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"An experience for the ages": 407 Project holds latest groundbreaking

> **By JONAH LOSSIAH** One Feather Reporter

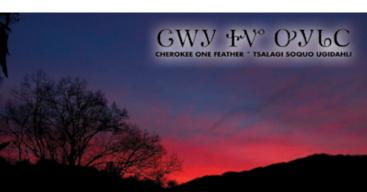
ODAK, Tenn. – The next piece is in place for the 407: Gateway to Adventure project in Sevier County, Tennessee. Smoky Gap is the name of the newest attraction to the property owned by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. It is set to be completed by 2025, and an official groundbreaking was held on site on the morning of Tuesday, April 11.

Officials break ground on the new Smoky Gap attraction, part of the 407 Project in Sevier County, Tenn. on the morning of Tuesday, April 11. Shown, left to right, are Painttown Rep. Michael Stamper, Wolftown Rep. Andrew Oocumma, Yellowhill Rep. T.W. Saunooke, Vice Chief Alan B Ensley, Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle, Painttown Rep. Dike Sneed, Mayor of Sevierville Robbie Fox, Vice Mayor of Sevierville Bryan McCarter, and Kituwah, LLC CEO Mark Hubble. (JONAH LOSSIAH/One Feather photos)



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The photo shows the site for the upcoming Smoky Gap attraction part of the 407 Project.

TENNESSEE: Another groundbreaking at 407 Project site, *from front page*

Kituwah, LLC has been tasked with leading this project. 2023 is a big year, as well, with the long-awaited Buc-ee's set to open in the coming months. Smoky Gap marks the third groundbreaking held on the property, with more excepted within the next year.

This piece of the puzzle will be the foundation for Kituwah's international partnership with French entertainment company Puy du Fou. The Cherokee One Feather detailed this partnership in an earlier article. The EBCI is funding a \$75 million project to build a unique and immersive experience that will detail stories from World War I.

Mark Hubble, chief executive officer of Kituwah, LLC, said that this is going to be world class feature for the property.

"The best experiences that a tourist can have that are unique and one-of-akind. In a manner that they just won't be able to see anywhere else. The technology and the ability to deliver the things that we were talking about. The taste of salt water on a trans-Atlantic voyage. The smell of gunpowder. The immersive experience of what can happen, that technology didn't even exist 10 years ago. Now, you'll be able to feel the waves as you walk through," said Hubble.

While Puy du Fou will be the centerpiece, the entire development is set to bring a new experience to the area.

"We have LOIs (Letters of Intent) for about 100,000 square feet of retail space along here. They're all themed. They're similar to things you can get elsewhere, but they're not exactly the same. One of the things that this particular development can bring that is difficult to get as you move further into the Smokies is the entertainment at night. After 6 p.m., it'll bring a new demographic. Because you're only 25 minutes from Knoxville, which is a college town."

These ideas were echoed by Robbie Fox, mayor of the City of Sevierville.

"I'm excited for what this entire de-



A photo, taken on the morning of Tuesday, April 11, shows the progress at the new Buc-ee's.

velopment will mean to the City of Sevierville and the region in terms of the entertainment development that it will provide to our visitors. It will also provide jobs to the people of Sevierville, Sevier County, and the contiguous counties. It will generate tax dollars for the city of Sevierville...it will also generate tax dollars for the region, we think that's important as well. It also gives visitors another reason to come here and spend an extra night. Smoky Gap development will also provide the 407 area with a nighttime entertainment component, which the city of Sevierville does not have currently," said Mayor Fox.

The Kituwah, LLC's main partner in this 407 Project is OE Experiences, a company based out of Knoxville. Matthew Cross, chief executive officer of OE Experiences, also spoke at the groundbreaking ceremony.

"In our business, there are an abundance of ideas, concepts, and visions. Most of them never materialize. But 407 Gateway to Adventure is different. As you look around to today, you can see that this is real. Two years ago, we stood in front of you and explained what the vision and the plan was for this property. Today, everything we talked about is coming to life. Today, we unveil an important part of the 407 Gateway to Adventure. We're breaking ground on Smoky Gap, a unique and exciting entertainment district within the 407. This is where guests will dine, sleep, shop, and be entertained. This is where our anchor tenant, Puy du Fou, is in development for its first location in the United States. It promises to be an experience for the ages."

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed spoke to how this opportunity is another example of diversifying the EBCI's economy.

"When I was first elected to office, my team and I, that was really the directive. We are going to diversify the Tribe's revenue streams. I think at the time I took office; we had three revenue streams. Once this is up and running, I think we'll be at seven. So, really, we've moved mountains on this one too," said Chief Sneed.

"It's not an easy task. I have to give credit where credit is due for Tribal Council to approve all the different generators that we have produced in the last six or seven years. It matters more than any time in history because gaming is moving quickly. In North Carolina, sports betting has passed in the House. It's probably going to come to fruition this year. North Carolina is looking very seriously at commercial gaming state-wide, which would without a doubt have an impact on our overall revenue."

Chief Sneed said that he's happy with the work Kituwah, LLC has accomplished as the lead for this initiative. He said that Tribal leadership is in constant communication with Kituwah, LLC, but that they also must trust them to get the job done.

"The important piece is to be able to move faster than the speed of government. We have to move at the speed of business, and that's why it was imperative that we get the project in the heads of Kituwah, LLC," said Chief Sneed. Hubble said that this is just the next step in an enormous project. He also said that the next big piece they want for the property would bring in their newest business partnership – Sports Illustrated Resorts. Kituwah, LLC announced this new \$316 million investment at the beginning of the year, and Hubble is hoping that they can bring SI Resorts to Tennessee.

"We've learned enough now about how to build the resorts and build the condominium and resort projects - an entire community that we can do that efficiently and effectively. That'll be a huge, huge resort without as much upfront cost as you might see in a half-abillion-dollar resort."

Smoky Gap is set to open in 2025. Buc-ee's hopes to have a ribbon cut by June. Sports Illustrated Resorts might be on the horizon. The dominoes are starting to fall in Sevier County.

Council approves \$64 million for medical cannabis business

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

CHEROKEE, N.C. – EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) Enterprises, LLC will receive \$64 million for its medical cannabis business for operational costs including staffing, increased infrastructure at its grow site, and to finish a retail facility. The money, approved by Tribal Council during its regular meeting on Thursday, April 6, will come from the Tribe's Investment Accounts and General Fund.

Council approved a substitute for Res. No. 496 (2023) which states "a critical part of the EBCI's medical cannabis structure are staffing and infrastructure". The legislation goes on to state, "... the EBCI will see a return on their investment within the first year of retail operations." This measure is pending ratification from Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed.

Big Cove Rep. Teresa Mc-Coy made the motion to the pass the resolution which did so by a margin of 63-31 (6 absent). The four dissenting votes were from Wolftown Rep. Michael Parker, Painttown Rep. Dike Sneed, Painttown Rep. Michael Stamper, and Yellowhill Rep. David Wolfe. Cherokee Co. – Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha was absent.

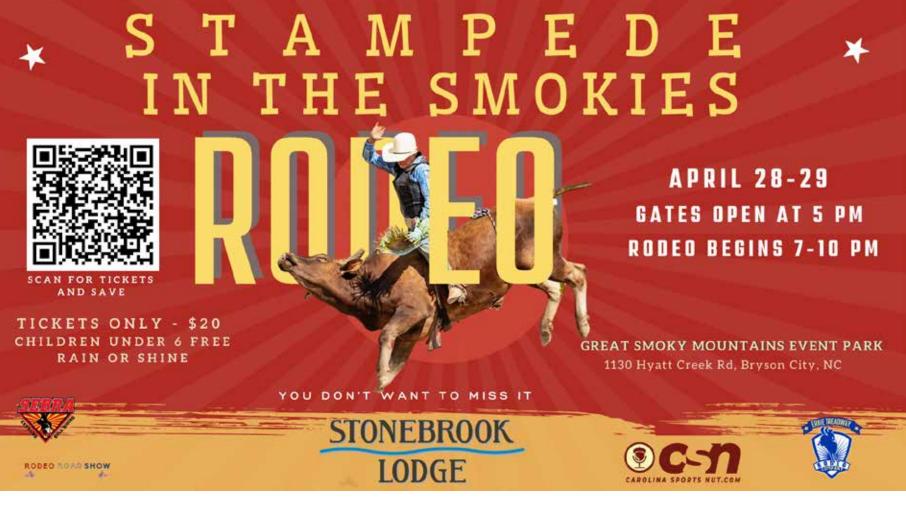
The original version of Res. No. 496 first came to the Council floor in January when it was tabled due to a lengthy discussion at the time surrounding a memo from the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) which prohibits the use of gaming funds for the project. Council approved funding in the amount of \$10 million for the operation in December 2022.

On Thursday, Rep. McCoy emphasized the need for the project to continue, "These are your people. They're right here at home. Have no fear about this...we can do this. We just have to be brave and do it."

Rep. Wolfe was clear in his opposition, "What really worries me is the NIGC bulletin, and we've still not gotten a clear picture on it. Everyone sitting around this horseshoe knows how much this tribal government depends on that casino up there and the funds that come from it – the school system, the hospital, this government..." During the debate on the issue on Thursday, prior to passage there was discussion of the Tribe guaranteeing a loan for the business.

Carolyn West, Qualla Enterprises, LLC board chairperson, simply stated, "The remainder of the \$64 million – we are ok with it being a loan and we will pay it back."

Tribal Council Chairman Albert Rose, who seconded Rep. Mc-Coy's move to pass, noted, "We haven't gotten that hardly from any of our other LLCs at all – to offer to pay the money back. It's kind of not fair that you guys would have to pay this money back anyways as we'll be getting returns back, but they're offering to do that where the other LLCs aren't like that."



Forrest Parker, Qualla Enterprises, LLC general manager, said during the debate, "Nobody here, anybody at Qualla, from the top to the bottom, would ever in a million years propose anything that we genuinely felt would put our Tribe at risk. We're working really hard to build a family of people that care so much about their Tribe and their community that they're willing to stick their neck out and do something different."

He added, "We just want to get the infrastructure we need to grow the product we need because if we can't, we're dead fish in the water. It's not a policy issue Tribal Council. We talked about this. It's an agriculture issue."

Parker further noted, "This room is full of politics. The community is full of love. So, out there we feel amazing. It's the greatest opportunity of our lives to be doing what we're doing because the community embraces us...we're not here to convert people. We're here to bring something, and if it is not good for you, maybe it'll be good for someone else."

During an interview with the One Feather in November 2022, Parker commented on the growing business, "When the cannabis business is fully operational, we will have about 400-500 total jobs. It's a very impactful employment opportunity for this community as well. These employees are learning jobs that will be high-paying, skilled jobs in all aspects of cannabis."

The retail facility will be located in the old Tribal Bingo Building.

With the passage of Ord. No. 539 (2021) on July 8, 2021, the



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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians legalized the allowance of "medicinal use of small amounts of marijuana". That legislation also created the EBCI Cannabis Advisory Commission which was created "for the purposes of studying issues related to cannabis and making recommendations to the EBCI Cannabis Control Board" as well as creating the EBCI Cannabis Control Board itself – a give-member Board.

Tribal Council further approved funding for the Cannabis Control Board in the form of Res. No. 421 (2022) which allocates a budget for Fiscal Year 2023 of \$984,000 "to be paid from nonnet distributable gaming revenues from the Fund Balance of the General Fund as best determined by the EBCI Division of Finance". Qualla Enterprises, LLC was established on March 13, 2022.

On medical cannabis, information from the Mayo Clinic states, "Studies report that medical cannabis has possible benefit for several conditions. Some of those include: Alzheimer's disease, Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), HIV/AIDS, Crohn's disease, epilepsy and seizures, glaucoma, multiple sclerosis and muscle spasms, severe and chronic pain, and severe nausea and vomiting caused by cancer treatment."



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CIPD Arrest Report for April 3-9, 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.

Blankenship, Tyler – age 34 Arrested: April 3 Released: April 3 Charges: Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court

Holiday, Siah Kenyon – age 21 Arrested: April 3 Released: April 6 Charges: Larceny, Elder Abuse and Neglect

Cope, Sally Ann – age 40 Arrested: April 4 Released: April 4 Charges: Temporary Hold

Morgan, Travis Ray – age 27 Arrested: April 4 Released: Not released as of report date (April 11) Charges: Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance, Flee to Elude

Frank, Sheldon Roland – age 37 Arrested: April 5 Released: Not released as of report date (April 11) Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Pheasant, William – age 21

Arrested: April 5 Released: April 5 Charges: Driving While Impaired

Bradley, Jason Dion – age 48 Arrested: April 6 Released: April 6 Charges: Intoxicated and Disruptive

Cucumber-Bradley, Ronda Lynn – age 57 Arrested: April 6 Released: Not released as of report date (April 11) Charges: Probation Violation, DVPO

Griffin, Nancy Suzanne – age 57 Arrested: April 7 Released: April 7 Charges: Aiding and Abetting, Criminal Conspiracy

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Pheasant, Owen Randall – age 38 Arrested: April 8 Released: April 8 Charges: Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property

Welch, Charles Bernon – age 63 Arrested: April 8 Released: April 8 Charges: Temporary Hold for Swain Co.

Matter, William – age 31 Arrested: April 9 Released: April 9 Charges: Temporary Hold

Pheasant, Philicia Diane – age 32 Arrested: April 9 Released: Not released as of report date (April 11) Charges: Assault on Law Enforcement, Interference with a Criminal Process, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Larceny

Swayney, Eric Matthew – age 33 Arrested: April 9 Released: Not released as of report date (April 11) Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Waldroup, Crystal Lynn – age 28 Arrested: April 9 Released: April 10 Charges: Second Degree Trespass



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The EBCI and FEMA funding

In March 2013, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians became the first federally recognized Tribe to receive a Presidential Disaster Declaration since the Stafford Act was amended through the Sandy Relief Act in January 2013. The amendment to the Stafford Act allows American Indian Tribes to apply directly to the President through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) without application through their respective state. The EBCI worked cooperatively with North Carolina Emergency Management to document damage and create its request to FEMA for a disaster declaration.

Then-Principal Chief Michell Hicks said in response to receiving the news from FEMA. "The unfortunate part of this is that we have the damage. The fortunate part of this is that we are helping to set a good precedent for Tribes to seek assistance working directly with the President through FEMA. This sets a real good precedent for Indian Country."

The announcement that the EBCI received the declaration was made to the Tribe's Emergency Management Office Friday, March 1, 2013. The Tribe experienced approximately \$3 million dollars in damage to homes and public infrastructure according to Cherokee Emergency Management Manager Mollie Grant.

Source: Cherokee One Feather

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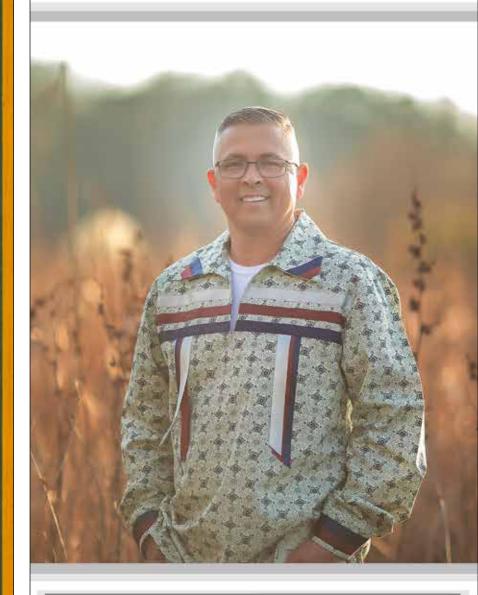
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Learning lessons from the clay

Gadugi Pottery Exhibit opens at Museum

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

CHEROKEE, N.C. – The artistry and beauty of Cherokee pottery was on display at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian as the Gadugi Pottery Exhibit opened on the evening of Friday, April 14. The exhibit featured the works of students from a Community Learning Workshop, hosted by the Museum, which was taught by Tara McCoy, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and noted potter.

This was the second year the Museum has hosted Community Learning Workshop for pottery. At the beginning of Friday's event, McCoy commented, "I'm very thankful to be able to work and be here on the same land that our ancestors have been on. It's just really truly a gift to be able to work with the same dirt, doing the same designs, just working with the clay. That's truly a gift, and I really appreciate that."

She added, "I can't say it enough how we should be really appreciative and respectful to our Earth and surroundings, or the environment."

Dakota Brown, Museum of the Cherokee Indian director of education, said to the crowd, "I'm honored to have each and every one of you here to celebrate these amazing students. Their work is absolutely wonderful."

She then read a statement



Nancy Pheasant, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, stands beside her display of three pots she made during the recent Community Learning Workshop hosted by the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. She is shown at the opening of the Gadugi Pottery Exhibit, featuring the works students made during the workshop, at the Museum on the evening of Friday, April 14. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

from Shana Bushyhead-Condill, Museum of the Cherokee Indian executive director, who couldn't be in attendance. "I want to thank Tara for being willing and passionate about teaching this class. She is a leader in not only perpetuating the art of Cherokee pottery, but in supporting its evolution. I know it's not easy to balance all the demands and Tara's dedication is an inspiration."

"I absolutely love seeing influences of work in our collections. Drawing a thread from the past to the present is integral to telling our story and makes this exhibition so powerful...This exhibition is both beautiful and vital. We are dedicated to this work and are grateful for this opportunity to host."

The following artists took the class: Nancy Pheasant (EBCI), Toby McCoy (EBCI), Dreyton Long (EBCI), Madeline Welch (EBCI), Rocanne Teesateskie (EBCI), Bonnie Claxton (Chickasaw Nation), Trey Adcock (Cherokee Nation), and Caleb Hickman (Cherokee Nation).

Pheasant, an EBCI artist known for her shell carvings, said she was impressed with the thoroughness of the class. "With this class, it was so in-depth. She literally took us from being able to process clay, all the way to learning two different methods to fire it. So, we learned how to kiln-fire, and we also learned how to do our own pit fire...To me, this was awesome. I really learned a lot. She gave us a lot of history. She talked to us about the different designs and meanings and the iconology behind some of those, the different shapes of pots, and the different styles that are out there."

She fell in love with pottery. "I had to switch thinking because it's an entirely different medium. But, for me, it was easy to rely on knowing designs already and being able to recognize and create my own designs into the pottery. But, it's a whole different world... To me, that was the best part. To be able to take a lump of clay that looked like dirt and create something with it."

Claxton, a member of the Chickasaw Nation, is the program manager for the EBCI Legal Assistance Office, and she found pottery very relaxing. "My son, who is 11, actually inspired me to start working with clay. He has taken it up and it reminds him, and he reminds me, to just slow down. It's about the process, the feel of it, and having experiences. He reminds me constantly that whatever you get out of it is just a bonus. If there's a product, that's a bonus. I had some pieces after this class, before the show, that cracked when I was firing them and I was really upset. He was



Dreyton Long, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, created this pot entitled "World Wind". The artist statement on the piece reads, "This piece is a contemporary play on a pot found in an archaeological dig".

very sympathetic and said, 'Do you remember how much you enjoyed making them? You'll make some more.'"

She added, "It just grounds you and it makes me slow down. I love it so much."

Hickman, a Cherokee Nation citizen, is the supervisory biologist for the EBCI Fisheries & Wildlife Management Program. He started working with clay several years ago on his own making medallions to give away as presents during a trip to Brazil. "I kept going. I was making more and more of these medallions. I was making stamps for them and all that."

He said McCoy invited him to participate in the class, and he jumped at the idea. "I thought it was a great opportunity. It's awesome...I went from making these medallions to trying to make other stuff." "The first couple days, she (Tara) said, 'you just need to slow down.' Because it's true that you have to change the way you're thinking, you need to slow down. I'm used to doing things kind of fast. So, it was cool because you could just connect and just chill out, relax. That whole tohi thing. Clay got you there rather than another thing. I would never have thought that. It gets you to calm down."

Hickman was grateful for McCoy's knowledge and patience. "She's phenomenal. She's very humble. She can pick up your pot, and it's totally failing, and she shows you what to do."

Like the other students, Hickman said doing pottery is therapeutic. "You had to have a different mindset while you're doing it... slow your mind down." "I'm very thankful to be able to work and be here on the same land that our ancestors have been on. It's just really truly a gift to be able to work with the same dirt, doing the same designs, just working with the clay."

- Tara McCoy EBCI tribal member and teacher for the Museum of the Cherokee Indian's Community Learning Workshop for Pottery



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In recognition of National Reading Month (March), the Community Development Division of the EBCI Cooperative Extension Center hosted their Annual Community-Wide Reading Challenge March 1-31. This event is a partnership with the community clubs and Cherokee Central Schools. Six communities participated and submitted a total of 30,024 minutes read. The winners of each community were entered in the community wide challenge. The top 12 winners received a cash prize and a book from Talking Leaves Bookstore written by a Native American author. The following are the 2023 EBCI Community-Wide Reading Challenge Winners (name, minutes read, community):

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- 1 Kiona French; 1,025; Yellowhill Community
- 2 Kayden French, 960, Yellowhill Community
- 3 Andi Raya, 705, Big Cove Community

3-5 Grade

- 1 Sebastian Coggins; 3,882; Big Y Community
- 2 Grayson Mathis; 1,190; Big Y Community
- 3 Tyran Parker, 535, Big Y Community

6-8 Grade

1 - Zane Coggins ; 3,930; Big Y Community

2 - Cynthia Saunooke; 1,289; Yellowhill Com-

munity

3 - Tay Larch, 409, Wolftown Community 9-12 Grade

1 - Tyruss Thompson; 2,350; Painttown Community

- 2 Katherine Armachain ; 1,245;
- Big Cove Community

3 - Kaiden Lambert, 989, Birdtown Community For more information on this event and

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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.

CLASSIC COUNT

Call for artists

Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority (CIHA) is seeking local artwork for their new Long Term Care facility, Tsali Care. The collection will have over 100 artworks designed to reflect the culture and history of the EBCI community and the local landscape. Artworks will be purchased and commissioned. To learn more about this project and apply online, visit content.turningart.com/ciha. The deadline to apply is May 12.

- Cherokee Indian Hospital

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

Your #1 Station for Assic count on the Qualla Boundary. On the morning of Sunday, Dec. 18, 2022, EBCI Natural Resources Enforcement staff responded to a citizen report of an elk calf at Tsali Manor (55 Echota Church Rd.) that had been shot with an arrow. If anyone has information about the case, please contact EBCI Dispatch (828) 497-4131. Caller information will remain anonymous.

- EBCI Natural Resources Dept.

NATIONAL PARK NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Temporary lane closures to begin on several park roads and the Spur Tunnel

GATLINBURG, Tenn.- Great **Smoky Mountains National Park** and Federal Highway Administration officials have announced several upcoming road paving and pothole repair projects on Newfound Gap Road, Clingmans Dome Road, and Foothills Parkway West. The repairs will require temporary single-lane closures, which may cause short traffic delays. Crews will also finish their work on the Spur Tunnel, requiring lane closures until the end of the month. Bryant's Land Development, of Burnsville, N.C., will repair potholes on Newfound Gap Road near Morton Overlook at mile marker 14.6. Crews will need to temporar-

ily close one lane of traffic on April 19, weather depending. They will also repair pavement on a parking pullout along Clingman's Dome Road. The pullout will be closed for no more than one day. Weather depending, Estes Bros. Construction, of Jonesville, Va., began pavement repairs on Monday, April 17 along a nine-mile section of Foothills Parkway West between U.S. Highway 321 at Walland and Look Rock Observation Tower. Work will occur in multiple locations over several days, requiring single-lane closures with flaggers. Crews will also pave parking areas on that stretch of the parkway.

In addition to the paving projects, contractors will implement single-lane closures through the Spur Tunnel from April 17-27 as they complete the installation of a new LED lighting system. Crews began work on the tunnel in January to replace drains and lights, clean and seal the tunnel interior, and install the new lights.

Motorists are reminded to pay attention and slow down in work zones, maintain extra space between your vehicle and the one in front of you, and to follow the directions of flaggers. Road closure status is available on the park's Current Road, Facility, Trail and Backcountry Updates webpage.

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Lucille Walker Radford

Lucille Walker Radford, 101, of Cherokee, passed away on Saturday, April 8, 2023 at Cherokee Indian Hospital. She was born on Dec. 31, 1921 in Swain County to the late William McKinley Walker and Amanda Catt Walker. She attended Bryson City Church of God. Prior to moving to Cherokee, she attended Mooresville Church of God where she was a member and spent many years teaching children's church. She was a dedicated wife, mother, and faithful servant of the Lord. Lucille enjoyed her grandchildren, great grandchildren, and spending time with her family.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Albert William Radford; sisters, Edna Long "Katie", Inez Seay, Jessie Howard; brothers, George Walker, Jack Walker, and Gene Walker; and grandson, Jason W. Radford.

She is survived by her children, Bill Radford (Marcia) of Cherokee, Terry Radford (Paula) of Cleveland, Lindsay Radford (Judy) of Mooresville, Robin Radford (Donna) of Cherokee, Tiffany Tschudi (Ryan) of Missouri; sisters, Polly Markley, Maxine Lambert, and Alyne Dixon; and numerous loving grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Funeral service were held on Wednesday, April 12 at Bryson City Church of God with Rev. Marty Pressley and Rev. Donnie Wise officiating. The family received friends on Wednesday, April 12 at Bryson City Church of God in Bryson City and on Sunday, April 16 Cavin Cook Funeral Home in Mooresville. Graveside service were on Monday, April 17 at Salisbury National Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Bryson City Church of God (Missions), 1027 Toot Hollow Road, Bryson City, NC 28713. In lieu of flowers please consider house plants or memorial donations.

Crisp Funeral Home, Bryson City and Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville, served the Radford family.

Jessica Myraah McCoy

Jessica Myraah McCoy, age 29, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, April 8, 2023. She is the daughter of Sam and Tonya Crowe.

In addition to her parents, she is survived her children, Kyler Anthony Huskey, Kloe Lynn Huskey, and Paizleigh Ann McCoy; brother, Robert Washington Jr.; sisters, Kiera Toineeta and Aubrey Toineeta; biological mother, Veronica McCoy; grandparents, William and Jackie Washington; uncles, Ben Welch, Alvin Smith, and Roy Thomas; aunts, Rebecca (Craig) MacMichael, Ruth (Ricky) Griggs, Bonnie (Bobby) Maney, Donna (Mark) Mann, Nancy (Kenneth) Teague, Melinda Smith, Georganne (Tommy) Simmons, and Judy Washington.

Jessica is preceded in death by her biological father, Robert Washington Sr.; uncles, Fred Welch and Furman Smith; aunts, Tammy Raines and Connie Smith; grandmother, Jesse Welch; and grandpa, Frank Joseph McCoy.

A visitation was held on Thursday, April 13 in the chapel of Long House Funeral Home. A formal funeral service took place on Friday, April 14 with Mark Mann officiating. Burial was in the Crowe Family Cemetery on Union Hill. Pallbearers were Sam Crowe (Kyler Huskey), Robert Washington Jr. (Phineas, Wilson), Steven Brady, Malachi Taylor, Jared Wheatley, and Chuck Patterson.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

Kasia Jade Bird Ubvtsuhv

Kasia Jade Bird Ubvtsuhv, age 23, of Cherokee, N.C., passed away at Solace Care Partners Hospice in Asheville, N.C., on Friday, March 31, 2023 after an extended illness. She was born Jan. 21, 2000. Kasia graduated from Smoky Mountain High School in 2018. She enjoyed playing softball and loved music and singing.

Kasia is preceded in death by her foster mother and great aunt, Brenda Davis; maternal grandparents, Emerson Bird and Debbie Laws Burrell; paternal grandfather, Kermit "Dugan" Carroll; sister, Haze Ayen; and foster brotherin-law, JC King.

She is survived by her mother, April Dawn Bird; father, Beau Carroll; foster sister, Olivia Davis King; brother, Damon Ayen (Kayla); foster father, Tommy Davis (Joyce); paternal great-grandmother, Dee Smith; paternal grandmother, Jan Smith (Howard); uncles, Drew Burrell (Brooke) and Kyle Carroll; an aunt, Tonya Carroll (Bear); and many other family members and friends.

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

Oscar "Coss" Hicks Jr.

Oscar "Coss" Hicks Jr., age 73, of the Painttown Community, went home to be with the Lord, surrounded by his loving Family on Wednesday, April 12, 2023. Coss was the son of the late Oscar Hicks Sr. and Rachel Long Hicks.

Coss loved the Lord and his family beyond measure. He was a master woodworker. He loved creating things with his hands. He was a very humble and meek man. He was a great teacher and motivator. His favorite pastime was fishing, and he loved nature and being with his family. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his brother, William "Bill" Hicks; sisters, Bernadean George, Bernadette Taylor, Treva Reed; and two grandchildren.

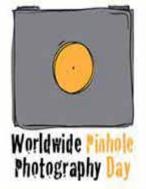
Coss is survived by his loving wife of 55 years, Sarah Jane; son, Mark Hicks (Shannon); daughter, Crystal Hicks-Simpson (Taryl); five grandchildren, Kissie, Siri, Zachary, Jordan, and Connor; six great-grandchildren, Kason, Westyn, Berklee, Kyric, Remi, and Sawyer; brothers, Arthur, Steven, and Johnny Hicks; sister, Charlotte Saunooke; and many nieces and nephews also survive.

A visitation was held on Saturday, April 15 at Rock Springs Church. Coss remained at the church until the hour of service on Sunday, April 16 with Pastor Greg Morgan and Keith Carson officiating. Burial was in the Hicks Family Cemetery in Hicks Hollow. Pallbearers were Mark, Steven, Johnny, Connor, Zachary, and Jordan. Honorary pallbearers were Taryl and Aaron.

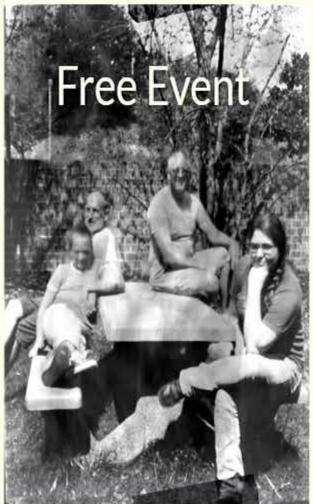
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COMMENTARY Leaving a bad taste

By ROBERT JUMPER One Feather Editor

The Cherokee language is important. It is a treasure. It is a part of the characteristics of what it means to be Cherokee. Some have even insinuated that a tribal member's very identity as a Cherokee rests on their knowledge of the language. It is considered part of the life's blood of the community. To some.

Particularly since the casino began to generate financial stability and economic growth, funding for sustaining the language has been put on the front burner. Millions of dollars have been spent in the defense of preserving the written and spoken language; schools have been built, curriculums established, and promotional materials produced. Language proponents are emotional and passionate about its survival.

So, with all that, why is there still so much apathy among tribal members concerning the language? If you ask the average member on the street if they support the sustenance of the language, the majority will be totally behind it (in spirit). Then, ask those same folks if they can speak or write the language and they will say very little or not at all.

You see, in your day-to-day activities, it is highly unlikely that you have a need to use the Cherokee language unless you are involved in teaching it or have older family members who use it frequently at home.

You don't need the language to communicate with coworkers. You don't need the language to sit and chat with friends at Brio or to order a meal at the drive-through at McDonald's. You don't need the language at the barber shop or beauty salon. All your groceries can be found and purchased at Food Lion without giving a thought to the language. If you get pulled over by the police, it is very unlikely that you will not understand the officer if you don't know the Cherokee language.

When you flip on the boob tube and switch to channel 28 for your latest edition of Tribal Council to see what is going on and what laws are being made for our people, 99.9 percent of the time, you will be able to understand every word from our leaders without the benefit of knowing Cherokee language. You will get the occasional translation from our language clerks, and some of the tribal members with things to present will do an introduction with their name and maybe where they are from with the language, then the rest will be done in English.

What would we do if, suddenly, it was mandatory for tribal members to speak the language to hold a job, order goods and services, communicate with our doctor, and speak to loved ones? I know folks who have gone overseas to countries where English is minimally spoken in mainstream society. They get books to study









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up on a few essential phrases, and many friends travel with interpreters, or they would not have a good time or be safe during their time away from home. That is what it is like when language is essential to a society or culture. If it was more than a short trip, my friends would have to make some serious life changes, including how they communicate, to survive in those countries.

Many of us treat the language like a treasured piece of Cherokee pottery or woodwork. We get a random piece or two of it (that appeals to us) take it out and dust it off occasionally, then put it back on the shelf. In many ways, our government has encouraged that behavior by making only certain people guardians of our language. Laws are in place that prevent the free use of written and oral words in governmental releases without the approval of a panel of language experts. A form must be submitted to get a formal affirmation or official translation before it may be used in print or on audio/video. While these types of institutions may keep the language pristine, they will also have the effect of discouraging people from using the language. Living languages evolve through use. They need exercise.

I had the opportunity to moderate a candidate debate several years ago and the subject of the language came up. Apparently, this candidate had attended a speakers' gathering in one of the communities. She described the experience as a demeaning one. She didn't know the language or knew very little of it. When she was approached by someone who could and she explained that she could not understand them, she was told that she really shouldn't be there. She felt so out of place and excluded that she walked out

of the meeting.

The advocates of language in our community have a tough row to hoe. They must find ways to inspire others to embrace the language, make it fun and exciting, and show the social significance of the language in a way that is not threatening and will attract folks like the candidate who was ostracized at that meeting. The fact that she attended indicated that she had the desire to know more about the language, but she didn't feel that it was something that others wanted her to be a part of.

Force-feeding the language to the community would have disastrous results. It is just common sense to know that pushing anything on a person will meet with resistance. My granny used to feed me bitter medicine when I would get sick. She would tell me to hold my nose while she poured it in. Didn't make me want or like it any better. And if she hadn't been standing over me, I would have just lived or died with the sickness because there was no way I was going to voluntarily drink that stuff. Granny would add sugar to the tablespoon of medicine to make me want it. No dice. I could taste the sugar but that taste never overrode the bitterness. And for some reason, the sweet taste would go away long before the bitter taste. Now, on the flip side of that, when granny wanted to give me a treat, she would put three or four heaping tablespoons of sugar in a glass of milk and add a drop or two of vanilla extract, making sort of a poor man's milkshake. You couldn't keep me away from that stuff and that was always my first request when I stayed with Granny.

At the most recent town hall meeting, one topic of discussion was the Cherokee language. An encouraging note from the Cherokee Language Program was that they are looking at more ways to make the language accessible to those who wish to pursue it. The program director mentioned collaborations with experts in information technology and Cherokee Nation to pool and exploit existing resources to make more ways available to the community to access and explore the language in their own way and at their own pace. It was also stated that those who are at higher learning levels need to be supportive of those who are starting in the language.

Speaking of sugar, one of the subjects that came up was the idea of monetarily incentivized learning. Well, they said it was more like "pay people to take language classes" but, the same concept. There is not much that is more relevant today than personal economy. And if language learning can be tied to positive results in an individual's personal economy, then you might have a winning tactic to engage many learners.

One language leader, referencing a strategic language group, stated "What does that look like (pay incentive for language learning), how would that work? How do we put the information out there? How do we evaluate people? We all feel that incentivizing it will be in our best interest. It will build that enthusiasm and help to structure it. I know that there are some people, me included, that feel you should learn Cherokee because it is who you are - shouldn't have to pay you to do that. However, every one of us has responsibilities that we must take care of at the end of the day. 'I've got kids. I've got a family. I've got communities to take care of.' Ultimately, for us to come from a perspective of helping those individuals monetarily while they learn the language is helping our community overall."

Punitive efforts to revitalize the language will doom the language. Mandatory pronouncements to use it will result in disdain for it. Weaving it into our everyday lives and making it relevant in the day-to-day in 2023 are the keys to the future of the language.

I once heard a speaker say at one of the Cherokee Fair events that the Cherokee language is so rich and filled with emotion that some things are impossible to translate into English. He said that everything seemed to have a deeper meaning when understood in the Cherokee speech because the language engaged the heart as well as the mind. Education and incorporation with positive, productive measures will widen the appeal of the language among our people. But each measure must have a purpose that is understood and accepted by both teacher and student. Otherwise, all we will be left with is a bad taste in our mouths.

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By CHELSEA TAYLOR WOLFTOWN COMMUNITY

If you aren't on social media, you may not be aware that I look up to the late Wilma Mankiller, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation. Mankiller was the first and only female to serve two terms as Principal Chief from 1987-91 and 1991-95. In 1983, prior to her service as Principal Chief, she was selected as a running mate for Deputy Chief by Ross O. Swimmer, Principal Chief who was running for his third consecutive term. Some people may be asking themselves why a male in leadership entrusted a female to lead the Cherokee Nation in any capacity.

Mankiller walked in the shoes of activism,

social work, and community developer. Her first community development program as a grant writer was for the Bell Project out of Bell, Oklahoma that led to laying 16 miles of pipe for a shared water system all by the hands of community members who donated their time and labor. The Bell Project showcased Mankiller's ability to empower community members to identify their problems and gain control of the challenges they faced. The Bell Waterline Project launched Mankiller's political career by catching the attention of Chief Ross. I recommend that you watch the 2013 film, "The Cherokee Word for Water" if you are interested in seeing how the Bell community water project was brought to life.

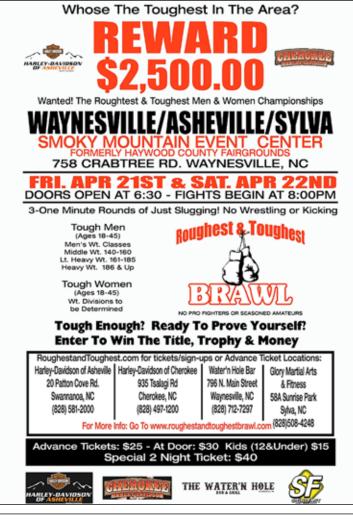
While all the foundations of greatness were evolving for Mankiller I was just a little girl who never thought I'd serve as the Wolftown Rep for the Cherokee Central Schoolboard or that I would become the second female in the history of Wolftown/Big Y Tribal Council Rep. The admiration I have for the path trailblazed by Wilma P. Mankiller will always be a guide for me and generations to come. Thank you, Chief Swimmer, for believing in Mankiller's attributes. One of my favorite quotes by Wilma Mankiller, is "I hope many of you will be people that question why things are and why we must do them the way we have always done them. I hope you will take some risks, exert some real leadership on issues, and if you will, dance along the edge of the roof as you continue for life."

I appreciate the opportunity to write this commentary. I've not always been given the chance to share from my heart without hearing or seeing people be disrespectful to me in my own community. I encourage generations who don't feel like they have a dog in the fight when it comes to the current culture of tribal leadership. We need wavemakers to trailblaze for positive change and will have the strength to navigate through the complacent ripples.



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By REV. TIMOTHY L. MELTON, PASTOR (Transcribed by Myra D. Colgate) Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church

Read: Matthew 28: 1-10; John 20:12,18-23.

"Yes, He is risen! I'm so glad He has gotten up! He got up, so I can get up! All of us who believe can know this! He got up, so I can get up! Because He lives, I live! When I was still dead because of my sin and trespasses, and because of His Death and Resurrection, I've been set free and delivered. I just can't thank Him enough every day."

"Father, this morning we thank You. We thank You, Lord, for the plan of Salvation that was put together long before the Earth had even spun the first time on its axis...I thank You, Lord, for the Plan that You had to redeem fallen Mankind who had fallen in the Garden of Eden. I thank You, Lord, that You were willing to send Your Son, to put on flesh like ours, to stand in our place, giving His life, that we might live. Lord, we thank You for the spotless Lamb of God. We thank You for the sacrifice that was made. This morning we thank You and we celebrate this morning the historical fact, the Truth, that He got up again on the Third Day. Death couldn't hold Him; the grave couldn't keep Him; and satan couldn't defeat Him. I thank You, Lord, that today we can stand in Your House and celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord, Jesus Christ in this country. Amen."

"I think this is one of my all-

time favorites of all the Sundays that I get to preach because it is a good reminder of what Jesus did for us. In fact, there is no other religion on the face of the planet that their Prophet, Savior, got up again after death. There's none other. When I looked, somebody added its what separates Christianity from all the rest. I have to remind others that my Savior lives and is alive and well.

When Bryson was a little boy, of three or four years old, we taught him the song, "Jesus is Alive and Well", which he sang as "Jesus is Alive in a well." Others told him that is not quite right, but I told them, you'd better know it's right. He's in a well if we're in a well. He's in the fire if we're in a fire. Today, Jesus is alive and is with us now, for the grave couldn't hold Him.

We also find out that Jesus, while walking with His disciples, He was teaching and talking with them. They're watching as He opened blind eyes again. Watching as dead men live again, deaf ears begin to heal. We see that leprosy goes away. We're watching as small loaves and fishes are feeding multitudes of people, and seeing how Jesus is changing things everywhere. He even says to us, His Body will be taken and destroyed by wicked men, and in three days, He will take it up again.

There's coming a day when sinful man will do their best to destroy His Body, but He states, " I will get up again." Then the day comes. Tried by them in a mock trial, beaten beyond recognition, forced to carry a cross up a hill at Calvary, and then nailed to it. And as His Blood begins to run out of His Veins and His Life begins to wane in His Body, He looks up into the Heavens and says, "Lay not this sin to their charge."

The Bible says after so many hours, He just gave up the Ghost, as He allowed His Spirit to leave His Body.

The enemy thought he had won something but couldn't even kill Jesus. Jesus is the One Who decided when enough was enough because He's never lost a battle.

The problem now for Jesus is that His Body has been in the grave for several days and we find the disciples didn't know what to do. They had put all their belief in this one Man. It seemed to them like it was all over, and now He was dead. In these four synoptic gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, some just went back to fishing because they didn't know what else to do. Some had hidden in a house. The women had gathered spices to anoint the dead body of Christ. All their hopes and expectations were dashed. They talked over the question of how they could get the sealed stone removed from the tomb to go in and do that. They all had underestimated Jesus. Even in the earlier boat experience, it was, who's going to save us? Jesus was already walking upon what they were fearing from that storm. What more could they do?

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I am in the midst of lions; I am forced to dwell among ravenous beasts — men whose teeth are spears and arrows, whose tongues are sharp swords. PSALM 57:4 200

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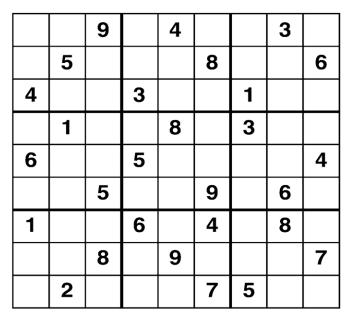
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: •

Moderate A Challenging ♦ ♦ ♦ HOO BOY!

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1. Is the book of Philippians (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. From Mark 8, Jesus healed a blind man by putting what onto his eyes? Sand, Wind, Blood, Spit

3. What elderly cousin of Mary was the mother of John the Baptist? Jael, Rahab, Sarah, Elisabeth

4. In Hebrews 13:17, how should Christians act toward elders? Respectfully, In submission, Cheerfully, Timidly

5. What book of the Bible foretold the virgin birth? Joel, Isaiah, Jonah, Malachi

6. Who was Shamgar the son of? Ehud, Samson, Anath, Tola

Sharpen your understanding of scripture with Wilson's Casey's latest book, "Test Your Bible Knowledge," available in bookstores and online.

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1. TELEVISION: Which drama focuses on the inhabitants of Wisteria Lane?

2. GEOGRAPHY: The Aswan Dam is located on which river?

3. LANGUAGE: What is the only word in the English language that ends in "mt"?

4. MOVIES: What is the name of Ryan Reynolds' Alaskan hometown in "The Proposal"?

5. U.S. CITIES: How many buildings in New York City have their own ZIP codes, including the Empire State Building?

6. SCIENCE: Entomology is the scientific study of what?

7. CHEMISTRY: Which natural element is the most unstable?

8. FOOD & DRINK: What is the condiment tahini made of?

9. LITERATURE: What is the setting for John Kennedy Toole's novel "A Confederacy of Dunces"?

10. ANATOMY: How many lobes are in the human brain?

APPENINGS contact info to scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov.

Event listings are free of charge. Send your event name, date and time, location, and

EVENTS

BENEFITS/FUNDRAISERS

Hamburger/Hot Dog Benefit for Poncho Ballard. April 21 at 11 a.m. at the Peaches Squirrell Sports & Recreation Complex. Hamburger or two hot dog combo with baked beans, slaw, and a drink for \$10. Delivery orders can be made by contacting Kristina Queen (828) 359-6444 or email krisquee@ebci-nsn.gov. Delivery orders must be received no later than close of business on Thursday, April 20. Poncho has been diagnosed with bladder cancer, and due to his diagnosis he has not been able to keep his business open. He will be having surgery on April 25. All proceeds will go directly to him to help with additional travel and medical expenses.

Turkey Shoot at the Jesse Welch Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community: 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) • Sochan. April 28 at 5 p.m. - You-Tube premiere. Join the search for the flowering stalk sochan (also known as the green-headed coneflower or cutleaf coneflower), a delectable wild springtime green. • Wild Strawberries. May 12 at 5 p.m. – YouTube premiere. Join the search for the flowering stalk sochan (also known as the green-headed coneflower or cutleaf coneflower), a delectable wild springtime green.

Branch Lettuce. May 26 at 5 p.m. - YouTube premeire. The final Forager Friday of the season calls for branch lettuce-sometimes called "wild lettuce"- a versatile late spring green.

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/

MANNA Food Bank Community Market. April 20 from 12 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Peaches Squirrell Sports & Recreation Complex. Celebrate Earth Day at this free event open to all community members. Cookbooks, vendors, and more.

7th Annual Spring Garden Fair. April 21-22 at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Seeds, plants, yard art, education, and a RePurpose It contest for youth ages 5-17. Info: Lucille 736-5285, Hope 736-5453, or email Carmaleta at carmaleta@ msn.com

NAIWA selling breakfast.

April 21-22 in conjunction with the Spring Garden Fair at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Breakfast will be served both days starting at 9 a.m. and will include eggs, sausage, biscuits and gravy, with drink for \$6. Lunch on Friday, April 21 will start 11 a.m. and include chef salad with cookie and a drink for \$10. Lunch on Saturday, April 22 will start at 11 a.m. and include BBQ sandwich, baked beans, slaw, chips, cookie, and a drink for \$10. Info:

Lucille Wolfe 736-5285

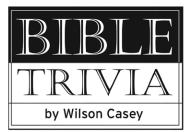
CSS "Days of Culture". Cherokee Central Schools students will celebrate their traditions with two "Days of Culture" scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, April 25 and 26. Teachers will have the opportunity to bring their classes to watch demonstrations and talk one-on-one with local artisans who will set up their wares in the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. The current mask exhibition remains open through June 1. To view the exhibition during school hours-Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., visitors enter through the Middle School and must show a current ID.

4th Annual Missing & Murdered Indigenous Relative



Weekly SUDOKU _

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ANSWERS: 1) New, 2) Spit (spittle), 3) Elisabeth, 4) In submission, 5) Isaiah 7:14, 6) Anath



- Answers
- 1. "Desperate Housewives."
- 2. The Nile River.
- 3. Dreamt.
- 4. Sitka.
- 5. More than 40.
- 6. Insects.
- 7. Francium, because it has 49 more
- neutrons than protons.
- 8. Sesame seeds.
- 9. New Orleans.
- 10. Four.
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Walk & Vigil. May 5 from 3 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Resource Fair located at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, will walk to the Tribal Council House.

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 Family Fun Day. May 13 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Yellowhill Ac-

Salome's Stars *

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) This week offers new opportunities for adventurous Sheep, both personal and professional. Single Sheep could find romance with a Taurus or Scorpio.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your big break is about to happen in the workplace. Expect to hear more about it within a few days. Meanwhile, enjoy some much-needed fun time.

ĞÉMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your past tendency for breaking promises could be catching up with you. You need to reassure a certain someone in your life that this time you'll keep your word. Good luck.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Watch your tendency to be overcautious in your personal relationships. Give people a chance to show who they are, not who you assume them to be.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Aspects favor closer attention to family matters, especially where it concerns older relatives who might need special care. A co-worker has information that can help.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A workplace change causes a temporary delay in your plans. Still, continue working on your project so that you'll be ready when it's time to start up again.

LIBRA (September 23 to Octo-

tivity 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

Principal Chief Candidate

Debate. May 17 at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. Meet and Greet at 5 p.m.; Debate from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. This event is open to the public and will be live-streamed at the EBCI Communications Facebook page. Sponsored by EBCI Communications and the Right Path Adult Leadership Alumni.

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ber 22) Stick with your plans despite some recent disappointments. Persistence will pay off. A family member's health takes a happy turn for the better.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your gift for seeing through to the heart of a matter (or the heart of a person) impresses someone who is in a position to make you a very interesting offer.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your colleagues believe in your leadership abilities because you believe in yourself. Your strength inspires others to follow your example.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A sensitive situation needs sensitive handling. Show more patience than you usually do. This will allow everyone time for some really hard thinking.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You are determined to take charge of a difficult situation and turn it around. Good for you. Accept much-needed help and advice from a Libra.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You are able to help people by sensing their deepest pain, but be careful not to let your own emotions get injured. Try to maintain a safe balance.

BORN THIS WEEK: Yours is one of the most emotional signs of the zodiac. You are empathetic and have a deep spiritual core that gives you your great strength.

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by Freddy Groves

Home Loans for Native American Veterans

A VA-backed home mortgage is currently in the neighborhood of 5.5% for a 30-year loan, and a refi is approximately 6.63%.

Unless you qualify as a Native American or are married to a Native American. Then, starting in March and for the next 24 months, a home loan can be had with a mortgage interest rate of 2.5% through the Native American Direct Loan program (NADL). The loan can be to either buy, build or improve a home.

The fine print has important details, of course. "Native American" includes Native Americans, native Hawaiians, Alaska Natives and Pacific Islanders under the Native American Programs Act of 1974, which includes American Samoa, Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas and Guam.

The home must be on federal trust land, and the tribe must have a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the federal government.

On an individual level, you'll need the typical COE, a certificate of eligibility. You can get an application at www.va.gov. Look for VA Form 26-1880. If you're uncertain about your eligibility, you can call the VA at 877-827-3702.

To qualify for a VA home loan, you'll need a decent FICO score, the higher the better. Somewhere between 580 and 640 should be enough, depending on the demands of individual lenders. Ideally, you'll have a good debt-to-income ratio.

You'll also need to meet the minimum service requirements. Different time periods require different lengths of service, ranging from 90 to 181 days to 24 months.

You won't need to make a down payment or pay private mortgage insurance (PMI), although you might be required to pay the funding fee. (Sometimes you can roll this into the loan amount and not pay it out of pocket.)

If you have an existing NADL and the interest rate is 3.5% or more, you'll be able to refinance at the new 2.5% rate.

For info about the NADL, call 888-349-7541. You can also go online to www.benefits.va.gov and search for Native American Direct Loan (NADL).

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Can Cats Eat Easter Eggs?

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: We were coloring Easter eggs a few days ago, and our cat Jake kept begging underneath the table. Now that we've got lots of leftover boiled eggs, I'm wondering if it would be safe to mix a few into his food? — Sarah L., Panama City, Florida

DEAR SARAH: Because they're hard-boiled, it's completely safe to feed some egg to Jake. Just remember to peel the shell off first!

Eggs are a healthy protein that cats can eat. The American Veterinary Medical Association recommends that they always be cooked. Feeding raw egg to a cat can make it sick due to the potential for bacteria or other pathogens that are on the shell to transfer to the egg.

Whether the cooked egg is boiled, scrambled, poached or microwaved doesn't matter. Don't add seasonings to the egg, though. Salt, pepper and other spices can upset a cat's small tummy.

If you've never fed eggs to Jake before, only give him a small amount at first. Add a teaspoon to his regular food or to the side of his dish. Monitor his behavior after he eats the egg. If he has an allergy to eggs, he may scratch excessively, act agitated or throw up. If he seems fine, you can give him more next time.

Here's a cool finding about eggs and cats: Researchers at Purina reported in 2019 that coating a cat's food in a special egg powder formulation helped stop people from having an allergic reaction to cats! A protein in cats' saliva is responsible for 95% of cat allergies in people. Not surprisingly, Purina has developed an entire product line of cat food based on this finding, called LiveClear. So, if you suffer from allergies around cats, this might bring some relief.

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

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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 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. This is for residents of the Qualla Boundary. 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 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



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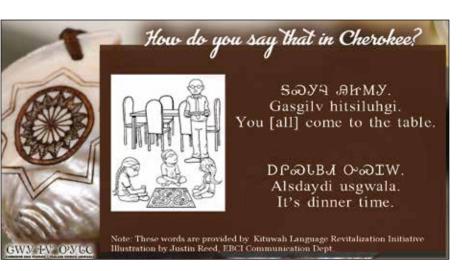
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Baccalaureate. May 24 at 6 p.m. (following parade) in the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center
Graduation. May 25 at 7:30 p.m. in Ray Kinsland Stadium at CHS.

37th Annual Fading Voices.

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

Annual Kituwah Celebration.

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

Caregiver Connections. April 20 at 2 p.m., Virtual only. RSVP with Jody at jmiller@rapc.org by April 19.

Meet & Greet with Alexandera Houchin (professional ultra

cyclist). April 20 from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Houchin, a member of the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Ojibwe, is the single speed record holder for the Colorado Trail (550 miles), Arizona Trail (800 miles), and the Tour Divide (2,800 miles). There will be a discussion and Q&A on the short film entitled "Stronger Together". Info: Museum of the Cherokee Indian 497-3481

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.

Georgia Swarm Lacrosse Native Heritage Celebration.

April 29. Stickball demonstration from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. at 235 Old Dawsonville Road in Ball Ground, Ga. This will include a stickball exhibition and educational series, Cherokee craftsmen and vendors, and local food trucks. Georgia Swarm vs. Halifax Thunderbirds lacrosse game at 7 p.m. at the Gas South Arena in Duluth, Ga. Info: www.georgiaswarm.com/ebci-nativeheritage

10-year Anniversary for EBCI Nurse Family Partnership.

May 1 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Cherokee Choices Community room. Info: Candy (828) 359-6865 or candmart@ebci-nsn.gov

Childbirth Education Class.

May 2, 9, 16, and 23 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Cherokee Choices office. Free classes, open to all. Learn about labor and birth, coping skills for labor, postpartum, breastfeeding, and newborn care. Receive a \$25 gift card for attending each session. Info: Tricia Carver (828) 359-6250 or triccarv@ebci-nsn.gov

Mother's Day 5K. May 13 at Kituwah. Registration begins at 8 a.m., and the walk/run begins at 9 a.m. \$15 early registration until May 1, and then it increases to \$20. \$10 for 1-12 year-olds and 59-99 year-olds. Hosted by Cherokee Choices. Register at: https://runsignup.com/mothersday5k. Info: Yolanda Saunooke (828) 359-6784 or yolasaun@ebci-nsn.gov

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.

54th Annual Kyiyo Celebra-

tion. 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

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, Calif. MC: Phillip Hale. Host Northern Drum: Phoenix Boyz. Host Southern Drum: Sooner Nation. Info: (310) 243-2433

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

Indivisible Swain County meeting via Zoom. April 23 at 7 p.m. Agenda items to focus on planning for Fall Community Form on a shared vision for the health of the community. All are welcome to join and participate. For a zoom link, email indivisibleswain@gmail. com

Friends of the Greenway and Macon County Parks & Recreation Open House. April 25 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Friends of the Greenway Headquarters at 573 E. Main Street in Franklin, N.C. Stop by to give best wishes to Terry Browning who will be retiring on April 28 after 20 years providing maintenance to the Little Tennessee River Greenway. If you'd like to send a card, mail to FROG Quarters, 573 E. Main Street, Franklin, NC 28734

Phases of the Moon with Ran-

di Neff. April 26 at 4 p.m. in the Storytime Room of the Jackson County Public Library in Sylva, N.C. Attendees will learn about the phases of the moon from Randi Neff, from the Smoky Mountain STEM Collaborative, and will also be making an Oreo Moon Phase Calendar. This program is free and open to the public and is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Jackson County Public Library. Info: (828) 586-2016

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

Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at Analenisgi. Info: www.AAwnc80. com

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

MARA (Medication-Assisted Recovery Anonymous) meets Thursdays at 5 p.m. in the Rivercane Room at Analenisgi. Info: Analenisgi (828) 497-9163 or visit: https://cherokeehospital.org/locations/analenisgi

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EMPLOYMENT

Positions Available

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LEGAL NOTICES

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 4/19

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

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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**

Seeking Quotes

Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino in Murphy, NC is seeking quotes from TERO certified vendors for the following goods: Bulk PREMIUM LANDSCAPER MIX - 36 yards - Delivered to Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino & Hotel, 777 Casino Parkway, Murphy, NC 28906 Composition 60% topsoil, 30% earth food 10% sand. Mulch cannot contain foreign matter, weeds or grass. Quote must include product composition specs, product cost, delivery cost and delivery date. Mulch must be delivered by May 11, 2023.

BID/RFP DUE DATE: May 4, 2023 at 5:00 PM – Bids must be sealed and delivered to Purchasing Dept., Harrah's Cherokee Resort & Casino, 777 Casino Drive, Cherokee NC 28719. Bids may be dropped at Security Dispatch on level 1 of the casino parking deck.

For questions or additional information, please contact Charlie Myers at 828-497-8315. **4/26**



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Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements

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

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

Payroll direct deposit is mandatory. Indian preference does apply in the filling of this position.

If claiming Indian preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate.

Current Vacancies

Administration - Finance Director

Bus Department - (5) PT Bus Drivers

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

Agelink/ Snowbird Childcare – Multiple Teachers

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



STAFF OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

IT Analyst/ Programmer I (*multiple*) Internal Auditor Associate Dean - Hunter Library Crew Leader - Facilities Residential Case Manager Assistant Women's Basketball Coach University Investigator - Legal Division

FACULTY OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

Biology, Communications, Nutrition & Dietetics and for many more staff and faculty opportinuties....

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EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS TRIBAL EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS OFFICE

Cherokee Stone Masonry Class

Beginning May 1, 2023 through November 2023

Course Schedule:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday (each week) from 5:00 – 7:00 PM Every other Saturday from 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

Course Materials and Tools:

Provided by TERO Students will receive a stipend of \$15/hour for 20 hours every 2 weeks.

Course Location:

TERO Technical Training Institute (3TI) 149 Children's Home Loop, Cherokee, North Carolina 28719

(formerly CBC Printing) This course will be limited to 10 students who will be selected on a first come, first served basis. To apply, click the link below https://forms.office.com/r/zUigMeAVku

or QR Code:



Announcement flyer can be found at <u>www.tEct-tereo.com/NEWS</u> For more information contact EBCI TERO at 828.359.6421 or <u>TEROInfo@ebci-nsn.gov</u> EBCI TERO is located at 756 Aquoni Rd, Cherokee, North Carolina 28719





Advertising Rate Card

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Call Dawn at (828) 359-6489 or email: dawnarne@ebci-nsn.gov for ad questions.



For tickets visit Fandango.com

MISSING PERSON

Faith Apachito

Female Age: 16 years

Enrolled with Mescalero Apache Tribe of the Mescalero Reservation

Height: 5' 1"-5'3" Weight: 200 lbs

Hair: Brown Eyes : Brown

Date of last contact: March 8, 2023

Location: Socorro, New Mexico

Circumstances of Disappearance: Faith was reported missing from Socorro, NM on 3/8/2023

If you have seen Faith Apachito, contact Bureau of Indian Affairs-Mescalero Agency (575) 464-4479

Source: Namus.gov

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Tribal Employment Rights Office

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

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 <u>ebci-tero.com</u> to receive the job list for February 2023. Our office is located at 756 Acquoni Rd in Cherokee, NC.

TERO Job Bank

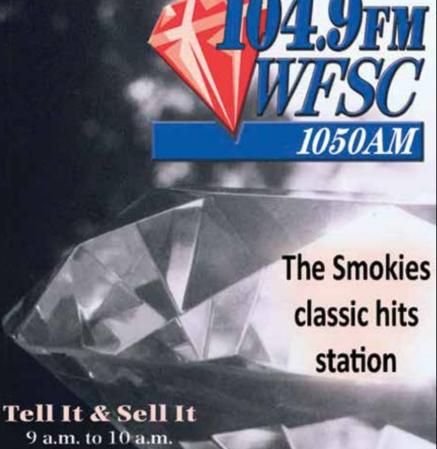
If you are seeking employment and you are:

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

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

> Hillary Norville -TERO Job Bank Coordinator 828.359.6422 hillnorv@ebci-nsn.gov

Douglas McCoy -TERO Job Bank Coordinator 828.359.6478 douamcco@ebci-nsn.gov



Weekdays



Employment Opportunities

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

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

Concierge for Front Desk – hospitality experience preferred

Male Spa Host and Female Spa Host no experience required

Competitive compensation and benefits packages available. EEOC

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

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

Closing Sunday, April 23, 2023

1. Jail Administrator - Corrections - EBCI Law Enforcement SAFETY SEN-SITIVE POSITION (L15 \$57,982 - \$72,478)

2. Dispatcher/Substitute Driver - Transit - Operations (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

3. Maintenance Utility Worker - Facility Management - Operations (L7 \$15.60 - \$19.50 per hour)

4. Housekeeper I - Housekeeping - Operations (L6 \$15.30 - \$19.13 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

Open Until Filled

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

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

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

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

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

6.FT Paramedic - Emergency Medical Services - Public Safety (L8 \$30,357 - \$37,946) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour)

7.PT Paramedic (Multiple) - Emergency Medical Services - Operations (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

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

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

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

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

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

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

14. WWT Operator - Waste Water Treatment Plant - Operations (L10 \$17.58 - \$21.98 per hour)

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

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

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

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

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)

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

22. Manager - Project Management - Operations (L17 \$72,342 - \$90,428) All applications and job descriptions are available at

www.ebci.com/jobs

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



CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

FINANCE

Billing Analyst II \$19.66 -\$22.25 Senior Accountant \$67,082 - \$83,852 Patient Access Specialist - *Part Time Intermittent \$17.12 -\$19.26 Finance / HR Administrative Assistant \$19.66 - \$22.25 AP Processor \$19.66 - \$22.25 PRC Manager - \$77,144 - \$96,430

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Master Level Therapist – Adult & Child positions available **\$5,000 Hiring Bonus Targeted Case Manager - Family Safety \$44,107 - \$55,134 Targeted Case Manager - Cherokee Central Schools \$44,107 - \$55,134 Registered Nurse *Part Time Intermittent - \$33.68 -\$38.72 Behavioral Health Consultant I - \$50,723 -\$63,404 **\$5,000 Hiring Bonus Cultural Coordinator – Kanywotiyi \$21.13 – \$23.98 Integrated Classroom Skill Builder \$17.12 - \$19.26 Residential Technician - Kanvwotiyi \$17.12 - \$19.26 Residential Technician - Men's Home \$17.12 - \$19.26 Certified Alcohol & Drug Counselor - Kanvwotiyi \$44,107 - \$55,134 Juvenile Services Supervisor - \$67,082 - \$83,852

ENGINEERING

Maintenance Mechanic \$21.13 - \$23.98

OPERATIONS

Clinical Pharmacist - \$102,023 - \$127,528 PGY2 Pharmacy Resident \$102,023 - \$127,528 Dentist – Pediatrics \$131,405 - \$164,256 Dental Assistant II \$18.32 - \$20.67 Phlebotomist PTR - \$17.12 - \$23.98 Diagnostic Radiologic Technologist I \$22.76 - \$25.89 Emergency Hire – Physical Therapist II \$77,144 - \$96,430

MEDICAL

Clinical Dietitian - \$50,723 - \$63,404 Physician – Primary Care \$157,686 - \$197,108 Hospitalist - Inpatient – Full Time / Part Time

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Regular - \$157,686 - \$197,108

Family Nurse Practitioner/Physician Assistant – Primary Care \$91,254 - \$114,067

NURSING

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