CHEROKEE, N.C. - The Cherokee Central Schools (CCS)
Board of Education hosted several guests at their meeting on Monday, April 3.

One of these was foreshadowed at the Board's previous meeting, and that was new Tribal Council CPA David Forester. He was invited in to discuss the potential of investments towards





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the CCS Reserve Fund. First, he wished to clarify what the ultimate goal of the Board was.

Chairperson Jennifer Thompson explained that they know this is long-term vision, but the goal is to be self-sufficient. The hope is that CCS will be able to handle whatever happens down the line and won't need to be as reliant on the Tribe for funding.

Forester explained that it would be difficult and take a significant effort. He explained what that kind of fund would look like. He said that they in order to fully rely on the fund as a budget they would need an annual 8 percent return on an account that holds around \$500 million. The CCS Reserve Fund currently sits at about 3 percent of that ultimate number. The Board and Forester agreed that a lesser goal was necessary for now, but that they would continue to work together to set goals. The next step for that partnership is to find the best way to make annual deposits to that account, and where that money is best to come from.

CCS Technology Director Carmen Davis also attended the meeting on Monday. She was there to update the Board on the protocol of IT at the school. She explained the Child Internet Protection Act to the Board and said that attending this meeting was part of the necessary aspects of policy. She was done with her discussion after about five minutes.

The final guest to the meeting was Donna Robertson, Cherokee Elementary School Assistant Principal. She and one of the Elementary School teachers were there to celebrate the Lexile growth of

students at Cherokee Elementary School. Robertson said that CCS was recognized multiple times during the Bureau of Indian Education Leadership Conference that was hosted in March. The School Board applauded the pair and encouraged them to continue promoting academic excellence.

The rest of the agenda saw the Board debate a handful of topics. The first was whether to grant a staff member an FMLA extension, which passed. The next issue involved a student waiver request. A move to deny the waiver did not pass, and a motion to grant then waiver passed immediately following with votes being 3-2. Big Y Rep. Tara Reed-Cooper was not present at this meeting, but the Board still maintained a quorum to vote.

Several items on the agenda involved updated job descriptions, and couple of those included members of staff shifting to a new position. Due to this involving discussion of personnel, the Board opted to wait until their next meeting when they would have their third-party attorney present. Birdtown Rep. Melanie Lambert suggested that the Board could discuss these issues and stated that the Board had gone into closed sessions without their attorney before. After a short debate, the Board maintained the decision to wait.

Spring break was another major priority of discussion. Reed-Cooper, knowing she would be unable to attend, asked that the Board have a conversation about the possibility to feeding children in need over spring break. They discussed installing something

similar to what CCS did during the COVID-19 pandemic, where people would come pick up food and some meals would be delivered.

The Board went over several options but did not make any absolute decisions. They discussed all the problems involved with installing such a program. For starters, CCS spring break was slated for the following week, starting on April 10. They knew that would be too quick of turnaround. There was also staffing and funding issues that would take some time to figure out. The Board agreed that they want to do whatever they can to take care of their students, and that they find the most reasonable options given the limitations.

Big Cove Rep. Berdie Toineeta brought forth a concern from a community member also involving spring break. She said that the person they spoke to was concerned about students missing too many days of school to play in the NAYO tournament in New York. NAYO was scheduled for that week of school, and so students would be missing multiple days of school right before spring break. The requester had asked if spring could be moved to accommodate NAYO. The timing of the events was again too soon to do anything about it this year, but the Board said they would consider it moving forward. This also sparked a second question around NAYO. Several Board members were curious if NAYO was considered 'cultural', and therefore students would be granted excused absences. The Board was not entirely certain of the current policy but seemed interested in allowing for that change if needed. The Board members

said they would address the matter once they looked up that particular part of the policy. No amendments were made during the meeting.

The Board unanimously passed the consent agenda after amending it to remove two items for further discussion. The amended consent agenda put forth the following:

- Elijah Littlejohn is approved as a Substitute Teacher for Cherokee Central School.
- Morgan Riddle is approved as the Elementary Teacher for Cherokee Elementary School.
- Hannah Lunsford is approved as the Elementary Teacher for Cherokee Elementary School.
- Jocelyn Flake is approved as the Elementary Teacher for Cherokee Elementary School.
- Denise Lacey is approved as the Elementary Teacher for Cherokee Elementary School.

The Monday, April 3 meeting of the CCS Board of Education was called to order at 4:45 p.m. with Chairperson Jennifer Thompson; Co-Vice Chair Melanie Lambert; Secretary Kristina Hyatt; Board members Berdie Toineeta and Regina Ledford Rosario; Tribal Council Rep. T.W. Saunooke; Interim Superintendent Beverley Payne; HR Director Jo Ray; and Administrative Assistant Diane Driver all in attendance. Co-Vice Chair Tara Reed-Cooper was absent for the meeting.

The next meeting of the CCS Board of Education is set for Monday, April 17 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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#### CIPD Arrest Report for March 27 to April 2, 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.

Brady-Smith Jr., Billy Joe – age 28 Arrested: March 27

Released: March 27 Charges: Citation Release

Garcia, John – age 60 Arrested: March 28 Released: March 28

Charges: Temporary Hold for

Jackson Co.

Smith, Jon Richard – age 32

Arrested: March 28 Released: March 29

Charges: Resisting, Delaying, or

Obstructing Officers

Taylor, Edwin Goliath – age 58

Arrested: March 28 Released: March 28

Charges: Resisting, Delaying, or

**Obstructing Officers** 

Buchanan, Cody Cordell – age 30

Arrested: March 29 Released: March 29

Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedules I-V

(two counts)

Driver, Kendall Juanye – age 24

Arrested: March 29 Released: March 30

Charges: Child Abuse in the Sec-

ond Degree

George, Elicio Sanchez – age 26

Arrested: March 29

Released: Not released as of report

date (April 3)

Charges: Aggravated Reckless

Endangerment

Morton Jr., Tony Ray – age 23

Arrested: March 29 Released: April 1

Charges: Failure to Appear on

Misdemeanor

Welch, Kayla Ansley – age 29

Arrested: March 29

Released: Not released as of report

date (April 3)

Charges: Assault with a Deadly

Weapon

Winchester, Zackary Vaughn - age

Arrested: March 29 Released: April 1

Charges: Domestic Violence and Dating Violence, Reckless Endan-

germent

Hornbuckle, Edna Renea – age 33

Arrested: March 30 Released: March 30

Charges: Resisting, Delaying, or

**Obstructing Officers** 

Lambert, Caitlin Juanita – age 24

Arrested: March 30 Released: March 30

Charges: Resisting, Delaying, or

**Obstructing Officers** 

Standingdeer, Kenneth Lee – age

Arrested: March 30

Released: Not released as of report

date (April 3)

Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedules I-V; Resisting, Delaying, or Obstruct-

ing Officers

Welch, Anthony Dirk – age 53

Arrested: March 30

Released: Not released as of report

date (April 3)

**Charges: Probation Violation** 

Catolster, Steven Michael - age 48

Arrested: March 31 Released: April 1

Charges: Driving While Impaired

Smith, Chelsie Marie – age 33

Arrested: March 31 Released: March 31

Charges: Temporary Hold for

Swain Co.

Wahnetah, Dylan Keith – age 37

Arrested: March 31

Released: Not released as of report

date (April 3)

Charges: Failure to Appear on

Misdemeanor

Johnson, Corliss – age 27

Arrested: April 1 Released: April 2 Charges: Second Degree Trespass,

**Damage Property** 

Long II, David – age 44

Arrested: April 1

Released: Not released as of report

date (April 3)

Charges: Larceny, Second Degree Trespass, Breaking and Entering

Childers, Lucinda Faye – age 40

Arrested: April 2

Released: Not released as of report

date (April 3)

Charges: Domestic Violence and

Dating Violence, Reckless Endan-

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Davis, Verron Doyce – age 44

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Charges: Second Degree Trespass



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# Cherokee Historical Association aiming for growth and expansion

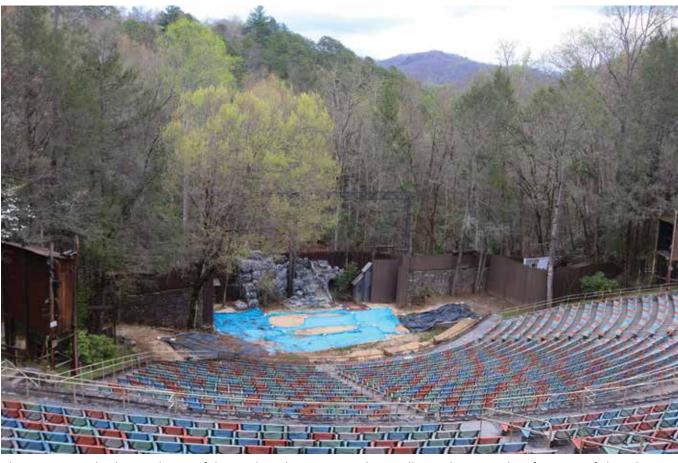
**By JONAH LOSSIAH**One Feather Reporter

CHEROKEE, N.C. - After several years of surviving, the Cherokee Historical Association (CHA) now wants to start thriving.

As leaders of CHA compile everything for their new 3–5-year strategic plan, they want to include several facets that are more long-term. This means looking intently at their current options and seeing what can be improved or added. John Tissue, executive director for CHA, said that they are going to be pushing for a lot more moving forward.

A big part of that has been establishing what they want their identity to be in Cherokee. "We're trying to think beyond just the Village and the Drama. What CHA looks like in that kind of world. Not that either of those things would ever go away, but what things can we add to that to enhance the cultural district? Cherokee's known for tourism, but the public face of what Cherokee is falls to the Museum, the Drama, the Village, and Qualla for the most part. That's not everything. Fishing is in there, there's a bunch of stuff. But the cultural partners bear the burden of presenting the face of the Tribe to the traveling public. We want to keep it fresh and relevant," said Tissue.

In that vision are more entertainment options. Tissue said that it is his goal to get more consistent and varied shows to Cherokee. "Ultimately, this is going to be in our strategic plan, even if it's still a



The Mountainside Theater, home of the outdoor drama "Unto These Hills", is shown on the afternoon of Thursday, April 6. (JONAH LOSSIAH/One Feather photos)

wish. We really, really, really want an indoor space. It doesn't have to be a big space, but we want to be able to do stuff year-round."

Tissue said that one of the aspects of CHA's current roster is that there are large gaps in entertainment. They plan to have more spring shows in April, the Drama in the summer, and Fall shows running through October. But each of those pieces of entertainment are seasonal and can be affected by adverse weather. That's why he's hoping for an indoor space sooner rather than later.

"I think people are looking for stuff to do year-round. To change the seasonality of Cherokee, we need to keep providing those opportunities. I think it helps that the Casino is killing it. They have lots of new restaurants over there. We, now, are able to serve alcohol. That can help entice people to stay for dinner and do a show. There's lots of opportunities and an indoor space would be pretty amazing."

An indoor venue could benefit from the enhanced concessions offerings that CHA has been dabbling with. The Mountainside Theatre took advantage of the Tribe loosening the alcohol restrictions of the Boundary and began serving beer and wine at shows last year. "It was interesting. We had better sales, of course. We did see a small dent in the retail sales at the drama. Because I think people were buying beer and wine instead of a souvenir, but overall it was plus-plus. You worry when you open that kind of thing up that you're not used. Ok, what is alcohol going to do with the public? Are we going to have issues? We had no issues. You know, knock on wood. These things happen ... but it was really kind of a non-issue," said Tissue.

CHA is not done with the Mountainside, though. Tissue said that with the other plans to improve the stage and backstage, they are also looking at opportunities to improve seating efficiency.

"We have a lot of capacity. We don't sell out anymore. In the general admission section, just behind the mezzanine...the first three rows, maybe four just based on what the engineers end up telling us, we want to put in like lawn seatings. Like box seats. Not necessarily the covered box when you're at a ballgame or something. But four box seats, or as many as we can get with the Foundation's grant, and then we'll expand it to four when we get there. I think we can upsell those as super premium seats. We've found with our VIP seating; we really haven't hit our price cap yet. We raise the price every year or so, and we really haven't seen demand fall for that. So, I think if we can come up with a 12-seat box that can sell 80-100 dollars a ticket, it would be pretty cool. We'd also make those available to corporate sponsors."

Another step in improving the cultural district in Cherokee is to collaborate with the other members, like the Museum and the Coop. Tissue said they have started talking with those entities, as well as EBCI Communication and Project Management, to look at some major upgrades to the look of the area. He thought that the trail system was a perfect candidate that would uplift each part of the district.

"The garden trails, which can be beautiful, has suffered over the last few years because of labor and all kinds of things. It just needs a lot of work. It seemed like a great partnership," said Tissue.

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Tissue said that the stakeholders have gotten together and are currently working with planners to get a project formed. He said that this would not be a major investment from CHA, and more so from the Tribe. He said that a five-million-dollar budget has been set for this revitalization project.

Chelsey Moore, CHA development director, said that another thing CHA is trying to push is Qualla Creations.

"Qualla Creations, unfortunately, faltered a bit during the pandemic and the last couple of years. Just having the capacity to put effort into it and things like that. Staffing. Stuff you've heard a million times," said Moore. "But with our new operations director, Lance Culpepper, he's really taken charge and taken hold of Qualla Creations. There are some new

vendors in there. We really want to partner with our community and get local vendors and local merchandise in there. I know when it first opened, I wasn't here but I've heard there was strong community involvement."

Moore also said they will be making Qualla Creations into a ticket hub for all of CHA's entertainment offerings. That way CHA can promote the Drama and future shows from more locations. Tissue said they want to affirm the identity of Qualla Creations.

"The idea behind Qualla Creations was to have not necessarily craft items, but Cherokee-made items. And Cherokee-designed products. Buffalotown is a great example. Newer design, fresh look on stuff, but supporting local folks. We've had some of Bear Allison's prints in there. We don't want it to be a traditional craft shop, and we're not going to sell just Cherokee-made things. It's a store and we're trying to hit the general public. It won't be a place for your regular kind of souvenirs. But it

will be a place to find things that are more interesting or a different take on Cherokee art. We'd rather say Cherokee art than maybe Cherokee craft," said Tissue.

Tissue said that to assist with each of the new ventures, they have established a new committee – the Cultural Advisory Committee.

"We wanted to have a place when we were making decisions about things at the Village, Drama, and programming, to kind of vet these ideas. We usually have a pretty good sense of what is historically accurate and what is not, but we really wanted some input. If we change this, how does this affect x, y, z within house? So, this cultural advisory committee helps us with making some cultural decisions. But it also helps us with operational decisions."

This Committee currently meets at least quarterly and is formed from the following members:

- Amanda McCoy
- Marcus Bradley
- Taylor Wachacha
- · Rachel Blythe
- Dustin Wolfe
- · Karen George
- Erma McMillan
- · Marian Hunley-Graham
- Laura Blythe

Tissue and Moore said that they are excited for all the developments that are coming in the next few years. They said that the excitement is growing even more considering that they are starting to plan the 75th anniversary of the Drama in 2025.

"We've got an exciting year for them. We want people to come out and see and talk us up in the community when they're seeing tourists around town. We want to present the story that they're proud of," said Tissue.

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#### **TRACK & FIELD**

### Cherokee travels to compete in Bulldog Invitational

#### One Feather Staff Report

MURPHY, N.C. – The Cherokee High School (CHS) track and field team traveled to Murphy High School to compete in the Bulldog Invitational on the afternoon of Wednesday, April 5. Following are results, per nc.milesplit, showing the top three finishers in each event plus all CHS finishers:

#### Men's Events

#### **Team Scores**

- 1 Andrews 112
- 2 Cherokee 105
- 3 Murphy 87
- 4 Hiwassee Dam 24
- 5 Rosman 15

#### 100M Dash

- 1 Ryan Payne, Murphy, 12.00
- 2 Kegan Ellis, Andrews, 12.02
- 3 Samuel Preston, Andrews, 12.04
- 4 Levi Winter, Cherokee, 12.14
- 7 Eli Bird, Cherokee, 12.41

#### 200M Dash

- 1 Cameron Groomes, Murphy, 23.67
- 2 Dalmon King, Cherokee, 24.54
- 3 Ayden Thompson, Cherokee, 25.65
- 7 Isiah Ledford, Cherokee, 28.82

#### **400M Dash**

- 1 Anthony Lossiah, Cherokee, 54.76
- 2 Joshua Hernandez, Andrews, 58.05
- 3 Luke Harbin, Hiwassee Dam, 59.40

#### 800M Run

- 1 Jaylan McCoy-Bark, Cherokee, 2:02.32
- 2 O'Malley Salinas, Andrews, 2:15.46
- 3 Oztin Swayney, Cherokee, 2:18.79

#### **1600M Run**

- 1 Ethan Russell, Hiwassee Dam, 4:51.37
- 2 O'Malley Salinas, Andrews, 4:51.76
- 3 Tyce Hogner, Cherokee, 5:01.06
- 4 Oztin Swayney, Cherokee, 5:21.04

9 - Isiah Ledford, Cherokee, 6:38.54

#### **3200M Run**

- 1 O'Malley Salinas, Andrews, 10:57.52
- 2 Ethan Russell, Hiwassee Dam, 11:00.02
- 3 Jake Miller, Murphy, 12:34.17

#### 110M Hurdles

- 1 Levi Winter, Cherokee, 18.43
- 2 Camden Breazeale, Murphy, 20.29
- 3 Jerry Bui, Murphy, 20.36
- 4 Eli Bird, Cherokee, 22.57

#### 300M Hurdles

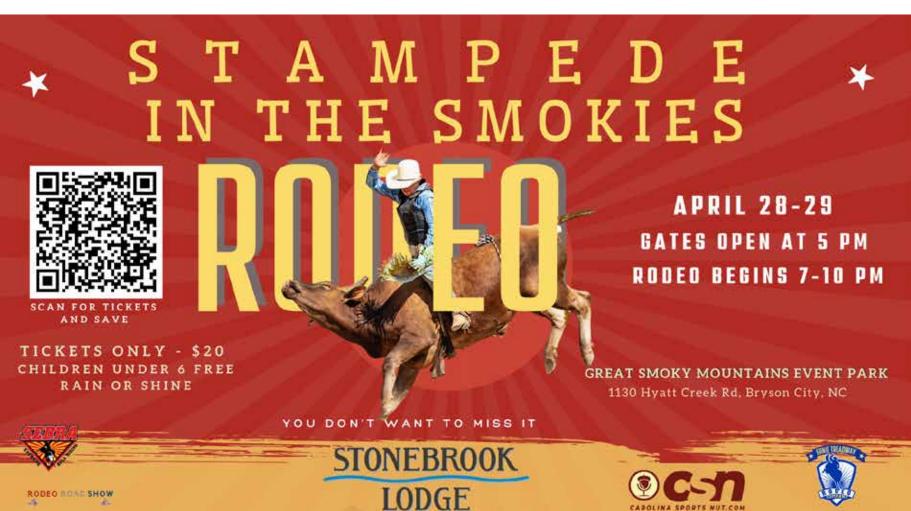
- 1 Levi Winter, Cherokee, 45.18
- 2 Camden Breazeale, Murphy, 45.71
- 3 Jerry Bui, Murphy, 53.87
- 5 Eli Bird, Cherokee, 56.40

#### 4x100M Relay

- 1 Murphy, 46.29
- 2 Andrews, 46.45
- 3 Rosman, 49.95
- 4 Cherokee, 50.33

#### 4x200M Relay

- 1 Murphy, 1:36.84
- 2 Cherokee, 1:40.39



3 – Andrews, 1:44.44

#### 4x400M Relay

- 1 Murphy, 3:47.88
- 2 Cherokee, 3:52.79

#### 4x800M Relay

- 1 Cherokee, 9:00.42
- 2 Andrews, 9:23.69
- 3 Hiwassee Dam, 9:23.71

#### High Jump

- 1 Logan Shuler, Andrews, 6-00
- 2 Isaac Weaver, Andrews, 5-08
- 3 Averett Templeton, Murphy, 5-08

#### Long Jump

- 1 Kegan Ellis, Andrews, 19-04
- 2 Isaac Weaver, Andrews, 17-01
- 3 Chandler Nernes, Murphy, 16-00

#### Triple Jump

- 1 Kegan Ellis, Andrews, 38-06
- 2 Myca Mustin, Andrews, 36-10
- 3 Chandler Nernes, Murphy, 35-08

#### **Discus Throw**

- 1 Kensen Davis, Cherokee, 129-07
- 2 Luke Smith, Cherokee, 122-00
- 3 William Wood, Andrews, 105-01
- 5 Luke Climbingbear, Cherokee, 92-01
- 6 Nathaniel Littlejohn, Cherokee, 89-08

#### **Shot Put**

- 1 Isaac Weaver, 43-07
- 2 Kensen Davis, Cherokee, 41-00
- 3 Luke Smith, Cherokee, 38-02
- 11 Jayden Tramper, Cherokee, 32-07.50

#### Women's Events

#### **Team Scores**

- 1 Rosman 136
- 2 Murphy 84
- 3 Andrews 71
- 4 Cherokee 44

#### 100M Dash

- 1 Makynna McDonald, Rosman, 13.16
- 2 Cayla Geer, Murphy, 13.59
- 3 Kylie Donaldson, Andrews, 13.89
- 6 Ella Sokol, Cherokee, 14.98
- 7 Niya Mora, Cherokee, 15.21

#### 200M Dash

- 1 Makynna McDonald, Rosman, 27.54
- 2 Letsi Burgos, Cherokee, 27.98
- 3 Alissa Cheek, Rosman, 29.80
- 6 Lexi Davis, Cherokee, 31.51
- 7 Ella Sokol, Cherokee, 31.74

#### 400M Dash

- 1 Corinne Cotton, Murphy, 1:03.78
- 2 Alissa Cheek, Rosman, 1:03.85
- 3 Anna Leatherwood, Murphy, 1:15.94

#### 800M Run

- 1 Lexi Powell, Rosman, 2:44.39
- 2 Marisa Cole, Rosman, 2:54.55
- 3 Tristin Powell, Rosman, 2:57.56

#### **1600M Run**

- 1 Marisa Cole, Rosman, 6:45.21
- 2 Tristin Powell, Rosman, 6:45.40
- 3 Emma Moretz, Rosman, 6:45.50

#### 3200M Run

1 – Marisa Cole, Rosman, 16:53.92

#### 100M Hurdles

- 1 Makynna McDonald, Rosman, 17.49
- 2 Kaiya Ellis, Andrews, 19.07
- 3 Hannah Talkington, Andrews, 19.73
- 5 Shelby Solis, Cherokee, 21.29

#### 300M Hurdles

1 – Lillian Orr, Rosman, 54.60

#### 4x100M Relay

- 1 Rosman, 54.65
- 2 Andrews, 55.58
- 3 Cherokee, 56.71

#### 4x200M Relay

- 1 Murphy, 1:57.25
- 2 Cherokee, 1:58.06

#### 3 – Rosman, 1:59.36

#### 4x400M Relay

- 1 Rosman, 4:51.47
- 2 Cherokee, 4:55.90
- 3 Murphy, 4:59.91

#### 4x800M Relay

- 1 Rosman, 11:30.49
- 2 Murphy, 12:02.70

#### **High Jump**

- 1 Breeze Hinton, Murphy, 4-08
- 2 Niya Mora, Cherokee, 4-02

#### **Long Jump**

- 1 Lillian Orr, Rosman, 15-02
- 2 Kylie Donaldson, Andrews, 15-00
- 3 Beth Shook, Andrews, 13-10
- 4 AJ Hill, Cherokee, 12-10
- 6 Adi Cooper, Cherokee, 11-02

#### Triple Jump

- 1 Kylie Donaldson, Andrews, 32-04
- 2 Lillian Orr, Rosman, 30-08
- 3 Kaiya Ellis, Andrews, 30-00

#### **Discus Throw**

- 1 Alexis Smith, Cherokee, 92-01
- 2 Aiden Smith, Murphy, 90-08
- 3 Saige Kent, Murphy, 77-06
- 8 Jaelyn Lossiah, Cherokee, 66-02

#### **Shot Put**

- 1 Alexis Beasley, Andrews, 30-01
- 2 Rylie McDonald, Andrews, 30-00.25
- 3 Alexis Smith, Cherokee, 29-09
- 5 Kamia Wiggins, Cherokee, 29-01
- 9 Jaelyn Lossiah, Cherokee, 23-06

#### **Adaptive Girls Wheelchair Discus Throw**

1 – Jordan Oliver, Murphy, 16-07

#### **Adaptive Girls Wheelchair Shot Put**

1 – Jordan Oliver, Murphy, 7-08

#### **Adaptive Girls 100M Wheelchair Race**

1 – Jordan Oliver, Murphy, 46.70



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# Tribal member appointed to head University of Miami Supreme Court

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

Dallas J. Bennett, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), has been appointed to the top position in the University of Miami (UM) Student Government Supreme Court. A junior majoring in history with a minor in political science, he has been appointed as the university's Student Government Supreme Court Chief Justice – a position never before held by an EBCI tribal member.

Following an application and interview process, Bennett was selected for the position. "My reaction when I received the news of my appointment was one of external calmness but internal excitement and celebration. My three years of dedication to the Judicial Branch had been noticed and my qualifications had won me the position. Chief Justice had been a goal of mine since being appointed as an Associate Justice in the Fall of 2020, and at that very moment, it seemed as though my career in Student Government at UM had come full circle, as all three branches voiced their support and advocated for my appointment."

Bennett said representing his Tribe and being the first Eastern Band Cherokee student to hold this position is a great honor for him. "The EBCI has done so much for me, and getting to represent our Tribe as the first EBCI member to be Chief Justice here at UM is just a small way of giving back to our people and proving that



Dallas J. Bennett, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), has been appointed as the Chief Justice of the University of Miami (UM) Student Government Supreme Court. (Photo contributed)

members of the Eastern Band can thrive anywhere and that even in the 21st century, the Eastern Band and its members are still making history both at home and across the country."

He is looking forward to his new role. "As Chief Justice, I will be responsible for calling and presiding over Court Meetings; attending weekly Senate meetings as the Parliamentarian; ensuring that their meetings are running smoothly and answering any procedural questions from the legislative body; interpreting the rules of Court procedure as detailed in the Student Government Statutes; serving as the spokesperson for the Court to groups outside of Student Government; attending Student Government Executive Committee meetings; and receiving and reviewing requests for hearings and determining, with input from members of the Court, whether to hear a case or not."

Bennett has fond memories of

his time as Associate Chief Justice and looks back at it as a wonderful time full of valuable experiences. "That position has allowed me to work closely with my counterparts in the Executive and Legislative branches of Student Government. As Associate Chief Justice, I presided over the Elections Trial Court Division of the Supreme Court for the 2022-23 Academic Year. I also served as the Judicial Delegate for the Senate Policy and Finance Committee."

He added, "In the absence of the Chief Justice, I was also able to be the Acting Parliamentarian in the Senate on more than one occasion. This position and its duties allowed me to see what the role of Chief Justice would look like and allowed me to prove myself as a worthy candidate to the incoming Presidential Administration and the Senate who would eventually confirm my appointment."

Once he finishes his undergraduate work at UM, Bennett has his sites set on attending law school. "My ultimate goal is to return home and give back to my Tribe, and eventually I want to get involved in tribal government working my way up to the office of Principal Chief."

When asked what advice he would give to younger students thinking of following in his footsteps, Bennett noted, "Your life and accomplishments will be great if you keep your mind right. Stay dedicated and motivated, and the successes you seek in this life will come to you. Be strong and represent our Tribe honorably."



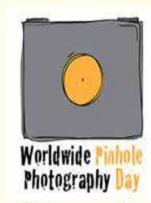
#### Young golfer honored

Cole Davis, front row center, a 10-year-old member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and a fourth grade student at Cherokee Elementary School, was recognized by Tribal Council on the morning of Thursday, April 6. He was honored for his ever-increasing skills as a golfer and for having won and placed at several tournaments recently. Shown, left to right, front row – Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle, Davis, Tribal Council Chairman Richard French; middle row – Painttown Rep. Michael Stamper, Cherokee County – Snowbird Rep. Bucky Brown; back row – Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley, Wolftown Rep. Michael Parker, Yellowhill Rep. T.W. Saunooke, Tribal Council Vice Chairman Albert Rose, Yellowhill Rep. David Wolfe, Wolftown Rep. Andrew Oocumma, and Painttown Rep. Dike Sneed. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

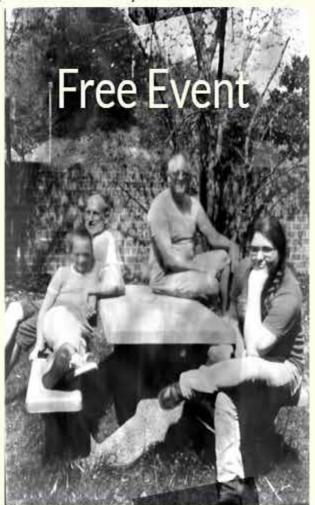


#### Tribal member finishes first novel

Skylar J. Jenkins (blue shirt), a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians from the Snowbird Community, was recognized by Tribal Council on Thursday, April 6 for recently completing his first novel entitled "Yesteryear". The book is being printed now and will be available soon, and the One Feather will post information on how to purchase it when it is available. Shown, left to right, front row - Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle, Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley, Yellowhill Rep. David Wolfe, Tribal Council Chairman Richard French; second row - Cherokee County - Snowbird Rep. Bucky Brown, Painttown Rep. Michael Stamper; back row - Yellowhill Rep. T.W. Saunooke, Wolftown Rep. Michael Parker, Wolftown Rep. Andrew Oocumma, Jerkins, Tribal Council Vice Chairman Albert Rose, and Painttown Rep. Dike Sneed. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)



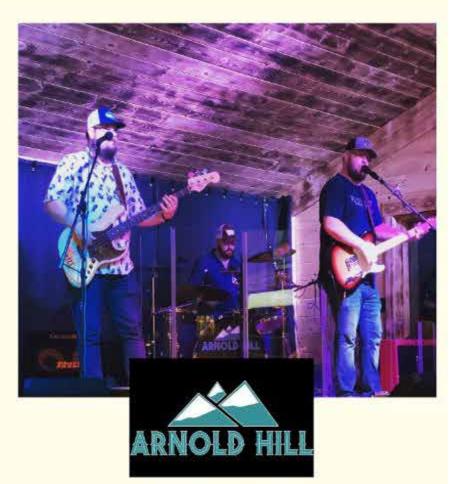
Celebrate this most basic form of photography by constructing your own pinhole camera and shooting photos with your new camera.



This photo took over a minute to expose with a pinhole camera.

Sunday, April 30, 2023 2pm-5pm

Swain Arts Center 1415 Fontana Road Bryson City, NC 28713 828-488-7843



April 22, 2023 6pm

This is a fundraising event for the Swain High Rock Band Club.



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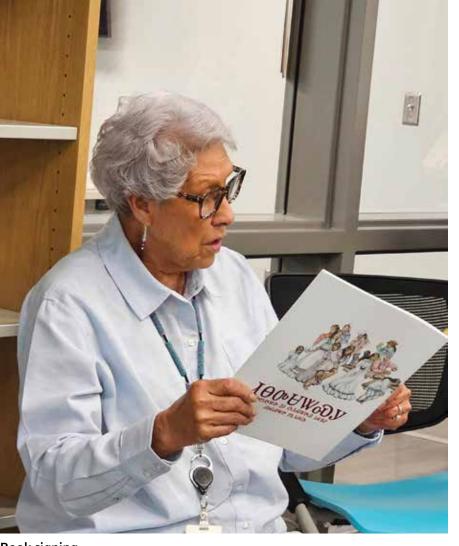


#### Famly Garden Kits given away to tribal members

Family Garden Kits were distributed to seniors of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) at the Yellowhill open basketball court on Wednesday, April 5. Pictured above, Will Tushka, of the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office, gives a kit to Becky Bridges. The kits, provided by the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office, included: Hickory Cane Corn, Cucumbers, Creasy Greens, Candy Roaster, Pink Banana Squash, October Beans, White half runner beans, Cherokee Trail of Tear pole beans, White onion sets, and Strawberry plants. Kathi Littlejohn, an EBCI tribal elder, said, "My family will help with the planting and care of the garden this planting season. There are no plans to enter items for the Fair, but the family will help with the eating too." Over 200 kits were given away in Cherokee County and Snowbird communities on Monday, April 3. (DAWN ARNEACH/One Feather photos)



Strawberry plants were included in this year's kits.



#### Book signing

EBCI Beloved Woman Myrtle Driver Johnson held a book signing and reading event for her new book, "Shellshakers", at the Snowbird Community Library in the Snowbird Community on the morning of Monday, April 3. (Photos by Zena Rattler, Snowbird Community Library manager)





Come dressed as your favorite Star Wars
Character as we enjoy total nerdiness with
lightsaber duels and a screening of the original
theatrical release of *The Empire Strikes Back*.



6pm-10pm

#### New enrollees of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (Oct. 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023)

This is a list of new enrollees of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians who were officially enrolled between Oct. 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023, who, unless otherwise prohibited by law, are eligible to receive a per capita distribution of distributable net gaming revenue for the period of Oct. 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023. This list is being published according to Cherokee Code Section 16C-4.

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Cypress Elizabeth Armachain
Gunner Ray Autrey

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### VOTE Ernest Tiger for Yellowhill Council Supporting Blue Collar Workers

Siyo, my name is Ernest Tiger, it is my honor to have this opportunity to introduce my 2023 Yellowhill Council Candidacy to you. My people are mother Judy Gloyne-Tiger and father Michael Tiger. I have over 30 years of experience in working with Native American Tribes, specializing in Economic Development, Tribal Program Development, Housing, and Public Relations.

I am Bird Clan and currently serve as the Treasurer for the Yellowhill Community Club and Vice-Chair for the Cherokee Community Club Council. Since being appointed to these Boards, I have continued my mission to improve the quality of life for my people, by assisting in the development of the Tribal Constitution and recent submission of two resolutions-"Acknowledge Experience in Hiring" for Blue Collar workers for the Tribe and "Reimbursement for Land Surveys." By submission of these resolutions, I hope to establish accountability for Tribal Council Representatives, create equal opportunity in all Hiring for the Tribe, and eliminate the long wait periods for conducting Land Surveys.

If elected to office I will continue fighting for equality in Hiring, Contracting, and create more Housing for my Community.

I thank you for this opportunity and as exhibited in my current position as Housing Specialist that I will continue to do everything in my authority to create and placement for those in need.

Sincerely, Ernest Tiger, 828-538-1220

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(Oct. 1, 2022	2 – March 31, 2023)	12/31/22	Troy James Crowe - Executor Melissa Crowe
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pursuant to Se	ection 16C-5 of the Cherokee Code.	1/5/23	Mary Kathryn Grauman
This section	on does not apply to deceased minors. Distribution to	1/7/23	Mark Phillips Parker
	deceased member may be made only to the authorized,	1/8/23	Mia Faye Lambert - Executor James Henry Lambert
	nted, fiduciary, affiant, executor, or administrator of the	1/11/23	Oliver Otter, Jr.
	documents must be received within one year of the date of	1/12/23	Andreanne Rose Catt
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kee, NC 28719		1/15/23	Adriana Nicole Garcilita
	on is shown with their date of death, full name and execu-	1/16/23	Edward Charles Bernhisel, Jr.
tor(s):		1/18/23	Alan Chekelelee
10/7/22	Shira Denise McCoy- Executor Draven McCoy	1/19/23	Michelle Lavonne Rodriguez
10/9/22	Virginia Lee Saunooke- Executor Gerena Parker	1/21/23	Sarah Rosalie Lewis
10/10/22	Albert Wesley Driver, Sr Executor Pauline E. Driver	1/24/23	Gabriel Dillon Chekelelee
10/12/22	Harold Cecil Rogers - Executor Alicia Russell Rogers	1/26/23	Richard Allen Lossiah
10/15/22	Timothy Raymond Wolfe - Executors Jacob Wolfe and	1/27/23	Frank Welch
Trisha Mylet		1/29/23	David Joseph DuPree
10/16/22	Jon Tanoli Jessan George	1/31/23	Phillip Owle, Jr.
10/21/22	Regina Watty - Executor Brandy Watty	2/5/23	Henry Robert Youngdeer
10/24/22	Davis Welch - Executor Jamie Welch	2/6/23	Linda Carol Crowe - Executor Sutaga Standingdeer
10/30/22	Richard Lee Smith	2/6/23	Lance John Lossiah
11/5/22	Allen Edward Reed - Executor Anita Reed	2/13/23	Aniyah Christine Sampson
11/8/22	Melissa Ann Maney	2/13/23	Roberta Rice
11/8/22	Christopher David Smith	2/21/23	William Decatur Davis, Jr.
11/9/22	Max Wayland Monteith, Jr.	2/23/23	Freda Charlene Maya
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11/18/22	Sammie Wayne Owle	2/26/23	Donald Franklin Alexander
11/22/22	Sandra Darlene Reagan	3/1/23	John Charles Sherrill
11/23/22	Catherine Brown - Executor Israel Weeks	3/3/23	Deborah Dee Walkingstick
11/24/22	Melinna Pearl Bennett	3/10/23	Shane Louis Walkingstick
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son		3/12/23	William Dwight Beck
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11/29/22	Garfield Junior Axe-Long - Executors James E. Long and	3/18/23	William Allen Bird
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12/4/22	Merle Harold Byrd	3/27/23	Henry David Welch
12/6/22	Michael Ray Driver, Sr.	3/27/23	Frances Elizabeth Sequoyah
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Walter Keith Thompson - Executors Caroline T. Hyatt

Marguerite Karen Owl - Executor Kimber Jenkins

Toby Alexander Crowe - Executor Eric Crowe

Billie Jean Ledford - Executor Susan Nadine Lossiah

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and Jennifer Thompson



# PRINCIPLED LEADERSHIP FOR THE PRINCIPAL PEOPLE

Since I entered office, my team and I have taken a principled approach to leadership. We have done so knowing that this work is for the **Principal People** – **Aniyvwiya** – the citizens who comprise a strong, innovative, and proud nation. It is only through principled actions that we see collective progress and only in the collective progress that we remain the Principal People our ancestors expect us to be.

**Principled Leadership** is values-driven decision making. It is proactive, not reactive. It results in progress and stability.

The following is just an overview of what we have accomplished together and will continue to build upon:

### Economic Prosperity-Valuing Steady, Persistent Growth

We have taken a principled approach to economic investment, and it has yielded significant dividends...literally.

We have accomplished this by implementing a strategic diversification plan that protects our assets while growing the services you receive well into the future. We have also aggressively exercised our sovereignty to make significant legal changes, resulting in savings and earnings for your family.

### Quality of Life-Valuing to-hi (well-being)

We have taken a principled approach to well-being, beyond the scope of conventional healthcare.

We have accomplished this by proactively safeguarding our community. Our closure of the Qualla Boundary while still providing resources, ample testing, and early vaccinations for our citizens saved lives at rates far beyond our neighbors in NC and in Indian Country. Our continued comprehensive approach to long-term care means that we treat the whole person for a lifetime.

### Compassionate Community Development-Valuing Sense of Place

We have taken a principled approach to growing our communities in a responsible, equitable, and sustainable manner.

We have accomplished this through a balance of compassion, sustainable development, and future-focused strategies that put families in homes, invigorate Cherokee Language learning, and protect our ancestral lands.

Over the coming weeks, we will continue to share both the accomplishments of this administration and outline plans for continuing values-based progress for you, our fellow Eastern Band citizens.

On June 1st, I humbly ask for your support and your vote.

Re-Elect Richie Sneed for Principal Chief

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### CHEROKEE GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### 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.

# 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 Enforce**ment 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.

# THANK YOU LETTERS Thank you from the family of Pillio Lodford

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The family of Billie Ledford (Beanie) would like to thank Bigwitch Baptist Church, Ben Reed for the beautiful service, Melvin and Zena Wolfe for the beautiful songs, and the Vice Chief's office for the food.

The family of Beanie

## NATIONAL PARK NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Special programs offered for American Sign Language Day at Cades Cove

GATLINBURG, Tenn.— Great Smoky Mountains National Park is incorporating American Sign Language (ASL) into its Cades Cove educational programs on Saturday, April 15 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to celebrate National American Sign Language Day.

"We've had tremendous support from local educational institutions and ASL educators to plan and coordinate the day," said Cades Cove Ranger Jeanine Ferrence. "We're excited to work with them to make our programs more inclusive and accessible."

The day's activities will include immersive stations where visitors can explore the park and learn related signs from 19 local ASL interpreters. Stations include a guided walk on the new accessible path to the John Oliver Cabin, historic demonstrations and tours in the Cable Mill area, and activities based on a new Junior Ranger Activity Guide. Each station will have

a word that participants will learn to sign, as well as a stamp with that word in ASL. Visitors can stop by the stations at any time and are encouraged to collect as many stamps as possible! Most activities are designed to be shorter than 15 minutes for those visitors who are enjoying a scenic drive through Cades Cove.

Certified ASL interpreters and students from the University of Tennessee, Maryville College, Knoxville Center for the Deaf, and Maryville High School will be on hand at all stations to help with the activities. Maryville High School ASL teacher Michelle Norman worked with Ferrence and Cades Cove volunteer Judy Matuszewksi to plan and coordinate the event.

Junior Ranger Activity Guides for ASL Day participants are available at the Cades Cove Visitor Center and Cades Cove Orientation Shelter. The official book for the park's popular Junior Ranger program, the activity guide is for all ages and is designed for families and groups to work on together. Visitors may earn their Junior Ranger badges by completing the book and taking part in events throughout the day.

For more information about National American Sign Language Day events at Cades Cove, please contact Jeanine Ferrence (jeanine\_ferrence@nps.gov).

- National Park Service release



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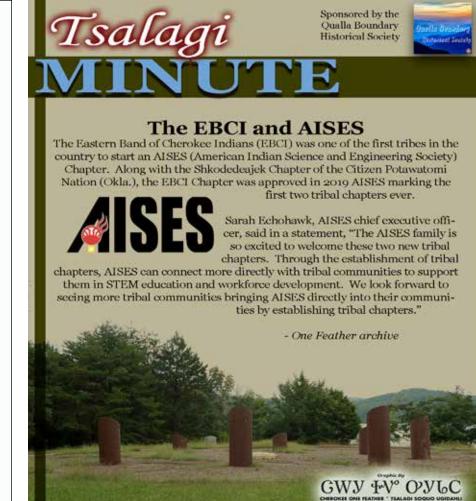
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#### **OBITUARIES** JhfifR

#### Ammons Perry "Whagoo" Tramper

Ammons Perry "Whagoo"
Tramper, 59, of 1011 Old Soco Rd.
in Cherokee, N.C., passed away
unexpectedly on Sunday, April 2,
2023. Ammons was the son of the
late Henry LeRoy Tramper and
Annie Ruth (Armachain) Tramper.

He was a member of the Macedonia Baptist Church on Soco and was a self-employed craftsman and entertainer and delighted people from far and wide. He was the loving husband to Thelma Kay Bird of the home for more than 38 years. Ammons is survived by his children, Dustin Tramper (wife Mari) of Cherokee, Auston Tramper of the home, Steven Bird of the home, and Roberta Bird of Cherokee; brothers, Robert Lee Tramper and Daniel Curt Tramper (wife

Teresa) of Cherokee; 12 grandchildren dren and two great-grandchildren who were listed as follows: When thinking of the grandchildren Ammons was known as "Dad" to Shaudell, Chayton, Mikhail, and Robert, and was known as grandpa to Haileigh, Draedon, Chanttin, Annie, Jayden, Dustin Jr., Nyla, and John; and great-grandpa to Lonnie and Aviana. Also surviving are special nephews, Star Pheasant and Dewy Bird.

Ammons was preceded in death by brother, Henry James Tramper; sisters, Witchie Ann Tramper, Nellie Marie Driver, and Linda Kay Tramper; nieces, Bobbie Lynn Driver, Rose Ann Driver; nephews, Robert Travis Bird and Henry James Driver.

A funeral service was held at Macedonia Baptist Church on Wednesday, April 5 with Pastor Harley Maney officiating. An immediate burial followed in the Bird-Tramper Cemetery at 1011 Old Soco Rd. with pall bearers being Chanttin Travis Tramper, Kikhail Hernandez, Chayton Hernandez, Thomas "Star" Pheasant, and Kenneth "Dewy" Tramper.

Long House Funeral Home assisted in the final arrangements.

#### **Eva Tooni Reed**

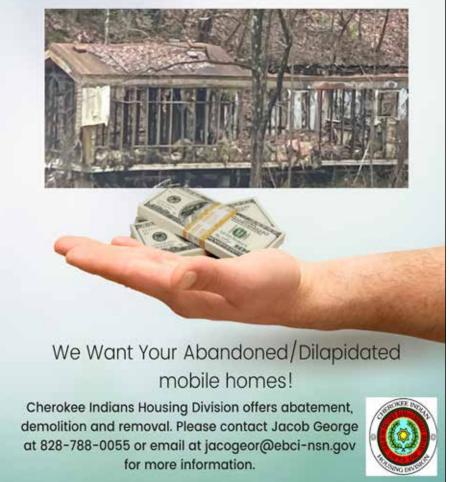
Eva Tooni Reed, 79, of the Big Y Community of Cherokee, N.C., passed away peacefully at home surrounded by her Family on Friday, April 7, 2023 following an extended illness.

She was the daughter of the late Larch Tooni and Agnes (George) Tooni of Cherokee and was the widow of Jonah Reed.

Although Eva didn't graduate from school, she was able to use her skill as a basket maker of white oak and maple baskets to help raise a fine family.

Along with her husband and parents, Eva was preceded by brothers, Stan Tooni, Ike Tooni; sisters, Annie Driver, Rachel (Tooni) Reed and Dinah George; grandson, Wayne "Rusty" Wolfe; and son-in-law, Wayne Lamar Wolfe.

Eva is survived by daughters, Martha Wolfe and Agnes Reed; son, John Reed with wife Lou Ann; four grandsons, Trent "Diggy" Wolfe, Brandon Wolfe, Kealan Jumper, and Russell McKay; one great-grandson, Ty Ty Wolfe; foster sons, Watty Driver Jr. with wife Nancy and Charlie Jumper; special nieces, Teresa Reed and Dianna Brady. Along with family, Eva will be missed by her Faithful little dog – Bubblegum. Eva will be taken to the Acquoni Baptist Church on Monday, April 10 for family receiving immediately followed by a formal funeral officiated by Pastor Scott Chekelelee. A burial followrf services in the Reed Family Cemetery along Blue Wing Church Rd. in the Big Y Community with pall bearers being among Trent Wolfe, Brandon Wolfe, Charlie Jumper, Edward Sherrill, Russell McKay, and Kealan Jumper with a honorary pall bearer, Josiah Sherrill. Long House Funeral Home assisted the family in the loss of Eva.





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# NOPINIONS ZPOET

EDITORIAL
Federal Recognition
Criteria and
Requirements
must be upheld

By the Cherokee One Feather Editorial Board

ometimes, it seems like a scene out of "Groundhog Day". For decades, the Robeson County-based state recognized tribe called the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina has been seeking federal recognition – a move that has been opposed for decades by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI).

Repeatedly, they've sought recognition through a Congressional route. And, repeatedly, they've

failed. The merry-go-round that is the legislative effort by the Lumbee to be recognized needs to put to rest for good.

Another attempt is making its way through Congress now. The Lumbee Fairness Act (S.521 and H.R.1101) was introduced in the U.S. Senate on Feb. 16 by Sen. Thom Tillis (R-N.C.) and Ted Budd (R-N.C.), and an identical bill was introduced in the U.S House of Representatives the following day by Congressman David Rouzer (R-N.C.) along with fellow Congress members Richard Hudson (R-N.C.), Greg Murphy (R-N.C.), Dan Bishop (R-N.C.), Deborah Ross (D-N.C.), Kathy Manning (D-N.C.), and Don Davis (D-N.C.).

Now, a North Carolina state legislator has introduced a state

congressional bill calling for support for the proposed Lumbee Fairness Act currently going through the U.S. Congress. North Carolina State Representative Jarrod Lowery (R-District 47), a member of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, introduced H.R.499 into the General Assembly recently.

The legislation states in part, "...the Lumbee Indians deserve to have full federal recognition of their status as an Indian tribe and that the benefits, privileges, and immunities that accompany such status should be accorded to the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina." The EBCI has staunchly opposed federal recognition for the Lumbee, and the tribe is now joined by 140 other tribal nations who feel the same way. Various tribal leaders voice their strong opinions on the subject in a video produced by the United Indian Nations of Oklahoma last fall.

Margo Gray, a citizen of the Osage Nation and chairwoman of the United Indian Nations of Oklahoma, says in the video, "When I see groups that want to bypass that federal recognition process, I'm going to stand and protect those of us who are federally recognized tribes."

Joe Bunch, United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians principal chief, stated in the video, "We're not against tribes becoming tribes. We're against the non-use of the federal acknowledgement process."

Two EBCI tribal leaders were featured in the video including Tribal Council Chairman Richard French and Yellowhill Rep. T.W. Saunooke. "It's literally like they're just trying to rob our people of our identity and our ancestrial lineage."

Chairman French brought up a point that has been discussed for years. If the Lumbee are real, how did they escape the Indian Removal Act? Why is there no Lumbee Tribe of Oklahoma?

He notes in the video, "We have family, in nameless graves, from here to Oklahoma that died on the Trail of Tears that were forced to leave their homeland. Our people died on that trail. Where were you?"

Over the years, the Lumbee have claimed ties to various tribes including being named the Cherokees of Robeson County.

Oglala Sioux Tribal Councilman Bernardo Rodriguez Jr. states in the video, "They're trying to form their own tribe by saying that they're Native, but they can't trace any lineage back to anybody Native...they're borrowing the culture from other tribes in the area just to say they're a part of something. You can't borrow, steal, take to make something yours when it's not."

Cherokee Nation Tribal Councilman Joe Deere added, "They have no language. They have no identity – no culture to trace to; no blood quantum."

The issue needs to be put to rest for good. Congressional session after Congressional session the Lumbees have a bill introduced and session after session it fails. It is time for the United States to say definitively and finally that all aspiring tribes must meet the criteria already in law.

# MISSING PERSON

#### Kelby Ray Spain Male

Enrolled with The Muscogee (Creek) Nation

Age: 28 years

Height: 5'5"-5'6"

Weight: 145-155 lbs

Hair: Black Eyes: Brown

Date of last contact:

March 17, 2023

Location: Henryetta, Oklahoma

Circumstances of Disappearance: Mother advised he may have been going to Okmulgee. He did not take his car or belongings.

If you have seen Kelby Ray Spain contact Muscogee Mvskoke Creek Nation Lighthorse Tribal Police Department, 918-732-7800.

Source: Namus.gov







# 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
i	\$14,580
2	\$19,720
3	\$24,860
4	\$30,000
5	\$35,140
5	\$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 REV. TIMOTHY L. MELTON, PASTOR

(Transcribed by Myra D. Colgate)

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

Continued...

Peter had asked for and gotten permission to get out of the boat and "to walk on the water to Jesus." After getting Jesus' permission, Peter had walked on the water to go to Jesus, until...his attention was drawn to the stronger swells of water around Him with the stormy wind blowing... So he cried out again to Jesus, for he had just realized he had begun to sink. That he was sinking into what he had begun to pay most of his attention towards, had probably only occurred to him later.

Immediately, we need to understand, believe and receive this as part of our inheritance as believers. Jesus had already "stretched forth His Hand," even before Peter realized he was sinking and needed to call out. This is His answer is for all true believers. God always has provided answers providing them before we can even know to ask Him by our own call for, "Help!"

It is a firm foundation on which we can stand. It is our trusting Him which results in His honoring His Watch-care promises for of all those who are His, and for those who will later choose to become His! Peter must have begun to understand this!

Asking oneself, "Do I believe in the Lord strongly enough?" Is not to put Him to any test, but of our learning, "He and, only He, is the real answer for any of us." Our own answer can be found within His already proven written record—The Bible."

He has His Plans, already made, and has provided them for all who can believe this! His Plans are already in place, in time, before known to be needed...God is not restricted by our times or timing. He is, always was, and always will be, the Creator of Everything, even Time! Hallelujah!

Jesus also gave Peter, a much more timely warning, his "faith" was still "small", and that he would need to build up his faith to fully trust in Him, which is what he managed to rebuild.

Peter would need more strengthening of his faith, as his testing would continue with Jesus as His Friend and Lord. Peter knew Jesus as a caring Friend. How about yourself? What is He to you? Friend?... Savior?... Lord?... Peter would be tested again...at Jesus' later, illegally-held, trial. Was Peter ready for it? Are you? Do you know He's coming back soon?.... Can you trust Him or yourself enough to know you're ready? Before it's on-time needed? (Matthew 14:31-32.)

All on board had gathered close around Jesus just because the wind had ceased blowing immediately as they both climbed into the boat. They'd all been so amazed, they'd begun to worship Him there! Not just as a Friend, but as their Lord, for they'd finally seen with their hearts' recognition, Who He really was, at that moment. They had never seen anything like that happen before. Have you realized this? Ponder this carefully, as they were considering their futures, which hung in the balance, as to what they'd decided then!

God loves us all so much and we are His Creation! He's never lost anyone He loves. He's always reaching out for them and for us. Believe that! God has also set for Himself some parameters. His parameters are that He will always need for us to exercise our faith in Him. God has limited Himself in what He can do for us, by our own restrictions we may have placed on Him. He can do all things, but it requires our own faith, in agreement with Him, to believe this...

"This sets me free! I just make sure not to place any limits on God," emphatically stated, Pastor Melton, rejoicing. "God can do all things, exceedingly, above, and all according to His storm-stopping Power demonstrated by Him and those within that boat! Anything we can think or imagine!

It was all Peter's idea at first, just to get out and walk to Jesus on the water! In Mark 6:48, it was written, that as Jesus was watching the disciples in the boat struggling to row against that wind, His intention at first, was only to walk on the water to go on over to the other side (of the sea). But, Peter had then asked His Permission to join Him, in the middle of the stormy weather, it had all changed. Set some parameters that you are willing to do for yourself, but make them with your own good imagination also, what the Lord can do in your life. Have Faith! Dream!"



### THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

... The dove could find nowhere to perch because there was water over all the surface of the earth; so it returned to Noah in the ark... He waited seven more days and again sent out the dove from the ark. When the dove returned to him in the evening, there in its beak was



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a freshly plucked olive leaf! Then Noah knew that the water had receded from the earth. GENESIS 8: 9-11 200

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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 Job (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- 2. In Luke 17, when Jesus healed 10 men of leprosy, how many returned to thank Him? 0, 1, 3, All
- 3. What woman restored to life by Peter was known for helping the poor? *Dorcas, Leah, Abigail, Miriam*
- 4. Where are the names Abaddon and Apollyon used to denote Satan? 2 Peter, 3 John, Jude, Revelation
- 5. Who contracted leprosy for lying to the prophet Elisha? *Deborah*, *Gideon*, *Gehazi*, *Matthew*
- 6. From 2 Samuel 20, who led David's armies? Aaron, Dan, Abner, Logh

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- 1. TELEVISION: What is the name of the president in the drama "West Wing"?
- 2. GEOGRAPHY: Which U.S. state shares the same name as one of the Great Lakes?
- 3. U.S. PRESIDENTS: What are the ZIP codes assigned to the president and first lady?
- 4. LANGUAGE: What is cryptophasia?
- 5. MOVIES: What is the number on top of the bus in the movie "Speed"?
- 6. LITERATURE: What is the setting for Dashiell Hammett's novel "The Maltese Falcon"?
- 7. ANATOMY: Which two parts of the human body contain the most bones?
- 8. U.S. STATES: In which state would you find the Grand Teton National Park?
- 9. AD SLOGANS: Which popular product uses the slogan, "Is it in you?"?
- 10. FOOD & DRINK: What is the primary ingredient of baba ganoush?

# APPENINGS

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

#### **BENEFITS/FUNDRAISERS**

Turkey Shoots at the Jesse Welch Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community: - April 15 at 3 p.m., sponsored by Big Cove Free Labor - April 29 at 3 p.m., fundraiser for Eli Bird's trip to Japan Good food, good fun, great prizes, great benefits.

#### **EBCI COMMUNITY EVENTS**

Virtual Forager Fridays with the Museum of the Cherokee **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. -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. • 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.

Gadugi Pottery Exhibit Re**ception.** April 14 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. The event, a Community Learning pottery class led by Tara McCoy (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians), is a celebration of the Gadugi Pottery Exhibit will which be on view at the Museum until May 12. The exhibition highlights works made using ancestral methods and includes effigy pots, pieces incorporating Cherokee syllabary, and pottery inspired by Cherokee legends. To learn more about Community Learning opportunities at the Museum, please visit mci.org/learn/ community-learning.

**Yellowhill Community Club** Gadugi Flea Market. April 15 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Lunch: Burgers, chips, and a drink for \$15. Rent a table for \$15 or rent two tables for \$15. Info: Stephanie 735-9001 or Virginia 788-8659

#### Earth Week Plant Giveaway.

April 18 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Yellowhill basketball court. EBCI tribal members only; first-come, first-served. Plants available include: Chestnut, Mulberry, Milkweed. Plants donated by The American Chestnut Foundation, The North Carolina Wildlife Federation, and BASF.

#### **Voter Registration Drive.**

April 18 from 12 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Birdtown Community Building. Denise Ballard is holding the drive which is open for everyone regardless of community. You can also drop by if you need to make a community change. The EBCI Board of Elections is encouraging everyone to update your voter registration. The voter registration is open for the EBCI Primary Election until Friday, April 28.

#### Yellowhill Community Club's Be a Light Painting event.

April 18 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. \$35 adults, \$25 for 16 and under (cash only). Snacks and drinks will be provided. Info: Stephanie 735-9001

#### **Honoring Our Speaker's**

Walk. April 19 at 10:30 a.m. at the old Cherokee High School site. Info: Kylie Shuler 359-6414 or Kayla Pheasant 359-6406

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)

Week of the Young Child Children's Fair. April 20 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the old Cherokee High School site. Free swag, bouncy houses, free food, door prizes, games, and more.

**Community Forest Celebra**tion. April 20 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Cowee Mound Field on Hall Mountain Road in Franklin, N.C. Traditional foods will be available. Register at: https:// communityforest.eventbrite.com/

#### 7th Annual Spring Garden

Fair. April 21-22 at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Friday from 9 a.m.

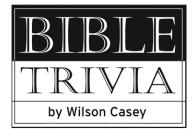
#### **Puzzle Answers**

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#### Weekly SUDOKU

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ANSWERS: 1) Old, 2) 1, 3) Dorcas (also called Tabitha), 4) Revelation 9:11, 5) Gehazi, 6) Joab



#### Answers

- 1. Josiah "Jed" Bartlet.
- 2. Michigan.
- 3. 20500-0001 and 20500-0002.
- 4. A language developed by twins that only the two children can understand.
- 5. 2525.
- 6. San Francisco.
- 7. More than half the bones are in the hands and feet, 27 in each hand and 26 in each foot.
- 8. Wyoming
- 9. Gatorade.
- 10. Eggplant.
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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/@cherokeemuseum)

#### **Yellowhill Community Club**



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) This is a good time to reassess important relationships, both personal and professional, to see where problems might exist and how they can be overcome. Keep the lines of communication open.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's not easy to bring order to a chaotic situation, whether it's in the workplace or at home. But if anyone can do it, you can. A pleasant surprise awaits you by week's end.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Be careful that you don't make an upcoming decision solely on the word of those who might have their own reasons for wanting you to act as they suggest. Check things out for yourself.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A personal relationship that seems to be going nowhere could be restarted once you know why it stalled in the first place. An honest discussion could result in some surprising revelations.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) That unexpected attack of self-doubt could be a way of warning yourself to go slow before making a career-changing decision. Take more time to do a closer study of the facts.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A workplace problem needs your attention now, before it deteriorates to a point beyond repair. A trusted third party could be helpful in closing the

Family Fun Day. May 13 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Bouncy Houses, water slides, outdoor games, popcorn. Snow cones will be available for purchase. Lunch will be hot dogs and burger, chips, and a drink. Info: Stephanie 735-9001, Ernest 538-1220, Camaleta 736-9392, or Virginia 788-8659

Christian Veterinary Mission Animal Clinics. Services and fees include: dog neuter \$30, cat neuter \$20, spay for both cat and dog \$50, vaccines \$10/per animal (will also have Parvo vaccine available). All monies raised from the clinics is given to the church hosting the event. The funds raised in Cherokee will be given to Grace Community Church of

See **EVENTS** next page

gaps that have opened.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A recent family situation could give rise to a new problem. Keep an open mind and avoid making judgments about anyone's motives until all the facts are in.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Rely on your always-sharp intuition to alert you to potential problems with someone's attempt to explain away the circumstances behind a puzzling incident.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Although you still need to do some snipping off of those lingering loose ends from a past project, you can begin moving on to something else.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) With your self-confidence levels rising, you should feel quite comfortable with agreeing to take on a possibly troublesome, but potentially well-rewarded situation.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Travel is favored, both for business and for fun. The end of the week brings news about an upcoming project that could lead toward a promised career change.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might feel suddenly overwhelmed by a flood of responsibilities. But if you deal with each one in its turn, you'll soon be able to hold your head above water and move on.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a wonderful way of offering comfort as well as guidance. You would do well in the healing arts.

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by Freddy Groves

# When the Scammer Is a Doctor

Mostly you think of scammers who steal as lowlifes, but it's not always the case. Sometimes they're welleducated professionals who have a lot to lose when they're caught.

Take the case of the doctor who took money that was meant to go to those who'd suffered severe traumatic injuries.

This doctor, a decorated Navy commander, conspired with others to lie their way to a \$2 million profit in an insurance program that helps servicemembers who were traumatically injured while on active duty. The co-conspirators would coax others to create fake or exaggerated claims for injuries in exchange for a portion of the proceeds.

Enter the doctor who, in exchange for a kickback, would verify that the injuries and disabilities existed and sign off on the application for the claim, sometimes saying he'd actually seen the person making the claim. Or he would provide the medical records of others to those who were submitting fake claims.

The other nine co-conspirators included a nurse (who helped to falsify medical records) and a former Navy mechanic (who actively recruited others into the scheme, where he netted nearly \$400,000). They kept the scam going for at least three years. The various charges included fraud, wire fraud and making a false and fraudulent claim.

Of all the co-conspirators, it's the Navy doctor who disappointed me the most. This wasn't a short-term scam; it went on long enough that one wonders whether in all that time the doctor thought about how he got to that point.

This is the same man who, serving in Iraq, climbed onto a roof in 2007 to help a tiny infant who wasn't breathing properly, evacuated the baby via helicopter under sniper fire, and got him into surgery in a hospital. The baby was saved and back home in a week.

It's hard to reconcile the image of that doctor with his participation in a theft scam that only netted him \$180,000 over three years. And now he's potentially facing 20 years in prison.

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#### Adopting an Older Cat Can Bring Unexpected Issues

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: We recently adopted a 12-year-old orange tomcat. Abel is neutered and well behaved, but he has some health issues that we didn't bargain for. He's overweight (we're working on it) and recently needed a tooth pulled. He gets ear and eye infections frequently. I'm not about to give him up, but I wanted others to know that a senior cat often has more medical needs than younger cats. The tradeoff is that he's a sweet, gentle cat, well adapted to humans, and seems less inclined to escape from the house than a younger cat might. - Kelly B., Salt Lake City

DEAR KELLY: Thank you for sharing your experience! Abel sounds like a wonderful cat.

Senior cats, age 11 to 14, do need extra monitoring. They often have health issues specific to older cats, and can be more susceptible to infections, bad teeth, etc. Pretty much all the same issues humans face as we grow old!

As you've noted, Abel's diet is really important. Not just to lose weight and keep it off, but to make sure he's getting the right nutrition for a senior cat. A cat food formulated for older cats is helpful, but owners should work with the veterinarian to determine the amount and type of food to give their cat each day. Lots of protein is a must, as this article by VCA points out: vcahospitals.com/know-your-pet/feeding-mature-senior-and-geriatric-cats

Dehydration is another factor for older cats. Empty and refill your cat's water bowl each morning and monitor how much the amount decreases throughout the day to determine how much he drinks.

Finally, monitor your cat's litter box habits. Write them down and take them to the next vet checkup to make sure there are no hidden health problems cropping up.

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

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Cherokee who, in turn, will donate half of the proceeds to Sacred Roots Farm, a ministry for human trafficking victims.

- Snowbird Clinic. May 19 and 20 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Snowbird Baptist Church. Info: Dan Teasdale 735-1876
- Cherokee Clinic. June 9 and 10 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Info: Tammy Jackson 788-0878 or Scott Hill 508-7836

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

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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 Commencement 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

May 27 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Little Snowbird Church play-

ground, 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

Roller Derby Bout – Smoky Mountain Roller Girls vs. Upstate Roller Girl Evolution.

April 22 at the Swain Recreation Center at 240 W. Deep Creek Road in Bryson City, N.C. Doors open at 4:30 p.m., first whistle at 6 p.m. Tickets: \$5 presale, \$8 at the door, kids 11 and under free. Bring your own chair.

#### **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.

Southern Plains Tribal Health Board Pow Wow. April 12 at the Choctaw Casino & Resort in Durant, Okla. MC: Juaquin Hamilton-Youngbird. Host Drum: Rain Maker. Info: Nicholas Wahpepah (405) 213-4232, nwahpepah@ spthb.org or Amanda Moore (405) 869-6361, amoore@spthb.org

Keweenah Bay Band of Lake Superior Ojibwe Spring Contest Pow Wow. April 14-16 at the Ojibwa Casino Harvey Event Center in Marquette, Mich. Emcees: Joey Awonohopay and Vince Beyl. Host Drum: The Boyz. Co-Host Drum: Woodland Singers. Info: Christine Awonohopay (906) 353-2626 or Tina Murray (906) 353-4193

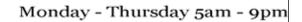
Ross State College Annual Pow Wow. April 15 outside of the Student Union at Ross State College in Midwest City, Okla. MC: Lester Eagle. Host Northern Drum: Blackbird. Head Southern Singer: Cornel Pewewardy. Info: Mechelle Aitson-Roessler (405) 736-0202 or Maitson-Roessler@ rose.edu

**32nd Annual Woodlands & High Plains Pow Wow.** April 15 at the Nemzek Fieldhouse at Minnesota State University Moorhead in Moorhead, Minn. MC: Mickey Hodges. Host Drum: Little Bear. Youth Drum: Warriors. Info: Jody Steile (218) 477-2652, steilejo@mnstate.edu

**54th Annual Kyiyo Celebration.** April 21-23 at the Adams Center in Missoula, Mont. MC: Tommy Christian. Host Drum: Dry Lake. Kyiyo Native American Student Association (4060) 243-5946, kyiyo@umontana.edu

NCIPA 29th Annual Pow Wow and Art Market. April 21-23 at the Northside Aztlan Community Center in Fort Collins, Colo. MC: Corky Oldhorn. Host Drums: Bad Company, Meskwaki Nation. Info: Jan Iron (970) 498-0290, ncipa. pw@gmail.com

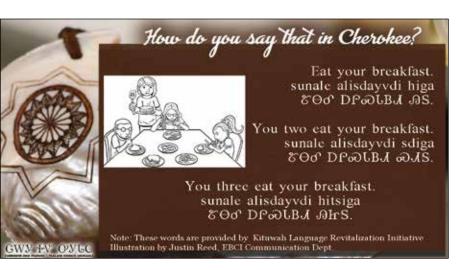
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Water Therapy
All Classes are free with membership
Smoothie Bar
\*Coming soon - Hyrdo-massage
chairs
\*Parisi Speed School



11th Annual Columbia University Pow Wow. April 22 at Columbia University's South Butler Lawn in New York, N.Y. MC: Louis Mofsie. Info: Columbia University Native American Council (505) 215-6147, nac.columbia@gmail.com

32nd Annual Washington
University Pow Wow. April 22
at the Washington University Field
House in St. Louis, Mo. MC: Manny King. Host Northern Drum:
Young Buffalo Horse. Host Southern Drum: Otter Trail. Info: Buder
Center (314) 935-4611, bcais@
wustl.edu
California State University Dominguez Hills 10th Annual Pow Wow.
April 22-23 at California State
University Dominguez Hill at 100
East Victoria Street in Carson, Callif. MC: Phillip Hale. Host North-

ern Drum: Phoenix Boyz. Host

Info: (310) 243-2433

Southern Drum: Sooner Nation.

Penn State 17th Annual Traditional Pow Wow. April 22-23 at the C3 Sports Complex at Penn State University in State College, Pa. MC: Guy Jones. Host Drum: Highway Men. Co-Host Drums: Thunder Nation, Medicine Horse, Red Blanket. Maza Napin. Info: John Sanchez at apache@psu.edu

2nd Annual Pow Wow for the Planet. April 22 at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas Chem Lawn in Las Vegas, Nev. MC: Tyson "Eagle Voice" Shay. Host Northern Drum: Indian Hill. Host Southern Drum: Southern Soul. Info: Natalie O'Neil at Nat.Oneil@gmail.com

#### **WESTERN N.C. & BEYOND EVENTS**

Native Market. Third Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 5

p.m. at 46 Aston Street in Asheville, N.C. To be a vendor, visit www.indigenouswallsprojects.com and fill out the application.

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

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.

**Teen D&D with Raj.** April 15 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Pack Memorial Library at 67 Haywood Street in Asheville, N.C. Sign-up is required, email raj.bowers@buncombecounty.org

"The Foxfire Book of Appalachian Women" presentation.

April 15 at 3 p.m. at City Lights Bookstore in Sylva, N.C. Kami Ahrens, author of "The Foxfire Book of Appalachian Women", the first volume in the Foxfire series focused specifically on the lives of Appalachian women, is also the curator and director of education at the Foxfire Museum. Info: City Lights Bookstore 586-9499

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

**Party monthly meeting.** April 17 at 6 p.m. at 1601 East Main Street in Sylva, N.C.

Swain County Democratic Party Whittier-Cherokee precinct meeting. April 17 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Agenda items include setting priorities for 2023 and selecting and precinct chair. For more information or to request the Zoom link, email maryherr2017@gmail.com or call 497-9498

Where We Live speaker series. April 17 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Cowee School Arts & Heritage Center at 51 Cowee School Driver in Franklin, N.C. Info: 369-4080

**LEGO Builders Club.** April 18 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Pack Memorial Library at 67 Haywood Street in Asheville, N.C. Info: www.buncombecounty.org

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

**Quilt & Fiber Celebration.** 

May 5-6 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Cowee School Arts & Heritage Center at 51 Cowee School Driver in Franklin, N.C. Workshops, demonstrations, kids activities, vendors, and a fashion show. Info: 369-4080

Pop-Up Mini Fair. May 6 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Folk Art Center at milepost 382 on the Blue Ridge Parkway in Ashville, N.C. This event is organized by the Southern Highland Craft Guild, and members will share their crafts of bladesmithing, glassblowing, wheel thrown and hand built ceramics, woodturning, metalsmithing, leatherwork, and furniture making. Info: www.southernhighlandguild.org

#### 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

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#### **EMPLOYMENT**

#### **Positions Available**

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#### LEGAL NOTICES

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

#### 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 4/12

#### **Legal Notice**

Notice of Service of process by publication Cherokee Tribal Courts, Cherokee, NC CHEROKEE INDIAN HOUSING DIVISION VS.

Rita Lequire (CV-22-111) Raven Ramos (CV-250) Deborah Murphy (CV 22-511) Take notice that a pleading

seeking relief against you has been filed in the above entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows:

Complaint for Money Owed You are required to make defencse of such pleading no later than the 8th day of May, 2023 and upon your failure to do so, the Party (Cherokee Indian Housing Division) seeking service against you, will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This 27th day of March, 2023 Agent for the Plaintiff: Julius Taylor PO Box 1749 Cherokee, NC 28719 (828) 359-6321

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 23-011 In the Matter of the Estate of

#### **EDWARD CHARLES BERNHISEL**

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** 

**Ned Stamper** 32 Stamper Road Cherokee, NC 28719 4/26

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 23-027

#### **Notice to Creditors and Debtors of: Mary Etta Welch Powell**

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fudicary(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 fudicary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS

FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-

TION James Matthew Powell P.O. Box 793 Cherokee, NC 28719

4/26

RFPs, BIDs, etc.

#### **Research Study**

We invite you to participate in a research study about services for victims of crime and co-victims of homicide in NC. Go to: https:// bit.ly/crimestudy Or contact us: crimestudy@unc.edu (919) 525-1148. 4/19



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



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 ebci-tero.com 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
- o Spouse, parent, or child of an EBCI enrolled member
- 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 hillnorv@ebci-nsn.gov

> Douglas McCov -TERO Job Bank Coordinato 828.359.6478







JOHN HIGHSMITH, DDS



Request for Proposals

Kituwah, LLC, invites Proposals from qualified organizations to independently examine the market and feasibility of a single Themed Resort to include lodging, food, beverage, AV immersive experience and indoor/outdoor recreational activities as part of the complex development. The requestor is looking for detailed projections of demand for this type of facility that would result in overnight, destination and daily transient visitation. This analysis should include recommendations of what events, conferences and outdoor recreational activities have the most potential (facility revenue, overnight visitors, and overall economic impact), what resources would be required to attract these users, and what the projected direct and indirect rate of return is for each opportunity including economic impact.

nterested individuals or companies may request the request for proposals from:

leremiah Wiggins

Mailing Addres: P.O. Box 366, Cherokee, NC 28719 Physical Address: 37 Tsalagi Road, Cherokee, NC 28719

328 477 4145,

eremiah.wiggins@kituwahllc.com

Requirements and submission instructions are in the RFP. Proposals must be submitted before close of business, 4:00 pm EST, April 30, 2023. Submissions sent after this time will not be considered. This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. Kituwah, LLC reserves the right to decline any proposals received.



# 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.



#### EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE

Assignment of a Name for a New Road

NOTICE is hereby given that the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Emergency Management Office at its 9-1-1 Committee meeting held on February 2, 2023 resolved pursuant to EBCI Code of Ordinances Chapter 136A ARTICLE II – UNIFORM STREET ADDRESS AND ROAD NAMING SYSTEM (Ord. No. 332-A, 10-26-1998) that a certain new road in the Yellowhill Community be assigned the street name as detailed below:

 Due to construction of the new Tsali Care Center. The new access road shall be assigned the name Tsali Care Way along with its eventual continuation.

Inquiries or appeals to this action can be made to the Emergency Management Office located at 282 Seven Clans Lane, Cherokee, NC 2819 during normal business hours.

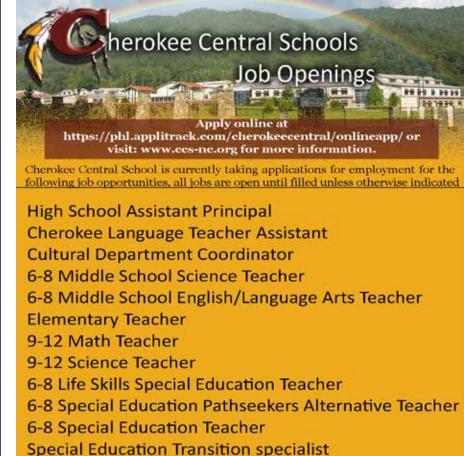
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 Due to new construction on the driveway shared by 357 and 359 Lambert Branch Road. This shared driveway shall be assigned the name **Koga Cove** along with its eventual continuation.

Inquiries or appeals to this action can be made to the Emergency Management Office located at 282 Seven Clans Lane, Cherokee, NC 2819 during normal business hours.





**Elementary Special Education Teacher** 

# Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements Current Vacancies

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.

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. Bus Department – (5) PT Bus Drivers

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

Agelink/ Snowbird Childcare – Multiple Teachers

Lawn Mowing Crew - Multiple Positions

Construction & Facilities - Skilled carpenter/ mason, experienced sheet rock finisher and PT Office Assistant

Shop/ Garage - Service Writer

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







# Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians HUMAN RESOURCES

PO Box 553 Cherokee, NC 28719 828 359 6388

#### Closing Sunday, April 16, 2023

1.Housing Intake Specialist – Housing Program – Housing (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour)

Collections Processor – Qualla Housing – Housing (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 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 POSITION
- 4.Probation Officer (Multiple) Cherokee Indian Police Department (Corrections) EBCI Law Enforcement (L11 \$39,806 \$49,758) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- 5.Community Response Officer Cherokee Indian Police Department EBCI Law Enforcement (L12 \$20.89 \$26.11 per hour)
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- 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)
- Real Estate Associate Attorney Realty Services Office of the Attorney General (L15 \$72,342 \$90,428)
- 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
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- Certified Biological Waste Water Treatment Operator Waste Water Treatment – Operations (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSI-TIVE POSITION
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- 17. Tribal Prosecutor II Criminal Law Office of the Attorney General (L17 \$72,127 \$96,169)
- Telecommunicator Public Safety Communications Operations
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- 19. Family Safety Grants Coordinator Family Safety Public Health and Human Services (L12 \$20.89 \$26.11 per hour)
- 20. Certified Nursing Assistant Tribal In Home Care Services Public Health and Human Services (L9 \$16.21 \$20.26 per hour)
- Hatchery Technician (SEASONAL) Fisheries and Wildlife Management Agriculture and Natural Resources (L8 \$15.90 \$19.88 per hour)
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Analenisgi Inpatient Registered Nurse – Part Time

Care \$91,254 - \$114,067

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Case Management Support — Cherokee County Clinic \*
Emergency Hire \$18.32 - \$20.67
Certified Nursing Assistant — Emergency Room \$17.12 —
\$19.26
Certified Medical Assistant — Pediatrics - \$21.13 - \$23.98
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Massage Therapist - \$50,723 - \$63,404
RN Supervisor — Satellite Clinics \$36.56 - \$42.11
Registered Nurse — Emergency Room \$33.68 -

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Registered Nurse – Immediate Care Center \$31.06 - \$35.64\*\*\$5.000 Hiring Bonus

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

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Registered Nurse (Nightshift) - \$31.06 - \$35.64 \*\*\$5,000

Hiring Bonus\*\*

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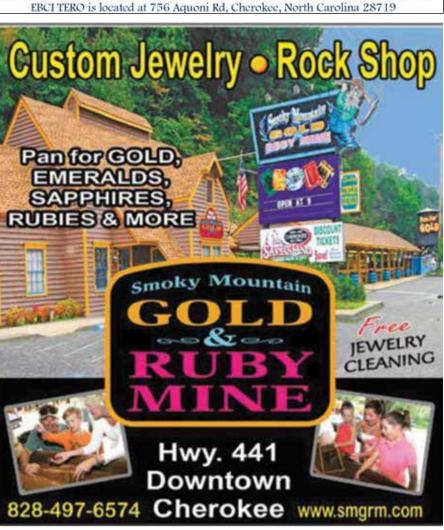
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