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Cherokee stories from a Cherokee voice

Museum of the Cherokee People is updating exhibit

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

CHEROKEE, N.C. – The Museum of the Cherokee People is currently working on updating its main exhibit – one that has been on display since 1998. The Museum received a grant from the Henry Luce Foundation for \$225,000 for the research and development aspects of the update to the area that will now be called the Main Gallery as opposed to the permanent exhibit.

The current main exhibit closed officially on Dec. 29, 2023. A temporary exhibit is set to open in March 2024 as the Main Gallery is being developed.

Dakota Brown, Museum director of education, said, “The reason why we’re calling the new space the Main Gallery is because we want to take away this idea that it’s something permanent. Shana and I both have a foot in the history world and history is constantly evolving and changing. The way that we look at it



A pottery piece entitled “World Wind”, by Dreyton Long, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, was one of the pieces featured in the Gagdugi Pottery Exhibit at the Museum of the Cherokee People in April 2023. The Museum is currently in the research and development stage of updating its exhibit that will now be known as the Main Gallery. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

is constantly evolving and changing. So, it’s important for us to make sure that we can pivot if we need to pivot and we can update things when they need to be updated - that we can do things that are timely when we need to do those things. So, calling it a Main Gallery kind of releases us from that permanence of an ex-

hibit. That is a new idea in museums. In 1998, when this exhibit went up, the idea that it was meant to last, that it was permanently built, that it was permanently there was important for that time and man, they meant it.”

She added, “Removing that word, ‘permanent’, from the way that we’re approaching the exhibit design is really important for the strategy that we’re taking moving forward. We want to do yearly assessments of the exhibit, just making sure that there’s not information that’s changed since the exhibits have been written, or interpretation needs to be updated, or maybe there’s a piece we’ve got in our collection that we really want to showcase. The other thing is that for the objects and object care, the idea of having a permanent exhibit can be really hard on those objects. There was quite a few objects that we removed during ‘Disruption’ that we removed for conservation purposes. So, it wasn’t necessarily funerary, it wasn’t necessarily ceremonial, they sometimes were in desperate need of conservation.”

Shana Bushyhead Condill, Museum executive director, commented, “What we’re dis-

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The offices of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians will be closed Monday, Jan. 15 in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day



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covering is that our story is compelling. People are really supportive of the strategy that we're taking, the idea that we want to protect and care for our objects in a way that isn't mainstream museum... that we are thinking a lot about the best way that we can care for and protect our objects as Cherokee people. That is something that more and more museum institutions are interested in exploring that with us."

Rather than a straight linear format to the Museum, the new Main Gallery will be theme-based Brown noted. "Then we're going to probably have timelines within those themes. People learn all kinds of different ways and sometimes people need that timeline to help orient them to what we're talking about when we're talking about it. So, I think having timelines within a theme allows us to be able to explore a lot more, a variety of points of time and different themes that we've experienced in our community. For instance, boarding school might be a theme and we can explore the different times within that theme."

Condill commented, "The other theme that comes up constantly is place. The fact that we're on our ancestral homeland is incredibly important and it affects everything we do."

"That's the piece that the Luce Foundation finds compelling. We are going to tell our story ourselves. It's not typical. We have stacks of books about Cherokee people from non-Cherokee scholars. For us, that's one of our goals since I arrived is to try to build up that scholarship of Cherokee history from Cherokee perspectives, adding that lens to our story."

Brown said, "I think that creating pride within the community is telling stories that haven't been told before. One of the things that I love about seeing Cherokee folks get into history is the types of history that they focus on is much different than a non-Native per-

spective."

"I think being able to uplift those stories and uplift the people that are a part of those stories in a way that shows the Cherokee people's perspective, shows pride in the way that we were innovative and the way that we moved throughout different hurdles in our history is really, really important to me."

She said breaking down preconceived notions is a challenge. "Stereotypes are what they come here with most of the time. So, being able to break down those barriers...most Americans don't have a base level understanding of who Native people are, in general, and especially who Cherokee people are. There is just so much misinformation out there. So, when we have visitors coming in, being able to hopefully break down those stereotypes and make them question some of the things that they think they know about Cherokee people and position them to hopefully think in a way and understand us a little more than they have before."

Brown noted that their staff has been working on the research and development of the new Main Gallery since 2022. "We have had community meetings. We have done a creatives committee meeting, which was one of the first things we started with. Since then, we've done archival trips. We've had our interns helping us process all that archival information and try to locate sources to find what those themes are going to be and to find those center narratives that we want to talk about. We also have been doing community outreach as well."

"We do have a research plan that we are working through. We'll enter the next phase of the research plan in the Spring. So that's going to be when we start to develop those narratives, develop those main topics that we're going to be focusing on."

Currently, there isn't a set date for the opening of the Main Gallery.



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CCS school board conducted last meeting of 2023

By BROOKLYN BROWN
One Feather Reporter

CHEROKEE, N.C. – The School Board of Cherokee Central Schools met on Monday, Dec. 18. The meeting included a financial report, policy revisions, and Indian School Equalization Program (ISEP) funding discussions.

The School Board Meeting was held in the Central Office Board Room, with board members, staff and guests participating. The meeting was called to order at 2:57 p.m. by Chairperson Jennifer Thompson.

Co-Vice Chairperson Melanie Lambert led roll call. All members and staff were present, including Jennifer Thompson, chairperson and Yellowhill rep.; Tara Reed-Cooper, co-vice chairperson and Big Y rep.; Micah Swimmer, Painttown rep.; Kristina Hyatt, Big Cove rep.; Melanie Lambert, co-vice chairperson and Birdtown rep.; Roberta Toineeta, Wolftown rep.; Consuela Girty, superintendent; Dr. Beverly Payne, assistant superintendent; Dr. Jo Ray, HR director; Diane Driver, executive administrative assistant; and Michael Stamper, Tribal Council representative.

Guests in attendance were Howard Wahnetah, CCS finance director, and Rhonica Via, Cherokee Boys Club (CBC) finance director.

The opening prayer was

led by Swimmer. The previous meeting minutes from Dec. 4 were approved with a motion by Reed-Cooper seconded by Toineeta, with Stamper abstaining.

The agenda was approved with a motion by Reed-Cooper seconded by Toineeta, with Stamper abstaining.

Wahnetah and Via presented financial reports. Wahnetah provided a school board budget summary for the month, indicating that spending was under 50 percent of the projected budget. He also indicated that the athletic department budget spending was under 50 percent of the projected budget. Via reviewed the overall CCS budget, indicating no significant change since the last report.

In good news, Toineeta gave a shoutout for the cafeteria staff. She said the recent Christmas luncheon with parents and students was a success due to the efforts of the cafeteria staff, who continue to work hard daily. Superintendent Girty thanked the board members, Tribal Council, Principal Chief Michell Hicks and his office, and Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley and his office for joining the Christmas luncheon.

The consent agenda was approved with a motion by Reed-Cooper, seconded by Lambert, with Stamper abstaining.

The board entered a closed session at 5:07 p.m. to discuss Resolution 24-103: Ty Andrews be approved as the Indoor Track Head Coach for the 2023-24 season, with a motion by Reed-Cooper seconded by Lambert, with Stamper abstaining.

The board exited the closed session at 7:01pm with a motion by Reed-Cooper, seconded by Swimmer, with Stamper abstaining.

The following resolutions were

approved:

Resolution 24-094 Miranda Stamper is approved an increase to the Level 5 pay scale at her current step due to obtaining a Master of Legal Studies Indigenous People Law.

Resolution 24-095 Judy Castorena is approved an increase to the Level 5 pay scale at her current step due to obtaining a Master of Legal Studies Indigenous People Law.

In new business, an employee appeal was upheld after closed session discussion. An employee request regarding a \$2,500 contract buy-out was denied after closed session discussion. The board had initial revision readings of Policy 4120: Domicile or Residence Requirements, Policy 4130: Discretionary Admissions, Policy 7005: Employment Suitability Investigations, Policy 7510: Leave, and Policy 2200: Election of Officers/Organization of the Board.

Assistant Superintendent Payne summarized changes in ISEP funding that will be submitted to the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE). Payne explained the changes in a letter to be submitted upon approval, including additional funds for language development, the gifted and talented program, non-tribal students, transportation changes for field trips and athletic travel, and flexibility for long distance or virtual learning. The letter was approved with a motion by Reed-Cooper, seconded by Toineeta, with Stamper abstaining.

The board approved a \$250 donation for Heather Saunooke, with a motion by Reed-Cooper, seconded by Lambert, with Stamper abstaining.

The board also approved a \$250 donation for Matthew Maney, with a motion by

Reed-Cooper, seconded by Lambert, with Stamper abstaining. The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.



Moments in time

• On Jan. 22, 2006, Evo Morales became Bolivia's first indigenous president, with a primary focus on fighting poverty and reducing the influence of transnational corporations. As more than half of the country's population identified as indigenous at the time, political analysts drew comparisons with the election of Nelson Mandela to the South African presidency in 1994.

• On Jan. 23, 1986, the first musical artists were inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, including Elvis Presley, James Brown and Ray Charles. Generally, the number of inductees each year ranges from about a half-dozen to a dozen.

• On Jan. 24, 1908, the first Boy Scout troop was organized by cavalry officer Lieutenant General Robert Baden-Powell in England, who had also written a book called "Scouting for Boys." Two years later, Baden-Powell went on to organize the Girl Guides as a separate entity.

• On Jan. 25, 2005, more than 300 people died in a stampede at the Mandher Devi Temple in India during the annual Kalubai Jatra pilgrimage, which takes place during the first full moon of January and is marked by animal sacrifices to the goddess Kalubai. The pilgrimage attracts over 350,000 Hindus every year.

• On Jan. 26, 2014, two white "Peace" doves released by Pope Francis were attacked by a seagull and crow shortly after they were set free. Thousands of people witnessed the attacks, as they had been observing the Pope's Angelus prayer.

• On Jan. 27, 1944, following the loss of hundreds of thousands of Russian lives, the siege of Leningrad was finally broken after 872 days, during which German forces had allowed no food or medical supplies to enter the country.

• On Jan. 28, 1917, U.S. forces gave up searching for Mexican revolutionary Pancho Villa after nearly a year, following his massacre of 16 American citizens at Santa Isabel in northern Mexico and another 17 U.S. citizens in Columbus, New Mexico. President Woodrow Wilson had sent U.S. forces into Mexico with orders to capture Villa dead or alive.

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Effort to restore Kuwohi name moving forward

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

CHEROKEE, N.C. – The effort by two Cherokee women to restore the name of Kuwohi to an area in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park is now one step closer to coming to fruition. The Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) passed Res. No. 72 (2024) unanimously during its regular session on Thursday, Jan. 4 that approves the submittal of an application on behalf of the Tribe to restore the name of the mountain currently known as Clingman’s Dome to Kuwohi which means ‘mulberry place’ in the Cherokee language. Lavita Hill and Mary “Missy”

Crowe, both EBCI tribal members, started this effort in 2022 and have gotten widespread support for the initiative. Tribal Council approved Res. No. 343 (2002) unanimously which “officially began the process of exploring the possibility of petitioning the federal government” for the name change.

During discussion on the issue on Thursday, Hill said, “It was hard but rewarding work. It was a mission I didn’t know I would ever be on. Mostly though, it was an incredible opportunity to learn not only more about myself, our culture, and our history, but to also educate others willing to learn and understand. The amount of support we have received is over-

whelming.”

She said now is a good time to submit the application as the Secretary of the Interior is Deb Haaland, a member of the Pueblo of Laguna. “With a strong leader advocating for Indigenous rights for the Department of Interior, now is the time to act. In 2022, Mount Doane was renamed the First Peoples Mountain in Yellowstone National Park. My hope is that in 2024, Kuwohi will become the official name of the tallest peak in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park – restoring its original name.”

Of the name itself, Hill noted, “Kuwohi, the mulberry place, is the place our ancestors traveled to pick mulberries and eventually

hid in the 1800s before the Indian Removal Act and before the U.S. government said our people can remain in our homeland. Our medicine men went to the top of the mountain to pray and seek guidance from the Creator. Kuwohi is a sacred place to our people, and Kuwohi is the rightful name of the mountain.”

Crowe said, “I can’t express how happy and excited I am to be here today with Lavita. When we first started this, just to let our people and our community know that whenever we build a common ground and we have good intentions and we have good hearts and we really want to do something good together, we can accomplish it. There were many times when

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she had to go alone, I had to go alone, but we knew that this was something that we decided within ourselves that we would be dedicated to.”

Principal Chief Michell Hicks, whose office will officially submit the application on behalf of the Tribe, said on Thursday, “I want to commend these ladies. This is one item that makes you extremely proud...we are planning a trip to D.C. and let’s plan to make this one of our top priorities...this is not only great, I think this is awesome the work that you guys are doing.”

Many Tribal Council representatives praised the efforts of Hill and Crowe on Thursday including Big Cove Rep. Perry Shell who said, “I’m proud of both of you. I’m proud of your strength and proud of your passion and conviction in this cause that you took all of the time on your own. You’re a good example of strong Cherokee women.”

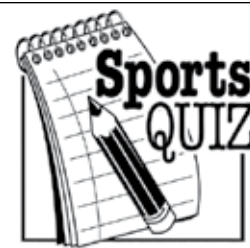
Res. No. 72 states, “...community support for the restoration of the Kuwohi name has been overwhelming, including formal support from multiple local governments, including the counties of: Buncombe, Haywood, Jackson, Macon, Swain, Graham, Clay, and Cherokee, and the towns of Asheville, Andrews, Murphy, Hayesville, Fontana Dam, Lake Santeetlah, Robbinsville, Canton, Clyde, Maggie Valley, Waynesville, Dillsboro, Sylva, Webster, the Village of Forrest Hills, Franklin, Highlands, and Bryson City in western North Carolina, and the counties of Knox and Cambel in eastern Tennessee.”

In April 2022, the Tennessee General Assembly passed H.J.R. 452, submitted by State Rep. Justin Jones (D-District 52), which states, “Ms. Crowe and Ms. Hill are testaments to the power of dedication and determination, and their laudable mission deserves to be acknowledged; now, therefore, be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the One Hundred Thirteenth General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, the Senate concurring, that we honor and commend Mary Crowe and Lavita Hill on their efforts to restore the traditional Cherokee name of ‘Kuwohi’ to Clingman’s Dome in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and wish them all the best in their future endeavors.”

As a result of their work, Crowe and Hill were among the 2022 recipients of the Dogwood Awards given annually by the North Carolina Attorney General’s Office. N.C. Attorney General Josh Stein said in a statement at the time, “Lavita and Mary are working to make sure that their tribe’s history is recognized and honored. They are advocating to restore the name Kuwohi, which means mulberry place, from Clingman’s Dome, which was named for a Confederate general. In doing so, their efforts will help to commemorate the long history of the Eastern Band of Cherokee in North Carolina.”

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by Ryan A. Berenz

1. Cincinnati Reds relief pitchers Norm Charlton, Rob Dibble and Randy Myers were known collectively by what nickname during their 1990 World Series season?
2. For what team did Pro Football Hall of Fame quarterback Bart Starr play college football?
3. What ESPN poker analyst penned a weekly syndicated sports humor column called “The Couch Slouch”?
4. What American tennis player was married to British tennis player John Lloyd (1979-87), American skier Andy Mill (1988-2006) and Australian golfer Greg Norman (2008-09)?
5. Athletes who perform a clean, a jerk and a snatch are participating in what sport?
6. What member of the Orlando Magic was NBA scoring champion in consecutive seasons from 2003-04?
7. What team made eight laterals to score on a controversial game-winning kickoff return touchdown vs. the Duke Blue Devils on Halloween 2015?


Answers

1. “The Nasty Boys.”
2. The Alabama Crimson Tide.
3. Norman Chad.
4. Chris Evert.
5. Weightlifting.
6. Tracy McGrady.
7. The Miami Hurricanes.

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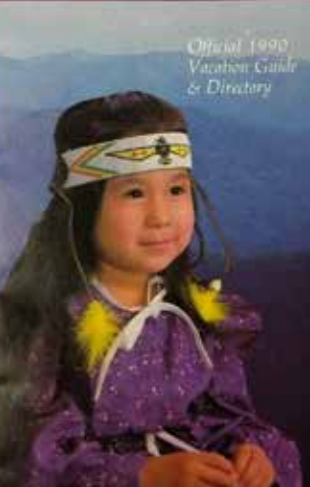
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The metal tepees and totem poles along U.S. 19 where the Oconaluftee River passes under the highway are as much a myth of Indian life as desperate poverty and poor education on reservations, say leaders of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Nationally, the Cherokee make more money and are better educated than most members of other tribes, according to a recent study by the Bureau of Census.

“I’ve lived on many reservations (of other tribes) and this is one of the best ones,” said Wilbur Paul, superintendent of the Bureau of Indian Affairs agency in Cherokee.

“When you don’t have much to spend your money on, the cost of living isn’t very high. When you have a water bill, an electric bill, a trash bill, you’ve got to admire people who keep traditions alive,” said Bob Blankenship, a tribal council member and a native of that remote area (Big Cove).

In western North Carolina, part of the historical home of the Cherokee people, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has 10,397 members. About 7,600 tribe members live on the Qualla Boundary reservation centered in Jackson and Swain Counties.

Source: Cherokee One Feather
Photo: EBCCI Travel and Promotion

**CIPD Arrest Report for
Dec. 11-17, 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.

Pheasant Jr., Thomas Eugene – age 21
Arrested: Dec. 11
Released: Dec. 14
Charges: Driving While Impaired, Manufacture Schedule II Controlled Substance, Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance,

Drug Trafficking, Aggravated Weapons Offense

Powell, Ladybird – age 52
Arrested: Dec. 11
Released: Dec. 15
Charges: Probation Violation

Sadongei, Zia Tai – age 27
Arrested: Dec. 11
Released: Dec. 11
Charges: Driving While Impaired

Taylor, Derrick Kyle – age 31
Arrested: Dec. 11
Released: Dec. 14
Charges: Probation Violation

Calhoun, Chad Lawrence – age 40
Arrested: Dec. 12
Released: Not released as of report date (Dec. 18)
Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedules I-V;

Drug Trafficking; Theft of Property Lost, Mislaid, or Delivered by Mistake; Pre-Trial Release Violation

Eluz, Crystal Ann – age 44
Arrested: Dec. 12
Released: Dec. 13
Charges: Hold Until Sober

Holt, Jeffery William – age 53
Arrested: Dec. 12
Released: Dec. 14
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Lossiah, Charlie – age 45
Arrested: Dec. 12
Released: Dec. 12
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Mitchell, Paul Robert – age 38
Arrested: Dec. 12

Released: Dec. 13
Charges: Hold Until Sober

Washington, Tyler Dillion – age 29
Arrested: Dec. 13
Released: Dec. 14
Charges: Second Degree Trespass; Issuance and Renewal of Driver's Licences, (a) License Required; Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedules I-V (two counts)

Barker, Quinton – age 29
Arrested: Dec. 14
Released: Not released as of report date (Dec. 18)
Charges: Domestic Violence

Birchfield, Natasha – age 22
Arrested: Dec. 15
Released: Not released as of report date (Dec. 18)
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George, Kellen Michael – age 24

Taylor, Carol Denise – age 52

Arrested: Dec. 15

Arrested: Dec. 18

Arrested: Dec. 20

Released: Not released as of report date (Dec. 18)

Released: Dec. 21

Released: Dec. 21

Charges: Simple Assault

Charges: Domestic Violence and Dating Violence

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Wachacha, Maritsa Stephani – age 26

Arrested: Dec. 26

Released: Dec. 29

Charges: Domestic Violence and Dating Violence

Burrell, Ryan – age 29

Crowe-Key, Feather Lace – age 25

Grant, Jessica Elizabeth – age 31

Arrested: Dec. 15

Arrested: Dec. 19

Arrested: Dec. 22

Released: Dec. 15

Released: Dec. 19

Released: Dec. 22

Charges: Domestic Violence

Charges: Drug Trafficking

Charges: Resisting, Delaying, Obstructing Officers

Banks, Delena Georgia – age 60

Arrested: Dec. 27

Released: Dec. 27

Charges: Simple Assault

Jenkins, Shayna George – age 38

Price, Dustin Lee – age 34

Anthony Jr., Troy Douglas – age 23

Arrested: Dec. 15

Arrested: Dec. 19

Arrested: Dec. 23

Released: Not released as of report date (Dec. 18)

Released: Dec. 21

Released: Dec. 23

Charges: Domestic Violence and Dating Violence

Charges: Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance

Charges: Public Intoxication; Resisting, Delaying, Obstructing Officers

Foster, Casey Tyler – age 24

Arrested: Dec. 27

Released: Dec. 29

Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance

Toineeta, Jesse Benjamin – age 27

Velazquez-Vaquerizo, Ediel – age 40

Nelson, James Bernell – age 72

Arrested: Dec. 15

Arrested: Dec. 19

Arrested: Dec. 24

Released: Dec. 15

Released: Dec. 19

Released: Dec. 24

Charges: Driving While Impaired, Cruelty to Animals

Charges: Assault by Strangulation

Charges: Temporary Hold

Garcia, Jamie Luiz – age 23

Arrested: Dec. 27

Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 2)

Charges: Possession Schedule I Controlled Substance, Possession Drug Paraphernalia

Jones, Dustin Corey – age 31

Velazquez-Vaquerizo, Ediel – age 40

Taylor, Taylor Norman – age 23

Arrested: Dec. 16

Arrested: Dec. 19

Arrested: Dec. 24

Released: Dec. 17

Released: Dec. 21

Released: Not released as of report date (Dec. 26)

Charges: Second Degree Trespass

Charges: Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court, Assault by Strangulation

Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree, Probation Violation

Padilla, Manuel Angel – age 26

Arrested: Dec. 29

Released: Dec. 29

Charges: Temporary Hold

Sneed, Jayson Tyrone – age 38

Lossiah, Johnnie Ray – age 32

CIPD Arrest Report for Dec. 25-31, 2023

Crowe-Key, Feather Lace – age 25

Arrested: Dec. 16

Arrested: Dec. 20

Arrested: Dec. 30

Released: Dec. 16

Released: Dec. 21

Released: Not released as of report date (Jan. 2)

Charges: Resist, Delay, Obstruct; Public Intoxication

Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedules I-V

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.

Charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedules I-V, Drug Paraphernalia, Providing or Possessing Contraband

Jonhnsn, Michael – age 35

Reed, Austin Lee – age 25

Arrested: Dec. 17

Arrested: Dec. 20

Released: Not released as of report date (Dec. 18)

Released: Dec. 21

Charges: Domestic Violence and Dating Violence (two counts)

Charges: Second Degree Trespass, Resisting Public Officer, Larceny (two counts)

Hawkins, Wylie Augustus – age 24

Arrested: Dec. 30

Released: Dec. 30

Charges: Resisting, Delaying, Obstructing Public Officer

Ramirez, Jose – age 36

Standingdeer, Shena Dale – age 42

Arrested: Dec. 17

Arrested: Dec. 20

Released: Not released as of report date (Dec. 18)

Released: Not released as of report date (Dec. 26)

CIPD Arrest Report for

Bird, Richard Daniel I – age 66

Lady Braves win Holidays on the Hardwood



BASKETBALL: The Cherokee Lady Braves defeated the Mt. Tabor Spartans 62-35 to win the championship of the Holidays on the Hardwood Tournament held at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the evening of Friday, Dec. 29. The team is shown, left to right, front row – Tsuli Lossiah, Dvdaya Swimmer, Creedon Arch, Awee Walkingstick, Laura Martinez; back row – Loshi Ward, Daisee Fourkiller-Raby, Yvonne Saunooke, Maddie Rogers, Emilee Brady, Kyla Moore, Joscelyn Stamper, Whitney Rogers, and Team Manager Will Poolaw. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)



Shown, left to right, is the Holidays on the Hardwood All-Tournament team for the girls tournament: Kyla Moore (Cherokee), Dvdaya Swimmer (Cherokee), Ava Hairston (Mt. Tabor), Shaymiah Bailey (Mt. Tabor), and Alissa Cheek (Rosman).



Cherokee's Maddie Rogers (#14) works around Mt. Tabor's Alayna Nettles for a lay-up in the first half of Friday's championship game.

RUNNING

Bell signs to run cross country and track at Mars Hill University

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

One Feather Asst. Editor

CHEROKEE, N.C. – Another member of the historic Cherokee High School (CHS) Braves 2021-22 cross country team has signed to run at the collegiate level. Aizen Bell, a member of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians and a CHS senior, signed a letter of intent during a ceremony at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the morning of Friday, Jan. 5 to run cross country and track for the Mars Hill University Lions.

“It feels great,” said Bell who will run cross country and several distances in track for Mars Hill including the 1600M and 800M and possibly the 4x800M. The 1600M is his favorite. “It’s shorter. But, it’s more exciting to me. I have to put my all into that race, just like any race.”

Bell was a member of the 2021 Braves team that was the first in school history to win the 1A West Regional title. That team won the Smoky Mountain Conference and the 1A West Regional titles in both 2021 and 2022, and they took second place at the 1A State Championship meet in 2022.

He plans to study business administration with a minor in nutrition and has his sights set on becoming a coach. “I want to help people improve with running and just trying to be a better person.” Ahli-sha Stephens, Cherokee Central Schools cross country and track and field head coach, said, “It’s exciting. I’m super proud of the work that all these boys have put in through the years. And it’s really paying off because Aizen

not only got this offer and acceptance, but he also got three others at other schools. It’s amazing that the consistency and discipline that these boys have is taking them places, to the next level.”

She added, “He works hard. He’s disciplined. He’s consistent. He’s a true leader for us here at Cherokee High School. And, another thing, the younger ones feed off of him just like he fed off of his older peers. It just goes to show that if you really buy in to a program and you put the work in, be disciplined and consistent, it carries you a long way. I know that Aizen is a strong runner. He’s strong-minded, and he’ll do great things just like his peers have done.”

Craig Barker, CHS assistant principal, said, “We’re very proud of this young man, very proud of what he represents. I’m proud of the family for the support that he’s received, and proud that he’s a Brave, most importantly. He’s a good young man. We’re excited for the things that you’ve done here at Cherokee and, most importantly, the things you’re going to do.”

“I look forward to all the things that you’re going to accomplish. This is a great stepping stone to further your education and to set you up for success in your future.”

Mars Hill competes in the NCAA’s Division II South Atlantic Conference.

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Bell is shown running at the 2023 1A West Regional cross country championship held at Kituwah in October.



With his family watching, Aizen Bell, a member of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians and a CHS senior, signed a letter of intent during a ceremony at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the morning of Friday, Jan. 5 to run cross country and track for the Mars Hill University Lions. Shown, left to right, back row – Ahli-sha Stephens, Corey Bell (father), Zandler Bell, Kyrus Bell, Lolo Bell; front row – Briana Bell (mother), Isley Bell, Aizen, and Susie Henry. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)



2024 Cherokee Events

*Subject to change. For the most up to date information visit: VisitCherokeeNC.com

<i>Event Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Contact</i>
Fly Fishing TEAM USA National Championship	February 26-29	General Fishing Waters	828.359.6110
Chief Hicks Community Event	March 25	1441 Acquoni Rd., Cherokee, NC	828.359.7007
Rainbows & Ramps	March 30	Birdtown Gym	828.359.6471
Trout Fishing Opening Day Tournament	March 30-31	General Fishing Waters	828.359.6110
Cherokee Spring Rod Run	April 21-22	Harrah's Convention Center	828.226.6853
Fire Mountain Inferno	May 3 & 5	Cherokee Welcome Center	828.359.6702
Customer Appreciation Day	May 25	Cherokee Welcome Center	828.359.6490
Memorial Day Fishing Tournament	May 25-26	General Fishing Waters	828.359.6110
4th of July Pow Wow	July 5-7	1441 Acquoni Rd., Cherokee, NC	828.359.6490
4th of July Fireworks	July 6	1441 Acquoni Rd., Cherokee, NC	828.359.6490
Tim Hill Memorial Tournament	July 13-14	General Fishing Waters	828.359.6110
Talking Trees Children's Trout Derby	August 3-4	Oconaluftee Island HWY 441N	828.359.6471
Qualla Country Fishing Tournament	Aug 24-25	General Fishing Waters	828.359.6110
7 Clans Rodeo	Aug 31 & Sept 1	181 Tsali Blvd., Cherokee, NC	828.359.6471
Cherokee Indian Fair	October 1-5	1441 Acquoni Rd., Cherokee, NC	828.788.1708
Cherokee Fall Rod Run	October 11-12	1441 Acquoni Rd., Cherokee, NC	828.226.6853
Scareokee	October 31	181 Tsali Blvd., Cherokee, NC	828.359.6490
Enchanted Island of Lights	November 30	Oconoluftee Island HWY 441N	828.359.6490
Ice Skating & Food Truck Rodeo	December 9	Oconoluftee Island HWY 441N	828.359.6490
Cherokee Christmas Parade	December 14	Cherokee Welcome Center	828.359.6490
NYE Fireworks	December 31	181 Tsali Blvd. Cherokee, NC	828.359.6490



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- Town of Sylva

Mars Hill College Upward Bound Program.

A planning team is working on putting together a reunion for all students who attended the Mars Hill College Upward Bound Program in the fall of 2024. If you are interested in getting more information, go to

Facebook and search for Mars Hill University Upward Bound 1968-2013 Program and join. **1/31/24**

THANK YOU LETTERS

Thank you to Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship

Dear Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship,

Thank you for your continued support, as I have almost reached the end of my journey. It feels like yesterday when I wrote my first thank you letter. Alas, great journeys must come to an end. I am proud to say that I have surprised myself on this Journey. I struck out to gain confidence in myself and my career, and I have done that. As I attend my last class in the upcoming spring semester, I will use the skills and knowledge I have learned over the past two years to further my career. However, the greatest gift I have received on this journey is knowing I will use my knowledge to help the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Much like Yogi Crowe, I strive to ensure our people have a secure future. A future filled with success, prosperity, and continued resiliency. As our tribe continues to move into the corporate world, we need more Tsalagi to gain mastery in business, accounting, and finance. These skill sets are necessary for us to reach the goals

our community has worked so hard to achieve. While the casino's success has been marvelous, to say the least, all good things come to an end. In my educational journey, I have aimed to identify ways our tribe can diversify into other industries outside of gaming. Our community will ultimately depend on these diversification measures as we progress into the seven generations.

My journey has served two goals for me from the beginning. One I have discussed above, and two was to show my children and others that you can accomplish great things if you plan, set goals, and stay focused. Thank you to the Yogi Crowe organization for helping me achieve my goals. I also want to thank my lovely wife, Brandi, and my children, Anasette and Mechelen, who have made many sacrifices on this journey.

Sincerely,

Cameron Cooper

Thank You from the family of Linda Jumper

The family of Linda Jumper wishes to express its deep appreciation to everyone who provided support for us during our period of bereavement. We offer a special thanks to Justin French and Facilities Management for the excavation of the gravesite and for

cleaning up around Linda's home; to Reverends Donald Bates, Keith Carson, and Aaron Bridges, ministers at the service; to the singers at the set-up; to all who sent cards and floral arrangements; to Dusty and Laurel Cooper and Tammy Jackson for additional support; and to Crisp Funeral Home for its funerary services. Please continue to pray for our family.

Thank you,

Tammy and Owen Gibby and Extended Family

Thank you from the family of Helen Welch Bottchenbaugh

The family of Helen Welch Bottchenbaugh would like to thank each and everyone who were there for the family during this sad time as she was laid to rest. Gratitude and thanks to Tribal Construction, Perry Shell, Zena for the beautiful flowers and her beautiful heavenly voice for the songs, pall bearers Catuce Tiger, Woody Walkingstick, Little Rich Bottchenbaugh, Skylar Bottchenbaugh, Frankie Bottchenbaugh and Rooster Crowe, Misty Teesateskie for hosting the meal afterward, The Chief and Vice Chief offices, Ned Welch for officiating, and Appalachian Funeral Services.

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

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Chilly start to '24

The first annual Luftee Leap was held in the Oconaluftee River in Cherokee, N.C., on the early afternoon of Monday, Jan. 1.

A total of 51 people registered for the event.

(Photos by Scott McKie B.P./One Feather Asst. Editor)





**Cherokee Middle School
Honor Rolls - 2nd Quarter**

8th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Zoe De Los Reyes, Jean Layno, Lilly Lossiah, Kahmera Pheasant, Wakinyan Raines, Levi Tramper, Armani Watty

Alpha Honor Roll: Khloe Cucumber, Morgan Hernandez, Kimo Sokol, William Welch

Beta Honor Roll: Alex Antone, Ander Antone, Marek Brown, Kiarra Caley, Kim Crowe, Kahya Cucumber, John Gloyne, Eva Hill, Rayden Locust, Felix Lossiah, Jae McMillan, Camaron Oocumma, Derick Owle, Jayla Pheasant, Preston Roach, Jovane Saunooke, James Smith Jr., Kiara Sneed, Roxy Solis, Briann Teesateskie, Aliyah Watty, Cain Welch, Zeke Welch

7th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Kellin Blankenship, Jeron Martens, Kalia Reed

Alpha Honor Roll: Ava Murphy-Walkingstick, Kirk Reed, Marcus Stephens, Hailey

Winchester

Beta Honor Roll: Ta-wo-di A-kwi-na, Jaylee Arch, Lolo Bell, Blaze Crowe, Austin Fourkiller-Raby, Georgia Girty, Kodesgi Jackson, Maya Lossiah, Kennedy Moore, Nolan Morgan, Mathias Palomo, Theron Parker, Galvin Reed, Nyra Reed, Josue Rivera, Taytem Saunooke, Blake Sequoyah, Leland Sexton, Cambry Stamper, Kylond Stewart, Julius Walkingstick, Marissa Wilson, Devyn Wittman

6th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Kirsten Anderson, Kody Gloyne, Makai Hernandez, Amelia Holiday, Odie Owle, Aryannie Pheasant, Gabriel Read, Lily Robertson, Lilliana Toineeta

Alpha Honor Roll: Laylauna Allison, Kenleigh Hornbuckle, Jeshua Lossiah, Curren McCoy, Piper Owen, Adalynn Taylor, Sophia Tremko

Beta Honor Roll: Rhema Anders, Brannon Arch, Makeena Armachain, Tybee Back, Drayzin Beheler, Uliahna Beheler, Uriah Ben, Elliot Brown, Samuel Browning, Jallen Cal-


houn, Aurora Crowe, Ava Davis, Chotky Davis, Tai Folima, Nahnne George, Leland Goforth, Nicolas Holder, Kailey James, A-ge-yv Jenkins, Kealan Jumper, James Ledford, Carolyn Lillard, Abelia Mahan-Flores, Emily Maney, Jack Maney, Story Martens, Hunter McMillan, Azurea Miles, Emma Milholen, Kaelyn Montelongo, Sara Reed, Adrian Taylor, Sean Schultz, Zoey Swimmer, Nickyle Teesatuskie, Channing Toineeta, Jaxon Wade, Ahniah Wildcatt



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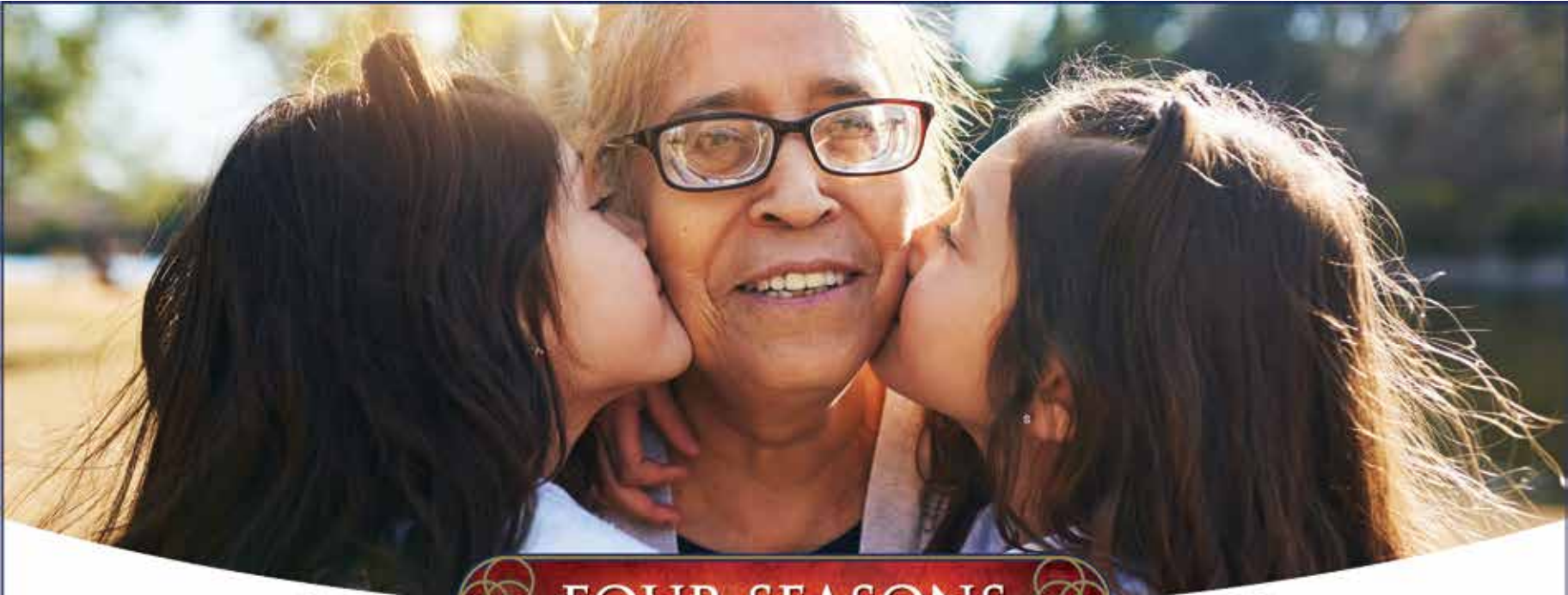
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OBITUARIES ǝɹɹǝ

Gail Lynn Ledford-Johnson

Gail Lynn Ledford-Johnson, 61, of Cherokee, passed away peacefully Saturday, Dec. 23, 2003 at Mission Hospital in Asheville. She was born Dec. 24, 1961, to the late Norman Bergerone and Ruth Ledford.

She worked and managed the kitchen at the Unto These Hills Drama. She married the love her life Daniel Johnson on June 20, 1987, and they haven't been apart since.

In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by a daughter, Sandra Leigh Robbins, and a son, Steven Ledford; maternal grandparents Noah and Geneva Ledford; and her paternal grandparents.

In addition to her loving husband Daniel, she is survived by her son-in-law Jeff Robbins, three grandchildren, Brianna Bowman, Blayne Bowman, and Viktor Robbins; a great-granddaughter, Aubrey Haney; numerous nieces and nephews; and many special friends and extended family members.

Services will be announced at a later time.

Shirley D. Summey

BRYSON CITY, N.C. - Shirley Jane DeHart Summey, 70, passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2023 at CarePartners Solace Center.

Shirley was a native of Buncombe County and a daughter of the late Wade and Alice Lillard DeHart. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, William John Summey, who died in 2012.

She is survived by a daughter, Christine Summey; one brother, Ronnie DeHart; half-brother, Ray Williamson; one sister, Betty DeHart; a half-sister, Jesse; and four grandsons, Christopher Edward

Effler, Michael Isaiah Effler, Kaleb Jason Jenó and Derek John Jenó.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, Dec. 30 in the Chapel of Appalachian Funeral Services with the Reverend Shane Silvers officiating. Burial followed at Fairview Memorial Gardens.

Stella Kansas Watson

Stella Kansas Watson, 70, of Cullowhee, passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2023. She was born on September 27, 1943 to the late John Robert and Mary Lee Hooper Watson.

Stella was a caregiver.

Stella is survived by three brothers, Thomas N. Watson of Cullowhee, Robert T. Watson of Midway, Tennessee, and John R. Watson of Baltimore, Md.; and one sister, Dixie Lee Watson Lawson of Cullowhee.

Funeral services were on Sunday, Dec. 31 in the chapel of Appalachian Funeral Services with the Rev. Larry Bryson officiating. Burial followed in Cullowhee Baptist Church Cemetery.

Katie Rebecca Hensley

Katie Rebecca Hensley, 53, a native of Cherokee, passed unexpectedly at her residence on Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2023. She was Born Sept. 9, 1970 to the late Mable Littlejohn. She worked at the Cherokees for years and then later continued working in the hospitality industry. She enjoyed making white oak baskets in her spare time, as well as spending time with her loved ones.

She is preceded in death by, her mother, Mable Littlejohn; a grandson, Estevan Guillen; and a niece Kimberly Thompson.

She is survived by her four children, Tiffany "Tiff" Hernandez (Alberto) of Franklin, N.C., Rebecca "Becky" Swayney of Cherokee,

N.C., Myron "Mallie" Swayney of Cherokee, and Joshua "Cody" Swayney of Whittier, N.C.; one sister: Charlene Cornwell of Cherokee; her significant other, Alvin "Bodie" Tolley of Cherokee who she cherished for the last eight years; five grandsons, Charlie Swayney, Luis Hernandez, Jonathan Hernandez, Alex Hernandez, and Ezekiel Mendoza; one granddaughter, Kayla Guillen; three nephews, Anthony Thompson, Adrian Thompson, and Brandon Cornwell; two great-nephews, Charlie Thompson, Landyn Thompson; and one great-niece, Kimberlyn Thompson.

She loved her grandkids and spoiled them like there was no tomorrow. She loved to color on her phone while listening to her soap operas on TV. She will be missed and loved by all who knew her.

A celebration of life was held on Saturday, Jan. 6, 2024, at 1 p.m., at Cherokee Baptist Church with Joe Wolfe officiating.

Helen Sue Wahneta Bottchenbaugh

Helen Sue Wahneta Bottchenbaugh passed on Saturday, Dec. 30, 2023. Helen was a proud respected Cherokee woman, who took great pride in being called Mom, Grandma, Lala, and Grandma Helen.

Helen had four children, five generations of grandchildren. She lived in the Big Cove Community for 30+ years. Helen loved being around family and friends making beautiful memories and watching all five generations grow. She also loved keeping up her beautiful flower beds at her home. Helen raised four children, while working and retiring as a supervisor in Mead Packing Factory up north. Helen will be truly missed and remembered for years to come.

Helen is preceded in death by her husband, Harold James Bottchenbaugh; mother, Ethel

Sue Wahneta Welch; father, Ned Welch; sister, Carol Atalowha Laney; brother, Ned Welch, Sr.; daughter, Carol Ann Teesatuskie.

Helen is survived by her son, Harold Bottchenbaugh and his children Jimmer and Lorisue; son, Rick (Bernice) Bottchenbaugh and their children, Richie and Frankie Bottchenbaugh, Karina Crowe; daughter, Wanetta Sue Miller Davis and her child, Jessica Davis; children of the late Carol Ann Teesatuskie are Misty and Richard Teesatuskie; also five generations of grandchildren, a special friend, Melba and many other friends and loved ones.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, Jan. 4 at Yellow Hill Baptist Church. Burial followed at the Helen Bottchenbaugh Family Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Frankie Bottchenbaugh, Richie Bottchenbaugh, Little Rich Bottchenbaugh, Rooster Crowe, Catcuze Tiger, Woody Walkingstick, and Skylar Bottchenbaugh.

Rafael Cruz Ramirez

Rafael Cruz Ramirez, 37, of Cherokee, passed away at Duke University Hospital on Thursday, Dec. 28, 2023, after an extended illness. The only son of Debra Smith and Rafael Ramirez, "Cruz", "Raf", or "Ralphie" as he was known leaves behind his father, his cousins James and Michelle Raby and many other aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his late mother Deb, who was the light of his life. He was her baby boy and she loved him with every ounce of her being. He also leaves behind his Juggalo family; they were his family by extension and their community will never be the same without "Chief."

Cruz had an amazing personal-

ity and was generous to a fault. He loved hard and without any judgment. His family is so proud of the man he became. He will be missed by many.

Funeral Services were held Friday, Jan. 5, 2024 at the Chapel of Crisp Funeral Home. Burial followed in the Bethel Cemetery off Old Number 4 in Cherokee.

Julia A. Biddix

SYLVA, N.C. - Julia Ardell Biddix, 88, passed away on Saturday, Dec. 30, 2023 at Cherokee Indian Hospital.

Julia was a native of Swain County but had resided in Jackson County for most of her life and was a daughter of the late John William and Margaret Violet George Biddix. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by three sisters, Bonnie Arneach, Helen Parker, and Jessie Rathbone; and two brothers, Sam and Jim Biddix. Julia loved canning, dirt track racing, camping, fishing, skinning squirrels, and to go riding.

She is survived by a daughter, Glenda Hoyle; a brother, Johnny Biddix; three sisters, Rosemary Rhinehart, Ann Reid, and Ruby Melton; her little dog, Anna Bell; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services was held on Friday, Jan. 5, 2024 in the Chapel of Appalachian Funeral Services with the Reverend Clemmie Queen officiating. Burial followed at Love Cemetery.

Louise Ann Reed

Louise Ann Reed, 65 of the Snowbird Community, passed away peacefully Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2024, at Cherokee Indian Hospital, surrounded by her loving family. She was born Sept. 16, 1958, to the late McKinley Reed and Susie Roxie Wachacha, in Chicago, Ill.

She graduated from Robbins-

ville High School, and went on to earn three associates degrees. She retired from the Junaluska Museum after 17 years where she worked as the cultural resource coordinator. She loved genealogy and enjoyed tracing her families' roots. A Beloved member of the Snowbird Community, she was involved in the community in many ways and was always there to support the community needs. She was also heavily involved in the Cherokee culture and she was proud to educate those around her about the Cherokee people. She also worked with the Forest Service beside her father for six years.

In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by foster parents, Boyd and Edna Chekelelee; infant sister, Martha Reed; three brothers, Marvin Reed, McKinley Reed Jr., Harvey Chekelelee; grandparents, Martha Wachacha and John Wayne Wachacha; and a brother-in-law, Don Chekelelee.

She is survived by her children, a son, Tommy Junaluska Chekelelee, and a daughter, Samantha Maria Hinojosa; siblings, Carolyn "Boo Boo" Chekelelee and Rose Rodriguez; a brother, Jimmy Chekelelee; 11 nieces and nephews, Dewitt, Scottie, Tonya (JR), Ashley, Michelle (JR), Jackie, Kelly (Fonz), Stuart, Charlie, and 2 special nieces Evelyn (Andrew) and Tyffany; five grandchildren of the heart, Jayden, Ethan, McKinley Ty, Baby Dray, Kyler; and a host of great nieces nephews cousins and family friends.

A celebration is planned by the family but will be announced at a later time.

Kathy "Momma Hatt" West

Kathy "Momma Hatt" West, 66, of the Big Cove Community, went home to be with the Lord Sunday Dec. 31, 2023. A native of

Cherokee, she was the daughter of the late Jimmy West and Lawanda Davis Jackson and step-daughter of the late Marvin Jackson and Dorothy West.

In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by her daughter, Kimberly Crowe; one nephew, Charles "Chino" West; son-in-law, Aaron Gloyne; Brothers, William West, Robert "Jose" West; and grandparents, Katie and George Davis, and Susie and Buck West.

Kathy is survived by her daughters, Heather (Andy) Century, and Hilda Crowe; grandchildren, Jimmie (Heaven) Gloyne, Jarius (Amanda) Gloyne, Juddson and Jayma Gloyne, Jeffrey Bradley,

Kayd-lynn Bradley, Izabell and Ilyza Jenkins; great grandchildren, Kelani, Kai, Ollivander Gloyne, Ember, Oslyn, Mila Buckner; sisters, Boomer West, Jabba (Jack) Smoker, Panda Jackson; brothers, Tracy (Cindy) West, JJ Jackson, T-Bear (Alyine) Jackson; and special cousins, Norma Craig, Marina Catt (Junior).

Funeral services were Monday, Jan. 8 at Rock Springs Baptist Church of which she was a member. Pastors Greg Morgan officiated with burial at Davis Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Jimmy Gloyne, Juddson Gloyne, Jeffrey Bradley, Newt Jackson, Jack Smoker, Andy Century, and Jarius Gloyne.



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COMMENTARY

Honesty is the best media policy

By **ROBERT JUMPER**
One Feather Editor

I recently read a headline that reminded me of how incredibly corrupt some “news” organizations are. Yes. News companies. Corruption. News media are supposed to be keepers of the public trust, guardians of truth, and the fourth

estate of societal governance. We are to document history, recording the happenings of a community, whether that community is your town, your county, your state, your country, or the world stage.

Newspapers and the rest of the media are largely watchdogs for the community, identifying and recording the actions of government, social organizations, businesses, and even individuals.

In many communities, media outlets are privately owned. In others, there are combinations of privately owned and community-funded outlets. Community-funded news outlets

receive their money through grants and private donations.

Tribal news outlets, like the One Feather, are funded primarily through the governmental budgeting process, with some support from subscription and advertising sales. The paper, in its various forms, is a product of this tribal nation.

The tribal government controls the budgetary allowance and, ultimately, the purpose of the newspaper. In fiscal year 2023 (the Tribe’s financial year runs from October to September), the One Feather operated on a budget of just over \$400,000, with just over \$300,000

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Chattooga & Whitewater Rivers	None.	Mid-day	Brown Trout	Black stimulator, parachute adams, prince nymph, midges, pheasant tail
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of those funds coming from the tribal coffers. That is the amount necessary to provide the resources needed to do the coverage and to get the message out in print and electronically.

Ownership of media has its inherent challenges. Whether or not it actually happens, it is easy for the general public to suppose that an owner will tailor the reporting or suppression of reporting, to suit the interests of the owner. We used to get those allegations frequently, that the One Feather was being manipulated by the government.

The Tribe, through the Tribal Council, understood that the government should not manipulate what the media outlet reports to the public, and, through its creation of laws, wants to ensure that the people get reports without political or any other kind of bias. There have been times in the history of the paper when direct manipulation of news was a thing. There have also been times when indirect manipulation occurred. With better understanding, communication with the government, and strengthening of laws in the Cherokee Code, there haven't been any efforts at direct media manipulation in quite some time. But the newspaper, the government, and the community must always be diligent in maintaining distance between governmental leadership and those charged with reporting of workings of government and tribal entities. That separation

benefits the paper and the government. Most of all, it benefits the community in that they get a truer picture of how they are being served by those they put in office.

I would say that, for as long as we have forward-thinking tribal leadership who value the benefit of having a press free from manipulation, the tribal community may count on the information they are getting from their tribal news outlet. It is a much better position than many municipalities find themselves in.

On a U.S. national level, confidence in news outlets is staggeringly low. A Gallup poll released in October 2023 had the following bad news for journalists: 32 percent of those polled have a "great deal" or "fair amount" of trust in media's news reporting, while 39 percent have no confidence at all, compared to 27 percent in 2016. The report added, "Another 29 percent of U.S. adults have 'not very much trust. Nearly four in 10 Americans completely lack confidence in the media, which is the highest on record by one percentage point, making the current assessment of the media the grimmest in Gallup's history." According to the polling organization, public confidence in media dropped below 50 percent in 2004 and hasn't been above that mark since.

Gallup added, "Americans' confidence in the mass media to report the news fully, fairly, and accurately is at its lowest point

since 2016. This low confidence reading for the fourth estate comes at a time when trust in each of the three branches of the federal government is also low."

Most media outlets are independent, either individually or corporately owned and operated. And in most cases, those owners are dependent on the media outlet for income and livelihood. Typically, the way an independent media outlet remains independent is revenue generation via advertising sales. Early on, news departments in these media outlets were typically small and low-budget. There was an expectation from the public that, along with their entertainment from the media, they get the news as well. However as public interest in news increased, news began to be looked at by the media management as a revenue source. Codes of ethical journalism began to be subverted to the more significant goal (in the eyes of media outlet owners) of converting space and time into profits. The generalization is that, whether perception or reality, the public is losing confidence in news reporting at least in part to biased reporting. Add to this the misguided belief that social media provides truth in reporting. Per a Pew Research Center survey, "half of the 18- to 29-year-olds in the United States say they have some or a lot of trust in the information they get from social media sites, just under the 56 percent who say the same about information from national

news organizations, but somewhat below the 62 percent who say so about information from local news organizations."

More and more, people are depending on social media to provide the information that they use to plan their lives, to their detriment. Local media, One Feather included, so far has the best record with the public in holding down owner and government influence on what the public sees and hears. While it is still a challenge for journalists to keep personal bias out of their reporting, most of what we, the public, see and read is accurate documentation of the ongoing historical record. As a person who reads the news regularly, I appreciate local media for attempting to holding the line on honesty and integrity in reporting. This is an especially tough environment for local, independently owned organizations as they try to balance entertaining, revenue-generating material with their duty to represent events factually.

I hope that local media continues to strive for honesty and clarity in reporting. The national media owners and the national public outlets could turn things around for themselves regarding public confidence, and maybe even up those sales, if they would return to their ethical obligations to report without bias.

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COMMENTARY

Child grooming through entertainment

(Editor's Note: This commentary was received on Thursday, Dec. 14, 2023. Due to the One Feather policy of only publishing one commentary per reader per month, it is being published in this issue.)

By **ANN COGGINS**
BigY Community

I wrote a commentary opposing an adult event at the Cherokee Fair. The actual message of this commentary was lost or misunderstood by some people on Facebook, so I intend to clarify it.

Even though I never mentioned God, Jesus, Christianity or

any religious teaching, that is what a lot of people commented about. Spiritualism is one of our core values, but that is not what my commentary was about.

Cherokee is the only community fair I know of that includes adult entertainment along with a family friendly atmosphere. Children should not attend, but there is nothing stopping them from accessing the show. Furthermore, the contest is blasted over the PA system so loud that it can be heard in the rides area, making it hard to avoid entirely.

There were several comments saying "Just don't go". The problem with this kind of attitude is that it is part of why so many bad things happen. If a rape occurs, did it really not happen just because we didn't see it? If a child is molested, did it really not happen

because we didn't see it? It doesn't matter if I am at the Pretty Legs Contest or not. If a child is there, they are being exposed to adult situations, and children exposed to adult entertainment are set up for opportunistic predators.

Who will an abused child go to if they see the adults laughing about and encouraging deviant sexual behavior? What do children learn by being exposed to a show that normalizes the message that women are nothing more than sexual objects? How many times have domestic or sexual abuse victims stated that their abuser made them feel "less than human"? Children grow up to be adults, and based on what they learn, they act accordingly.

I would like to remind everyone about the laws concerning crimes against children (Article VII Sec 14-30.9 Disseminating and exhibiting harmful material or performance to minors) and Tribal employee conduct (Chapter 96 Tribal employees Article I Sec 96.2 Code of Ethics). These can easily be googled, which is how I found these codes, lyrics to the songs mentioned in my other commentary, and other things.

I understand that the contest has been a "tradition" for several decades. We are trying to end the generational trauma and have our children grow up healthy and restored. Emasculating males, along with beatings and child rape were used to control our people at boarding schools. Some things need to come to an end.

Does the Pretty Legs contest honor our Core Value of Educating the children by providing values-oriented education and

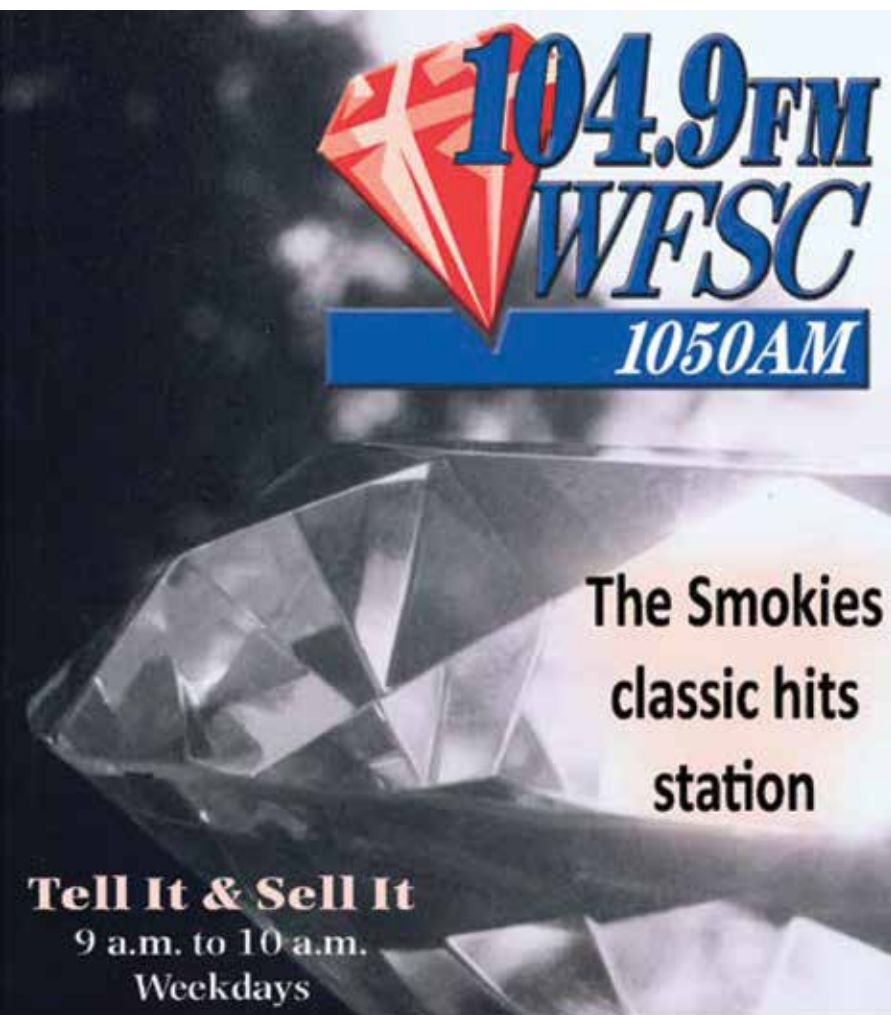
recreation, and by being strong role models for them? No. It is the opposite.

If we want to have a comedy show it can be clean and honorable. I adhere to the Core Value of possessing a strong sense of humor. However, I, along with many others in the Tribe, choose not to have a "dark" sense of humor.

I also adhere to our Core Value of possessing a Strong Individual Character. I am not a "look the other way" type of person. If I see something harmful to children or our Tribe, I will speak up. I will not be embarrassed or bullied because I am willing to stand for victims. I am not ashamed to stand with the many wonderful people who are trying to save our Tribe from destructive behavior towards children, teens or vulnerable adults. I admire people who choose to fight against domestic violence, child abuse, all other abuse, and human trafficking. It is hard to fight against these things, and it takes a mental toll on everyone involved.

If you didn't attend the last Human Trafficking presentation, I would encourage you to do so. Education is a key ingredient to help prevent people falling victim to sexual crimes.

The next time you feel the need to attack someone trying to make the world a better place, consider putting your energy into something more productive. Put your energy toward the greater good by joining an organization that helps victims. There are many volunteer opportunities. Let's work together to better everyone's lives.



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Weakness

By Lamont H. Fuchs, Ed.D.

(excerpt from Preacher Spurs, Christian Faith Publishing, Meadville, PA, 2022)

How can weakness be a strength? Every day we talk about what we are going to do. Maybe tomorrow. Maybe next week. Maybe next year. The Bible tells us we shouldn't talk like that. James 4:13-14 says, Now listen up, those of you who talk like this - "Today we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money" is wrong. Why? Because you don't even know what will happen tomorrow. Your life is a vapor. You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes.

Proverbs 16:9 - A man's heart deviseth his way; But Jehovah directeth his steps.

So, what are we without God? Consider Jesus in the garden as He prayed before His capture and crucifixion. Who on earth had more power than Jesus Christ? And, yet He made Himself weak to be sacrificed unto death. How much more powerful did He become from that display (correct word?) of weakness? How about the example of humility in Jesus? He came from Heaven as King to a lowly manger as a servant.

Our society does not embrace weakness. Especially in men, women also fall into the trap of not showing weakness. It is drilled into us from childhood; it is part of our competitive society. Society says, "Don't ever let them see your fear," and "meekness is a sign of weakness."

Pride is the foundation of all these thoughts, and it is one of Satan's favorite lies he uses to forge the fires of those lies within us. Bosses bombard us, and commercials, spouses, and friends tell us not to be content with who we are, what we have, and how important we should be. In truth, those are all lies. Listen to Paul, again,

Philippians 4:11-12 - 11 Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therein to be content. 12 I know how to be abased, and I know also how

to abound: in everything and in all things have I learned the secret both to be filled and to be hungry, both to abound and to be in want. Paul makes an example of the process we need to consider. He could brag. Paul had it all, and he had it all taken from him. After he meets Jesus, he states how happy he is in whatever condition he's in because that is what God has given him.

Having the faith that God will provide for every need and promises to bless us (make us happy) beyond our expectations is not easy to embrace. That's humility, and thinking in error, we often believe the opposite. The world says, "I made me who I am. What has God done for me? Who do I give credit to? How much of what I have done did I earn and deserve, and how much did God do? I didn't ask for this; I earned it. Because I'm so good, I got what I have."

Paul says in 2 Cor 12:10 - 10 Wherefore I take pleasure in weaknesses, in injuries, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

Let's break this down in comparison to what the world tells us.

Never show your weaknesses. If you're injured, walk it off, don't tell others you're sick or need prayer for your ailments - that's weak. I don't need anything or anyone because I can

get my own, I'm smart, I'm powerful, and I don't need anyone or anyone's prayers.

Watch you say to me; I'll get you back for every word. I'm self-made or come from good stock and education; you can't put me down. So, watch me fire back in kind.

Distress? Are you kidding me? I'm strong; I can overcome; I'll show those guys.

Proud, stubborn, rich, self-righteous, independent people don't need God.

Strong in what? Why does God want us weak? Why do you suppose God delights in our weakness? Because when we finally realize that we can't do it ourselves and need someone else. If we become wise, we depend more on Him.

Proverbs 11:2

When pride cometh, then cometh shame; But with the lowly is wisdom.

Proverbs 16:18

Pride goeth before destruction And a haughty spirit before a fall.

We are nothing without Him. Thank Him for allowing your last breath and praise Him that you are still breathing. Ask Him for your next. That's humble. That's needy. That's where God wants to meet you, so you know it is for Him that we exist. We are to praise His Holy name and depend on Him for everything. To give ourselves up totally to His care. When you are there, look to God for your salvation, humble yourself, and He will draw to you.



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- 1 Highest roll of a single die
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 - 8 Freaks out
 - 15 Subjective paper piece
 - 19 Never dying
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 - 22 — sci. (coll. major)
 - 23 Scaled-down symphony group [1994]
 - 25 Mallorca, por ejemplo
 - 26 "King" primate
 - 27 Writer Ferber
 - 28 Anti-bias job agcy.
 - 29 Gown fabric
 - 30 Program interacting with a remote server [1993]
 - 34 Bygone times
 - 38 Nurtured
 - 39 Kids' song with French lyrics
 - 40 — to go (gung-ho)
 - 41 "It's ch-chilly!"
 - 42 Whimpered like a baby
 - 44 Place to disclose sins [2010]
 - 48 Coinage for something with no name
 - 53 Beginning on
 - 54 "To — much is given ..."
 - 55 Nantes' river
 - 57 Sets of points on graphs
 - 58 Shallowest Great Lake
 - 60 Waltz or tango [1997]
 - 63 Itinerant band member, say
 - 66 State after wedlock
 - 68 Having more seepage
 - 69 Panels that may reverse decisions [2008]
 - 71 Melody
 - 72 Jungle roarer
 - 73 Ouzo flavorer
 - 74 Exact lookalike
 - 76 Brand of rodent killer
 - 80 Horse-man of myth
 - 83 Greeting act conveying confidence [1991]
 - 86 First-rate
 - 88 Flub it up
 - 89 Actress Shire
 - 90 Plant snugly
 - 94 — -cone
 - 95 Junk email sender
 - 97 Samoan peak famous for trapping clouds [1995]
 - 101 Italian port
 - 102 Exactly
 - 103 Money won in a game of dreidel
 - 104 Claudius I's successor
 - 108 Getting the job done
 - 109 What the first word of each of seven answers in this puzzle is, when preceded by "The"
 - 113 Stun with a charge
 - 114 Canceled by crossing off
 - 115 Revising, as text
 - 116 Bishops' jurisdictions
 - 117 Prescription amounts
 - 118 Berlin article
 - 119 Meadow
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Ailing
 - 2 Texter's "If you ask me"
 - 3 Mutant Marvel superhero
 - 4 Celestial ball
 - 5 Like a cold, hard gaze
 - 6 Manhattan eatery since 1927
 - 7 Isolated
 - 8 Ad — committee
 - 9 Hatchet part
 - 10 Ram or ewe
 - 11 "The Fox and the Crow" storyteller
 - 12 Tabby's scratcher
 - 13 Bobby of hockey
 - 14 Venus Williams' org.
 - 15 Sedative drug
 - 16 Sticky little sheet
 - 17 "Mama" Cass
 - 18 Actress Wiest
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 - 24 Bolted to escape
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 - 30 Sugar source
 - 31 Shore flier
 - 32 "Not yet sure what my answer is"
 - 33 Director Joel or Ethan
 - 34 Killer whale
 - 35 Neighbor of Myanmar
 - 36 Early James Bond foe
 - 37 Not similar
 - 41 Dust jacket write-up
 - 42 Demi and Dudley
 - 43 Departs
 - 45 Cupcake flourish
 - 46 That lady
 - 47 Less spicy
 - 49 Honey-coated Easter entree
 - 50 Anderson of "WKRP in Cincinnati"
 - 51 Cicero's "Lo!"
 - 52 Cake layer
 - 56 ICU workers
 - 59 Actor Stephen
 - 60 Iran's former name
 - 61 Ball-shaped
 - 62 Put on, as an outfit
 - 63 After-bath powder
 - 64 Andy Taylor's boy
 - 65 Sitting atop
 - 66 Suffix with ball
 - 67 Innocent types
 - 70 President before Donald
 - 71 Shallow pan
 - 74 Swarms
 - 75 Huge conflict
 - 77 Sedate
 - 78 Steinbeck migrant
 - 79 Close
 - 81 In — (more than sleeping)
 - 82 Arm bone
 - 84 Eatery list
 - 85 Baseballer Musial
 - 87 Is really mad
 - 90 Grain fungi
 - 91 "Watch Me (Whip/—)" (2015 hit)
 - 92 "Apollo 13" actor Gary
 - 93 Bills worth 100 bucks
 - 94 "You got that right!"
 - 95 Meat in a sub
 - 96 Coal-mining guys
 - 98 MMA fighter Rousey
 - 99 Armageddon nation
 - 100 Little laugh
 - 104 Silent "yes"
 - 105 Like villains
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by Linda Thistle

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. Is the book of Song of Solomon (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Who did Zachariah not believe on telling him his wife would conceive? *Jesus, Luke, Gabriel, Mark*
3. From Numbers 27, who became Moses' successor as leader of Israel? *Aaron, Abraham, Elisha, Joshua*
4. How many times is the phrase "holy ground" mentioned in the Bible (KJV)? *2, 24, 37, 64*
5. From Mark 11, who did Jesus cast out of the Temple? *Armies of Satan, Harlots, Money changers, Lepers*
6. What king saw the "handwriting on the wall"? *Darius, Belshazzar, Daniel, Solomon*

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1. GEOGRAPHY: The Darien Gap separates which two countries?
2. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is Three Kings Day also known as?
3. MOVIES: What's the name of the supervillain character in the animated film "Despicable Me"?
4. LITERATURE: Who is the author of "The Kite Runner"?
5. TELEVISION: What is the name of the motorcycle-riding greaser in the sitcom "Happy Days"?
6. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which musical instrument does former President Bill Clinton play?
7. GAMES: In the game Battleship, how many ships does each player have at the beginning?
8. MUSIC: Which famous rock singer was born with the name Farrokh Bulsara?
9. HISTORY: What was the name of the first U.S. Space Shuttle?
10. U.S. STATES: Which state is home to the Mammoth cave system, believed to be the longest in the world?

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HAPPENINGS

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Tribal Employment Rights Office Spaghetti Fundraiser for Jonah "Jay Bear" Saunooke.

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Turkey Shoot. Jan. 13 at 3 p.m. at the Jesse Welch Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community in Cherokee, N.C. Sponsored by Big Injun Racing. Good food, good fun, great prizes, great benefit.

Indoor Yard Sale Fundraiser. Jan. 20 at 8 a.m. at the Big Y Gym at 2641 Wrights Creek Rd. in Cherokee, N.C. Breakfast fundraiser to

benefit future community events. Table proceeds will be matched and will go to community member Will Tushka. Toys, shoes, clothing, and much more.

EBCI COMMUNITY EVENTS

Cherokee Winter Social. Jan. 27, 2024 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Painttown Gym in Cherokee, N.C. MC: Catcuce Tiger. Everyone is welcome. Traditional dress and ribbon skirts/shirts are encouraged. All Cherokee singers are welcome. Bring your rattles and drums. Food provided by Nikki's Frybread. Moccasins or sneakers only – no cowboy and/or work boots will be allowed due to the new floor.

WESTERN N.C. & BEYOND EVENTS

Swain County Democratic

Party Whittier-Cherokee precinct meeting. Jan. 15 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Agenda items include recruiting a precinct chair and planning for the 2024 elections.

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It is snowing

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Talutsa alsigaldi anetsodi
It's time to play basketball
(Translation by Sharyn Panther,
Contributed by Samantha Crowe-Hernandez)

AW
Gola
Winter

Puzzle Answers

— Super Crossword —

Answers

SIX	OSSA	HASACOW	OPED
IMMORTAL	OXHEART	POLI	
CHAMBER	ORCHESTRA	ISLA	
KONG	EDNA	EEOC	SATIN
	CLIENT	APPLICATION	
OLDDAYS	FED	ALOUETTE	
RARIN	BRR	MEWLED	
CONFESSION	BOX	SNIGLET	
ASOF	WHOM	LOIRE	LOCI
	ERIE	PARTNER	DANCE
TOURER	ONENESS	OOZIER	
APPEAL	BOARDS	TUNE	
LION	ANISE	TWIN	DCON
CENTAUR	FIRM	HANDSHAKE	
	CLASSA	ERR	TALIA
ENSCONCE	SNO	SPAMMER	
RAINMAKER	MOUNTAIN		
GENOA	TOAT	GELT	NERO
ONIT	JOHN	GRISHAM	NOVEL
TASE	EXED	OUT	EMENDING
SEES	DOSAGES	EINE	LEA

BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

ANSWERS: 1) Old, 2) Gabriel, 3) Joshua, 4) 2 (Ex 3:5, Acts 7:3), 5) Money changers, 6) Belshazzar

Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

— Weekly SUDOKU —

Answer

9	8	1	4	5	2	7	3	6
3	4	5	8	7	6	9	1	2
2	6	7	1	3	9	4	8	5
7	3	6	2	1	5	8	4	9
1	5	9	7	4	8	2	6	3
8	2	4	6	9	3	1	5	7
6	9	8	5	2	4	3	7	1
5	1	2	3	8	7	6	9	4
4	7	3	9	6	1	5	2	8

Answers

- Panama and Colombia.
- Epiphany.
- Gru.
- Khaled Hosseini.
- Fonzie.
- Saxophone.
- Five.
- Freddie Mercury.
- Columbia.
- Kentucky.

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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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CHEROKEE ONE FEATHER * TSALAGI SOQUO UGIDAHLI



Salome's Stars

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) The "security" of doing things the usual way should be balanced against the possible benefits of moving into a new direction. Also, work quickly to avoid a possible family misunderstanding.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A personal matter requires attention and might lead to a surprising revelation. Meanwhile, the new year could bring some long-anticipated changes to the workplace.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A new friendship seems to hold less promise than you previously thought. But make no assumptions one way or another without having an open and frank talk first.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your creative input could lead to changes in the workplace. Even if some colleagues disapprove of your efforts, stay the course. You're heading in the right direction.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) While this week is mostly positive, a few negative factors might arise. It's best to deal with them before they create problems that can jeopardize some of your later efforts.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might feel like you have all the facts and support that you need to deal with a long-deferred situation. Good for you! Once the matter is finally settled, you can move on.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are a sincerely generous person who never has to be asked to do something nice for others.

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VETERANS ★ POST ★

by Freddy Groves

Here We Go Again

I'm not the only one who has opted, once again, to stay home. Both the rec center and the senior center are cutting back on classes and hours because of the lack of participation, again, but mostly because of the sudden increase in cases of COVID, again. Of course this could include the flu and RSV (respiratory syncytial virus), but no one is specifying. It's just clear that more and more people here are getting sick.

At the rec center, the number of exercise classes has been halved, and so has the number of people who can sign up for them. They're going back to spaces outlined in blue painter's tape on the floor, giving a spot to each person to work out. No more walking with pals in a group around the indoor track. Instead, they're going back to single walkers staying a minimum of 10 feet apart.

The senior center has been hit the hardest, I think, because so many of their classes involved sitting around a large table learning a new language, doing painting or fiber art or sharing a meal. The local weekly sightseeing events are stopped because they no longer want to fit 20 seniors into the bus. For some seniors, those social events were the highlight of their week. Now it looks like they'll be back to Zoom meetings.

The good news is that the food bank is still up and running with no sign (yet) of slowing down what they do. Participants will pull up and stay in their vehicles, while volunteers bring out the bags and boxes.

And bless their hearts, the drivers are still out there, picking up seniors to take them to appointments. Rumor says they vowed, as a group, not to stop what they're doing.

Have we really been doing this for four years?

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Aggressive Dogs Keep Owner Away From the Dog Park

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: I've had to change the time of day that I visit the local dog park, because a new neighbor brings his two huge, aggressive dogs each morning at the same time as I do. They charge other humans, chase and snarl at other dogs, and make it impossible for other dogs to socialize calmly. The neighbor does nothing to control them and tells other owners that it's their fault that his dogs are acting aggressive. To prevent injury to my dog (or myself), I now wait until after work to go. But this is inconvenient for everyone in the neighborhood. How do I address this problem? — Dog Mom in New York

DEAR DOG MOM: You're doing the right thing by changing the time that you bring your dog to the park. It's important to remove a dog from a situation you perceive as potentially dangerous or traumatic for them, and protecting them from harm.

That's only the first step, however. The new dogs are terrorizing other dogs within the park, making life miserable for them and their owners. It's not fair, nor is it right.

Dog parks within a city or town typically have rules of conduct posted at each entrance, but sometimes they're vague. It's up to each owner to properly train and socialize their dogs, and to keep them away from the park if they can't control rough play, aggression or reactivity.

Report the problem to the organization in charge of maintaining the dog park. This may be a community group or the municipal parks department. Contacting animal control is another option. Write down the dates and times that incidents have occurred. If there is no active community group for the dog park, consider starting one so that owners can air their grievances and work out problems as a group.

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

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Looking for - Wanted to buy, Pottery by Tiney Bigmeat Bradley. Good condition, no cracks or chips. Contact Teresa at Queen House Gallery 828-497-3272. **1/31/24**

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HOME CARE AIDES NEEDED

EMPLOYMENT TYPE: HOME CARE AIDES NEEDED
Working Day- 5 DAYS IN A WEEK
Working Hour- DAYS FLEXIBLE
Salary is \$24 per Hour.

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For more details about the po-

sition, email me (emsaysanchez@gmail.com). **1/10/24**

Now Hiring

Museum of the Cherokee People: Now Hiring Development Specialist (Part-Time, One Year Term)

The Museum of the Cherokee seeks a Development Specialist for a part-time term position for 1 year. This position is grant funded and there is no guarantee of continued employment after the grant closes. The Development Specialist will provide structure to MotCP's Development arm including but not limited to fundraising, donor development, and membership. Pay is negotiable between \$40 and \$50 per hour dependent on education and experience. Learn more and apply by Friday, January 19 at motcp.org/about/employment-op

portunities. **1/17**

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

The EBCI Cannabis Control Board is proposing the amendment of administrative rules pursuant to Cherokee Code 17-30 and 150-4. These amendments are proposed to make minor modifications to the requirements for access to medical cannabis facilities, and other related issues. Written comments may be mailed to the EBCI CCB at Attn: EBCI CCB, P.O. Box 549, Cherokee NC 28719 or emailed to info@ebci-ccb.org. The period for public comment is 20 days from the publication of this notice. **1/10**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 24-001

In the Matter of the Estate of Casandra Marie Tolley

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

Kathy F. Johnson
P.O. Box 974
Robbinsville, NC 28771
1/31

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS EMERGENCY

MANAGEMENT OFFICE Assignment of a Name for a New Road

NOTICE is hereby given that the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Emergency Management Office at its 9-1-1 Committee meeting held on November 6, 2023 resolved pursuant to EBCI Code of Ordinances Chapter 136A ARTICLE II – UNIFORM STREET ADDRESS AND ROAD NAMING SYSTEM (Ord. No. 332-A, 10-26-1998) that a certain new road in the Birdtown Community be assigned the street name as detailed below:

- The existing shared driveway providing access to 366 through 370 Emma Taylor Road shall be assigned the name Maple Lane along with its eventual continuation.

Inquiries or appeals to this action can be made to the Emergency Management Office located at 282 Seven Clans Lane, Cherokee, NC 28719 during normal business hours. **1/17**

angieh@mandaraspa.com or 497-8550.'"/>





Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians HUMAN RESOURCES

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

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

Closing Sunday, January 14, 2024

- Registered Nurse (Public Health Nurse) – Tsalagi Public Health – Public Health & Human Services (L15 \$27.87 - \$34.84 per hour)
- Maintenance Technician – Snowbird & Cherokee County HELP – Snowbird & Cherokee County (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)
- Maintenance Technician – HELP – Education (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- Education Tutor/Grades 3-5 – Graham County Indian Education – Snowbird & Cherokee County (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour)
- Certified Nursing Assistant (Multiple) – Tribal In Home Care Services – Public Health and Human Services (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)
- Advocate – Domestic Violence – Public Health and Human Services (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour)
- Environmental Health & Safety Specialist – Health Delivery (Administration) – Public Health and Human Services (L15 \$57,982 - \$72,478)
- Manager – Food Distribution – Public Health and Human Services (L14 \$52,349 - \$65,437)
- Maintenance Worker – Qualla Boundary Early Head Start & Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L7 \$15.60 - \$19.50 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- Firefighter – Fire Department – Operations (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- Housekeeper I (Multiple) – Housekeeping – Operations (L6 \$15.30 - \$19.13 per hour)
- One Feather Subscription Clerk – One Feather – Executive (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour)
- Administrative Assistant – Internal Audit (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour)
- Survey Technician – Tribal Surveying – Office of the Attorney General (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)
- Survey Specialist – Tribal Surveying – Office of the Attorney General (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour)
- Bailiff – Corrections – EBCI Law Enforcement (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- Probation Officer – Corrections – EBCI Law Enforcement (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- Juvenile Officer – Cherokee Indian Police Department – EBCI Law Enforcement (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- Special Ops Officer – Corrections – EBCI Law Enforcement (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION

Open Until Filled

- Detention Officer (Multiple) – Detention Services – Public Safety (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- Patrol Officer (Multiple) – Cherokee Indian Police Department – EBCI Law Enforcement (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- Community Response Officer – Cherokee Indian Police Department – EBCI Law Enforcement (L12 \$20.89 - \$26.11 per hour)
- Detective – Cherokee Indian Police Department – EBCI Law Enforcement (L13 \$22.86 - \$28.58 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- FT Paramedic – Emergency Medical Services – Public Safety (L8 \$30,357 - \$37,946) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION (L11 \$19.13 - \$23.92 per hour)
- Teacher (Multiple) – Qualla Boundary Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L9 \$16.21 - \$20.26 per hour)
- Teacher (Multiple) – Qualla Boundary Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L10 \$17.58 - \$21.98 per hour)
- Social Worker (Multiple) – Family Safety – Public Health and Human Services (L14 \$25.17 - \$31.46 per hour)
- Legislative Legal Counsel – Tribal Council – Legislative Branch (L19 \$97,792 - \$130,389)
- Driver (Multiple) – Transit – Operations (L8 \$15.90 - \$19.88 per hour) SAFETY SENSITIVE POSITION
- Youth Development Professional – Cherokee Youth Center – Education (L6 \$15.30 - \$19.13 per hour)
- Family Safety Attorney – Civil Law / Office of the Attorney General (L17 \$72,127 - \$96,169)
- Registered Nurse (Public Health Nurse) – Tsalagi Public Health – Public Health & Human Services (L15 \$27.87 - \$34.84 per hour)

Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements

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

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

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

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

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6 FT Residential Counselors

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*2nd Shift - 3 pm - 11:30 pm

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EXECUTIVE:

Performance Improvement Specialist - \$50,723 - \$63,404

HUMAN RESOURCES:

Employee Relations Specialist - \$50,723 - \$63,404

ENGINEERING:

EVS Supervisor \$21.13 - \$23.98

EVS Technician \$15.00 - \$16.77

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

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

Residential Technician – Women’s Home - \$17.12 - \$19.26

PTR Residential Technician – Men’s Home - \$17.12 - \$19.26

PTR Residential Technician – Kanvwotiyi (Male & Female) \$17.12 - \$19.26

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

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

Behavioral Health Consultant Supervisor - \$67,082 - \$83,852

Medicated Assisted Treatment Program Supervisor - \$67,082 - \$83,852

Behavioral Health RN – Analenisgi - \$33.68 - \$38.72

Behavioral Health RN – Kanvwotiyi - \$33.68 - \$38.68

Peer Support Specialist – Analenisgi - \$17.12 - \$19.26

Peer Support Specialist – Kanvwotiyi - \$17.12 - \$19.26

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

Behavioral Health Data Analyst - \$67,082 - \$83,852

OPERATIONS

Dentist – Dentures & Partial Dentures - \$131,405 - \$164,256

Dental Assistant II - \$18.32 – \$20.67

Dental Assistant I - \$17.12 - \$19.26

Diagnostic Radiologic Technologist II - \$24.55 - \$27.99

Medical Technologist - \$28.68 - \$32.85 - *\$5,000 Hiring Bonus

Medical Laboratory Technician - \$22.76 - \$25.89

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

Helpdesk Support Specialist - \$22.76 - \$25.89

Pharmacy Technician I - \$17.12 - \$19.26

Pharmacy Technician II - \$18.32 - \$20.67

Echocardiography Technologist - \$33.68 - \$38.72

MEDICAL

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

FNP/PA – Immediate Care Center \$91,254 - \$114,067

Physician – ER –Part Time Intermittent \$227,068 - \$283,835

Physician – Pediatrics \$157,686 - \$197,108

Physician – Primary Care \$157,686 - \$197,108

Hospitalist - Inpatient – Full Time - \$227,068 - \$283,835

Psychiatrist – Analenisgi \$227,068 - \$283,835

NURSING

Certified Nursing Assistant – Emergency Room \$17.12 - \$19.26 *\$3,000 Hiring Bonus

Certified Medical Assistant/ Licensed Practical Nurse – Immediate Care Center \$21.13 - \$23.98 *\$5,000 Hiring Bonus for LPN

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

Registered Nurse - Inpatient \$31.06 - \$35.64 - *\$5,000 Hiring Bonus (Night shift)

Registered Nurse (30 Hours per week) – Emergency Room \$33.68 - \$38.72

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

RN Care Manager – Primary Care \$31.06 - \$35.64

Telemetry Nursing Assistant – Inpatient \$19.66 - \$22.25

TSALI CARE CENTER

Certified Nursing Assistant - \$17.12 - \$19.26 - *\$5,000 Hiring Bonus

Certified Nursing Assistant – Part-time Intermittent - \$17.12 - \$19.26

Certified Medication Aide - \$17.12 - \$19.26

Cook Aide - \$15.00 - \$16.77

CNA/PCA – Part Time Regular - \$17.12 - \$19.26

CNA/PCA - \$17.12 - \$19.26 - *\$5,000 Hiring Bonus (C.N.A. only)

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

Licensed Practical Nurse - \$22.76 - \$25.89

Registered Nurse - \$31.06 - \$35.64 - *\$10,000 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

Tribal Options Computer Programmer - \$58,332 - \$72,915

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MISSING PERSON

TREY ALLEN GLASS

Enrolled with United Keetoowah
 Band of Cherokee Indians

Male Age: 19 years
 Height: 5'3" Weight: 135 lb
 Eyes: Brown Hair: Black

Last seen: December 17, 2023
 Location: Kansas, Oklahoma



Circumstances of Disappearance:
 Last contact on December 17, 2023. Last seen wearing black shirt, black sweats, and black coat. Small heart tattoo on pinky finger. 7" scar on leg. Ear recently pierced. Glass is also said to have a medical condition.

If you have seen or have information about Trey Glass, contact the Cherokee Nation Marshal Service (918) 207-3800.

Source: Namus.gov



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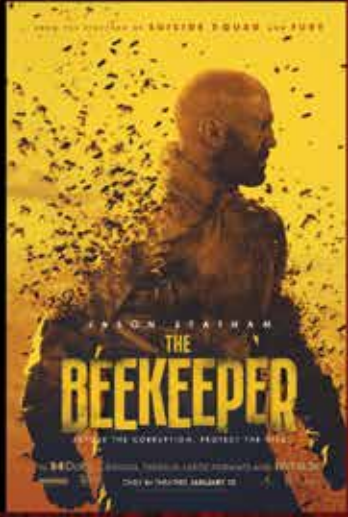
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Attention EBCI Artists/Craftspeople

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



THE GOOD STUFF



Catt graduates from OU

Lynn Catt, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians from the Wolfstown Community, graduate from the University of Oklahoma on Saturday, Dec. 16 with a master's degree in education. (Photo contributed)



Reed graduates from UNC Wilmington

Kimberly Reed, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians from the Wolfstown Community, graduated summa cum laude from UNC Wilmington on Saturday, Dec. 16 with a masters of business administration degree. (Photo contributed)



Huskey graduates from ETSU

Danicka Huskey, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians from the Wolfstown Community, graduated from East Tennessee State University on Saturday, Dec. 16 with a bachelor of science degree in rehabilitative health with a minor in allied health. She is the daughter of Nick and Tedda Huskey. (Photo contributed)



Ranked nationally

For the second year in a row, Parker Kirkland, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, was named #1 in his division in the country by USA Judo, the national governing body for the sport of Judo in the United States as recognized by the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee. Kirkland competes in the Bantam 5 Male +41kg division. (Photo contributed)



Owle-Arkansas gradutes from WCU

Amelia Leigh Owle-Arkansas, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, graduated from Western Carolina University on Saturday, Dec. 16 with a bachelor of science degree in business administration and law. (Photo contributed)



Lanning graduates from NCSU

Kamiyo Lanning, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, graduated from N.C. State University on Friday, Dec. 15 with a master's degree in parks, recreation, tourism and sport management and will also receive a graduate certificate in sports and entertainment venue management. (Photo contributed)



Indigenous Bowl

Mato Grant and Chase Calhoun represented the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians at the 2023 Indigenous Bowl banquet held on the evening of Wednesday, Dec. 20. Grant, a senior at Cherokee High School, and Calhoun, a senior at Robbinsville High School, both were selected to play in the prestigious game on Thursday, Dec. 21 in San Jacinto, Calif. (Photo by Natalie Grant)



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For wildfire prevention tips, visit [SmokeyBear.com](https://www.SmokeyBear.com)





Basketball tournament champions

The WNC Smokies went undefeated and won the championship in the WNC Holiday Festival Tournament held in Asheville, N.C. during the Christmas break. Several members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians are on the team including, left to right, Braelyn Lambert, Oaklan Deas, Eli Lane, Nicolai Corpening, and Coach Michael Lambert. (Photo contributed)



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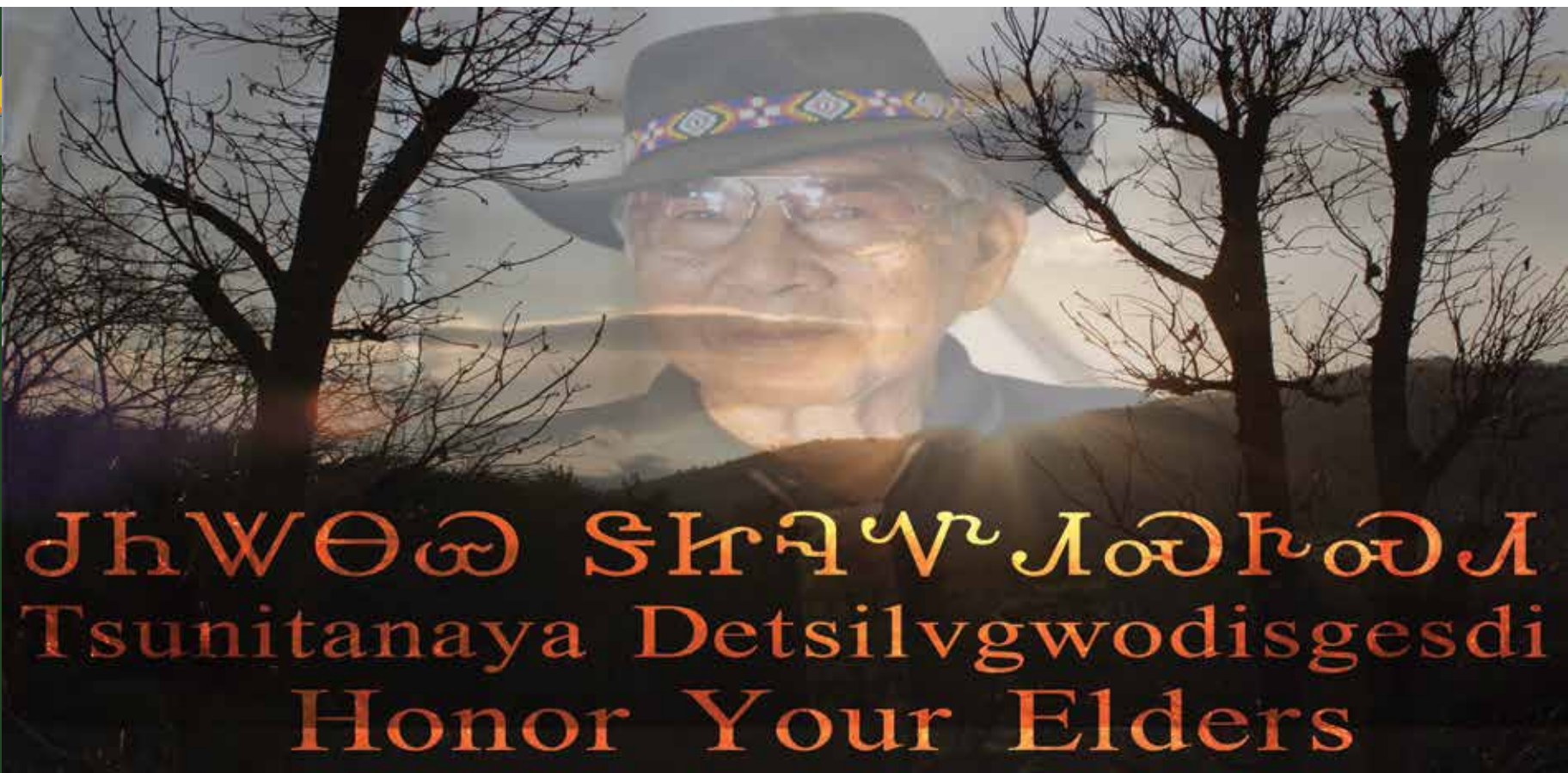
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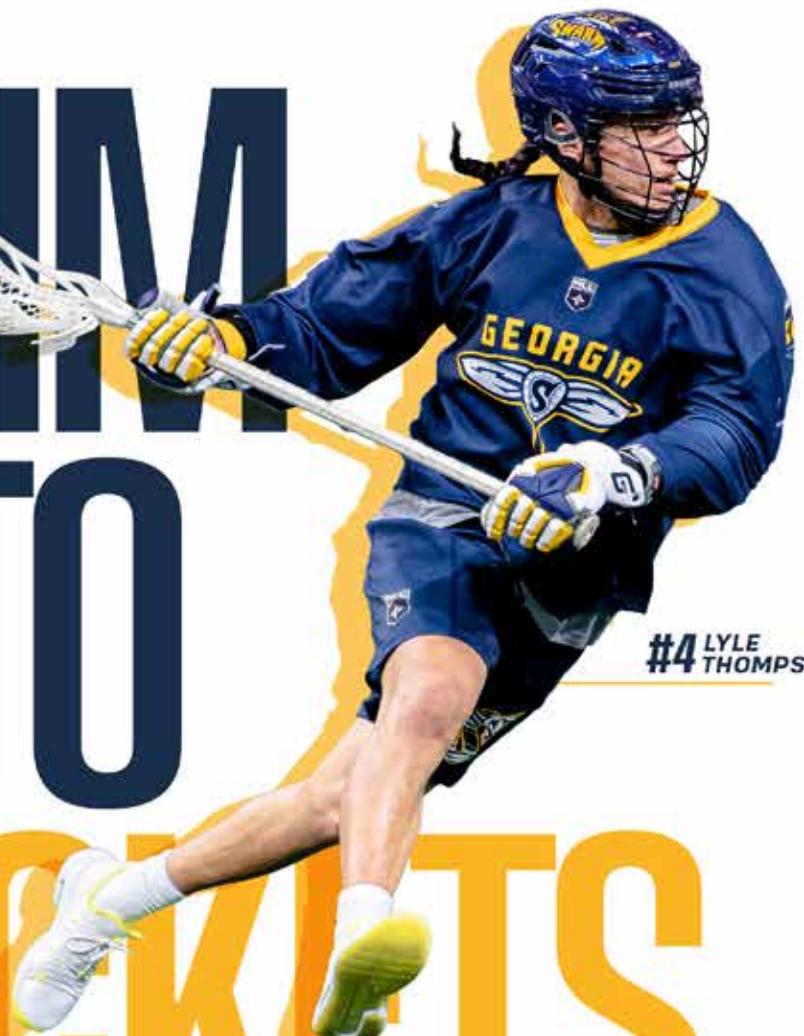
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 **GEORGIA SWARM**

7:30PM ET | GAS SOUTH ARENA

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