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Up a climate-stressed creek

Appalachian trout in trouble as temps rise, storms rage

By DAN CHAPMAN U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

CHEROKEE, N.C. - The mountains of the Southern Appalachians were scraped clean a century ago as the canopy of trees that protected the streams from the noonday sun disappeared. Rainstorms pushed dirt and rocks into the water muddying the feeding and breeding grounds of fish, amphibians, and insects.

Lower down the mountain, newly cut pastures edged right up to the creeks while cows mucked up the once-pristine waters. Invasive bugs killed hemlocks, ash, and other shade-giving trees. Pipes, culverts, and dams blockaded streams and kept animals from



Michael Bradley, a fly fishing guide and member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, is shown fishing on Raven Fork. (Photo by Dan Chapman/USFWS)

cooler water.

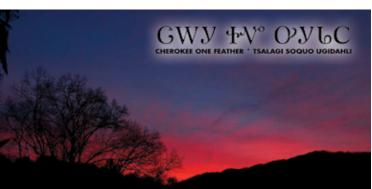
The trout never had a chance. And now they face an even more insidious foe – climate change . Higher temperatures, killer droughts, biblical rainstorms, and other climatic events pose an existential danger to the rainbow, brown, and brook trout that once filled the mountain streams of the Carolinas, Tennessee, Georgia, Virginia, and Alabama. Trout start blinking out once water temperatures rise above 70 degrees. The more conservative climate change scenarios predict a two- or three-degree average increase in Fahrenheit by 2100. Water temperatures, naturally, will rise too.

"We've had floods, and then droughts," said Doug Reed, the supervisor the last 23 years at the trout hatchery run by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. "We used to have good, healthier rivers

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David "Gravy" Rowland, fish culturist at the EBCI Trout Hatchery, left, and Mike Lavoie, EBCI Natural Resources director, at the tribe's hatchery. (Photo by Dan Chapman/USFWS)

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just 10, 15 years ago. Now the rivers are a lot smaller. You can go upriver and see hundreds of tributaries that have dried up. We're susceptible to whatever Mother Nature throws at us."

Trout season is in full force across the Appalachians. Tribal, state, and federal hatcheries are delivering millions of fish to streams across the Southeast. Communities across the region await the economic benefits of trout fishing – roughly \$400 million a year in North Carolina alone. Anticipation runs high for another great year of fishing. But so too does anxiety, especially as the water warms, the fish stress, the hatcheries scramble, and the anglers wonder why catches are smaller, or, fewer.

"We've had good, solid summers where we've had a lot of rain, but the last couple of summers have not been good at all," said Kelly Taylor who runs the Chattahoochee Forest National Fish Hatchery in the north Georgia mountains. "Sometimes we don't have enough water coming through the creek. We've had to shut down some raceways and stock smaller fish. I'm not optimistic about this year. It will probably be a hot, dry summer again."

Stressed out trout

Taylor, that morning, hosted a fishing rodeo for kids with disabilities at the 45-acre hatchery shrouded by the newly greened-up mountains of the Chattahoochee National Forest. He checked the water temperature earlier. "It was 58 degrees; this time of year, it should be down around 55 or 56," Taylor said.

The hatchery, part of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, was opened in 1937 when rail cars filled with milk cans delivered fish to tailwaters, streams, and lakes across north Georgia. Today, it grows a million rainbow, brown, and brook trout a year in 46 concrete raceways alongside the headwaters of the Toccoa River. Chattahoochee is a stream-fed hatchery, dependent upon cool water from Rock and Mill creeks, unlike reservoir-fed hatcheries with their constant supply of below-60-degree water. And that's where things get tricky.

Warmer water contains less oxygen than colder water. Fish get stressed out and sick as temperatures rise and oxygen decreases. Rainbow trout, the hardiest and fastest growing of the trout species, can survive in water temperatures up to 77 degrees. But they start stressing at 68 degrees and stop growing at 73 degrees. Georgia quits stocking trout once the temperature hits 73. Montana and other western states mandate "hoot owl" restrictions to keep anglers off the water from 2 p.m. until midnight when temperatures are hottest.

And it's only expected to get hotter. By 2100, surface air temperatures are likely to increase as much as five degrees Fahrenheit. Earlier, by 2060, western North



Brook trout in hand. (Photo by Ryan Haggerty/ USFWS)

Carolina may see up to 20 more days a year with temperatures over 95 degrees, according to the N.C. Institute for Climate Science. Higher temps lead to lower flows, too, as evaporation sucks up water. Climate-induced droughts will also dry up streams and harm trout habitat. And, while the Southeast is likely to experience a moderate increase in rainfall over the ensuing decades, the precipitation is expected to come in fewer, yet more severe downpours which wash quickly through the system, scrub the waters of trout eggs, and silt up streams with dirt that can kill the macroinvertebrates trout eat.

Trout Unlimited, the cold-water fisheries nonprofit, says that 45 percent of the Southeast's historical trout stream habitat has already disappeared. A near-three degree increase in temperatures will result in another 20 percent loss across the southern Appalachian range. A six-degree increase would wipe out nearly 80 percent of the trout's homeland, according to the American Fisheries Society, a nonprofit conservation group.

"We're on the border of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, a heavily protected watershed," said Mike LaVoie, the natural resources director for the Cherokee. "But you can't protect against floods, droughts, and disease. The concern with climate change is that we'll have more events like those in the future." Where will trout go?

Wild brook trout -- the most prized, beautiful, and iconic of trout species – suffer the most. Their backs are speckled with yellow and red splotches encircled by blue halos, and their fins are pink and edged in white. Their inaccessibility, amid the highland rills above 3,000 feet and surrounded by thickets of rhododendron and towering oaks, adds to their cachet. They thrive in the healthiest of water: cold, pure, and hard to reach. So beloved are brookies that most anglers release the smallish (10-inches long if you're lucky) trout soon after the obligatory iPhone photo.

Brook trout are the piscine equivalent of the coal-mine canary only furthers their mystique. As water temperatures rise, their domains disappear. Already near the mountaintops, where will the only native Appalachian trout go as the climate worsens?

"The water levels are getting lower in the higher, first-order streams," said David "Gravy" Rowland, 47, a fish culturist at the Cherokee hatchery. "You've got to work to get to the small water where the wild trout are. You have

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to get up higher and higher, like, on top of Bunches Creek (elev. 4,500), to find 'em."

In 2018, North Carolina State University released a report entitled "Climate Change and Trout on the Qualla Boundary," the 57,000acre Cherokee reservation. The conclusions were ominous, particularly for brook trout.

"Model predictions suggest that even mild climate warming will result in a significant decrease in brook trout habitat, and that a substantial amount of habitat loss will occur in the next 10 to 25 years," the report says.

Anywhere from 50-92 percent of brookie habitat could disappear over the next half century, depending on how much the climate warms. By 2100, only one stream on the reservation, Rough Branch, may still hold brook trout. It doesn't help that an invasive bug is killing eastern hemlocks, the stream-hugging evergreen that blocks the sun and cools the water. A warming world facilitates the hemlock woolly adelgid's northward march.

"Climate warming will have a severe impact on the native fishes and stream ecosystems of the Qualla Boundary," the report concludes.

'A huge impact'

Including rainbow trout. And brown trout. And the hatcheries

that grow them. Trout need more energy - food - as temperatures rise. As warmer water enters the raceways, the rainbows' metabolic activity increases. Therefore, Taylor, Reed, and other hatchery managers must feed the largest, most common trout more food. Liquid oxygen is another expense hatcheries increasingly shoulder due to climate change. The warmer the water, the less dissolved oxygen, and the more stress trout experience. Taylor, at the Chattahoochee hatchery, runs liquid oxygen lines to all 46 raceways.

"It causes us to put liquid oxygen on the fish earlier, so we're using more and more of it," he said while sitting alongside a rushing Rock Creek. "This time of year, we shouldn't have to turn it on, but we started using it the first of May." Still, the trout succumb to disease. Columnaris, or saddleback disease, hits trout when air temperatures rise above 68 degrees. Warmer, less-oxygenated water weakens a fish's immune system and makes them more susceptible to the waterborne bacteria. Crowded raceways don't help. Pale patches, or saddle-shaped lesions, appear along the backs and dorsal fins of trout. The disease is highly contagious and often deadly. Hatchery managers add heavy doses of antibiotics to the fish food throughout the summer.

Drought, though, hits hatcheries, and anglers, hardest.

"In 2016, the drought had a

huge impact on us," said Reed, the Cherokee hatchery supervisor. "The water was so low that Raven Fork ran only through our intake. There was nothing left to run alongside the hatchery. We had to reduce capacity by 60 percent."

Cherokee, typically, stocks 220,000 trout a year in boundary waters. In 2016, the Cherokee and Chattahoochee hatcheries released fish earlier, and smaller, than usual. Ideally, they stock 10-inch trout. Nine-inch trout, though, are released more frequently these days.

A lot of time and money has gone into reviving the Appalachian trout industry, ever since the early 1900s when non-native rainbows and browns were introduced to the Smokies (and forced native brook trout further upstream). The Service, along with other federal and state agencies, the Cherokee, and many nonprofits has, since 1990, removed non-native trout along 30 miles of stream habitat in the southern Appalachians. Lowhead dams and culverts have been taken out or upgraded. Trees and shade-bearing bushes have been planted along streams.

A diversion dam on Raven Fork that steers water to a private trout hatchery is scheduled for demolition this year. The Service, the state of North Carolina, and nonprofits are raising \$10 million to take down the Ela Dam along the Oconaluftee River. Each removal will open miles of cooler water for trout, smallmouth bass, and sicklefin redhorse.

"Conservation has helped over the last 40 years," said Rowland, an EBCI tribal member, "but climate change fights against it." **'Brutal weeks'**

No need to remind Michael Bradley. Bradley, too, is a tribal member, as well as a fly fishing guide and one of six members of Fly Fishing Team USA's traveling team. He grew up between two creeks that feed the Oconaluftee. "We were able to fish all summer. We thought it was the coldest river around," Bradley, 32, said. "Now, we have some brutal weeks. I've watched temperatures go up. I've seen trout live in water that's 70, 72 degrees, but they're not active. If you catch one, it's probably coming out of the river like it's boiled."

And that's not good for business. Fifty-thousand anglers take to the reservation's public waters each year. They pay nearly a million dollars a year for permits. And they kick in \$26 million to the local economy – hotel reservations, restaurant tabs, Cherokee souvenirs, river-guide fees.

"I turn folks away in the summer because it's too warm," Bradley said before landing a footlong rainbow in Raven Fork within three minutes. "I try and talk all my clients into coming from October to June."



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CIPD Arrest Report for June 25 to July 2

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.

Driver, Darrell Lee – age 38 Arrested: June 25 Released: June 26 Charges: Possession Drug Paraphernalia

Reed, Danielle – age 36 Arrested: June 25 Released: Not released as of report date (July 6) Charges: Possession Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of a Controlled Substance (two counts)

Waddell, John Reese – age 22 Arrested: June 25 Released: June 25 Charges: Resisting, Delaying, or Obstructing Officers

Arkansas, Crystal Beth – age 41 Arrested: June 26 Released: June 29 Charges: Public Nuisance

Munoz, Isaac Rene – age 35 Arrested: June 26 Released: Not released as of report date (July 6) Charges: Domestic Violence and Dating Violence, Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court Sneed, Samuel Otter – age 21 Arrested: June 26 Released: June 29 Charges: Reckless Driving, Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court

Calhoun, Travis – age 41 Arrested: June 27 Released: June 27 Charges: Probation Violation

Carruthers, Sharik Lamar – age 32 Arrested: June 27 Released: June 29 Charges: Violations of Exclusion Resolutions and Orders, Possession of a Controlled Substance (simple possession of marijuana), Possession of a Controlled Substance I-V, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Colindres, Hector – age 46

Arrested: June 27 Released: June 29 Charges: Assault on a Female, Child Abuse in the Second Degree

Colindres, Lizandra Tinicia – age 23 Arrested: June 27 Released: June 29 Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree, Simple Assault and Battery, Simple Affray

Crowe, Hildegard Louise – age 38 Arrested: June 27 Released: Not released as of report date (July 6) Charges: Violations of Exclusion and Orders, Resisting Public Officer

George, Kayla – age 29 Arrested: June 27 Released: June 29

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NC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Charges: Possession Drug Paraphernalia, Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance

Knapp, Travis Wayne – age 33 Arrested: June 27 Released: June 27 Charges: Temporary Hold

Walker, Noahdria Larayne – age 28 Arrested: June 27 Released: June 27 Charges: Domestic Violence and Dating Violence

Walker, Toma Jerome – age 35 Arrested: June 27 Released: June 30 Charges: Domestic Violence and Dating Violence, Child Abuse in the Second Degree

George Jr., William Howard – age 36

Arrested: June 28 Released: July 1 Charges: Domestic Violence and Dating Violence, Elder Abuse and Neglect

Jumper, Taelon Kenlee – age 21 Arrested: June 28 Released: June 28 Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree, Drug Trafficking, Tampering with Evidence

Youngdeer, John Irvin – age 62 Arrested: June 28 Released: June 29 Charges: Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance

Caruso, Nicholas Joseph – age 29 Arrested: June 29 Released: June 30 Charges: Hold Until Sober

Jenkins, Randall – age 39



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> Martin, Julian – age 21 Arrested: June 29 Released: Not released as of report date (July 6) **Charges: Probation Violation**

> Saunooke, Tivan Dean – age 19 Arrested: June 29 Released: Not released as of report date (July 6) Charges: Pre-Trial Release Violation, Assault on a Female, Assaulting by Pointing Gun

> Garcia, Jamie Luiz – age 22 Arrested: June 30 Released: Not released as of report date (July 6) Charges: Pre-Trial Release Violation

> Huskey, Savannah Kay – age 22 Arrested: June 30 Released: Not released as of report date (July 6) Charges: Larceny, Criminal Conspiracy

Swayney, Eric Matthew – age 33

Arrested: June 30 Released: June 30 Charges: Larceny, Criminal Conspiracy

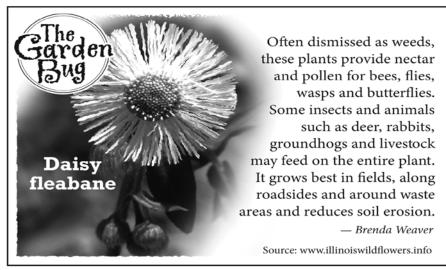
Long II, David – age 44 Arrested: July 1 Released: Not released as of report date (July 6) **Charges: Public Intoxication**

Sutton, Christina Madison - age 37 Arrested: July 1 Released: July 1 Charges: Hold Until Sober

Wahnetah, Kyle Austin – age 32 Arrested: July 1 Released: Not released as of report date (July 6) **Charges: Public Intoxication**

Wildcat, Edison – age 58 Arrested: July 1 Released: Not released as of report date (July 6) Charges: Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court

Ellington, Desmond Jeffery – age 27Arrested: July 2 Released: July 2 Charges: Temporary Hold for Swain Co.



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SPORTS DJK

Chase Sneed selected as new Cherokee Central Schools athletic director

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

CHEROKEE, N.C. – Chase Sneed, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, has been selected as the new athletic director at Cherokee Central Schools.

"I was super-excited when they told me," Sneed said. "I think I can do great things and brings some new things in."

Sneed graduated from Swain County High School in 2008 and attended the Golf Academy of America in Myrtle Beach, S.C. where he earned an Associate's Degree in Golf Course Operation and Grounds Management in 2010. He then attended Western Carolina University and earned a Bachelor's Degree in Parks, Recreation, and Leisure Studies in 2015. Sneed earned a Master of Science in Athletic Administration from Ohio University in 2021.

Sneed started at Cherokee Central Schools as an ISS teacher at Cherokee Elementary School in January 2017, and he has worked as an administrative assistant in the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center since September 2018. He has served for several years as the head coach of the JV Braves football team and as an assistant coach for the varsity football team.

He wants to hit the ground running. "Future-wise, we're looking at updating baseball and softball fields and bringing some batting cages in, getting some new scoreboards in multiple places such as the football field, soccer



Chase Sneed, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, has been selected as the new athletic director at Cherokee Central Schools. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

field, and baseball/softball fields. We have some great athletes, so let's give them the tools to succeed."

Sneed said he is happy to see the number of student-athletes coming out for various sports at Cherokee Central Schools now. "Interest is growing in sports, all over the country but especially here. We have some kids that have never really played sports that are interested in playing, and it's great."

Grades are the priority he said.

"The student part comes first. So, keep your grades up. When a student-athlete succeeds in the classroom, they will ultimately succeed on the field or on the court."

"I want to hold everyone accountable – not only our student-athletes but our coaches, our fans, our administration. I want to be as transparent as possible."

"Overall, I want to see our student-athletes be successful in the classroom and on and off the field. We're not just teaching them how to play football or how to play basketball or baseball or softball or soccer. We're teaching them how to be young men and young women in the community. When they go outside of the school and off the Boundary, they have to know how to act and that's what we're trying to achieve."

He added, "We're going to give them every opportunity to excel. We'll excel in the classroom first, and we'll excel on the fields and courts later."

Earlier this year, Que Tucker, NCHSAA (North Carolina High School Athletic Asociation) commissioner, penned a commentary where she addressed "bad behavior" towards officials at high school sporting events.

The One Feather asked Sneed how he would approach this issue as the athletic director.

"Attending a game, and even playing sports, is a privilege," he noted. "It's a privilege to be there. Everybody is competitive. I was a coach for five years – I know. We all get riled up when a call doesn't go our way. But, as much as we want to yell and scream, we can't really do that. We have to be respectful."

Sneed said he appreciates the community's support of Cherokee athletics. "Our community is great. They're always there to help. They're always there to support...we have a great community that feeds us every game, takes care of us every game. I want to continue that and even grow that relationship even more. Go Braves!"



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Snowbird Senior numbers James Jones, Snowbird site supervisor, 346-6744 Samantha Teesateskie, Senior Services coordinator, 346-6745

> Tsali Manor main line 359-6860

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Cherokee Boy's Club Elder Fuel Delivery and Elder Mowing contact is Donnie Owle 736-7612



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The Way We Speak with the World

Film, concert event to put Cherokee language in the spotlight

CHEROKEE, N.C. - On Aug. 4 and 5, the Museum of the Cherokee Indian (MCI) will present The Way We Speak with the World, a film and concert event celebrating the Cherokee language. Held at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center at Cherokee Central Schools, the community-centered event is open to the public and free of charge; free tickets can be secured via Eventbrite.

The event kicks off on Friday, Aug. 4 with a screening of "6JOhb (Dadiwonisi / We Will Speak)," a feature-length documentary collaboration chronicling the efforts of Cherokee activists, artists, and educators fighting to save the Cherokee language. A Q&A with members of the film's production team will follow the screening.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, attendees will be treated to a Cherokee language concert featuring Cherokee Nation musicians who contributed to the groundbreaking 2022 compilation album Anvdvnelisgi (DOGNPODY). Artists will perform their original songs, with genres ranging from folk to metal to hiphop, reggae, and beyond.

The Way We Speak with the



A still photo from "We Will Speak" (Photo courtesy of Museum of the Cherokee Indian)

World signals the urgency of language preservation and honors the citizens who are working to preserve, perpetuate, learn, and teach Tsalagi.

"Through oral traditions, our Cherokee culture has been able to survive for millions of years," says Shennelle Feather (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Diné, Lakota), education program manager at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. "This event is honoring our language through film and music—two modern ways of sharing stories—and proves that we are still using oral history to teach the world and remind ourselves that we are still here. That our language is not dead, it is living, it is and can evolve just like the people who speak it and have spoken it since time immemorial."

A companion event to MCI's 2022 event The Way We See the World, which featured screenings of contemporary, Indigenous-made short films and special guests—including Reservation Dogs creator Sterlin Harjo (Seminole Nation)—The Way We Speak with the World continues the tradition of centering the Cherokee community and exhibiting how tradition and culture endure through contemporary media.

"This event is for our at-large Cherokee community from North Carolina to Oklahoma and will happen in the original homelands - not just for our people, but for all the beings that yearn to hear the language that is originally theirs," says Feather.

The Way We Speak with the World is made possible through the generous support of the Walelu Cherokee Ball Team, Cherokee Preservation Foundation, the Office of the Principal Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and Kituwah LLC.

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Inmates with last names beginning with:

- A-F (Monday)
- G-K (Tuesday)
- L-P (Wednesday)
- Q-U (Thursday)
- V-Z (Friday)
- All visits will be conducted as non-contact video visits.
- Applicants must provide a valid
- photo ID.
- Visits will last 20 minutes.

• Must fill out an application for visitation prior to visitation. Once the application is approved, the person may visit at scheduled visit per the above conditions.

Rules of conduct for visitors at the facility are as follows: o Visitors must provide ID and submit to an appropriate search as prior to entering.

o Only two people per visit, except for children who may accompany a parent.

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approved

o Any disruptive behavior will require the visit to be terminated and appropriate action taken to review the approval for visitation. o No food or drinks are to be present at any visitation.

o Visits are to be conducted in a quiet, orderly manner. In the event a visitor or the inmate become disruptive during, the visit will be terminated with appropriate documentation forward through the chain of command to seek action for administrative or legal action against the visitor and possible disciplinary action for the inmate. o No cell phones allowed for any reason.

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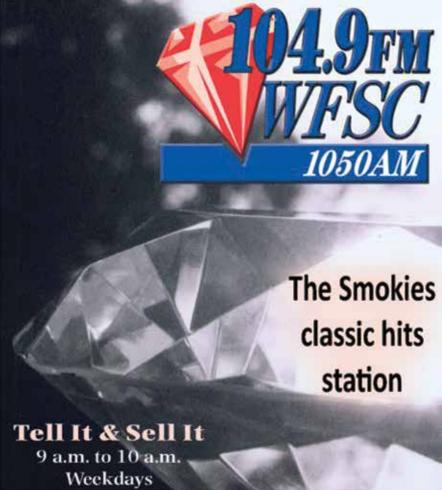
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THANK YOU LETTERS

Thank you Yogi Crowe Scholarship Fund

This is the second time I have put in a request for the Richard "Yogi" Crowe scholarship. The committee is great to work with and I am thankful for them and the other community members that continue to donate to this fund to help others succeed. I am eternally grateful for the purpose of this program and what it has done to assist in the growth and development of our Tribal members. Being a member of the





Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) has influenced me on what we do as a people and how furthering our education can impact the community in a positive way. If you are on the path to furthering your education, check out www. yogicrowescholarship.org and https://ebcihighered.com/. I encourage you to take the leap! Thank you,

Sabrina S. Arch

NATIONAL PARK NEWS

Great Smoky Mountains National Park and partners to offer inclusive 'Adaptive Adventures' programs

GATLINBURG, Tenn.— Great Smoky Mountains National Park, in partnership with Knox County, Catalyst Sports, and Friends of the Smokies, will make public lands more accessible for visitors of all abilities by offering three 'Adaptive Adventures' programs this summer. Rangers and volunteers will lead one biking and two hiking programs using off-road wheelchairs and adaptive mountain bikes on three trails evaluated for adaptive equipment.

"Programs in Great Smoky Mountains National Park play a vital role in fostering an adaptive community, as they offer an opportunity for individuals to connect with and understand the natural world around them," said Catalyst Sports CEO Eric Gray. "People can engage in activities that promote environmental awareness and conservation thereby cultivating a deeper sense of stewardship and responsibility for the park's resources."

The following Adaptative Adventures programs are designed



for visitors of all abilities and their families to learn about the natural and cultural history of Great Smoky Mountains National Park: • Saturday, July 22 (HIKE)—Deep Creek Trail

Sunday, Aug. 27 (BIKE) —Forge Creek Road in Cades Cove
Saturday, Sept. 9 (HIKE)—Little River Trail

Register and find more information at Catalyst Sports, a non-profit organization that provides outdoor adventures for people with physical disabilities. Registration is required to ensure adequate equipment and volunteers are available for the programs. Registered participants are welcome to bring their own adaptive equipment. Information about volunteering can be found below.

When the Adaptive Adventures schedule concludes, two GRIT Freedom Chairs, a type of off-road wheelchair, will be available for visitors to check out and use on park trails evaluated for the equipment, like the Deep Creek and Little River trails.

"Adaptive equipment like the GRIT Freedom Chair allows people the ability to move beyond the pavement to explore areas that wouldn't be possible to access without these valuable mobility devices," said Knox County ADA Coordinator Carly Pearson. The Adaptive Adventures programs and two GRIT Freedom Chairs were made possible through a grant from National Environmental Education Foundation (NEEF), Ensuring Access and Enjoyment for All Visitors through Assistive Technology and Inclusive Programs. The \$16,390 grant has major funding support from Toyota Motor North America. *Would you like to volunteer to help with the Adaptive Adventures programs?*

Join Park staff for Accessibility and Adaptive Equipment Training on Saturday, July 15, from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at Oconaluftee Visitor Center Training Room, near the Cherokee entrance to the park. Each piece of adaptive equipment requires assistance from two volunteers. The National Park Service will rely on volunteers for the Adaptive Adventures events and will offer disability etiquette and equipment training with Knox County and Catalyst Sports for those individuals who help with the programs.

To register to volunteer contact Katherine Corrigan at Katherine_Corrigan@nps.gov. Volunteer training is needed before helping with programs in the park. This volunteer position requires moderate to high fitness levels.

- National Park Service release

Cherokee Indian Hospital

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OBITUARIES JhfiFR

Diane Lea Goshorn

Diane Lea Goshorn, 68, of Whittier, N.C., passed away suddenly Monday, June 26, 2023. She was the daughter of Edna Saunooke Goshorn and the late John Goshorn Jr.

Diane graduated from Bel Air High School in Maryland and then received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Townson State University. She worked at Greater Baltimore Hospital and then moved onto Cherokee Indian Hospital. She moved and lived in Tulsa, Okla. for awhile before returning to Cherokee to retire.

She loved animals and was an avid supporter of all animal rescue shelters, her favorite cat being Jesse. She enjoyed doing craftwork and traveling and was always there for others.

In addition to her father, she was also preceded in death by her sister, Debra Shan (Tom) Goshorn of Tulsa, Okla. She is survived by her mother, Edna Saunooke Goshorn of Whittier; sister, Donna Beck of Sylva, N.C.; two nephews, Brandon (Lauren) Beck of Sylva, Loma Pendergraft of Seattle, Wash.; and a niece, Neosha Pendergraft of Brooklyn, New York.

A Celebration of Diane's Life will be held Wednesday, July 12 at the Yellowhill Activity Center in Cherokee from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Just drop in when you can. Donations can be made in Diane's name to your favorite Animal Shelter.

Jim Littlejohn

Jim Littlejohn, 34, of Cherokee, N.C., passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, July 1, 2023 while in Mis-



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828.587.CARE www.wilsonfamilychiropractic.net 73 West Main Street, Sylva NC 28779 sion Hospital's Memorial Campus. He was among his family.

He is the son of Mike Littlejohn and surviving mother Sharon (Bradley) Littlejohn and was the fiancé to Ms. Jennifer Woodlief.

Jim was a lover of all things nature. He enjoyed hiking trails of all types and photographed anything that interested him. While at work, he was described as a hard worker that wouldn't stop until the job was done. Jim loved spending his time watching football – especially his favorite team The Carolina Panthers.

Jim is survived by his brothers, Joshua Little, Stephen Little, and Mike Littlejohn; sister, Charlene "Chipper" Littlejohn; aunts and uncles, Charlotte Littlejohn, Mary J. Smith and Kina Bradley, David Taylor and Homer Bradley; nieces, Aubrey, Makayla, Malia, Shalina and Mandi; six great nephews and one great niece and (fur baby) - Tsi-Stu.

Jim was preceded by maternal grandparents, Fred Bradley, Sr. and Elzina Bradley; paternal grandparents, Jim Littlejohn and Molly Littlejohn; and many aunts, uncles, and Cousins.

A funeral service was held at Aquoni Baptist Church on Monday, July 3 with Brother Joe Wolfe officiating. An immediate burial followed in the Piney Grove Church Cemetery with pall bearers being among family and friends.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family in the final arrangements.

Vicki Dozier Cucumber

Vicki Dozier Cucumber, age 64, of Cherokee, passed away at Harris Regional Hospital due to a brief illness on Wednesday, June 28, 2023. Born in Jackson, Miss., Vicki was known to have a big heart and a sweet soul as she worked as a daycare worker as well as a social worker in Cherokee for many years. Her love for children, families, and her community was never-ending, for she had the best personality. Vicki enjoyed fairies, Eeyore, reading the Bible and listening to music, coloring, crossword puzzles, and watching the food network, but most importantly, she enjoyed spending time with her family and friends. She will always be loved and missed by her family.

She is survived by her mother, Doris Dozier; children, Amber Cucumber Sutton (Joshua) of Sylva, N.C., Chelsea Cucumber Carey (Matt), Kristan Cucumber Smith (Tait) of Cherokee, N.C., and Kennedy Jessa Cucumber of the home. Also surviving are, brother Glenn Dozier (Melinda); sister, Juana Dozier DeBolt (David); and four grandchildren, Amiya Sutton Ensley (Roy), Kara Riley Sutton, Konner Sha-wa-nu-gi Cucumber, and Benny Rayne Cucumber.

She also leaves behind several nieces, nephews, cousins, special friends, and loved ones. Vicki will reunite with her father, William R. Dozier; loving husband, James "Jimmy" Cucumber; and several other loved family members.

A private service will be held amongst family at a later date.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

Abraham "Abe" Queen

Abraham "Abe" Queen, 66, of the Painttown Community, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, July 5, 2023, at his home after an extended illness.

Abe was an active member of the community. He retired from the Tribe with 30 plus years, working with the wood program, plowed gardens for the elders and disabled, and Cherokee Bottled Water. He was an active member of the community garden and free labor for various communities. He enjoyed playing Men's League Basketball "Rough Creek" Team, boxing, coached little league teams and always volunteering for community events. He played Wolftown Indian ball and later enjoyed watching his son and grandson. His love and humor will be missed by many family and friends.

He is survived by his wife, Lula "Lou" Jackson; son, Abe Jackson (Sarella); daughter, Sharlotte Oueen-Jackson; one sister, Cindy Queen; one brother, Lawrence Queen (Sharon); one aunt, Myrtle Bird; grandchildren, Brenn Si Jackson (Kalista) and Kaniah James (Dorian); and great-grandchildren, Onyx Martens and Amari-Pierce "AP" Jackson.

He also leaves behind several

nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, and loved ones he enjoyed spending time with.

Abe was preceded in death by his mother, Minnie Queen Smith; his father Edgar A. Smith; three brothers, Alan Boyd Queen, Wesley Queen, and Kevin Smith; and great-granddaughter, Ocean Crowe.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, July 8 at the Cherokee Methodist Church with Pastor Scotty Chekelelee officiating. Burial followed at the Bigmeat Cemetery.

Pallbearers were following: Abe and Brenn Si Jackson, Dwayne "Tuff" Jackson, Robert "Toad" Arch, Will Arch, Stanley Queen, Joseph Smith, and other nephews and friends.

Special thanks to those who took care of him: Cherokee Hospital, Dr. Tony Jones, Cherokee Home Health, Nurse Darlene, Moore Foot and Ankle, Cherokee Dialysis, and Asheville Eye. Thank you to the singers, and everyone who brought food, stopped by and sent their condolences to the family and who shared moments in Abe's life.

Errol Randall Long

Errol Randall Long, 42, of Cherokee, N.C., went home to be with the Lord, Wednesday July 5, 2023. He was the son of Fay Bird and the late Randall "Mooch" Long.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by his maternal grandmother, Sallie Crowe; paternal grandparents, Pauline and "Moon" Long; and a brother, Chase Crowe.

He leaves behind one son, Corbin Long Wolfe; three sisters, Kelly Long Sampson (John), Janna Bird (Cricket), and Grace Bird (Kyle); two brothers, John Bird Jr. and Kirsh Bird; several nieces and nephews; three great-nephews; his significant other, Lady Bird Powell; and his little buddy, Matthew.

Errol was an avid fisherman and craftsman who enjoyed listening to music, riding the woods, and working with rock. Errol was known for his sense of humor and will be dearly missed by anyone who crossed his path.

Funeral services were held Sunday, July 9 at Yellowhill Baptist Church. Harley Maney officiated with burial following at the Long Cemetery on Big Witch Road.

Pallbearers were Kirsh Bird, Eddie Bird, Cricket Driver, Kyle Pheasant, Chelis Santoyo, and Marcus Owle. Honorary Pallbearers were Derrick Cucumber, Carter Norris, and Xaldin Bird



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COMMENTARY

Let's all paws for the cause.

By ROBERT JUMPER One Feather Editor

They relieve themselves in the most inconvenient places and the most inappropriate times. They bark incessantly at a seemingly nonstop line of ghosts. They need food, water, shelter, and attention. Depending on the size, they take over rooms or entire yards, claiming them for their own and daring anyone or anything to step over the line. And we love them for it.

Pets have become, for many, a necessary part of our lives. And way beyond our need, we lavish them with their wants or our wants. According to Forbes, "in 2022, Americans spent \$136.8 billion on their pets, up 10.68 percent from 2021 (\$123.6 billion). Dog owners spend an average of \$730 a year on their dogs." There are even insurance policies to help offset the rising costs of health care for pets. There is big money and industry in supporting our fetish for animals. Lots of jobs and families depend on our continued love of our pets. And I am one of the legions of folks who love pets. In my life I have kept turtles, tarantulas, fish, birds, cats, and dogs. For 27 years, I invested time and dollars into three chihuahuas-Petrie, Ruby, and Smoky. When Ruby

came into our home, she was an 8-week-old pup. We had bought her toys, including those rubber toys they make for dogs. On one of her first nights, a weekend night, we started to notice swelling in her face. She was very lethargic, and we were concerned that she was dying. With no way to contact a veterinarian on a weekend back then, I decided to try giving Ruby a small dose of Benadryl to deal with the swelling. I stayed up the night with Ruby in my lap. I monitored her throughout the night, making sure she was warm and breathing. Unknown to us, she had an allergy to rubber and latex. The Benadryl was the right call, and she was up and doing puppy things later the next morning.

There is one room in our home that we still refer to as "Smoky's room" and he has been



gone to doggie heaven for 5 years. When each one passed away, there was mourning as normally happens at the loss of a beloved family member. You don't spend a huge chunk of your life on a living thing and not feel some attachment to it. Many have said, including me, that God placed animals on this earth and made pets to show us how to practice unconditional love. And so it was with my little dogs. No matter my mood, no matter the issue, they were always there. Always in need of love. Always giving love.

It is a sad thing to see when people are so small-minded as to abuse an animal. Studies have shown that cruelty to animals can be an indicator of a future of criminal and even homicidal behavior. Some folks use pets to take out their aggression and inadequacy. They know that if they do the things they do to a pet that they do to a another human being, they would end up in prison. Laws are getting more stringent and better at addressing the cowardly practice of animal abuse, but they are still not strong enough to protect and "mete out justice" to those who choose to abuse.

One abuse that doesn't get the attention it deserves is the practice of abandonment. When a person is through with a pet, whether they made the juvenile decision to get a puppy thinking that the animal would never grow into an adult, or they buy a pet thinking of it a non-intrusive hobby, they set it out at a dumpster (live litters of puppies have actually been found in trash bags inside of dumpsters), dumped on the roadside, or released into forests. Some folks think they are being kind in these acts, giving the pet a chance for life versus taking them to a pound or shelter. They think that "setting them free" is better than what might await them at a facility. But domesticated pets have a slim chance of any kind of good life in the wild. They have never had to hunt for food and shelter, and for many animals, the instinct for survival that wild animals have has been suppressed for so long that it will not kick in until it's too late. Those animals that do manage to survive become pariahs of the community, rummaging through trash cans for food, and sleeping in the elements, susceptible to diseases like distemper, rabies, and the like that they were once protected from through vaccination. They become a threat to the community and to other animals. Agencies like our EBCI Animal Control program and Cherokee Dog Sanctuary are attempting to make life for animals on the Qualla Boundary better. Each provides a stopping off point for stray animals to be rehabilitated and adopted by those who a more conscious of the responsibilities of pet parenthood. Those who know that the most responsible thing you can do for a pet is to have it spay or neutered. "Fixing" a pet is better for the health of the individual animal and for the community (cutting down on the number of unwanted animals and therefore reducing the number of strays). Animal Control specifically accesses each stray they take in for their suitability for rehabilitation to be adopted. They have successfully

partnered with agencies like the EBCI Natural Resources Enforcement program of the Tribe, enlisting unwanted pets in the services of drug detection and finding lost and hiding people. And, yes, Animal Control investigates and charges those who are suspected of hurting or killing pets.

With summer heating up, it is time for us to remind ourselves to take precautions for our pets. Make sure that they have plenty of water on these hot, humid days. Pay attention to the outdoor surfaces where your pet is walking. You have seen the pictures of scorched and blistered paw pads. You don't want that for your pets. And if you do, you need mental help. For tribal members, free rabies shots are available for dogs and cats at the Cherokee Animal Care Clinic. Make sure your pet is protected from this disease. Rabies is a terrible disease that ravages the mind and body of its host. And the infected animal can infect other animals and people. Keep your eye on your outside pets. Minimize the chance of them encountering wild animals like racoons that may infect them with rabies. And even if there is a cost, make up your mind to keep your pets vaccinated and their health is in good shape. The way I see it, when we make up our minds to take up the joy of pet ownership, we also take on the responsibility to provide them with good, healthy lives.

It is up to us what happens to the animals that live on the Qualla Boundary. We have no one to blame but ourselves for the strays that we see on the sides of the road and roaming in our communities.

The domestic animals in our care should be treated with respect and benevolence. Some folks don't have a connection or an affinity for pets. Taking on pet ownership will likely be long-term, filled with time and resource commitment. Pups and kittens are not toys to be petted for a few minutes and put away like a stuffed animal on a shelf. Recognize that that cute little Labrador puppy that bubbles with energy for 15 minutes then turns into a limp noodle for 30 minutes, will within months be a big hound dog bursting with energy (grown Labrador Retrievers are between 55 and 70 pounds), requiring daily exercise and attention. Know that pets have medical needs, just like us, and will potentially require specialized care. They will need you and your commitment. The average dog lives 10 to 13 years. The average cat lives 12 to 18 years. And if you happen to be a reptile lover, say a Leopard tortoise, you are likely to have a lifelong relationship, as they live 50-plus years. Its about the same for exotic birds like the African Grav Parrot.

I realize that some folks won't get this love letter on behalf of pet ownership. They may look on animals as purely utilitarian. And we have had a working relationship with animals for millennia. Even in those relationships with service animals, there is a standard of care and responsibility for proper treatment that separates human and bestial behavior. It's called doing the right thing.



How do you fix a constitution?

By SUNSHINE PARKER Yellowhill Community

I write today not as a Judge in the Tribal Court but as an enrolled member of this Tribe. I had the opportunity to watch the most recent work session on the constitution. I heard consistently from everyone around the horseshoe and even from members on the Constitution Committee that this constitution is not perfect.

That this constitution has issues. That this constitution will have to be fixed almost as soon as it goes into effect.

It sounds so simple to just say we will "fix" the constitution, but how?

I have reviewed the proposed constitution thoroughly and I am unclear as to exactly how changing this constitution will work. I will lay out what I understand to be the process and pose several questions. I welcome any insight from the Constitution Committee on this.

Only Article XV-Amendments contains the guidance for how one would go about amending this constitution. Section 1 of this article speaks to a Constitutional Convention. Section 2 speaks to a referendum amendment. Looking first to Section 1, a few things jump out to me and raise questions for me as a member of this Tribe.

First, the delegates in attendance at the Constitutional Convention will include an equal number of representatives from each branch of government: legislative, executive, judicial, and community club council. I've read over this constitution thoroughly and it does clearly lay out a legislative, executive and judicial branch of government. This constitution even lays out how those branches of government will be established, how people will fill those branches, and how they can be removed. What the constitution fails to lay out is the new fourth branch of government-the community club council. The constitution seems to grant them a lot of power but doesn't address how its membership is established or how the people can go about removing an unethical member of this branch of government. What is the check and balance on this new fourth branch of government?

Second, there must be an equal number of representatives from each branch. There was a point in time, in our very recent history, that our Judicial Branch was operating with one judge. Should that occur again would this mean that only one member of executive, one member of council, and one member of the community club council can serve as a delegate? If there is a vote to approve or deny a proposed change-how would one handle a tie in this scenario where only four delegates can serve?

Third, the chosen delegates must be Tribal citizens. While the constitution doesn't truly define what a Tribal citizen is, it does make clear that members of the executive, legislative, and community club council will be Tribal citizens. However, this

is not a requirement for members of the judicial branch. Will this mean if there are no Tribal citizens serving in the judicial branch that this branch cannot be represented at the convention? Does this make it impossible to have a convention at all as there cannot possibly be representatives from each branch? Fourth, the Constitutional Convention shall meet to examine the Constitution and propose any changes to the Constitution. How does this process work? Is this a vote of the delegates? Is this a vote of those Tribal citizens that attend? What happens if the **Constitutional Convention does** not approve a change? Does a change approved by the Constitutional Convention go to the people for a vote or does it immediately go into effect?

This leads us to Section 2, the referendum amendment. The constitution can be amended by a simple majority of the registered voters in an election called for that purpose by the Tribal Council. The amendment will pass if 33 percent of those registered to vote turn out for the election. I am inferring from this that at least 33 percent of the registered voters must vote to affirmatively approve the amendment, but the constitution is not clear-it merely states that "...thirty-three (33%) of those registered to vote shall vote in such election, and the amendment shall become effective after the results are certified by the Election Board."

Additionally, is a Constitutional Convention mandatory before the public can vote on an amendment? Does this mean that if the Constitutional Convention does not approve an amendment to the constitution first that the people will not get to vote on that amendment? Or does this section on referendum amendment provide to Tribal Council the power to put an amendment out for referendum without the approval of the Constitutional Convention?

While the constitution on its face may seem straightforward there are a lot of unanswered questions and unknowns that put us at risk as a people and as a government. I have heard the responses that this is a living, breathing document that can be changed-but I want concrete answers as to how it can be changed. I also want to know how quickly this change can occur. What if we learn there is in fact a catastrophic flaw in this constitution that grinds our government to a halt upon passage-how long will it take to call a convention, or have council call an election to vote on a referendum amendment? Will it be fast enough to avoid lasting damage to our people?

The Constitution Committee worked hard on this constitution. I appreciate all the effort the group put in and for taking on such a momentous task, however it is important to that we seek to do no harm—particularly when it comes to the future of our Tribe and its members.

HOUSES OF WORSHIP

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Big Cove Pentecostal Holiness Church 7710 Big Cove Road. Cherokee

Boiling Springs Missionary Baptist Church 960 Old Bryson City Road 3200 Acre Tract

Cherokee Baptist Church 812 Tsalagi Road Cherokee

Cherokee Bible Church Olivet Church Road Cherokee

Cherokee Church of Christ 2350 Old Mission Road and Hwy Cherokee

Cherokee Church of God 21 Church of God Drive Cherokee Cherokee Church of the Nazarene 72 Old School Loop off Big Cove Road Cherokee

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church Behind the Wolfetown Gym Cherokee

Cherokee United Methodist Church Hwy 19 - Soco Road Cherokee

Cherokee Wesleyan Church Hwy 19 across from Happy Holiday Campground Cherokee

Christ Fellowship Church Great Smokies Center Cherokee Ela Baptist Church 4450 Ela Road Bryson City

Embassy Christian Center Church of God in Christ 87 Vinewood Circle Whittier

Goose Creek Baptist Church Goose Creek Baptist Church Rd Cherokee

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Macedonia Baptist Church 1181 Wolftown Rd Cherokee

Olivet United Methodist Church 811 Olivet Church Road Cherokee

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church 82 Lambert Branch Road Cherokee

Piney Grove Baptist Church Grassy Branch Road Cherokee Rock Springs Baptist Church 129 Old Gap Road Cherokee Sequoyah Sovereign Grace Church 3755 Big Cove Road Cherokee St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church of Cherokee 82 Old River Road Cherokee

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AT THE MUSEUM OF THE CHEROKEE INDIAN MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM

MONDAY, JULY 24

Big Cove Candidates starting promptly at 5:30 pm Birdtown Candidates immediately following Big Cove

TUESDAY, JULY 25

Cherokee County/Snowbird Candidates starting promptly at 5:30 pm Painttown Candidates immediately following Cherokee County/ Snowbird

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26

Wolftown Candidates starting promptly at 5:30 pm Yellowhill Candidates immediately following Wolftown

THURSDAY, JULY 27

Vice Chief Candidates starting promptly at 5:30 pm Principal Chief Candidates immediately following Vice Chief

Due to limited space in the Multipurpose Room at the Museum, only 40 audience seats will be available each night. In consideration of the limited seating, only enrolled EBCI members will be permitted to reserve seating. To reserve a seat, you must bring your enrollment card to the Cherokee One Feather offices and tell a staff member which night or nights you would like to attend. A log will be kept in the One Feather office to document who has reserved seats. If all seats are not filled by pre-registration on any given night by 4 pm, it will be posted that seats remain available and anyone may come at 5:15 pm the night of that debate and entrance will be allowed until seats are filled.

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SPEAKING OF FAITH Do we know the end from the beginning?

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

Read Isaiah 61: verses 3, 2, 1, and 4.

"Today, my Assignment is to start with the end and then go to the beginning, and finish with Verse 4," stated, Pastor Tim. So, I'm going to read the verses but we're beginning with verse three, and will work our way back up to verse one today. So, if one wonders what's going on, that's how this is going to play. How many know we serve a God Who always finishes things before He ever starts them? Amen.

"That's why I'm saying, I know the end from the beginning. In other words, before one was ever created, He already knew one's every step. He knew every word that would proceed out of each one's mouth, before one even learned to talk. He knew the number of one's days, and we still don't know that. He literally said, at the very end, He has a latitude in His Amazing Ways, that God has so planned one's life, before He ever started, He knew what they were to do, but He can still get a person where He wants them to be in the end. Come on, so tonight, I'm just going to begin at the end and go through to the beginning. I want to be like My Lord.

"God, I thank You for the Word and so I pray, O God, that you open the eyes of every individual within this House, open our ears and our understanding, that we would walk out of here excited and will begin to put it to use. I give You Praise for it in the Name that is above every name. Amen."

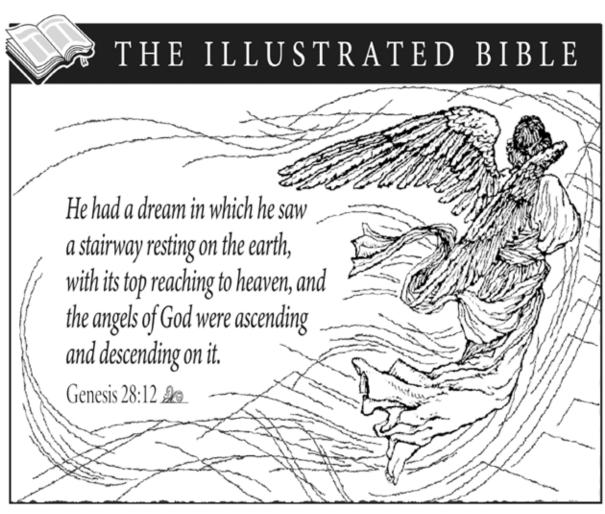
When Jesus walked into the Temple as He began His Ministry, Jesus was 30-years-old, and He walks into the Temple and the Priest hands Him a Scroll. It's not by accident that He wanted this prophecy to read for as He opened the Scroll, He found the very one He was seeking, the one concerning the Jewish Messiah.

When Jesus had first been noticed in the Temple in Jerusalem, He had been 12-yearsold. He was asking the priest questions that were so insightful that even the priests there that day were learning from His questions.

We all must realize there are some things we each have to go through that may not look like they're going to bring God any Glory today, but tomorrow suddenly, the Light begins to shine, and one looks at it and can say, "I see why I had to go through that." Yeah, Praise the Lord!" And so what I see is, when I look at this, He can say, at the end of all our 'stuff', "It will all be for the Glory of the Lord."

"I would like it to be, to the very end, all for the Glory of the Lord, that when people see me, they will also know that all the hell we have been through, all the trials that have been experienced, all the 'stuff', that the enemy thought he was going to use to break us with, and even all the good days, and the wonderful things, the Lord allowed us, too, I'd like to know they were all for the Glory of Almighty God in our lives. Wouldn't everyone here reading this, like this, also, to make life and all that happens, more worthwhile? We all should realize that there are some things one has to go through in this life that may not always look like they will bring God any Glory today, but tomorrow, all of a sudden, that Light will begin to shine, and we can look at it one day and go, "I see why I had to go through that, Yeah. Praise the Lord! We should see when we look at this, He says, "The end of all this 'stuff' will be for the Glory of the Lord."

"People I know will see me then and they will still know it was God, because they may have known I wasn't good enough. They would say, I couldn't have pulled that off by myself. There must be a God in Heaven. I don't know about people here, but I've been through this several times. Things happen and I'll get asked, "How'd you, do it? And I'll look at them and say, "It wasn't me; it was for the Glory of the Lord. It was His Plan all along and He wants us to boast of His Glory and His Power, all for His Kingdom, He brought me through."



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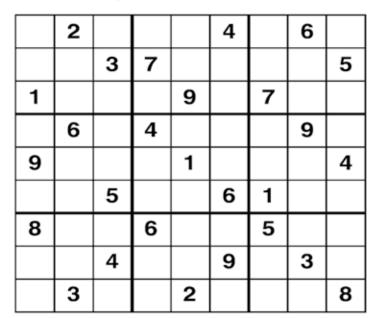
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: • •

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1. Is the book of Leviticus in the Old

2. From Deuteronomy 10: What

tribe of Israel had the responsibility

for moving the Ark of the Covenant? Gad, Dan, Levi, Asher

married an adulterous woman named

Gomer? Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah

4. From John 11: How many days was Lazarus in the grave before being

5. What city is associated with Joshua and the blowing of the trumpets?

6. Where did Elijah bring a widow's son back to life? Smyrna, Corinth,

"Test Your Bible Knowledge," a

book with 1,206 multiple-choice

questions by columnist Wilson Casey,

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is available in stores and online.

Jericho, Bethel, Bethlehem, Cana

3. Which Old Testament prophet

or New Testament or neither?

resurrected? 1, 2, 3, 4

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1. GEOGRAPHY: Which country has the most islands?

2. AD SLOGANS: Which product is advertised with the slogan "The snack that smiles back"?

by Fifi Rodriguez

3. MOVIES: Which animated movie features more than 10,000 balloons?

4. TELEVISION: Who did Jim Halpert marry in the long-running sitcom "The Office"?

5. HISTORY: Which country sold Alaska to the United States (1867) for \$7.2 million?

6. MUSIC: Which rock group had an album titled "Dark Side of the Moon"? 7. LITERATURE: Which novel

introduces a character named Lisbeth Salander? 8. SCIENCE: What is the name for

magma after it has erupted? 9. U.S. STATES: Which state was the

first to join the union after the original 13 colonies?

10. ANATOMY: What is also known as the voice box in human anatomy?

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

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

EVENTS

BENEFITS/FUNDRAISERS

Indian Taco Fundraiser. July 13 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Artist Row by the Oconaluftee Island Park in Cherokee, N.C. Indian taco and drink for \$10. Frybread by Nikki's Frybread. To-go orders for five or more tacos, text 507-3619. All proceeds will go toward travel and medical expenses for Ace who was born with bilateral talipes.

Side X Side Fundraiser. July 15 at 9 a.m. Ride will start and end at the Big Y Gym in Cherokee, N.C. All proceeds go to WNC Elite boys basketball team as they travel to Oklahoma for the LWIII's Elevated Native Tourney. \$45/buggy and includes a breakfast platter (eggs, biscuit, bacon or sausage, with drink) and an entry to win door prizes. \$8 per platter if not riding. Info: Velva 736-5164 or Megan 788-3963

Turkey Shoot Fundraiser for

WNC Elite. July 15 at 3 p.m. at the Jesse Welch Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community. Proceeds will help the team attend the upcoming LWIII's Elevated Native Tourney event in Oklahoma. Good food, good prizes, good benefit.

Taco Benefit for Mato Grant. July 27 at 11 a.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Two tacos with homemade tortilla chips and salsas and a drink for \$12. All proceeds will assist Mato Grant, Cherokee Braves senior, as he travels to Tampa, Fla. to participate in the Blue-Grey All American Bowl in January 2024. Pre-order by July 26 at 3 p.m. for priority pick-up. Info: Lavita 736-3126 or Natalie 736-3439

EBCI COMMUNITY EVENTS

Poetry Reading with Mary Leauna Christensen. July 14 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian Store. Christensen, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, will read her original poetry. A Ph.D. candidate at the University of Southern Mississippi, she is the managing editor of The Swamp literary magazine and was named a 2022 Indigenous Nations Poets fellow. This event is free and open to the public.

Retirement celebration for Kimlyn Sneed Lambert. July 14 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at VOC located behind the old Tribal Bingo Hall on Hwy. 19 in Cherokee, N.C. Everyone is invited to celebrate the retirement of Kimlyn Sneed Lambert after 40 years of service to VOC and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.



NAIWA Blueberry Festival.

July 15 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Featuring blueberry pancakes. Vendor space is available for \$10/table. To reserve tables or for more information, call Lucille Wolfe 736-5285 or email to carmaleta@msn.com

Gadugi Indoor Flea Market.

July 15 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. If interested, call/text Virginia 788-8659 or Stephanie 735-9001

Camp Meeting. July 17-21 at the Dora Reed Day Care Center in Cherokee, N.C. Singing by local church choirs. Speaker will be Pastor Foreman Bradley. This is hosted by The Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association.



Weekly SUDOKU

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Reading and Book Signing with Traci Sorell. July 19 from

3 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian Store. Sorell, a Cherokee Nation citizen, will read and sign her books including her latest entitled "Contenders: Two Native Baseball Players, One World Series". This event is free and open to the public.

MANNA FoodBank Communi-

ty Market. July 20 from 12 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Birdtown Gym. Free grocery staples, produce, and other perishables from MANNA FoodBank. Please bring bags if you can. This event is free and open to all community members.

Make Your Own Copper Earrings with Nathan Bush. July 21



ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Levi; 3) Hosea; 4) 4; 5) Jericho; 6) Zarephath



Answers

- 1. Sweden Goldfish crackers
- 3. "Up"
- 4. Pam Beesly
- Russia
- 6. Pink Floyd
- "The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo"
- Lava
- 9. Vermont
- 10. Larynx
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from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. All materials will be provided as Bush, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), takes participants step-by-step through the process. This free Community Learning opportunity is open exclusively to members of the EBCI and other federally recognized tribes. Space is limited. Registration is required and can be completed here: bit.ly/3XusODf

"The Ethnogenesis of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians", a presentation by Anita Finger Smith. July 24 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. This presentation covers five circumstances during the early 19th century contributing to the nucleus of Cherokee Indians who remained in the southeast



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You're not Sheepish when it comes to asserting your opinions on what you think is right or wrong. Be assured that you're being heard, and something positive will follow.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your sense of justice makes it difficult not to speak up about a recurring matter involving a co-worker. But, once again, you need facts to back you up before you can act.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Romance is still dominant, and if Cupid misfired before, don't worry. He'll take better aim at someone new this time around. Expect favorable news about a financial matter.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The zodiac's Moon Children can expect things to work out pretty much as planned. One negative note involves a minor relationship problem that suddenly turns serious.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You're suddenly being asked to make choices between two practically equal offers. Which one to choose? Easy. The one most likely to gladden your Lion's heart.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Once again, you're confronted by a workplace problem you thought you'd already resolved. This time, you might need to go higher up to find a just resolution.

after the forced Removal of most Cherokee to Indian Territory. Most people still believe the only reason the Cherokee are in the East today is because they hid out in the mountains. Although this was true for some, the majority are there for other reasons. For you "history buffs" this presentation is one of two talks which will totally submerge you deeply into the meaning of who we are...Cherokees. If interested, please call Virginia at 788-8659 to reserve a seat. Limited seating for this event.

Make Your Own Ribbon Skirt with Alitama Perkins. July 29 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Learn to make your own ribbon skirt from start to finish with Perkins,

See EVENTS next page

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Good for you: You're determined to stick with your goals and ignore those naysayers who might try to discourage you. You're on the right track. The challenge now is to stay on it.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You'll soon get news that is supposed to help you with a troublesome situation. Use your sharp Scorpion instincts to determine if the information is reliable.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) If you learn someone has betrayed your trust, don't just accept it and walk away. You need to know why that person decided to do what he or she did.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A painful family relationship problem could finally begin to heal. Be prepared to show more flexibility than you might like. It could be worth it.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) It's a good idea to enhance your career skills so you'll be prepared to accept a more responsible position when it's offered. A friend returns a favor just when you need it.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Show that strong, steely backbone that you usually hide and demand to be included in any family decision-making that could affect the well-being of a loved one.

BORN THIS WEEK: You can be happy being alone at home. But you also love exploring the world outside and meeting new people.

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by Freddy Groves

Caregiver Reassessments Paused

If you're a family caregiver, or if you're a veteran receiving family care services, heads up: The Department of Veterans Affairs is suspending the annual reassessments for those in the Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers.

At the same time, at least for now while they review the program, the VA won't change stipends based on a reassessment nor remove anyone from the program.

They will, however, continue to do reassessments when there is a reason, such as the veteran or caregiver is asking for an increase in the stipend or if there's a need for more personal care services. The VA also will keep making wellness visits.

If you aren't part of the program and want to be, the Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers (PCAFC) is for veterans who were seriously injured (or who now have a serious illness) while in active duty on or before May 7, 1975, or on or after Sept. 11, 2001, if they meet two criteria:

- Service-connected disability of 70% or more.

 Need personal care services for at least six months because of inability to perform activities of daily living or have a need for supervision, protection or instruction.

Primary caregivers can receive a monthly stipend, access to CHAMP-VA health care insurance and 30 days of respite care per year for the veteran so the caregiver can take a break. Other caregiver benefits include online and in-person educational sessions, counseling, use of telehealth and techniques and skills for caring for the veteran.

Apply online at www.caregiver. va.gov/support/support_benefits.asp or download VA Form 10-10CG on that same page and send it in by mail. You also can hand the form in at your local VA medical center by contacting the caregiver support coordinator. For more info, call them at 855-260-3274 Monday - Friday 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturdays 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Do not send in any medical records with this application. They'll ask for it later.

See the fine print at www.ecfr.gov/ current/title-38/chapter-I/part-71.

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Snooping Out a Mystery Pooper

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: Recently, a new neighbor with a big dog moved into one of the apartments next door. Since then, every morning there's a fresh deposit of dog poo on my front lawn. And not on the edge - right in the middle of the lawn. Because it happens before sunrise each day, I suspect the new neighbor is letting their dog out, unleashed and unsupervised, to do its business wherever it pleases. How should I deal with this problem? I don't have clear proof that it's the new neighbor, but it sure smells like it. — Disgusted in Dallas

DEAR DISGUSTED: I'm with you. Owners need to be responsible for their pets, and they need to be good neighbors by keeping their dogs on a leash and picking up after them.

There are a couple of ways to discover the culprit. The low-cost way is to wake up well before dawn and watch your front lawn. Snap a photo of the dog when it comes onto your property, but don't try to shoo it away - you're gathering evidence. The high-cost way is to install a security camera with a motion sensor. Aim it so that it has a good view of your property but not other yards (it's a privacy issue). Set it to record when the motion sensor is triggered.

With or without proof, contact the property manager of the apartment building. Calmly explain the situation and your suspicions, and ask them to remind residents in writing about leash laws. Most property managers have a vested interest in keeping the neighbors happy and will cooperate to solve the problem.

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

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a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI). Sewing machines will be provided. Students must provide their own materials: 2-3 yards of fabric, scissors, ribbon, thread, and elastic. This free Community Learning opportunity is open exclusively to members of the EBCI and other federally recognized tribes. Space is limited. Registration is required and can be completed here: bit.ly/3r9q2qW

West Family Picnic. Aug. 12 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Building. Potluck meal, bring your families.

Cherokee Fire & Rescue Fire Academy. Oct. 9 to Feb. 15 (Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Cherokee Fire Station 1. Participants will graduate with the following certifications: NC Firefighter II, Haz-Mat Operations. Info: Interim Fire Chief Thomas Simmons (828) 788-1272 or thomsimm@ebci-nsn. gov

UPCOMING POW WOWS

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

Calgary Stampede Pow Wow. July 12-13 at the Saddledome in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Emcees: Ruben Little Head, Ellery Starlight, Howie Thompson. Invited Drums: Blackfoot Confederacy, Black Lodge, Black Otter, Cree Confederation, Nakoda Nation, Stoney River, Stoney Park, Tsuut'ina Singers, Young Spirit, Whitefish Jrs. Info: powwow@calgarystampede.com

Sugar Island Pow Wow. July 14-16 in Sugar Island, Mich. Emcees: Josh Homminga and Shannon Martin. Host Drum: Bahweting Singers. Co-Host Drum: Mission Hill. Guest Youth Drum: Kitchitikipi Singers. Info: https://www.facebook.com/ sugarislandpowwow2

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians 25th Annual Jinngtamok Pow Wow. July 14-17 at the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Pow Wow grounds (behind the tribal gas station) in Manistee, Mich. MC: Jason Whitehouse. Host Drums: Showtime, Eagle Flight. Info: JD Gibson (231) 330-9025, melissawaitner@lrboi-nsn.gov

Robert Woolery Sr. Memorial Pow Wow. July 15-16 in Sedalio, Mo. MC: Bob Woolery. Head Southern Singer: Kevin LeRoy. Info: Bob Woolery (660) 473-1642, dwoolery@aol.com

WESTERN N.C. & BEYOND EVENTS

Native Market. Third Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 46 Aston Street in Asheville, N.C. To be a vendor, visit www.indigenouswallsprojects.com and fill out the application.

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.

Balsam Mountain Trust presentation. July 14 at 10:30 a.m. at the Jackson County Public Library in Sylva, N.C. This program is free and open to the public. Info: Jackson County Public Library (828) 586-2016

Jackson County Republican Party meeting. July 17 at 6 p.m. at 1601 East Main Street in Sylva, N.C. Info: Keith Blaine (828) 331-7625

Family Night: The Science of Balance. July 20 at 5 p.m. at the Jackson County Public Library in Sylva, N.C. Work together as a family to explore the science of balance by exploring and manipulating the placement of weight in toys, on structures, and even with people. This program is free and open to the public. Info: Jackson County Public Library (828) 586-2016

Swain Co. High School Class of 1963 Reunion. July 22 at the Bryson City United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. All class members and their spouses or significant others are invited to gather at 11 a.m. The occasion will be very casual and will include a meal from the Bar-B-Que Wagon. Cost is \$15 person at the door.

Swain Cancer Support Annual

Event. Aug. 4 from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the River Front. Singing, food, and fellowship. Luminaries start at 9 p.m. To purchase a luminary or other information: Cindi Woodard (828) 788-3864 or Jennifer 269-7521

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

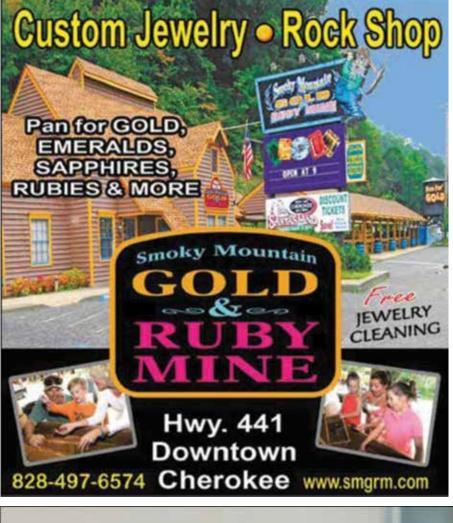
SUPPORT GROUPS

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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LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 23-038 In the Matter of the Estate of

Sarah Rosalie Cabe Lewis

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 PUBLI-CATION Angela Lee Lewis PO Box 1449 Cherokee, NC 28719 **7/26**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 23-040 In the Matter of the Estate of John Charles Sherrill

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 PUBLI-CATION Cynthia West PO Box 1658 Cherokee, NC 28719 **8/2**

RFPs, BIDs, etc.

Request for Proposals

General Notice Qualla Housing Services (QHS) of the Cherokee Indian Housing Division is requesting proposals from all interested qualified contractors for services and labor to be performed within the area of Swain and Jackson counties. The following scopes are:

• Paint three rental houses at the Wrights Creek Housing property and five rental houses at the Big Cove Housing property.

• Install metal roofing on three rental houses at the Wrights Creek Housing property and five rental houses at the Big Cove Housing property.

QHS reserves the right to reject all submissions. QHS reserves the right to not award any contract to the lowest bidder. The work to be performed under this RFP is subject to TERO guidelines. TERO certified vendors will be given preference. Bid packages can be picked up at the warehouse or e-mailed to interested parties. Deliver sealed proposals to the QHS warehouse located at 2234 Old Mission Road, Cherokee, NC, 28719. Deadline for sealed proposals is July 14,2023 at 4:00 P.M. Please email Robert Welch at robewelc@ebci-nsn.gov or by phone at 828-359-6344. **7/12**

Request for Qualifications Project Title: Construction Manager at Risk for Three projects The EBCI is requesting statements of qualifications from construction management firms or teams of firms for the purpose of selecting a Construction Manager at Risk (CMR) for three projects. The CMR will work alongside the design team during the development phase of the project and will be fully responsible for construction of the facilities once a final design is complete.

The projects are:

• Kituwah Interpretive Center, consisting of a classroom building, a pavilion, parking, and utilities construction

• Mingo Falls Re-development, consisting of trail improvements, new observation decks, lighting, restrooms, parking and a vending area

• Soco Falls Development, consisting of new access trails, parking, lighting, and an observation area

Construction Management firms wishing to receive a "Request for Qualifications" (RFQ) package should contact Ken Green at (828)





History of Cherokee Central Schools

As early as 1804, Moravian Missionaries operated a school for Cherokee students at Spring Place in eorgia. By 1831, three missionaries were operating 11 schools in Cherokee County. Cherokee formal education came to a standstill during the forced removal of the Cherokee to Oklahoma Territory in 1838. The Cherokee were so interested in the education of their children that they started a school in Tahlequah, Oklahoma as soon as they were settled. Col. Will Thomas tried to start Qualla Town Academy for Cherokee students in the late 1800s, but this effort was cut short by the Civil War. During the 1800's a school was operated by the Quakers through a contract. From 1890 until 1954, the U.S. Indian Service operated the Cherokee Boarding Schools at Cherokee. There were elementary day schools at Big Cove, Soco, Birdtown, and Snowbird. The Boarding School was closed in June 1954. In 1962, community day schools were closed, and a central elementary school opened in Cher okee. In May 1975, the seniors graduated in the new Cherokee High School and in August of 1975, grades seven through twelve started their new school year in the new facility. On August 1, 1990, Cherokee Central Schools became a tribally operated school. The Tribal Council authorized the Cher okee School Board to operate the schools under a P.L. 100-297 Grant for the BIA Department of Education. Fall of 1996, Cherokee Central School System established the Kituwah curriculum for grades K-6. After years of determination, patience, and hard work, the Ravensford Tract once again became Tribal property for the third time, having come full circle after 166 years.

> Source: Cherokee Central Schools Photo: MPRNews

736-5109 or by email at kengree@ ebci-nsn.gov. Statements of Qualifications must be received by 2:30 PM on July 26, 2023 at which time they shall be opened in accordance with TERO procedures. Any proposals received after this time will not be considered. Other critical dates and the project timeline are listed in the RFQ. Please be advised that Indian preference (TERO) regulations apply to the bidding and award of this contract. It is the responsibility of the contractor to insure delivery and receipt by the Project Management Program.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Ken Green at (828) 736-5109 or by email at kengree@ebci-nsn.gov. **7/12**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Project Management Program Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Project Title: John Crowe Rec Park, Site Development and Master Planning Services

The EBCI Project Management Program is requesting proposals from qualified architectural or site planning firms with background and expertise in sports complex development. The firms or team selected will be expected to provide a comprehensive evaluation of existing facilities at the John Crowe Recreational Park and recommendations for feasible improvements that can be made to increase the number of useable ball fields and supporting infrastructure such as parking, maintenance facilities and concessions.

Firms wishing to request a proposal package should contact

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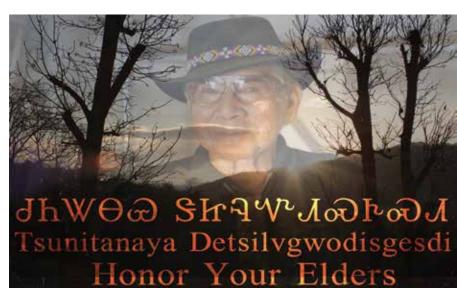
Ken Green, at (828)736-5109 or by email at kengree@ebci-nsn.gov. Proposal packages must be submitted in accordance with the instructions included in the RFP to Ken Green, EBCI Project Management Program. Proposals must be received by 07/26/2023@11:00 AM at which time they shall be opened and evaluated in accordance with tribal procedures. Any proposal received after this time will not be considered.

Please be advised that Indian preference (TERO) regulations apply to this solicitation.

If you have any questions or comments, you may address them to Ken Green. **7/12**

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and Unincorporated Areas of Swain and Jackson Counties, North Carolina, and Case No. 21-04-5780P. The Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) solicits technical information or comments on proposed flood hazard determinations for the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), and where applicable, the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report for your community. These flood hazard determinations may include the addition or modification of Base Flood Elevations, base flood depths, Special Flood Hazard Area boundaries or zone designations, or the regulatory floodway. The FIRM and, if applicable, the FIS report have been revised to reflect these flood hazard determinations through issuance of a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR), in accordance with Title 44, Part 65 of the Code of Federal Regulations. These determinations are the basis for the floodplain management measures that your community is required to adopt or show evidence of having in effect to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program. For more information on the proposed flood hazard determinations and information on the statutory 90-day period provided for appeals, please visit FEMA's website at https:// www.floodmaps.fema.gov/fhm/ BFE_Status/bfe_main.asp, or call the FEMA Mapping and Insurance eXchange (FMIX) toll free at 1-877-FEMA MAP (1-877-336-2627). 7/12





Now Hiring Aniyuwiyahi Community Program Coordinator, Fundraising Assistant (Contract)

The Museum of the Cherokee Indian is currently accepting applications for two roles.

The Aniyuwiyahi Community Program Coordinator will plan and coordinate meaningful community-based programming. Full-time; comprehensive benefits and retirement package. Hiring Range: \$30,000—\$42,000; Salary Range: \$30,000—\$50,000.

The Fundraising Assistant will assist the MCI Executive Team and the MCI Board of Directors with fundraising goals as well as other relevant developmental goals. Contract; 10-20 hours per week. Flat contract rate between \$50/hour for a term not to exceed one (1) calendar year OR 600 hours.

Submit resume and cover letter prior to Friday, July 21 at midnight via mci.org/employment.



Now Available - TERO's Job Listing



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

TERO Job Bank

If you are seeking employment and you are:

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

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

> Hillary Norville -TERO Job Bank Coordinator 828.359.6422 hillnory@ebci-nsn.goy

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



no experience required Competitive compensation and benefits packages available. EEOC

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



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

SPA.

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

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

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

BUS DEPARTMENT: MULTIPLE PT BUS DRIVERS; MULTIPLE FT BUS DRIVERS

CHEROKEE CHILDREN'S HOME: MULTI-PLE FT RESIDENT COUNSELORS AND MULTIPLE PT RESIDENT COUNSELORS – 2nd shift – 3:30pm-11:30pm; 3rd shift – 11:30pm – 7:30 am

AGELINK/SNOWBIRD CHILDCARE: (4) TEACHERS (AGELINK)

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COLD CASE



The body of Marie Walkingstick Pheasant was found in a burned vehicle on Old Rock Crusher Rd., in the Big Cove Community, on Dec. 29, 2013.

The Cherokee Indian Police Dept. reported at the time that "foul play" was suspected. No arrests have been made in this case. A **\$20,000** reward is offered for information leading to an arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible. GWY $\pm \mathbb{V}^\circ$ OY $\oplus \mathbb{C}$

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

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

Closing Sunday, July 16, 2023

1. Receptionist – Qualla Boundary Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L5 \$15.00 - \$18.75 per hour)

2. Detective – Cherokee Indian Police Department – EBCI Law Enforcement (L13 \$22.86 - \$28.58 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

3. Utility Worker (Composting) - Solid Waste - Operations (L7 \$15.60 - \$19.50 per hour)

4. Utility Worker (Sanitation) (Multiple) – Solid Waste – Operations (L7 \$15.60 - \$19.50 per hour)

5. Utility Worker (Transfer Station) – Solid Waste – Operations (L7 \$15.60 - \$19.50 per hour)

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

4. FT Paramedic – Emergency Medical Services – Public Safety (L8 \$30,357 -\$37,946) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) 5 PT Paramedic (Multiple) – Emergency Medical Services – Operations (L11

\$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

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

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

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

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

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

Financial Analyst – Budget and Finance – Treasury (L15 \$57,982 - \$72,478)
 WWT Operator – Waste Water Treatment Plant – Operations (L10 \$17.58 - \$21.98 per hour)

13. Certified Biological Waste Water Treatment Operator – Waste Water Treatment – Operations (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSI-TION

 Supervisor – Biological/Waste Water Operator – Waste Water Treatment – Operations (L14 \$25.17 - \$31.46 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
 Family Safety Grants Coordinator – Family Safety – Public Health and Human Services (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour)

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

- 17. Manager Project Management Operations (L17 \$72,342 \$90,428)
- Legislative Legal Counsel Tribal Council Legislative Branch (L19 \$97,792 - \$130,389)
- 19. Driver (Multiple) Transit Operations (L8 \$15.90 \$19.88 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

20. 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

Job Bank Coordinator – TERO (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour)
 Senior Utilities Engineer – Water and Sewer – Operations (L19 \$98,083 - \$122,604)



CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

EXECUTIVE:

Utilization Review Specialist - \$67,082 - \$83,852

FINANCE:

Billing Analyst II \$19.66 - \$22.25 Patient Access Specialist – Emergency Hire - \$17.12 - \$19.26 Senior Accountant - \$67,082 - \$83,852

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Master Level Therapist - Adult & Child - \$58,332 - \$72,915 -*\$5,000 Hiring Bonus Targeted Case Manager - Cherokee Central Schools -\$44,107 - \$55,134 Integrated Classroom Skill Builder - \$17.12 - \$19.26 Residential Technician - Kanvwotiyi - \$17.12 - \$19.26 Residential Technician - Men's Home - \$17.12 - \$19.26 Certified Alcohol & Drug Counselor - Kanvwotiyi - \$44,107 -\$55,134 Inpatient Technician - FT and PTI - Analenisgi Inpatient -\$17.12 - \$19.26 Adult Services Manager - Analenisgi - \$77,144 - \$94,430 Peer Support Specialist - \$17.12 - \$19.26 Transportation Technician - \$22.76 - \$25.89 Residential Support Assistant Manager \$67,082 - \$83,852 Residential Clinical Manager - \$77,144 - \$96,430 Engineering EVS - \$15.00 - \$16.77

OPERATIONS

Dentist – Dentures & Partial Dentures - \$131,405 - \$164,256 Dentist – Pediatrics - \$131,405 - \$164,256 Dental Assistant II - \$18.32 – \$20.67 Dental Assistant I - \$17.12 - \$19.26 Ultrasound Technologist – PTI - \$26.52 - \$30.31 Medical Technologist - \$28.68 - \$32.85 Medical Laboratory Technician - \$22.76 - \$25.89 Information Security Specialist - \$77,144 - \$96,430

MEDICAL

Clinical Dietitian - \$50,723 - \$63,404

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Physician – ER \$227,068 - \$283,835 Physician – Primary Care \$157,686 - \$197,108 Hospitalist - Inpatient – Full Time & Part Time - \$227,068 - \$283,835 Family Nurse Practitioner/Physician Assistant – Primary Care -\$91,254 - \$114,067 Family Nurse Practitioner/Physician Assistant – Immediate Care Center - \$91,254 - \$114,067

NURSING

Certified Medical Assistant – Immediate Care Center - \$21.13 -\$23.98 Massage Therapist - \$50,723 - \$63,404 RN Care Manager – Primary Care \$31.06 - \$35.64 Registered Nurse – Emergency Room \$33.68 - \$38.72 - *\$5,000 Hiring Bonus Registered Nurse – Inpatient - \$31.06 - \$35.64 - *\$5,000 Hiring Bonus (Night shift) Registered Nurse – Immediate Care Center \$31.06 - \$35.64 - *\$5,000 Hiring Bonus Nursing/Medical Administrative Assistant - \$19.66 - \$22.25

TSALI CARE CENTER

Certified Nursing Assistant - 17.12 - 19.26 - 33,000 Hiring Bonus Certified Nursing Assistant - Part-time Intermittent - 17.12 - 19.26CNA/PCA - Part Time Regular - 17.12 - 19.26CNA/PCA - 17.12 - 19.26 - 3000 Hiring Bonus Certified Medication Aide - 17.12 - 19.26Cook - 17.12 - 19.26Housekeeper -- 15.00 - 16.77LPN—Part-Time Intermittent - 22.76 - 25.89Receptionist -- 16.01 - 17.95Registered Nurse (Nightshift) - 31.06 - 35.64 - 55,000 Hiring Bonus Registered Nurse - 31.06 - 35.64 - 535.64

Tribal Option

Tribal Option Business Analyst - \$67,082 - \$83,852

To apply, visit careers.cherokeehospital.org

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



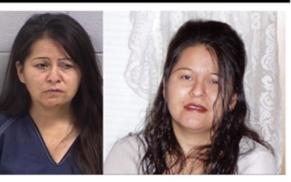
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MISSING PERSON

Bertina J Shields

Age: 48 years Female Height: 5' Weight: 150 lbs Hair: Brown Eyes : Brown Date of last contact: May 15, 2023



Location: Farmington, New Mexico

Circumstances of Disappearance: Bertina was last seen on May 14, 2023 at 520 E Bradway at approximately 2130 hours. Bertina was upset and took off walking from the area, unknown in which direction she traveled. Bertina was last seen wearing a black jacket, a dark-colored shirt, and dark blue jeans. Bertina has a rose tattoo on her left arm and an 8-ball tattoo on her left ankle. Bertina was experiencing homelessness at the time of her disappearance and stays at various available places. She was contacted by phone by her children on May 15, 2023, but they have had no contact with her since.

If you have seen Bertina J Shields contact the Farmington Police Department (505) 599-1070 or the NamUs regional specialist, Justin Endicott, (817) 223-1318 or jendicott@rti.org.

Source: Namus



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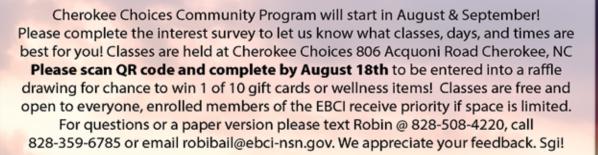
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Cherokee Yoga

Yoga engages the mind, body, and spirt. Benefits include flexibility, strength, stress, and mindfulness awareness. Gentle Yoga Flow & Meditation with Robin Tuesdays 12:00-12:50 starting August 8th! More classes to be announced: Restorative, Intro to Yoga, Yoga for Backcare, Chakra Yoga. Let us know what time and class type works best for you!

Pound

Get your cardio and strength training all in one! For all fitness levels. Use a set of rip sticks (drumsticks) to workout to each song.

Women's Strength Training

Beginner Classes with light weights and kettle bells. Includes modifications for beginners or more advanced

Healthy Cooking Demos/ Nutritional Counseling

Cooking demos and individual nutritional counseling with a registered dietitian focusing on diabetes management, heart health, healthy family meals and/or weight management.

Gloves on Fire – Danowasgi

Boxing classes for women offer a total-body workout including cardiovascular conditioning by incorporating boxing movements that focus on speed, intensity and agility.

Tai Chi

Tai Chi engages the mind, body, and spirit. Benefits include reducing high blood pressure, stress, and falls. Classes are at 10am - days TBA.

Intro to Resources for Resiliency

FREE 3.5 Hour training in person training that helps people learn to cope with everyday stressors and trauma. Choose 1 of 5 available training dates. August 15th 8:30-12, August 16th 1-4:30, August 21st 1-4:30, August 22nd 8:30-12, August 31 1-4:30. You must sign up by August 10th.

Healthy Without the Hard

Life Coaching with a focus on goal setting and behavior modification 45 minute, 5 week individual sessions

Healing Touch

Nurturing, Relaxing Energy Therapy. Some Benefits of healing touch include: Reducing Stress, calming anxiety/ depression, strengthening the immune system, supporting cancer care, creating a sense of well being, easing acute and chronic conditions/pain, deepening spiritual connection. Contact Nancy Stephens, RN, BSN, HTCP for more info or to sign up for a session. nancstep@ebci-nsn.gov or 828-688-0530

Cherokee Choices Community Sharing Sessions: Attention ALL EBCI Enrolled Members...We want to hear from you on the health & wellness needs of the EBCI Communities. 1 hour in-person sharing sessions will be held in August @ Cherokee Choices – a \$25 gift card for Amazon, Shell, TJ max, Target or Foodlion will be provided for attending. Please text Robin @ 828-508-4220, call 828-359-6785 or email robibail@ebci-nsn.gov to share your feedback.



Cherokee Choices Interest Survey Summer/Fall 2023



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