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A burning question

Referendum on
adult-use cannabis
will be on
September ballot

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

CHEROKEE, N.C. – Voters of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) will get to vote on whether or not to allow adult-use (sometimes referred to as recreational) cannabis on tribal lands. During its regular session on Thursday, July 13, Tribal Council approved Res. No. 633 (2023) which adds the following referendum question to the September General Election ballot:

- “Do you support legalizing the

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Employees work in a medical cannabis grow facility, operated by Qualla Enterprises, LLC, in the Cooper's Creek area in Cherokee, N.C. (Photo courtesy of Qualla Enterprises, LLC)



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CANNABIS: Referendum vote on adult-use coming in September, *from front page*

possession and use of cannabis for persons who are at least twenty-one (21) years old and require the EBCI Tribal Council to develop legislation to regulate the market?"

Res. No. 633, submitted by Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy, passed 56-38 (6 absent) with voting going as follows: FOR – Rep. McCoy, Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle, Yellowhill Rep. T.W. Saunooke, Tribal Council Vice Chairman Albert Rose, Tribal Council Chairman Richard French, Cherokee Co. – Snowbird Rep. Bucky Brown, Cherokee Co. – Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha; AGAINST – Wolfstown Rep. Mike Parker, Yellowhill Rep. David Wolfe, Painttown Rep. Michael Stamper, Wolfstown Rep. Andrew Oocumma; ABSENT – Painttown Rep. Dike Sneed.

"We have dragged our feet," Rep. McCoy said during discussion on the issue on Thursday. "We got cold feet on the cannabis issue."

Vice Chairman Rose noted, "This is the community's project, it is not a certain person's project at all. It's very important that this go out to the people."

Rep. Stamper commented, "I agree with giving the people a voice and an opportunity to vote, but as a steward of the Tribe, I have a fiscal responsibility to everyone in regards to this and right now we are having issues finding funding to do the medical portion of it right now."

I don't have any reason to think that it wouldn't pass, but I do fear the immense support to push to get us into a deeper market that we don't really have the financials to support right now would

be overwhelming and it could cause some fiscal issues down the road. With that in mind, it would be best to not give this question until we're at a point where we can financially support a recreational program. Right now, we're just trying to get medical off the ground."

Forrest Parker, Qualla Enterprises, LLC general manager, commented, "The revenue from cannabis, as it pertains to the revenue Qualla (Enterprises) brings in, is directly tied to the number of people who can legally walk in and buy the product. Adult-use obviously drives those numbers."

He then read from a recent study conducted on Qualla Enterprises, LLC which runs the cannabis operation for the Tribe. "Gross revenue from medical cannabis starts at \$206 million and approaches \$578 million by year five. If adult use were legalized, revenue could conservatively reach \$385 million in the first year and exceed \$800 million by year five."

The study is entitled "Cannabis Opportunity: Significant and Sustained Revenue, Employment with Purpose, and Beneficial Impact for Families and Cherokee Community" and was conducted by HedgeRow Analysis.

Joey Owle, an EBCI tribal member, brought up the issue years ago as a part of a then-active group called Common Sense Cannabis. On Thursday, he commented, "Eight years ago, I started to advocate for this. We could have already been there. This could be history. This could be something else that we're talking about. But, I do support that this goes out to referendum for our community members to have input on."



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Cherokee and beyond.**

Council removes three referendum questions from September ballot.

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**

One Feather Asst. Editor

CHEROKEE, N.C. – Voters of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) will have three fewer referendum items to vote on during the upcoming September General Election. During its regular session on Thursday, July 13, Tribal Council passed Res. No. 627 (2023) which removes questions involving passage of the proposed EBCI constitution as well as term limits and staggered terms for EBCI elected officials.

Res. No. 627 was originally submitted by the EBCI Office of the Attorney General and was tabled during the June 2 Tribal Council session. During the July 13 session, a substitute was sub-

mitted by “Tribal Council at the request of Tribal young adults, Tribal members, and the Constitution Committee”.

The legislation was passed with Tribal Council Vice Chairman Albert Rose being the only dissenting vote and Painttown Rep. Dike Sneed being absent. Res. No. 627 rescinds three previous resolutions which added the referendum questions including Res. No. 11 (2021), Res. No. 150 (2022), and Res. No. 559 (2023).

Robert Jumper, an EBCI tribal member, submitted Res. No. 11 and jointly submitted Res. No. 150 with the EBCI Board of Elections. During discussion on Res. No. 627, he noted, “Those were not constitution questions. Those were referendum questions that

were put together nearly two years ago to talk about term limits, not a constitution. The reason in the original draft of (Res. No.) 627 that the AG’s Office gives is there is a possibility of confusion if all three of those are on the ballot. Well, if you’re going to remove the constitution question, there’s no longer the confusion that might be implied by putting all three of them on the ballot.”

Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy agreed with Jumper. “Term limits are a good thing. I promise you. I’ve done it. It keeps you focused, and it re-directs you as to what your purpose is to come here and represent your community. When you sit out a term or two terms, you get a chance to think about things that happened and if you had an opportunity to come back how you’d do it differently.”


She made a motion, which was seconded by Tribal Council Vice Chairman Albert Rose, to keep the referendum questions regarding staggered terms and term limits. The amendment failed with Vice Chairman Rose and Rep. McCoy being the lone consenting votes and Painttown Rep. Dike Sneed being absent.

Michael McConnell, EBCI attorney general, said all the discussion on term limits and staggered terms is best left to ongoing discussions on the constitution. “The staggered terms, term limits – those would necessitate changes to the Charter. Personally, I think it’s best to combine them all into one effort. That makes the most sense...it’s less likely to create any kind of cross-threading of the issues.”

In addition to removing the three referendum questions from September’s ballot, Res. No. 627

also speaks to the future of the development of an EBCI constitution. “...one or more constitutional conventions shall be held in the future under rules and procedures to be developed by an equal number of delegates, not to exceed two delegates plus an alternate, from and for the Legislative Branch, from and for the Executive Branch, from and for the Judicial Branch, from and for the Community Club Council, and from and for Tribal member young adults who are 18-25 years of age.”

It adds, “The authority for drafting the constitution shall be vested in the delegates to the constitutional convention identified above, who will also cause a legal review to be performed prior to submission of a proposed constitution to Tribal Council for referendum.”




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Council approves ordinance change allowing community Bingo

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

CHEROKEE, N.C. – Earlier this year, a community Bingo game scheduled by the Office of Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed was cancelled due it being deemed illegal. During its regular session on Thursday, July 13, Tribal Council passed an ordinance which changes the law making community Bingo legal on lands of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI).

Council passed Ord. No. 595 (2023), submitted by the EBCI Office of the Attorney General, unanimously by all present (Paint-town Rep. Dike Sneed was absent.)

During discussion on the legislation, Michael McConnell, EBCI attorney general, comment-

ed, “Community clubs and tribal offices historically have conducted Bingo games to build good will, cohesion, try to support a family in need...within the last six months, somebody raised an issue about that saying ‘hey, it’s the Tribal Gaming Commission that’s responsible for policing community Bingo and unless you have permission from Tribal Gaming Commission (TGC) you could get in trouble.”

“This (Ord. No. 595) would allow community Bingo games by Community Clubs and tribal government offices and officials.”

Ord. No. 595 amends Cherokee Code Section 16 adding a section (Sec. 16-1.05B) on Community Bingo and states that no cash prizes will be allowed and

sets a cap of \$250 on the value of prizes given.

In discussing the legislation, Attorney General McConnell noted, “This is the minimum approach. I did share an earlier draft with Michael Gross, advisor to the TGC. He responded with comments and with a much more elaborate approach to this that included some things that I chose not to include because I thought they were barriers that the community would not accept such as if you wanted to do a community Bingo game you would have to get a permit from TGC and pay a fee. And, there would be certain reporting requirements. All of those things do build to a very effective ordinance, but I thought that those would be too cumbersome for the community and so I chose this more modest approach.”

Gross confirmed stating, “We worked very closely on this, and I think the substitute you have in front of you will certainly allow community Bingo to continue to take place. And, I think it would benefit the community by being put on by the community organizations...the way that we worked to draft this legislation, the TGC wouldn’t have any regulatory authority over it at all. It would just be put on by the community centers so TGC doesn’t have a

problem with the way the substitute language is drafted at all.”

Wolftown Rep. Mike Parker inquired during the discussion if Community Club officials have to be present to conduct a game that is a benefit for an outside party.

Attorney General McConnell responded, “I suppose the Community Club could arrange for somebody else to do it, but the Community Club would be on the hook for making sure that the other limitations in the ordinance are complied with.”

The issue arose following a memorandum written by Gross on Feb. 9 stating, “...the activity described is Bingo, a Class II gaming activity, and is unlawful for the public to engage in without being properly licensed and regulated by the TGC.”

In cancelling the above-mentioned event in March, Chief Sneed released a statement, “My office was presented with a letter from the Tribal Gaming Commission regarding the community Bingo events and Bingo fundraisers. Per TGC, Bingo is legally classified as an example of Class II gaming in Cherokee Code Sec. 16-1(g)...”

Ord. No. 595 will become law following ratification by Chief Sneed.

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.

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Falgout, Tommy James – age 40
Arrested: July 3
Released: July 3
Charges: Temporary Hold for Swain Co.

Burgess, Ronald C. – age 29
Arrested: July 4
Released: July 4
Charges: Temporary Hold for Jackson Co.

Ensley, William Nathaniel – age 45
Arrested: July 4
Released: July 4
Charges: Driving While Impaired

Holiday, Siah Kenyon – age 21
Arrested: July 4
Released: Not released as of report date (July 10)
Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedule I-V, Probation Violation

Jordan, Shawanda N. – age 29
Arrested: July 4
Released: July 4
Charges: Temporary Hold for Jackson Co.

Thompson, Homer Lee – age 36
Arrested: July 4
Released: Not released as of report date (July 10)
Charges: Order for Arreset

Copeland, Hilton – age 35
Arrested: July 5
Released: July 5
Charges: Possession of a Stolen Vehicle

Kicklighter, Alicia Nicole – age 42
Arrested: July 5
Released: July 5
Charges: Temporary Hold for Jackson Co.

Cox, Kelsey Renea – age 20
Arrested: July 6
Released: July 7
Charges: Resisting, Delaying, or Obstructing Officers

Swift, William Cody – age 28
Arrested: July 6
Released: July 7
Charges: Resisting, Delaying, or Obstructing Officers; Larceny; Breaking and Entering

George, Elicio Sanchez – age 26
Arrested: July 7
Released: Not released as of report date (July 10)
Charges: Probation Violation

Parker, Mystical – age 52
Arrested: July 8
Released: Not released as of report date (July 10)
Charges: Communicating Threats

Long Jr., David – age 44
Arrested: July 9
Released: Not released as of report date (July 10)
Charges: Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court

Sparks, Brandon Steve – age 33
Arrested: July 9
Released: July 9
Charges: Second Degree Trespass

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

**Info: Warren Dupree 508-2657
David McQueen 736-9572**



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Dr. Harlan receives prestigious CIHA Award

Dr. Victoria Harlan, center in first photo, was presented the 2023 Lula Owl Gloyne Person of Excellence Award by the Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority (CIHA) during Reports to Tribal Council on the morning of Wednesday, July 12. Recently retired, Dr. Harlan has served as the nurse manager of CIHA's Emergency Room for the past 13 years. She received her doctorate degree in nursing leadership/education from Western Carolina University, was named the N.C. Emergency Nurses Association ER Manager of the Year in 2016, and received CIHA's Hayes Award in 2012. Dr. Harlan is shown in the first photo with Casey Cooper, CIHA chief executive officer, left, and Sarah Wachacha, CIHA employee and granddaughter of Beloved Woman Lula Owl Gloyne. In the second photo, Dr. Harlan is shown with Tribal Council, left to right, as follows: front row – Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle, Dr. Harlan, Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy, Tribal Council Chairman Richard French; middle row – Painttown Rep. Michael Stamper, Cherokee Co. – Snowbird Rep. Bucky Brown, Cherokee Co. – Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha, Yellowhill Rep. David Wolfe; back row – Wolfstown Rep. Mike Parker, Wolfstown Rep. Andrew Oocumma, Tribal Council Vice Chairman Albert Rose, and Yellowhill Rep. T.W. Saunooke. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)





Lambert honored upon retirement after 40 years of service

Kimlyn Sneed Lambert, right, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, was honored during Reports to Tribal Council on the morning of Wednesday, July 12 for her over 40 years of service to the Tribe. She recently retired as executive director of VOC (Vocational Opportunities of Cherokee) Inc. Lambert worked in various positions over the years including over two decades with the EBCI Higher Education & Training Division. In the first photo, Dolores Maney, VOC Inc. Board of Directors chairperson, presents Lambert with a blanket marking her retirement. In the second photo, Lambert poses with Tribal Council. They are shown, left to right, front row – Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle, Lambert, Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy, Tribal Council Chairman Richard French; second row – Cherokee Co. – Snowbird Rep. Bucky Brown, Cherokee Co. – Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha, Yellowhill Rep. David Wolfe; third row – Wolftown Rep. Mike Parker, Painttown Rep. Michael Stamper, Yellowhill Rep. T.W. Saunooke; back row – Wolftown Rep. Andrew Oocumma and Tribal Council Vice Chairman Albert Rose.

(SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)



Hōkioi me te Vwōhali



Photos credit – Matt Grace (Courtesy of New Zealand Festival of the Arts) and dancers: Exhale Dance Tribe and Ōkāreka Dance Company

Performance, Thursday, November 9 at the WCU Bardo Arts Center in Cullowhee, NC

A collaborative project about the whakapapa between the Hōkioi (Haast Eagle (NZ) ext. 1400) and the Vwōhali (Golden Eagle, Cherokee). This work connects two peoples, two nations, two countries and two dance companies from either sides of the world, to celebrate the lives of these two illustrious birds. The Hōkioi and the Vwōhali are revered by both their native cultures as the 'Messengers to the Heavens', and therefore it is with pride that this project honours them.

Hōkioi, the 'Tuakana' or older sibling, that dominated the skies of Aotearoa and the Vwōhali, the 'Teina' (younger sibling) that lives in the USA., are brought to life through stories, myths and legends influenced by waiata (song), karakia (incantations) and haka (dance), – traditions of storytelling felt through modern technology of today's society – bringing the old and the new into the future.

The performance was choreographed by Taiaroa Royal, Missy Hubbard and Andrew Hubbard.

How to get tickets will be announced as soon as that is known.

Tribal Leadership a Colossal Responsibility

"Tribal business within the Eastern Band is serious business. There were many decisions to make in dealing with tribal sovereignty, with the United States government giving the tribes the authority to determine their own destiny. This is unlike the old days when the Agency Superintendent, as I had heard, used the Principal Chief as a janitor in the Agency office and made all the major decisions that affected the Eastern Band's way of life."

- Chief Youngdeer

Source: *Memoirs of Robert Youngdeer*



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Alternative Classroom

Sometimes the freedom of a traditional high school schedule can be tempting. If a student needs more structure to promote better decisions for a temporary period of time, the alternative classroom may be a good placement. This setting can be utilized from 5 days to an entire semester.

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25 years at the One Feather

Scott McKie Brings Plenty, Cherokee One Feather assistant editor, celebrated a major career milestone at Tribal Council during Wednesday's announcements. July 20, 2023 marks 25 years of service for him to the community at the Cherokee One Feather. He was presented an award and certificate signed by Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley, Tribal Council Chairman Richard French, and Cherokee One Feather Editor Robert Jumper. Jumper said, "Scott is a man of integrity and is constantly striving for journalistic excellence." Shown, left to right, front row – Robert Jumper, One Feather editor; Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle; Scott McKie Brings Plenty, One Feather assistant editor; Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy; Tribal Council Chairman Richard French; Sally Davis, One Feather subscription clerk; middle row – Painttown Rep. Michael Stamper, Cherokee Co. – Snowbird Rep. Bucky Brown; Cherokee Co. – Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha; Yellowhill Rep. David Wolfe; back row – Wolfstown Rep. Mike Parker; Wolfstown Rep. Andrew Oocumma; Tribal Council Vice Chairman Albert Rose; and Yellowhill Rep. T.W. Saunooke. (DAWN ARNEACH/One Feather photo)

theonefeather.com is a
great resource for all
EBCI-related links

See the "LINKS" button at
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listing of website links to
various tribal entities and
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Phone Numbers for Cherokee elders

Cherokee Indian Hospital main line
497-9163

Tsali Manor - contact is Debbie West
359-6291 or 736-3950

**HELP (Handicapped, Elderly Living
Program) -**
contact is Stephanie Welch
359-6638

HIP (Home Improvement Program) -
contact is Cindi Squirrel
359-5520 or 507-7748

**Congregate, Homebound Meals,
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359-6290

**Heat Assistance/Emergency
Assistance** - contact is Krisna Ashe
359-6294 or 421-7364

EBCI Home Health/Home Care
497-9163 (ask for nurse on call)

EBCI Domestic Violence
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EBCI Emergency Fuel Assistance
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Cherokee Immediate Care Clinic
554-5555

DaVita Cherokee Dialysis Center
497-6866

Snowbird Senior numbers
James Jones, Snowbird site supervisor,
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Samantha Teesateskie, Senior Services co-
ordinator, 346-6745

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John Welch Senior Center main line
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**Cherokee Boy's Club Elder Fuel
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contact is Donnie Owle 736-7612



CHEROKEE GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Onsite visitation to begin again at Justice Center

Onsite visitation to begin again at the Anthony Edward Lossiah Justice Center on Monday, July 10. Visitation will be 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. as follows: (excluding holidays and administrative leave days for on-site visitation).

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.

Visitors under the age of 18 not accompanied by a parent may not be a visitor and visitors who leave children unattended and without supervision on facility property shall be denied visitation. Children must be supervised by adult parents or caretakers always while on facility property.

- o Must arrive at scheduled visitation hours, unless otherwise 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.

Offsite visitation

Go to www.icsolutions.com from any Internet enabled device to login or create a new account

- Select Register for Visitation

- Enter facility name

- Enter inmates name/ID number

- Select your relationship to inmate

- Fill in all required fields

- Click register

- Cherokee Indian Police Dept.

THANK YOU LETTERS

Yogi Crowe thank you letter

I would like to thank the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund for selecting me to be a recipient for the Summer 2023 semester. It's been an honor to continue having the support of this committee since the Spring 2023 semester. This scholarship has provided the extra assistance I've needed while completing my graduate program, the Master of Physiology program at NC State University, which I complete in August. Since my acceptance into East Carolina University School of Dental Medicine's Class of 2027, I have had to rush

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to finish my master's degree. Finishing a two-year program in less than a year has been challenging, and I would not have been able to do it without this scholarship and support of the committee. Thanks to the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund, my transition into dental school has been significantly less daunting, and I am looking forward to their continued support as I begin my journey this fall. Sgi!

Madisyn French

NATIONAL PARK NEWS

Park announces upcoming North Carolina road construction funded by the Great American Outdoors Act

GATLINBURG, Tenn.—Great Smoky Mountains National Park is using nearly \$19 million in funding from the Great American Out-

doors Act to reconstruct Lakeview Drive and repair Heintooga Ridge Road this summer.

"We are pleased to have this opportunity to rehabilitate and extend the life of some of our roads in North Carolina, in particular Lakeview Drive," said Deputy Superintendent Alan Sumeriski. "Funds from the Great American Outdoors Act will allow us to make critical repairs and improve access to popular park destinations in North Carolina."

The Federal Highway Administration awarded the \$18,742,587 construction contract to Bryant's Land and Development Industries of Burnsville, N.C., \$15,681,860 of which is for Lakeview Drive reconstruction. Lakeview Drive road work will require a full closure for 90 days, starting later this summer. Work will include

the complete reconstruction of the 6.5-mile-long road, replacement of all guardrails, construction of ADA accessible parking spaces, new road signs, drainage repair and other miscellaneous work. To prepare for the full closure later this summer, the contractor requires temporary single-lane closures with flaggers July 13 and 14. Construction dates will be announced in the coming weeks. Hikers and visitors will not be able to access the Noland Creek Trail, Lakeshore Trail, Goldmine Loop Trail, Benton MacKaye Trail, or Lakeview Drive Tunnel from the road during the closure. Access to the cemeteries along Lakeview Drive will be available for anyone planning a Decoration Day. The contract also includes \$3,060,726 for Bryant's to repair Heintooga Ridge Road. Work will be complete by September 30 and includes roadway patching, crack

sealing and an asphalt pavement preservation overlay. The road will be open during construction, but temporary travel delays are possible. Visitors can access Balsam Mountain Campground, a picnic area, and numerous hiking trails from Heintooga Ridge Road.

The Great American Outdoors Act, supported by revenue from energy development, provides funding to make significant enhancements in national parks and other public lands to ensure their preservation and provide opportunities for recreation, education, and enjoyment for current and future visitors. The Great American Outdoors Act, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, and other construction funding sources are part of a concerted effort to address the extensive maintenance backlog in national parks.

- National Park Service release

OBITUARIES JH&FR

Darlene Lossiah

Darlene Lossiah, known to everyone as Squinnie, passed away on Saturday, July 8, 2023.

She graduated from Cherokee High School in 1973 and was a proud Lady Brave basketball player. She worked for many years as a teacher's aide in the Cherokee school system where she worked and cared for many children. After retirement from the school system, she was a caretaker for her mother and other family. She was a member of Old Antioch Baptist Church where she loved attending. She was known for her sense of humor and love for her big family.

She is preceded in death by her father, Eli Jonas Lossiah; mother, Merle Crowe Lossiah; maternal grandparents, Albert and Regina Crowe; one brother, Jason "Crowbar" Crow; a nephew, Desmond "Dez" Crowe; and husband, Johny Bird.

She is survived by her sister, Charlotte Woochie George; brothers, Bunsey Crowe and Danny Crowe; nephews, Aaron, AJ, Eli, Gabe, Aiden, Fabian Crowe; niece, Brooke Lossiah; and many friends, cousins and extended family.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, July 11 at Antioch Baptist Church with Bear Lambert officiating. Burial was in the Crowes Family Cemetery immediately following the funeral.

Pallbearers were her nephews and family.



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

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

2020-2022 complaints and reports

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

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Source: Better Business Bureau



The industry

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Source: American Resort Development Association (ARDA)

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- Claim ownership is an investment

Timeshare exits companies

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COMMENTARY

So, we will not decide.

By ROBERT JUMPER
One Feather Editor

The Tribal Council has spoken. Even if the Chief were to veto proposed Resolution 627, which was initiated by the Office of the Attorney General to rescind Resolution 559 (2023), the margin of the weighted vote needed to override is there. For good measure, the Attorney General

included Resolutions 11 (2021) and 150 (2022), because he stated in his proposed resolution, “this combination of resolutions create (sic) the possibility of confusion at the ballot box and could produce conflicting results.” He based his assumption, I’m assuming, on the fact that Res. 11 and 150 were authorizing referendum questions about Tribal Council term limits, staggered terms, and extended terms, which are also addressed in the now-defunct constitution.

The Tribal Council did that which is perfectly within their rights to do under the Charter and Cherokee Code. Actually, it is what

they are charged to do, which is analyze and make decisions. It is literally what we elected them to do. They met to discuss the faults and merits of the legislation and acted accordingly. I, and you, have a right to be happy, sad, glad, or angry at the decision itself, but you can’t fault the representatives for basically doing their jobs. It is easy to play armchair quarterback when you ain’t on the field facing the defensive line (I am now imagining the shock of my colleagues that I made a sports analogy-inside joke). Of course, it has taken me a good 24 hours of reflection to move away from “sad, angry” and

I am working my way back toward “happy, glad”.

Unlike some, I can only speak for one Indian. I did not act on behalf of the One Feather, just a Snowbird voter and enrolled member. Until I retire or am relieved of my duties, I will be editor, but I did not submit the legislation under my authority with the paper. Surely, I was the one who brought in Resolution 11, which required the support of at least one Tribal Council member for me to not have to go through the lengthy process of petitioning to have a Charter change considered. Yes, that is legal. You can look it up in

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the Code. Chairman French was kind enough to allow me to go into the Chambers with the resolution to see if anyone would like to put their name on it. Representatives Teresa McCoy and Albert Rose initially signed on as presenting Council members with the resolution. More representatives added their names to the proposed resolution as the discussion went on, and at the end of the discussion, no one was in descension regarding taking the questions of extended terms, staggered terms, and term limits to the people for a decision.

Even my friend and late Paint-town Council Representative Tommye Saunooke, who was very open with her opposition to the concept of term limits for her seat, voted yes, and said, as I stood at the podium, "I am against term limits, but I support the right of the people to make that decision on a referendum question." Friendly or not, Tommye had no problem telling you when she disagreed with you and voting against you when she thought it was appropriate. In the case of Resolution 11, she decided that even though she didn't agree with the concept of term limits, she did agree that the people she represented had the right to speak and choose on that option.

And as bright as I like to think I am (just kidding), I was not the originator of the idea of asking for term questions on behalf of the tribal government. In fact, many years prior, several Tribal Council members had mentioned that they thought changes to the term structure were a good idea, as did many community members. Some proposed legislation had been discussed and tabled over the years. I thought, as a tribal member, it was a good idea with benefits for both

the representatives and the community. Longer terms would give representatives time to see more projects and initiatives to a conclusion. Staggered terms would assist with the continuity of government. And term limits would provide an avenue for new and fresh ideas to enter the system. During the Lambert administration, Tribal Council passed changes to the Code effectively setting term limits for the Executive Branch of our government. It seemed a natural progression to do so at the Legislative level.

That day, Resolution 11 passed unanimously and was signed into law. Later, the Election Board worked on the language of the referendum questions to make them clearer, and more well-defined to the voters. This was done by a member of the Attorney General's office who is assigned to the Election Board. Represented at Resolution 150, again the questions were unanimously approved by the Tribal Council and ratified by the Principal Chief.

You can't help but get a little excited at the prospect of changing tribal history for the good. Even though it wasn't my original idea, I felt like I was taking part in an incredible process and contributing to the tribal community in a way that I had not before. I started trying to promote and educate on the benefits of these term changes, spending over a year after the resolution was ratified creating public service announcements and writing explanatory commentary. The questions on a ballot are necessarily simple, basically yes/no questions. And the term questions boiled down to; are you, tribal member, in favor of extending the terms of tribal council member from two to four years, staggering those terms so that both council

members from a community won't be up for election at the same time, and do you want terms to be limited to four consecutive four-year terms? Even for those who believe we are undereducated and have a lack of discernment, these are simple questions with really big benefits.

I noted as the discussion went on in the Chambers concerning 627, folks were watching the proceeding via a Facebook page and commenting on the process. One person posted, "Why the rush on the term questions? We will be taking up a constitution in a couple of years. It can wait till then." I guess I need to refresh my memory on what a "rush" is since this had been approved for the ballot, legally, since 2021. The origin of the quote is widely disputed, but not its meaning- "The definition of folly is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results." So, I guess if one is happy with the status quo, there really is no rush at all.

My concern is not whether one side or the other on the issue of a constitution or term changes is right or wrong. My issue is with the fact that during the process, voters were characterized as un- or undereducated and not smart enough to decipher either the implications or the language of a referendum question. And so, instead of making a case for or against it at the ballot box, the right to choose was removed from the people. Would we have voted, yes? We will never know. Would we have voted, no? Who knows. But at the least, we should have been able to decide. Based on the "not smart enough to choose" theory, should we even be allowed to choose our elected officials? Thank you, Constitution Committee and Community Club Council,

for attempting to take us from a business charter with no civil rights built-in, one that identifies us as enrolled members and does not recognize us as citizens, to a document that replaces privileges with rights and establishes a foundation for citizen governance. Whoever takes up the challenge of creating a constitution for our tribe that provides those things that should be inalienable rights, will have big shoes to fill. They will find that in the four years of work ahead of them, they will face the challenge of educating a public and a legal system that is sometimes not very attentive or responsive, even to "the most important document in the history of our tribe." There may be unintended consequences if the ball is dropped again.

So, community, I still have faith in our election process and elected leadership. While you will not be addressing any governance questions on the ballot, you do have one implied right in the existing Charter and that is your ability to vote. Whether you are an enrolled member in downtown Cherokee or Timbuktu, you have the right to vote. Register if you haven't already and exercise that right. Get an absentee ballot if you can't be here. There will be early voting dates with at least one poll open for weeks of in-person voting. For specific questions on how to register and vote visit <https://ebci.com/government/election-board/> or contact the Election Board at 828-359-6361 and 6362. Remember, no matter where you are in this world, if you are enrolled in the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, you are member of this community. Use your existing right, your responsibility, to vote in the 2023 elections.

COMMENTARY

Addressing allegations against medical cannabis project

Note: This letter to the community, dated Monday, July 10, was provided to the One Feather for publication.

Dear EBCI community,

I am writing to you as the Chairwoman of the Qualla Enterprises, LLC Board of Managers. We are united in this response. Four of us are enrolled EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) members and all of us are members of the Western North Carolina community. Tribal leadership has tasked us with over-

seeing and managing the historic EBCI medical cannabis project, and we have embraced that challenge with the diligence and zeal that each of us puts into our professional careers.

Qualla Enterprises operates consistently with the laws of the EBCI and is entirely owned by the EBCI for the benefit of enrolled members. Since beginning operations last year, Qualla Enterprises has made remarkable strides despite significant obstacles. It is poised to begin retail sales while following best practices in cultivation, corporate governance, and Tribal oversight, all while honoring its financial commitment from the EBCI.

In recent weeks, false and unsubstantiated allegations have been made in the press and on social media regarding the business

operations of Qualla Enterprises. These accusations are not rooted in truth. These accusations are disappointing and harmful to the reputation of Qualla Enterprises, its employees, and the Tribe, its sole shareholder.

Adhering to the Cherokee Code, all of Qualla Enterprises' corporate information is made available to Tribal Council as they see fit. Qualla Enterprises is currently undergoing an audit of its finances according to certified accounting standards with an expertise in medical cannabis. Qualla Enterprises has even presented reports to the community via the Cherokee One Feather, as we know that it is extremely important that everyone understands where this start-up business stands. When the EBCI makes an investment of this magnitude, Qualla Enterprises

recognizes how important it is that the people understand how it directly affects them and the financial standing of the Tribe.

Just over a week ago, Qualla provided updated and detailed financials, projections, and other important data about the cannabis project to Tribal Council as well as to the Principal Chief's office. These financials detail the entirety of Qualla Enterprises' spending down to the last penny. The associated financial projections and budgeting detail the plans for Qualla Enterprises' spending over the next several months to ensure that we maximize its profitability in a fiscally responsible manner. This information is available at: Quallallc.com.

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workers (67 employees total, 73 percent are enrolled members), it is important for the community to understand where these funds are being used and where future investments would be made.

There is too much misinformation surrounding this project in the community. This information hinders Qualla Enterprises and is detrimental to enrolled members. As the Board, our duties are only to the success of the cannabis project and to the generations of Cherokee people who stand to benefit from the tremendous economic and societal opportunities this cannabis project brings.

We will never stop working as hard as we can to make this project successful. The future of our people deserves as much.

Thank you for your attention.

Carolyn R. West

Qualla Enterprises, LLC
Board of Managers

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Tribal member opposes proposed constitution

To My Tribe,

With the passing of the 4th of July, I am reminded of what the 4th is supposed to mean. It is supposed to be a day that symbolizes independence, but this is complicated in Indian Country, because

it really represents the freedom of the US from Britain, and the United States has not always been good to us. The upcoming vote on the proposed Constitution directly impacts our freedom as Cherokee people. I implore both the Tribal Council and the people of this Tribe to carefully consider the consequences of adopting this document, which fundamentally undermines the rights and well-being of its citizens.

I support tribal sovereignty, which is why I urge our elected officials to remove the constitution as proposed from September's ballot. If the Constitution as presented does appear on the ballot in September, I will be voting no because it is simply not ready. Here are three reasons why.

In its current form, the Constitution threatens our individual liberties as tribal members. First, tribal members are losing their right to pass a life estate to their non-enrolled spouse or first descendant children. The proposed constitution's Article XII reads "...no person shall be entitled to own a possessory holding in any lands belonging to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians unless such person shall be a citizen of the Tribe." This provision changes our long-held practices and leads me to wonder where this land would go if these groups of people could no longer hold it. Would the Tribe reclaim it? Who will decide?

Second, the proposed Consti-

tution weakens tribal sovereignty. This is disappointing considering the lengths the U.S. government has gone to erase and eradicate our people and our culture. Our nation should be built on respect for this rich cultural heritage and protect the inherent rights of all its citizens rather than eroding tribal sovereignty. Article VIII, Section 2 of the proposed Constitution requires all elected officials to take an oath of office that includes their vow to "...protect and defend the Constitution of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the Constitution of the United States..." (emphasis added). How can a nation be sovereign if its leaders and judges swear to protect another country's Constitution? When read legally, it would mean that we must follow all of the laws of the United States, which means we are then not sovereign.

Another troubling aspect of the Constitution is its treatment of community clubs. The proposed constitution's Article IV, Section 2 requires tribal council candidates: "...must be an active member as described in the bylaws of the relevant community club..." The transformation of community clubs into political entities raises concerning implications for their efficacy as private organizations dedicated to community welfare. By introducing politics into their framework, their ability to function as efficient private clubs is fundamentally hindered. Additionally, this polit-

ical involvement opens doors to potential corruption at the community club level. This means that the leaders of community clubs get to decide who is an active member and could permanently prevent someone from getting on the ballot by changing their community club's membership requirements. Our community clubs have an incredibly important role in our tribal community, but they have never been intended to be political in nature. Upholding the principles of free and fair elections is crucial in preserving the integrity of democracy and ensuring that community clubs can fulfill their essential role as pillars of community engagement.

These are only three major problems with the Constitution as presented. I implore every one of you to educate yourselves on the true implications of the proposed Constitution and its impact on our lives. Exercise your right to vote and stand against this document that threatens our tribal government's ability to govern properly.

Let us unite in our commitment to safeguarding the Cherokee values that have made our nation great. Let our voices be heard as we reject a constitution that erodes our rights, hampers our sovereignty, and undermines the values of our society.

In the spirit of democracy and justice,

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With God, we can 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

What one should now be seeing is what God has begun doing for them. One must realize He's hoping to get each person just to speak to others concerning Himself, His Glory, and His Power. When having boasted of these to their own friends or acquaintances, of Him, His Glory and Power, one may begin to see Him as Someone Who can work, and will do so, in anyone's life, even their own!

As a person boasts of God's Glory and of His Power now residing within their own life, others told of His Goodness can and should begin to really see Him there. Not just seeing HIM as the GOD WITHIN, the person they know, and can fully trust, now knows Him. The fact that the person's life has been changed is seen and is what truly can happen within their own self! Ask, Is that what a person can feel, see, and know now? Each person should now seek that answer...A person's life can become the Boast of God, with him/her declaring how Good He is.

Trust God when nobody seems to have loved a person, God does. When anyone has seemed not to be redeemable, God redeemed us. When others have said one was of no account and were ready to throw them away, God said, "I've got a use for them, and they are going to bring Glory to the Kingdom of God." Amen.

Explained Pastor Tim, "I now see when I go through things in my life, I realize they are just for the 'Boast of God'! Amen. Because, in the end, I'm going to say, 'God did this.' 'God brought me through. God brought me through, and I went on about my merry way. "

He added, "Has one ever seen an unloved tree? The kind that bends this way and that way and is just plain ugly, and nothing about them is going to be good except to be used as

firewood? Aren't we glad He didn't call us to be one of those ugly things?

Joyce Kilmer wrote the poem, "I think that I shall never see a poem as lovely as a tree..." The trees of North Carolina, which belong to this only stand of virgin (uncut, un-harvested, unburnt trees) are now Joyce Kilmer Memorial Forest, near Robbinsville, NC.

Pastor added, "Now, I've seen some ugly trees and some beautiful ones. But the Lord has said, "I've called you to be Trees of Righteousness." I also realized that if a tree is not protected and drought comes, it may not have survived, and today is now left still standing. They grew and grew stronger and when storms came, they survived and when the sun beat down on them, they survived, and when the rains fell, they survived.

He continued, "Trees of Righteousness are to be like these trees, and they are still to be producing fruit. They may be called out when they don't produce more fruit. But, when they produce fruit, they become such beautiful trees that everybody notices. They are trees that stand out in a forest of trees that someone has

cared about and loved them.

"I came by to tell people that all trees of righteousness are to work like these. Though winds blow and the rains fall, it might bend one over just a little. When it's over, it always stands right back upwards. I know that some of you people have been through hell, and I came to tell people that it was just a pruning. Allow the sun to shine on you still. Allow Him to allow that one to come to a place where we all may bear much fruit. With so much 'sun righteousness' and after trees get bigger, is when the deer come along and just go around it. It grew and grew and when the storms came, it survived, when the sun beat down on it, it survived. When the drought came, it survived and today is still standing. Trees of Righteousness need to 'throw their branches upwards and give the Lord a Praise that declares, 'I made it through another one.' I know it was supposed to take me out, but I'm still here. But there's a God in Heaven Who has watched over us and kept us all and brought us to this place where we can stand. Lift your hands and give Glory to the Lord God. Amen.



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*Whoever of you loves life and
desires to see many good days,
keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from telling lies.
Turn from evil and do good;
seek peace and pursue it.*

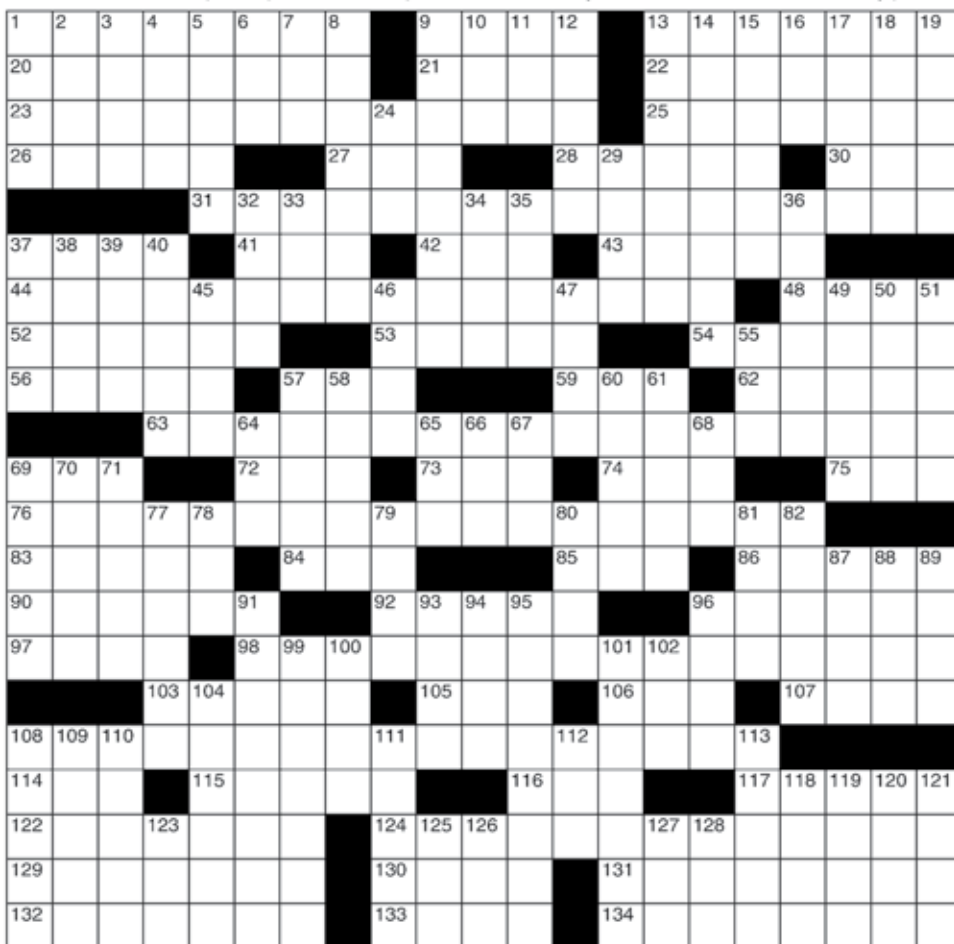
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"Study of a woman's head" by Leonardo da Vinci (1490)

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Compositions of a classical tradition
- 9 Financial: Abbr.
- 13 Toddler girl, to Scots
- 20 16th-century Spanish explorer
- 21 Wind quintet instrument
- 22 Ancient French region
- 23 Low-value red card
- 25 Dangerous current
- 26 20-ounce Starbucks drink
- 27 Body design, for short
- 28 Transmission repair chain
- 30 Adult fellows
- 31 Witches in "Macbeth"
- 37 Apple choice
- 41 Sculling item
- 42 Suffix with Midwest
- 43 Rose petal oil
- 44 1992 Tony nominee for Best Musical
- 48 Seniors' org.
- 52 Tricky pitch
- 53 Big fad
- 54 Pet allergy source
- 56 From days of yore
- 57 Luggage screeners' org.
- 59 Univ. dorm overseers
- 62 Listerine competitor
- 63 Oedipus-themed Aeschylus play
- 69 A-E linkup
- 72 Docs' gp.
- 73 Herr's "one"
- 74 Hanks of "Big"
- 75 Raised trains
- 76 Instrument players gifted in a Christmas song
- 83 Log house
- 84 Bullring shout
- 85 Some RNs work in them
- 86 Make ecstatic
- 90 Figure skater Yamaguchi
- 92 "Jack Sprat could — fat"
- 96 Aquarium bed material
- 97 Fabled snow beast
- 98 Virginia and Georgia were part of them
- 103 Pried (around)
- 105 Meal crumb
- 106 Raw metal
- 107 Title for Judi Dench
- 108 Hearst bimonthly with beauty and dating tips
- 114 Former U.K. record co.
- 115 Fake
- 116 Muhammad of the ring
- 117 Feudal lord
- 122 Be averse to
- 124 What the starts of the longest answers in this puzzle are?
- 129 One making modifications
- 130 Helper
- 131 Homer with nobody on
- 132 Straightens up
- 133 Red-ink entry
- 134 Upper layers of fertile earth
- DOWN**
- 1 Shakespeare play ending
- 2 T. — Price
- 3 Disney sci-fi film of 1982
- 4 Not worth debating
- 5 Not qualified
- 6 Feeling blue
- 7 Cruel Amin
- 8 People painting, e.g.
- 9 Shoes and boots
- 10 Arabic for "son of"
- 11 Lay turf on
- 12 Romero of "Batman"
- 13 Grows fond of
- 14 Drew forth
- 15 Wife, to Juan
- 16 Back muscle, for short
- 17 "One Day at —" (sitcom)
- 18 Supply — (certain economist)
- 19 Camille Saint- —
- 24 Alluring West
- 29 Eve's partner
- 32 60 minutes
- 33 Solar beam
- 34 Witty Bombeck
- 35 Don Juan's mother
- 36 Seance state
- 37 "In case that's true ..."
- 38 Place for grist
- 39 Rah-rah
- 40 Surrenders
- 45 Heredity unit
- 46 University sports org.
- 47 Actress Laura
- 49 Casa brick
- 50 Drive away
- 51 The "P" of AP
- 55 Hearth refuse
- 57 Score speed
- 58 Escargot
- 60 Moving
- 61 Doesn't go on
- 64 Moving truck
- 65 Grand opening?
- 66 Inspired stuff
- 67 Electees, e.g.
- 68 "Eww, no more!" in a text message
- 69 Mark Twain's Thatcher
- 70 Writer — Boothe Luce
- 71 Red-ink entry
- 77 Brand for sore eyes
- 78 Doc using an otoscope
- 79 Look intently
- 80 Menial worker
- 81 Detective Wolfe
- 82 Thyroid, e.g.
- 87 Sports shoe brand
- 88 Overbrim
- 89 Otherwise
- 91 "Someone's already claimed that seat"
- 93 Proton holder
- 94 Prefix with byte
- 95 Tennis, volleyball and badminton
- 96 Narrow valley
- 99 Dogs closely following their owners
- 100 15th of the month, maybe
- 101 Most snug
- 102 "... — quit!" (threat ender)
- 104 Blazing
- 108 Roomy auto
- 109 Novelist Zola
- 110 Lookout view
- 111 Kathmandu's nation
- 112 Heady drink
- 113 "Tickle Me" dolls
- 118 — facto
- 119 K thru 12
- 120 Earth science subj.
- 121 Guesses on costs: Abbr.
- 123 Allow to
- 125 Grande opening?
- 126 Age-verifying docs.
- 127 Failing tic-tac-toe row
- 128 Lofty peak



See answers on page 22

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

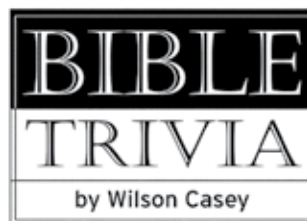
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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1. Is the book of Zechariah in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. In 2 Peter 3:3, what shall come in the last days walking after their own lusts? *Politicians, Scoffers, Fools, Serpents*
3. What was the hometown village of Jeremiah, a biblical book author? *Anathoth, Neapolis, Patara, Sodom*
4. From Genesis 14, what city was Melchizedek the king of? *Nineveh, Salem, Jericho, Rome*
5. In Matthew 27, what position of authority did Pontius Pilate hold? *Doctor, Governor, Saint, Pharaoh*
6. From Genesis 4:9, who asked, "Am I my brother's keeper"? *Joseph, Cain, Abel, Seth*

Hardcore trivia fan? Visit Wilson Casey's subscriber site at www.patreon.com/triviaguy.

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1. TELEVISION: Which "Star Wars" character did Tina Fey dress as in the sitcom "30 Rock" to avoid jury duty?
2. GEOGRAPHY: What is the largest desert in Africa?
3. HISTORY: Who was the first American to win a Nobel Prize?
4. ANATOMY: Where in the body is blood produced?
5. MOVIES: Which movie features a theme song titled "Dueling Banjos"?
6. U.S. STATES: Which state was the first to make same-sex marriage legal?
7. SCIENCE: Where did the first manned spacecraft land on the moon?
8. LITERATURE: Which 20th-century Southern novel features a character named Frankie Addams?
9. MUSIC: What is the first movie that featured the singer Elvis?
10. AD SLOGANS: Which company's slogan once was "At the corner of happy and healthy"?

EVENTS

BENEFITS/FUNDRAISERS

Cherokee Speakers Council and CLMAP Hot Dog Benefit.

July 21 at 11:30 a.m. at the Speakers Modular Building located at the old Cherokee High School site. All proceeds will go towards a learner who was a victim of a recent flash flood. Lunch will be \$10 and will include two hot dogs (with chili and/or slaw), baked beans, chips, two cookies, and a drink. There will also be a bake sale on site.

Turkey Shoot. July 22 at 3 p.m. at the Jesse Welch Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community. Benefit fundraiser for Jesse Welch Jr. and family. Good food, good fun, great prizes, great 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

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.

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 Community 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 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 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, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI). Sewing machines will be provided.

Puzzle Answers

Super Crossword

Answers

ARTMUSIC	FISC	WHEELASS
CORONADO	OBOE	ALSATIA
TWOOFDIAMONDS	RIPTIDE	
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THREEWEIRDS	SISTERS	
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FIVEGUYS	NAMEDMOE	AARP
SLIDER	CRAZE	DANDER
OLDEN	TSA	RAS SCOPE
SEVENAGAINST	THEBES	
BCD	AMA	EIN TOM ELS
ELEVENPI	PERSPIPING	
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Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Scoffers; 3) Anathoth; 4) Salem; 5) Governor; 6) Cain

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- Answers
1. Princess Leia
 2. The Sahara
 3. President Theodore Roosevelt, Peace Prize
 4. Bone marrow
 5. "Deliverance"
 6. Massachusetts
 7. Sea of Tranquility
 8. "The Member of the Wedding"
 9. "Love Me Tender," 1956
 10. Walgreens

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How do you say that in Cherokee?

DSW
Adela
dollar/Money/ Bead

4hb/ Dh4hb
senisi/ anisenisi
coin/ coins

4V 4hb
soquo senisi
penny

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

How You Can Stop Human Trafficking presentation. July 31 at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Food available 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. with first session from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Food available at 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. with second session from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Learn the different forms of human trafficking including signs and what to look for. Featuring speakers from YW-MAM-Reshman Project, Sacred Roots Farm, and Tribal ALE. Info:

Shelli Buckner (828) 359-6095 or Tammy Jackson 359-6934

Sequoyah Remembrance Day. Aug. 6 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. Learn more about Sequoyah's fascinating life. Info: (423) 884-6246

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.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You face the possibility of raising your relationship to another level. However, your partner might demand that you make promises you're not sure you're ready for.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) As changes continue, expect things to get a little more hectic at your workplace. An unexpected travel opportunity could open new career prospects.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Confront the person who caused your hurt feelings and demand a full explanation for their actions. You'll not only recover your self-esteem, but you'll also gain the respect of others.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) That personal problem in the workplace is compounded by someone's biased interference. Stand your ground, and you'll soon find allies gathering around you.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You don't accept disapproval easily. But instead of hiding out in your den to lick your wounded pride, turn the criticism into a valuable lesson for future use.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) That former friend you thought you'd cut out of your life is still affecting other relationships. Counter their lies with the truth. Your friends are ready to listen.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) What appears to be an unfair situation might simply be the result of a misunderstanding. If you feel something is out of balance, correct it.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A stalled relationship won't budge until you make the first move. Your partner offers a surprising explanation about what got it mired down in the first place.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A coworker shares some startling news, but before you can use it to your advantage, make sure it's true. The weekend favors family matters.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your usual conservative approach to family situations might not work at this time. Keep an open mind about developments, and you might be pleasantly surprised.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Plans might have to be put on hold because of a family member's problems. Don't hesitate to get involved. Your help could make all the difference.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Relationships in the home and in the workplace need your careful attention during this period. Be careful not to allow misunderstandings to create problems.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a keen, insightful intellect and enjoy debating your views with others who disagree with you. You also love to solve puzzles — the more challenging, the better.

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VETERANS ★ POST ★

by Freddy Groves

Doing It on Your Own

The headline of this column could actually be "What to do when your local veterans group doesn't step up to help other veterans."

Because, yeah, it happens.

Mostly it's for compelling reasons — the members might be older (I saw an unofficial citation showing that the average age of American Legion members is their late 60s). For the Veterans of Foreign Wars, it was early 70s. I believe it. Or post membership might have dwindled to the point where there are many on the roster but only a few who actually show up for meetings. But if you're faced with this situation and you want to focus on helping other veterans, there are a few things you can do on your own or with some like-minded buddies.

If your veterans group is willing to part with money to help other veterans, take the cash. Make suggestions and get their votes on how it should be spent.

Start with Voluntary Services at the local Veterans Affairs medical center. They can always use donations of money and time. In one calendar year, volunteers toted up 2.6 million hours. Parking lot shuttle driver, office assistant, book cart, dining room companion, mail delivery to wards, transportation van driver ... the possibilities are many.

Even outside the VA world, you have options to help needy veterans and their families. You can do grocery shopping for elderly or infirm veterans, mow lawns, corral skilled carpenters and tradesmen to do home repairs, do taxes if you're a CPA and even match companies with unemployed veterans.

Make inquiries at homeless shelters that serve a lot of veterans and ask what help you can provide. It might be as simple as washing dishes. It might be delivering cases of food from their supplier. You might be playing checkers after lunch or handing out dry socks.

Whatever you do, however small, to help another veteran, can make a difference. You don't need to be part of a group to do it.

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Lobby for Community Pet Waste Stations

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: The sidewalks of my small town are often littered with dog waste. There is a town ordinance requiring owners to pick up after their dogs, but it's clearly not being enforced. I read that installing pet waste stations throughout the community can greatly reduce this problem. How do I convince the town to do this? — *Gloria G. in Ohio*

DEAR GLORIA: Dog waste stations, which provide small plastic or compostable waste pickup bags and a covered can to dispose of poo, can not only improve the sidewalks in your town, it can improve water quality in local streams and lakes. Runoff from piles of dog poop add nitrogen and phosphorus to nearby water systems, depleting oxygen and endangering aquatic life.

You can help fix this by calling attention to the problem and getting community support for pet pickup stations.

1. Contact your local municipality. Find out how to put forward a pet waste proposal. Sometimes one is on the table already; learn how you can join an ongoing effort to get approval for pet waste stations.

2. Install a pet pickup bag dispenser. If local ordinances allow it, set up a waste bag dispenser at the edge of your yard or driveway.

3. Enlist others in the cause. The best allies in this initiative are other responsible dog owners who you meet walking their dogs. Start a conversation, then a Facebook group, then an in-person meeting. The more stakeholders in the initiative, the faster it can happen.

4. Be prepared for pushback. You'll have to answer questions like: How will the town pay for these stations? Who will maintain them? Are there other property or HOA issues to consider?

It may take time, but with a little research and some positive conversations with neighbors, your town's dog poo problem could soon be a thing of the past.

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

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EVENTS: From page 23

Info: Interim Fire Chief Thomas Simmons (828) 788-1272 or thom-simm@ebci-nsn.gov

HEALTH/SPORTS EVENTS

Cherokee High School Fall Sports Schedules

Varsity Football

(all games start at 7:30 p.m.)

- Aug. 18, vs Smoky Mountain
- Aug. 25, at Cosby (Tenn.)
- Sept. 1, at Choctaw Central (Miss.)
- Sept. 8, vs Rosman
- Sept. 15, at Mount Zion Christian Academy (Durham, N.C.)
- Sept. 29, vs Robbinsville
- Oct. 6, at Andrews
- Oct. 13, at Hayesville
- Oct. 20, at Swain Co.
- Oct. 27, vs Murphy

JV Football

(all games start at 6 p.m.)

- Aug. 17, at Rosman
- Aug. 24, vs Avery Co.
- Aug. 31, at Robbinsville
- Sept. 7, vs Andrews
- Sept. 14, vs Hayesville
- Sept. 21, vs Swain Co.
- Sept. 28, at Murphy

Cross Country

- Aug. 23, at Hayesville, 4 p.m.
- Aug. 30, at Tri-County Early College, 3:30 p.m.
- Sept. 6, home meet (Cherokee), 4 p.m.
- Sept. 16, at Swain Co., 4 p.m.
- Sept. 23, at Murphy, 4 p.m.
- Sept. 27, at Hiwassee Dam, 4 p.m.
- Oct. 4, at Robbinsville, 4 p.m.
- Oct. 14, Smoky Mountain Conference Championship, hosted by Swain Co.

Varsity and JV Volleyball

- JV games at 5 p.m., Varsity games at 6 p.m., home games at Charles George Memorial Arena
- Aug. 15 at Franklin
 - Aug. 17 at Pisgah
 - Aug. 22 vs Pisgah
 - Aug. 24 vs Blue Ridge
 - Aug. 26 Tri-Match at home (varsity only)
 - Aug. 28 at Hiwassee Dam
 - Aug. 29 at Andrews
 - Aug. 31 at Hayesville
 - Sept. 5 at Swain Co.
 - Sept. 7 vs Highlands
 - Sept. 11 at West Henderson
 - Sept. 12 at Nantahala (varsity only)
 - Sept. 18 at Highlands
 - Sept. 19 vs Hiwassee Dam
 - Sept. 21 at Murphy
 - Sept. 26 at Robbinsville
 - Sept. 28 vs Andrews
 - Oct. 3 vs Hayesville
 - Oct. 5 vs Swain Co.
 - Oct. 10 vs Murphy
 - Oct. 12 vs Robbinsville (Senior Night)

Middle School Volleyball

- Games start at 4 p.m., home games at Charles George Memorial Arena
- Aug. 22 vs Martins Creek
 - Aug. 24 vs Highlands
 - Aug. 28 at Hiwassee Dam/Ranger
 - Aug. 29 at Andrews
 - Sept. 5 at Swain Co.
 - Sept. 12 at Martins Creek
 - Sept. 19 vs Hiwassee Dam/Ranger
 - Sept. 21 at Murphy
 - Sept. 26 at Robbinsville
 - Sept. 28 vs Andrews
 - Oct. 2 at Highlands
 - Oct. 3 vs Hayesville
 - Oct. 5 vs Swain Co.
 - Oct. 10 vs Murphy
 - Oct. 12 vs Robbinsville

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.

45th Annual KBIC Maawanji'iding Pow Wow. July 21-23 at Ojibwe Campgrounds in Baraga, Mich. Emcees: John Teller Jr. and Joel Svrette. Host Drum: Warpaint. Co-Host Drum: Bad River. Info: Christine Awonohopay (906) 353-2626 or Gabrielle Picciano (906) 353-6623 ext. 4195

46th Annual South Umpqua Falls Traditional Intertribal Pow Wow. July 21-23 at South Umpqua Falls in Canyonville, Ore. Info: Beth Gipson (541) 817-9064

9th Annual National Gathering of American Indian Veterans. July 21-23 at Cantigny Park in Wheaton, Ill. Emcees: Larry Yazzie and Gabriel Ayala. Host Drum: Iron Bear. Info: (847) 301-2090, info@TricksterCulturalCenter.org

Kanai Pow Wow & Celebration. July 21-23 at Red Crow Park in Standoff, Alberta, Canada. Emcees: Ruben Little Head, Elder Weasel Child, Travis Plaited Hair, and Tony Delaney. Host Drums: Black Otter, Bullhorn. No contact information provided

Bear Mountain Pow Wow. July 22-23 at Anthony Wayne Recreation Area at Harriman State Park in Stony Point, New York. Info: www.redhawkcouncil.org, www.facebook.com/redhawkcouncil

Celebrating the People Pow Wow. July 22 at South Jordan City Park in Jordan, Utah. MC:



**SUNDAYS, MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS,
& SATURDAYS**

CHEROKEE BONFIRE
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm



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\$31,000 FIRM for all 3 lots totaling - #1-0.77, #2-1.10, #3-0.75 acre. Located in Whittier, NC, Jackson County, Upper Sawbuck Community. Easy access to Hwy 441 phone 828-497-5217. 7/26

EMPLOYMENT

Now Hiring: Cherokee Historical Association is hiring a seasonal Group Sales position for immediate hire. The position will run through October 31st with the possibility of an extension. Applicants can apply online at www.cherokeehistorical.org or pick up a job description and an application at the CHA main office, 564 Tsali Blvd. across the street from the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Applicants must submit a completed application & resume detailing qualifications. All applications are due by 4pm, Friday, July 28, 2023. 7/26

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 PUBLICATION

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 PUBLICATION

Cynthia West
PO Box 1658
Cherokee, NC 28719
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RFPs, BIDs, etc.

NOTICE

The EBCI Cannabis Control Board is proposing the amendment of administrative rules pursuant to Cherokee Code (C.C.) 17-30 and 150-4. These amendments are proposed to make minor modifications to the requirements for product tracking, preservation of security surveillance, relation to laws of other jurisdictions, and related issues. Written comments may be mailed to the EBCI CCB at Attn: EBCI CCB, P.O. Box 549, Cherokee NC 28719 or emailed to info@ebci-ccb.org. The period for public comment is 20 days from the publication of this notice. 7/19

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOUSING DIVISION REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

FOR: MASONRY BLOCK FOUNDATIONS BLOCK UNDERPINNING

PURPOSE: The purpose of this REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL is for all interested contractors for the construction of single-family masonry foundations and block underpinning for members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee residing on trust lands and receiving assistance through the Cherokee Indian Housing Division (CIHD) Infrastructure Program. Contractors will be selected, and contracts will be awarded based on per-project basis and competitive pricing. Projects will be monitored by CIHD-Site Prep coordinators and CIHD also reserves the right to add additional contractors to as needed based on scheduling demands. CIHD reserves the right to reject all submissions and reserves the right to not award any contract to the lowest bidder. The work to be performed under the RFP is subject to TERO guidelines. Any project not completed in FY23 will rollover into FY24 until complete. These are time sensitive projects. Proposal packets can be picked up at 687 Acquoni Rd at the old QHA office, Cherokee, NC 28719. Contact person for this RFP is Denny Ensley, Infrastructure Manager, (828) 359-6841 or dennensl@ebci-nsn.gov. 7/26

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOUSING DIVISION REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR: ROUGH BRANCH & FISHER BRACH PARKING DECKS REPAIRS

PURPOSE: The purpose of this REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL is for all interested contractors for the repair of Rough Branch & Fisher Branch parking decks. Contractors will be selected, and contracts will

be awarded based on per-project basis and competitive pricing. Projects will be monitored by CIHD-Infrastructure coordinators and CIHD also reserves the right to add additional contractors to as needed based on scheduling demands. CIHD reserves the right to reject all submissions and reserves the right to not award any contract to the lowest bidder. The work to be performed under the RFP is subject to TERO guidelines. Any project not completed in FY23 will rollover into FY24 until complete. These are time sensitive projects. Proposal packets can be picked up at 687 Acquoni Rd at the old QHA office, Cherokee, NC 28719. Contact person for this RFP is Denny Ensley, Infrastructure Manager, (828) 359-6841 or dennensl@ebci-nsn.gov. 7/26

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOUSING DIVISION REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR: SITE PREPARATION AND FINAL GRADING

PURPOSE: The purpose of this REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL is for all interested contractors for the construction of single[1]family house sites and driveways, and final grading for positive drainage to prevent erosion. The service is for EBCI members residing on trust lands and receiving assistance through the Cherokee Indian Housing Division (CIHD) Infrastructure Program. Contractors will be selected, and contracts will be awarded based on per[1] project basis and competitive pricing. Projects will be monitored by CIHD-Site Prep coordinators and CIHD also reserves the right to add additional contractors to as needed based on scheduling demands. CIHD reserves the right to reject all submissions and reserves

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**CHEROKEE INDIAN
HOUSING DIVISION
REQUEST FOR
QUALIFICATION**

**FOR: GUTTERING SYSTEM
PURPOSE:** The purpose of this REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS is to establish a pool of on-call contractors for the con-

struction of single-family guttering system for members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee residing on trust lands and receiving assistance through the Cherokee Indian Housing Division (CIHD) Infrastructure Program. Contracts will be awarded based on per-project basis and competitive pricing. Projects will be monitored by CIHD-Site Prep coordinators and CIHD also reserves the right to add additional contractors to the on-call as needed based on scheduling demands. Qualification packets can be picked up at 687 Acquoni Rd. at the old QHA office, Cherokee, NC 28719. Contact person for this RFQ is Denny Ensley, Site Prep Manager, (828) 359-6841 or dennensl@ebci-nsn.gov. 7/26

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Tribal Employment Rights Office

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

Now Available - TERO's Job Listing



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

TERO Job Bank

If you are seeking employment and you are:

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

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

Hillary Norville -TERO Job Bank Coordinator

828.359.6422

hillnory@ebci-nan.gov

Douglas McCoy -TERO Job Bank Coordinator

828.359.6478

dougmcoco@ebci-nan.gov



STAFF OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

Housekeepers
Technical Support Technician
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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.

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CHEROKEE CHILDREN'S HOME: Multiple FT Resident Counselors and Multiple PT Resident Counselors – 2nd Shift – 3:30pm-11:30pm; 3rd Shift – 11:30pm – 7:30 Am

CHILD DEVELOPMENT: (6) Teachers (Agelink); Assistant Manager – Child Development

CONSTRUCTION/FACILITIES: (2) Skilled Carpenter/Mason, Experienced Sheet Rock Finisher; (4) Carpenter/Mason Helpers

Cherokee Boys Club

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All applications and job descriptions are available at
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Closing Sunday, July 23, 2023

1. Teacher Assistant – Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L6 \$15.30 - \$19.13 per hour)
2. Supervisor – Facility Management – Operations (L13 \$47,552 - \$59,440)
3. Housekeeper II (Multiple) – Housekeeping – Operations (L7 \$15.60 - \$19.50 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
4. Remember the Removal Bike Ride Group Fitness Coordinator – Cherokee Choices – Public Health and Human Services (L10 \$17.58 - \$21.98 per hour)
5. Enterprise Development Specialist – Enterprise Development – Commerce (L13 \$22.86 - \$28.58 per hour)
6. Tribal Planner – Project Management – Operations (L14 \$52,349 - \$65,437)
7. Carpenter – Qualla Housing – Housing (L10 \$17.58 - \$21.98 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
8. Carpenter Assistant (Multiple) – Qualla Housing – Housing (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
9. Electrician Assistant – Qualla Housing – Housing (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
10. Maintenance Utility Worker – Qualla Housing – Housing (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
11. Billing Processor – Finance – Treasury (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour)

Open Until Filled

1. Detention Officer (Multiple) – Detention Services – Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
2. Patrol Officer (Multiple) – Cherokee Indian Police Department – EBCI Law Enforcement (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
3. 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. Social Worker (Multiple) – Family Safety – Public Health and Human Services (L14 \$25.17 - \$31.46 per hour)
9. Legal Services Attorney – Legal Assistance Office – Office of the Attorney General (L16 \$64,389 - \$85,852)
10. Financial Analyst – Budget and Finance – Treasury (L15 \$57,982 - \$72,478)
11. WWT Operator – Waste Water Treatment Plant – Operations (L10 \$17.58 - \$21.98 per hour)
12. Certified Biological Waste Water Treatment Operator – Waste Water Treatment – Operations (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
13. Supervisor – Biological/Waste Water Operator – Waste Water Treatment – Operations (L14 \$25.17 - \$31.46 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
14. Family Safety Grants Coordinator – Family Safety – Public Health and Human Services (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour)
15. Certified Nursing Assistant – Tribal In Home Care Services – Public Health and Human Services (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)
16. Manager – Project Management – Operations (L17 \$72,342 - \$90,428)
17. Legislative Legal Counsel – Tribal Council – Legislative Branch (L19 \$97,792 - \$130,389)
18. Driver (Multiple) – Transit – Operations (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
19. 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
20. Job Bank Coordinator – TERO (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour)
21. Senior Utilities Engineer – Water and Sewer – Operations (L19 \$98,083 - \$122,604)
22. One Feather Reporter – One Feather – Executive (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour)
23. Deputy Court Clerk – Tribal Court – Judicial Branch (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour)



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K-12 Mental Health Behavioral Support Specialist	9-12 Science Teacher
Pre-K Teacher Assistant	9-12 Student Support Specialist
FACE Parent Educator	9-12 Lifeskills Special Education Teacher
FACE Adult Educator	
Middle School Head Soccer Coach	6-8 Lifeskills Special Education Teacher
Middle School Assistant Soccer Coach	6-8 Special Education Pathseekers Teacher
Cultural Coordinator	6-8 Math Teacher
	6-8 Student Support Specialist
Elementary Teacher	6-Hour Full Time Food Service Workers
Elementary Teacher Assistant	Part Time Substitute Food Service Workers
Elementary Student Support Specialist	



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 -

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Targeted Case Manager – Cherokee Central Schools -

\$44,107 - \$55,134

Targeted Case Manager – Family Safety - \$44,107 - \$55,134

Integrated Classroom Skill Builder - \$17.12 - \$19.26

Residential Technician – Kanvwtiyi - \$17.12 - \$19.26

Residential Technician – Men's Home - \$17.12 - \$19.26

Certified Alcohol & Drug Counselor - Kanvwtiyi - \$44,107 - \$55,134

Inpatient Technician – 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

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

Physician – ER \$227,068 - \$283,835

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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

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LPN—Part-Time Intermittent - \$22.76 - \$25.89

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

Registered Nurse - \$31.06 - \$35.64 - *\$5,000 Hiring Bonus

Registered Nurse Supervisor - \$36.56 - \$42.11

Registered Nurse—Part-Time Intermittent - \$31.06 - \$35.64

Engineering

EVS - \$15.00 - \$16.77

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.

MISSING PERSON

Logan Alexander Seeley

Enrolled with the Chickasaw Nation

Male

Height: 5' 8" Weight: 160 lbs

Hair: Brown Eyes: Hazel

Current age: 33 Male

Date of last contact: June 16, 2023

Last Known Location: Sulphur, Oklahoma

Circumstances of Disappearance: Subject is homeless and was last seen in Sulphur, Oklahoma. Phone was last pinged in the Oklahoma City area.

If you have seen Logan Alexander Seeley, contact Chickasaw Nation Lighthouse Police (580) 436-1166.

Source: Namus.gov



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