Illinois State researchers to study Cowee Mound area

Jones-Bowman fellows selected for 2016-17 year

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Tribe breaks ground on Snowbird Treatment Center

NOWBIRD – Nestled on the top of a hill more than three miles off of a paved road in the Snowbird Community sits the future site of hope for many struggling with addictions. Leaders of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians broke ground on the future Snowbird Residential Treatment Center on Wednesday, July 13.

“This program is going to be a tremendous benefit to the Cherokee community and provide some very important services to some very important members of our community,” said Doug Trantham, Cherokee Indian Hospital Behavioral Health Department manager. “It will help provide the help that they need. I do believe that this is not just going to be a good program but a model program. I think that it’s going to be nationally-known for what it does and something that the Cherokee can be very proud of in years to come.”

The 20-bed facility is being built by Robins & Morton with an estimated completion date in late 2017. The main building lodge is 11,322 square feet with two 4,224 cottages planed – one for men and one for women.

Tribal Council Vice Chairman Brandon Jones shared his own past struggles with addiction with the crowd at Wednesday’s event and commented, “Today is a huge blessing for the community, for the people, and for the folks that are afflicted.”
At the same time, I realize that it is truly bittersweet. I wish we didn't have to build this facility in the first place, but it's a step in the right direction and I'm very proud to be a part of this.”

In candidly sharing his story of past addictions, Vice Chairman Jones said that hope is what is needed. “This facility isn’t going to be a cure-all. People are going to lose this battle. We may only save a few, but it’s worth it. No one plans to be an addict. They simply run into difficult times in life. The drugs we are facing today are evil, and they possess lots of power – more power than we can overcome alone. We need a support system. This facility is a step in the right direction.”

Casey Cooper, Cherokee Indian Hospital CEO, said that the Tribe decided to transfer behavioral health services to the Hospital several years ago, a charge he related that the Hospital staff took very seriously. “We espouse to be committed to community health. We say that we are committed to the health of the community, and we say that our core purpose is founded upon ensuring the prosperity of the next seven generations of the Eastern Band. And, if we neglect behavioral health and substance abuse in our community, then we are simply giving lip service to our mission and our core purpose.”

He said their team got to work and pulled together a proposal. “The state is not going to fix our problem. We’re going to have to fix our own problem, and we’re going to do exactly what we’ve done over the years as a Tribe. We’re going to step up. We’re going to pull together. We’re going to reach out to partners, and we’re going to do stuff that’s never been done.”

Cooper related that they are currently planning a 12-bed recovery intake facility at the site of the old Cherokee Indian Hospital. “As part of this recovery continuum, patients will come into the Emergency Room, and rather than wait there 7-14 days and then have their petition broken and be discharged back into the community, we will admit them to our own unit where they can get a bed and a meal and they can get some meds and some treatment. And, then once they’re stabilized, we’ll move them along this recovery community continuum, and we’ll move them down here to Snowbird to this 20-bed residential treatment facility in the most beautiful part of the country many of us have ever seen.”

Principal Chief Patrick Lambert thanked the tribal leaders who have worked on this project since 2002. “I feel like a lot of times that I am standing on the shoulders of giants. There’s a lot of people that have come before me, before all of us sitting here today, that have had such a large impact.”

He previously worked as a drug and alcohol counselor and commented, “There’s many people here who have a lot of experience in this field, and I think sometimes that we cut ourselves a little short in thinking if we can have an impact... but, if we don’t try, it can’t happen, and if we save one life, then it’s all worth it.”

Cherokee County – Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha also thanked those who have worked over the years to make the Treatment Center a reality and related, “The people that’s not been affected by any sort of addiction, find yourself lucky because they’re too many families out there that have lost loved ones, went down this road. I’ve got family members that are currently in jail or currently in rehab themselves.”

He said it’s important for everyone to try to help those in need. “We’ve lost a lot of friends due to drug abuse and alcohol abuse, and it hurts. It really hurts down deep inside to watch as people disappear basically.”
In recent years, there has been some confusion as to what the official name of the Tribe is – Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians or Eastern Band of Cherokee Nation. Tribal enrollment cards and tribal employee pay stubs both say Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, but the seal emblazoned on those say Eastern Band of Cherokee Nation.

Tribal Council ended that confusion as they passed Ord. No. 262 (2016), submitted jointly by Principal Chief Patrick Lambert and Tribal Council Chairman Bill Taylor, during their regular session on Thursday, July 7. The legislation states in part, “in the recent past and without regard to the Tribe’s legal status or practical implications, certain agents of the Tribe began to promote and publish commercially and otherwise the Tribe’s name as ‘Eastern Band of Cherokee Nation’…”

The legislation, which was passed unanimously after one floor amendment, amended Cherokee Code Section 117.49 to state that Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians “shall be the official name and legal identification for the Tribal government.” A new Tribal seal was also introduced and passed with the legislation.

During discussion on the issue on Thursday, July 7, Chief Lambert said, “I think we all recognize the importance of this.” He said the date on the new seal is March 11, 1889. “That’s the date that this Tribe adopted and had North Carolina adopt the Charter and Governing Document that we operate under today.” The previous seal listed a date of Nov. 28, 1870 which Chief Lambert said is the date that the Lloyd Welch Constitution was adopted.

Chairman Taylor commented, “Before 1997, the seal had read Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and then it was changed to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Nation. To me, I think we’ve always been the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and that’s why I’m in support of this. I think it needs to go back to the way it was.”

Painttown Rep. Marie Junaluska commented on the seal which has ivy leaves and said that older seals used oak leaves instead. “The oak is a hardwood and symbolizes the strength of the Tribe.”

Myrtle Driver, EBCI Beloved Woman, agreed, “It is our understanding that it is the oak leaf that is the correct one for the middle (of the seal) because it’s supposed to represent holding hands in unity.”

Chief Lambert recommended a floor amendment that the seal be changed to use the oak leaves in place of the ivy leaves. That amendment was accepted unanimously.

The seal that was in use prior to Thursday was adopted in Res. No. 692 (1997) which was passed on Sept. 25, 1997. That legislation was submitted by then-Principal Chief Joyce Dugan so that the seal could be officially trademarked. That seal was officially registered through the U.S. Office of Patents and Trademarks on Jan. 18, 2000 and was renewed on Jan. 12, 2010.

At the end of Thursday’s discussion, Yellowhill Rep. Anita Lossiah commented that the Tribe does need to update the seal with the Trademark office.

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A team of researchers will spend time this summer looking into the Cowee Mound near Franklin without ever digging into the mound, and volunteers are welcome to join in the efforts.

Led by Kathryn Sampeck, Illinois State University associate professor of anthropology, the researchers will study various aspects of the mound as well as record and study artifacts from previous field seasons.

“We will be using several different sensing techniques such as Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR), gradiometry, and soil resistivity to look at the hilltop where the mound is in more detail, to understand how the townhouse mound relates to other parts of the Cherokee town,” said Sampeck. “Cowee is really special because the mound is on such a high hill, overlooking the rest of the settlement.”

Sampeck said there will be no excavation at the mound during this project. “We are making the most of nondestructive techniques to understand as much as we can without disturbing anything. The place is in wonderful condition and so well protected. We can create a careful, thoughtful plan for further research and to conserve Cowee in the best way possible for future generations.”

She said the hilltop to the east of the mound very well could have had homes or been a place where events were held. “We are especially interested to see evidence of a dance ground or ball game field. We want to understand how public places related to people’s homes, agricultural fields, and other work places.”

The team will also be studying an area where slag evidence from ironworking was previously found. “This area is at the base of the hill with the mound. It is an exciting possibility that Cherokees had their own forge so early, perhaps early in the eighteenth century.”

Sampeck said another area of interest to the team is lands across the river from the mound. “Historic maps and descriptions show that the town was on both sides of the river. The river was important to community life. We want to understand the whole town and how different neighborhoods or sections related to each other and to the river.”

The project is being supported by various organizations including the EBCI Tribal Historic Preservation Office who is coordinating the fieldwork and research, the Historic Cowee School which is providing lab space, Illinois State which is providing supplies for the fieldwork, and the National Park Service and National Resources Conservation Service which are jointly providing remote sensing equipment as well as personnel to run them.

Tyler B. Howe, EBCI Tribal Historic Preservation Office, said, “Our role in the project is mainly an oversight role so we are overseeing and developing the scope of work.”
What they’re doing out there this year is a little bit different in that there will not be any excavation work, only geophysical work.”

Howe said Cowee is being treated differently than a compliance project. “This is more for scientific purposes. It will really help us at Cowee knowing the extent of occupation.”

He related that the geophysical work helps preserve the area better than old-fashioned excavation work. “We can be more precise when we decide to open it up so the geophysical work will show us and highlight areas that are worthy of further investigation. So, it’s kind of pin-pointing where to do the excavations in the future.”

Sampeck said anyone is welcome to volunteer at the site. “Professional crew members will train people in all the steps for each activity. We want people with little or no experience to have the chance to do the work that most appeals to them. The fieldwork can be as simple as helping carry a cable for the GPR that other people are driving, pushing, or dragging. Some equipment is like a big lawnmower. Others require repetitive lifting, and others, such as GPS recording, are light, hand-held devices. So, it can be everything from a great workout to a pretty pleasant time standing or walking.”

Help is also needed inside the laboratory itself. “In the lab, people can help with the non-destructive analysis of the chemistry of different artifacts by helping place the artifacts in the machine and helping record the results. We also need help with sorting ceramics and taking notes about them and measuring the size and weighing beads and slag fragments.”

Howe said this project has really been a three-way partnership between the Tribe, the Historic Cowee School, and Illinois State. “This has been a great partnership.”

He added, “We can bring Cherokee kids. Cherokee volunteers and show them the science of archaeology. We can help train future Cherokee archaeologists and anthropologists. And, for those students that come in who aren’t Cherokee, we can show Cherokee archaeology, how we do it a little bit differently than other archaeologists.”

Sampeck said she became interested in Cowee after beginning to study 16th and 17th century Cherokee towns. “For the past seven years, the staff at THPO and...
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- Jasmine Littlejohn: 9
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- Williams, Tyler Dillion: 2
- Raymond Neal Swayne: 2
- Austin Allen Gunter: 1
- Starlina Maria Locust: 3
- William Roach: 2
- Amber Carol-Leigh Bradley: 1
- Anthony Lewis Grimes Jr.: 5
- Michael Littlejohn: 1
- Winona Rose Braun: 1

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Cherokee Supreme Court Chief Justice William Boyum reports that the Tribal Issues Advisory Group (TIAG), an ad hoc advisory group to the United States Sentencing Commission (USSC), released its report on June 13 and that a public hearing on the report will be live-streamed on Thursday, July 21 at 11am.

The USSC is a bipartisan, independent agency that advises and assists Congress and the Executive Branch in developing effective and efficient crime policy. The TIAG was tasked with studying the operations of the federal sentencing guidelines as they relate to American Indian defendants and victims and to tribal communities and court systems. This group sought to identify and resolve sentencing disparities in federal sentencing guidelines as applied to defendants from tribal communities versus similarly situated defendants in state courts. They also reviewed topics such as whether federal sentencings accurately measured tribal court convictions or tribal protection order violations and whether Native American youthful offenders were sentenced appropriately.

The group consisted of five Federal District Court Judges from Indian Country, the former Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, the Associate Solicitor for the Department of the Interior (Division of Indian Affairs), the Director of the Office of Tribal Justice, a United States Attorney, a Federal Defender, a tribal chairman, two private attorneys, two Professors, a BIA Victim Specialist, a tribal attorney, a director of tribal public safety and two tribal judges including Justice William Boyum.

Justice Boyum, co-chair of the Federal/Tribal working group, reported that an “incredible amount of work” went into this report and it is hoped that all of Indian Country can benefit from it. He also notes that this networking opportunity brought many advocates for Indian Country together and provided a forum for positive thinking unlike any other in the country.

The TIAG met with the USSC in Washington and traveled to reservations in North Dakota and Arizona to review tribal courts and to discuss tribal issues. Additionally, each member participated in numerous teleconferences and assisted in the drafting of the report. The group also organized a nationwide Tribal Consultation to discuss issues pertinent to Indian Country prosecutions. The USSC has followed up on the TIAG report by issuing Proposed Priorities to effectuate the group’s recommendations.

Public comment will be accepted on the Proposed Priorities until July 25. The TIAG report is available on the USSC website at http://www.ussc.gov/research/research-publications/report-tribal-advisory-group and the Public Hearing is available at ussc.gov.

– Cherokee Tribal Court
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July 27

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July 28, 2016
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

The Kituwah Preservation and Education Program will be holding the July Speakers Gathering at the New Kituwah Academy on Thursday, July 28 at 6pm. We will be having a potluck dinner, so bring your favorite side dish. All Cherokee speakers and second Cherokee language learners are invited to attend.

For more information contact: Myrna Climbingbear (828) 359-6406 myrnclim@nc-cherokee.com.

ARRESTS: CIPD report for July 11-18, from page 8

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1

Martens, Robert
Glen – age 35
Arrested: July 17 (no booking time given)
Not released as of press time
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor
Number of times in CIPD Detention: 5

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Braves play in 7-on-7
The Cherokee Braves played in the Warriors 7-on-7 round robin tournament at Erin High School on Tuesday, July 12. The Braves went 3-2 on the day with the following results:
Cherokee 18 Pickens (SC) 12
Cherokee 20 Reynolds 17
Burns 27 Cherokee 17
Cherokee 23 N. Buncombe 6
Erwin 27 Cherokee 15.
(AMBLE SMOKER/One Feather photos)
WRESTLING

Cherokee Life Recreation hosts John Hohmann Clinic

AMBLE SMOKER
ONE FEATHER STAFF

The Cherokee Life Recreation held a wrestling clinic last week at the Wolfetown Gym with John Hohmann, an Olympic wrestling coach with an extensive resume and background in the sport. Hohmann, a retired Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Marines Reserves, is also a decorated member of the wrestling community with over 40 years of experience, 23 years as a competitor and over 35 years as a coach.

In 2000, Hohmann was awarded the 2000 Wrestling’s Developmental Coach of the Year by The United States Olympic Committee. Although he is currently retired, Hohmann owns a wrestling club in his hometown of Melbourne, Fla. where he continues to coach wrestling and also finds the time to help out in a MMA club and local high school.

“IT’s time for me to give what I’ve been blessed with to the kids that are coming up,” said Hohmann. “I don’t need another award. I don’t need another championship. I’ve been blessed to be out here without having to take a paycheck. Last year (2015) was the first year and we were well received, so we were brought back again.”

Seventeen kids from Cherokee attended the wrestling clinic that was held July 11-15 at the Wolfetown Gym in conjunction with the missionary work of Northside Presbyterian Church in Melbourne, Mission to the World in Birdtown, and Cherokee Life Recreation.

Throughout the clinic, the coaches taught new wrestling techniques and also presented daily Bible devotions and life applications for the kids.

Hohmann commented, “You guys (Cherokee) are in a really good situation here with Anthony Toineeta (defending 1A NCHSAA State Champion). The kids love him and they have all that (State Champion) right here in town, which makes being a State Champion real. Here’s somebody who grew up here, here’s somebody who submitted to the discipline of the sport with the best reward the state has to offer, being won…how did he do it? He listened to his coaches, he went to the practices, and he made better decisions about his free time.

It’s about the decisions you make. He’s a champion because he made those right decisions.”

Youth Sports Coordinator with Cherokee Life Recreation, Tim Smith related, “I appreciate John coming here, and his resume speaks for itself. He’s served his country, he’s serving the Lord, and he’s up here helping us get better (wrestling program).”
The Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program recently selected Madisyn French, Kayla Johnson, Chloe Blythe, Rebecca Teesateskie, Faith Long, Brantly Junaluska, Jacob Long, Caleb Teesateskie, Tim Swayney and Michael Thompson as their 2016-17 fellows.

The program develops leadership competencies through formal education and firsthand leadership experiences. Each fellow develops a Leadership Learning Plan with the help of a mentor that outlines the three focus areas Leadership, Culture and Education. Programming is grounded in the traditional core values of sense of humor, sense of place, spirituality, group harmony, educating the children, honoring the past, and strong individual character.

Jones Bowman financial awards are in addition to funding provided by the Tribal Higher Education Program but are not considered scholarships. These funds are provided to develop leaders who are willing to serve their communities. The mission of leadership programs created by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation is to support lifelong, culture-based learning that gives tribal members opportunities to develop strong leadership abilities and serve successfully in leadership roles.

The Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program was established in 2007 to honor the memories and leadership of Principal Chief Leon Jones and Council Member James Bowman, founding members of the Board of Directors of the Cherokee Preservation Foundation. The Cherokee Preservation Foundation and other contributors fund individual learning plans of the Fellows.

Info: Alicia Jacobs, Cherokee Preservation Foundation 497-5550
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The 2016-17 Jones-Bowman Fellows include (left-right) front row - Madisyn French, Kayla Johnson, Chloe Blythe, Rebecca Teesateskie, Faith Long, and Brantly Junaluska; back row - Jacob Long, Caleb Teesateskie, Tim Swayney, and Michael Thompson.
Upcoming leaders
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Photo by Kristy M. Herron/EBCI Commerce

Summer splashing
Kids enjoy one of the water features at the EBCI Summer Splash held at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on Tuesday, July 12. The event, sponsored by Principal Chief Patrick Lambert, included water attractions, bouncy attractions, food, and games.

Photo by Scott McKie B.P./One Feather

Welch named Employee of the Quarter
Kandy Welch (right) was named the EBCI Commerce Division Employee of the Quarter during a Division picnic at Collins Creek Picnic Area in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park on Friday, July 15. She is shown with EBCI Commerce Secretary Mickey Duvall and Lisa Frady, Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds events and group tour coordinator, who won the award last quarter.

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How will Cherokee affect you?
Ben Oshel Bridgers

Ben Oshel Bridgers, 76, of Sylva, entered the gates of larger life on Saturday, July 9, 2016, in his home.

Ben Bridgers was born in McAlester, Okla., to Jasper and Louise Bennett Bridgers on Aug. 31, 1939. He received a bachelor’s of arts degree in English from Hendrix College, a master’s of arts degree in English from the University of Arkansas and taught at East Carolina University before entering the United States Air Force as a communications officer for the Strategic Air Command, Ellsworth Air Force Base, S.D. He graduated from The University of North Carolina School of Law in 1971 and moved to Sylva where he practiced law for 40 years. In addition to private practice, he served as the Tribal Attorney for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians for three decades and was a nationally-recognized expert in Native American law.

He loved music, literature, travel and the performing arts. He wrote poetry and was a student of world religions. To commemorate his 60th birthday, he swam the Hellespont in Turkey following the same route from Sestos to Abydos Lord Byron had taken in 1810. He was a dedicated member of St. John’s Episcopal Church where he served on the Vestry for many years, sang in the choir, and served as lector. Over the years, he gave his time and financial support to many causes and organizations in Jackson County and around the world. He was especially committed to the Southern Poverty Law Center. Beloved by his children and grandchildren, he was always supportive of their endeavors and interests.

Ben is survived by his wife of 53 years, Sue Ellen Hunsucker Bridgers of Sylva; his three children, Elizabeth Abbott Bridgers and partner John, Jane Bennett Bridgers-Carlos and husband Aaron, Sean MacKenzie Bridgers and wife Rachel. He is also survived by his sister, Leah Bridgers Baker and husband Steve of Austin, Texas; his sister –in-law Sandra Hunsucker and brother-in-law Abbott Hunsucker, both of Winterville; ten grandchildren and six nephews and nieces. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, July 21 from 5-8pm at Appalachian Funeral Services, 165 Skylake Drive, Sylva. A memorial service will be held at St. John’s Episcopal Church on Friday, July 22 at 2pm with the Reverend Pattie Curtis officiating. Burial will be at a later date.

Memorial donations may be made to Memory Care at 100 Far Horizons Lane, Asheville, NC 28803; Pathways Hospice through gifts to Great Smokies Health Foundation, PO Box 176, Sylva, NC 28779; or St. John’s Episcopal Church, PO Box 175, Sylva, NC 28779.

Michael Ray French

Michael Ray French, 62, of Cherokee passed away Friday, July 8, 2016 at his residence with his loving family by his side.

He was born March 6, 1954 in Cherokee to the late Roy French and Mary Swayne French.

Michael is survived by his wife, Martha “Sissy” French; his children, Moni Toinetta (Ben) and Zave French; one grandson, Jess Toinetta; two brothers, Walter French (Brenda) and Richard French (Angie); two sisters, Karen Browning and Wanda Myers; one very special sister-in-law, Sherry Jones; two special dogs Jasper and Minnie; and many cousins, nieces, and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Michael was preceded in death by one brother, Edwin (Peanut) French.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, July 12 at Long House Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed at the Manley George Family Cemetery. Pallbearers were Cricket Driver, Charlie Burgess, Harold George, Lil Buc, Roy Bradley, and Calloway Ledford.

Winona Lucille Seay (Ma Seay)

Winona Lucille Seay (Ma Seay), 101, of the Big Cove community went home to be with the Lord Monday, July 11, 2016. A native of Cherokee, she was the daughter of the late John Wesley and Neddie Williamson Swayne and wife of the late Clingman T. Seay. She was a member of Straight Fork Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her son, Vernon Seay; great granddaughter, Lydia Gosnell; four brothers and five sisters.

She is survived by her two daughters, Selma Hope and Carol Quinn; one sister, Beulah Walker; two brothers, John Wesley and Gene Swayne; and numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren; and great great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, July 13 at Straight Fork Baptist Church. Rev. Charles Ray Ball officiated with burial in the family cemetery.

Crisp Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Sandra Locust Gunther

Note: This obituary ran in last week’s paper. It has been updated by Long House Funeral Home to reflect the date and time of the Memorial Service.

Sandra Locust Gunther, 66, of Cherokee passed away Tuesday, July 5, 2016 at her residence.

She was born May 28, 1950 in Cherokee to the late William Russell Locust Sr. and Caroline S. Lambert Locust Robinson.

Sandra is survived by her husband, Rory Gunther; one daughter, Victoria Ann Duncanson; and two brothers, William “Bill” Locust and Johnny Carter.

In addition to her parents, Sandra was preceded in death by two brothers, Raymond Bobby Carter and Dallas Ray Martin; and one sister, Marcella Ann Melvin.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 23 at 11am at the Christ Fellowship Church in Cherokee.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Gunther family.
Nancy Ann Rose Long

Nancy Ann Rose Long, passed away at the Cherokee Indian Hospital following a long illness on July 16, 2016. She was 77 years old. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert “Bob” Long; son, Eddie Long; parents Benjamin “Ted” Rose and Mildred Warren Rose; brothers, Albert Dale Rose and Benjamin “Teddy” Rose.

She leaves behind her sons, Robert “Bob” Long and wife Joann, Peter “Pete” Long and wife Vickie, Donald Long and wife Bernedine, Kenneth “Kenny” Long and wife Rhonda, Ronald “Ronnie” Long and companion Connie; 20 grandchildren and 28 great grandchildren. She also leaves behind her brothers, Donald Rose and Ray Rose and his wife Kathy; her sisters, Phyllis Coons, Mary Booth and her husband Bill, Brenda Johnson and her husband Larry, Vivian “Lib” Keiffer and her husband Dan, and Alice Lambert and her husband Joe; and many nieces, nephews, and special friends.

She above all was a beloved mother and grandmother. Many family members and friends have spent endless hours at her kitchen table or porch sharing life’s problems and asking her for advice. She was a good listener and she always told it to you straight. She was an advocate for her community and tribe and spent many hours researching Cherokee History. Through her work and compassion she fought against domestic violence. She was vigilant in following tribal proceedings and spoke her voice on many issues.

The family celebrated her life at Bigwitch Baptist Church on Monday, July 18 and a funeral service was held on Tuesday, July 19. Denny Crowe and Percy Cunningham officiated. Grandsons served as pallbearers. The burial followed at the Long Family Cemetery.

Byrdie Renee Junaluska

Byrdie Renee Junaluska, 48, of Cherokee passed away on Wednesday, July 13, 2016 at the Cherokee Indian Hospital. Byrdie is the daughter of the late Mark Junaluska and Pauline (Taylor) Junaluska. Those surviving are Kevin Michael Hart (significant other); daughter, Michelle Suzanne Junaluskie; son, Kevin Michael Hart II; sisters, Carolyn Junaluska, Glenda Gale Junaluska and Rena Lois Junaluska-Stewart; aunt, Dolly Jean Taylor as well as many nieces and nephews.

Along with her parents, Byrdie is preceded in death by her son, Mark Tyler Hart.

A visitation will be held at Long House Funeral Home on Wednesday, July 20 from 5-9pm. The funeral service will take place at 2pm on Thursday, July 21 at Long House Funeral Home. Burial will follow at the family cemetery. Pall Bearers will be Robert Taylor, Joshua Robert Taylor, Mark James Reed, Steve Bird, John Stewart and Gene Lamar Rickman. Pastor Danny Lambert will officiate.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

Prices at the PUMP

As of July 18, 2016

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This week’s lowest regular prices in town...

Cherokee Mini Mart BP (441N) at 2.329 per gallon

Cherokee Convenience Chief Shell (441N) at 2.329 per gallon

Cherokee prices based on average of the six nearest gas stations for regular grade gas in Qualla Boundary the town of Cherokee National and state averages courtesy of AAA.com. Pump prices are subject to change without notice and are only provided as reference.
**Native American veterinarian scholarship established at NC State**

The NC State College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM) has announced the establishment of the Old Main Native American Indian Veterinarian Scholarship Endowment in the amount of $50,000. The fund will be used to subsidize the educational expenses of Native American Indian students at the CVM. This is part of the College’s ongoing efforts to emphasize diversity and inclusiveness by assisting groups Under-Represented in Veterinary Medicine (URVM). The endowment was announced by Dr. Paul Lunn, Dean of the CVM, and Dr. Allen Cannedy, the College’s Director of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs, during a visit to the campus of the University of North Carolina-Pembroke.

The scholarship endowment was established by gifts totaling in excess of $25,000 from Dr. David Brooks, DVM, Pembroke, and others, along with matching funds from the R.B. Terry Charitable Foundation.

This is the first step in an expanded ongoing effort to encourage enrollment of Native American Indian veterinary students at NC State.

Dean Lunn spoke to the importance of the new scholarship fund. “Native Americans are a critically important under-represented group in veterinary medicine,” he said. “and we are excited and proud to be able to offer this new source of assistance to students from these communities. I cannot thank Dr. Brooks and his fellow donors enough for what they have accomplished, and for their partnership with NC State.”

- NC State

**Junior pageant application available**

Applications are now available online ([https://theonefeather.com/2016/06/download-2016-cherokee-pageant-application/](https://theonefeather.com/2016/06/download-2016-cherokee-pageant-application/)) for those running for 2016 Little Miss Cherokee, Junior Miss Cherokee or Teen Miss Cherokee. Applications are due by Saturday, July 23 at 5pm and must be turned in at the Cherokee Visitors Center.

- Cherokee Pageant Board

**UT establishing Native American Alumni Council**

The University of Tennessee is seeking to establish a Native American Alumni Council. The intent of the alumni council will be to support and mentor Native American students enrolled at the university, provide a network between Native American UT Alumni, promote awareness of Native American culture and education at UT, and to assist the Office of Alumni Affairs with the promotion of diversity in all things UT. Info: Kim Smith 788-7183, ksmith102@vols.utk.edu or visit https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1P2hT-PqfbjQbBs3r9e-of_0uxJ1uauHMPqhu-FU-1po/edit#gid=0

- University of Tennessee

**Teen Center taking school supply donations**

The Cherokee Teen Center is taking donations for school supplies for children at the Cherokee Children’s Home. Their goal is to fill 20 book bags for ages 6-18. The following supplies are needed: book bags, pencils, loose-leaf paper, pencil pouches, composition notebooks (not spiral bound), and tissues. Donations are being taken at the Cherokee Youth Center from July 11-30.

- Cherokee Teen Center

**Attention Miss Cherokee contestants**

If you are a female EBCI tribal member between the age of 18-25 and are interested in running for Miss Cherokee 2016, applications may be picked up at the Council House. The application and fee is due by Sunday, Aug. 28. You may turn in the application at the Council House or bring it to the first practice on Aug. 28. Info: Royalty Board ebcimisscherokee@gmail.com

- Miss Cherokee Royalty Board

**THANK YOU LETTER Crowe family says thank you**

We would like to sincerely thank everyone for your kindness in the recent passing of our husband, father, and Papaw, Pwe Crowe. No words can explain how we appreciated everything you did.

We would like to thank the Police Department, EMS, the Fire Department, the First Responders, the Emergency Room staff, the Cherokee Boys Club, the Tribal programs that helped any way they could, Tribal Council, Vice Chief and Chief for all the help you provided our family.

We are grateful to our school system for allowing us to have his services there. We would like to thank all of those who took the time to do things we couldn’t do to prepare for the services.

Thank you to Greg Morgan and Mark Crowe for officiating the service. Thanks to all the singers, pallbearers, and motorcycle riders. He was such an avid rider in his time. We sincerely appreciate the act of kindness.

Thanks to all who sent flowers and cards.

We had so many friends and family to help us at home it would be impossible to name each and every one of them, but we thank you so much.

We will miss him daily, but the love, memories and the lessons he taught us will remain with us for our lifetime.

Thank you,
Mick, Pnut, Dick, Bo, Radonna, Ellen, Kim and his 11 Grand Children, Madison, Tagan, Dre, Riley, Ian, Dali, Boie, Livi, Kinley, Lil Joe and Kimbo
CIHA recognizes retirees
Last week, the Cherokee Indian Hospital recognized the service of several employees who recently retired including (left-right) Glenda Jarrett, Dr. George Graning, Mary Lambert, and Cathy Burns with Cherokee Indian Hospital CEO Casey Cooper.

Photo by Lynne Harlan/Cherokee Indian Hospital

Memory of
Jonathan “Topper” Taylor, Jr.
7/30/73 to 1/21/2015

Sherry Taylor Southards
7/23/65 to 1/21/2016

Happy Birthday In Heaven

God saw you were getting tired,
A cure not meant to be,
So he wrapped his arms around you,
And whispered, “Come with me.”
We longed for you to stay, but
God loved you and took you
Home as his special treasures.
We grieve, our hearts are sad
But Heaven is happier and so are you.
No pain and you can see and enjoy
God’s presence, His goodness and his love.
We will soon join you and
Together well through eternity
Share God’s glory and his love.
Love to you both in Heaven.
Sadly missed by your
Family who loved you both dearly.

Surgical Weight Loss Seminar
August 18, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.
Cherokee Indian Hospital
One Hospital Rd.
Cherokee, NC

Call
828.315.3391
to Register

Are You Ready To Get Back Your Life?

Surgical Weight loss is more than just losing weight; it’s getting those little moments in life back. When diet and exercise aren’t enough, our specialists can help you determine the best path to success. Attend our seminar and find out if Surgical Weight Loss is right for you.
Overview

For comparison’s sake, this report covers year-to-date data (in this case, October through May) for each of the years noted.

Total Tribal Levy (Oct–May)*

Tribal Levy and Privilege Tax generated by non-gaming entities (Oct–May)*

Since the EBCI Destination Marketing Organization’s role is to promote overnight visitation and increased commerce amongst non-gaming entities, we have segmented them out:

- Motels: +147.1%
- Other Lodging: +11.96%
- Attractions: +11.74%
- Retail: +7.65%
- Restaurants: +10.13%

Total Privilege Tax (Oct–May)*

In the case of Privilege Tax, gaming vs. non-gaming collections are only available beginning in 2016. Therefore, data for Total Privilege Tax contains both gaming and non-gaming taxes collected.

*Source: EBCI Tribal Levy and Privilege Tax Report
Paid Media Activity (Oct–May)*

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<td>38,807,409</td>
<td>+6.7%</td>
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*Source: Element Advertising, 2013-2015 media plans. Paid media activity covers April–September every year. This data covers April and May (33% of the marketing year).

“Paid media activity” is advertising placed on Cherokee’s behalf with the goal of driving overnight visitation to non-gaming accommodations. Increased overnight visitation will benefit non-gaming hoteliers and the entire Cherokee economy—with special emphasis on the Cultural Attractions. Impressions are the total number of media exposures against Cherokee’s prime consumer target audience across the markets we support. CPM is “cost per thousand” for advertising media impressions. This is a measure of cost efficiency.

Website Analytics for VisitCherokeeNC.com (Oct–May)*

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*Source: Google Analytics, 7/12/16

“Website analytics” are data derived from activity on VisitCherokeeNC.com. “Sessions” are periods of time that a user is active within the site. “Users” are visitors to the site. “Pageviews” are the total number of website pages that were viewed by users. A “New User” is a user who hasn’t visited the site in two or more years.

Social Media (Oct–May)*

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Facebook “Likes”

2014: 184,727
2015: 293,501

*Source: JB Media, 7/13/16

PR Snapshot*

The following events received media coverage as a result of PR efforts for the period of June–July 2016:

- AAA Go Magazine (Powwow/4th)
- Asheville Citizen-Times (Cherokee Voices + Powwow/4th)
- WNCW (“Unto These Hills” interview)
- Mountain Xpress (Cherokee Voices + Powwow/4th)
- WLOS-TV (Warrior appearances + Powwow/4th)
- WNC Magazine online (“Unto These Hills”)
- Tennessee Electric Cooperative newsletter (Powwow/4th)
- North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources Blog (“Unto These Hills”)
- Romantic Asheville Blog (Powwow/4th)

*Source: Suzanne Metcalfe: Public Relations, 7/13/16
Church Events

Pastor David Hansel Ministries. July 28-29 at 7pm nightly at Evangelistic Tabernacle, 5701 Grassy Branch Road in Bryson Ctyt. Info: 488-3098

Church Homecoming. July 31 at 10am at Zion Hill Church in the Snowbird Community. A message by Rev. Tommy Hooper and a special singing by the Locust Family, James and Donna Sequoyah, and Cecil and June Rogers Family. Lunch will follow. Pastor Michael Rattler invites everyone.

General Events

Indian Dinner Benefit for Coach Willis and Tanya Tullos. July 21 from 11am – 1pm at Yellowhill Activity Center. All proceeds will assist with expenses needed for their move. Menu: chicken, bean bread, cabbage, potatoes, fatback, and drink for $8. Walk-ins are welcome or delivery upon request for four or more orders. Place all delivery orders by 9am on Thursday. Info: Lou Johnson 788-2853 or Stinker Younger 593-8003

Storytelling Workshop. July 23 from 10am – 3pm at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. This workshop will introduce community members to the creative processes of storytelling in order to help contemporary Cherokee people to tell their own stories. This workshop is sponsored in part by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation, the Cherokee Historical Association, and The Kenan Institute for the Arts at the University of North Carolina School of the Arts in cooperation with Native Voices and the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Lunch will be served. Workshop faculty will include Cherokee actress DeLanna Studi among others. Info: Susan Brittain (336) 406-5342, brittains@uncsa.edu

Native Food Feast. July 23 at 5pm at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. $10 plate, child 10 and under free. This is a fundraiser for Cherokee Indians for Accountability and Justice.


Upcoming Pow Wows for July 22-24

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


Pow Wow at the Howard County Fairgrounds. July 23-24 at Howard County Fairgrounds in Friendship, Md. Info: Barry Richardson (252) 532-0821, powwow@vance.net

Ongoing Events

VFW Bingo. Every Tuesday at the Governor's Island VFW. Early bird at 5:30pm, regular games at 7pm. Info: Billy Whitt 736-4146

AA and NA meetings in Cherokee. Nar-Anon (family support): Mondays at 6pm at Church of Christ. Alcoholics Anonymous (AA): Tuesdays at 7pm at Cherokee Indian Hospital (CIH), Saturdays at 10am at CIH conference room. Narcotics Anonymous (NA): Mondays at 8pm at CIH, Thursdays at 8pm at CIH, Fridays at 7pm at CIHence room

Elvis Museum is now open on Hwy 19 (2289 Wolftown Road). New hours 11 am to 3 pm Tuesday-Saturday.

Note: Listings in the Happenings section are free of charge. Send your event information (name of event, date(s), time(s), place, cost of admission, brief description of event, and contact information) to scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com or message us on the Cherokee One Feather Facebook page.

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LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Most of the time you are the most unflappable person around. But be ready to be thrown off-balance in the nicest way when Cupid takes aim in your direction.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) It’s not often when someone tries to “sting” the sharp-witted Scorpion. But it can happen. Continue to be skeptical about anything that seems too good to be true.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your strong sense of self-esteem helps you serve as a role model for someone who needs personal reassurances. Your efforts pay off in an unexpected way.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Someone close considers revealing a painful secret. Withhold judgment. Instead, open your generous heart, and offer dollops of your love and understanding.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Your talents as a peacemaker are called upon once more as an old problem re-emerges with new complications. Move cautiously in order to avoid falling into hidden traps.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your artistic side is enhanced with the reception given to your new project. Use this success as encouragement toward fulfilling your larger goals.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your natural sense of leadership is combined with a deep sense of responsibility. People trust you to give them both guidance and understanding.
Giving the people a straight answer

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

Transparency - giving the community information on things that impacts their lives and their kid’s lives. We have discussed the need for transparency in government, which is being addressed through legislation. The Tribal Council moved on an Ethics Policy and Department. Hopefully, in the near future, a Constitution will further provide public access to government information.

In 2006, the Tribe passed legislation to provide a framework for the release of information to the public and public agencies. Section 132 of the Code defines the process and limitations of public records. One of the challenges of operating an owned-and-operated Tribal newspaper is, as a sub-program of a program of the Commerce Department and an internal tribal agency, ensuring that we are telling the full story. We are bound to an administration and, regardless of any good intent of the Tribe, this gives the impression of potential manipulation.

Don’t misunderstand me, the leadership in the Commerce Division, Executive Office and Tribal Council all have been very neutral toward our efforts to give the public easy access to government information, which was the cornerstone establishing the One Feather. We routinely provide Budget and Tribal Council information, summaries and follow-up on issues discussed in Planning Board and work sessions. We have come a long way from the four-page newsletter with hand-drawn masthead. The One Feather has grown as the Tribe has grown. And, we are grateful for the government and community support that we receive.

We are committed to providing news information free from editorial bias and unfounded commentary. We adhere to a journalist code of ethics, referred to in our codified tribal law, to help ensure our commitment to providing the truth as best we can reveal it. In this “It must be true, I saw it on Facebook” generation, we attempt to stand apart from the mass of those wanting to provide their slant on reality.

But, we are only able to go as far as the law will allow (no Dukes of Hazard pun intended). And, those working for the One Feather have government jobs and report to government officials. Sometimes, just the appearance that someone or something might shine a negative light on a situation or an official causes a chain of command chain reaction. Human nature is for people to try to protect their own.

In trying to report the news, that mentality can cause doors to close and sources to go silent. Really, who in government employ wants to be the one who brings news of an unethical public official into the public view? Whistleblowers’ jobs typically do not have long lifespans. And yet, that is what our code of ethics specifically requires us to do. We must report fairly and equally. If “John Doe”, unemployed tribal member, commits a crime, we post it with all the other people on the arrest report. If “John Doe”, elected official, is arrested, they must be listed just like all the others on that report. And, we don’t conjecture about information we don’t know for sure.

The Code, in some areas (some would say many areas), is contradictory and lacks enforcement elements. In discussions with tribal attorneys concerning the public records language in the Code, I was told ultimately that my only recourse for refusal or lack of response to getting what should be publicly available documents is to take the offending entity to Court - Tribal...
Since the One Feather is a tribally owned-and-operated program, we would basically be tasked with taking our bosses to court in a courtroom staffed by employees paid by the Tribe. Since we are a news organization and not a gossip column, we need documentable information before we announce anything to the public. Still, we are better off than outside organizations, as far as getting tribal information goes, most of the time. Since the Tribe is sovereign, it has no obligation to allow outside news organizations access to its meeting minutes and/or financial records.

In other municipalities, all open meetings, minutes, governmental financial records, emails and phone interactions between government officials, etc. are subject to examination by the public, which means available to the public media, at least in North Carolina, which is patterned after federal law. Why do they do that? Because, the people of the state demand that they know what is going on in their government and with their public officials. For some reason, the people of their communities feel that they have a right to know. And in those municipalities, the people’s right to know overrides the government’s desire for confidentiality or secrecy, for example, in the name of protecting us from unknown, unseen adversaries.

It is my hope that the Cherokee people take the new administration’s campaign motto “Putting Cherokee Families First” to heart. I believe it is a fitting, worthwhile goal. In doing that, the Cherokee people must insist that they be in the lead when it comes deciding their futures; all the people, not just a select few. We must have access to information and the government needs to afford as much transparency as possible.
Houses of Worship

Acquoni Baptist Church. 497-6521 (h) or 788-0643 (c)

Antioch Baptist Church. Coopers Creek Road.

Beacon of Hope Baptist Church. (828) 226-4491

Bethabara Baptist Church. 497-7770

Big Cove Missionary Baptist Church. 497-4141

Big Cove Pentecostal Holiness Church. 497-4220

Boiling Springs Missionary Baptist Church. 488-9202

Cherokee Baptist Church. 497-3399 (fax)

Cherokee Bible Church. 497-2286

Cherokee Church of Christ. 497-3334

Cherokee Church of God. (828) 400-9753

Cherokee Church of the Nazarene. 72 Old School Loop off Big Cove Road. 497-2819

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church. 674-2690


Cherokee Wesleyan Church. 586-5453

Christ Fellowship Church. Great Smokies Center.

Goose Creek Baptist Church. 631-0331 or 497-3512

Jesus is the Light Full Gospel Ministries. 736-9383

Living Waters Lutheran Church. 497-3730, prjack@frontier.com, lwcherokee@frontier.com

Macedonia Baptist Church. 508-2629 dconseen@gmail.com


Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. 736-5322

Piney Grove Baptist Church. 736-7850.

Rock Hill Baptist Church. (828) 356-7312

Rock Springs Baptist Church. 497-9455, 736-1245 (cell)

Sequoyah Sovereign Grace Church. 497-7644

St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church of Cherokee. (828) 280-0209, cherokeeepiscopal@gmail.com

Straight Fork Baptist Church. 488-3974

Waterfalls Baptist Church. Wrights Creek Road.

Whittier United Methodist Church. 497-6245

Wilmot Baptist Church. 2015 554-5850

Wrights Creek Baptist Church. 497-5262

Yellowhill Baptist Church. 506-0123 or 736-4872

Community Clubs

Big Y Community Club meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Big Y Community Building. Bunsey Crowe, president, 497-6339 or 788-4879

Big Cove Community Club meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Big Cove Rec. Center. Chairman Sam Panther 497-5309 or Secretary Consie Girty 736-0159 or walerb@gmail.com

Birdtown Community Club meets the last Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. Potluck at 6pm, meeting at 6:30pm. Jody Taylor, chairperson, 736-7510

Paint Town Community Club meets the last Monday of each month at 5:30pm at the new Painttown Gym. Lula Jackson 736-1511, Lois Dunston 736-3230, Abe Queen (Free Labor) 269-8110, Jennifer Jackson (building rental) 269-7702

Snowbird Community Club meets the third Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Snowbird Community Center. Reuben 497-2043, 8678 or (828) 361-3278, rogersmoker@yahoo.com

Wolfstown Community Club meets the first Monday of each month at 7pm at the Wolfstown Gym. Until further notice, meetings will be held at the gym due to water damage at the Community Building. Tuff Jackson, chairman, 788-4088

Yellowhill Community Club. First Tuesday of every month unless it’s a holiday. Reuben 497-2043

Community Groups

Big Y Community Club

Meetings:
- Second Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Big Y Community Building.
- Bunsey Crowe, president, 497-6339 or 788-4879

Big Cove Community Club

Meetings:
- First Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Big Cove Rec. Center.
- Chairman Sam Panther, 497-5309 or Secretary Consie Girty, 736-0159 or walerb@gmail.com

Birdtown Community Club

Meetings:
- Last Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building.
- Potluck at 6pm, meeting at 6:30pm.
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Paint Town Community Club

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Wolfstown Community Club

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- Tuff Jackson, chairman, 788-4088

Yellowhill Community Club

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- Reuben, 497-2043

Bible Trivia

1. Is the Book of Ananias in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Micah 7:19, where does God place forgiven sins? Depths of sea, Heathen hearts, Past the stars, Fiery pits
3. Jesus said, “I am the Alpha and the ...” Betta, Omega, Eternity, Delta
4. From Psalms 60:8, David said “Moab is my ...”? Terrier, Washpot, Courier, Warrior
5. What was the home of Peter, Andrew, and Philip? Caesarea, Assos, Sardis, Bethsaida
6. On which mount did King Saul die? Sinai, Moriah, Pisgah, Gilboa

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FOR RENT
2 bedroom 1 bath house in Ela. No pets. References/background check required. $600 month $600 Deposit. 828-488-8752. 7/28
2 bedroom 1 bath mobile, quiet park in Ela. No pets. References/background check required. $400 month $400 deposit. 828-488-8752. 7/28

FOR SALE
The Oconaluftee Indian Village has carved basket handles for sale. If anyone is interested come on by the village. We are open from 9am – 4pm.

For Sale Blueberries  U-pick. $2.00/LB. Exit 72 Whittier, Follow Signs. 7/20


For sale: King size bed, antique dresser, desk, 42” flat screen TV, 22” “wide back” TV, nightstand, two end tables, dog bed, two wooden folding tables, floor fan, ironing board and many other miscellaneous items. Call 828-497-2188 for more information. 8/18

Dresser W/Mirror 150.00 Chest 5 drawer 100.00 night stand 35.00 Sectional Sofa pillows W/Ottoman 200.00 Recliner 75.00 3 Sofa tables, 2 wood rockers, Desk & Chair also (828) 729-9207

Leaf/Grass bagger for Husqvarna mower 48” deck $175 obo: 226-2067

Complete King size bedroom set, including a dresser, night stand, tv stand and bed platform with headboard and footboard. selling used (3 years old in very good condition) for $600 or OBO. 20 goats for sale: 736-0990

Solid oak queen headboard. King Size Cherry poster bed. 8 gallon antique crock. 3 dozen antique mason jars: 293-7030

Baby bumbo seat $5. Miksasa stoneware set $75. RV awning. 5th wheel hitch: 400-7651

Butterball turkey fryer NIB $50: 226-6438

Knives, push mowers and small engine repair: 331-9848

1987 Chevy truck 4wd 350 motor: 586-4394

Maple Rocking chairs $50, 2 chairs with matching magazine rack $40, baby items: 421-0946

For sale – 1986 Chevrolet, short wheel base truck.

350, 4 speed, 4×4. Excellent condition!$8,500.00 or best offer. Fiberglass ARE truck bed cover. Excellent condition, metallic forest green, fits long wheel base 2000 – 2005 Chevrolet truck. $100.00: 788-9193

WANTED
Wanted: The Oconaluftee Indian Village is looking to purchase corn beads. Corn beads can be brought to the Village. We are open Mon-Sat 9am-4pm.

Pressure Washer 3000psi or Higher / Kubota 4×4 Diesel Tractor: 226-6438

Pet friendly house for rent $400-600: 226-9632

Large upright freezer: 707-8274

EMPLOYMENT
Sales Clerk needed, full time & part time at Buck & Squaw Crafts in Cherokee. (828)497-9351 contact George. 7/21

THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:
PTI RN – IN PATIENT
FT CERTIFIED CODER / MEDICAL RECORDS
FT PHYSICIAN / ER
FT MID-LEVEL PRACTITIONER
FT PHLEBOTOMIST
FT RN CASE MANAGER / OPD

Applications and job descriptions are available at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Human Resources Office, Monday – Friday from 8:00am - 4:00pm. For more information please call 828 497-9163 and ask for Teresa Carvalho, Sheila Brown or Sherrene Swayney. These positions will close on July 22, 2016 @ 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply and the original CIHA job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. 7/21

Attention Qualla Boundary Businesses and Residents:

If you have acquired SECURITY monitoring services for your business or your home, it is your responsibility to update your information with them. They will need your name, location of the business/residence address and a contact person. The contact person would be the person called in the event of a break in, fire, etc. and the key holder. The Emergency Services (Police, Fire or EMS) may need access to your location to render assistance or check on the security of the building or home. The Public Safety Communication Center (Cherokee Tribal Dispatch) needs this information to be able to send the correct emergency service to the location and have a contact person to relay information to.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Ray Stamper, PSCC Manager at 828-359-6435 or 828-269-6246.
EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

For deadlines and applications call 554-6388. Indian Preference does apply. A current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a Tribal application.

POSITIONS OPEN

*Please attach all required documents*
*eg: Driver’s license, Enrollment, Diplomas, Certificates*

Closing July 22, 2016 @ 4 pm

1. OE&M Mechanic (2 Positions)-Waste Water Treatment Plant ($31,078-$38,848)
2. Natural Resources Enforcement Officer-Natural Resources ($34,112-$42,640)
3. Inventory Assistant-Tribal Construction ($28,372-$35,465)
4. Law Clerk-Civil Law Department ($45,018-$56,273)
5. Crew Leader/Carpenter OHA ($37,474-$46,843)

Closing July 29, 2016 @ 4 pm

1. Public Safety Administrative Assistant-Public Safety ($31,078-$38,848)
2. Housekeeper I (Re-Advertised) – Housekeeping ($21,484-$26,855)

Open Until Filled

1. Patrol Officers - CIPD
2. Detention Officer - Detention Services ($31,078-$38,848)
3. Part Time - Paramedic - Tribal EMS ($34,112-$42,640)
4. RN Supervisor - Tsali Care ($49,200-$61,500)
5. Cook Aide – Tsali Care Center ($19,598-$24,498)
6. RN – Tsali Care Center ($45,018-$56,273)
7. C.N.A. – Tsali Care Center ($23,616-$29,520)
8. Accounting Coordinator II Finance ($41,082 - $51,353)
9. Academy Curriculum Developer-KPEP
10. Language Specialist Assistant-KPEP
11. Language Specialist(2)-KPEP
12. Family Partnership/Lead Teacher-KPEP
14. Kituwah Academy Teacher

Download Applications & Job Descriptions
NC-Cherokee.com/HumanResources/Employment/Job-Opportunities

BURN PERMITS ARE NOW ONLINE

https://cherokeegis.com/BurnPermit/

If you need additional information:
359-6153 or 359-6584
charbrys@nc-cherokee.com
EMPLOYMENT

Needed immediately...Dependable, mature help at our very busy campground. $8.00 per hour. Must be willing to work evenings and week-ends. Apply at Happy Holiday RV. 828-497-9204

 Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings (open until filled):

• Elementary Teacher-NC Teaching license required.
• High School Math Teacher-NC Teaching license required.
• High School Science Teacher-NC Teaching license required. (2 positions)
• Cultural Teacher Assistant-Must have Associates Degree or 48 semester hours of study at an institute of higher education; knowledge of Cherokee language and culture.
• Middle School Social Studies Teacher-NC Teaching license required. 7/21pd

 THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

 FT REGISTRATION RECEPTIONIST

 EMERGENCY HIRE RN / ER

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LEGAL NOTICES

In the Matter of the Estate of

Henry James Bradley Jr.

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

Danny Bigwitch, 34 George Bigwitch Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719. 7/21pd

CHEROKEE TRIBAL COURT JURY LIST

FOR AUGUST 15 – 19, 2016

see LEGALS next page
LEGALS: Notices from page 30

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 16-043
In the Matter of the Estate of
Henry Queen Littlejohn
All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

Date to submit claims: October 5, 2016
Henrietta Littlejohn, P.O. Box 2428
Cherokee, NC 28719. 7/28pd

Southwestern Community College Campus Signage Seeking Designer Services.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Tribal Alcoholic Commission is seeking proposals for a Web Site Administrator of the Tribal Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission Website. Please turn your sealed proposals in to the Tribal Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission Office by July 28 at 4 pm or mail to the Tribal Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission, PO BOX 1804 Cherokee NC, 28719. Any Proposals received after the above scheduled closing time will not be considered or returned. 7/21pd

Interested individuals should submit a brief letter proposal including the following:
1. Name and contact information.
2. Copies of certifications
3. Relevant work experience

Proposals may be submitted at any time, but those received on or before August 26, 2016 will receive priority over later submissions. Please mail or fax proposals to Donna Toineeta-Lossiah, Court Administrator, Post Office Box 1629, Cherokee, NC 28719. Fax 828-359-0012.

This a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. The Cherokee Tribal Court reserves the right to decline any proposals received. 8/25pd

Requests for Qualifications
Office of Natural Resources
OENR
Projects: Old Riverview Campground

OENR is requesting bids/qualifications for the completion of the above mentioned project. The deadline for proposals is Aug. 5, 2016 at 4:30 pm.

You may request the full RFQ and bid requirements for proposals through the OENR. If you have any questions or comments, please contact OENR at (828)-359-6111 or Patrbree@nc-cherokee.com. 8/4pd

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Advertisement for Bids
Project Title: Big Cove Road, Curb and Gutter and Sidewalk

The EBCI CDOT is requesting proposals from qualified Engineering Firms for the design of curb and gutter, drainage and sidewalk along Big Cove Road, from north of Acquoni Road to the entrance to the K-12 School, in Swain County. Consultants wishing to submit proposals should contact Manuel Maples at (828) 359-6532 or by email at manumapl@nc-cherokee.com to request a copy of the Request for Qualifications.

Proposals must be addressed to Manuel Maples, CDOT Planner, CDOT, 680 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. Proposals must be received by 3:00 PM, July 25, 2016. Any proposals received after this time will not be considered. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Mr. Maples or Polly Castroina at (828) 359-6530 or by email at pollcast@nc-cherokee.com. 7/21pd

A representative from Congressman Mark Meadows’ office will be at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex community room Wednesday, July 27 from 10am - 4pm
New 2016 Kia Soul
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