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New EMS Family
Playground officially
opens in Yellowhill
Community

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

CHEROKEE, N.C. – Kylex Pheasant, a youth member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, cut the ribbon as the brand-new EMS Family Playground opened officially in the Yellowhill Community on the afternoon of Thursday, May 11. The facility, which will be under the management of the Cherokee Recreation program, is located adjacent to the EMS Building off of Acquoni Road.

“The most valuable resource of any civilization is its children,”

see **PLAYGROUND** next page



Surrounded by tribal leaders and officials of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Kylex Pheasant cuts the ribbon to officially open the EMS Family Playground in the Yellowhill Community on the afternoon of Thursday, May 11. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

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PLAYGROUND: New facility opens in Yellowhill, *from front page*

said Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed. "We must invest in the future generation's mental, emotional, psychological, and physical well-being. Projects like this amazing new playground will ensure that our children have access to fun, safe, family-oriented, outdoor play places."

"Today, fewer and fewer children are spending time outdoors engaged in physical activities. I'm so grateful that our community members will have the opportunity to bring their children to this beautiful playground."

He thanked everyone involved in bringing the playground to its completion and gave a special thanks to former Wolfstown Rep. Chelsea Taylor. "When she was on Council, she put a resolution in for more playgrounds for our children. She wanted to make sure that they were ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act)-compliant."

Chief Sneed concluded by saying, "I look forward to seeing many memories being made by the families who will play here."

Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley commented, "I used to live just across the

river over here and would walk in the evenings. There would always be kids playing in the first playground...There's going to be memorable memories made here...kids and families having birthday dinners in the pavilion. It's just a great place to have a playground."

"I think this is great. It's a great place for it, and I know all the kids and families will enjoy it."

Kamiyo Lanning, Cherokee Recreation manager, said the playground will be open from dawn to dusk. "We also appreciate Beanstalk Builders for their original work in meeting our requirements for an ADA-compliant playground. The owner, Mike, was great to work with and understood the needs we have for our community."

"The natural wood design of the playground is intended to be the start of matching the architectural design of the tribal master plan."

Lanning also related that Kevin Nations, Cherokee Recreation maintenance and grounds supervisor, is getting a certificate in playground safety inspection and has spoken to the builders to put maintenance plans in place. She noted, "He has a stockpile of extra parts for any repairs."

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Investment Committee updates EBCI Financial Literacy Program

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**

One Feather Asst. Editor

CHEROKEE, N.C. – The Investment Committee of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) is working to increase the financial literacy of tribal members of all ages.

Hope Huskey, EBCI Investment Committee member, said their main goal is to start financial education earlier. “We’re going to start trying to provide educational support resources to Cherokee kids. I think most of them don’t hit the ‘Manage Your EBCI Money’ until their senior year so that was really kind of our first initiative. Let’s start younger and let’s get more education throughout their school years. This actually goes until they’re 25 so it can live with them throughout their time in the Minor’s Trust Fund.”

“We know that if the parents, or the person in the home, isn’t doing their finances right, the kid’s not going to learn from just the website. It needs to be practiced in front of them.”

Lavita Hill, EBCI treasury specialist, is a liaison between the EBCI Investment Committee

and the EBCI Office of Budget and Finance. “This is available to anyone and everyone. So, yes, it is targeted toward our Minor’s Trust Fund participants beginning at the fourth-grade level through adulthood, but it’s also available to parents. If any participants’ parents want to create an account, they’re welcome to and we encourage that as well.”

“It’s essentially designed for education toward enrolled members.”

A part of this new initiative is the website, www.usicg.com, which provides updates on the Minor’s Fund accounts. To sign up for this site, you first must contact Hill (828) 359-7085 or lavihill@ebci-nsn.gov or Christi Climingbear (828) 359-6650 or chrisclim@ebci-nsn.gov to have your account reset – a security feature of the site.

Hill noted, “What we’ve done is made it simple and accessible so that, as a fourth grader, we’re giving the information to the parent and we’re hoping that the parent will say ‘hey, let’s log into this portal and check out this website and begin learning’. Make it fun for them and make it easy. The

beginning modules are designed for the fourth-grade mindset and it should be a learning experience, but fun. Hopefully the parent is engaging with their child.”

Another aspect of this education is on another website, <https://edu.stocktrak.com/ebci/> where users can track the stocks the Minor’s Fund is invested in. The site provides up-to-date real-time updates.

Hill commented, “Part of the stock-tracking is not only to watch how the stock market moves - whether it’s earning or losing, you’re watching this as real-time data because that’s what it’s sharing - it’s also teaching you, though, about the different types of assets or stocks and bonds out there. It really is teaching you how investing works. A lot of us hear terms like ‘stock market’, ‘interest earned’, ‘compound interest’, but we don’t really know what that means. So, when you’re in this system and you’re playing the game or going through the modules, you’re using it - hands-on learning. Then you actually have knowledge about what all of those terms mean.”

Huskey said it is about em-

powering EBCI tribal members of all ages. “Financial education is so important to your everyday life. It’s how you’re able to have a home, a car, money to eat. And, whenever you can provide those things for yourself, I think it gives you a very good sense of self and a very good sense of self-worth. I think it opens up new opportunities for people. Once they kind of realize that they understand how money works and how finance works, all of a sudden you can start a business, you can buy your own home. It really helps identify who you are. Then, as individual members, the stronger we are, the stronger the community is as a whole. So, if we know how to manage money as individuals, then it’ll just spread out throughout our community and make us better, stronger, smarter, and more well-off.”

“We’re hoping that it will help make the connection that this is a long-term plan. Investment means long-term in most cases. So, we want kids to be thinking about ‘how can I make the money work for me in the future, not just right now’.”



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Police Commission pledges support to transitional program

By JONAH LOSSIAH
One Feather Reporter

Most of the EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) Police Commission's May 11 meeting was spent hearing reports and in a closed session.

The Commission received reports from three individuals, with the first being from Samantha Bradley. She was there as a representative of Siquo Danvha, team that works as peer support specialists 'to individuals returning to the community from incarceration and/or involved in the EBCI court system.'

Bradley, an enrolled member of the EBCI, spoke to the Commission about the benefits of their

program, how it got started, and what they need in terms of support. She explained that Siquo Danvha, which translates to 'they are living again', was founded after she noticed a lack of peer support in Cherokee. She had been heavily involved in the support scene in Buncombe County and realized that they could take elements of what they had and transition it to the Boundary.

She explained that they are currently still establishing their services in Cherokee. They can't operate within the jail at this time, though that is a stage they wish to get to. Chairperson Tunney Crowe asked how often Bradley was working with the other support systems within the Tribal network.

She said that they are in constant contact with the different services because the primary focus of their team is to ensure they are not providing redundant services to tribal members. She said that they want to fill the gaps in service and create a quicker avenue to support with less red tape.

Bradley said that right now they are seeking ways to become more permanently established with the EBCI. Currently they are completely grant funded. She said that their ultimate goal is to become an operating team working with and funded by the Cherokee Court. Given their current status, she said that they are also still 'working out of their cars'. If funding is acquired, Bradley is also

hoping to have a space for their team and for visitors.

Vice Chairperson Buddy Johnson made a move for the Police Commission to draft a letter of support for Siquo Danvha. Kym Parker seconded the motion, and the Commission passed it unanimously.

Next to present was officer Jonah Bird from EBCI Natural Resources Enforcement (NRE). He provided the statistics for the last month, which showed that his staff of three NRE officers handed out 23 citations in the month of April. 21 of these citations involved fishing and hunting, and the other two were traffic violations.

Bird said that the only other thing he needed to report is that

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reports and sighting of bears have increased recently. He said that there have been reports near Tsali Manor, specifically trying to find food near the property.

The last report in open session came from Shelli Buckner of the Tribal Prosecutor's Office. She provided convictions numbers from the first quarter of 2023. She also took some time to highlight Bradley and the Siquo Dannvhna program, sharing her support and appreciation.

Convictions by category from Jan 1 through April 30, as provided by the Tribal Prosecutor's

Office:

- Alcoholic Beverages – 3
- Banishment/exclusion – 1
- Bodily injury – 11
- Child victim – 7
- Controlled substances – 28
- Domestic violence – 8
- DWI – 3
- Elder abuse – 2
- Fraud, forgery, false pretense – 2
- General – 2
- Obstruction of Justice – 24
- Probation violation – 10
- Property – 29
- Public safety – 4
- Weapons – 4

The report also states that 'of

these, 19 were felony convictions. In addition, 6 of these convictions were possible due to the Tribe's exercise of the Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction.'

The Commission then voted to move into a closed session to discuss personnel issues and to discuss the Police Commission budget.

The Thursday, May 11 meeting of the EBCI Police Commission was called to order at 12 p.m. with Chairperson Tunney Crowe; Vice Chair Buddy Johnson; Secretary Anita Lossiah; and Commissioners Lisa Taylor, Kym Parker,

Frank Dunn, and Hillary Norville present. Commissioner Solomon Saunooke was absent from the meeting.

The next meeting of the Police Commission is set for Thursday, June 8 at noon. The Commission gathers monthly and has been meeting in the conference room at the office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. These sessions are open to tribal members until the Commission moves into an executive session.



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pursuant to Cherokee Code Chapter 117 Article III-A

EBCI Investment Committee confirmation hearing for Polly Kelley

Wednesday, May 24 at 9 a.m.
Tribal Council Chambers; Cherokee, N.C.



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Anonymous comments will not be accepted.

Members of the general public who wish to participate in the hearing shall submit written testimony to the Tribal Council Chairman in care of the Tribal Operations Program: Attn: Kelly Sampson, P.O. Box 455, Cherokee, NC 28719. Written testimony shall be submitted to the Tribal Operations Program not less than five working days from the hearing date. Testimony shall not include personal matters pending in litigation.

**The final date for public comment will be
Wednesday, May 17, 2022**



Tribe to recognize National Poppy Day

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, seated center, signed a proclamation in his office on the morning of Thursday, May 11 recognizing May 26 as National Poppy Day within the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. According to the American Legion, "The red poppy is a nationally-recognized symbol of sacrifice worn by Americans since World War I to honor those who served and died for our country in all wars." Chief Sneed is shown with members of the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Auxiliary Unit 143. Shown, left to right, seated – Carol Long, Unit 143 vice president; Chief Sneed; Patsy Ledford, Unit 143 president; back row – Bonny Legassey, Unit 143 member; Joyce DuPree, Unit 143 member; Ann Galloway, Unit 143 member; Tierney Bradley, intern working with Unit 143; and Cathy Hurt, Unit 143 member. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

PUBLIC NOTICE AND TESTIMONY

Confirmation Hearing for Tribal Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission
pursuant to Cherokee Code Chapter 117 Article III-A

Tribal Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission confirmation hearing for Heather Younce

Wednesday, May 24 at 10:30 a.m.
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RUNNING

Lossiah signs with Haskell Indian Nations Univ.

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

One Feather Asst. Editor

CHEROKEE, N.C. – Another member of the highly-decorated men's cross country team at Cherokee High School (CHS) is going to run at the next level. Anthony Lossiah, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, signed a letter of intent to run collegiately for Haskell Indian Nations University during a ceremony at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the morning of Monday, May 8. He will run cross country and track.

Lossiah said, "It feels good. It feels awesome. I didn't think it would happen, but that's what happens when you train and work and have dedication."

"I want to thank my family, friends, coaches, anybody that's helped me in the process."

Lossiah was instrumental in the recent rise of the CHS men's cross country team which won the Smoky Mountain Conference Championship in both 2021 and 2022 as well as winning the 1A West Regional in 2021 (the first-ever in school history) and 2022. Also, in 2022, the team went on to take second place at the 1A State Championship.

"It's exciting and I think that these boys are really bringing attention to cross country and track just with their athleticism, their dedication, their consistency," said Ahli-sha Stephens, CHS head cross country and track and field coach. "I think their influence is going to help grow the program here at Cherokee."

Gregory A. Keeler, Haskell Indian Nations cross country head coach and operations director for track and field, was present for Monday's event. When asked what drew him to recruit Lossiah, he noted, "I like the fact of what a strong middle-distance runner he is. At Haskell this year, specifically the track program, have really turned a corner. We have been relevant in sports that we have never been relevant in really in a long time. One of those areas is in that long sprint, short middle distance and Anthony is going to go a long way in helping us. Right now, we're trying to build



Anthony Lossiah, seated center, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and a senior at Cherokee High School, signed a letter of intent during a ceremony at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the morning of Monday, May 8 to run cross country and track at Haskell Indian Nations University. Shown, left to right, seated – Candy Lossiah, Anthony's mother; Anthony Lossiah; Ahli-sha Stephens, Cherokee High School head cross country and track and field coach; standing - Gregory A. Keeler, Haskell Indian Nations cross country head coach and operations director for track and field. A photo of Anthony's late father, Anthony Edward Lossiah, a Cherokee Indian Police Dept. officer who died in the line of duty in 2015, is shown at far right. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

our relays. That's the quickest way to that next level when you have a team like ours that's just growing. He is going to go a long way in helping us get to that next level."

"He will run cross country. I prefer that all of our quarter-milers and above run cross country. Even if they don't get a chance to compete a ton in cross country, I like the fact that they get that mileage in and they get those first times running at the college level. In cross country, where it's a little more controlled, a little more natural to them. That way, when they get to track, it isn't so overwhelming. So, I'm very excited that he's going to run cross country for us as well."

Candy Lossiah, Anthony's mother, said, "I'm very excited for him moving onto the next chapter of his life. I just pray that he enjoys it

and runs and does the best he can at college. We visited not too long ago and I loved the college and the Native American atmosphere and all of the Natives that work there. I love the campus and college. It's awesome."

Craig Barker, CHS assistant principal, said, "Anthony is a great young man - high character, high quality young man. I'm a firm believer in 'you get what you deserve'. He has worked to get to where he is at today. I see him out running all the time - through shin splints. He's been a major part of one of the most successful cross country programs in the history of Cherokee High School."

Haskell Indian Nations University is part of the NAIA (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics) and competes in the Continental Athletic Conference.

Otter signs to play at Mars Hill University

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

One Feather Asst. Editor

CHEROKEE, N.C. – Xavier Otter, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and a senior at Cherokee High School (CHS), signed a letter of intent, during a ceremony at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the morning of Wednesday, May 10, to play football at Mars Hill University.

“It’s nerve-racking, but I’m actually really excited,” Otter told the One Feather. “I didn’t think I’d be able to play college football. But, now that I have the opportunity, I’m so grateful. I’m so excited to go.”

When asked about his football journey to date, he said, “About eighth grade I got into it. Then, I suffered a hip injury and missed my season. When I got back out my freshman year, that’s really when my passion for it kind of got started...about my sophomore year. That was a real good group of guys I played with that year. It really lit a fire under me. Every group after that I’ve ever played with just keeps on pushing me and inspiring me. I knew sophomore year, right after that season ended that I wanted to go to the next level.”

“Really, just playing in general. I just love the game.”

Prior to the signing, Otter told the crowd gathered for the event, “Thank you to everybody that’s sitting here. You all played a part - the whole team, everybody standing back there, my family, and my coaches, especially. Thank you for giving me the opportunity, especially for this. I couldn’t have gotten there without you all.”

David Napier, CHS head football coach who announced his retirement recently, commented, “This is what a high school football player is all about right here. He represents everything that us coaches believe in - his character, work ethic. He’s what a Brave should be. He definitely represents Cherokee Braves. We’ve had an unbelievable blast coaching him.”

“He’s been an absolute pleasure to coach. I’ve never seen him mope. In three years, I’ve



Xavier Otter, second from left, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and a senior at Cherokee High School (CHS), signed a letter of intent, during a ceremony at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the morning of Wednesday, May 10, to play football at Mars Hill University. Shown, left to right, are – Chris Johnson, brother, holding Dakari Johnson; Otter; Ashley Murphy, mother; and Devan Bottchenbaugh, brother. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

never seen him mope.”

Jama Anders, CHS strength and conditioning coach, said, “It’s almost aggravating how good a kid he is. He’s always happy and smiling. When he comes in a room, he just makes you feel good.”

“Good job for Xavier for putting that out there for everybody else. He shows that you can still have a good time, be a good kid, smile all the time, and still work really, really hard.”

Ashley Murphy, Otter’s mother, noted, “It’s emotional and indescribable, I think. I’m so beyond proud of him. I can’t describe how much work he’s put in within the last four years. It’s insane. He’s worked from the time he got up in the morning until he fell over at night. I’m

really proud of him.”

Craig Barker, CHS assistant principal, said, “You molded yourself into a phenomenal football player. I’m very proud of you, son. It was my pleasure to be able to coach you for a few years. I’m excited for this next phase of your life and the great things you’re going to accomplish.”

“I’m extremely grateful to be allowed the opportunity to work with you every day. He is a true Brave.”

Otter won the 2021-22 CHS Booster Club Spirit of the Braves Award.

The Mars Hill Lions play in the NCAA Division II and are members of the South Atlantic Conference.

Aging unbound

In conjunction with Older Americans Month, the 19th Annual Elders Walk was held at the old Cherokee High School site on the morning of Friday, May 12.

Photos by Scott McKie B.P./One Feather

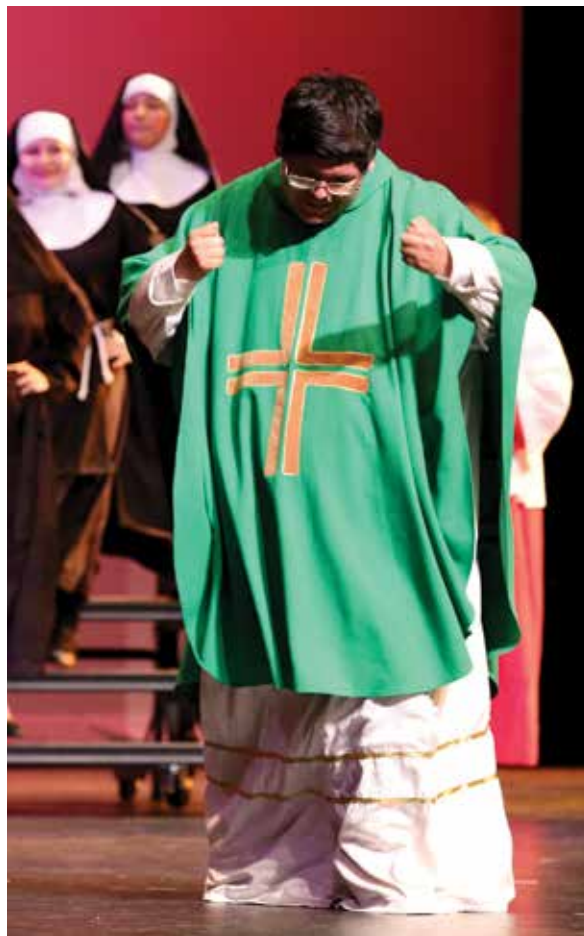




Sing it loud

The Cherokee Central Schools Musical Theater Department put on performances of "Sister Act Jr." on Thursday, May 11, and Friday, May 12 (photos shown) at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center.

Photos by Scott McKie B.P./One Feather





Kolanvyi Day

The Big Cove Community Club hosted its annual Kolanvyi Day on Saturday, May 13. The event included exhibition stickball games, cornhole, a ribbon skirt show, food, and more.

Photos by Scott McKie B.P./One Feather





Yellowhill Community Fun Day

Peggy Hill, EBCI Beloved Woman Carmaleta Monteith, and Virginia Johnson, all elders of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, are shown having a good time at the Yellowhill Community Fun Day at the Yellowhill Activity Center on the morning of Saturday, May 13. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)



Levi Littlejohn, age 7, enjoys an inflatable slide at the Yellowhill Community Fun Day





Accepting Applications

Garden Place Lane in the Big Cove Community will begin taking applications Monday, May 22, 2023 until Tuesday, May 30, 2023. First round of applications will be for EBCI enrolled members only. Then it will open to non-enrolled if not leased up. Suitable for a single person, couple, single person with 1-2 children, or couple with 1-2 children. Very small living space.

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Accepting Applications

Lambert Wilson Way will begin taking applications Monday, May 15, 2023 until Tuesday, May 23, 2023. First round of applications will be for EBCI enrolled members only. Then it will open to non-enrolled if not leased up.

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 Housing Services Manger
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NCTOTA to mark Cherokee town of Sand Town site

The North Carolina Trail of Tears Association (NCTOTA) and St. John's Episcopal Church in Franklin have partnered to mark the site of the post-Removal Cherokee town of Sand Town – located at 542 St. Johns Church Road in Franklin, N.C. A sign dedication is planned for Saturday, June 3, at 2 p.m. at the church. On April 6, 2022, several NCTOTA board members met with St. John's Reverend Carl Southerland and Vestry Senior Warden Marcia McGarity to discuss the sign and its placement near the graves of Sand Town's Cherokee headman Jim Woodpecker and his wife Sally. This dedication is the first post-Removal town site to be recognized and marked in western North Carolina.

Speakers at the dedication will

include Dr. Brett Riggs, Sequoyah Distinguished Professor of Cherokee Studies at Western Carolina University; Jack Baker, president of the National Trail of Tears Association; and Will Chavez, Remember the Removal (RTR) Legacy Rider and Cherokee Phoenix assistant editor. Baker and Chavez will accompany the 2023 RTR bike riders from the Cherokee Nation and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Every year, the RTR program chooses bicycle riders through a vigorous application and training process to make the 950-mile ride from New Echota, Ga., at the last capital of Old Cherokee Nation, to Tahlequah, Okla., over a two-week period to honor their ancestors.

The forced Removal began in the summer of 1838 when federal troops gathered Cherokees from the region to be centralized for mass removal

to Indian Territory (present-day Oklahoma). The government's removal policy affected 3,000 Cherokees from North Carolina. The US government had built forts and roads to accommodate the forced exodus of Cherokees. Troops funneled all North Carolina Cherokees through Fort Butler in present-day Murphy, N.C.. From there, the Cherokees walked the Unicoi Turnpike through the gap to Fort Armistead at Tellico Plains, Tenn. They journeyed next to Fort Cass, the site of the Cherokee Indian Agency (present-day Charleston, Tenn.) to await their time to leave for the west. Having to nix travel by water due to a severe drought, the Cherokees encamped there until the fall. They then walked the entire way on what became known as the Trail of Tears, as many died in the sickly camps awaiting removal and along the way during one of the harshest of winters on record. The North Carolina Cherokees arrived in Indian Territory the

spring of 1839.

There were some Cherokee families, however, that evaded the troops, hiding in the mountains or escaping to return to North Carolina. A few even walked back from the west. Of course, their homesteads were no longer theirs, the state having sold the land. These Cherokees, from many different towns, found themselves homeless refugees. Throughout western North Carolina, several white friends offered land where the Cherokees could reestablish themselves. William Siler allowed Woodpecker and other Cherokees to build Sand Town on Muskrat Branch. Others would settle on properties held by William H. Thomas and John Welch. The NCTOTA next plans to mark the Welch Farm and Snowbird post-Removal Cherokee communities in Cherokee and Graham counties, respectively.

- N.C. Trail of Tears Association
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Gary Jay Shell

Gary Jay Shell, 33, of the Painttown Community, went home to be with the Lord Saturday, May 6, 2023. A native of Cherokee, he was the son of Meroney George Shell of Cherokee and Agnes Ann Tooni and her husband Rick Larch of Cherokee.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Marissa Lynn Rattler; grandparents, Stan and Dorothy Tooni, Winfred Scott; and uncles, John David Tooni, and Ammons Tooni.

In addition to his parents, he is also survived by his brothers, John Ammons Tooni and husband Cliff Laney, Ant Shell, and Brian Edward Shell; one sister, Denise Diane Tooni, and Cathy Larch; nieces and nephews, Tamika Nicole Shell, Merissa Lynn Shell, special special niece, Azlyn Raelynne Shell, Ayeisha Shell, Carter Shell, and Zaebrion Shell; two uncles, Stanley Tooni Jr., Larch Edward Tooni (Carolynn); sister-in-law, Tina Bigwitch; girlfriend, Michelle Arch; special friends, Tim Junaluska, JT Wildcatt, Cy Young, Michael Youngdeer; and cousins, Mathew Tooni and John Stanley Tooni.

Funeral Services were held on Wednesday, May 10 at Macedonia Baptist Church. Rev. Mathew Tooni officiated with burial at Tooni Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Tim Junaluska, JT Wildcatt, Cy Young, Michael Youngdeer, John Stanley Tooni, and Denise Tooni.



EBCI students at SCC inducted into NTHS, Alpha Beta Gamma

Several members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians were honored during a dual ceremony for Alpha Beta Gamma and National Technical Honor Society on May 1 on SCC's Jackson Campus. Inductees included left to right, front row - Jolena Sampson-Hill, Coy Hemphill and Karyl Frankiewicz; middle row - David Coulter, Chelsey Nations and Andrea Lequire; back row - Siri Hicks, Emily Torrants, Serena Hart and Emma Hull.

To be eligible for membership into Alpha Beta Gamma, students must be enrolled in a qualifying business-related program, have completed at least 15 hours of college-level academic credit during the previous three semesters, have a program GPA of 3.0 or higher, demonstrate ideals of scholarship, leadership and cooperation and be nominated by a program faculty member. For the National Technical Honor Society, students must have completed 12 hours of academic coursework with at least a 3.5 GPA to be eligible for membership. They must also be nominated by a teaching faculty member and rank among the top 20 percent of active students in their respective programs.

"These students represent just two percent of our student body, so we know they have worked extremely hard to earn induction into one – or both – of these honor societies," said Dr. Thom Brooks, Executive Vice President of Instruction and Student Services at SCC.

(SCC photo)



The Garden Bug

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Herbs that help nursing moms

Herbs such as blessed thistle (*cnicus benedictus*), dandelion leaf (*Taraxacum officinale*), fennel (*foeniculum vulgare*), and fenugreek (*trigonella foenum-graecum*) have long been known as beneficial for new mothers. They can encourage good digestion, increase breast milk production, help relieve constipation, lessen uterine bleeding and soothe nervous feelings. They can be cooked and eaten, brewed as a tea or made into tinctures. **Consult your physician before taking herbs.*

- Brenda Weaver

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Only 5 students per session.

To sign up please call our office at (828) 359-6650



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Your journey has been a unique and winding one. We are so proud of you and the man you have become along the way and the path you have chosen. Cheers to the next chapter! Rock Chalk!

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Goo



Taylor Rickman
Swain County High School

We can't tell you enough how proud we are of you! You have the most beautiful heart and soul and we hope you never let anyone put out that flame that burns in you! Not only will you move mountains but you'll make them come crumbling down if you have too and we hope that never changes! Congratulations BabyGirl!! We love you so much, Mom and Dad

Hawai'i Pacific University here she comes!



Congratulations
Tso Smith

We are so happy to share in the excitement of your graduation day, and so very proud of you, too!

With Love and Pride today & always,
Mom, Dad,
Grandma, Pop,
Michael, Jamison,
Bub, Reagan, Jaye & Braxton



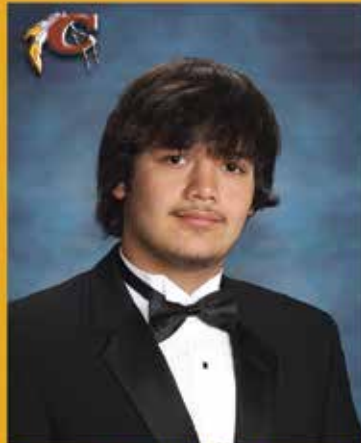
Congratulations!
Vivian Layne
Ross

Ulisganisdi, words cannot fully express the pride, joy and sheer happiness we feel for you as you achieve this accomplishment.

Unwavering in your faith, determination and unbelievable fortitude, you have shown what it truly means to be strong.

You inspire us daily to be more, and we are truly blessed to have you in our lives.

We love you,
Mom and Dad



Attending/Playing
Football at Mars
Hill University in
the fall

Reach for the stars, remember to stay humble, and know that we are all beyond proud of you!

We love you!

Xavier Otter Jr



Xavion Davis
Cherokee Elementary
School
5th Grade Graduate

Congratulations to you and all of your hard work, We love you and are so proud of you! You're going to do great things!

Mom, Dad & Karli



Nixon Davis
Cherokee Elementary
Kindergarten Graduate

We are so excited to see you grow and cannot wait to see all the things you will accomplish! We love you and are so proud of everything you've done this year!

Love,
Mom, Dad,
Grandma, Grandpa
& Aunt Karli



Congratulations
Nygel!!!

CCS Pre-K
Graduate

We are always so proud of you! God loves you and we do, too!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Cohen
and Grandma Glo



Congratulations
Sean Martinez
SMHS Class of
2023

We are so Proud of the Man you are Becoming and we can't wait to see what the future holds for you!!

Love you,
Mom, Kyle,
Isabela, and John



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Serena Jade Hart
Southwestern
Community College

I am so proud of you
and all of your
accomplishments.
Keep dreaming big.

Love,
your family



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Shelby, you have
come so far and
made us all so
proud.
We can't wait to see
what the future
holds for you.
We love you more
than you will ever
know.

Happy graduation!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Hunter,
Grandma, Papa
John, Nana Cyndi,
Pop, Nana, and
Meg.



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Stacy George
Southwestern
Community
College
Associate in
Criminal Justice

As a first generation
college graduate of
my family, I'm here to
tell you that you can
do it. Anything is
possible, just like
anything else a little
hard work is required.

~Stacy

Graduating
May 20, 2023



TC

Congratulations
Madi Grace Abbott

Kindergarten
Graduation
Grace Christian
School

We are so proud of
you!
Gammy Robbie and
Auntie Bessie

We love you so
MUCH!




C

Congratulations
Madison

We are so
proud of you.

We love you

Brenda, Sissy,
Trip and your
love bugs



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Makeena Armachain
Graduating
Cherokee Elementary School
5Th Grade

Makeena is a remarkable Softball
Player who showcases her skills on
the Diamond Elite 10U Team
playing throughout the year. She
specializes in pitching and has
already been selected for the All
Stars team during the first game of
the season. When she's not on the
field, she cherishes spending
quality time with her loved ones
and creating entertaining TikTok
videos with her family and friends.

We are very proud of you and all
you have accomplished and wish
you the best in the years to come.

Love, Mom, Dad, Jaden, Tso-i,
Ethan, Nooner, Aunt Jo,
Marshal and Jacoby.



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**Maria Elena
Martinez**
Project Search
SCC

Words can't
describe how
proud we are of
you.

Congratulations!

Love,
your family




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Melah Mathews
Swain County High
School

We are so very proud
of you. We know you
are going to
accomplish great
things in the future.
You are going to move
mountains sweet girl!
Keep reaching for your
dreams. Next stop
Appalachian State
University.

Congratulations and
we love you so much,
Mom, Dad, and
Addisyn



E

Nate Crowe

You've accomplished
something amazing
and you should be
proud! Remember to
keep learning,
growing, and chasing
your dreams.

We look forward to
seeing what your next
chapter brings,
We love you!

Mom, Mike, & Lily

KroDI,

Senior year is coming to end, Son you have made us so proud of all of your accomplishments, keep up the great work on and off the field come this fall. We love you and congratulations on graduation.

TC-IGT, Mom, Dad, Og and your Hillville family



Congratulations
Liam Wright!
Smoky Mountain High
school Class of 2023

We have loved watching you grow into the young man you are today. Never stop learning and chasing your dreams. With your kind soul and big smile we know you will go far. You make us so proud every day!

Gvgeyu,
Mom, Lily, and Logan



Congratulations
Lilah!

We are so proud of
you!

Love
Grandma and
Grandpa Reynolds

Lilah Alisabeth Reynolds
Congratulations!!
Class of 2023!

"We know what we are
but know not what we
may be." - William
Shakespeare

Go make big moves and
always remember you
make us proud everyday
just being you.

We love you!!



Congratulations
Lilahgirl!

We are all so proud
of you! Keep
reaching for the
stars!
Boomer Sooner!!

Love Dad, Crisha,
Mylie, and Bema



CONGRATULATIONS
LINDLEY WYATT
DSP

We are so proud of your
accomplishments but prouder of who
you have become. Remember You
are braver than you believe,
stronger than you seem, smarter
than you think and loved more than
you'll ever know. Go into the world
and do well but more importantly,
do good. The future is wide open.
Reach for the Stars!

We love you and your Mom loves
you more.
Mom, Dad, Granny Carla, Aunt
Renee, Josh, Sierra, Gray, Steelie,
Aunt Debbie, Aunt Andrea, Aunt
Louise, Aunt Patsy, Aunt Darlene &
Uncle Doug, Aunt Kim & Uncle
Jeff, Gabi & Karsen Skye-Lark,
Izzy, Maggie, Bo-Man, Zoey, Piper
& Maggie

Jaylyne
Esquivel

"Wherever your path
takes you, go with
all your heart." Do
what you crave with
all your strength and
make sure you love
yourself and take
care of yourself first.
You are an extraor-
dinary human being
and We are proud of
this milestone you
have accom-
plished!!!!

We Love You So
Much!!!!

Perry and Phyllis



Congratulations
Dr. Jessica Rose
Lambert

We are so proud of
you for earning a
Doctorate of Veterinary
Medicine
from NC State College
of Vet Med. Now on to
Auburn University to do
a residency in Anatomic
Pathology. We know
you will do great!

We love you,
Mom (Kim), Jordan,
John, Jessica, Andre,
Kylee, Lydia, Hermione,
Sam, Sara, and
Grandpa Joe.

Congratulations
Jordan Travis Sampson

We are so proud of you for
earning your Associates
Degree in Business
Administration from
Southwestern Community
College.

Good luck in your future
endeavors.

Love,
Mom (Kim), Jessica L,
John, Jessica M,
Hermione, Andre, Kylee,
Lydia, Sam,
Sara, and Grandpa Joe.





**Congratulations
Meaty!!**

**We are so proud
of you! Love you
lots!**

**Love,
Dad, Steph,
Colton, Wayne &
Connor**



**Keneil Gavin
Saunooke
CHS Class of 2023**

**Congratulations to my
oldest sonshine! I don't
know where I would be
without you making me
a mom. There are so
many milestones that
you have achieved and
we will be there to
support you for many
years to come.**

**Love you infinity,
Mom, Jadence,
Taytem, Derick, Meah
Meah, Papaw, Granny
June, Jenny, and your
pug Bosko**



Kensen

**We have enjoyed watching
you grow into a fine young
man. We can't imagine our
family without you! Keep
chasing those dreams and
keep working hard!
Congratulations, we love you
more than you will ever know
and we will always be in your
corner!**

**Always,
Dianne, Zoey, John and Stacy**



**Ethan Cisneros-Librado
Cherokee High
School Senior**

**Ethan will attend Grand
Canyon University's pro-
gram for Computer Sci-
ence and Coding for
Computer Gaming. We
believe that Ethan has
the potential to achieve
great things and we
extend our heartfelt best
wishes for success in all
of his academic pursuits.**

**Love,
Keena, Dustin, Makeena,
Tso-i, Nooner, Aunt Jo,
Marshal and Jacoby.**



**Ever David
Ortega**

**Congratulations
son.**

Always my hero.

**Love,
your family**



Hikanega,

**No matter where life leads
you, No matter what you
do, We'll always be your
biggest fans, and we'll be
here for you. We are
beyond proud of you! You
set goals and you achieved
them. Keep reaching for
the stars.**

**Congratulations on your
graduation!**

**Love,
Mom, Dad, Ageya, and
Ahki.**



**Jaden Armachain
Cherokee High School
Senior**

**Jaden is set to pursue
Automotive Engineering at
Arizona State University,
driven by his profound love for
cars and his determination to
fulfill his aspirations.
He eagerly anticipates
expanding his knowledge and
skills to realize his ambitions.
Congratulations Jaden you
will make great changes to the
automotive industry
with your innovative thinking
and ideas.**

**Love,
Mom, Dad, Makeena,
Tso-i, Ethan, Nooner, Aunt
Jo, Jacoby and Marshal.**



**Congratulations
Jaelyn Mae Lossiah!**

**We are so very
proud of you and all
of your accomplish-
ments. Stay true to
yourself, strive for
success, and perse-
vere. You're bound
to do great things!
We all love you and
support you!
Go Braves!**

**Love, Momma Jill,
Janna, Jeshua,
Dai'Myah & Jiraiya**



**Congratulations
Jaylan**

**Stay focused on the
goals you have set.
You are doing an
awesome job.**

**We love you and are
very proud of you,
Grandma Denise,
Miguel, Rissa, Tee,
Lawson & Kyla**



Congratulations on your graduation,

Darrin Brown

I am so proud of the young man you have become.

I love you,
Grandpa Mike.



Congratulations
Destiny Astarria
Siweumptewa
(Cherokee High School)

We love you and are so very proud of you. We can't wait to see what amazing things you will accomplish at CLEMSON.....
(GO TIGERS)

LOVE
Mom, Dad, Dakota,
Xavier & All Your Family



Elexia Kayleigh Bird, daughter of Cinda J. Taylor and John Douglas Bird Jr., favorite niece of Talia Taylor

What lies behind us, and what lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within us.

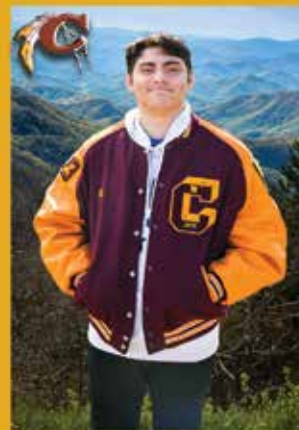
Congratulations from
BIG G AND THE
REST OF YOUR
FAN CLUB !!!!!



Eli Timothy
McCoy
Cherokee High
School Class of
2023

Congratulations Eli! We are so proud of you and all of your accomplishments. We can not wait to see what you do next. We love you!

From your Aunts:
Lisa, Deidra, and
Lizzie, and your
numerous cousins
and extended family.



Eli

Congrats on graduating! We are beyond proud of you and are so excited to see what the future has in store for you. Always keep dreaming big and keep your head held high!

Gvgeyu, your family!



Essence Owl is graduating from Olympic Highschool in Bremerton WA.

She has been accepted to Washington State University where she will be majoring in Criminal Justice. We are so proud of you and love you so much!

Love Mom, Dad,
Dasyn, and Chance.



Congratulations
Ashlea!!

I can't believe you are already graduating High school. Time has definitely flown by. I am so happy I was here by your side each step of the way. It has been the greatest privilege to watch you grow into the wonderful young woman you are today. You have only given me reason to hold my head up in pride. I can't wait to see what's next in your journey. I will forever be in your corner cheering you on. I love you always!!

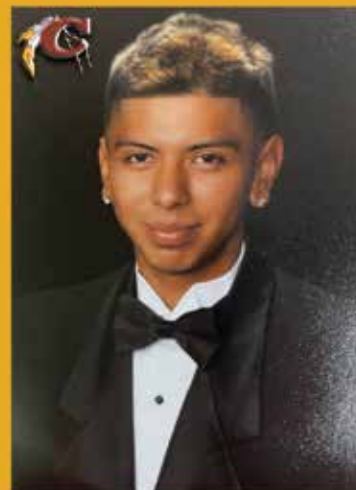
Forever your #1 Fan
Mom



Autumn

We are extremely proud of you and can't wait to see what the future holds for you.
Keep shining!!

Love,
Mom and Dad



Congratulations
Ayden Thompson
WHbH

Keep a good head on your shoulders and continue your journey.

We love you and are very Proud of you.
Gvgeyu / Chi hullo li
Aunt Michelle, Darius,
Chayton, Becca
& the littles: Kendryk,
Aliya, Jeriah,
Everleigh, Lani and
McKell



Congratulations
Bella Garcia

We are all so proud
of you and can't
wait to see what
your future holds.

We all love you very
much, 2023 year of
Jordan very fitting
for you.
Chapel Hill bound.

Love Mom, Elle,
Fawn, Zephyr,
Caine, Latasha,
Raiden, Cairo and
Grandma



Cavan,

Your time has
finally come!
We are so
proud of you
and all your
achievements

Congratulations!!

Gvgeyu!
Mom, Dad,
Aaliyah, Dorian



Darius Saunooke

We are extremely
proud of you and
cannot wait to see
what the world
holds for you.

Love,
Hannah, John,
Josh, Jerilyn, Kyler,
Aubrey, Ambert,
Gpa Lil Ed, Gpa Big
Ed and Gpa Pat



Graduation, a
sweet ending
to a new
beginning!
We are very
proud of you,
and we love you!

ShP, TCGT
TA.96.

Gfr, GV6,
hS.IHB, O'CMS,
KreD, O'GOL,
YGS

SFPFS ShroDL6



Alessandra
Oocumma

We're so proud
of you! My first
to graduate from
high school I'm
so proud!
Now take it to
the next level!!!

Love,
Dad and
Shauna



Alessandra

It is bitter sweet to
see my youngest
graduate!

We are so proud of
you and we know
you have a lot to
offer this world!!

Love,
Mom, Kaz, Nanny
and Papaw



Alionna Hooper
Shawnee High
School, Shawnee OK

"Congratulations to
our big sister!

We're so proud of
you!"

Love,
Nina, Kaelyn, Mary,
Charlie, Ryker



"Congratulations,
Beba!

We are so proud
of you and we
know Grandma
Girlie is too!

Love,
Grandpa Dave,
Auntie Lecie,
Uncles Justin and
Ray



Congratulations
DPWH!

We are all so
proud of you!
Keep your head
high and aim
for the stars.
You have come
so far, our little
Wren! We love
you more than
you know!

Love,
Rfr, VL, Z6
RJG.P

Museum of the Cherokee Indian to present Indigenous Writers' Workshop Series

CHEROKEE, N.C. – The Museum of the Cherokee Indian (MCI) has announced the Confluence: An Indigenous Writers' Workshop, an opportunity offered to citizens of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians throughout 2023. Created in partnership with Annette Saunooke Clapsaddle (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians), author of the award-winning novel *Even As We Breathe* and MCI board member, the series of workshops offers Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) citizens access to high-quality writing instruction from the world's top Indigenous writers at no cost.

The series, made possible through the generous support of North Carolina Arts Council and Fire Mountain Trails, will host four visiting writers with expertise in four different genres. Following three days of close instruction, creative exercises, and group discussion, the visiting writers will provide an evening public reading for the greater community to enjoy. Workshops are open to high school students and adults, recognizing that younger generations need to see role models in their own community in order to extend the continuum.

Clapsaddle—whose 2020 debut novel became the first and only novel to-date published by an enrolled citizen of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians—is passionate about bringing more opportunities for writers to the Qualla

Boundary. “For a tribe that has had a written language since it was formally adopted in 1825, this dearth of publications is startling,” the author says. “Having lived here my whole life, I am well aware that the talent pool of EBCI writers is deep. The Qualla Boundary can often feel isolated. Many of our citizens do not see a path toward pursuing writing, regardless of whether or not they are interested in publishing. Workshop opportunities are typically over an hour's drive away and often cost-prohibitive. I strongly believe that the best way I can express my gratitude for being able to professionally pursue my love of writing is to help provide some of the same writing enrichment opportunities I have been given to this community which has given me so much support.”

Just as the Qualla Boundary's mountain streams meet and strengthen, Saunooke and Museum staff hope that the workshops will be a confluence of ideas and inspiration for all writers involved. The first workshop in the series, held May 26-28 and led by Kelli Jo Ford (Cherokee Nation), focuses on the craft of literary fiction. The recipient of numerous awards and fellowships, including the *Paris Review's* Plimpton Prize, the Katherine Bakeless Nason Award at Bread Loaf, a National Artist Fellowship by the Native Arts & Cultures Foundation, and a Dobie Paisano Fellowship, Ford's fiction has appeared in the *Paris Review*, *Virginia Quarterly Review*, *Missouri Review*, and the anthology *Forty Stories: New Writing from*

Harper Perennial, among other places.

From June 16-18, Andrea L. Rogers (Cherokee Nation) will help writers find their voice in the genre of fiction. A PhD student at the University of Arkansas, her book *Mary and the Trail of Tears: A Cherokee Removal Survival Story* was named a Best Book of 2020 by both NPR and *American Indians in Children's Literature*.

Over July 14-16, writers will focus on poetry under the guidance of Mary Leana Christensen (EBCI). A PhD candidate at the University of Southern Mississippi, Christensen is Managing Editor of *The Swamp* literary magazine. Her work can be found in *Cream City Review*, the *Laurel Review*, *Southern Humanities Review*, *Denver Quarterly*, and the *Gettysburg Review*, among others. She was named a 2022 Indigenous Nations Poets fellow for the inaugural In-Na-Po retreat and was selected as a returning fellow for 2023.

November 17-19's workshop in journalism marks a return to MCI for Rebecca Nagle (Cherokee Nation). The award-winning journalist—who presented her lecture “We Are Still Here: Fighting Indigenous Erasure in the Media” at MCI for Western Carolina University's 2022 James A. Cooper Memorial Lecture in Cherokee Studies—is also the writer and host of the podcast *This Land*. Her writing on Native representation, federal Indian law, and tribal sovereignty has been featured in the *Atlantic*, the *Washington Post*, *The Guardian*, *USA Today*, *Indian Country Today*, and more. Rebecca Nagle is the recipient of the American Mosaic Journalism Prize, Women's Media Center's Exceptional Journalism Award, a Peabody Nominee, and numerous awards from the Native American Journalist Association.

Clapsaddle hopes that EBCI writers will leave these workshops inspired and better equipped to pursue their own creative writing, whether it be for personal growth or to seek publication opportunities. “This series aims to be a reminder to our community that indigenous literature is rich, abundant, and deserves the attention of a world stage,” she says.

To learn more about programming and community learning initiatives at MCI, please visit mci.org/learn/programming.

– Museum of the Cherokee Indian release



Cherokee Veterans: We want to share your stories.

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SCC Faculty Advisor Hannah Sykes (left) presents Lucia French, of Cherokee, with the first copy of this year's Milestone on Tuesday, May 9, in Sylva. French designed the cover. (SCC photo)

SCC releases Milestone, announces winners

SYLVA – Artists and writers from throughout Southwestern Community College's service area gathered inside the Burrell Conference Center on Tuesday, May 9, for the official presentation of the 14th edition of Milestone.

They had plenty to celebrate. Filled with more than 40 pages of original poetry, short stories, artwork and photography, the latest volume features a colorful jellyfish design created by SCC student Lucia French.

A biennial art and literature review published by SCC, Milestone aims to showcase creative expressions of Western North Carolina artists and writers. Student life funds the publication and the Milestone banquet.

"Everyone on our editorial committee was impressed by the quality of this year's submissions," said Hannah Sykes, SCC English Instructor who served with Bob Keeling (Advertising & Graphic Design Program Coordinator) as Milestone faculty advisors. "The cover design is beautiful, and the talent of all our writers and artists is evident on the pages inside."

First prize in poetry this year was

named in honor of the late Jean Ellen Forrister, a longtime SCC faculty member and administrator who also served on the college's Board of Trustees from 2015-22.

Following are the winners of the various categories in this year's Milestone:

Art: Sebastian Quigley of Maggie Valley (first place); Megan Parker of Highlands (second place).

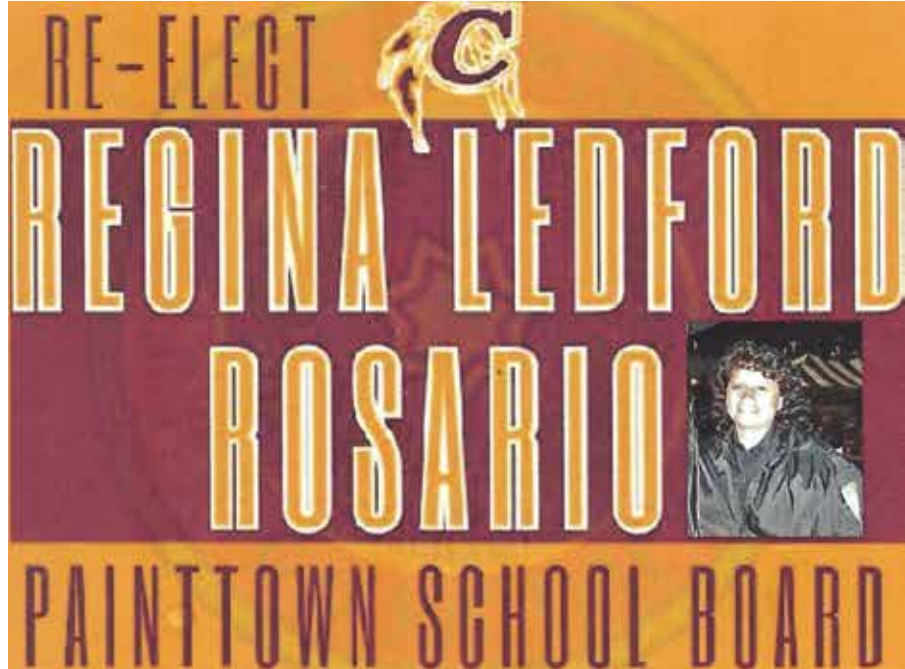
Poetry: Betty Holt of Highlands (Jean Ellen Forrister Prize in Poetry); Linneah Grace Taylor of Sylva (second prize); Codi Arsenault (honorable mention)

Short Story: Emily Warrick of Sylva (first place); Betty Holt of Highlands (second place).

The Editorial Committee consisted of SCC faculty members Rebecca Branden, Chris Cox, Mike Park as well as Sykes. Megan Stiles, Southwestern's Coordinator of Advertising and Graphic Design, oversaw the layout and design of this year's edition.

Submissions for the 2025 edition will be accepted through Dec. 6, 2024. These may be sent to Milestone@SouthwesternCC.edu. For more information or questions, call 828.339.4463 (poetry and prose) or 828.339.4317 (artwork).

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To My Painttown Family and Friend Voters

It's hard to believe it has been 4 years since I was sworn in as your school board representative.

I know deep in my heart I have done my best for your children and the staff. For those of you that have known me all my life and through my career investigating and helping prosecute child abuse. You know that I am not afraid to speak up when it comes to your babies and them being mistreated. I have gone in front of Tribal Council on issues such as ICWA (Indian Child Welfare Act), Family Safety, juveniles being sent 6 hours away to the coast for mental health, the protection and safety of students and staff, ensuring teachers are doing their jobs-teaching, ensuring enrolled members are being hired in positions, exit interviews for teachers that leave and staff evaluations of principals and assistant principals. I've stood before Tribal Council with grandmas for grandparents' rights.

I've had grandma's coming to my house crying because they raise their grandbabies and family safety comes and takes them out of their home. These are only some of the issues that I've spoken about but no matter what, I will continue to stand with all of you when it comes to our children being mistreated. I am humbly asking for your vote as your representative for Painttown school board.

I will do my best to come and speak with you personally. God bless my tribe.

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Thank you-Regina Ledford Rosario

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CHEROKEE GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community-Wide Landscape Beautification Contest

The EBCI Cooperative Extension Center is hosting the Community-Wide Landscape Beautification Contest for homeowners of the Qualla Boundary. Judging will be the week of May 22-25, and the deadline to enter is Thursday, May 18 at 4 p.m. Judging criteria include: cleanliness; overall appearance; landscaping (lawn, shrubs, trees, flowers, and yard); use of stone, retaining walls, fencing, and other manmade features to create a visually-pleasing landscape is a plus; no awards will be given to yards with fake, plastic, or artificial flowers. Prizes: 1st - \$300, 2nd - \$200, and 3rd - \$100. To enter, call the Extension Center (828) 359-6939 or 359-6934.

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 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.

12th Annual Cherokee Indian Hospital Foundation Gala set for July

The 12th Annual Cherokee Indian Hospital Foundation Gala, which will be held on Saturday, July 15 at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort, promises to be "A Star-Filled Summer Night," to celebrate healthcare and community in a festive atmosphere under the stars.

"We are honored to have a special guest at this year's Gala, Dr. Stephen Trzeciak, best-selling author and chief of medicine at Cooper University Health Care," said Brittney Lofthouse, development director for the Foundation. "Dr. Trzeciak will share highlights from his research into the impact of compassion in healthcare. Dr. Trzeciak's scientific program has been supported by research grants from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), and he has served as Principal Investigator. He is also the co-author of two books, 'Compassionomics: The Revolutionary Scientific Evidence that Caring Makes a Difference' and 'Wonder Drug: 7 Scientifically Proven Ways That Serving Others Is the Best Medicine for Yourself.'"

In addition to Dr. Trzeciak, the Gala's program will also serve as at time to celebrate local healthcare "stars" including the Hospital's employee of the year and the second annual Lula Owl Gloyne Person of Excellence Award recipient. There are several exciting changes and additions to this year's Gala, including a local spin to the wine pull. This year, the Hospital Foundation is proud to showcase the best that the region has to offer in terms of wine, and believe that Gala guests will appreciate the opportunity to have a chance to win some of the finest wines available from locally owned and operated wineries.

Another highlight of the evening is the silent auction and raffle, which has been revamped to include premium items such as lower-level tickets for the 2023 Georgia vs Tennessee football game, behind the scenes animal encounters at the Knoxville Zoo, and jewelry from Kendra Scott, just to name a few. The Foundation has been working tirelessly to source unique and exciting items to generate a great deal of interest and raise funds for the Cherokee Indian Hospital Foundation.

In partnership with Authentically Cherokee, the Foundation is looking forward to the addition of the Artisans Market at this year's Gala, which will showcase the work of local Native American artists. This addition to the Gala is an opportunity to support the arts in our community while enjoying the beauty and talent of local artists.

As always, the evening will feature a delicious dinner, networking, and dancing, with music from the Asheville-based band, Crocodile Smile. This year's entertainment specialized in mixing styles and eras of music to play a little bit of everything from old school

throw-backs, Motown, rock, to today's country and pop hits.

If you would like to reserve a table (10 seats) or purchase individual tickets, you can do so by emailing Cherokee Indian Hospital Development Director Brittney Lofthouse at CIHAFoundation@gmail.com.

- Cherokee Indian Hospital
Foundation release

THANK YOU LETTERS

Thank you for fundraisers

We need to express our sincere thanks to all involved in the benefit for Poncho, especially the EBCI Fire Department and Emergency Management. To all who helped prep, cook, serve, and bought a dinner or made a donation, thank you so much! We have always been blessed and able to help with benefits and to be on the receiving end has been overwhelming.

Sheena Brings Plenty for sewing your gifts of beautiful baby quilts and to Scott for helping, because we know he is, we can't thank you enough for donating those funds to us. We are blessed to call you our friends. The raffle on the ribbon skirt and vest sponsored by Vice Chief B and Libby Ensley and Albert Rose thank you for caring about us and doing this for us. We appreciate it so very much along with those who purchased tickets, we thank you all.

Our next step in this journey is to have a second biopsy to make sure the bladder is clear of cancer and then to have the right kidney removed. We have no scheduled dates yet. We ask for your continued prayers and good thoughts! Again, our heartfelt thank you to our community.

Sincerely,

Poncho and Denise Ballard

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COMMENTARY

Platitude season

By **ROBERT JUMPER**
One Feather Editor

“It doesn’t matter what you’re doing, as long as you’re having fun. Love will always get you through. Crime doesn’t pay. He/she who laughs last laughs best. Everybody needs somebody.”

You should be able to recognize a platitude when you see it. According to the Oxford English Dictionary, a platitude is “a remark or statement, especially one with a moral content, that has been used too often to be interest-

ing or thoughtful”.


To the examples above, we could add, “Everybody deserves a reward just for showing up” and “Regardless of what you are, have pride in yourself.” Generalizations are made because there is a good chance that some part of a statement will be true, and that fact allows anyone who would like to hang their slant on it will be harder to challenge. Usually, people will select something that has an emotional attachment to their audience, like children, the elderly, or pets. For example, it might sound high and noble to say that “all animals deserve to live” until one of those animals maims a person. Those who say “Crime doesn’t pay” probably didn’t read the news about criminals having stolen close to \$100 billion in

pandemic relief funds (this was in 2021). The money was stolen from the Small Business Administration’s Paycheck Protection Program, the Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program, and other programs. At the time the article was written, the federal government had recovered only \$400 million of that pilfered amount. So, for some, maybe many, crime did indeed pay and paid handsomely.

During a political season, you hear some of the most interesting platitudes. More than one candidate or incumbent over the decade that I have covered elections has stated that they have no interest in being a politician or make the great error of saying “I am running for office, but don’t you call me no dang politician”. Now,

I don’t know how you define a politician, but I do have some additional help from the Oxford Dictionary that will clarify what one is. A politician is “a person who is professionally involved in politics, especially as a holder of or a candidate for an elected office”. It would be a very difficult defense to make for a sitting Tribal Council or Executive Office holder, seats at both branches of government make north of \$80,000 per year in salary, to deny that they are politicians based on that definition. Indeed, even members of the School Board would have trouble making a case for not being a politician, since each one of those seats gets \$25,000 per year.

When we ran graduation pictures in the Cherokee One Feather back in the day, we would basical-



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ly publish the photos sent over by the schools from their class pictures. Every year, it became more and more challenging to get the schools to provide photo releases from the professional photographers involved. Just because the school may have paid to have a photo to use in its yearbook, doesn't mean that they have the right to authorize another organization to use the photos, because the copyrights remain with the photographer. And there was an additional challenge. While we were sent all the kids who attended Cherokee Central Schools regardless of their racial identification, other schools were tasked with sending only those students who are Eastern Band Cherokee members. And that is no small task because we live in a society that insists on respect for personal identity and privacy. In other words, school administrators from other school districts don't go around to their students and ask them what their race may be. Asking those types of questions of a grade, high, or even higher ed student can bring bad press and lawsuits. Rather than misidentify a student, school systems will simply say that they do not know. Now there is quite a big difference when speaking about a student's peer group. Misidentification not only happens within multiracial organizations, but it sometimes is also purposeful, like racially-charged horseplay. It is inappropriate, hurtful, childish, and it happens routinely. Name-calling seems to be the order of the day. Even among our own people, who will chide their fellow tribal members with slurs for their skin not being the right shade of "red".

Racial insensitivity allows some to mistreat and malign people across races and tribes. Racial

oversensitivity makes us remain in a constant state of defensiveness. Some believe that any misstep or uninformed comment is just another example of injustice, and we meet it with indignant intolerance. Rather than educate, we condemn. We trash our ancestors' admonition to show compassion, courtesy, and compromise in the name of pride. And we treat accountability like a hot potato. If we are afraid our peer group or constituency will abandon us if we say the right thing, we are fast to say the wrong thing to keep their favor.

Campaign slogans are a staple in the world of electioneering. And political slogans are often the home of platitudes. Watch the campaign signs. Listen to the speeches and rhetoric. We are at an important crossroads for our tribe. We can't select our leadership based on kinship, friendship, or promises of personal gain. We need to think about who will guide us into a sustainable future, whether we are talking about culture and language, infrastructure, economic and ecologic needs, housing, health care, and long-term care of our people. If we continue to focus on the persons who will generate the biggest per capita payout so that we can get whatever momentary gratification we want, we are going to continue to miss out on opportunities for a better, more secure future.

We, the constituency, know for the most part the "what" of what needs to be done. And the candidates will repeat the "what" ad nauseum. Promises of better days ahead are easier to make than detailing the process and sacrifices needed to get there. Look for and listen to the candidates who will talk specifically about the "how" and the "when" of it will get

done.

For example, it is easy for a candidate to say, "I will work to bring family vacationers back to the Boundary for the betterment of the tribal economy. (platitude)." It is a much more challenging and telling statement for a candidate to provide a step-by-step plan and timeline to increase tourism visitation. It is one thing for a candidate to say, "I will make language preservation a top priority because it is an intrinsic part of our culture" (platitude). But it is the candidate who demonstrates that they have a specific plan and budget to mainstream and preserve the language that we need in office. A candidate will easily say "I support and believe in the people having the power of governance through a constitution (platitude)." It takes courage and leadership to stand for, craft specific language, and assist the people in supporting and implementing a governing document that codifies the civil rights of the people.

"Vagueness is at the heart of insincere language; it clouds thinking and it muddles meaning. As (George) Orwell writes about vague terms, 'The person who uses them has his own private definition but allows his hearer to think he means something quite different.' Vague language is often used to dissociate someone (perhaps we ourselves?) from a contemptible act or bad memory. In a classic moral thought experiment, a runaway trolley will strike and kill five people-unless you flip a switch to divert it, in which case it will kill only one person. All things being equal, the math is simple, but it feels more comfortable to cause harm indirectly than to take action (by flipping the switch) and become complicit. We see that

same instinct work with vague language." (Ali Almosawi)

Fault finding is a fruitless process and a waste of time, but accountability is essential to life and to government. Our government works in two parts to function-a legislative branch (Tribal Council) and executive branch (Principal Chief and Vice-Chief). Both are usually involved in most significant government processes. But when it comes time to be accountable for an action that obviously requires the participation of both branches, depending on the publicly perceived outcome, blame or fault will be placed on one branch or the other, whether by the officials or by members of the community. Resolutions to our issues would come more quickly and freely if we could get beyond the desire to lay blame. We need to partner, as branches of government and as a community, for the common good of our people.

Now is the perfect time for you to think about and form ways to screen the language you will be hearing over the next four months. As enrolled members of our Tribe, we must take responsibility. We must be accountable for the leadership that we allow through our votes or lack thereof. And that is something we should all remember. You don't get out of being accountable for the leadership that will be put in place for the future by not voting. If you have been given that opportunity and you choose not to vote, you have spoken with your inaction and are just as responsible for the outcomes as someone who did vote. So, let's not be vague when it comes to our vision for the future and let's not let our candidates feed us platitudes but real solutions for the challenges ahead.

COMMENTARY

A rebuttal to the Attorney General's thoughts on proposed Constitution

Submitted by the Cherokee
Community Club Council

BCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) Attorney General Michael McConnell wrote in his commentary letter, "On April 6, 2023, Tribal Council passed Resolution No. 559 (2023), which was submitted by the Community Club Council."

This describes a historical moment for this Tribe. The 12 members of Tribal Council unanimously agreed to allow the people to vote on whether they approve the new Constitution as presented by the Cherokee Community Club Council.

Before we begin, here's a reminder of how this Constitution

would work. Any information not explicitly stated in the document can be addressed in the Cherokee Code. All of the Cherokee Code would remain in effect as long as it does not contradict the Constitution. As an example, the Constitution does not express or explain how enrollment will work; it refers to the Cherokee Code. The Charter does not even mention enrollment.

The Constitution is a framework that establishes who has what authority, what rights and protections the People have, and how certain situations will be managed. It is not going to cover every possible scenario; it is not going to spell everything out. Those areas that are absent from the Constitution shall be filled in

by the Cherokee Code. This is how the Tribe has been operating with the Charter for the past 155 years.

Before we answer the issues presented in the Attorney General's commentary, we would like to provide clarification on some of the Attorney General's comments regarding the monies budgeted for the SGADUGI group. Just to be clear, the funding was to promote a Constitution for the People to vote on, not to pay anyone. With the exception of the mailers that were sent in 2022 and the new billboard advertising and incidental expenses. No individual from this group has or is receiving compensation for services.

During the past six years that SGADUGI met, whose meetings

have been open to any tribal member wanting to participate; elected officials were welcome to attend as well. We consulted with subject matter experts during the first three years of drafting the Constitution to provide us with guidance on considerations for the betterment and security of the People. Also, members of the Tribal Court system and attorneys attended meetings, providing their input since they would likely see the results of the Constitution in their court rooms. We appreciate the outside perspectives we received on issues that we did not originally consider.

When the draft Constitution was first presented to Tribal Council in 2019, Tribal Council and the



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Attorney General expressed some reservations about it. We invited the Attorney General to participate in strengthening the document and resolving any issues that he had with it. During the drafting phase, we had hoped to receive advice, suggestions and to identify any problems but received none. This would have allowed us to discuss, craft, review, and amend the document before it was made official and released to the public.

At this point, you might have noticed that we are using the term “People” instead of “Tribe.” The Tribe is the organization that acts as the government, whereas the People are those who make up the Tribe and are governed. The Attorney General works for the Tribe, not for the Chief nor Tribal Council. In other words, he works for the organization, not the People. We appreciate his concerns with the current version of the Constitution and will seriously consider his issues. If we should amend the document prior to the referendum vote, by waiting until the last minute, it will prove difficult. In order for the Constitution to make the September ballot, it has to be completed, approved, and ratified by July 1, 2023.

The Constitution was on the Council’s agenda at least a week prior to the April 6 session. The Attorney General’s office could have requested Tribal Council to table the item prior to the session so that his position could be communicated.

Before we address the Attorney General’s issues in his Letter to the Editor, we want to acknowledge another important issue, “First Generation Descendants” rights. The Constitution does not remove these rights since they are already located in the Cherokee Code Chapter 28 Section 28-2 which protects them.

The Cherokee Community Club Council (CCCC) would like to address the Attorney General’s (AG) points in his Letter to the Editor on April 28, 2023:

• **(AG)** “It deletes the right, expressed in the Charter, of all Tribal members to receive equal distributions of per capita.”

(CCCC) The Constitution does not include the entitlement of per capita in a governing document. However, it does exist in the Cherokee Code. The Charter states, “...and in case any money, derived from any source whatsoever, belonging to the Eastern Band of Cherokees, shall be distributed among the members thereof, the same shall be distributed per capita among the members entitled thereto.”

This means that any money from anywhere that belongs to the Tribe shall be distributed on a per capita basis. It does not state only monies from casinos on Tribal land. However, the Cherokee Code, Sec. 16C-2. – Definitions section states that Distributable net revenue “shall mean all revenue distributed to the Tribe by a gaming operation.” So, this definition is in conflict with the Charter,

which states “...from any source.”

• **(AG)** The Constitution does not identify who can sign contracts or represent the Tribe in government-to-government relations.

(CCCC) This is covered in Cherokee Code. However, it should be noted that the Charter does not include this provision either.

• **(AG)** “It removes the authority, and therefore the ability, of the Principal Chief to manage the daily operations of the Tribe.”

(CCCC) The Constitution does not include the management of the Tribe, but it does not remove the authority either. Currently, the Charter states, “The [Executive] committee shall execute and carry out tribal laws and administer the daily operations of the Tribe.”

• **(AG)** The Attorney General references the Oath of Office, which includes the U.S. Constitution.

(CCCC) As a “domestic dependent nation,” we still fall under the umbrella of the Federal government, which includes the U.S. Constitution, but the U.S. Supreme Court established that tribes have an inherent right to govern themselves. However, Congress can limit tribal sovereignty, and unless a treaty or federal statute removes a power, the tribe possesses it. Tribes are “sovereign” because the U.S. government allows them to self-govern.

• **(AG)** The “confusion” on how

veto work is misleading.

(CCCC) The Legislative Branch may receive a veto from the Executive Branch. This does not mean the Chief and the Vice Chief have to act together, only that a veto comes from the Executive Branch. In the Executive Branch, either the Chief, or in their absence the Vice Chief, can veto legislation. In either case, the veto still comes from the Executive Branch.

• **(AG)** The Attorney General states that the ballot question is incomplete. It does not attempt to describe any provision of the draft Constitution. It says nothing about repealing the Charter. The trigger for repeal is only stated in the draft Constitution.

(CCCC) The People should vote on the document as a whole. Upon adoption, the Charter is repealed and superseded by the Constitution. To keep the referendum question simple, voters are asked - do you approve or disapprove of the Constitution?

The Cherokee Community Club Council rejected the Attorney General’s approach of simply amending the Charter and changing the name to Constitution. We understand that passage of the Constitution will create challenges for the Attorney General’s office. We have faith in the People and the Attorney General’s office that we can work together to navigate this transition to unite the voice of all our People.

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

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Resurrection Day 2023

By TIMOTHY L. MELTON, PASTOR

(Transcribed by Myra D. Colgate)

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church

Continuation...

Read Matthew 28:1-10; Mark 16:1-20; John 20:12, 18-23

"I got so excited, because here's what He said," Pastor Tim explained.

"His hand is not short concerning my infirmity." "He said, "As your soul prospers..." "He said,"that by His stripes we are healed." He said, "by His stripes we were healed..."

If we can ever get a "He said"...If we can remember what He was talking about , then know when He has said it in the Word, then, it's to be all about and for you." Then know, when He has said it in the Word, then it's all about you."

Here's what I understand. I understand we are not perfect. I understand that we all have been broken, I understand that we haven't done everything exactly right. I understand that our mouth has gotten away from us. I understand one wasn't supposed to be there... at the time and place, I understand...

Here's what one needs to know. It never is dependent of one's own righteousness, but it depends on His Righteousness that gives us His Victory. He got up. It was His Resurrection that became our resurrection. His Words are our Words. He did it for us. I don't care what it looked like, He did it for us. He did it for you. The Lord did it for you. He went to the grave for us all. He was on that cross for us. He went down to hell for us all. It was all about us. It was all about you.

Pastor Tim, when I read a promise it in the Bible can I take it as mine? "Yes, you can, and it doesn't matter what kind of life one has lived before. The Lord chose those who were tax collectors, the bottom feeders, the IRS of their day. Jesus didn't go out and pick the preachers of His day. Have we ever noticed that one of the disciples who walked with Him every day was not John the Baptist who could have walked right alongside with Him? Think about it...

"Well, he died."

Pastor Tim answered, "Come on, yes, they all died. Why did He have to pick Judas? Think about it. It could have been He would have chosen one of the others. I'll tell you why, He picked those who were of low esteem or of low estate. He picked out those who didn't have a pedigree. He picked out those whom everyone else had already discounted, and He said, "Now, watch what I can do. I don't care what they've said over your life, what they've said over a person."

If you've heard things like this often, "You're not good enough, You'll never amount to anything, You'll never make anything." I've come to tell you, you are a person who is exactly whom Jesus is looking for, at this time.

Look at Verse 9, it was addressed to the eleven disciples and all the rest, and to Mary Magdalene from whom Jesus had cast out devils, Joanna, the mother of James, and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, and they're exactly for whom Jesus is looking.

I think it's interesting today that we have a problem with women in doing the ministry and yet, the first preachers of the full gospel, were a bunch of ladies that had bothered to get up and

go to the tomb that morning.

I would have thought that early in the morning it would have been the guys who got up and would have said, "I've got to go and see what's going on down there, because a promise was made. Or it might have been those who were deaf and had been healed, or blind Bartimaeus who now could see, or Lazarus who was raised from the dead.

When the women came back from the tomb, their words seemed to be as "idle tales" to the apostles, and they believed not. It was a sad commentary. The preachers God had chosen had said they were "fairy tales". Those were the men who had walked with Him and talked with Him, saw the miracles, but who didn't yet believe.

Said Pastor Melton, "It was still true, and it's real. He's still the God of all Creation. Whether one believes it or not, He is still alive and well, and seated on the Throne. He's still working in one's life, and He is still a Healer, and still a Deliverer.

Faith dies if one doesn't feed it.

Faith dies if one doesn't live it.

Faith dies if one doesn't speak it.

The tomb is empty, and the stone is still rolled away.



THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE



...We were gentle among you, just as a nursing mother cherishes her own children. So, affectionately longing for you, we were well pleased to impart to you not only the gospel of God, but also our own lives, because you had become dear to us.

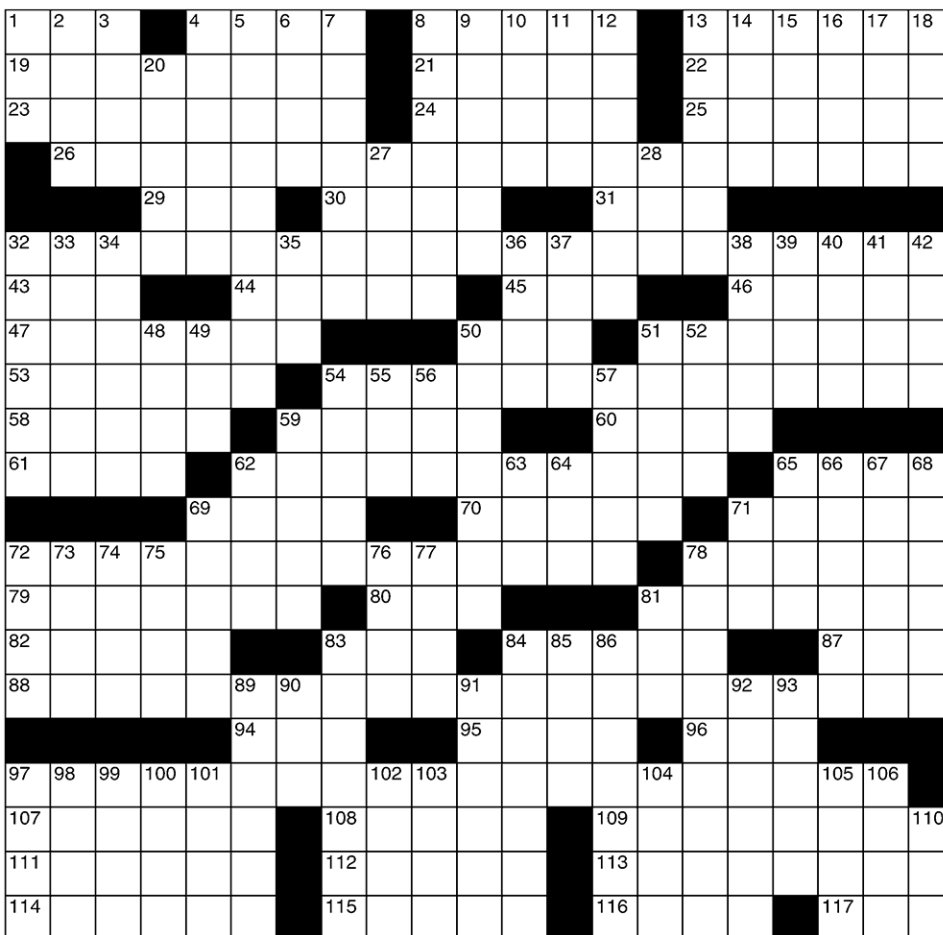
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"Mother and Child" by Pablo Picasso (1929)

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ACROSS

- 1 Salary limit
4 Reputation, on the street
8 Two-team wrestling competitions
13 Gave high praise to
19 Pesticide compound
21 The "A" of James A. Garfield
22 Aorta, for one
23 Study hard
24 Proportional relation
25 Supervise
26 Start of a riddle
29 Thing a doc prescribes
30 Yin and —
31 Suffix with hotel or cash
32 Riddle, part 2
43 Apple on a desk
44 Latin "that is"
45 "— So Fine"
46 French for "man"
47 Set into motion
50 Charles Chaplin's title
51 Eileen of "Clue"
- 53 In the vicinity
54 Riddle, part 3
58 Old-time actress Irene
59 She was Mrs. Gorbachev
60 German word before "geist"
61 Donkey Kong and others
62 Riddle, part 4
65 Lacerate
69 Dove shelter
70 Use all of
71 Afro-Brazilian dance
72 Riddle, part 5
78 Scrupulous insistence on traditional rules
79 Disturbs
80 Source of some bran
81 Havana natives, to
82 Novelist George
83 Braying beast
84 Shooter of small balls
87 Bard's "before"
88 End of the riddle
94 Huge battle
95 Bereft, poetically
96 Khaki color
- 97 Riddle's answer
107 Back-baring blouse
108 "— think so!"
109 Certain airport worker
112 Make a phony copy of
113 Moniker for Wilt Chamberlain
114 Shoulder garments
115 Deuce-beating cards
116 Admin. aide
117 Low grade
- 10 Intro studio course
11 Secular
12 Range of the Appalachians
13 Actress Hedy
14 Composer Khachaturian
15 — Reader (magazine)
16 Turn a — ear
17 Hence
18 Hair colorer
20 "I love you," to Juanita
27 — Christian Andersen
28 Opposite of old, in Germany
32 Plummer of "Pulp Fiction"
33 How cards are sometimes dealt
34 Gasoline rating
35 Exalting verse
36 Lower leg part
37 Feudal toiler
38 Source of some bran
39 Goose sound
40 1980s Dodge
41 Supermodel from Somalia
42 Hong Kong's Hang — Index
- 48 Catering coffeepots
49 Vigoda of "Fish"
50 Tries to hit, as an insect
51 Cat variety
52 Sluggers' stats
54 DJ Casey
55 Fall chill
56 Bear, in Baja
57 Gas in an atmospheric layer
59 Hayworth and Moreno
62 Certain garden worker
63 "The Simpsons" storekeeper
64 Sleuth, in old slang
65 Lipinski on ice
66 Rapper aka "Slim Shady"
67 Sop up
68 19th-dynasty pharaoh
69 Greek island
71 Deli hero
72 "Oh, ri-i-ght"
73 — contender (court plea)
74 "Take — from me ..."
75 Take an ax to
- 76 2010-19 Royals skipper Ned
77 Waist wear
78 Pokes a hole in
81 Chew the —
83 Helicopter rescue, say
84 Three
85 Arctic chunk
86 Subgenre of rap music
89 Friends of Snow White
90 Mart start
91 Like flashy jewelry, informally
92 Least frequent
93 Not fulfilled
97 — and that
98 Possesses, in Shakespeare
99 Bride of Lohengrin
100 Crockpot dish
101 Beehive unit
102 Scent
103 Sweat outlet
104 Singer Phil
105 Blyton of kids' books
106 Prefix with marketing
110 Blvd., e.g.



See answers on page 38

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

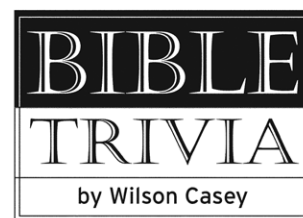
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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1. Is the book of 3 Timothy (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Genesis 22:2, who did God command to sacrifice his only son? *Isaac, Job, Noah, Abraham*
3. How many times does the word "grandmother" occur in the Bible? *1, 3, 6, 21*
4. From Exodus 20, to whom did God give the Ten Commandments? *Noah, Abraham, Moses, Aaron*
5. What's the middle book of the Old Testament? *Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Isaiah, Jeremiah*
6. Where is the New Testament "Hall of Faith"? *Luke 2, Titus 13, Hebrews 11, John 3*

"Test Your Bible Knowledge," a book with 1,206 multiple-choice questions by columnist Wilson Casey, is available in stores and online.

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1. ANATOMY: What is a common name for lateral epicondylitis?
2. GEOGRAPHY: What was the country of Portugal known as in Roman times?
3. MOVIES: What are the final words spoken in the movie "The Shawshank Redemption"?
4. LITERATURE: Which novel series includes a fictional place called Godric's Hollow, England?
5. SCIENCE: What is cytology?
6. TELEVISION: What is the name of the ranch in the 1960s western show "Bonanza"?
7. U.S. STATES: Which state has the longest cave system?
8. FOOD & DRINK: In which country were bagels invented?
9. HISTORY: What kind of beetle was revered by the ancient Egyptians?
10. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is the largest lizard on Earth?



EVENTS

BENEFITS/FUNDRAISERS

Benefit Dinner for Ezekiel

Littlejohn. May 26 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Building. \$10 dinners with fried chicken, fried potatoes, cabbage, fatback, bean bread or lye dumpling, drink/water. Proceeds will go towards Ezekiel's medical and travel expenses. Info: Moose and Spirit (828) 736-9626

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>) Branch Lettuce. May 26 at 5 p.m. — YouTube premiere. The final Forager Friday of the season calls for branch lettuce—sometimes called “wild lettuce”—a versatile late spring green.

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.

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 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 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.

NAIWA Strawberry Festival.

May 27 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Featuring strawberry pancakes and strawberry shortcake. Contests and activities for children and adults. Vendor space is available for \$10/table. To reserve tables or for more information, call Lucille Wolfe 736-

5285 or email to carmaleta@msn.com

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.

NAIWA Blueberry Festival.

July 15 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Featuring blueberry pancakes. Vendor

space is available for \$10/table. To reserve tables or for more information, call Lucille Wolfe 736-5285 or email to carmaleta@msn.com

HEALTH & SPORTS EVENTS

Snowbird Health Fair. May 24 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Jacob Cornsilk Complex at 60 Snowbird School Road in Robbinsville, N.C. Meet with EBCI Community Health staff. Lots of vendors will be present. Info: (828) 346-6958

Makennah Craft Wrestling Camp, Champions Training

Champions. June 10-11 at The Barn at 20 Ensley Road in Bryson City, N.C. Info: Coach DeHart (937) 418-4964

UPCOMING POW WOVES

Puzzle Answers

Super Crossword

Answers														
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Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) Abraham, 3) 1 (2 Timothy 1:5), 4) Moses, 5) Proverbs, 6) Hebrews 11

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

Answers

1. Tennis elbow.
2. Lusitania.
3. “I hope.”
4. The “Harry Potter” series by J.K. Rowling.
5. The study of cells.
6. Ponderosa.
7. Kentucky.
8. Poland.
9. Scarab.
10. Komodo Dragon.

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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.

Gathering of the People Pow Wow. May 19-20 at the BSA Center in Evans, Ga. MC: Fred Glennon. Head Southern Singer: Monsenjour Johnson. Info: Barry Rogers (706) 678-1017, otter@nu-z.net

Legends Pow Wow & Stick Game Tournament. May 19-21 at the Legends Casino Hotel in Toppenish, Wash. Emcees: Jerry Meninick and Keveon Kingbird. Host Drums: War Paint, Cozad Singers. Info: Alana Rodrigues (509) 868-8800, alana_ro-

drigues@legendscasino.net

Manito Ahbee Pow Wow. May 19-21 at Red River Exhibition Park in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. Emcees: Donald Speidel, Tommy Christian, Howie Thomson. Info: Manito Ahbee Committee (204) 956-1849, info@manitoahbee.com

Big Sandy Rancheria 22nd Annual Pow Wow & Gathering. May 20-21 in Auberry, Calif. MC: Frankie Williams. Host Northern Drum: Indian Hill. Host Southern Drum: Red Buffalo. Info: Lizz Kipp (559) 374-0066 ext. 212

Klatowa Ina Pow Wow. May 20 in Gill Coliseum on the campus of Oregon State University in Corvallis, Ore. Info: Ina.Haws@oregon-

See **EVENTS** next page



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Single Lambs looking for love could find Cupid aiming at someone you thought (wrongly) was uninterested. Paired Sheep could soon make plans to move into new pastures.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Level that sharp Bull's eye of yours directly at the target you're after. Don't let yourself get sidetracked by any misleading or deceptive attempts to distract you.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Early enthusiasm gives way to a more reflective attitude, as you assess the potential of a new job. Avoid questionable advice. The ultimate decision should be yours.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You might need to reassess the responsibility you've taken on. Consider delegating some of the tasks to people you trust and focus on those things you do best.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Don't be shy about sharing new ideas with your workplace colleagues. Their warm reception and trusted support will soon have you purring with satisfaction.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) That uneasiness over a potential commitment should be confronted and dealt with realistically. Find out why you're delaying an important decision.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your business venture gets back into high gear after a brief period of sputtering. Don't be discouraged. Stay with it. Your hard work and patience will pay off.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Watch out for a tendency to let things slide in hopes that a problem will correct itself. You need to be more proactive than reactive if you want to see change.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A wilting relationship could recover and be coaxed back into full bloom, as long as there is a strong commitment to your partner to make the relationship your priority.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Before you accept a new job offer, check on the status of a promotion you were promised in your current workplace. Then, make a decision.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Expect to find yourself in a teaching situation on the job, which you will no doubt enjoy. Don't be surprised if you get to learn a few things as well.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You'd love to make a big splash with your new project. But you'd be wiser to introduce it to your colleagues in a more restrained way and let it speak for itself.

BORN THIS WEEK: You're a practical person who also has a sense of adventure. You have a capacity for leadership that others often tap in to.

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VETERANS ★ POST ★

by Freddy Groves

PACT Act Benefits

A half-million claims have been filed under the PACT Act for exposure to toxins. So far, over \$1 billion has been paid in benefits. And that's just since last August, when the act was signed.

Three million veterans have had their new screenings since then, and nearly half of them had exposures. Since last August, 215,000 veterans have signed up for Department of Veterans Affairs health care, a big increase over the previous year. And this fiscal year alone (starting last October), the VA has paid out over \$65 billion on compensation benefits.

With the PACT Act, any subsequent illnesses are presumptive, meaning that it's assumed that your health condition is caused by exposure to toxins if you were in certain locations at certain times. The act adds over 20 new presumptives to the list.

The list of illnesses from exposure to toxins are serious: cancers of the brain, head, kidney, neck, pancreas and many more. Less serious are allergic rhinitis, bronchial asthma, chronic bronchitis and others. Of the five conditions most frequently claimed via the PACT Act, hypertensive vascular disease tops the list, with 80% of claims granted.

To read more about the PACT Act, go to the dashboard at www.accesstocare.va.gov/healthcare/pactact. Info is updated there every other Friday. A recent issue of the dashboard says that wrapping up PACT claims is taking an average of 156 days. At that time, 45.6% of claims were at over 125 days of being completed, and the approval rate was 80%. Be sure to scroll down the page, as there is a lot of info.

Additionally, you can check va.gov/pact or call them at 800-MYVA411.

Note: The VA wants us to sign up for PACT benefits. If we do this before Aug. 10, 2023, the benefits will likely be backdated a year, to Aug. 10, 2022. Mark that date on your calendar and don't let it slip by if you intend to file for PACT benefits. In fact, why don't you get started now?

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Pink Tears From Cat Is Normal

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: I adopted an older cat recently. Chuck is a joy and has settled into the household without a problem. However, I've started to notice a trickle of liquid from one of his eyes recently. He seems OK otherwise. I took a cotton ball and dabbed away the liquid and found that it was tinged pink! Should I be worried? — Lane V., Cleveland

Dear Lane: Chuck sounds like a wonderful cat! I'm glad he's with an owner who cares and keeps a close eye on his health.

Excess tears or discharge from the eyes is a concern, but to determine how much of a problem it is, it's always good to check in with the veterinarian. It sounds like the liquid is clear and tinged red, which is normal — cats' tears are naturally tinted reddish or brownish. If his tears are gunky, greenish or yellowish, that can indicate an infection is going on around the eye (or even elsewhere in the body, such as a respiratory infection).

Allergies or even the shape of a cat's eyes can cause irritation of the tear ducts.

Take a closer look at Chuck's eyes. The membrane surrounding his eyes should be very light pink, almost white. The eyes themselves should be clear with no inflammation in the white part. His eyelids should look symmetrical — if one is puffier than the other, there could be inflammation. This site has more detailed information on causes and conditions of excess tears: <https://tinyurl.com/yvu2wma9>.

If you notice Chuck pawing at his face, squinting often or otherwise seems uncomfortable, make a vet appointment to try to find the root cause of his eye irritation.

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

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Tunica-Biloxi Pow Wow. May 20-21 at the Chief Joseph Alcide Pierite Pow Wow Grounds on the Tunica-Biloxi Reservation in Marksville, La. Emcees: Rob Daugherty and Tim Tall Chief. Host Northern Drum: Stoney Creek. Host Southern Drum: Ottertrail. No contact information available

UC San Diego 12th Annual Pow Wow. May 20 in the Price Center on the campus of UC San Diego in La Jolla, Calif. MC: Glen Begay. Host Northern Drum: Green River. Host Southern Drum: Hale & Company. Info: powwow@ucsd.edu

36th Annual In Honor of Our

Children Pow Wow. May 20 at Kelso High School in Kelso, Wash. MC: Mike Brock. Host Drums: Turquoise Pride, Allen Family Singers. Info: Michael Brock (360) 703-5892, m.brock211@gmail.com

For the People Pow Wow. May 27-28 at Jefferson City Jaycee Fairgrounds in Jefferson City, Mo. MC: Ed Smith. Host Drum: Big Soldier Creek. Info: Greg Olson (573) 814-9135, ftpowwow@gmail.com

Shining Mountains Pow Wow. May 27-28 at Aspen High School in Aspen, Colo. MC: Steve LaPointe. Host Northern Drum: Iron Boy. Host Southern Drum: Omaha Singing Eagle. Info: Deanne Vitrac-Kessler dvitrackessler@gmail.com

Skykomish Valley Indian 19th Annual Traditional Pow Wow.

May 27 at Monroe High School Commons in Monroe, Wash. MC: Randy Vendiola. Info: Mars Miller (425) 359-8935, millerm@monroe.wednet.edu

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.

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

Vaya Seminar: Helping in Crisis. May 18 at 1 p.m. in the Conference Room at the Jackson County Public Library in Sylva, N.C. This is a free seminar facilitated by Vaya Health. Registration is required. Info: (828) 586-2016 or email JCPL-Adults@fontanalib.org

Indivisible Swain County meeting. May 22 at 7 p.m. on Zoom. Agenda will focus on continued planning for a Fall Community Forum. All are welcome to join and participate. To request the Zoom link, email indivisibleswain@gmail.com



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5th Annual Blue Ridge Heritage Weekend at the Shelton House. June 16-17 at the Shelton House in Waynesville, N.C. This event is open to the public with artists, food vendors, and Appalachian music on the front porch of the 1875 home. The event is free, but donations are welcome and go to the preservation of this historic site. Info: info@sheltonhouse.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>

VOTE TIGER FOR YELLOWHILL JUNE 1

Siyo, my name is Ernest Tiger I am a Qualla Arts and Crafts Member, Housing Specialist for Qualla Housing. I currently serve as the Vice Chair for the Cherokee Community Club Council, and also as the Yellowhill Community Club Treasurer. Many people have asked who I am running against during this campaign, and my reply has been, "I am not running against anyone." My goal has been to represent the voice and direction of Yellowhill Residents and all Tribal communities in tribal council. The need to bring our people together is what has led me to running for office. For me, my goal is to ensure your voice, the voice of Yellowhill is heard. Your support would enable me to be in a position to help you. By honoring me with your vote for Yellowhill Council, I will honor your chosen direction in all my Council Voting. My goal has been, and will continue to be, to unite the people by bringing back the people's trust and respect of one another and of our Tribal Leadership. I will strive to meet my goals by ensuring I am accountable and I will exhibit:

Passion

-Supporting the Tribal Constitution

Value

-Ensure every decision made is in the best interest of all Tribal Members

Integrity

-Obtain Communities favorability on voting for all large-scale Tribal Investments (On or Off Boundary)

Vision

-Invest back into Tribal Communities by creating businesses that generate revenues which go straight to tribal per cap. Improve Off Boundary resident services

Courage

-Expand Sovereignty by strengthening self-determination for Tribal Programs

Cooperation

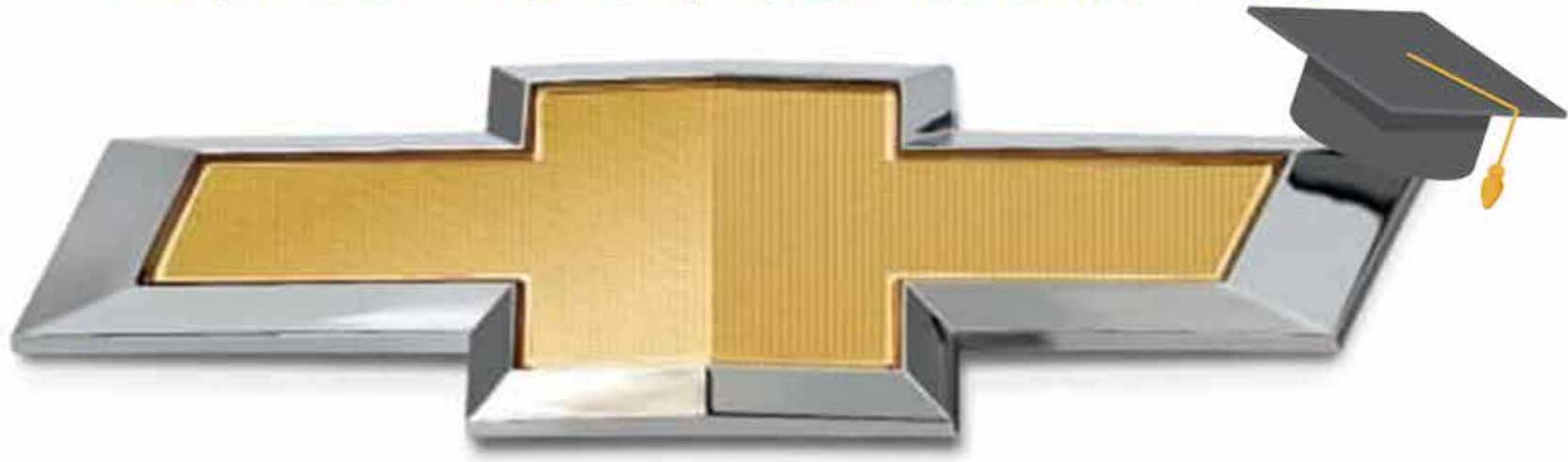
-Strive to maintain a positive attitude while working with all individuals negative and positive to reach a successful outcome in all work conducted.

I thank you for this opportunity to introduce my thoughts on how I would like to improve the quality of life for all.

Sgi, Ernest Tiger

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Estate Sale of

Suzanne Hornbuckle

Friday thru Monday May 26th-29th 11:00am - 8:00pm. 151 Magnolia Lane, Look for sign between Fairfield and Days Inn. **5/24**

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. **5/31**

Land for Sale

47 acres fronting on Vengeance Creek in Marble, with two houses and a paved drive to the middle of the property. Price negotiable. 828-

360-3585 Serious Inquiries please. **5/17**

LOST gold mens ring with Diamond center, in the Cherokee area, around April 30 and May 1; visited Qualla Co-op, the Museum, Medicine man crafts, Talking Leaves, Native Brews and the Park visitor center. Was in attendance for the Late Carol Welch funeral. Stayed at the Econolodge. Ring has sentimental value. If found please call Dwight Price at 803-960-3966 **5/24**

Looking for a place to rent, pet friendly, small house with a small pasture for older horse. Please call Debbie Stone 352-208-1057. **5/31**

LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 23-014
Notice to Creditors and Debtors of:
Sandra Darlene Taylor Reagan

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.
Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION
Anthony "Tony" Taylor
P.O. Box 1728
Cherokee, NC 28719

5/17

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
HAYWOOD COUNTY, NC COURT
IN THE MATTER OF
AMARANTH J'NAE WHITE,
minor child
FILE NO. 23 SP 57

TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-referenced actions. The nature of the relief sought is as follows:
PETITION FOR LEGITIMATION OF MINOR CHILD, ABANDONMENT, AND NAME CHANGE PROCEEDING.
Filed: March 16, 2023 in the Haywood County Court, Waynesville, North Carolina.
TO: HEATHER MICHELLE WHITE



Employment Opportunities

Mandara Spa at Harrah's Cherokee is seeking applicants for the following positions:


*****Signing Bonus up to \$2,500*****

- **Senior Concierge for Front Desk and operations support** – hospitality experience preferred
- **Concierge for Front Desk** – hospitality experience preferred
- **Male Spa Host and Female Spa Host** – no experience required

Competitive compensation and benefits packages available. EEOC

*****contingent on FT/PT and availability status**


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



Tribal Employment Rights Office

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 7:45am-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 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:

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

You are 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
hillnory@ebci-nsn.gov

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



You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than June 12, 2023 and upon your failure to do so, the Petitioner, Simon Santoyo Martinez, seeking service against you, will apply to the Court for the relief sought. This, the 24th day of April, 2023. Danya Ledford Vanhook Attorney for Petitioner Simon Santoyo Martinez 854 N. Main St. Waynesville, NC 28786 (828) 452-5522 5/17

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 23-022 **In the Matter of the Estate of David Welch** All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them

to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Jamie Welch PO Box 140 Cherokee, NC 28719 5/24

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 23-041 **In the Matter of the Estate of Phillip Owle, JR** All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or

before the date listed or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Frances Lucille Librado PO Box 1464 Cherokee, NC 28719 5/24

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 23-048 **In the Matter of the Estate of William Dwight Beck** All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred

from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Teresa L. Williamson 775 Sam Dills Road Whittier, NC 28789 6/7

In the General Court of Justice in Macon County, District Court Division: File Number 22 JT 61 In the matter of Keel, a minor child for Termination of Parental Rights Petitioners: Bernardo Hernandez-Ramirez and Kristie Hernandez-Ramirez Respondents: Amanda Santiago and Aaron Keel



On the Job Training (OJT) Summer Program with the Cherokee Boys Club. The OJT Program will begin on June 12th and end on July 28th this year.

IT – 1 position	SHOP –
AGELINK - 3 positions	2 Shop
ADMIN - 1 position	1 Bodyshop
	1 Bio-Fuel

Applications can be picked up from the CBC Front Desk, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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

RE ADVERTISEMENT OF BIDS

Sealed proposals will be received until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, May 25, 2023, office of the Macon County Manager, 5 West Main Street, Franklin, North Carolina, 28734 for Highlands Middle School Renovations. The time and place for opening the proposals shall be 2:00 p.m. Thursday, May 25, 2023, in the Commissioner's Board Room located on the 3rd Floor of the Macon County Courthouse, 5 West Main Street, Franklin, NC 28734.

Bidders who mail their proposals SHALL address them to Mr. Derek Roland, Macon County Manager, Macon County Government, 5 West Main Street, Franklin, NC 28734.

To prevent accidental opening, ALL Proposal shall be enclosed in a mailer and be clearly marked on the mailer "BID FOR HIGHLANDS MIDDLE SCHOOL RENOVATION. DO NOT OPEN UNTIL 2:00 P.M. THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2023."

Requirements adopted by Macon County Government for Minority Business Enterprises (MBE) will be part of this project. All minority businesses and historically underutilized businesses are hereby encouraged to submit proposals for this project.

Electronic contract documents are available for download, free of charge, upon request.

Online Procurement and Contracting Documents: Obtain access after April 4, 2023 by contacting Architect – Emily Kite, emilykite@ls3p.com, 828-545-0198 or Jonathan Capp, jonathancapp@ls3p.com.

Online access will be provided to all registered bidders and suppliers.

Macon County Government reserves the unqualified right to reject any and all proposals.

Signed:
Macon County Government
Mr. Derek Roland, County Manager

Petitioners' attorney: Shira Hedgepeth, PO Box 514, Cullo-
whee, NC 28723, Phone 828-585-
5044

Respondents are required to make
defense to such pleading within 40
days after a date stated in the no-
tice. If the Respondent fail to do so
the Respondents will apply to the
court for the relief sought. **5/31**

RFPs, BIDs, etc.

Bid Proposals

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

Dunkin Donuts & Food Court
Renovations at Harrah's Cherokee
Casino Resort, Cherokee, NC.

The following scopes of work
are available to bid:

Demolition, Concrete, Millwork,

Firestopping and Joint Sealants,
Framing and Drywall, Tile, ACT
Ceilings, Wall Coverings and Paint-
ing, Signage, Wall Protection, Food
Service Equipment, Fire Suppres-
sion, Plumbing, HVAC, Electrical,
Communication, Fire Alarm.
Proposal due date is : June 01,
2023 at 5:00 PM CST.

Please contact Bob Legler at
bob.legler@robinsmorton.com or
205-803-0178 for further infor-
mation regarding this request for
proposal.

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

alternates, methods and/or substi-
tutions are encouraged, but must
be identified and quoted separately
from your base bid. **5/17**

Request for Proposals

Internal Audit Services
(OIA-23-001)

The Office of Internal Audit and
Ethics of the Eastern Band of Cher-
okee Indians is requesting propos-
als from experienced individuals
or firms to provide Internal Audit
Services. Must demonstrate rele-
vant experience and qualifications.
For details a complete RFP package
may be requested by contacting
Sharon Blankenship, Chief Audit
and Ethics Executive at 828-359-
7071 or sharblan@ebci-nsn.gov.
Proposals are due June 16, 2023.
5/17

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

Landscaping and Grounds
Maintenance for Building
Rental Program

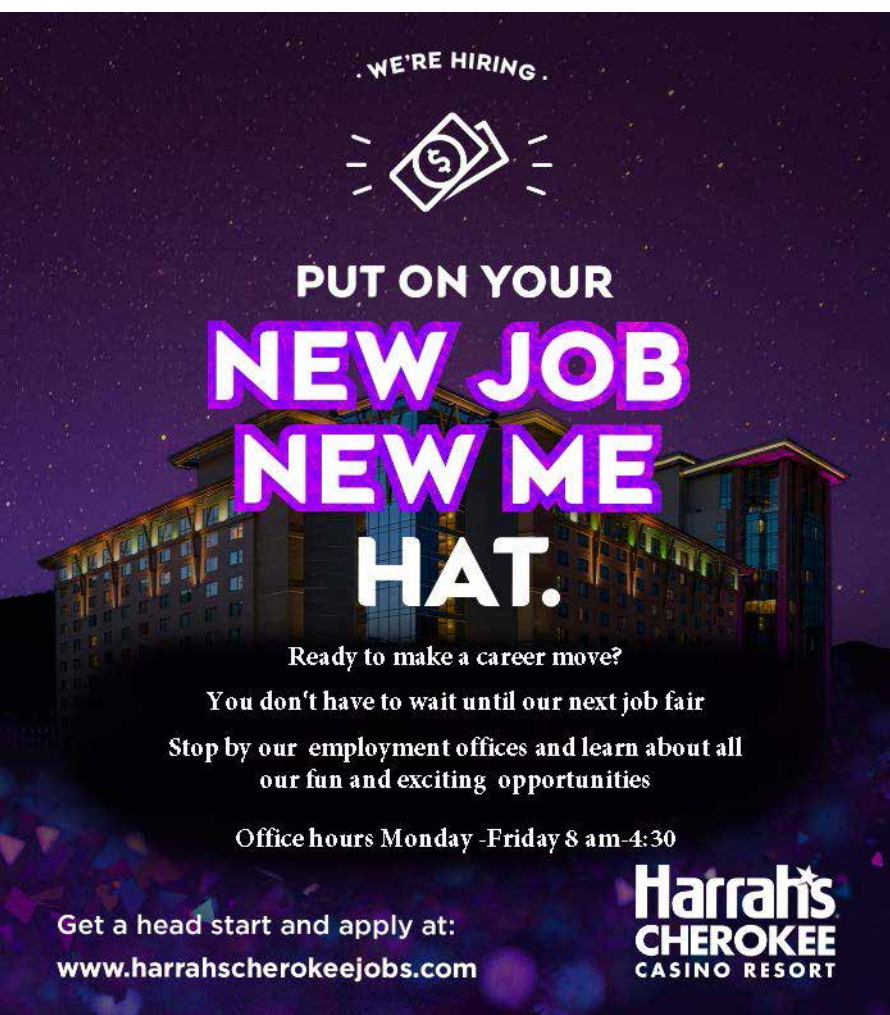
The Eastern Band of Cherokee
Indians (EBCI) invites companies

with experience in landscaping and
grounds maintenance to submit
qualifications for completing
landscape design, implementation
and management for commercial
properties managed by the Eastern
Band of Cherokee Indians in Cher-
okee, North Carolina.

The complete scope of work to
be provided by the firm to be hired
as contractor is part of a complete
RFQ document which may be
obtained by contacting Albert Cruz,
Commercial Building Specialist, at
the EBCI Commerce Office, at 828-
359-6706.acruz@ebci-nsn.gov.

Completed proposals are due in
the offices of the EBCI Enterprise
Development Office by the close of
business on Friday, June 2, 2023.
They should be sent to Albert Cruz,
Commercial Building Specialist –
Commerce Office, 810 Acquoni Rd.,
Cherokee, NC 28719, or via email
acruz@ebci-nsn.gov. Proposals
must be submitted as required in
the proposal package.

First preference will be given to
qualified TERO contractors. **5/24**



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**Attention EBCI
Artists/Craftspeople**

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



Cherokee Central Schools

Job Openings

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

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

Cherokee Language Teacher Assistant

Elementary Teacher

6-8 Middle School Science Teacher

6-8 Life Skills Special Education Teacher

6-8 Special Education Pathseekers Alternative Teacher

6-8 Special Education Teacher

9-12 Math Teacher

9-12 Science Teacher

9-12 Lifeskills Teacher



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.

OPEN UNTIL FILLED

Administration - Payroll Officer

Bus Department - (5) PT Bus Drivers

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

Agelink/ Snowbird Childcare - Multiple Teachers

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

Cherokee Boys Club

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

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Stock # P4195

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Cruise into Spring

2021 FORD F250SD LARIAT

\$63,550



Stock # 4158

Lariat Value Package, Power Heated/Ventilated Driver Seat w/Memory, Power Heated/Ventilated Passenger Seat, Remote Start System, Traction control, Voice-Activated Navigation, and so much more.

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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.





CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

FINANCE:

Senior Accountant - \$67,082 - \$83,852
Patient Access Specialist Emergency Hire - \$17.12 - \$19.26
Patient Access Specialist - Part Time Intermittent -
\$17.12 - \$19.26
Finance / HR Administrative Assistant - \$19.66 - \$22.25

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Master Level Therapist – Adult & Child - \$58,332 -
\$72,915 - *\$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
Integrated Classroom Skill Builder - \$17.12 - \$19.26
Residential Technician – Kanvwtiyi - \$17.12 - \$19.26
Residential Technician – Men's Home - \$17.12 - \$19.26
Certified Alcohol & Drug Counselor - Kanvwtiyi -
\$44,107 - \$55,134
Inpatient Technician – Analenisgi Inpatient - \$17.12 -
\$19.26

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
Dental Hygienist - \$67,082 - \$83,852
Emergency Hire – Physical Therapist II - \$77,144 - \$96,430
Eye Clinic Assistant - \$17.12 - \$19.26
Physical Therapy/Wound Care Case Manager – \$17.12 -
\$19.26
Ultrasound Technologist - \$26.52 - \$30.31

MEDICAL

Clinical Dietitian - \$50,723 - \$63,404
Physician – Primary Care \$157,686 - \$197,108
Hospitalist - Inpatient – Full Time & Part Time -
\$157,686 - \$197,108
Family Nurse Practitioner/Physician Assistant –
Primary Care - \$91,254 - \$114,067

NURSING

Analenisgi Inpatient Registered Nurse – Part Time
Intermittent - \$33.68 - \$38.72
Analenisgi Inpatient Registered Nurse \$33.68 - \$38.72 -
*\$5,000 Hiring Bonus
Case Management Support – Cherokee County Clinic - *
Emergency Hire \$18.32 - \$20.67
Certified Medical Assistant – Immediate Care Center - \$21.13
- \$23.98
Licensed Clinical Social Worker - \$58,332 - \$72,915
Manager of Professional Nursing Development - \$77,144 -
\$96,430
Massage Therapist - \$50,723 - \$63,404
RN Supervisor – Satellite Clinics \$36.56 - \$42.11
Registered Nurse – Emergency Room \$33.68 - \$38.72 -
*\$5,000 Hiring Bonus
Registered Nurse - Inpatient - \$31.06 - \$35.64 - *\$5,000
Hiring Bonus (Night shift)
Registered Nurse – Immediate Care Center \$31.06 - \$35.64 -
*\$5,000 Hiring Bonus
Registered Nurse – Kanvwtiyi - \$33.68 - \$38.72 - *\$5,000
Hiring Bonus
Telemetry Nursing Assistant - Part Time Intermittent –
Inpatient - \$19.66 - \$22.25
Nursing/Medical Administrative Assistant - \$19.66 - \$22.25

TSALI CARE CENTER

Certified Nursing Assistant - \$17.12 - \$19.26 - *\$3,000 Hiring
Bonus
CNA/PCA – Part Time Regular - \$17.12 - \$19.26
CNA/PCA - \$17.12 - \$19.26 - *\$3,000 Hiring Bonus
Certified Medication Aide - \$17.12 - \$19.26
Registered Nurse (Nightshift) - \$31.06 - \$35.64 - *\$5,000
Hiring Bonus
Registered Nurse - \$31.06 - \$35.64 - *\$5,000 Hiring Bonus
Registered Nurse - Part Time Intermittent - \$31.06 - \$35.64

Tribal Option

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

Engineering

EVS Technician - \$15.00 - \$16.77

To apply, visit careers.cherokeehospital.org

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

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We're hiring top of house staff for the 2023 season of Unto These Hills. Box office, concessions, parking, and usher positions available.

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians HUMAN RESOURCES

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

All applications and job descriptions are available at www.ebci.com/jobs

Closing Sunday, May 21, 2023

1. Dispatcher/Substitute Driver – Transit – Operations (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
2. Truck Driver/Crew leader (Multiple) – Solid Waste – Operations (L10 \$17.58 - \$21.98 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
3. Utility Worker (Composting) – Solid Waste – Operations (L7 \$15.60 - \$19.50 per hour)
4. Utility Worker (Sanitation) (Multiple) – Solid Waste – Operations (L7 \$15.60 - \$19.50 per hour)
5. Utility Worker (Transfer Station) – Solid Waste – Operations (L7 \$15.60 - \$19.50 per hour)
6. Finance Manager – Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L15 \$57,982 - \$72,478)
7. Transportation Facilities Coordinator – Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
8. Family Safety Supervisor – Family Safety – Public Health and Human Services (L15 \$57,982 - \$72,478)
9. Detective – Cherokee Indian Police Department – EBCI Law Enforcement (L13 \$22.86 - \$28.58 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
10. Youth Development Professional – Cherokee Youth Center – Education (L6 \$15.30 - \$19.13 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. Probation Officer (Multiple) – Cherokee Indian Police Department (Corrections) – EBCI Law Enforcement (L11 \$39,806 - \$49,758) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
4. Community Response Officer – Cherokee Indian Police Department – EBCI Law Enforcement (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour)
5. FT Paramedic – Emergency Medical Services – Public Safety (L8 \$30,357 - \$37,946) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour)
6. PT Paramedic (Multiple) – Emergency Medical Services – Operations (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
7. Teacher (Multiple) – Qualla Boundary Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)
8. Teacher (Multiple) – Qualla Boundary Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L10 \$17.58 - \$21.98 per hour)
9. Real Estate Associate Attorney – Realty Services – Office of the Attorney General (L15 \$72,342 - \$90,428)
10. Social Worker (Multiple) – Family Safety – Public Health and Human Services (L14 \$25.17 - \$31.46 per hour)
11. Legal Services Attorney – Legal Assistance Office – Office of the Attorney General (L16 \$64,389 - \$85,852)
12. Financial Analyst (Multiple) – Budget and Finance – Treasury (L15 \$57,982 - \$72,478)
13. WWT Operator – Waste Water Treatment Plant – Operations (L10 \$17.58 - \$21.98 per hour)
14. Certified Biological Waste Water Treatment Operator – Waste Water Treatment – Operations (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
15. Supervisor – Biological/Waste Water Operator – Waste Water Treatment – Operations (L14 \$25.17 - \$31.46 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
16. Telecommunicator – Public Safety Communications – Operations (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
17. Family Safety Grants Coordinator – Family Safety – Public Health and Human Services (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour)
18. Certified Nursing Assistant – Tribal In Home Care Services – Public Health and Human Services (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)
19. Manager – Project Management – Operations (L17 \$72,342 - \$90,428)
20. Legislative Legal Counsel – Tribal Council – Legislative Branch (L19 \$97,792 - \$130,389)
21. Driver (Multiple) – Transit – Operations (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
22. Training Coordinator – Tribal Employment Rights Office (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)

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