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

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ARTWORK: Grant for Cultural District Welcome Signs, from front page

Indian, along with partners the Cherokee Historical Association and Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual, Inc., received a grant for \$75,900 from the Z. Smith Reynolds (ZSR) Foundation to start The Cherokee Cultural District Project. The funding is part of ZSR's second cohort of the Inclusive Public Art Initiative which saw nine grants given totaling \$1.6 million.

"There's nothing that visually defines the district for visitors or even for younger community members that are just kind of riding through here and may not know that this is a cultural district," said Dakota Brown, Museum of the Cherokee Indian director of education. "So, we wanted to do some things to more clearly define the District. This grant is for us to be able to clearly define the Cherokee Cultural District through public art. So, what's been approved in the grant is, basically, some entrance signs. However, we didn't want them to just be normal signs that you see. We want it to be EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) artist-developed and artist-led."

She added, "We don't really want to

put any parameters on what the possibilities are, at this point. We really want the artists that are chosen to really kind of come up with something. They're going to be working with an engineer and fabricator for the designs to see what's possible with a sign. But, we want it to be a really artist-led thing. We want the actual entrance signs to be pieces of art themselves."

Atsei Cooper, Museum of the Cherokee Indian registrar, is the lead artist on the project. "It just is another way to really show that this is a cultural district, that this will be a different space, and this will be a space that will allow people to really come and learn and to actually see genuine Cherokee art in contrast to some of the things you may see in the gift shops around here...it's a really good place for us to start, I think."

In all, six to seven artists from the EBCI will be selected to work on the project which will include some roadway art as well.

Cooper noted, "We don't have any of the artists selected yet. I'll be working with Dakota to select those artists. I'm really excited. We have so many gifted artists in our community, and I'm really

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

See the "LINKS" button at theonefeather.com and see a listing of website links to various tribal entities and Cherokee-related businesses.

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excited to work with everyone...I'm really excited to see what we can come up with together."

"When we consider gadugi, like community coming together, I really like the idea of community artists coming together to create something together to showcase not just for people coming into our area or just passing through, but also for the community members here. I really like the idea of being able to help facilitate a community arts project that can leave a sense of pride within our community. That will last longer, probably, than our lives. Later on, someone might be like, 'Oh my gosh, my grandma participated in this project'."

Brown said they'll launch a public call for artists in the near future. "The Museum has a ton of artists that we work with all the

time. But, we realized that there are so many people in our community that don't call themselves artists, but are just doing amazing things in their free time. So, we want to make sure that this opportunity is available to anybody that would like to take advantage of it or be a part of it. We don't want to limit it to the artists that we know and work with all the time. We want to make sure that we're reaching out to artists that we may not know about."

She continued, "I think we tend to be very visitor-focused here, but uplifting artists in our community is one of the most important parts of this grant. Making sure that it's collaborative with artists in our community is incredibly important. Also, being collaborative with our cultural partners. What places like this do

for communities, when they're done right...they can really create a sense of pride in your community when you're driving through those areas. So, I do hope that in five years we can look at this area and there's art everywhere made by our EBCI artists and that it creates a sense of pride for our community members, too, not just our visitors."

Brown is hoping this project will be a springboard for more art on the Qualla Boundary. "I think the signs are important because they allow us to define the space. By doing that we can maybe do some changes in the future to that space and create a more cohesive look...being able to focus in on the Cultural District really allows us to hopefully do it right...we're really excited to see where it could go."

In addition to the funding

going to the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, the following organizations in North Carolina received funding: Arise Collective, City of Washington, Coharie Intra-Tribal Council, Highland Neighborhood Association, Hola Carolina, Hope Center of Hendersonville, North Carolina African American Heritage Commission, and the Tryon Palace Foundation.

"All of these organizations are committed to telling their communities' narrative authentically, and we are thrilled to partner with them in their work," Tiki Windley, ZSR program officer, said in a statement. "We also know that these projects are not just about the art, and we look forward to seeing communities come together, engage diverse voices, and build new connections through the process."

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Taylor sentenced for trafficking methamphetamine

ASHEVILLE, N.C. – U.S. District Judge Martin Reidinger sentenced a Cherokee, N.C. man on Thursday, Aug. 24 for possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine, announced Dena J. King, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina. Edward Dwayne Taylor, who is 35-years-old and a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, was ordered to serve 87 months in prison, followed by five years of supervised release.

Chief Carla Neadeau, of the Cherokee Indian Police Department (CIPD), joined U.S. Attorney King in making the announcement.

According to filed court documents and court proceedings, on June 4, 2021, a CIPD officer conducted a traffic stop of a vehicle in Cherokee, knowing that the driver

was operating the vehicle with a suspended license. Taylor was one of the passengers in the vehicle. Over the course of the traffic stop, law enforcement recovered from another passenger a bag that contained more than 130 grams of methamphetamine, digital scales, and small plastic baggies, items that are consistent with drug distribution. Court documents show that over the course of the investigation CIPD officers determined that the methamphetamine belonged to Taylor, and that the other passenger had agreed to hide the drugs at Taylor's request.

Taylor is in federal custody. He will be transferred to the custody of the federal Bureau of Prisons upon designation of a federal facility.

U.S. Attorney King thanked CIPD for their investigation of the case.

Assistant U.S. Attorney John

Pritchard of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Asheville prosecuted the case.
- U.S. Dept. of Justice release

CIPD Arrest Report for Aug. 13-20, 2023

The following people were arrested by the Cherokee Indian Police Department and booked into the Anthony Edward Lossiah Justice Center. It should be noted that the following defendants have only been charged with the crimes listed and should be presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Mugshots can be viewed online at theonefeather.com.

Haynie, William Jeffery – age 34
Arrested: Aug. 14
Released: Aug. 14
Charges: Temporary Hold

Long Jr., David – age 45
Arrested: Aug. 14
Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 21)
Charges: Probation Violation

Pheasant, William Hewitt – age 22
Arrested: Aug. 14
Released: Aug. 17
Charges: Domestic Violence and Dating Violence

Catt, Mattie Jean – age 39
Arrested: Aug. 15
Released: Aug. 16
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Ensley Jr., Paul – age 60
Arrested: Aug. 15
Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 21)
Charges: Second Degree Trespass, Resisting Public Officer

Huskey, Jordan Dominic – age 23
Arrested: Aug. 15

Released: Aug. 17
Charges: Resisting, Delaying, or Obstructing Officers

Jenkins, James Derrick – age 31
Arrested: Aug. 15
Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 21)
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor, Pre-Trial Release Violation

Maney, Siceria Marquita – age 34
Arrested: Aug. 15
Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 21)
Charges: Pre-Trial Release Violation

Owl, Joshua Ryan – age 32
Arrested: Aug. 15
Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 21)
Charges: Probation Violation, Failure to Appear

Rayfield, Adam – age 44
Arrested: Aug. 15
Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 21)
Charges: Second Degree Trespass, Failure to Appear, Violations of Exclusion Resolutions and Orders

Hornbuckle, Stormi Arista-Richelle – age 37
Arrested: Aug. 16
Released: Aug. 17
Charges: Second Degree Child Abuse

Rickman, John Preston – age 36
Arrested: Aug. 16
Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 21)
Charges: Resisting Public Officer

Sherrill, Tameka – age 32
Arrested: Aug. 16
Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 21)
Charges: Possession of Controlled Substance, Possession Drug Para-



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Brady, Tasia Kateri – age 29 Arrested: Aug. 17 Released: Aug. 17 Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedules I-V	Brady, Tasia Kateri – age 29 Arrested: Aug. 18 Released: Aug. 18 Charges: Probation Violation	Golden, Dustin Allen – age 33 Arrested: Aug. 19 Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 21) Charges: Domestic Violence and Dating Violence, Child Abuse in the Second Degree	Wahnetah, Kyle Austin – age 32 Arrested: Aug. 20 Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 21) Charges: Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court
Chekelelee, Adrian Kyle – age 39 Arrested: Aug. 17 Released: Aug. 17 Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor	Lossiah Jr., Kirk Wilson – age 33 Arrested: Aug. 18 Released: Aug. 18 Charges: Resisting Public Officer, Disorderly Conduct, Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court	Holt, Jeffery William – age 52 Arrested: Aug. 19 Released: Aug. 19 Charges: Temporary Hold	Welch, Emerson Sequoyah – age 45 Arrested: Aug. 20 Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 21) Charges: Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property, Obtain Property False Pretense, Possession of a Controlled Substance
Driver, Derek Wilson – age 31 Arrested: Aug. 17 Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 21) Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedules I-V (two counts), Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court	Robitaille, John – age 59 Arrested: Aug. 18 Released: Aug. 19 Charges: Hold Until Sober	Littlejohn, Emery Lee – age 38 Arrested: Aug. 20 Released: Not released as of report date (Aug. 21) Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree	
Wade, Geoffrey Karl – age 32	Golden, Cleon Cherice – age 37 Arrested: Aug. 19		

WE INHERIT OUR STRENGTHS THROUGH OUR ANCESTORS, OUR ELDERS, AND OUR PARENTS.

My Family:
Grandparents: Noah Smith, Amy Roberts
Parents: James Joseph Ledford Sr., Nellie Goines Ledford Littlejohn
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My Short Bio:

- Went to Cherokee Schools
- 25+ Years Retired Law Enforcement
- May of 1986: Graduated from SCC with an associates of applied science degree in law enforcement
- 1985: Internship at Cherokee Police Department
- 1986-2011: Career at Cherokee Police Department
- 1986: Patrol Officer
- 1990: Juvenile Officer
- 1995: Criminal Investigation Division Inv. Federal Crimes and Misdemeanor Crimes
- April 1995: Founded First Child Advocacy Centre in Indian country for the rights of abused children, to reduce trauma for child victims
- 2016: Served on the police commission board
- 2016-2019: Teacher assistant at Cherokee Elementary School. Sped program First grade, second grade, full time
- 2019 - Present: Painttown Schoolboard Rep.

Priorities:


- Safety of our children and staff
- That our children are treated with respect
- Priority: Teachers are doing their job: teaching
- To ensure our tribal members fill job positions at the school


Resolutions I have presented and were passed by the board:

- Our Children receive the same incentive for academic excellence as tribal council awards
- That our employees are credited for years of experience or equivalent to a degree when it comes to jobs
- Our bus drivers receive an incentive every year for appreciation day to be included in the budget every year

For those of you that have known me all my life, you know that I always stood up and fought for our children in front of tribal council on these issues:

- ICWA (Indian Child Welfare Act)
- Our children being placed in foster homes off the reservation,
- Our children being sent 6 hours away for mental health.
- Grandparent's rights

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One Feather wins 12 N.C. Press Association awards

The Cherokee One Feather won a total of 12 awards in the 2022 North Carolina Press Association Editorial & Advertising Awards contest announced on Thursday, Aug. 24, 2023. The One Feather won the Ad Sweepstakes Award in its division for excellence in advertising design and content.

Scott McKie Brings Plenty, One Feather assistant editor, and Dawn Arneach, One Feather ad sales coordinator, jointly took third place in the General Excellence for Websites category.

Dawn also took second place in the Advertising: Entertainment Ad category for a Cherokee Cinemas & More ad.

Scott also won the following:

- First Place, Advertising: Institutional Ad, Battles of the Nations graphic
- First Place, Advertising: Newspaper Promotion, Monster Photo Contest promotion ad
- Second Place, Advertising: Institutional Ad, Veterans Day at the Cherokee Indian Fair
- First Place, Use of Photographs
- First Place, Sports Feature Photography, "We are Still Here", stickball photo from Kituwah Celebration
- First Place, Photo Page or Essay, New Kituwah Academy Pow Wow
- Second Place, Photo Page or Essay, Cherokee Pow Wow
- Second Place, Feature Photography, "Why we Tell the Story", photos from the Cherokee Musical Theatre production
- Second Place, City and County Government Reporting, "Agreement between Tribe and Forest Service"

Jackson County announces 2022 Visitor Impact

JACKSON COUNTY, N.C. —

Ideally situated in the western North Carolina mountains and comprised of the distinctive towns of Cashiers, Sylva, Dillsboro and Cherokee, Jackson County announced on Friday, Aug. 25 an increase of 3.5 percent in visitor spending during 2022. Domestic and international visitors to and within Jackson County spent \$452.57 million last year, up from \$437.41 million in 2021. The data comes from an annual study commissioned by Visit North Carolina, a unit of the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina.

"I am delighted to see the steady increase in visitor spending within Jackson County during 2022," said Nick Breedlove, director of the Jackson County Tourism Development Authority (JCTDA). "These numbers are a testament to our destination's timeless charm and enduring appeal. We're grateful to a long list of dedicated lodging, restaurant and sustainability partners who help attract returning and new visitors each year."

Visitors deposit on average \$1,239,917 every day into Jackson County businesses. These dollars support local jobs, which help people put food on the table, pay their mortgages, and support their families. Additionally, sales tax revenues are generated by this spending which comes back to Jackson County's budget and in turn, support critical items like parks and recreation, law enforcement and fire departments, housing services, emergency medical services and more.

Jackson County is known for outdoor adventure, culture, shopping, dining and charming locales. Visitors also enjoy the nation's first and only Fly-Fishing Trail®, the state's first and only Certified Forest Therapy Trail, plus majestic

mountains, scenic hikes, spectacular waterfalls and more near Great Smoky Mountains National Park and the Blue Ridge Parkway. Roughly one million visitors come to Jackson County each year, Breedlove said.

Tourism impact highlights from 2022 include:

- The travel and tourism industry directly employs more than 2,400 in Jackson County.
- The total payroll generated by the tourism industry in Jackson County was \$119.2 million.
- State tax revenue generated in Jackson County totaled \$15.2 million through state sales and excise taxes and taxes on personal and corporate income. About \$15 million in local taxes was generated from sales and property tax revenue from travel-generated and travel-supported businesses.
- Residents save \$703.38 annually on taxes due to visitor spending.

These statistics come from the "Economic Impact of Travel on North Carolina Counties 2022," which can be accessed at partners.visitnc.com/economic-impact-studies. The study was prepared for Visit North Carolina by Tourism Economics in collaboration with the U.S. Travel Association. Statewide, visitor spending in 2022 rose 15.2 percent to reach a record \$33.3 billion. Direct tourism employment increased 9.8 percent to 216,900.

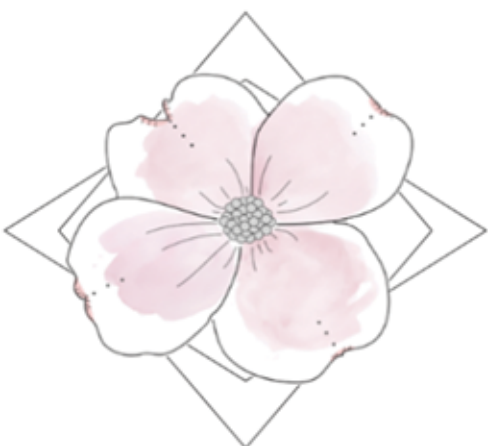
"North Carolina's tourism industry draws its success from the authentic culture and experiences that flourish across a spectrum of settings," said Wit Tuttell, Visit NC's executive director. "The new report from Tourism Economics shows growth beyond our celebrated mountains and beaches to our urban centers and surrounding suburban and rural counties. Tourism's strength across the state underscores the industry's role as

an anchor of economic development. The money visitors spend benefits everyone by sustaining jobs and reducing the tax burden for every resident."

Statewide highlights from 2022 include:

- Total spending by domestic and international visitors in North Carolina reached \$33.3 billion in 2022, a 15.2 percent increase over 2021 expenditures. The figure is 14 percent above the record \$29.22 billion spent in 2019.
- Domestic travelers spent a record \$32.4 billion in 2022. Spending was up 13.4 percent from \$28.6 billion in 2021.
- International travelers spent \$910 million in 2022, up 170 percent from the previous year.
- Visitors to North Carolina generated \$4.2 billion in federal, state, and local taxes in 2022. The total represents a 7.9 percent increase from 2020.
- State tax receipts from visitor spending rose 6.5 percent to nearly \$1.3 billion in 2022.
- Local tax receipts grew 3.5 percent to nearly \$1.2 billion.
- Direct tourism employment in North Carolina increased 9.8 percent to 216,900.
- Direct tourism payroll increased 13.5 percent to \$8.7 billion.
- Visitors spend more than \$91 million per day in North Carolina. That spending adds \$6.7 million per day to state and local tax revenues (about \$3.5 million in state taxes and \$3.2 million in local taxes).
- Each North Carolina household saved \$512 on average in state and local taxes as a direct result of visitor spending in the state. Savings per capita averaged \$230.
- North Carolina hosted approximately 43 million visitors in 2022.

- Jackson County Tourism Development Authority



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FOOTBALL

Braves dominate both sides of the ball at Cosby

Note: Defensive statistics were not available by press time.

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

COSBY, Tenn. – The Cherokee Braves (1-1) dominated the stat line as they traveled to the Cosby (Tenn.) Eagles (1-1) on the incredibly warm, muggy evening of Friday, Aug. 25. Cherokee put up 302 yards of offense while holding the Eagles to 53 as they got their first win of the young season 47-6.

Mike Driver, Braves senior quarterback, completed 6 of 9 passes for 107 yards and 3 TDs and added 34 yards on the ground on 7 carries scoring 2 TDs.

Luke Smith, Braves senior wide receiver, had 3 receptions for 56 yards and caught all three of Driver's touchdown passes.

Cherokee started the game on fire scoring twice in the first two minutes of the contest. Emiliano Garcia set the stage with a big 40-yard run on the first play from scrimmage. That set up a 10-yard touchdown run by Mato Grant, senior running back. The point-after kick was no good, and Cherokee led 6-0 at the 10:22 mark of the first quarter.

The Eagles fumbled the ensuing kickoff which was recovered by Cherokee's Shiloh Woodson. On the next play, Driver hit Smith on a 40-yard touchdown pass. Grant ran for the two-point conversion, and Cherokee led 14-0 with 10:06 left in the first.

Cosby turned the ball over on downs following an 11-play drive. Cherokee had a three-and-out on



Cherokee's Luke Smith catches a touchdown pass in the end zone during a game at Cosby, Tenn. on the evening of Friday, Aug. 25. For the game, he had 3 receptions for 56 yards and caught all three of Mike Driver's touchdown passes. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

their next possession. An errant snap on their punt attempt gave Cosby great field position at the Cherokee 9-yard line.

Two plays later, the Eagles would get what would be their only score of the game as Chase Joyce, Cosby junior quarterback, ran 12 yards for a score. Braves' sophomore cornerback Jonathan Saylor blocked the extra-point kick, and

Cherokee led 14-6 with 2:25 left in the first.

On their ensuing possession, the Braves put together a 7-play 60-yard drive which culminated in a 3-yard run by Driver. Nathaniel Littlejohn added the point-after kick, and Cherokee extended its lead to 21-6 early in the second quarter.

The Braves held the Eagles to

a three-and-out on Cosby's next possession. After starting on their own 27-yard line, Cherokee drove down the field again eating up five minutes of the clock. Driver scored his second rushing touchdown of the game on an 8-yard run with 6:56 left in the half. The point-after kick was no good, and Cherokee led 27-6, a lead they'd take into the locker room.

Cosby turned the ball over on downs following a botched punt on the first possession of the second half. The Braves took over on the Eagles 2-yard-line. Cherokee lost yardage on several plays, but on fourth down, Driver hit Smith on a 6-yard touchdown pass in the end zone. Littlejohn added the extra-point, and Cherokee extend-

ed its lead to 34-6 with 8:45 left in the third.

The Braves stiff defense forced another three-and-out on Cosby. The Braves took over at the Cosby 35-yard-line following a short punt. Several plays later, Driver connected again with Smith – this time for a 10-yard touchdown pass. Littlejohn added the ex-

tra-point, and Cherokee led 41-6 with just over a minute left in the third.

The Eagles were forced to punt again on their next possession. Cherokee took over on its own 39-yard line. J’Ron Lineberry, Braves senior running back and tight end, ran 54 yards on first down. Two plays later, he ran 6 yards for the

score. The point-after failed, and Cherokee led 47-6 which is how the game would end as the mercy rule took effect and the clock ran for the remainder of the fourth quarter.

Cherokee travels to Choctaw Central (Miss.) on Friday, Sept. 1 for the annual Battle of the Nations game.

Cherokee’s Shiloh Woodson gets a good tackle on Cosby’s Devonte Wigfall.





Mike Driver, Braves senior quarterback, completed 6 of 9 passes for 107 yards and 3 TDs and added 34 yards on the ground on 7 carries scoring 2 TDs.

Endorsement from Patrick Lambert, former Principal Chief

You know... I bet you never thought I would be giving an endorsement to one of my staunchest opponents from the past.

A man who I'm certain had some serious disdain for me during our prior contests for election, a man who has a lot to be proud of and (as anyone who is serious will admit) also a few things to regret. A man who beat me twice fair and square, once (after a vote count in Court) by seven votes, and a second time by a little over a hundred votes. But a vote count that always kept us within a fraction of each other nearly 50% of the total.

Our races were almost legendary and set a strong rivalry in place, but we are all Cherokee and I believe we must pull together to fix what is broken and what has been ruined over the past six years. He has earned a rightful place in my respect for him. He is a real leader and a well-qualified person to head up our Tribe. He has new ideas having spent the last eight years out and around Indian Country and is ready to use his skills as a licensed CPA.

I am also confident he can find the way to bring us back to a level of honor and respect in the political arena of the State and Federal Government.

We must rebuild, and we should begin first by taking stock of where we are financially, rebuilding our treasury, and reconstituting proper financial controls and systems to protect our tribe. We must find a way to reset and rebuild the relationships that were destroyed around the state and federal government. We must not only rebuild morale and a sense of belonging within employees but also within our own tribal members. In the past few years, we have all witnessed a complete decline in how hopeful and inspired people feel, it seems that people have just thrown up their hands in disgust and checked out. But we are better than that, we are strong, resilient, and hopeful. And with the right person at the helm, we can turn this around and begin a brighter and more promising future. This will take teamwork, election of the right Tribal Council, and help from us all... together we can build a better and more positive future!

I began by stating you probably never thought you'd hear me give this man my endorsement, so hold on a minute before I do, because I must say and tell you the truth... I have not spoken to him one-on-one, and I have not asked him for a thing, nor has he offered me anything to get my endorsement. And none of his campaign workers, or anyone from his camp, approached me to get an endorsement. This endorsement comes completely from my heart in wanting what is best for our Tribe and our future.

My endorsement goes to Michell Hicks for our next Principal Chief! He is a man who stands as the best choice for our immediate future, a man who has the experience and qualifications to lead, and someone who I have grown to respect over the past several years. Yes, he was a strong opponent of mine for many years, but we are not opponents now and we must correct our course. He is the right person for the job, right now. We need to correct our path and he can get it done. I therefore ask everyone to Elect former Chief Michell Hicks for Principal Chief!

Endorsement by
Patrick Lambert,
former Principal Chief

CROSS COUNTRY

Cherokee competes in Hayesville High Meet

One Feather Staff Report

Following are results, per nc.milesplit, of a meet hosted by Hayesville High School in Hayesville, N.C. on Wednesday, Aug. 23. The top seven finishers in each race are shown as well as all Cherokee High School and Cherokee Middle School finishers.

High School Girls

- 1 – Dvdaya Swimmer, Cherokee, 21:02.8
- 2 – Livia Crowe, Cherokee, 21:48.7
- 3 – Sydney Greenstone, Hayesville, 22:32.4
- 4 – Raelynn Wood, Hayesville, 23:04.8
- 5 – Rachel Carver, Carolina Mountain XC, 23:28.5
- 6 – Corinne Cotton, Murphy, 24:02.8
- 7 – Claire Worely, Highlands, 24:08.0
- 10 – Yvonne Saunooke, Cherokee, 26:44.8
- 16 – Deanna Long, Cherokee, 33:06.5
- 20 – Adi Cooper, Cherokee, 36:10.1

Team Scores

- 1 – Hayesville 27
- 2 – Cherokee 28

High School Boys

- 1 – O'Malley Salinas, Andrews, 16:26.9
- 2 – Ethan Russell, Hiwassee Dam, 16:51.4
- 3 – Ogana Swimmer, Cherokee, 18:34.8
- 4 – Aizen Bell, Cherokee, 18:55.3
- 5 – Noah Carter, Hayesville, 19:26.1
- 6 – Cannon Brewer, Hayesville, 19:39.9
- 7 – Caleb Hina, Carolina Mountain XC, 19:53.7
- 20 – Levi Oocumma, Cherokee, 24:28.5
- 21 – Brandon Blankenship, Cherokee, 24:56.1
- 32 – Isaiah Ledford, Cherokee, 28:31.2

Team Scores

- 1 – Hayesville 25
- 2 – Cherokee 51
- 3 – Murphy 54

Middle School Girls

- 1 – Austin Fourkiller-Raby, Cherokee, 13:14.8
- 2 – Lolo Bell, Cherokee, 14:25.4
- 3 – Makenna Moss, Hayesville, 14:48.1
- 4 – Lilly Lossiah, Cherokee, 15:14.2
- 5 – Cambry Stamper, Cherokee, 15:30.5
- 6 – Marlo Joyce, Hayesville, 15:37.1
- 7 – Nyra Reed, Cherokee, 15:42.8
- 20 – Kiara Sneed, Cherokee, 17:17.6
- 21 – Aiyana Evans, Cherokee, 17:26.8
- 26 – Kennedy Moore, Cherokee, 18:10.7
- 34 – Kyla Keel-Aguilera, Cherokee, 19:20.9

Team Scores

- 1 – Cherokee 19
- 2 – Swain Co. 66

- 3 – Hayesville 71
- 4 – Murphy 88
- 5 – Robbinsville 137
- 6 – Mountain Discovery Charter 149

Middle School Boys

- 1 – Xamuel Wachacha, Robbinsville 11:23.5
- 2 – James Loftis, Swain Co., 11 :41.4
- 3 – Elliot Salinas, Andrews, 12 :00.9
- 4 – Maverick Hawley, Hiwassee Dam/Ranger, 12:18.0
- 5 – Levi Clark, Andrews, 12:24.3
- 6 – Oscar Page, Hiwassee Dam/Ranger, 12:44.1
- 7 – Micah Moss, Hayesville, 12:45.7
- 12 – Carter Stephens, Cherokee, 13:39.4
- 18 – Jeron Martens, Cherokee, 13:53.7
- 19 – Odie Owle, Cherokee, 13:59.7
- 44 – William Welch, Cherokee, 18:02.8
- 47 – Jess Walkingstick, Cherokee, 18:31.7
- 50 – Gabriel Arneach, Cherokee, 18:48.6
- 53 – Greyson Panther, Cherokee, 19:11.8
- 60 – Makai Hernandez, Cherokee, 20:56.7
- 62 – Felix Lossiah, Cherokee, 21:17.4

Team Scores

- 1 – Hayesville 60
- 2 – Andrews 65
- 3 – Swain Co. 73
- 4 – Hiwassee Dam/Ranger 83
- 5 – Murphy 108
- 6 – Cherokee 120
- 7 – Mountain Discovery Charter 169

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

Info: Gregory Hunt (828) 342-2024 or
Gerard Ball (919) 805-2572



Cash in on your spooky tail tale!

2023 Spooky Writing Contest

Fall is a great time to share stories that spook us. We would like to read yours. Three categories this year-short story, poetry, and for the little ones a drawing contest. So, dust off your word processor, pen, or Crayolas and get to writing (or drawing for the 4-7 age group).

Deadline is

October 6, 2023

\$125 best adult (ages 15 and up) story

\$125 best youth (ages 7 to 14) story
(1000 word limit)

\$100 for best adult (ages 15 and up)
poem

\$100 for best youth (ages 7 to 14) poem
(150 word limit)

\$50 for best child (ages 4 to 7) sketch or
drawing

Cherokee One Feather Spooky Writing Contest 2023

Check one: ☐ STORY ☐ POEM ☐ SKETCH OR DRAWING

Author's Name: _____ Age: _____

Entry Title: _____ Date Entered: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

If under 18, Name of parent of guardian: _____ Phone: _____

The Cherokee One Feather Editorial Board will judge the entries for each category and determine the winners. The decision of the Editorial Board will be final. Disqualification may occur for poor grammar, misspelling, inappropriateness, or plagiarism. Winners or their guardians must provide a completed W-9 form as prize checks will be awarded via tribal check. To submit your entry, email it along with this entry form to cherokeeonefeather1966@gmail.com or mail to Editor at Cherokee One Feather, PO Box 501, Cherokee, NC 28719. USPS submission must be postmarked no later than the deadline date. Deadline for entries is midnight, October 6, 2023.

111th Annual Cherokee Indian Fair celebrates “They Made The Way” Theme

EBCI Commerce Division release

CHEROKEE, N.C. – The excitement is building as the 111th Annual Cherokee Indian Fair approaches, scheduled to take place from Oct. 3-7. This year’s theme, “They Made The Way,” honors the profound contributions of Cherokee individuals, both historical and contemporary, who have played pivotal roles in shaping the vibrant culture of the community.

The fair will be held at the historic Cherokee Expo Center, the old Cherokee High School Site, located at 1501 Acquoni Rd., Cherokee, N.C. This cherished venue holds deep cultural and nostalgic significance, serving as an ideal backdrop for an event that pays homage to the rich heritage and traditions of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

****Fairgrounds Reference Note:**
Throughout this press release, the term “Fairgrounds” will refer to the Old High School site.**

Fair Week Schedule (Full event detail schedule forthcoming):

Monday - Fair Week Stick Off

- Time: 4 p.m.
- Event: Immerse yourself in the excitement of traditional stickball games at Unity Field, as skilled teams compete, showcasing athleticism and strategy. No carnival rides, just stickball.

Tuesday - Parade Day

- Parade Start: 4 p.m.
- Parade Route: Join the spectacle of the Annual Cherokee



The Birdtown and Big Cove stickball teams are shown squaring off at last year’s Cherokee Indian Fair. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

Indian Fair Parade, featuring vibrant floats, marching bands, and beautiful smiling faces. The parade lineup will take place in the Harrah’s Cherokee Casino lower parking area. The parade

will start from the Casino Trail/ intersection, taking a right onto 19 South through downtown Cherokee, crossing the bridge turning right onto 441 North and ending at the traffic light by the Museum of

the Cherokee Indian. The parade will then turn right across the bridge, taking the roundabout up toward the Ginger Lynn Complex to disband. Vehicles will disband to the left in GLW parking, and all

floats will disband taking the route behind the Ginger Welch Complex. For more information, reach out to Josie Long at the Cherokee Welcome Center.

- Gates Open: 5 p.m. to 11 p.m.
- Event: Fairgrounds are open from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m., offering attractions, food vendors, and entertainment. Main Stage events begin at 7 p.m.

Wednesday - Children's Day

- Gates Open: 8:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.
- Event: A day brimming with joy for children, youth, and adults, featuring stickball games, games, and activities catering to all ages. Wristbands for minors beginning at 10:00am.

Thursday - Elder's Day

- Gates: 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.
- Events: Commence the day

with a captivating fashion show, spotlighting both traditional and contemporary Cherokee fashion at 2 p.m. Witness the experience and wisdom of elders and adults as they compete in stickball games, celebrating their rich journey.

Friday - Veterans Day

- Gates: 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.
- Event: Express heartfelt gratitude to our veterans. The fairgrounds stand as a platform to honor their sacrifices, offering a day of appreciation and fostering community unity.

Saturday - Community Day

- Gates: 8 a.m. to 12 a.m.
- Event: Embrace the spirit of togetherness through community-led games, spirited stickball matches, and shared festivities. This celebration of unity will

continue until midnight, forging lasting bonds.

Highlighting the Fair: The 111th Annual Cherokee Indian Fair promises five days of excitement and engaging activities that will create lasting memories for visitors of all ages. From traditional stickball games and captivating competitions to authentic crafts, delectable food vendors, exhilarating rides, and games. The fair offers a diverse range of experiences for everyone.

Entertainment: The entertainment lineup for Saturday, Oct. 7 features two iconic performances:

- The Romantics: Rock out to the legendary American rock band with hits like "What I Like About You" and "Talking in Your Sleep." Their electrifying performance starts at 8 pm.

- Starship: Enjoy the melodic sounds of this renowned American rock band, known for chart-toppers like "We Built This City" and "Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now." They take the stage at 9 pm.

Admission and Tickets:

- Tuesday through Friday: General Admission is \$10 per day.
- Saturday: General Admission is \$20.
- Free Admission: Enrolled members of federally recognized tribes can show their enrollment card at the gate for complimentary entry.

Exhibit Hall Information:

- Exhibit Entry Date: Friday, Sept. 29 at the Yellowhill Activity Center from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Community Fair Booth Set Up: Saturday, Sept. 30 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Judging: Monday, Oct. 2 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Exhibit Hall opens to the public on Tuesday, Oct. 3 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Exhibit Hall is open to the

public Wednesday, Oct. 4 through Saturday, Oct. 7 from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.

- Exhibit Pick-Up: Sunday, Oct. 8 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and Monday, Oct. 9 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. .

Baked Goods and Livestock judging will not be held at the Yellowhill Activity Center but at the EBCI Cooperative Extension Center. Baked Goods will be judged on Monday, Oct. 2 at the Extension Center. Baked items will be received at the Extension Center from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. There will be no items accepted after 12 p.m. Pick up Baked Goods and/or containers from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Extension Center on the same day. Judging Dates: Livestock will be judged on Saturday, Oct. 7 at the EBCI Cooperative Extension Center. Entries must be at the Center at 9 a.m. Judging is from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Please reach out for further details:

Contacts for Exhibit Hall:

- Extension Center: Tammy Jackson, (828) 788-0878; Chumper Walker, (828) 788-2356
- Qualla Arts & Crafts: Vicki Cruz, (828) 226-4275

Cherokee Welcome Center

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CHEROKEE PET OF THE WEEK

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Kenai Sage Williams is a 13-year-old Maltipoo that lives in the Wolftown Community with Steve and McLissa Williams.

Kenai loves to go hiking and snuggle.



Family Reunion planning.

Direct heirs/descendants of Henry and Aggie Ross Lossiah, contact Cheryl (828) 736-3623 to help with the planning of the reunion.

Early U.S. – Cherokee history being brought to life at Tellico Blockhouse

Fort Loudoun State Park is hosting the first living history weekend event at the Tellico Blockhouse State Historic Site on Oct. 7-8. Located in Vonore, Tenn. along the old Little Tennessee River, the Tellico Blockhouse played an important role in the story of early relations between the United States and the Cherokee Nation.

After nearly two decades of bloody war, a peace treaty was signed on the site in Autumn 1794, declaring peace forever more between the Cherokee and the U.S. The Blockhouse, a U.S. Army fort, was built around the same time and meant to serve as a border station on the river. It housed a small garrison of soldiers to keep the peace between intrusive white settlers and the Cherokee just across the river and was home to an office of the Indian Agency from 1794-1817. Lastly, it was the site of the Tellico Factory where Sequoyah would learn to blacksmith.

This event will see the partially reconstructed Blockhouse brought back to life through living history demonstrations of U.S. Soldiers of the 3rd Sub-Legion, Cherokee demonstrators, and historic trades programs.

The event will be held Saturday, Oct. 7 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Info: Fort Loudoun State Park office (423) 420-2331

- Fort Loudoun State Park

Local Autism Support Group forming

Candy Ross, Family Services manager at Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start, and Amanda Bradley, Family Support coordinator at Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start, recently received their certificates from the Autism Society of North Carolina as Support Group Leaders.

Ross and her husband, Mark, have children who have Autism and are very excited to bring a support group to the Qualla Boundary and Swain and Jackson counties. Bradley has been working with families for over 20 years as a family advocate/support for families. Both Ross and Bradley look forward to working with the communities they serve and are eager to share information with families to make them more aware of Autism and the resources available. Each month, they will be hosting support group meetings, which will be posted via social media.

On Sept. 16, Ross and Bradley and friends will be attending the Run/Walk for Autism Event held in Fletcher, N.C. For information on that event, visit:

www.wncrunwalkforautism.com

As many as 1 in 36 children may be diagnosed with autism in the United States. You can make a difference in the lives of people with autism, their families, and communities by supporting this event.

Info: Candy Ross (828) 359-2203 or Amanda Bradley (828) 359-2204.

- Qualla Boundary Head Start/
Early Head Start release

Fuel assistance for EBCI seniors

The fuel assistance program helps to maintain safe temperatures, typically, through heating sources. Applications will be taken at Tsali Manor from Sept. 12, 2023 to Jan. 31, 2024. You can enter the building this year to receive your packet. Info: Sherry Welch (828) 359-6290

1. Individual must be 59½ years of age.
2. Must be an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.
3. Must live in the five (5) county service area that includes Swain, Jackson, Cherokee, Graham, and Haywood.
4. The address where the fuel will be delivered must be the primary residence.
5. Only one (1) service per resi-

dence.

6. Only one (1) type of fuel will be delivered to the residence.
7. Must reapply every year beginning in September.
8. To receive a gas tank, gas must be the primary heating source. These tanks may be leased in lieu of purchasing.
9. If the recipient owns a tank, they will not receive another one under this program.
10. If a gas tank is purchased under this program, the primary heat cannot be changed for five (5) years.
11. Clients are not permitted to change heating sources mid-year.
12. All applicants must have no past due amounts before any new funding will be applied for the new heating season.
13. It is the client's responsibility to pay for any fuel that is delivered

MISSING PERSON

Jami Lynn Knutsen

American Indian/Alaska Native

Height: 5' 3" Weight: 110 lbs

Hair: Black Eyes: Brown

Current age: 18 Female

Date of last contact:

July 16, 2023

Last Known Location:

Anchorage, Alaska

Circumstances of Disappearance:

Jami left her residence and has not returned home.

If you have seen Jami Lynn Knutsen, contact the Anchorage Police Department (907) 786-8900 or the Alaska State Troopers (907) 269-5511.

Source: Namus.gov



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over the budgeted amount, which is currently one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) per season.

- Cherokee Senior Citizens Program

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE NEWS

Visitors to Great Smoky Mountains National Park spent \$2.1 billion in local communities in 2022

GATLINBURG, Tenn. — A new National Park Service (NPS) report shows that 12.9 million visitors to Great Smoky Mountains National Park in 2022 spent \$2.1 billion in communities near the park. That spending supported 32,590 jobs in the local area and had a cumulative benefit to the local economy of \$3.3 billion.

“Since 1916, the National Park Service has been entrusted with

the care of our national parks. With the help of volunteers and partners, we safeguard these special places and share their stories with more than 300 million visitors every year. The impact of tourism to national parks is undeniable: bringing jobs and revenue to communities in every state in the country and making national parks an essential driver to the national economy,” said National Park Service Director Chuck Sams.

The 2022 Visitor Spending Effects analysis incorporates newly available survey data for Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Previous spending estimates for the park were calculated by using generalized trip and spending data from other parks in the National Park System. The new survey data revealed that people stayed longer in gateway communities and

spent more money during their visits compared to the generalized estimates. This year the analysis also attributes a more conservative portion of time and spending if Great Smoky Mountains National Park was not the primary reason for visiting the local area. Overall, the 2022 visitor spending estimates more accurately reflect local visitor spending patterns, as well as changes in inflation and visitation.

“This data gives us an even clearer picture of the positive economic impacts of Great Smoky Mountains National Park in both Tennessee and North Carolina,” said Superintendent Cassius Cash. “We’re proud to care for a national park that provides incredible opportunities for learning and recreation, creates jobs in nearby communities and contributes to

local economies.”

The peer-reviewed visitor spending analysis was conducted by economists at the National Park Service. The report shows \$23.9 billion of direct spending by nearly 312 million park visitors in communities within 60 miles of a national park. This spending supported 378,400 jobs nationally; 314,600 of those jobs are found in these gateway communities. The cumulative benefit to the U.S. economy was \$50.3 billion.


As for the economics of visitor spending, the lodging sector had the highest direct effects, with \$9 billion in economic output nationally. The restaurants sector had the second greatest effects, with \$4.6 billion in economic output nationally.

To learn more about national parks in Tennessee and North Carolina and how the National Park Service works with local communities in these states to help preserve local history, conserve the environment, and provide outdoor recreation, go nps.gov.

- National Park Service release

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Sponsored by the Qualla Boundary Historical Society




Cherokee Indian Fair

Seasonal gatherings, particularly at harvest time, have long been a part of Cherokee society. At a general Tribal Council meeting at Cheoah in Graham County, North Carolina, in 1868, the tribe decided to fix a place and days for holding a “national” fair. Over 50 years would pass, however, before such a fair was formally established in 1914 and held annually. Several circumstances during the early 20th century contributed to the institution of the Cherokee Indian Fair.

The Appalachian Railway and Southern Railway Systems made travel easier in the mountainous regions that had previously been nearly impassable for tourists and casual travelers. Social relations also began to change somewhat at this time. Honorary member of the EBCI Mary Ulmer Chiltoskey, wrote, “The Indian and the white cultures were beginning to show signs of merging in pleasant settings. As relationships improved between the Cherokee of the Qualla Indian Boundary it is no surprise that, early in the 20th century, the Cherokees and their white neighbors were ready to enjoy together the types of celebrations that had been thought of as strictly ‘Cherokee’.”

Source: Western Carolina University
Photo: Appalachian State University



Due to the Labor Day weekend holiday, the deadline for the Sept. 7 paper is Thursday, Aug. 31 at 12 p.m.

OBITUARIES ᏊᏏᏁᏂ

Francis Frank Marion Blythe

Francis Frank Marion Blythe Jr., 82, of Lincoln, died on July 21, 2023.

Frank was destined to be one of Indian Country's foremost storytellers. He was born in Pipestone, Minn. where his Eastern Cherokee father and Sisseton-Wahpeton Dakota mother made their home. This is the site of the pipestone quarry which continues to speak the sacred pipe stories that honor us all.

His family moved to Phoenix, Ariz. where Frank made many friends and enjoyed playing baseball. He also met the love of his life Bernie, a member of the Navajo Nation, and graduated from Arizona State University. Frank career in public television also started there in operations management with KAET-TV licensed at ASU.

In 1972, a group of public television stations met together with funding from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for the purpose of developing a plan to train Native American producers and Native American Programs for

public television. This led to the creation of the Native American Public Broadcasting Consortium. The new organization established its headquarters with Native Public Media and the University of Nebraska in Lincoln in 1976. Frank Blythe was hired as the first executive director. Under Frank's leadership, NAPBC, in 1974, formed American Indian Radio on Satellite which assisted in establishing The Native Radio Network which still operates serviced by a separate organization Native Public Media in Arizona. From 1976 until 2006, Frank led the organization now named Vision Maker Media from a concept to a major institution providing training and financial support for hundreds of Native Media Producers and creating the largest archive of Native films in the country.

Frank made many friends and colleagues along the way who worked with him both Native and Non-Native who made possible his journey in storytelling.

A great storyteller has passed on to the spirit world with his stories remaining with us to learn and to share. That is his legacy.

Mass of Christian Burial was Thursday, July 27 at North American Martyrs Catholic Church. Interment was in the Calvary Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to Vision Maker Media.

Homer Lee Thompson

Homer Lee Thompson, age 36, passed away unexpectedly at his home on Thursday, Aug. 17, 2023.

He is survived by his mother, Anita Swimmer Thompson; sister, Ada Ducky Thompson; niece, Addi Me-Li Taylor; nephew, Calvin Wilson Taylor; and his special family and friends, Jayjay, Jabba, Panda, Tbear, Alyine, Rainy, Lewis Bird, MJ, Malachiah, Levi Moss, and Mr. Kurt Hotelling. He had many friends, and we cannot name them all. He is also survived by four uncles, Ben, Dean (Lola), Juggie, and Obie (Sugar); three aunts, Bobbi (Russell), Dinah (Jerry), Bonnie (Barney); and plenty of cousins.

He is preceded in death by his father, Wilson Junior Thompson; twin brother, Johnny Lee Thompson; uncles, Adam, Lawrence, Eugene, Edison, Enos; aunt, Amanda Thompson; his maternal grandparents, Issac and Dorothy

Swimmer; uncle, David Swimmer; aunt, Kina Swimmer; and cousins, Tsa-ni Youngdeer and Caden Jayce Lossie.

Homer had many phases in life. His biggest passion was music. While he was in school, he played the trumpet from the time he started 7th grade. He became the drum major his senior year. He traveled to Europe during the summer after the 11th grade to play with the United States Ambassadors Band. He learned to play piano soon. He played a few tunes for the residents of Tsali Care Center. They always wanted him to come back. Homer went to a technical school in Pennsylvania and got certified as a mechanic. He worked at the hotel as a housekeeper, then worked at Pizza Hut, Burger King, and McDonald's. Finally, he decided to try his hand at making jewelry. He made bracelets and necklaces using gemstones and silver beads. He sold a lot and gave many of them away. If a person liked something he made but couldn't pay his price, he asked them to make an offer or he would surprise them and gift it to them.

He also enjoyed cooking. He

EBCI BANISHMENT LIST

[EBCI Banishment List - The Cherokee One Feather \(theonefeather.com\)](http://theonefeather.com)

Tribal Council may exclude anyone from tribal lands-including exclusion from residing, visiting, and/or doing business. (CC 2.1)

Tribal Court may impose fines up to \$5000 and 12 months in jail for harboring, hiding, or providing services to a excluded person. (CC 2.10)



taught his niece, Addi, to cook at the age of 4. She was always in the kitchen with him cooking. He taught her a lot about cooking. She also had Homer wrapped around her finger. He played Xbox from time to time with his nephew, Calvin. Everything he did and learned, he said was for his own knowledge. He was a very intelligent person. He wanted to be remembered as the guy who made you smile or laugh.

A formal funeral service was held on Friday, Aug. 25 in the Chapel of Long House Funeral Home. Homer was laid to rest next to his twin Brother in the Thompson Family Cemetery in the Birdtown Community. Pallbearers were among Family and Friends.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

Tina Diane Farmer

Tina Diane Farmer, 45, of Cullowhee, passed away Wednesday morning, Aug. 23, 2023. A native and a lifelong resident of Jackson County, she was the daughter of Diana Queen Van Etten of Cullowhee and the late Roger Van Etten.

A 5th Grade teacher for the Cherokee Central Schools, she loved to read, especially Harry Potter. She also loved to travel, but the most joy in her life was when she was with her family, her children, and grandchildren.

In addition to her mother, she is also survived by her husband of 26 years, Doug Farmer; her children, Jessica Farmer of Cullowhee, Autumn (Jonathan) Hill of Sylva, Brett Farmer of Cullowhee; her grandchildren, Roman, Abel,

Jasiah, Adalynn, and one on the way; her sister, Tammy Van Etten; and her family of Knoxville, Tenn.

A Memorial Service was held on Saturday, Aug. 26 in the Chapel of Appalachian Funeral Services with Rev. Mike Farmer officiating.

Nancy Plemmons

06/13/1942 - 08/21/2023

Nancy Plemmons, 81, of Murphy, passed away Monday, Aug. 21, 2023. She was the daughter of the late George Bradley and Tiney "Bigmeat" Thompson. In addition to the parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Tony Plemmons; step-father, Adam Thompson; and a sister, Patricia Brown.

Nancy was an avid Carolina Tarheels fan. She loved Jewelry making, gardening, and Native American Arts and Crafts.

Surviving is a daughter, Lee-

ann Bridges; grandchild, Owen McHattie; a niece, Paula Wojtkowski; nephews, Michael Brown, and Darrell Brown; special cousins, Paulette Smart, and Dianne Panther; special friend, T. Barneveld; special caretaker and friend, Leslie Thomas; and close friend, Joyce Dugan.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Aug. 24 at Townson-Rose Funeral Home with Foreman Bradley officiating. Burial was in the Martin Cemetery. Pallbearers will be T. Barneveld, Darren Smith, Robert "Toad" Arch, Roy Crooks, Brian Rourke, and Justin Arch.

Townson-Rose Funeral Home in charge of all arrangements.

You may send tributes to the family at www.townson-rose.com





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COMMENTARY

I got chills, they're multiplying!

By ROBERT JUMPER
One Feather Editor

The month of October is bookended with two exceptionally fun and exciting events. The signature event for the tribe is the Cherokee Indian Fair which runs Oct. 3-7, although the initial information from the Fair committee is that there will be a "Fair Week Stick Off", meaning as part of the start of the Fair, stickball games will be held at Unity Field on Monday, Oct. 2. So, bonus!

Fair time is always homecoming time on the Qualla Boundary. Family members and friends travel from all corners of the U.S., and sometimes from overseas, to reunite families. Old gentlemen and mature ladies of our tribe meet and "chew the fat", and usually a few ears of roasted corn. We share tales of days gone by and each tries to top the other's fish tale. It is not uncommon for an elder to pull out his pocketknife and work on his wood carving (the one he carries around in his other pocket) while telling of his experiences "up in the Cove". The Fair is sometimes the only opportunity for the young to hear the old and the elder to listen to the young.

The team, in what is now called Destination Marketing, puts the Fair together along with the Cherokee Agricultural Extension Office, Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual Co-op, and other tribal programs. The Cherokee Cooperative Extension Office and Qualla Arts



A scary display is shown on a booth at the Scare-O-Kee event held in Cherokee, N.C. on Oct. 31, 2022. This year's event is scheduled again for Halloween day, Tuesday, Oct. 31. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

put together a beautiful "Exhibit Book" detailing all the categories that tribal members may enter to win prizes at the Fair. In my opinion, this piece is a collector's item with great photos, artwork, and historical background information. If you manage to get one, hold on to it.

The Fair is typically planned in day parts and the members of the Cherokee Welcome Center are usually charged with the day planning for this event. Those day planners partner with others in the community to plan and execute each day. Their planning includes the coordination of the Cherokee Indian Fair Parade. The Fair has always been the most complex of the annual events in the tribal event calendar, requiring year-round attention. And having the traditional fairgrounds out of service provides additional complexity to the planning process. It

is already challenging when you know the space you have available to put together a day's worth of activities. Add to that having to recalculate on different property and day planning turns into a hair-pulling contest.

The team at Destination Marketing has excelled in the past and has been able to pivot to accommodate last-minute changes in times and places. This year presents additional unique challenges for the team to rise to. Not only is the team seasoned, having executed several Fair events over the years, but they are also passionate about making the Fair a success because all are from the community and are invested in it. Their grannies, grandpas, moms, dads, brothers, sisters, and children are the audience for the Fair. That is just a little extra incentive to put on the best Fair that they can.

Other unsung heroes of the

Fair are the teams at the Co-operative Extension Office and Qualla Arts and Crafts. For years, these two entities have organized and executed the individual and community exhibits and organized the exhibit hall at the Fair. Fair week starts a day or two early for them, as they take in entries, put those into categories (once they have made sure the exhibit meets the official criteria), and get the exhibits judged. They ensure that displays and security conditions are right for both the exhibitors and the public.

Destination Marketing negotiates for a carnival to be on-site for the duration of the Fair. Negotiation includes having a special rate for Children's Day (traditionally the Wednesday of Fair Week). Trying to get the best and biggest rides isn't an easy task. October is a busy time for carnival operators, and since they are not paid to be

at these events and rely on the income from ride tickets to survive, they tend to pick the bigger cities and festivals to put their biggest and best rides. Some carnival operators book their carnivals years in advance in locations where they get the most bucks for their bang. So, a balance must be struck between wanting the most exciting rides, fitting them in the space available, and convincing the carnival operators that they will make the money they need to be successful.

At the other end of October is the Scare-O-Kee event to be held on Oct. 31 (how appropriate). Last year, this event grew exponentially from handing out candy and dressing up a little to a massive, close-the-road down production with themed booths, light shows,

and music. Mollie Grant is coordinating the event this year with an eye toward better organization, more booths and “Haunted Houses”, food, candy, and fun. With Mollie at the helm, as you would imagine, the top of the list is safety for the workers and the guests. She is having regular meetings that include the Cherokee Indian Police Department, Cherokee EMS, Cherokee Fire Dept., CDOT, EBCI Communications, and Destination Marketing, among others. Scare-O-Kee, known as the Safe Trick-or-Treat Night pre-COVID, would bring bring an estimated 1,000+ children and their families to the event. The Scare-O-Kee organizers are hoping for a big number this year as well.

One of the most interesting and fun parts of the Scare-O-Kee

experience is the creative spins that the team at each booth puts on their creations. The booths range from the loosely themed “Come as your favorite character” to the very specific “Everybody picks a character from Beetle-juice”. Some just cut holes in a white sheet, drape it over their heads and that is their costume for the night. Others go all out, sewing special garments and accouterments, and constructing elaborate sets for their themed booths. It all done in good taste and keeping in mind that Scare-O-Kee is a very kid-friendly event. When it all comes together, it is more than just a “trick or treat” deal. It is a special experience for the entire family.

I hope each of us takes the time to enjoy these events. While

they are open to all, they are widely attended by tribal members. Part of what makes our tribe unique in the region is our sense of family and community. We care about each other and want to share experiences with each other. These are opportunities to do just that. It is a family tradition. Whether you are into the end-of-the-month “spook fest” or are looking forward to the first of October Fall Festival, October on the Boundary promises to be fun for everyone. I don’t know about you, but I am ready for a little fun after a year that seems to be seriously screaming by. And yes, I will be hunting up the Scraggle Pop booth at the Fair to purchase my annual bags of kettle corn. And I may wear my Danny Zuko costume just for fun.

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Tuckasegee River	N/A	Morning & Evening	Rainbow Trout, Brook Trout, Brown Trout, Smallmouth Bass, Spotted Bass	Caddis, BWO, Squirmy Worms, Girdle Bugs, Wooly Buggers, Hellgrammites, Yellow Sallie, Hopper, Game Changer, Barr's Crane Fly, Chubby Chernobyl
Chattooga & Whitewater Rivers	N/A	Morning & Evening	Rainbow, Brown & Brook Trout	BWO, Mop Flies, Stoneflies, Pheasant Tails, Girdle Bugs, Wooly Buggers, Zebra Midge, Yellow Sallie, Whit's Bright, Spot Inchworm
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COMMENTARY

Hey Facebook, quit deleting photos of Natives

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

One Feather Asst. Editor

CHEROKEE, N.C. – Last evening, I uploaded a photo I took of men of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) playing stickball during the Annual Kituwah Celebration in June. That photo was almost immediately deleted by Facebook stating it went against their community standards on “nudity or sexual activity”.

The photo in question is attached to this article so you can check it out for yourself. Like all stickball games, the men are shirtless, but they’re certainly not nude nor is there any sexual activity going on.

Sadly, this is not even close to the first time Facebook has deleted photos like this. A friend of mine had a photo of his son, shirtless at a pool in Florida, deleted recently. And, I’ve been contacted by several other parents stating that photos they posted of their sons playing stickball, or posing after a game, have been deleted by Facebook. One Cherokee mother was even threatened by Facebook with having her entire page removed if she received one more “infraction”.

Are you serious?

First off, among many tribes and families, having long hair is a cultural practice. So, many Native boys have long hair, and Facebook staff is mistaking them for girls. That’s what is happening in most of these cases.

I get that they want to keep sexualized images of children off



The photo above, showing men of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians playing stickball at the Annual Kituwah Celebration in June, was removed by Facebook recently citing it violated Community Standards on nudity.

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

their platform. But, how in the world are these images even close to that filth? Also, Facebook, do your research and learn about cultures before you condemn photos and threaten users of your platform.

There is obviously a huge lack of knowledge here on the part of Facebook and its staff.

Other than simply opening their eyes and learning about different cultures, I’d also recommend that Facebook staff not jump the gun. If staff had contacted me, I would have gladly explained my photograph as I’m sure most of the parents affected would do as well. Simple communication could

avoid many of these problems. I think it is beyond time for Facebook to have a Native American Committee to address some of these issues going forward.

Facebook’s Community Standards policies are not a bad idea. It’s the way they’re being carried out that is the issue.

On their page labeled “Transparency”, Facebook states that the platform is being used by over 2 billion people. “Meta recognizes how important it is for Facebook to be a place where people feel empowered to communicate, and we take our role seriously in keeping abuse off the service...these standards are based on feedback

from people and advice of experts in fields like technology, public safety, and human rights. To ensure everyone’s voice is valued, we take great care to create standards that include different views and beliefs, especially from people and communities that might otherwise be overlooked or marginalized.”

Ok, Facebook, read that last sentence again. Now, read it again.

Indian Country is routinely overlooked and marginalized. This could be an opportunity for Facebook to truly go by its own doctrine and include different view and beliefs (and customs and traditions) into its policies.

COMMENTARY

Responding to Congressman's views on cannabis

By CHRIS SUTTLE
Chapel Hill, N.C.

While I believe everyone has the right to voice their opinion, I would be turning my back on the industry I love and have been a part of for over 25 years if I did not point out numerous problematic and uninformed statements the esteemed Representative Chuck Edwards has made in his recent opinion piece on cannabis legalization and the EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) which appeared in the Cherokee One Feather Aug. 23, 2023 edition.

The most disappointing one to me is the Representative's use of the terms "pot" and "marijuana", not the scientific and industry-accepted term cannabis. Both pot and marijuana are words deeply rooted in systemic racism, sadly something Native Americans and other minorities are no strangers to. I find the use of these terms distasteful and disrespectful considering his intended audience. His opening statement concerning Congress shirking its duties since 1996 to uphold the very cannabis laws it passed is a very biased opinion. The first attempt at federal regulation of marijuana came in 1906 with the passage of the Pure Food and Drug Act. The act included cannabis among the

various substances patent medicine companies were required to list on their labels.

After this act was passed Congress began to pass several bills supporting big pharma, the lumber industry, and bills that target minorities with increased criminal charges for possession or distribution. While the Honorable Representative might believe States passing their own cannabis laws is "thumbing their proverbial noses" at federal law, I believe that states have the right to fight unjust and outdated federal laws by passing legislation that benefits their constituents and their state over what the federal government deems appropriate. The very foundation of our nation is built on the belief in all people having the right to life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness, and to escape the shackles of a tyrannous government. States that have legalized cannabis, either medicinally or for adult use, have embraced this belief and stood up for the rights of their citizens. To me, that is an act that deserves praise, not ridicule.

The esteemed representative continues his argument by bringing up the federal Controlled Substance List and its classification of cannabis as a Schedule 1 narcotic. The DEA defines a level one narcotic as a substance or chemical defined as drugs with no currently accepted medical use and a high potential for abuse. The drugs listed in this classification are • Heroin • Lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD) • Cannabis • Methylenedioxymethamphetamine (ecstasy) • Methaqualone • Peyote.

The key phrase here is "no currently accepted medical use". The New England Journal of Medicine in a 2019 article on a case study of a patient presenting with chronic pain in her left leg and foot took a poll in which 70 percent of the participating physicians suggested medicinal cannabis as the best treatment option.

Every year the scientific community publishes more and more articles on the human endocannabinoid system and the homeostasis the introduction of cannabis can create for patients dealing with multiple medical ailments. By its very definition cannabis should be removed from Schedule 1 as its medicinal properties are well documented in numerous respectable medical journals.

I myself survived a terminal brain tumor scare 6 years ago through a cannabis micro-dosing procedure I created by studying peer-published medical articles on cannabis use in the treatment of massive brain trauma. Currently, the growth has diminished to a size where it has been deemed a non-issue by my physician, and I continue to improve daily.

This is not a medical issue. It's not even, at its core, a political one. This is a financial issue. The NCGA members against the legalization of cannabis cannot ignore the billions of dollars it has brought into other states that have legalized cannabis. Even with this economic information, they continue to operate under the idea that if they are not the ones to benefit, then no one should.

I have been involved with both

SB711 and its newer version SB3, called the Compassionate Care Act. I have been instrumental in both bills passing the state Senate only to die a slow death in the House both times. What started out as something created out of the compassion Senator Rabon felt for his fellow cancer patients has turned into a polarizing issue with several representatives within the current Republican-controlled halls of the NCGA. Those leaders continue to stonewall any progress on the bill at every turn.

I applaud the EBCI for having the compassion to entertain a vote on Sept. 7 to legalize cannabis for all North Carolina residents over the age of 21. The reduction in opioid use/deaths by allowing chronic pain patients access to cannabis is, in my opinion, the very definition of compassion.

So, let Representative Chuck Edwards make empty threats of loss of federal funding. Let him and his compatriots march to Washington to create the Stop the Pot Act. I would rather support those on a state level willing to bring light to those who have been dying in the dark by giving them access to an all-natural proven solution to numerous medical conditions.

I am hopeful the vote on Sept. 7 goes in favor of adult use of cannabis for all North Carolina residents over the age of 21 on tribal lands. I have hosted several sign-up events for the EBCI program across our beloved State and have many more planned for the future.



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SPEAKING OF FAITH

Sanctification - No one can lie to God, self, or others without regrets

By TIMOTHY L. MELTON

Pastor Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church

Read 1 Peter 3:15

They would also testify and go on to tell us what part God had been doing that week. They would tell us the most amazing things!

I remember hearing them say, "We were hungry, and we prayed, and God sent us groceries." I also remember them saying, "We were cold and had no way to heat the house and somebody would show up at the house with some fuel oil and some wood (for the fireplace)." I also remember hearing, "At two o'clock in the morning, the baby had gotten sick, and the doctor wasn't answering his phone. We would all pray, and God healed the baby. So, we are all still here today" ...

They'd begin with the words, "We thank God that we are saved, sanctified, and full of the Holy Ghost."

I realize those are wonderful words, but the Truth is, we ought to still be saying things like this, and the trouble is most folks leave out the middle part, and the last part. They'll talk about the Holy Ghost, but they'll leave out the sanctified part, and possibly, the filling of the Holy Ghost.

The reason, I believe, is because to be sanctified means to be set apart for God. It means one should no longer be thinking of their "own selfish self." Whatever else we think, the "whatever we will" shouldn't matter anymore. What this really means is, we are to be wholly set apart for God. In fact, if I were to look at the Word spoken more closely, it would be to help us each clean up our own business.

Before we get too "holy" on me and say, "He already did that!" I've got good news for us. He's still working on me and you. And if anyone else is the one thinking that, maybe it was, "only in one's mind."

I've got good news for all of us. Tell each person "to sanctify the pride that's been hidden on our inside too."

Tell the person to sanctify this pride that's on the inside of me and everyone else too. Maybe it wasn't said out loud, that we've thought that, maybe it was in one's own mind this was thought. The Truth of the matter is from the pulpit all the way to the back door, we've all got work to be done on ourselves.

Now, thank God, that He's doing it! He, let me just go on and give us all some good news. Hallelujah! He is doing mighty work in all of us and that's what I see. I see it in each of us. I'm seeing it as our young people are starting to sing in the Praise Team, sharing in waving the banners, and laying hands on many people as they pray for them as well.

And, by the way, our young people in our teenage class told their Youth Pastors, "We want to go to the park down below and start laying hands on and praying for the strangers there."

That's the kind of thing God is doing! I

want all of us to realize God is doing some big things! Thank you, Lord!" However, I don't want to get left out. I don't want to get to the end of my days and realize that God could have done more with me, only I wouldn't have let Him. He even wants to take each one of us further than we've ever been. I don't want to be the one stopping right here, when God is saying to each of us, "There's so much more!"

Could we already have said in our thoughts to Him, "That's enough?" Could this be the real problem? Ask Him, now, and see what He will answer.

Sanctification is a two-fold, definite work. It is for us, and it is for Him too. Can we see what He has done or what He may be planning to complete in us? Can we see what we are doing now? Can we see what hasn't been quite finished yet? We could also answer with a "no" but, honestly, would we really want that as our answer? Are we fully understanding this yet?



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*The reason I left you in Crete was that you might put in order
what was left unfinished and appoint elders in every town,
as I directed you.*

TITUS 1:5

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ACROSS

1 Picture
6 Lo —
(Chinese dish)
10 Eyes, to bards
14 Step heavily
19 Like zebras' necks
20 Author Sarah — Jewett
21 Beet or yam
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23 Spotted steed
25 Womanizer, perhaps
26 Bacteriology gels
27 Some sporty trucks, briefly
28 Jai —
29 Illegal boxing blow
31 Superhero with a magic ring
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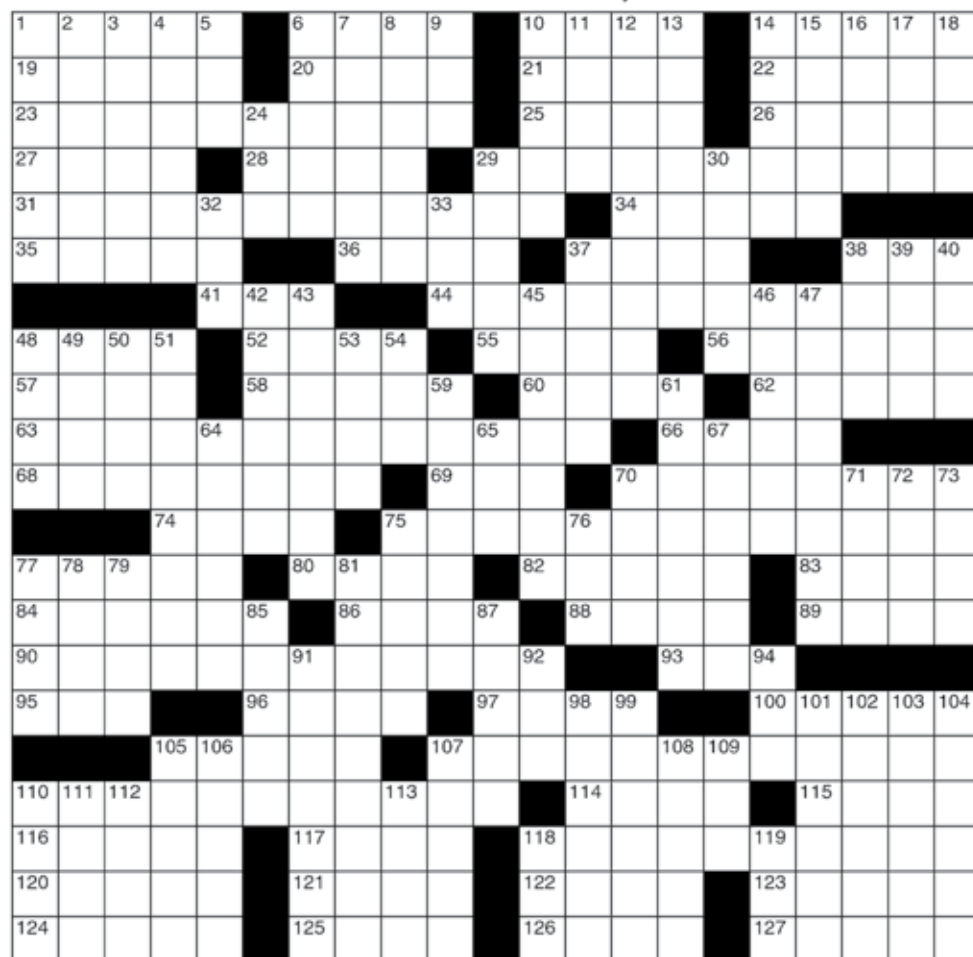
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74 Prefix with skeleton
75 Common chamber group
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83 TV's — May Clampett
84 Annie player Quinn
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90 Spur-of-the-moment choice
93 Federal benefits org.
95 "Yoo-hoo!"
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97 2006 Nintendo debuts
100 Taj —
105 Bursts in space
107 Figure at Madame Tussauds
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114 Scottish island
115 Agts. going after tax evaders
116 Banishment
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118 What someone who completes this puzzle does?
120 "Daniel" singer John
121 Solemn act
122 The Beatles' "Let —"
123 Arm bones

124 School VIPs
125 Luminary
126 Warty critter
127 Actress Sharon
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6 Dough
7 Off-course
8 As originally found
9 Once called
10 Hatch of Utah
11 Large crucifix
12 Unlimited
13 Wheel turner
14 Von — family ("The Sound of Music" group)
15 Rascally sort
16 Arab country
17 Bygone Ford div.
18 Sumptuous
24 TV's Linden
29 "Sauer" hot dog topping
30 New Mexico's flower
32 Top-secret govt. org.
33 Fade away

37 "This is only —"
38 Swedish retail chain
39 Floss flavor
40 Furry adoptees
42 "— Cafe" (old Whoopi Goldberg sitcom)
43 Drinking alcohol
45 Exactly
46 Leia's last name
47 Unscented
48 Smidgens
49 Halo effect
50 Hip to
51 Florida or Ohio pol, e.g.
53 Poet Angelou since '75
59 Short-hop plane
61 Rotational forces
64 Doggoned
65 Berlin loc.
67 Gives shape to, to a Brit
70 Humpbacked lab helper
71 "— do you good"
72 Actress Ward
73 "Gotta go," to a texter
75 Pulverize

76 Catch
77 Deep cut
78 Article in Augsburg
79 Big name in skin cream
81 "That went right by me"
85 Chutzpah
87 Cedar Rapids native
91 Paint appliers, e.g.
92 Veto
94 Sound box at a concert
98 Really digs
99 Floor-washing robot
101 "Insomniac" comic Dave
102 Showing benevolence
103 Sports spots
104 Contacts, e.g.
105 Floss fiber
106 Cake bakers
107 Sea filler
108 Single
109 — Vegas
110 Necessity
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118 Set of parts to be assembled
119 Ant or beetle



See answers on page 28

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

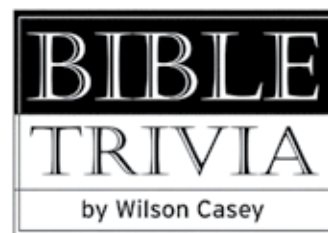
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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1. Is the book of Judges in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. What sin did Paul tell the Thessalonians was likely to occur at night? *Thievery, Idolizing, Adultery, Drunkenness*
3. From Matthew 7, what did Jesus warn against throwing to pigs? *Bones, Stones, Figs, Pearls*
4. Who was the first man to experience physical death? *Adam, Abel, Aaron, Abraham*
5. Who was the first Christian stoned to death? *Naboth, Stephen, Zechariah, Paul*
6. How many sons did Isaac have? *2, 4, 6, 8*

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1. TELEVISION: What is the song played at the end of the final episode of "Breaking Bad"?
2. PSYCHOLOGY: What fear is represented in the condition called phobia?
3. MOVIES: What is the name of the horse in the Disney animated movie "Tangled"?
4. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of rattlesnakes called?
5. GEOGRAPHY: What is the oldest, still active volcano on Earth?
6. SCIENCE: What is the tallest type of grass?
7. LANGUAGE: What does the Greek root word "morph" mean?
8. FOOD & DRINK: What is a samovar used for?
9. MUSIC: Which Rolling Stones' hit featured the line: "Who could hang a name on you"?
10. ANATOMY: Where are suture joints found in the human body?



HAPPENINGS

Event listings are free of charge. Send your event name, date and time, location, and contact info to scotmckie@ebci-nsn.gov.

EVENTS

EBCI COMMUNITY EVENTS

EBCI Chicken Distribution.

Aug. 31. Three locations including: Qualla Boundary – 10 a.m. at the old Cherokee High School. Info: Kristina Queen (828) 359-6444. Snowbird Community – Church of the Lamb at 12:30 p.m.. Info: Zena Rattler (828) 735-4594. Cherokee County – John Welch Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. Info: Zena Rattler. Must show EBCI enrollment card. One box per family.

Goodbye Summer, Hello Fall Market.

Aug. 31 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Shopping, food, and fun. Lunch by Melisha and lots of vendors.

EBCI Pageants. Sept. 27, 28, and 30 at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Center. Starts at 6 p.m. Little Miss and Junior Miss Cherokee on Wednesday, Sept. 27; Teen Miss Cherokee on Thursday, Sept. 28; and Miss Cherokee on Saturday, Sept. 30.

Living History Weekend on Early U.S-Cherokee history.

Oct. 7-8 at Tellico Blockhouse State Historic Site in Vonore, Tenn. Located in Vonore, Tenn. along the old Little Tennessee River, the Tellico Blockhouse played an important role in the story of early relations between the United States and the Cherokee Nation. This event will see the partially reconstructed Blockhouse brought back to life through living history demonstrations of U.S. Soldiers of the 3rd Sub-Legion, Cherokee demonstrators, and historic trades programs. The event will be held **Saturday, Oct. 7** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and **Sunday, Oct. 8** from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Info: Fort Loudoun

State Park office (423) 420-2331

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 Fire-fighter II, Haz-Mat Operations. Info: Interim Fire Chief Thomas Simmons (828) 788-1272 or thomm@ebci-nsn.gov

HEALTH/SPORTS EVENTS

Fireside Sobriety Circle.

Sept. 7-10 at the Yogi in the Smokies Campground in Cherokee, N.C. Bring your chairs, camping gear, warm clothes and blankets, and your Pow Wow regalia. AA/Al-anon speakers, talking circles, meetings, t-shirts and sweatshirts, Sobriety Pow Wow. No pets in food serving/ eating, Pow Wow, under big tent, or Sacred Fire Areas. Registration begins Thursday at noon. Info: Herb W. (828) 506-8563 or firesidesobriety@gmail.com.

Childbirth Education Class.

Sept. 5, 12, 19, and 26 from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Cherokee Choices located at 806 Acquoni Rd. in Cherokee, N.C. These classes are free and open to all. Learn about labor and birth, coping skills for labor, postpartum, breastfeeding, and newborn care. Participants must register prior to class. Sign up with Tricia Carver at tricarv@ebci-nsn.gov or (828) 359-6250

Roller Derby Barbie Bout.

Sept. 9 at 3 p.m. at the Swain County Recreation Center in Bryson City, N.C. Smoky Mountain Roller Girls vs. Greensboro Roller Derby. Info: <https://www.facebook.com/SmokyMountainRollerGirls>

18th Annual WNC Run/Walk for Autism.

Sept. 16 at 9 a.m. at the Bill Moore Community Park in Fletcher, N.C. 5K race and Fun Run/Walk. Info: www.wncrunwalkforautism.com

Community Baby Shower.

Sept. 27 from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Peaches Squirrell Sports & Recreation Complex. First 50 people receive a t-shirt. Food and raffle prizes such as diapers, gift cards, and more. Info: Tricia Carver 359-6250, tricarv@ebci-nsn.gov, or Candy Martin 359-6865, candmart@ebci-nsn.gov

Run for Recovery 5K.

Sept. 30 at 10 a.m. at Kituwah. Proceeds from the race will go to the non-profit RezHOPE. Register:

www.runsignup.com

Cherokee High School Fall Sports Schedules

Varsity Football

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

- 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. 31, at Robbinsville

- Sept. 7, vs Andrews

- Sept. 14, vs Hayesville

- Sept. 21, vs Swain Co.

- Sept. 28, at Murphy

Puzzle Answers

Super Crossword

Answers

IMAGE	MEIN	ORBS	TROMP
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PINTO	HORSE	ROUE	AGARS
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GREEN	LANTERN	DRUPE	
NESTS	TUBA	ALEC	IMP
	ABE	BUTTER	COOKIE
DAIS	ATMS	TOES	ARDENT
AUNT	GHANA	ASST	GOATS
BROAD	DAYLIGHT	OMAR	
SANTA	AANA	REA	IRONFIST
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Weekly SUDOKU

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

ANSWERS: 1) Old, 2) Drunkenness, 3) Pearls, 4) Abel, 5) Stephen, 6) 2

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

Answers

1. "Baby Blue."
2. Fear of wealth.
3. Maximus.
4. A rhumba.
5. Mount Etna, Italy.
6. Bamboo.
7. Form or shape.
8. An urn for making tea.
9. "Ruby Tuesday."
10. The skull.

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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. 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. 25 vs Blue Ridge
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
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

See **EVENTS** next page



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Relationships continue to thrive, but watch for any telltale signs of potential problems. Take needed action now to set things straight, before they become troublesome later.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your powers of persuasion backed up, of course, by your considerable expertise help you to establish your case, even to the most dubious decision-makers in your workplace.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You might still be a bit reluctant to face up to some less-than-pleasant realities. But, the sooner you accept the facts, the sooner you can set about making some needed changes.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Expect to make adjustments, even when things seem locked up and ready to go. But, cheer up: At least one change could lead to something you've been hoping for.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The success of a recent project should do a lot to boost your self-confidence. You might want to check out ways to make that long-deferred bigger and bolder move.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Ease up on the pressure you might be putting on the new person in your life. It takes time for a budding relationship to blossom. Showing them more patience and understanding will help.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You have lots of inner strength in reserve. Use some of it to resist intimidation from those who might try to impose on your good nature for their own reasons.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) The good news is that your on-the-job status is improving. The one cautionary note, however, involves a personal situation you might have been ignoring for too long.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Congratulations. Once again, your sharp Sagittarian "horse sense" helps you work through a complicated situation that would leave most people confused.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Plan on indulging yourself in some well-earned good times through much of the week. Then be prepared to face some thought-provoking issues during the next few weeks.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Positive factors continue to dominate, following a recent change in both your professional and personal lives. Expect to make contact with someone from your past.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Workplace stability allows you to continue making progress on your projects. But, don't ignore your personal life. Spend more quality time with those special folks.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a gift for making people feel special. Maybe it's because you know how special you are.

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VETERANS ★ POST ★

by Freddy Groves

Burn Pits and the PACT Act

The Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics Act, also known as the PACT Act, is intended to provide benefits and health care to veterans who were exposed to toxins and the subsequent illnesses from those toxins. We're talking about burn pits and other airborne substances.

The list of presumptive illnesses will expand over the next several years to include brain cancer, gastrointestinal cancer of any type, glioblastoma, head cancer of any type, kidney cancer, lymphatic cancer of any type, lymphoma of any type, melanoma, neck cancer, pancreatic cancer, reproductive cancer of any type, respiratory (breathing-related) cancer of any type, asthma that was diagnosed after service, chronic bronchitis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), chronic rhinitis, chronic sinusitis, constrictive bronchiolitis or obliterative bronchiolitis, emphysema, granulomatous disease, interstitial lung disease (ILD), pleuritis and pulmonary fibrosis, and sarcoidosis.

"Presumptive" means that if you have those conditions, and if you served in the designated locations during the specific time periods, it's understood that your service caused the illnesses. You don't need to prove it.

The act adds additional locations for Agent Orange exposure for Vietnam-era veterans, including American Samoa, Cambodia, Guam, Laos, Thailand and Johnston Atoll, all during specific dates. Remember: Sometimes just being on a ship that called at those locations will qualify you.

If you were a post-9/11 combat veteran, your eligibility to enroll in Veterans Affairs health care is extended from five years to 10 years.

And, in a big move, the act requires the VA to do a toxic exposure screening on each and every veteran using VA health care.

For more information about eligibility for care under the PACT Act, go to www.va.gov/resources/the-pact-act-and-your-va-benefits. You'll find eligible locations listed there.

You can also call 800-698-2411 or file online at va.gov using VA Form 21-526EZ.

Even if you think you don't qualify for PACT benefits, enroll anyway in VA health care. Get a record going so it's there in the future should you need it.

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Blue-green Algae Is a Potentially Deadly Risk for Pets

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: A couple of weeks ago, my family took a trip to a nearby pond. Our dog Jessup splashed and played along with us. On the drive home, Jessup began to look ill and started drooling. When we reached home he got very ill and started having seizures. I rushed him to the emergency vet, where they treated him. The vet said that he may have ingested blue-green algae, and that it is very common in ponds and still water at this time of year. Please let your readers know about this risk! Jessup is recovering and will probably be OK, but the vet said this can be fatal.
— Sherry in Dallas, Texas

DEAR SHERRY: I'm so glad to hear that Jessup is doing well! Yes, blue-green algae, also known as cyanobacteria, is toxic and can make a dog very ill if it's ingested. It exists in many bodies of freshwater and grows rapidly when the water temperature is over 75 degrees — so it's at its highest levels, and most dangerous, in the hot summer months.

Look carefully at the water in the lake or pond before letting your dog near it. If you see a lot of pea-green growth and a slimy look to the water at the shoreline, don't let your dog jump in.

Even if the water looks OK, check to see if any "no swimming" signs are posted nearby. You also can check your local county or city website or parks department for a water quality report. And even if the water is OK for people and dogs to swim in, be sure to rinse your dog's coat in clean tap water as soon as possible after swimming.

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

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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.

77th Annual Shinnecock Indian Pow Wow. Sept. 1-4 on the Shinnecock Reservation in Southampton, New York. Info: Rebekah Wise nationsvoice@shinnecock.org

Laconia Indian Historical Association 52nd Annual Labor Day Weekend Pow Wow. Sept. 1-4 in Sanbornton, N.H. Info: Meredith Audet (603) 331-5813, infolihaofnh@gmail.com

Numaga Indian Days Pow Wow. Sept. 1-3 at the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony in Sparks, Nev. Info: (775) 329-2936, powwow@rsic.org

O-Bah-Shiing 50th Labor Day Celebration Pow Wow. Sept. 1-4 at the Ponemah Pow Wow Grounds in Ponemah, Minn.

Toka Nuwan I Hdu Witayapo 31st Annual Traditional Pow Wow. Sept. 1-3 in Enemy Swim, S.D. MC: Butch Felix. Host Drum: Noisy Bear. Info: Enemy Swim Pow Wow Committee (605) 947-

4319, Darleneroberts@swo-nsn.gov

Turtle Mountain Chippewa Pembina Labor Day Pow Wow. Sept. 1-4 at the Turtle Mountain Chippewa Pembina Pow Wow Grounds in Belcourt, N.D. Emcees: Dan Henry, Tim Counts. Host Drum: Mato Pejuta. Info: Helen Keplin (701) 278-3695, hkeplin@yahoo.com

Annual Honoring our Veterans Pow Wow. Sept. 2-3 at K&S Farm in Corbin, Ky. MC: Lowery Begay. Host Drum: Southside. Info: Adam Phillips powwow@skanp.org

62nd Annual Tecumseh Lodge Pow Wow. Sept. 2-3 at Tipton County 4-H Fairgrounds in Tipton, Ind. MC: Curt Skillett.

Host Northern Drums: Kingfisher, Mackenzie River. Head Southern Singer: Ryan Goodfox. Info: www.tecumseh lodge.org

WESTERN N.C. & BEYOND EVENTS Western Carolina University Indigenous Heritage Events

- Annual Public Lecture in Native Health. Sept. 6 at the WCU Health Scient Room 204. Guest speaker – Ann Bullock, MD. “Stress, Trauma, and the Early Roots of Health”
- Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Appreciation Football Game at WCU. Sept. 23 at E.J. Whitmire Stadium. Free tailgating at Gate 6. Discount tickets at each gate with tribal ID
- 13th Annual Rooted in the Mountains Symposium. Sept. 28-29 at the Bardo Arts Center on campus. Register at: www.wcu.edu
- Indigenous Peoples Day Festival.

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Cherokee Fall Festival

September 9 & 10, 2023

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. both days at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum



31st Annual Cherokee Fall Festival

Living History Demonstrations

Native American Dancing, Storytelling & Flute Playing

Warriors of the Ani-Kituhwa

Native American Arts & Crafts Vendors

Native American Food & Drink

Civil War Battle Re-enactment & Encampment

1833 Otis Tuft's Printing Press demonstrations

Blacksmith Demonstrations

Blow Gun Competition

Cherokee Elementary Poster Display

Sequoyah Birthplace Museum

Cherokee Fall Festival Info

423-884-6246

Cost: Adults \$10 each, \$5 Students 12-18, 12 & under free. 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Saturday & Sunday

576 Highway 360, Vonore, check website for more information

Oct. 9 at WCU Fountain. Tribal foods, exhibitions, crafts, traditional retail, and more. Interested vendors and volunteers, call (828) 497-7920 to sign up

- "My Culture is Not a Costume" Campaign. Oct. 16 on the second floor of the University Center in the Intercultural Affairs Gallery. Exhibition of costumes not to wear for Halloween will be on display - A Century of Cherokee Mask-making. Oct. 18 at the WCU Mountain Heritage Center. What role have masks played in wider efforts to keep cultural identity Cherokee-determined?

- Cherokee Gourd Workshops. Nov. 7 in Cherokee and Nov. 14 at WCU. Learn to make traditional Cherokee masks, bowls, and more with EBCI tribal member Jimmy Harlan. Register: 497-7920
- Rock Your Mocs Walk. Nov. 15

at WCU Fountain. Reception to follow.

Info: WCU Cherokee Center (828) 497-7920

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.

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

Swain County Genealogical and Historical Society meeting. Sept. 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the Swain County Regional Business Education and Training Center at 45 East Ridge Drive in Bryson City, N.C. Denise Shoulders will be

presenting "Investigative Genetic Genealogy: More than Finding Lost or Unknown Family Members". Conversation and refreshments will follow the presentation. This event is free and open to the public.

47th Annual Fall Festival. Oct. 7-8 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day at the John C. Campbell Folk School in Brasstown, N.C. Info: (800) 365-5724 or www.folk-school.org/fallfestival



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828-497-6574 www.smgrm.com

CLASSIFIEDS

Buying Fresh Wild Ginseng, starting September 1st, buying at the Old Caney Fork General Store every Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday from 3pm – 6pm. Also, buying at my home every day 1pm – 9pm. Call Rickey Teem 828.371.1802 or 828.524.7748. **10/25**

Corn for sale

Bi-color sweet corn \$20 per bag(70 ears to a bag). Text 828-508-2064 or 828-507-7276. Freshly picked to order. Pick up on Acquoni Rd or delivery to surrounding counties of Qualla Boundary, will need address to deliver. **9/20**

EMPLOYMENT

KG3 and Kituwah Technologies have the following job(s) available:



Business Development Specialist
Anyone interested should pick up an application and complete position description at the KG3 office building, 1158 Seven Clans Lane, across the street from Waffle House and First Citizens Bank between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday or email Maggie Toineeta at maggie.toineeta@kituwahag3.com. These positions will be opened until filled. Native American preference does apply, and a current job application must be submitted. Resumes will be accepted in con-

junction of all applications.

JOB OPPORTUNITY:

Business Development Specialist
Kituwah Services, LLC is looking for a Business Development Specialist to assist in the development and growth of Kituwah Services' pursuit of Federal services contracts with multiple agencies within the US Government. The Business Development Specialist will report directly to the Kituwah Services, LLC president. The successful candidate must have:

Minimum of 10 years' experience and proven success in business development, proposal development, and capture of Federal service contracts.

Knowledge and experience with US Small Business Administration's 8(a) business development program.

Experience at preparing and presenting quarterly and annual goals and forecasts for future contracts. Able to multi-task, prioritize, and manage time effectively to meet critical deadlines.

Excellent verbal communication skills.

Excellent writing skills, with the ability to develop, contribute to, integrate, and edit content for solid and compelling technical proposals, RFI's, white papers, and reports.

US Citizenship required; Security Clearance preferred

Compensation:

Kituwah Services offers a competitive salary and comprehensive benefits package.

Kituwah Services, LLC is proudly owned and operated by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI).

Job Type: Full-time

Salary: Commensurate with Expe-

rience

Benefits:

- 401(k) matching
- Dental/Vision insurance
- Disability insurance
- Health insurance
- Life insurance
- Paid time off

Education:

- Bachelor's (Required)

Experience:

- Federal Procurement Business Development: 1 year (Preferred)

Work Location:

- Multiple locations

9/6

LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
The Cherokee Court
Civil File No. CV 23-026

Cherokee Indian Housing Division v. Dwaine George

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-titled action. The nature of the relief being sought is residential eviction and reimbursement of court costs. You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than the October 9, 2023 session of Small Claims Court, 9:00AM at the Cherokee Justice Center, 91 Seven Clans Lane, Cherokee NC 28719, and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. You may contact CIHD at 828-359-6328 or at P.O. Box 1749, Cherokee NC 28719.

8/30

RFPs, BIDs, etc.



Employment Opportunities

Mandara Spa at Harrah's Cherokee is seeking applicants for the following positions:
***Signing Bonus up to \$2500.00

- Cosmetologist- must have a current NC Cosmetology License
- Senior Concierge for Front Desk and operations support – hospitality experience preferred
- Male Spa Host and Female Spa Host. – no experience required

Competitive compensation and benefits packages available. EEOC

***contingent on FT/PT and availability status

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

RFQ Plumbing Repairs

Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino is seeking quotes from qualified TERO certified companies for plumbing repairs in their domestic water room. Two 4 inch Victaulic potable valves and one 6 inch Victaulic potable valve need to be replaced. A site visit is required prior to quoting, and the timing of the work must be coordinated with the property. The company awarded the project must be licensed by the Cherokee Tribal Gaming Commission, prior to performing the work.

Interested companies should contact Sidney Moss, Engineering Supervisor, before Friday September 15th, 2023 at 828-226-0489, 828-422-5100, or at smoss@harrahs.com. **8/30**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS HUMAN RESOURCE TECHNICAL CONSULTANT

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Tribal Employment Rights Office
(TERO)

The Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) is looking for a Human Resource(s) Technical Consultant to provide Human Resource support for TERO Vendors. TERO is requesting proposals from qualified human resource providers to provide technical assistance and five deliverable products that will be made available to TERO Vendors. Preference

will be given to qualified Indians with demonstrated knowledge and experience in the human resources fields.

Persons or firms wishing to request a proposal package should contact Gerri W Grady at (828) 359-6365 or by email at gerr-grad@ebci-nsn.gov.

Proposal packages must be submitted in accordance with the instructions included in the RFP to Terri Henry, Director-TERO. Proposals must be received by 09/20/2023 @2:00 PM at which time they shall be opened and evaluated in accordance with tribal procedures. Any proposal received after this time will not be considered. Be advised that Indian preference (TERO) regulations apply to this solicitation. **9/6**

BID

The Cherokee DOT, CDOT, is currently requesting bids for Safety Work Boots. Please contact Joey Owle at 828-359-6126/ jowle@ebci-nsn.gov or Manuel Maples 828-359-6533/ manumapl@ebci-nsn.gov for bid details on, RFP: CDOT Safety Boots 2023. **9/6**

RFQ CLEANING SERVICES

Kituwah Global Government Group, LLC (KG3) is seeking quotes from qualified TERO certified companies for cleaning services in their main office. Four thousand square foot, two story office space needs to be cleaned

twice weekly. A site visit is required prior to quoting, and the timing of the work must be coordinated with the property. The company awarded the project must be licensed prior to performing the work.

Interested companies may come by the KG3 office to pick up a paper copy of the RFQ. And should contact William Medcalf, Sr. Director of Operations, before bid deadline on Wednesday September 20th, 2023, at 828-604-8191, 402-650-2744, or at william.medcalf@kituwahservicesllc.com for any questions and to schedule a site visit. **9/13**

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

Landscaping and Grounds
Maintenance for Building Rental
Program

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) invites companies with experience in landscaping and grounds maintenance to submit qualifications for completing landscape design, implementation and management for commercial properties managed by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in Cherokee, North Carolina.

The complete scope of work to be provided by the firm to be hired as contractor is part of a complete RFQ document which may be obtained by contacting Albert Cruz, Commercial Building Specialist, at the EBCI Commerce Office, at

828-359-6706.acruz@ebci-nsn.gov.

Completed proposals are due in the offices of the EBCI Enterprise Development Office by the close of business on Friday, September 15, 2023. They should be sent to Albert Cruz, Commercial Building Specialist – Commerce Office, 810 Acquoni Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719, or via emailacruz@ebci-nsn.gov. Proposals must be submitted as required in the proposal package.

First preference will be given to qualified TERO contractors. **9/6**

Request for Quote

Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Resort is seeking quotes from qualified TERO certified companies for room décor design, procurement, installation, and breakdown services for two (2) New Year's Eve parties at the Cherokee property. The company awarded the project must be licensed by the Cherokee Tribal Gaming Commission prior to performing the work. Proposals must be received by Harrah's Cherokee no later than 4:00 pm on Thursday, September 14, 2023.

To receive a Request for Quote (RFQ), or for more information, please contact Erin Maennle, Regional Events & Promotions Coordinator at 828-497-8555, or at emaennle@harrahs.com. **9/6**



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CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

FINANCE:

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

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

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

Inpatient Technician – FT and PTI - Analenisgi Inpatient - \$17.12 - \$19.26

Peer Support Specialist - \$17.12 - \$19.26

Residential Support Assistant Manager \$67,082 - \$83,852

Adult Outpatient Services Supervisor - \$67,082 - \$83,852

Program Coordinator - \$50,723 - \$63,404

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 - *\$5,000

Hiring Bonus

Information Security Specialist - \$77,144 - \$96,430

DME Specialist - \$18.32 - \$20.67

MEDICAL

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

Physician – ER \$227,068 - \$283,835

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\$283,835

NURSING

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

Massage Therapist - \$50,723 - \$63,404

Registered Nurse – Emergency Room \$33.68 - \$38.72 - *\$5,000 Hiring Bonus

Registered Nurse Part Time Intermittent - Emergency Room \$33.68 - \$38.72 (Nights)

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

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CNA/PCA - \$17.12 - \$19.26 - *\$3,000 Hiring Bonus

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Driver/Med Aide - \$22.76 - \$25.89

Housekeeping Assistant Supervisor - \$18.32 - \$20.67

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

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

Tribal Option

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

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1. Early Childhood Language Specialist – Kituwah Academy – Education (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour)
2. Early Childhood Language Specialist Assistant (PT) – Kituwah Academy – Education (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)
3. Manager – CDOT – Operations (L16 \$64,581 - \$80,727) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
4. Family Support Coordinator – Snowbird & Cherokee County Family Support – Snowbird & Cherokee County Services (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour)

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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. Natural Resources Enforcement Officer (Multiple) – Natural Resources Enforcement – EBCI Law Enforcement (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour)
5. FT Paramedic – Emergency Medical Services – Public Safety (L8 \$30,357 - \$37,946) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour)
6. PT Paramedic (Multiple) – Emergency Medical Services – Operations (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
7. Teacher (Multiple) – Qualla Boundary Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)
8. Teacher (Multiple) – Qualla Boundary Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L10 \$17.58 - \$21.98 per hour)
9. Social Worker (Multiple) – Family Safety – Public Health and Human Services (L14 \$25.17 - \$31.46 per hour)
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. Legislative Legal Counsel – Tribal Council – Legislative Branch (L19 \$97,792 - \$130,389)
17. Driver (Multiple) – Transit – Operations (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
18. 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
19. Senior Utilities Engineer – Water and Sewer – Operations (L19 \$98,083 - \$122,604)
20. Deputy Court Clerk – Tribal Court – Judicial Branch (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour)



Tribal Employment Rights Office

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

Now Available - TERO's Job Listing



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

TERO Job Bank

If you are seeking employment and you are:

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

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

Hillary Norville -TERO Job Bank Coordinator
828.359.6422
hillnory@ebci-nan.gov

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





EMERGENCY NUMBERS

In an emergency, call 911

Tribal Dispatch
497-4131

**Cherokee Indian Police
Dept.**
359-6600

Tribal Fire and Rescue
359-6584

Tribal EMS
359-6450 or 497-6402

Cherokee Indian Hospital
497-9163

EBCI TRANSIT NUMBERS

**Transit Main Line
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359-6300

Tsali Manor funds passes for Tsali Manor residents and communal lunch attendees. This pass provides unlimited trips within the service area and on shopping trips. Out-of-town shopping trips are currently on hold due to COVID-19.

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Phone Numbers for Cherokee elders

Cherokee Indian Hospital main line
497-9163

Tsali Manor -
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,
Supplement -** contact is Sherry Welch
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
359-6830

EBCI Emergency Fuel Assistance
507-7825

Cherokee Immediate Care Clinic
554-5555

DaVita Cherokee Dialysis Center
497-6866

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

Tsali Manor main line
359-6860

John Welch Senior Center main line
835-9741

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



September Birthdays

9/1 - Madison Crowe Woodard & Logan Woodard - wedding anniv.

9/1 - Virgil Ledford

9/2 - Michael R. Lambert

9/4 - Pat Brown

9/4 - Me-Li Jackson

9/5 - Hrair Johnson

9/8 - Radonna Crowe

9/8 - John D. Hall

9/9 - Tagan Crowe

9/10 - Christiano Ramirez

9/10 - Taylor Davis

9/11 - Keith Smith

9/12 - Priest Littlejohn

9/13 - Lyman Clayton

9/15 - Liam Robinson

9/16 - Lydia Leach

9/17 - Jessica Lewis

9/18 - Aia Johnson

9/18 - Katina Ledford

9/18 - Marsha Fowler

9/21 - Reva Ballew

9/23 - Martha Catolster

9/24 - Andrew Crowe

9/24 - Shannon Albert



Siquo Danvhna



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

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

**Call to speak to a
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THE GOOD STUFF



Reis Howell, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) and a senior at Tumwater High School in Tumwater, Wash., stands beside an EBCI tribal flag. He posted the flag on Strawberry Point as he and his family were on a backpacking trip along the Washington South Coast Wilderness Trail. The family dubbed the photo, "Cherokee on the Pacific". (Photo courtesy of Howell family)

THE GOOD STUFF

The One Feather wants to hear your good news and/or accomplishments. Send us your "good stuff" such as:

- * birth, engagement, and wedding announcements
- * awards or other accomplishments (both civilian and military)
- * and other areas of life such as finishing restoring an old car, building a new deck, etc.

Send your photos and info to us at:

Cherokeeonefeather1966@gmail.com



The Snowbird Community Library was officially renamed the Alice Brown Lewis Library on Friday, Aug. 25. Her family was present for the event including, left to right, Aaron Lewis, son; Robby Lewis, son; and Harry Lewis, husband. Lewis, shown below, passed away in July 2022. Res. No. 238, submitted by Cherokee Co. – Snowbird Reps. Bucky Brown and Adam Wachacha approved the renaming "in honor of her service and her dedication to the community and her encouragement of the love of reading". (Photos by Robin Swayney)



Attention EBCI Artists/Craftspeople

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

