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Three tribes, one people

Cherokees honor unity at Kituwah

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

KITUWAH – “We’re still here” was the message as members of the three federally recognized Cherokee tribes gathered at Kituwah – the Mother Town of the Cherokee. Members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), Cherokee Nation, and the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians (UKB) gathered at Kituwah for the Kituwah Celebration on the evening of Friday, June 9.

Renissa McLaughlin, EBCI director of youth and adult education, served as emcee for the event

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Traditional Cherokee Fire Pots were given to the head of each of the three federally recognized Cherokee tribes - Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), Cherokee Nation, and the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians (UKB) - by the EBCI, serving as the host tribe, during the Annual Kituwah Celebration held at Kituwah on the evening of Friday, June 9. Shown, left to right, are Howard Paden, Cherokee Nation Language Dept. executive director representing Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Chuck Hoskin Jr. who was unable to attend; EBCI Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, UKB Chief Joe Bunch; Renissa McLaughlin, EBCI director of youth and adult education; EBCI Beloved Woman Myrtle Driver Johnson; and Bo Lossiah, Kituwah Preservation and Education Program curriculum specialist. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

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Members of the Kolanvyi Indian Ball Team put on several stickball exhibitions during the Kituwah Celebration held at Kituwah on the evening of Friday, June 9.

KITUWAH: Cherokee tribes come together,
from front page

and started by saying, “We welcome you home.”

“We’ve had a busy week. It’s been very busy, but it’s been very bountiful, and I feel so overwhelmed with gratitude. Most importantly, I’m grateful to the Creator for making me Cherokee.”

She noted that three buses of Cherokee language speakers from the Cherokee Nation and the UKB traveled to Cherokee for the events. “This is a big deal to have this many from our community and from Oklahoma coming home – coming home to be with us, coming home to be with their ancestors, our ancestors.”

Several other events were held during the week including a “Teach What You Know, Share What You Have” language symposium as well as a tour of Cherokee sites.

McLaughlin commented, “We stood at Cowee. With over 140 people, we made a circle on top of that mound, and we prayed, and we sang, and we cried, and we yelled – a warrior yell to let our ancestors know we’re here. We’re still here. We’re not going anywhere, and look, we brought some people back.”

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed told the crowd, “Our connection to this land is in our DNA. We can feel it when we are here. It is a connection that is innate.”

He spoke of the sense of belong-



JC Wachacha, an elder of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) from the Snowbird Community and a first language Cherokee speaker, talks about the contributions of the late Garfield Axe-Long and the late TJ Holland to the Cherokee people during the Kituwah Celebration held at Kituwah on the evening of Friday, June 9. Axe-Long, a first language Cherokee speaker, worked at New Kituwah Academy and was frequently called upon for translation work and language expertise. Holland served the EBCI as the cultural resources supervisor and did important research into many aspects of the Tribe's history and culture.

ing that Cherokee people feel at Kituwah. "You know it when you go to water at this place. I always envision, in my mind's eye, generations of Cherokee living, working, worshiping, and playing at this place. It is our home. It is our Mother Town. There would have been a true community of Cherokees living here. Community is a word I hear used more than any other amongst tribal people because being a community is also in our DNA. It is how our ancestors lived and how they thrived. They understood that it takes all of us working together to be successful. Being a community is what we must get back to. We must get back to helping one another, caring for one another in our words and our deeds."

Chief Sneed concluded with

a challenge to love, be kind, and have a grateful heart. "Allow being in this sacred place to remind you that we all have so much to be grateful for each and every day."

The contributions and legacy of the late Garfield Axe-Long and the late TJ Holland, both EBCI tribal members, were highlighted during the event. Axe-Long, a first language Cherokee speaker, worked at New Kituwah Academy and was frequently called upon for translation work and language expertise. Holland served the EBCI as the cultural resources supervisor and did important research into many aspects of the Tribe's history and culture.

Bo Lossiah, Kituwah Preservation and Education Program curriculum specialist, was a close friend to both. "TJ would offer

any moment, any time of his day to help you. He was younger than me, but he acted wiser...when we read any of the work done by TJ Holland, it was done with great respect and honor. He was my good friend. He was my brother. I won't ever forget him."

Lossiah related that he was a long-time friend of Axe-Long having gone to high school with him. He said that Axe-Long was a dedicated linguist who took extensive notes and worked diligently to preserve and expand the Cherokee language and was ever-present in the community. "He was at all of these events from the first one...I miss him. We all do."

UKB Chief Joe Bunch thanked the EBCI for its stewardship for Kituwah, and he acknowledged and expressed gratitude to former

EBCI Principal Chief Joyce Dugan who was instrumental in the Tribe purchasing Kituwah during her administration. "I thank the Eastern Band for memorializing this Kituwah Mound."

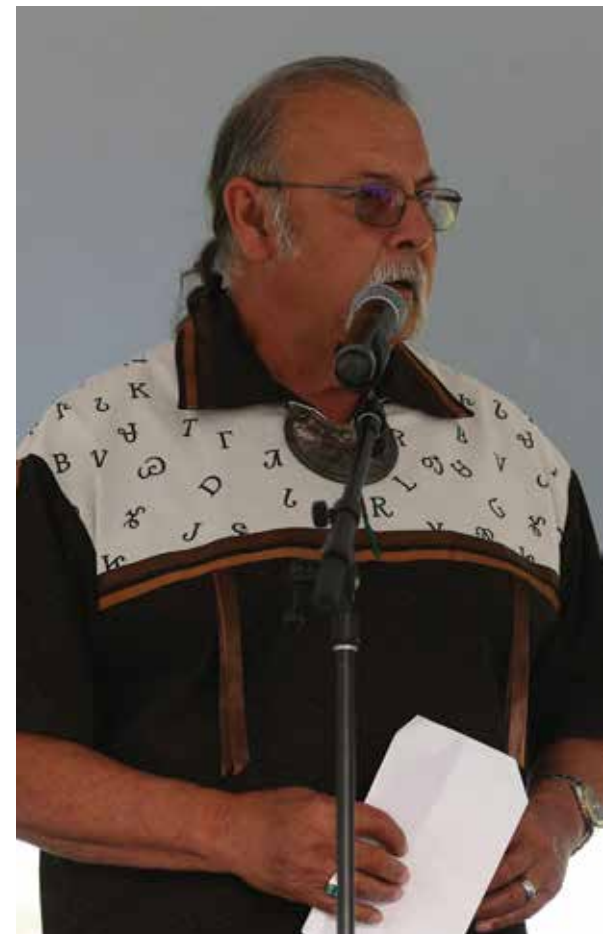
During the event, traditional Cherokee Fire Pots were given to the head of each tribe. McLaughlin noted, "In 2006, when the first Tri-Council was held and the flame was carried in, a bit of the coals was put into a handmade fire pot. The fire pot was used to bring coals from the central fire to every home."

Friday's event also included several exhibition stickball games by the Kolanvyi Indian Ball Team, flute playing by Matt Tooni, and singing by the Cherokee Language Repertory Choir.

Mother Town

Here are a few more photos from the
Kituwah Celebration held at Kituwah on the evening
of Friday, June 9.

Photos by Scott McKie B.P./One Feather





CCS approves Tim Hawkins as next head football coach

By JONAH LOSSIAH
One Feather Reporter

CHEROKEE, N.C. - In its latest meeting, the Cherokee Central Schools (CCS) Board of Education approved a new head football coach and hosted a conversation on mental health support at the school.

The Board unanimously approved Tim Hawkins as the new head coach of varsity football after Coach David Napert announced that he would be retiring at the end of the school year. Hawkins was interviewed and recommended by a panel that included current CCS Athletic Director Sean Ross. The Board debated postponing these decisions as Ross has an-

nounced that he will be changing positions, and CCS will need a new athletic director. The Board thought it might be valuable to allow the next athletic director to select the coaches they wished, but they were unsure when that could occur.

Given the timing of the hires and the need to replace Napert, the Board decided to proceed with the recommended hire. Human Resources Director Jo Ray said that Hawkins was the only applicant for the position that had previous head coach experience.

The largest portion of Monday's meeting came in speaking with the Cherokee Middle School (CMS) student support team consisting of School Social Worker

Dre Crowe, Guidance Counselor Shaye Ledford-Gloyne, and Licensed Clinical Therapist Chazi Blankenship. The trio was in attendance to discuss the details of their jobs and how each of their roles operates within the school and the community.

As the CMS social worker, Crowe addresses the needs of the kids in school. She offers access to additional food if that is lacking at home, clothes, and hygiene products. Crowe often deals with the first line of safety concerns and issues with behavior and mental health. Ledford-Gloyne often assists specifically with academics but is involved in several ways for emotional support. She assists with setting goals and plans

for students, addresses social or behavioral problems that might be affecting students, and with short-term counseling at the school. Both Crowe and Ledford-Gloyne can write referrals for children that need more in-depth urgent assistance, and that's when they are sent to Blankenship.

Blankenship currently sees 40 students at the middle school, though she says her workable capacity would be closer to 30. She provides support through therapy and helps with depression, anxiety, and several behavioral and mental health issues. Blankenship is the one that makes the ultimate call if a student needs additional support and should be sent to the hospital. She is the only staff

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member qualified to make these clinical assessments. She is also the only licensed clinical therapist at CCS.

The Board spoke with these three for over an hour about ongoing issues such as what can be done to increase support for kids, and to work through concerns about the limitations of their positions at the school. The Board voiced support for these services being available at the school, and there were mentions of increasing these services to the high school if needed. The Board pledged to continue to support and were thankful to be made more intimately aware of the work that the support team does at CMS.

The next guests to the meeting were CCS Finance Director Howard Wahnetah and Cherokee Boys Club Finance Director Rhonica Via. They said that there was nothing significant to report and that each of the budgets were on pace for this time of year. The School Board has spent 70.8 percent of their total \$156,200 budget, which is below the listed target of 91.6 percent for this point of the budget year.

Another guest to the meeting was Jennifer Martens, who was present to give an update on the Strategic Innovation Plan for the school. She offered a slide presentation and showed how they modeled aspects of their plan from the North Carolina academic strategic plan. She said that the strategic plan was not set in stone, but that the team were closing in on that point.

The consent agenda was amended by pulling two resolutions and fixing a typo in another. Following that, the Board unanimously passed the amended consent agenda and put forth the following:



In its latest meeting on Monday, June 5, the Cherokee Central Schools (CCS) Board of Education approved a new head football coach and hosted a conversation on mental health support at the school. (JONAH LOSSIAH/One Feather photo)

- Tim Hawkins was approved as the Head Football Coach for Cherokee Central Schools.
- Mary Thompson was approved to volunteer with the Travel Club this summer to Australia, New Zealand, and Fiji.
- CHS Travel Club approved to travel to Hawaii in the summer of 2024.
- Richard Wright III was approved to work at Summer Autism Camp School 2023.
- Holly Silvers was approved to work Summer Autism Camp School 2023.
- Michelle Galloway was approved as the HOPE Center and PreK Director.
- Scott Freeman was approved to work STEAM Camp '23.
- The Testing and Data Management Director be made a permanent position.
- The Curriculum and Instruction Director be made a permanent position.
- Tori Teesateskie was approved

to volunteer with the Lady Braves Basketball programs.

The two resolutions were pulled for clerical reasons. Resolution 23-315 was pulled to allow Board member Berdie Toineeta to abstain from the vote due to personal relations. Resolution 23-318 was pulled to be made into separate resolutions. It was developed to approve the returning team coaches in one piece of legislation, but the Board decided to pull it to approve each coach individually later.

There were four amendments made to job descriptions, all of which were passed unanimously. The transition specialist position was changed from a 12-month contract to an 11-month contract. The other three changed minimum requirements for the following positions:

- ISS Instructor
- Head Basketball Coach
- Employment Educator

The Monday, June 5 meeting

of the CCS Board of Education was called to order at 4:45 p.m. with Chairperson Jennifer Thompson; Co-Vice Chairs Tara Reed-Cooper and Melanie Lambert; Secretary Kristina Hyatt; Board member Berdie Toineeta; Superintendent Consuela 'Consie' Girty; Assistant Superintendent Dr. Beverly Payne; Tribal Council Rep. Alternate Dike Sneed; HR Director Jo Ray; and Administrative Assistant Diane Driver all in attendance. Board member Regina Ledford Rosario was excused from the meeting. Rep. Dike Sneed needed to leave the meeting early and missed the second half of the session.

The next meeting of the CCS Board of Education is set for Tuesday, June 20 at 4:45 p.m. Meetings are being held in the Administrative Offices at Cherokee Central Schools. These meetings are open to the public unless there is a call for an executive session.

Police Commission discusses major drug bust and CIPD staffing

By JONAH LOSSIAH
One Feather Reporter

CHEROKEE, N.C. - The Cherokee Police Commission conducted their monthly meeting on Thursday, June 8.

The open session of the meeting primarily addressed reports to the Commission, including reports from CIPD (Cherokee Indian Police Dept.), NRE (Natural Resources Enforcement), ALE (Alcohol Law Enforcement), Animal Control, and the Office of the Tribal Prosecutor.

Asst. Chief of Police Josh Taylor was present to provide the CIPD report, ALE report, and to field questions from the Commission. He began by discussing the

collaborative drug operation that was held in Cherokee the week of per capita and GenWell distribution, from May 30 through June 2. According to a release provided by CIPD, this effort involved 17 law enforcement agencies and 115 officers. Taylor said that they met each morning to debrief and talk amongst each other before being dispatched to the different entry points of the Qualla Boundary and areas of concern. The CIPD reported that the joint effort seized a combined street value of \$200,238.45 in drugs. The operation also saw 98 arrests, 193 citations, and the seizure of \$4,600 in cash.

Taylor wanted to highlight each of the agencies involved in

the operation and complimented the leadership on getting this mission off the ground. He said that when these many agencies come together, it often doesn't ever get to the objective. He said that he was very proud of every officer involved and said the operation was a great success.

"That just shows right there, if we could get full manpower with more people, imagine how much more dope we could find," said Taylor to the Commission.

The CIPD monthly report states that there are currently 32 vacant positions across the department. When asked about the current vacancies across the CIPD, Taylor said that they are doing everything they can to assist in

hiring efforts and make positions more accommodating. He said that they do have several open positions, and that has led to many officers being overworked.

Before Taylor went into significant detail on the specific needs of the force, Commission Chairperson Tunney Crowe argued that specific staffing information should be considered confidential.

"I wouldn't put that in there, notifying the public that we're short-staffed. You know what I mean? We know that we're short-staffed, but I don't think we need to advertise that to the public. The criminals are saying, 'well, these guys only have two or three policemen on a shift. Right now, we could come in there and do what-



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ever we want to' ... I don't want the public to think it's not a safe place," said Crowe.

The staffing issue was also raised by Jonah Bird, the reporting NRE officer. He showed that the NRE, which currently staffs three officers, had booked 56 citations in the last month. Bird and Taylor said that it has been 'all hands-on deck' and that each individual part of department has pooled its resources to support each other. Bird said that they would preferably have seven officers, which matches the four vacancies listed. Taylor chimed in and said 'ideally' that number would look more like 10, but that is unrealistic at this time. Animal Control also reported to the Commission. Officer Shane Davis shared that since October his department had brought in 989 dogs, 140 cats, two turtles, a

pig, two bears, and \$5,305 in fines. Commissioner Frank Dunn asked that of the dogs brought in, how many were put down?

Davis said that he did not have that number with him.

"You've got to think that part of those coming in are ones that people picked up after paying their fines and getting them back. So, a large majority of those are ones that were picked up. Or we're trying to work with somebody and say 'keep your dog put up or we'll fine you' ... we also try to work with the public that way. So, that number kind of goes both ways. We're not putting down 989 dogs," said Davis.

Davis said that they are doing what they can to avoid putting down animals and are pushing for a 'kinder and gentler' approach with the community to encour-

age people to take better care of their animals and to avoid animal deaths.

Davis finished by saying that Animal Control would be hosting a low-cost spay and neuter clinic for enrolled members from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, this week June 9 and 10.

Commissioner Kym Parker asked about the potential of doing rabies tags through Animal Control. Davis said that he is qualified to do that work, but they have not been supplied with the machine to make it happen, and that they would need to work with the state to formalize the service. The Commission was keen to help make this happen, and they said they would work with Davis to set up some meetings to see if that could be feasibly implemented.

The final guest to the meeting was Cody White, attorney with the CIPD. He is still assisting the Office of the Tribal Prosecutor and provided its report. The report showed that there had been convictions on 39 incidents and six probation violations in May. White also said that the prosecutors and the Court are looking at the Commission's request to seek a mandatory hold for individuals arrested on elder abuse charges, similar to 72-hour hold used in domestic violence cases. Nothing is confirmed yet, but they are looking at the possibility of implementing that while they are reviewing and rewriting other pieces of law.

The CIPD reported the follow-

ing numbers from May:

- Call for service – 1,639
- Arrests – 60
- Accidents – 11
- Citations – 138
- Drug cases opened – 28
- Drug arrests – 27
- Number of persons confined in on the last weekday of the month – 57

Snowbird statistics:

- Call for service – 221
 - Calls to Valley River Casino – 11
- Alcohol Law Enforcement reported that they responded to 134 calls for service in May.

The Police Commission then called an executive (closed) session to discuss CIPD details with Assistant Chief of Police Josh Taylor. The Cherokee One Feather was told that no further business would be conducted in open session for this meeting.

The Thursday, June 8 meeting of the EBCI Police Commission was called to order at 12 p.m. with Chairperson Tunney Crowe; Commissioners Anita Lossiah, Lisa Taylor, Kym Parker, Frank Dunn and Hillary Norville present. Commissioners Buddy Johnson and Solomon Saunooke were excused absences.

The next meeting of the Cherokee Police Commission is set for Thursday, July 20 at noon. The Commission assembles monthly in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex large conference room. These sessions are open to tribal members until the Commission moves into an executive session.



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CIPD coordinates multi-agency operation

On May 30 through June 2, the Cherokee Indian Police Department (CIPD), with the assistance of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Division of Drug Enforcement (DDE), coordinated a multi-agency interdiction operation that involved 17 law enforcement agencies that totaled 115 law enforcement officers. This operation was conducted during the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) per capita paycheck disbursement week.

The operation consisted of the CIPD; EBCI Alcohol Law Enforcement (ALE); the Swain County Sheriff's Office (SCSO); the Jackson County Sheriff's Office (JCSO);

the Haywood County Sheriff's Office (HCSO); the Graham County Sheriff's Office (GCSO); the Asheville Police Department (APD); the Waynesville Police Department (WPD); the Maggie Valley Police Department (MVPD); the North Carolina State Highway Patrol (NCSHP); the North Carolina Alcohol Law Enforcement (NCALE); the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation (NCSBI); the North Carolina Probation and Parole (NCPP); the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) – Forensic Tests for Alcohol (FTA) Branch; the United States Probation and Pretrial Services (USPP); the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF); the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA); and the BIA-DDE. The MET operation focused through-

out the EBCI reservation and the immediately surrounding areas that are known source locations and routes for drugs destined to the EBCI reservation.

The operation began on Tuesday, May 30, focusing on known drug traffickers operating on or around the EBCI reservation. Members of the CIPD, EBCI ALE, SCSO, JCSO, HCSO, GCSO, WPD, MVPD, NCSHP, NCALE, NCSBI, NCPP, NCDHHS-FTA, USPP, ATF, DEA, and the BIA-DDE conducted interdiction, performed physical and electronic surveillance, and used confidential source intelligence to develop probable cause for arrests of known drug distributors and traffickers that were known to law enforcement.

Operational results

Controlled substances seized – Total combined street value

\$200,238.64.

- 98 Arrests
- 2 Driving While Intoxicated
- 193 Citations
- 1016.9 grams of crystal methamphetamine (street value \$93,554.80)
- 555.03 grams of fentanyl (street value \$81,034.38)
- 2491.87 grams of marijuana (street value \$21,131.06)
- 11.8 grams of cocaine (street value \$1,038.40)
- 87 Pills (street value \$3,480.00)
- 1 gram of unknown drug
- 10 guns
- 3 North Carolina State Probation searches
- 3 Federal Probation searches
- 5 search warrants
- 1 deployment of a mobile Breath Alcohol Test
- Currency Seizure
- \$4,600 United States Currency

PUBLIC NOTICE AND TESTIMONY

Confirmation Re-Appointment Hearing for Cherokee Indian Hospital Governing Board pursuant to Cherokee Code Chapter 117 Article III-A

Cherokee Indian Hospital Governing Board confirmation re-appointment hearing for Carmaleta Monteith

Wednesday, June 21 at 1 p.m.
Tribal Council Chambers; Cherokee, N.C.

These hearings are open to the public, and Tribal Council invites public testimony only in accordance with Cherokee Code Chapter 117, Article III-A.

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, June 14, 2022

PUBLIC NOTICE AND TESTIMONY

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Background

The CIPD requested assistance from the BIA-DDE, due to the drug crisis that has caused an increase in violence and drug addiction. The BIA-DDE, along with their Federal, State, local and Tribal partners are working hand in hand to combat this crisis. Throughout the planning stages of the operation BIA-DDE Agents contacted the EBCI ALE, SCSO, JCSO, HCSO, GCSO, APD, WPD, MVPD, NCSHP, NCALE, NCSBI, NCPP, NCDHHS-FTA, USPP, ATF, and DEA.

BIA-DDE agents also attempted to utilize the North Carolina National Guard Counterdrug Program for their aerial and ground assets.

Operational activity and significant events

Tuesday, May 30

The CIPD, EBCI ALE, SCSO, JCSO, HCSO, GCSO, APD, WPD, MVPD, NCSHP, NCALE, NCSBI, NCPP, NCDHHS-FTA, USPP, ATF, DEA, and BIA-DDE conducted surveillance, performed numerous traffic stops, and executed three (3) search warrants. These enforcement activities resulted in 21 arrests, 38 citations, 267.2 grams of crystal methamphetamine, 446.33 grams of fentanyl, 6 grams of marijuana, 3 grams of cocaine, 3 pills, and 6 guns.

Wednesday, May 31

The CIPD, EBCI ALE, SCSO, JCSO, HCSO, GCSO, WPD, MVPD, NCSHP, NCALE, NCSBI, NCPP, NCDHHS-FTA, USPP, ATF, DEA, and BIA-DDE conducted surveillance, performed numerous traffic stops, executed two probation searches, and extracted a cellphone for an alcohol related fatality collision. Additionally, one pursuit occurred during this day that resulted in the arrest of the driver and their passenger. The pursuit started off the EBCI reservation and ended on the EBCI reservation. Due to the working relationship of this operation, law enforcement was able to quickly locate the vehicle that fled and arrest the driver who was hiding in the woods, along with their passenger, and seize trafficking quantities of fentanyl.

These enforcement activities resulted in 38 arrests, 21 citations, 361.1 grams of crystal methamphetamine, 15.1 grams of fentanyl, 225.6 grams of marijuana, 74 pills, 1 gram of an unknown drug, and 1 gun.

Thursday, June 1

The CIPD, EBCI ALE, SCSO, JCSO, HCSO, GCSO, WPD, MVPD, NCSHP, NCALE, NCSBI, NCPP, NCDHHS-FTA, USPP, ATF, DEA, and BIA-DDE conducted surveillance, performed numerous traffic stops, and executed two probation searches along with one search warrant.

The day's enforcement actions resulted in 22 arrests, 27 citations, 335.10 grams of crystal methamphetamine, 1.1 grams of fentanyl, 145.1 grams of marijuana, 10 pills, and 2 guns.

Friday, June 2

The CIPD, EBCI ALE, SCSO, JCSO, HCSO, GCSO, WPD, MVPD, NCSHP, NCALE, NCSBI, NCPP, NCDHHS-FTA, USPP, ATF, DEA, and BIA-DDE conducted a custodial interview, extracted a cellphone for a drug investigation, conducted surveillance, performed numerous traffic stops, and executed two probation searches and one search warrant. During the execution of this search warrant, a 2-year old child was discovered inside the location where the warrant was executed.

The child was taken into the custody of child protective services who later determined that the 2-year-old child tested positive for fentanyl. The 2-year old child was later hospitalized for evaluation and monitoring.

The day's enforcement actions resulted in 17 arrests, 24 citations, 53.50 grams of crystal methamphetamine, 92.50 grams of fentanyl, 8.8 grams of cocaine, 2115.17 grams of marijuana, 2 guns, and \$4,600 US Currency.

Breakdown of arrests and citations

98 arrests – Driving While Intoxicated, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of

methamphetamine, possession of fentanyl, possession with intent to distribute fentanyl, possession with intent to distribute cocaine, trafficking in fentanyl, trafficking in methamphetamine, conspiracy to traffic methamphetamine, conspiracy to traffic fentanyl, carrying a concealed weapon, firearm by felon, possession of a stolen firearm, and child abuse.

193 citations – driving while license revoked, no driver's license, revoked license plate, running stop light, failure to wear seatbelts, unsafe movement, open container, speeding, impeding traffic, failure to register vehicle, inspection violation, no rear lamp, reckless driving, no insurance, fictitious tag, expired tag, window tint violation, and Alcohol Beverage Commission violation,

As this operation was underway, the CIPD responded to an overdose death that occurred on the Qualla Boundary of the EBCI. At the end of this operation, majority of the law enforcement agencies requested that this operation be conducted more regularly as it builds working relationship with other agencies and has an impact in all jurisdictions that participated. This operation may be conducted semi-annually, specifically around the EBCI per capita paycheck disbursement week.



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CIPD makes drug bust in McDonald's parking lot

CHEROKEE, N.C. - Cherokee Indian Police Department (CIPD) officers responded to a report of a suspicious vehicle with the driver slumped over the steering wheel in the McDonald's parking lot on Tuesday, June 6 at approximately 7:26 a.m.

Upon arrival, officers located a black Chevrolet Suburban, displaying a Florida license plate. Inside the vehicle were three occupants, all from the Asheville area, including: Curtis Keith Jones, 39-year-old male; Aaron Daniel Jones, 42-year-old male; and Nikki LaMell Ledbetter, 35-year-old female.

While conducting investigation, officers seized the following: 15.1 grams Fentanyl
1.1 grams Methamphetamine

8.2 grams Unidentified Substance
\$5,952.00 in US Currency

All occupants were arrested and charged in Jackson County with the following:

Trafficking/Conspire Traffic Opium or Heroin

Felony Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance

In addition, occupants had several outstanding felony/misdemeanor arrest warrants out of Buncombe County.

- Cherokee Indian Police Dept. release

CIPD Arrest Report for May 28 to June 4, 2023

The following people were arrested by the Cherokee Indian Police Department and booked into the Anthony Edward Lossiah Justice Center. It should be noted that the

following defendants have only been charged with the crimes listed and should be presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Mugshots can be viewed online at theonefeather.com.

Allen, Jason Daniel – age 45

Arrested: May 28

Released: May 29

Charges: Resisting, Delaying, or Obstructing Officers

Godbee, Justice Rochelle – age 28

Arrested: May 28

Released: May 28

Charges: Felony Child Abuse – Serious Injury

Lee, Anthony Utsida – age 27

Arrested: May 28

Released: May 28

Charges: Driving While Impaired

Jenkins, Randall – age 39

Arrested: May 29

Released: June 1

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Parenti, John – age 51

Arrested: May 29

Released: May 29

Charges: Resisting Public Officer

Braun III, Richard Albert – age 52

Arrested: May 30

Released: Not released as of report date (June 5)

Charges: Possession of Stolen Goods, Felony Larceny

Ensley Jr., Paul – age 59

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George, Chadwick Errol – age 49
Arrested: May 30
Released: Not released as of report date (June 5)
Charges: Simple Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance, Providing or Possessing Contraband, Simple Possession Schedule IV Controlled Substance

Hernandez, Angel Gabrielle Solano – age 34
Arrested: May 30
Released: May 30
Charges: Larceny

Saunooke, Tivan Dean – age 19
Arrested: May 30
Released: Not released as of report date (June 5)
Charges: Child Abuse in the First Degree, Assault Inflict Serious Injury

Teesateskie, Uktena – age 52
Arrested: May 30
Released: June 2
Charges: Domestic Violence and Dating Violence

Cauthen, Andrew – age 31
Arrested: May 31
Released: May 31
Charges: Resisting Public Officer, Domestic Violence and Dating Violence, Assault on Law Enforcement

Ross, Cassandra Dawn – age 37
Arrested: May 31
Released: June 1
Charges: Failure to Appear

Swayney, James Edward – age 44
Arrested: May 31
Released: May 31
Charges: Second Degree Trespass

Washington, Tyler Dillion – age 29
Arrested: May 31
Released: Not released as of report date (June 5)

Charges: Possession Schedule IV Controlled Substance

Locust, Richard Fred-Hawk – age 21
Arrested: June 1
Released: June 2
Charges: DWI

Reed, Addie Pauline – age 52
Arrested: June 1
Released: June 2
Charges: Failure to Appear

Bell, Alyxzandrya Kaylinn – age 28
Arrested: June 2
Released: June 2
Charges: Temporary Hold for Jackson Co.

Jumper, Taelon Kenlee – age 21
Arrested: June 2
Released: Not released as of report date (June 5)
Charges: Criminal Conspiracy; Possession of a Controlled Substance; Manufacture, Sell, or Deliver, or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, or Deliver a Controlled Substance

Lespier, April Lee – age 41
Arrested: June 2
Released: June 3
Charges: Public Intoxication; Resisting, Delaying, or Obstructing Officers

Lowe, Stacey Cameron – age 30
Arrested: June 2
Released: June 2
Charges: Temporary Hold for Jackson Co.

Martin, Julian – age 21
Arrested: June 2
Released: Not released as of report date (June 5)
Charges: Drug Trafficking, Child Abuse in the Second Degree

Stewart, Devin Rashawn – age 28

Arrested: June 2
Released: June 2
Charges: Temporary Hold for Jackson Co.

Watty, Jason Adam – age 45
Arrested: June 2
Released: June 2
Charges: Probation Violation

Rice, Daniel – age 48
Arrested: June 3
Released: Not released as of report date (June 5)

Charges: Resisting Public Officer, Assault on Law Enforcement

Westbrook, Johnathan Phillip – age 41
Arrested: June 3
Released: June 3
Charges: Temporary Hold for Jackson Co.

Wildcat, Edison – age 58
Arrested: June 3
Released: Not released as of report date (June 5)
Charges: Failure to Appear

Bigmeat, John Allen – age 49
Arrested: June 4
Released: Not released as of report date (June 5)
Charges: Possession of a Con-

trolled Substance (two counts)

Grimes Jr., Anthony Lewis – age 34
Arrested: June 4
Released: Not released as of report date (June 5)
Charges: Domestic Violence and Dating Violence; Injuring Telephone Wires, Wires, or Other Communication Equipment, Interfering with Emergency Communication

Long, Robert Michael – age 42
Arrested: June 4
Released: June 4
Charges: Public Intoxication; Resisting, Delaying, or Obstructing Officers

Shahan, Aris – age 40
Arrested: June 4
Released: June 5
Charges: Temporary Hold for Jackson Co.

Youngdeer, Andrea El – age 35
Arrested: June 4
Released: Not released as of report date (June 5)
Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance

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EBCI tribal members featured in new documentary

HENDERSONVILLE, N.C. - What happens when storytelling, native wisdom, and nature's intelligence converge? That's what a new film by award-winning documentary filmmaker David Weintraub and the Center for Cultural Preservation seek to explore in "Nature's Wisdom Thru Native Eyes", set to hold its world premieres this June.

According to Cherokee elder, storyteller, and mask-maker Davy Arch, "We were trying to stay connected to the natural world because we realized that everything that was connected to it thrived, so we understood that if we would stay connected to it, we would be prosperous as well." Arch is one

of several native elders featured in the film discussing how for over 10,000 years storytelling connected the tribe to nature and to each other, the use of medicinal plants, and how the native approach that focuses finding connections can help all of us heal our broken relationship with the living world.

Film Director David Weintraub elaborates that what struck him most of all while working with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and half a dozen other native tribes is their sophisticated approach in seeing the connections between history, culture and nature. "In the western tradition, humans are considered to be at the top of the hierarchy, with animals



Lloyd Arneach Sr., an elder of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, is a storyteller featured in the upcoming documentary by award-winning documentary filmmaker David Weintraub and the Center for Cultural Preservation entitled "Nature's Wisdom Thru Native Eyes" which is set to hold its world premieres this June. (Photos courtesy of Center for Cultural Preservation)

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and plants far below. But native people instead believe that since humans were the last to come and have the least experience on how to live, they must turn to plants and animals as their teachers. By looking at the living world that way, it transforms us and how we view the living world. Instead of nature being our conquest, it becomes our partner."

"Nature's Wisdom" integrates native storytelling and philosophy with cutting edge science that's now discovering that what native people have been saying about the intelligence of nature for thousands of years is actually true! According to Weintraub, "Recent research confirms that trees have a highly intelligent way of communicating with each other, sharing resources and warning each other of potential hazards. Many animals use tools, and communicate with each other in ways that we never thought possible before. And yet native stories and wisdom has observed these behaviors for thousands of generations."

Scientists participating in the discussion including New York Times bestselling author and nationally recognized wildlife ecologist, Carl Safina as well as local botanists Steve Pettis and Dave Coyle who discuss the importance of learning from native wisdom and how it is an important way to reconnect ourselves to the living world.

According to Safina, "Native people understood that all the

knowledge needed to survive and thrive was contained in the land and that their role was not to change it or control it but to learn from it."

What does film director Weintraub hope will be taken from his new film? "When we reestablish our relationship with the land as a sustaining force, as our grocery store, pharmacy and as our connection to both the past and the future, we truly become the stewards of creation that we were meant to be, connected to the wisdom of our ancestors who understood that history, culture, nature were all connected."

"Nature's Wisdom" will have its world premieres in the western North Carolina region from June 24 through July 1. Each screening will begin with native flautists and be followed by a discussion of the film with the filmmaker and film participants. World premieres are scheduled for June 24 at North River Farms in Mills River as drive-in theater with seating options (weather date: June 30), at The Orange Peel in Asheville on Thursday June 29 and on Saturday, July 1 at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Hendersonville. The starting time at all venues is 7:30 p.m. The outside location is subject to weather dates if necessary.

Ticket prices vary by location and advanced reservations are highly recommended given high demand and expected sellouts by ordering online at www.saveculture.org or by calling the Center at



Mary Thompson, a noted basket maker of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, is shown making basket dyes during filming for the documentary.

(828) 692-8062. Ticketbuyers get \$5 off the price of the DVD if they buy it in advance.

This film is made possible by the Community Foundation of Henderson County, Prestige Subaru, the Arts Council of Henderson County, and North Carolina Humanities. The Center for Cultural Preservation is a cultural

nonprofit organization dedicated to working for mountain heritage continuity through oral history, documentary film, education and public programs. For more information about the Center contact them at (828) 692-8062 or www.saveculture.org

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Sign dedication held at site of Sand Town

FRANKLIN, N.C. - A sign dedication took place recognizing the location of the post-Removal Cherokee community of Sand Town (Nvyohi) on Saturday, June 3. The event happened at the St. John's Episcopal Church in the Cartoogechaye valley, at 542 St. John's Church Road in Franklin, N.C. This is also the site of Sand Town headman Jim Woodpecker's and his wife Sally's final resting place.

Hosted by St. John's and the North Carolina Trail of Tears Association (NCTOTA), 144 attendees were welcomed by the Reverend Carl Southerland. After some Cherokees had escaped or

avoided the forced Removal in 1838, an early settler to the area, William Siler, sold land to Woodpecker for the establishment of a new Cherokee town composed of seventeen families along Muskrat Creek. Sand Town became a thriving community until after the Civil War. Two leaders from Sand Town, George Bushyhead and John Jackson, later became instrumental in the formation of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI).

Special guests included Woodpecker descendants Monica Wildcatt and Butch Goings, along with many Siler descendants, including Rev. Southerland. After the "Cherokee Anthem", performed by Amy West, attendees heard from Jack

Baker, the president of the National Trail of Tears Association, and Will Chavez, a Remember the Removal Legacy Rider (1984) and the assistant editor of the Cherokee Phoenix. Both were in the area to attend the Remember the Removal Bike Riders Send-off the evening before at Kituwah Mound. Six riders from Cherokee Nation and five riders from the EBCI attended the sign dedication prior to their leaving on a 950-mile journey by bicycle to retrace the Trail of Tears from New Echota, Georgia to Tahlequah, Oklahoma.

Dr. Brett Riggs, the Distinguished Sequoyah professor at Western Carolina University, presented the history of Sand Town to attendees, followed by a blessing

at the Woodpecker memorial by Rev. Southerland and Cherokee elder Dr. Tom Belt. The unveiling of the new NCTOTA Sand Town signage immediately followed. This is the first of several post-Removal communities NCTOTA plans to recognize in Western North Carolina.

The NCTOTA is one of nine state chapters in the National Trail of Tears Association, which serves to recognize, mark, and interpret the National Trail of Tears Historic Trail and sites pertinent to Removal era history with the National Parks Service.

- North Carolina Trail of Tears Association release

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Honor Roll – 4th Nine Weeks
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A Honor Roll: Colt Miles, Leighton Myers

B Honor Roll: Achilles Thomas, Alavia Owle, Alex Rodriquez-Davis, Aliceiah Wolfe, Ami Bradley, Angelina Cabrera-Ortiz, Ann Wat-ty, Ariyana Hornbuckle, Ataliana Calhoun, Aubree Reed, Brantley Brown, Camden Standingdeer, Dennis Littlejohn, Dine Lopez, Gia Crowe-Taylor, Hayleigh Bowman, Huxley Blythe, Isabela Crowe, Jacelyn Velazquez-Lossiha, Jacqueline Arch, Jonah Biddix, Kolin Griffin, Kylexandra Pheasant, Levi Winstead, Lula Ramirez-Sequoyah, Makayla Lien, Mali Smith, Mosiah Brady, Nevaeh Rhinehart, Quincy Watty, Riley Solis, Syllas Waldroup, Syler Ledford, Taleah Arch, Tegan “Kiowa” Johnson, Tucker Blankenship, Uwoduhi Biddix, Zaiden Bradley

Merit Honor Roll: Arralyn Brady, Cullen Bradley, Holden McCormick, Jaden Lambert, Kyra James, Leah Walkingstick, Taiquan Driver, Trinity Caley, Zoey Sutton

4th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Ama-

ya Rodriguez, Bristol Armachain, Bryson Beach, Caitlyn Bone, Connor Thompson, Ehko Lossiah, Ella Cline, Kaeson Reed, Kai Peone, Keniethea Wildcat, Leiland Rhinehart, Mya Wahnetah, Oakley Wolfe, Peyton Arch, William Howell, Xander Miles, Xavier Shelton

A Honor Roll: Max Arch

B Honor Roll: Amaya Eaglestar, Arian Queen, Arian Teesateskie, Cheyenne Taylor, Colton Owl-Wiggins, Daryan Smith, Drake Donlin, Evelyn Taylor, Izabela Crowe-Lossiah, Jayce West, Jayden Teesateskie, Kaylahni Williams, Keagan Tylor, Kenton Welch, Khloe Sequoyah, Liam Cripps, Lindsey Reed, Mariam Reed, Marilyn Squirrel, Marlie Price, Marley Murphy, Mato Wi Raines, Mika Bradley, Rylan Ledford, Savannah Driver, Sindhu Arsana, Wyatt Moore

Merit Honor Roll: Darren “Tye” West, Jalen Taylor, Kaden Bennett, Kinley Crowe, Kyrie Lossiah, Lula Ensley, Meeka Taylor

5th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Adalynn Taylor, Adrian Santos, Agayv Jenkins, Amelia Holiday, Aryahnne Pheasant, Azurea Miles, Carter Cash, Chotky Davis, Curren McCoy, David Kalonaheskie, Gabe Reed, Hunter McMillan, Jayce Toineeta, Jeshua Lossiah, Kealan Jumper, Kenleigh Hornbuckle, Kirsten Anderson, Kody May Gloyne, Laila George, Laylauna Allison, Lily Robertson, Lucas Myers, Makai Hernandez, Nicholas Holder, Nickyle Teesatuskie, Odie Owle, Piper Owen, Rhema Anders, Sean Schultz, Selina Yanez, Serenity Teesateskie, Uriah Ben

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B Honor Roll: Abelia Mahan-Flores, Aiyana Evans, Boyd

(Bishop) Taylor, Brayden Lomas, Carolyn (Yang) Lillard, David Brady, Daylon Roach, Elliot Brown, Emaline Cucumber, Emily Maney, Emma Milholen, Hayden Rhinehart, Jabrien Smith, Jace Postoak, Jack Maney, Jallen Calhoun, James Ledford, Jaxon Wade, Joey Panther, Joshua Bernhisel, J-Leoni Walkingstick, Kaelyn Montelongo, Kailey James, Kena Lopez, Kendryck Crowe-Jackson, Landon Swayney, Lilli Toineeta, MaKennedy Ensley, Michael Driver, Nahnne George, Nakisha Saunooke, Nathan Taylor, Piper Owen, Riley Standingdeer, Rylan Jenkins, Sara Reed, Shane Hornbuckle, Story Martens, Tai Foalima, Tristen Tisho, Udohiyv Jackson, Xavion Davis

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Cherokee High School Honor Roll – 4th Quarter

9th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Logan Biddix, Elora Fuson, Jayvin George, Dailin Panther, Gabriella Smith, Keith Smith, Cecily Swimmer

Alpha Honor Roll: Krenston Armachain, Javan Garcia, Oscar Guillien-Swayney, Shawnee Kirkland, Isaiah Ledford

Beta Honor Roll: Marleigh Aguilera, Francesca Armachain, Tayvin Bark-Cruz, Brihana Burgos Delgado, Traelin Carey, Talan Crowe, Gabriel Dial, Tsa-Li Dv-Di-S-Di, Kieaira Ensley, Samuel Hernandez, Conner Junaluska, Mychaela Lambert, Josilyn Ledford, Trinity Martinez, Kayla Morgan, Lexcy Ortiz, Jaime Panther, Ayden Queen, Chaske’ Raines, Alicia Salas, Jadence Saunooke, Jonathan Saylor, Nia Sequoyah, Matix Stamper, Johnathon Thompson

10th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Kendra Arch, Paytyn Barker, Lillian Blythe-Ramos, Denise Clemons, Noqwisi Crowe, Jade Cruz, Alexis Davis, Brett Elders, Tyce Hogner, Cameron Jackson, Julia Layno, Amiya Lequire, Amila Lossie, Kyla Moore, Nevayah Panther, Joseph Porter, Sadie Rivera-Gomez, Thomas Sequoyah, Elijah Squirrel, Marilyn Swayney, Addi Taylor, Tyruss Thompson, Addyson Welch, William Welch

Alpha Honor Roll: Keaton Arch, Kennica Bradley, Werahre Codynah, Isabelle Fourkiller-Raby, Gideon Freeman, Matthew Garcia Wahnetah, Waushila Grant, Zackery Johnson, Aubree Lossiah Rice, Cheyten Medford

Beta Honor Roll: Dalton Burgess, Tazavian Byfield, Tricyus Calhoun, Sophie Cooper, Tyanna Ledford, Elijah Lineberry, Ayosta Lossie, Hannah Morgan, James Owle, Xavier Sanchez, Brandon Santiago, Kai Saunooke, Elliot Shell, Ella Sokol, Cameron Squirrel, Ariyanna-Ali Toineeta, Chanttin Trumper, Hailee Velazquez-Lossiah, Abbygail Wildcatt, Kaniah Wolfe, Haylie Woodard

11th Grade

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Alpha Honor Roll: Kayd-Lynn Bradley, Ericka Brady, Julia Gonzalez, Mato Grant, Carys Holiday, Kaiden Lambert, Dalaina Mills, Kyleigh Sherman, Ann Toineeta, Hermione Ward, Bayley Wright

Beta Honor Roll: Creedon

Arch, Adrian Armachain, Maribel Armachain, Aizen Bell, Leondes Garcia, Azucena Gomez, Brendan Lambert, Collin Ledford, Ezequiel Martinez, Carl McCoy, Ezra McGaha, Niyahi Mora, Victoria Palmer, Alitama Perkins, Samuel Postaok, Treyton Queen, Makenzie Rattler, Littlehawk Reed, Dyami Saunooke, Daulton Sneed, Dante Taylor, Gabriel Terrell, I Le Ye Ni Wolfe

12th Grade

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Emma Taylor, Keeifer Taylor
Alpha Honor Roll: Chayme Cucumber, Kensen Davis, Anthony Lossiah, Zechariah Maney, Aida Martinez, Hayden McCoy, Connor Pheasant, Brixton Reed, Nessa Smith


Beta Honor Roll: Dominyk Arch, Katherine Armachain, Julius Bolden, Darrin Brown, Makala Davis, Tanin Esquivel, Tanis Esquivel, Jack Garcia-Wahnetah, William Hartbarger, Da'Quan Jumper, Jacklin Lossiah, Cristofer Mazariegos Rivera, Eli McCoy, Acacia Reed, Allyson Reed, Cavan Reed, Kaniah Reed, Keneil Saunooke, Chandler Shelton, Joseph Smart, Kaden Smith, Ellise Stamper, Jayden Tooni, Avlin Welch, Kamia Wiggins, Coby Willis, Aiden Wolfe

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erative Extension Center (828) 359-6939

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.

Deadline for Yogi Crowe Scholarships approaching

The Board of Directors of the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund reminds graduate and post-graduate students that Saturday, July 1 is the deadline for requesting financial assistance from the Fund for fall semester. Applications and eligibility guidelines are available from any of the board members, from Tribal Education or from the Website www.yogicrowescholarship.org.

Applications must be postmarked by the deadline date and mailed on or before the deadline. Applications not postmarked or received electronically by the deadline will not be considered.

For more information, contact any of the Scholarship Fund board members: Dr. Jennifer Thompson, president, 507-5997; Dr. Reva Ballew, vice president, 631-1350; Mary Herr, secretary, 497-9498; Tamitha Fourkiller, treasurer, 497-7034; Dr. Carmaleta Monteith, 497-2717; Sunshine Parker, 506-1952; Jan Smith, 507-1519; or Shannon Swimmer, 736-3191.

- Yogi Crowe Memorial
Scholarship Fund release

The Jackson County Chamber of Commerce Presents The WNC Fly Fishing Trail Weekly Fishing Report June 12-18, 2023

WATERSHED	STOCKING	PRODUCTIVITY	ACTIVE SPECIES	FLY/BAIT
Tuckaseigee River	Delayed Harvest ended June 3. Hatchery Supported.	Based on water temperatures	Rainbow Trout, Brook Trout, Brown Trout.	Griffin Nat, Coffey Girdle Bug, Elk Hair Caddis, Yellow Stimulator, Yellow Sallie, Soft Hackle Pheasant Tail, Prince Nymph
Chattooga & Whitewater Rivers	See posted signs	Based on water temperatures	Rainbow, Brown & Brook Trout	Yellow Stimulator, Quill Gordons, Blue winged Olive, Elk Hare Caddis, Lite Cahill, Yallar Hammer
Inside GSMNP Oconaluftee River & Small Streams	See posted signs	Based on water temperatures	Rainbow, Brown & Brook Trout	BWO, Hendricksons, Dark Stone, Girdle Bugs, Frenchie, Hares Ear Soft Hackle, March Brown Soft Hackle, Elk Hare Caddis, Lite Cahill, Yallar Hammer

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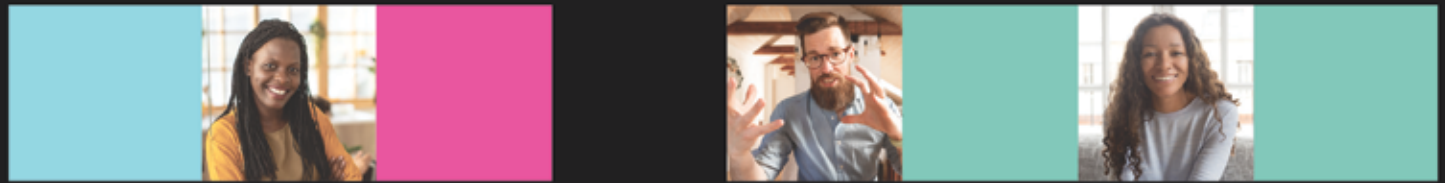
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Shawn Michael Savage

Shawn Michael Savage was born May 1, 1977 at the Alice Hyde Hospital, located in Malone, N.Y. He and his family relocated to western North Carolina where he remained until his death on May 31, 2023.

During his time in western North Carolina, he made many friends, especially in his 23 years working for Harrah's Casino in Cherokee, N.C. He shared many happy stories with family about his days with the team, his work family. Shawn lived every day to the fullest; he loved and laughed, always putting a smile on everyone's face. His laugh was contagious and will be greatly missed by many.

A graveside service was held on Thursday, June 8 at Garrett Hillcrest Cemetery in Waynesville, N.C. A memorial service was also held at Harrah's Casino in Cherokee.

An online registry is available at www.appalachianfuneralservices.com

Julius Francis "Sonny" Taylor

Julius Francis "Sonny" Taylor, 50, of the Big Cove community of Cherokee, passed away Saturday, June 3, 2023. A native

of Cherokee, he was the eldest son of Nellie Armachain Taylor.

Sonny was a member of the 1988 and 1989 Maroon Devil State Championship Football Teams and a 1990 graduate of Swain County High School. He worked in the public service sector of the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians for 26 years in law enforcement and as a legal liaison for the Cherokee Indian Housing Division.

Sonny was an avid sports enthusiast. He loved playing golf and enjoyed being part of the Raider Nation, as well as a Boomer Sooner, and lastly a Yankee Fan. One of his favorite pastimes was Friday Night Football. He cherished the lifelong friendships which he harvested from playing and supporting the Maroon Machine.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his daughters, Alyssa Taylor (Jimmy), Sydney Taylor; two grandchildren, Alaina Smith and Nakos Calhoun; brother, Anthony Taylor (Jenea); sister, Lori Taylor; three nephews, Christian "Tyler" Taylor, Colby and Carson "Nunie" Taylor; two nieces, Erin "Whitney" and Aaliyah "Maddie" Rogers; and many loving aunts, uncles, and cousins, all of Cherokee.

A funeral service was held

at Crisp Funeral Home Chapel Friday, June 9 with Pastor Tony Cochran officiating. Burial was in the Jesse Murphy Family Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Colby Taylor, Carson "Nunie" Taylor, Daniel Owl, Donald Owl, Manuel Watty, Gene Owle, Jimmy Smith, Dre Bryson, and honorary pallbearer, Nakos Calhoun.

April Dawn Bird

April Dawn Bird, 44, of the Painttown Community in Cherokee, N.C., passed away unexpectedly on Friday, June 2, 2023 at her residence in Cherokee.

April was the daughter of the late Emerson Bird and Debbie Burrell.

She was a past employee of Harrah's Cherokee Casino and lived her life on her terms. She was best known for her public engagements and her banter and exchanges with her peers. She was one of a kind.

April is survived by her siblings, Lewis Bird of Cherokee, N.C., Drew Burrell of Dillsboro, N.C., and Nicole Burrell of Florida; and one uncle, Richard Bird of Cherokee, N.C.

April was preceded by her daughter, Kasia Jade Bird.

April had graveside funeral service on Friday, June 9 at the Bradley Family Cemetery so she can rest near her father. The service was officiated by Pastor Ben Reed and pall bearers were among the family.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Family in the Final Arrangements

Gertha Sneed Shipman

Gertha Sneed Shipman, 91, of East Flat Rock, N.C., passed into Heaven Monday, June 5, 2023.

Mrs. Shipman was born

March 13, 1932, on the Qualla Boundary, Cherokee, N.C. to the late Ernest and Leana Sneed. She was married to the late Rev. James E. Shipman, Sr. on Jan. 21, 1952. She was also preceded in death by her brothers, Bud and Herbert Sneed; and sister, Winnie Lee (Sneed) Nunez.

She is survived by her children, Wanda S. Mintz and her husband Danny, Jimmy Shipman, Brenda S. Messer and her husband Greg Messer; grandchildren, Christie Nelon and husband, Jeremy, Nicholas Mintz and wife, Chrissy; Jeremy Jones, Timothy Shipman, Leah Mintz Kovacs and husband Denes, Zachary Jones and wife Jessica and Caleb Wright. She is also survived by 10 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Shipman graduated from Cherokee High School and Asheville Beauty Academy. She retired from Henderson County Public School Food Services. She enjoyed serving as pastor's wife at Piney Grove Baptist Church and Faith Chapel Baptist Church. She was lovingly cared for by Linda Whitmire and Earlene Cullen. Darren Hall cared for her lawn for over twenty years and was a great friend.

Mrs. Shipman will also be missed by her surviving siblings, Hillard Sneed, James Sneed, Maurice Sneed and Carie Parker. A celebration of life service was held on Monday, June 12 at Calvary Baptist Church, 2501 Haywood Road, Hendersonville, N.C. Forest Lawn Funeral Home, Hendersonville, N.C. assisted the Shipman family.



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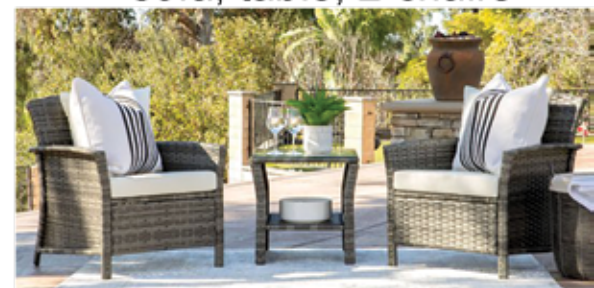


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COMMENTARY

The pecking order

By ROBERT JUMPER

One Feather Editor

Did you know that the Qualla Boundary is part of the North Carolina Birding Trail? Back in 2007, a North Carolina non-profit organization began an effort to help identify and publicize public viewing areas for birdwatching. "The mission of the North Carolina Birding Trail is to conserve and enhance North Carolina's bird habitat by promoting sustainable bird-watching activities, economic opportunities, and conservation education."

And they published a series of guides in 2009, and we appear in the Mountain Trail Guide with six locations.

Back then, the state realized that bird watching had big income opportunities. In one commentary, the North Carolina Department of the Interior fishing, hunting, and wildlife survey stated, "There are about 521,000 people who made 'wild bird watching' nonresidential trips in 2001 in NC. They spent \$381 (each). Multiplying these, the annual expenditure for the state is \$198,501,000."

Another report said, "It is estimated that over \$800 billion is spent a year in outdoor recreation in the United States, with bird watching having an economic benefit of \$41 billion."

I was working with the tribal tourism office at the time this group approached us seeking information about the birding trail. I had the privilege of helping to identify sites and provide materials, including photos and narrative information for each of the six locations.

Mingo Falls is one of the most spectacular falls in the Southern Appalachians. Adjacent to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, the 120-foot waterfall cascades over large rock formations and plunges through tangles of thick rhododendron. Birds identified that may be seen at Mingo Falls are Pileated Woodpeckers, Wood Thrush, Louisiana Waterthrush, and Scarlet Tanager. The Oconaluftee Visitor Center, while not on the Boundary, is

adjacent to us at the gateway to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and from Cherokee. It is a smorgasbord of bird species to enjoy with a riverfront trail and lush foliage conducive to attracting a large variety of birds. Common species include Blue-headed and Red-eyed Vireos, Yellow-throated, Black-throated, Black-throated Green, Black-throated Blue, Canada, Hooded, and Black-and-White Warblers, Northern Parula, Winter Wren, Wood Thrush, Veery, Scarlet Tanager, and Rose-breasted Grosbeak. Wild Turkey can sometimes be seen feeding in the fields at the Visitor Center. Watch for Ruffed Grouse along the edges of the road at higher elevations. Other species found at higher elevations include Red Crossbill,



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Black-capped Chickadee, and Pine Siskin. A variety of migrating songbirds, such as the Blackpoll Warbler and Swainson's Thrush, can also be found during spring and fall migration.

The Oconaluftee Indian Village Botanical Garden Trail was created in the 1950s to showcase native and cultivated plants. Pocket flower gardens provide color along the path, and there are benches for resting and enjoying the woodland setting. Species of interest that frequent the Garden include Pileated Woodpecker, Ruby-throated Hummingbird, Hooded Warbler, and Scarlet Tanager.

The Oconaluftee Island Park is the hub of recreation in Cherokee, at the place where the Oconaluftee River splits, creating two islands in the center of the river.

The best time of year to visit the Park is during the spring and fall migrations. Check for Spotted Sandpiper and Louisiana Water Thrush along the rocky banks of the river. Species of interest include Spotted Sandpiper, Belted Kingfisher, Louisiana Waterthrush, and Indigo Bunting.

The Riverwalk at Riverbend follows the Oconaluftee River behind the businesses in the central shopping district in downtown Cherokee. The path is paved and well-landscaped, with plenty of parking and easy access to food, shopping, and restrooms. The advantage of this downtown birding trail segment is that there is easy access to coffee shops and delis, making for the opportunity to enjoy a relaxing cup of coffee while spotting birds like the Spotted Sandpiper, Green Heron,

Belted Kingfisher, and Louisiana Waterthrush.

The last one is listed as Ferguson Fields (Kituwah Farm). The sacred Mothertown of the Cherokee, some archeologists have estimated that Cherokees and our ancestors have occupied Kituwah for nearly 10,000 years. Visitors are welcome, but the land needs to be treated with respect. Our community is naturally protective of this particular land. The great thing about bird watching is that it is one of the most unintrusive forms of activity. Much of the property has been used for farming and is otherwise undeveloped. Species that you might find there are Northern Harrier, Bobolink, Willow Flycatcher, Great Crested Flycatcher, Tree Swallow, and Yellow Warbler.

There are many other birds that frequent our Boundary that didn't get a mention in the trail guide, like turkey buzzards, varieties of hawks, wood ducks, mallards, crows, grackles, starlings, finches, sparrows, jays, and even an eagle or two. Of course, one of the more prominent migratory birds that you will likely see is our healthy population of Canadian geese. And, last but not least, if you visit the Homestead at the Oconaluftee Visitor Center there is a nice flock of chickens to enjoy.

If you watch birds for long, you find quite a bit of commonality in their behavior. For example, I enjoy watching chickens scratch the ground for food. Their kicking is like a dance as they try to dig up seeds, grubs, bugs, and worms to feed on. And if you watch wild birds, you will see similar behavior as they paw the ground for food. Another commonality between domestic birds and the wild is the pecking order. Birds

show their domination or lack of it through their control of the food or their territory. And there is a hierarchy from bird to bird as to whose turn it is to eat or occupy space. Depending on how philosophical one would want to get, we might also see ourselves in some of that behavior.

Doctors have long touted the benefits of watching nature as a way to calm and gain mental, emotional peace. In fact, there is a term coined for it. Check this snippet from a March 2022 article on the health benefits of bird watching. "Bird watching is therapeutic. In fact, they have a name for it called Ornithotherapy. According to studies, when you have depression or anxiety, going out into the world outside can be stressful. But when you're a bird watcher, you have something to look forward to when you go out, and those are the birds. It keeps you grounded in the present, making you forget all about your problems. It also puts you into stillness and quiet, which are somehow healing."

The great thing about bird watching is that it can be as simple or as elaborate as you care to make it as a hobby. I get great pleasure in setting up bird feeders near my front porch, filling them with sunflower seeds, and watching the visitors show up to enjoy their meals. Others spend thousands of dollars on photography, listening, and trekking equipment to stalk the more exotic species. As for me, my Indiana Jones days are behind me, and I'll settle for a nice stroll at the Riverwalk or the Island Park. Someone once famously said that you have got to "stop and smell the roses". Similarly, I would say that you should stop and watch the birds.



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Our survival guide...

By REV. TIMOTHY L. MELTON, PASTOR

(Transcribed by Myra D. Colgate)

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church

Read 1 Kings, Chapter 17:1

“I have a few words to say, tonight, in fact, I would call them prophetic in this regard. This morning, when we came together, I told the Church at large, that there are coming times that if we don’t hear the Voice of God, we might not make it through. I believe what is going on in our nation and literally around the world is so nefarious and so wicked that there’s no other way to describe it. Hell has been loosed on the Earth.

“Should the Lord tarry, I believe there’s coming a day when all our plans, all our preparations, and everything that we’ve tried even to hide under our beds and in our closets and put in our attics will begin to fail us miserably.

“Somebody may say, well this doesn’t sound very inviting. Just hold on, as I promise we will shout our way out of here, but I need to tell each one here, what the Lord has been putting in my spirit. Never have we seen a time like we’re living in today. Everywhere I go, people are talking about it. We are literally watching as demons and devils are coming to take over, it would seem, in a ruling roost. When I look around, I quite seriously think that it can’t go any further, but it does go further. When I think we can’t fall any further down, we just slip and slide. I submit to us, that unfortunately, we have seen nothin’ yet.

“However, I’ve got some good news for the ones here, that the Lord sent me to share with all of us. I don’t usually title sermons, but I am calling this, “The Survival Guide” or “Our Survival Guide.” It’s how we’re going to navigate the time we have left when we clearly see demons and devils ruling and reigning all over the world today.”

“It does seem to get worse by the moment. But what we need to understand is God is not done with us. He’s not done with the Church. He’s not done with His sons and daughters here. I’ve come by to tell us that we are the holdouts. We are the ones who’ve kept them

from doing everything they want to do. That is why we’ve made it to the top of their so-called terrorist list. It is because Christian people are realizing they have a Power and a Word that is Powerful and a God Who knows how to back us up. They can deny it all they want, but I’ve come to tell everyone, He still has The Plan. He is still in charge, and I don’t care what it looks like, or what they say on television tonight, I’m going to tell it like it is. God’s still in control and He’s giving His people a Survival Guide. That’s all I’m going to share, with three points and I’m going to let you go.

“This comes out of 1 Kings, Chapter 17:1. I did some preaching there not long ago, but that’s what ignited me in this, and I began to sit down and listen again to what the Lord had to say, and the Lord said I’ve got something for you out of it and so here we go.

It reads, “Elijah the Tishbite, who said unto Ahab, “As the Lord God of Israel lives, before Whom I stand, there shall not be dew or rain these years, but according to my word.” The Lord told him to hide himself by the Brook Cherit before Jordan.”

“Father, I pray that You would open the Scriptures. Holy Ghost, I pray You’d begin to teach and preach tonight. Lord, I pray, before this evening’s done, Lord, that every person in this house will be excited about what’s going on around us today, for it is all part of The Plan of God, and we’re going to see it this evening. Thank You, God, for the Plan, for the Survival Guide in the coming days, Lord, before Your return. We love You and we praise You, in Jesus’ Name and everybody says, Amen.

I look around and am just almost in shock. I see wickedness. I want to get angry at those who stand at the podiums, and I want to get mad at those who will make the rules, it would seem, but how many of you know tonight, it’s really demons and devils that are guiding and directing, that are in their ears. I don’t believe that mankind could be as wicked as man has become today without an influence from hell. I don’t believe that we’d go down the road right now as I’m talking worldwide if it weren’t for demons and devils fueling the show. What’s going on today is not new.



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from His dwelling place He watches
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Psalm 33: 13-15

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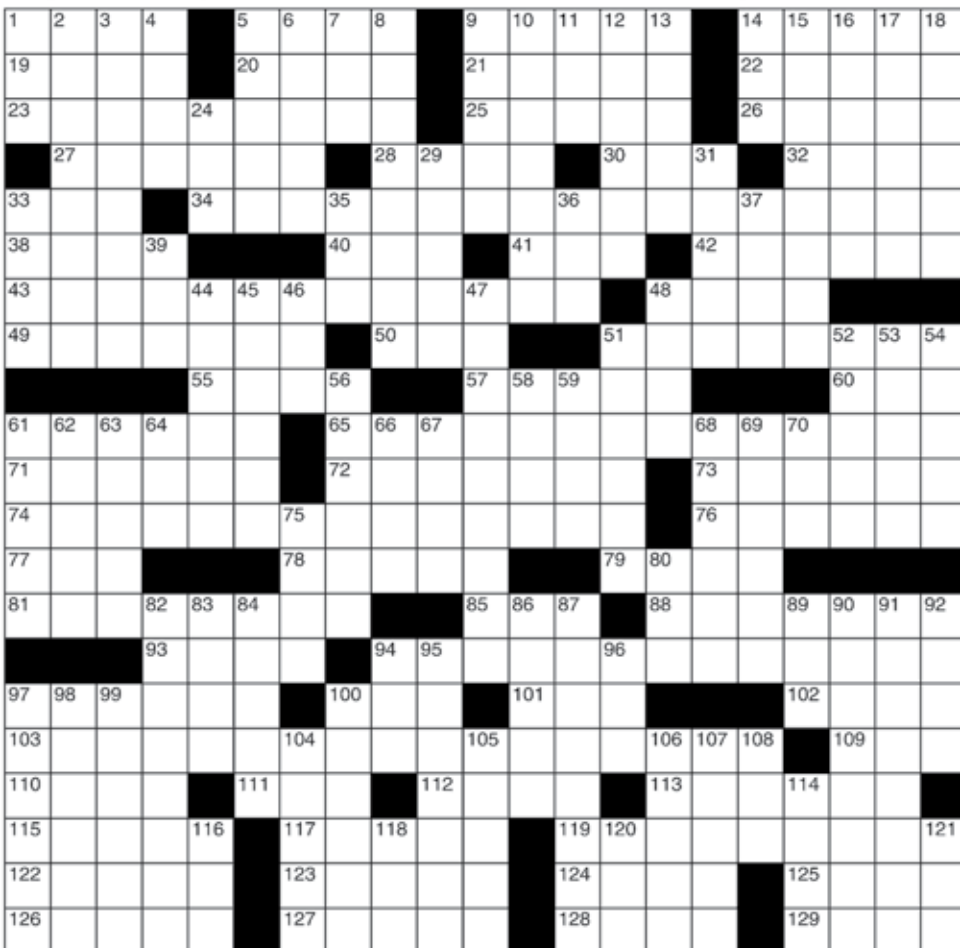
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by Linda Thistle

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2. From Psalms 141, "Let the righteous smite me; it shall be a ..."? *Judgment, Scorn, Grief, Kindness*
3. His favorite was Joseph, but how many sons did Jacob have? 2, 5, 8, 12
4. From Genesis 7, how old was Noah at the time of the flood? 100, 200, 600, 800
5. In John 10:14, Jesus said, "I am the good ..."? *Samaritan, Storyteller, Fisherman, Shepherd*
6. Which book reads like a love story? *Song of Solomon, Daniel, Titus, Jude*

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1. HISTORY: In what year did the Boston Tea Party take place?
2. MOVIES: Which 1990s animated movie has a character named Lumiere?
3. MUSIC: Who wrote the song "Make You Feel My Love," performed by Adele?
4. LANGUAGE: What is a zoonotic disease?
5. TELEVISION: Which TV sitcom was set at Greendale Community College?
6. ANATOMY: What blood type does a universal donor have?
7. GEOGRAPHY: Bantry Bay is an inlet in which European country?
8. FOOD & DRINK: What are sweetbreads?
9. LITERATURE: What kind of bird is titled in a John Keats' poem?
10. SCIENCE: What does an aux-anometer measure?



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HEALTH & SPORTS EVENTS

Mental Health Town Hall. June 22 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. Refreshments from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. A community discussion with EBCI and state leadership about improving behavioral health and resilience. Panelists to include: Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, EBCI PHHS Secretary Vickie Bradley, NC DHHS Secretary Kody Kinsley, CIHA CEO Casey Cooper, N.C. District 50 Sen. Kevin Corbin, N.C. District 12 Sen. Jim Burgin, and Rep. Karl Gillespie.

UPCOMING POW WOWS

Note: This list of pow wows was compiled by One Feather staff. The One Feather does not endorse any of these dances. It is simply a listing of ones occurring throughout the continent. Please call before traveling.

26th Annual Peoria Pow Wow.

June 16-17 at the Buffalo Run Casino & Resort (inside Peoria Showplace) in Miami, Okla. MC: Juquin Hamilton-Youngbird. Head Southern Singer: Rusty Cozad. Host Northern Drum: Young Buffalo Horse. Info: Charla Echo Hawk (918) 540-2535, cechohawk@peoria-tribe.com

Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma Pow Wow.

June 16-18 in Perkins, Okla. Emcees: R.G. Harris and John Arkeketa. Head Southern Singer: Robert Tehauno. Info: Hinglu Huber (405) 780-3869, Leslie Tanyan (405) 245-9953, Kent Tehauno (405) 788-9990, Greg "Hoagie" Miller (918) 873-7058

Kaw Nation Washaunga Days Pow Wow.

June 16-17 at Allegawa-

ho Park in Council Grove, Kan. MC: Shannon Leroy. Head Southern Singer: Robert Collins. Info: Jaelin Kent (580) 362-6433, jaelinkent@hotmail.com

Four Seasons Cultural Society Pow Wow Between the Lakes.

June 23-25 at the South Okanagan Events Centre in Penticton, British Columbia, Canada. Emcees: Francis James and Joseph Pierre. Host Drum: Southern Express. Info: Haley Rodan at volunteer.fscs@gmail.com

22nd Annual Miami Nation

Pow Wow. June 23-24 at the Miami Nation Arena in Miami, Okla. MC: Juquin Hamilton-Youngbird. Head Southern Singer: Rusty Cozad. Host Northern Drum: Young Buffalo Horse. Info: Julie Olds (918)

Puzzle Answers

Super Crossword

Answers

A	F	E	W	M	O	A	B	A	B	B	A	S	C	O	S	T	A
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Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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4	1	7	2	5	6	9	8	3



ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Kindness (141:5); 3) 12; 4) 600; 5) Shepherd; 6) Song of Solomon



Answers

- 1773, when colonists dumped a shipment of tea into the Boston Harbor to protest taxes.
- "Beauty and the Beast"
- Bob Dylan
- A disease that can pass from one species to another, especially animals to humans.
- "Community"
- 0 negative
- Ireland
- Organ meat from the pancreas and thymus gland
- "Ode to a Nightingale"
- Plants' rate of growth

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How do you say that in Cherokee?

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sgisdela
Help me

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doad(a)di?
How do you say?

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alihiltsedi edoda iga
Happy Father's Day

"Words from Garfield Axe Long Jr 2009 online class"

541-3131, jolds@miamination.com

63rd Annual Eastern Shoshone Indian Days Pow Wow.

June 23-25 at the Fort Washakie Pow Wow Grounds in Fort Washakie, Wyo. Emcees: George Abeyta and Bart Powaukee. Info: Claw Tillman (307) 349-5913, esecommittee@gmail.com

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Pow Wow.

June 30 – July 2 at the old Cherokee High School site in Cherokee, N.C. Emcees: Rob Daugherty, Tyler “Tyski” Grey-mountain. Info: Daniel Tramper (828) 399-0835, dtramper@gmail.com

41st Annual Baaweting Homecoming Pow Wow.

June 30 – July 2 at the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe’s pow wow grounds in Sault Ste. Ma-

rie, Mich. MC: Beedahsiga Elliott. Info: No contacts available

Standing Horse Route 66 Pow Wow.

July 1-2 at the Multi-Purpose Field at 613 N. Taylor Ave. in Winslow, Ariz. MC: Erny Zah. Info: standinghorsepowwow@gmail.com

151st Quapaw Pow Wow.

July 1-4 at Beaver Springs Park in Quapaw, Okla. MC: Marty Thurman. Head Southern Singer: JR Ross. Host Northern Drum: Young Bear. Info: Melany Shawnee at Melany. Shawnee@quapawnation.com

Rosebud Casino 4th of July Pow Wow.

July 4-6 at the Rosebud Casino in Valentine, Neb. Emcees: Terry Fiddler, Butch Felix. Info: Buck Spotted Tail at bspotted-

See **EVENTS** next page

MISSING PERSON

Shyla Kaye Rose Lewis

Female

Enrolled with The Chickasaw Nation

Age: 17 years

Height: 5' 7" Weight: 160 lbs

Hair: Brown Eyes : Brown

Date of last contact: April 15, 2023

Location: Edmond, Oklahoma

Circumstances of Disappearance: Last contact on April 15, 2023

If you have seen Shyla Lewis, contact Detective Sergeant Christopher Cook, Edmond Police Department (405) 359-4420.

Source: Namus.gov



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VETERANS ★ POST ★

by Freddy Groves

Homeless Vet Falls Through the Cracks

The Department of Veterans Affairs creates numerous programs to deal with homeless veteran populations — and this is all well and good. But it's the individual homeless vet who can fall through the cracks.

The VA Office of Inspector General reports about a veteran (I'll assume here it was a guy) who had multiple physical conditions on top of severe cognitive impairment. Years ago, he was given housing assistance and an evaluation and made part of a program. Eventually, he was booted out of the housing and thus booted out of the help program.

In the space of seven months, he took himself to the emergency room at a VA hospital a dozen times for various medical conditions, most a result of living outside or in a car. They admitted him for 33 days while he got evaluated for his cognitive functioning and had his medical conditions cared for. They discharged him and sent him off in a cab to a non-VA shelter.

For whatever reason, an hour later, he showed up at the ER again. They gave him a bus ticket to the shelter. The trip involved changes of buses, not an easy trick for someone with severe cognitive impairment. An hour later, he again showed up at the ER. Once more, they gave him a bus ticket and a printed list of instructions, telling him to go to the shelter.

The next day, a social worker discovered that he never made it to the shelter, and the following day, the family filed a missing person report.

Three days later, he was found at the shelter.

A reading of the OIG report shows one misstep after the other, with staffers putting a cognitively impaired veteran on a bus and not using one of the donated Uber gift cards and having him delivered right to the door of the shelter. Better yet, they could have told family members that he was being discharged.

To read the report: www.va.gov/oig/pubs/VAOIG-21-02209-147.pdf

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'Hip Hold' Is No Way to Stretch Your Dog

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My wife likes to pick up our dog's hind legs to help him stretch; that is, she holds Cheerio by the hips so his hind legs are up off the ground while he stands on his front legs. I thought I read once that this is not good and strains the dog's joints or back or something. Your advice would be appreciated. — Zina J.

DEAR ZINA: The “hip hold” is a safety grip to pull your dog away from a fight with another dog. It's not a hold that should be forced or held for long periods.

Stretching should be performed by owners when the dog's joints are not weighted — meaning the dog should not be standing or leaning on the leg being stretched. Holding Cheerio up by his hindquarters and forcing him to brace on his front legs puts him at greater risk for injury. It can cause great pain in older dogs with arthritis.

If your wife would truly like to keep Cheerio's joints healthy and improve his overall circulation and well-being, there are some great safe stretching methods, and safe massage techniques as well. Here's a YouTube video of safe dog stretching exercises by a veterinary therapist: tinyurl.com/4ay7sfjc. Notice that at no point does the therapist stretch a joint that the dog is standing on — they are all unweighted stretches.

Dogs also stretch themselves frequently, especially when getting up after a long nap. Don't try to assist their natural stretching — dogs stretch in a way that's comfortable for them. Therapeutic stretching and massage are designed to help facilitate a dog's natural movement without placing stress on the joints.

If you have more questions about your dog's mobility, talk with the vet at his next checkup.

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

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tail1@gmail.com

National Pow Wow XVIII. July 6-9 at the 4-H Fairgrounds in Danville, Ind. MC: Chris Bryant. Head Southern Singer: George Valliere. Host Northern Drum: Blue Star. Invited Drums: Kingfisher, MacKenzie River. Info: www.nationalpowwow.com, www.facebook.com/nationalpowwow

Taos Pueblo Pow Wow. July 7-9 at the Taos Pueblo Pow Wow Grounds in Taos, N.M. Emcees: Bart Powaukee, Otis Half Moon. Info: Debbie Luzan (575) 741-0974, djlujan@gmail.com

North Platte Honoring Our Veterans Pow Wow. July 7-9 at 2921 Scouts Rest Ranch Road in North Platte, Neb. MC: Reggie Little Killer. Info: Char Swalberg (308) 520-9516, northplattepowwow@gmail.com

12th Annual Sacred Visions Pow Wow. July 7-9 at Big Bend Ranch in Wadsworth, Nev. MC: James Phoenix. Host Drum: Sage Point. Info: Joyce McCauley (775) 815-7588 or Anita Dunn (775) 771-2683

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.

Come Read with a Dog. Mondays at 4 p.m. at the Jackson County Public Library in Sylva, N.C. To practice accuracy and fluency, and improve confidence in reading, learners can read to Bailey, a certified therapy dog. Bailey and his

handler will be available by appointment only each week this summer. This event is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Jackson County Public Library. Call Library Youth Services (828) 586-2016 to make an appointment.

Summer Teen Programming at JCPL. Mondays at 3 p.m. from June 12 – July 24 at the Jackson County Public Library in Sylva, N.C. Join this summer to learn tie dye, some easy recipes, run through town to complete The Amazing Race, and more. This event is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Jackson County Public Library. Info: Jackson County Public Library (828) 586-2016.

Jazz Cats to play at Library. June 16 at 6 p.m. in the Community Room at the Jackson County Public



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Library in Sylva, N.C. The Jazz Cats, area jazz quarter, will perform classic jazz music, featuring songs from the swing and bossa nova eras. This event is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Jackson County Public Library and the Jackson County Arts Council. Info: Jackson County Public Library (828) 586-2016 or email jcpl-adults@fontanalib.org

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

Jackson County Republican Party meeting. June 19 at 7 p.m. at 1601 East Main Street in Sylva, N.C. Info: Keith Blaine (828) 331-7625, Chairman@JCGOP.org

Swain County Democratic Party Whittier-Cherokee precinct meeting. June 19 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Agenda items include setting priorities for 2023 and selecting a precinct chair. Join to share your concerns and ideas. For more information or to request the Zoom link, email maryherr2017@gmail.com or call (828) 497-9498

Styrofoam Recycling Event. June 25 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Mark Watson Park in Sylva, N.C. Bring all of your clean Styrofoam to

be condensed then taken to another facility for repurposing. Info: Curt Collins (828) 476-0334 or email thewheemarket@gmail.com

Washington County (Tenn.) Heritage Fair. Sept. 1-2 in Jonesborough, Tenn. This event is being hosted by the Jonesborough Genealogical Society, and organizers are looking for living historians, artisans, and heritage organizations to participate. Info: chadfredb@gmail.com

Murphy Art Center events. Visit: <https://www.facebook.com/OurMurphyArtCenter/events>

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

Cherokee Cancer Support Group meets the first Thursday of each month at Betty's Place at 40 Goose Creek Road in the Birdtown Community. A potluck is held at 5:30 p.m. and the meeting is open to all. Betty's Place is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. They provide counseling and support services to cancer patients that may include supplies, travel, and meals. Info: 497-0788

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



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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
Allen Robin Hill
218 Charlie Johnson Rd.

Cherokee, NC 28719
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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 23-059
In the Matter of the Estate of BECKY BUTLER

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

Meisha Nash
2499 Wrights Creek Rd.
Cherokee, NC 28719

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RFPs, BIDs, etc.

Request for Qualifications
Preventive and emergency

maintenance of HVAC systems for the Building Rental Program.
At: EBCI Commerce Division
ATTN: Albert Cruz 810 Acquoni Rd, Cherokee, NC 28719
acruz@ebci-nsn.gov
828-359-6706

Until: June 28th, 2022 at 3:00 PM local time

The Building Rental office for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) oversees all buildings owned by the EBCI being leased for business use. Our office is requesting qualifications from interested parties for HVAC installation and maintenance. The Building Rental Office currently has multiple buildings under our management. These buildings are controlled by 60+ active HVAC units and will require service based on issue as well as preventive maintenance. **6/21**

Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Department of Transportation 680 Acquoni Road
Cherokee, North Carolina 28719
Phone: (828) 359-6530

Wil Scott Church Road
The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting Sealed Bid Proposals from Qualified Firms to provide the following services: Drainage improvements, minor grading, paving of Wil Scott Ch Road. The deadline for submitting Bid Proposals will be July 10, 2023, at 10:00 AM, EST. Please be advised that all TERO rules and regulations, Tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations and laws shall apply to the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation and to the procurement of work solicited through this advertisement. You may request the full Request for Proposals (RFP) and requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Robert Willcox, CDOT Engineer at (828)-359-6122/(828)-736-3921 (cell). **6/21**

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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:

- o An enrolled member of the EBCI
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- o 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

dougmcco@ebci-nsn.gov



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Baker Roll

1924 BAKER ROLL

A Cherokee Enrolling Commission

The First Roll of the
Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
of North Carolina

The official first roll of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians compiled and approved by Fred A. Baker pursuant to an Act of Congress, June 4, 1924 (43 Stat., 376).

An act of Congress of June 4, 1924 (43 Stat. 376), established the Eastern Cherokee Enrolling Commission to determine membership for the Eastern Band of Cherokees and to place its tribal lands into Federal trust.

Charged with identifying membership for the Eastern Band of Cherokees, the Commission created, collected, and compiled data from older rolls and tribal censuses. Known as the Baker Roll, after Fred A. Baker, these records include indexes, applications, testimony, correspondence, decisions of the Eastern Enrolling Commission, and reports.

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Certified Medical Assistant – Immediate Care Center - \$21.13 - \$23.98

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To apply, visit careers.cherokeehospital.org

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

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Elementary Teacher

Elementary Teacher Assistant

9-12 Online Education and Career Development Facilitator

9-12 Science Teacher

9-12 Math Teacher

9-12 Lifeskills Special Education Teacher

6-8 Lifeskills Special Education Teacher

6-8 Permanent Substitute Teacher

6-8 English/Language Arts Teacher

6-8 Special Education Pathseekers Teacher

6-8 Math Teacher (Multiple)

6-8 ISS Instructor - Updated



Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

HUMAN RESOURCES

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

All applications and job descriptions are available at
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Closing Sunday, June 18, 2023

1. Youth Development Professional: Cherokee Youth Center/CERS (\$15,30 - \$19.13)
2. Cherokee Language Master Apprentice: KPEP/Education (L5 \$15.00 - \$18.75)
3. Early Childhood Language Specialist Assistant: KPEP/Education (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26)
4. Receptionist: PHHS Administration/PHHS (\$15.00- \$18.75)
5. Finance Manager: QB HS EHS/Public Health & Human Services (L15 \$57,982 - \$72,478)
6. Deputy Court Clerk: Tribal Court/Judicial Branch (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88)

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. 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



Vacation fraud: Predatory timeshare/vacation club sales, exit businesses and related scams

Better Business Bureau® (BBB) study finds lax consumer protection laws and enforcement lead to unethical and deceptive practices.

2020-2022 complaints and reports

21,536 complaints about timeshare purchases, exits and vacation clubs

1,160 vacation-related Scam TrackerSM reports

\$3,575,826 lost as result of scams

Source: Better Business Bureau



The industry

Timeshare sales in 2021:

\$8.1 billion

Average timeshare cost:

\$24,140

Source: American Resort Development Association (ARDA)

Watch out for:



Robocalls about vacation offers - almost always illegal



Too good to be true offers. Slow down and read fine print



Unsolicited offers to sell your timeshares



Claims that timeshare exit companies can modify existing timeshare contracts

Recommendations:

- Create a nationwide 14-day "cooling off" period for timeshare sales
- Mandate truthful timeshare sales and exit company pitches
- Require companies disclose facts and figures, similar to Truth in Lending Act

For the complete study, visit
BBB.org/scamstudies



Red flags for a predatory company or scam:

Timeshare companies & vacation club

- Use high-pressure sales tactics, like hours-long pitch meetings
- Hide maintenance fees that grow over time
- Claim ownership is an investment

Timeshare exits companies

- Promise to resell timeshares quickly
- Push consumers to pay up-front fees
- Bend truth about timeshare value
- Cost thousands even if no sale is made
- Fuel owner's fear about heirs inheriting timeshare obligation

Scammers

- Claim timeshare owners owe unpaid fees
- Lie and say that credit will be ruined
- Tell consumers they can send a fraction of what they "owe" to cover their debt
- Disappear once money is paid

Report scams on



**Elk are, in fact, wild animals.
This is not a petting zoo.**



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CHEROKEE ONE FEATHER * TSALAGI SOQUO UGIDAHLI

**Keep your distance. Stay back at least 50 yards (150 ft.) to avoid
the possibility of injury and/or fines in both the Great Smoky
Mountains National Park and the tribal lands of the Eastern Band
of Cherokee Indians.**

Air Quality Guide for Particle Pollution

Harmful particle pollution is one of our nation’s most common air pollutants. Use the chart below to help reduce your exposure and protect your health. Visit [AirNow.gov](http://www.airnow.gov) for your local air quality forecast (www.airnow.gov).

Air Quality Index	Who Needs to be Concerned?	What Should I Do?
Good (0-50)	It’s a great day to be active outside.	
Moderate (51-100)	Some people who may be unusually sensitive to particle pollution.	Unusually sensitive people: Consider making outdoor activities shorter and less intense. Watch for symptoms such as coughing or shortness of breath. These are signs to take it easier. Everyone else: It’s a good day to be active outside.
Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups (101-150)	Sensitive groups include people with heart or lung disease, older adults, children and teenagers, minority populations, and outdoor workers.	Sensitive groups: Make outdoor activities shorter and less intense. It’s OK to be active outdoors, but take more breaks. Watch for symptoms such as coughing or shortness of breath. People with asthma: Follow your asthma action plan and keep quick relief medicine handy. People with heart disease: Symptoms such as palpitations, shortness of breath, or unusual fatigue may indicate a serious problem. If you have any of these, contact your health care provider.
Unhealthy (151-200)	Everyone	Sensitive groups: Avoid long or intense outdoor activities. Consider rescheduling or moving activities indoors.* Everyone else: Reduce long or intense activities. Take more breaks during outdoor activities.
Very Unhealthy (201-300)	Everyone	Sensitive groups: Avoid all physical activity outdoors. Reschedule to a time when air quality is better or move activities indoors.* Everyone else: Avoid long or intense activities. Consider rescheduling or moving activities indoors.*
Hazardous (301-500)	Everyone	Everyone: Avoid all physical activity outdoors. Sensitive groups: Remain indoors and keep activity levels low. Follow tips for keeping particle levels low indoors.*

***Note:** If you don't have an air conditioner, staying inside with the windows closed may be dangerous in extremely hot weather. If you are hot, go someplace with air conditioning or check with your local government to find out if cooling centers are available in your community.

**Sunrise Community
for Recovery & Wellness**

Siquo Danvhna



The Siquo Danvhna “They are living again” re-entry team is made up of certified peer support specialists that have lived experience with substance use and/or mental health challenges and works collaboratively with the Eastern Band Cherokee Indians (Tribe). The team provides supportive services to individuals returning to the community from incarceration and/or involved in the EBCI court system.

Our peer supports work with these individuals by supporting their sustained recovery and health needs through provision of system navigation, engagement support, as well as providing social determinants of health resources.

**Call to speak to a
Peer Support Specialist**



**Male staff: 828-507-0541
Female staff: 828-506-6330**

We are Certified Peer Support Specialists with lived experience managing and overcoming substance use and mental health challenges and justice system involvement.

www.sunriseinashville.org

CHEROKEE PET OF THE WEEK

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**Roscoe
Driver**

**American
Bully**

Roscoe’s human, Ernestine Driver, writes:

Roscoe resides with his family in the Piney Grove section of the Yellowhill Community. He enjoys running and playing with family, getting into mischief, or just hanging out with his neighboring canines when he is outdoors. He is not above working on his tan and cooling off under the AC.



Is your pet your best friend?
If you'd like to have your pet (whatever that may be) featured as the Cherokee Pet of the Week, send a clear, high resolution photo (include name, breed, age of pet, and a short message about your pet):

Cherokeeonefeather1966@gmail.com



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