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With the cutting of a ribbon, Little Miss Cherokee Neva-yah Panther and Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed opened the new UltraStar Multi-Tainment Center at Harrah’s Cherokee on the afternoon of Tuesday, Aug. 29. The Center, which contains 24 bowling lanes, a game center, a restaurant, and other amenities, opened to the public on Friday, Sept. 1.

“This place is out of this world,” said Annie Owens, an EBCI tribal elder, who hit the lanes with other elders and community members moments after the ribbon cutting on Tuesday. “I didn’t expect it to be like this. I expected it to be just like a regular bowling alley, but when I walked in that door, I just about cried. This is awesome.”

EBCI tribal elders who participate in the Senior Games were a big reason for the construction of the project. Toni Tahquette said she is planning on taking up the sport. “I like it! I don’t know how to bowl so I’m going to learn. I think it’s great. If they’ll bring in bowling tournaments here, I think that’s a great thing. I am thrilled!”

Prior to the ribbon cutting, various officials made remarks on the project which broke ground on July 19, 2016. “It’s hard to imagine that we started construction on this facility about 400 days ago,” said Brooks Robinson, Harrah’s Cherokee regional senior vice president and general manager. “Four hundred days ago, we were given the charge to put this facility together, and I have to say I think they’ve done a very good job.”

He added, “I really want to thank everyone associated with this project. Thank you for all that you’ve done to help support us.”

Chief Sneed noted that although the project only took 400 days, the idea for the project started officially in 2001 when Yellowhill Rep. B. Ensley and then-Birdtown Rep. Jim Owle, who is now the TCGE Board of Advisors chairman,
brought forth a resolution to build a theater and a bowling alley in Cherokee.

The original idea that Rep. Ensley and Owle acted upon was brought up in 1998 by the Junaluska Leadership Council. Flash forward 15 years, and Tribal Council passed a resolution, submitted by then-Principal Chief Patrick Lambert, during Budget Council on Feb. 3, 2016 to build the Center.

“It’s been a long time coming,” Chief Sneed said during Tuesday’s event. Through all the years, he noted, “The big selling point was the elders need some place to bowl.”

He went on to say, “This is a concerted effort between the Tribe, TCGE, TGC, our relationship that we have with Caesars and Harrah’s, which is an outstanding relationship and we’re so grateful for that partnership. It’s because of the hard work of all of the employees and staff here at Harrah’s Cherokee Casino Resort and Harrah’s Valley River Casino that we, as a Tribe, have the benefits that we have and we have the ability to provide services for our people.”

Adam Saks, Dynamic Entertainment Group, LLC, president and chief operating officer, commented, “We are so honored to be a part of this...to the folks who started this project that care so much and to the members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, I want to say thank you for your passion, your drive, and your vision to bring this to life.”

The normal hours of operation will be Sunday – Thursday from 10am – 12am and Friday and Saturday from 10am – 2am. The rates will vary on a daily basis based on volume. The Center will have various specials for bowling including:
- Sunday Early Bird Bowling from 10am – 1pm, $1.50 bowling per person per game, $1.50 bowling shoe rental
- Ultra Unlimited Bowling on Mondays, $9 per person, shoes included
- Cosmic Bowling, Friday and Saturday from 8pm – 2am, two hours of unlimited bowling and shoes for $10 per person
- Wild Wednesdays, $1.50 bowling per person per game, $1.50 shoe rental, half-off arcade games
Scholastic partnerships forged

Cherokee, Swain school systems sign partnership with Job Corps

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As the result of a partnership signed on Wednesday, Aug. 30 between officials from Cherokee Central Schools and Swain County Schools with the Oconaluftee Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center (JCCCC), students at those schools will be able to co-enroll providing better opportunities all around.

“It’s good to see different entities coming together for one common goal, and that is to help young people achieve their goals,” said Jimmy Copeland, JCCCC director, during Wednesday’s event held at the JCCCC gymnasium. “From completing their education, to acquiring a skill, developing social skills, whatever it may be, just having each group of people all together, invested in our youth, speaks volumes.”

In speaking to the JCCCC students gathered for Wednesday’s event, Copeland noted, “These people are here as a testament to you and students like yourselves and the investment that they’re making into your lives. It’s something that, in my mind, is insurmountable.”

He added, “We’re signing an agreement showing that we’re going to be working together to engage youth from a variety of communities, Swain County Schools as well as Cherokee Central Schools, and we’re creating an opportunity for them to be co-enrolled here at our Center. This also means that our students will have the ability to be co-enrolled there as well. So, it’s mutually-beneficial. This also provides avenues for you guys to grow.”

Through the co-enrollment agreement, JCCCC students will be able to partake in other activities at the schools including sports.

Dr. Michael Murray, Cherokee Central Schools superintendent, said, “We’re extremely excited about creating opportunities, and I’m privileged to have worked with many of you out there in different settings and in different regions for a common goal. And, that common goal is to make sure that we are not only celebrating our children, but we’re engaging our kids and we’re making sure that they find the right path. Our goal has always been to make sure that all of our children in the mountains are going to be successful. And, to be successful, we have to create these opportunities.”

Debora Foerst, Cherokee High School principal, said JCCCC officials visited her about a year ago to

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suggest the partnership. “We were more than excited because every chance we get an opportunity to provide more opportunities for our students, we jump at them. And, this was a perfect partnership. Location is unbeatable. They’re in our front yard.”

She said that in her years with Cherokee Central Schools, there hasn’t been a partnership such as this. “So, I’m super excited for what this can do for our students at Cherokee High School. I’m excited for what we can do for the students here at the Oconaluftee Job Corps.”

Sam Pattillo, Swain County Schools superintendent, praised the students at JCCC. “I admire what you’re doing and what you’re standing for and what you’re trying to do with your lives to better yourselves and to prepare yourselves for the challenges in the future. I am so impressed with the staff at Job Corps for reaching out and for working toward making this opportunity together.”

Information from Job Corps states. “The Job Corps program is the nation’s largest residential, educational, and career technical training program that prepares economically disadvantaged youth, ranging in age from 16 to 24, for productive employment. Civilian Conservation Centers are associated with national forests or grasslands and are operated by the Forest Service under an inter-agency agreement with the U.S. Department of Labor, which has the overall management of the Job Corps program.”

**SWAIN:** Sam Pattillo (left), Swain County Schools superintendent, signs the agreement as Mike Treadway, Swain County School exceptional children’s director, looks on.
New digs for Graham County program

Ribbon cutting held for new Graham County Indian Education Program building

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

ROBBINSVILLE -
A ribbon cutting ceremony was held on Tuesday, Aug. 29 for the updated building that now houses the Graham County Indian Education Program. Formerly used as a senior center, the building has been renovated for use.

Ned Long Jr., Graham County Indian Education manager, opened the ceremony stating, “This facility was put here and constructed here for the benefit of our children, our students. Hopefully, it can continue to serve our children and the whole community, not only for this year, but for many years to come”.

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed was in attendance and said, “What we have before us today is a completion of a process to fulfill a need that just demonstrates our continued commitment to education. If you study our history at all as Cherokee people from the time of first contact with the Europeans, one of the things that stands out about us is that we have always been committed to being highly educated.”

This building and our commitment to ensure that our young people and our students as they go on into college will have a strong foundation in Cherokee arts and language...I want to say thank you to everyone who had a part in this.”

Juanita Wilson, Snowbird and Cherokee County Services Division director, was also grateful for the commitment to education. “This building that we are standing in front of has been everything to this community. It has been a police department, family support services, the daycare center, and senior services; so now it is all coming together to provide a place for our youngest citizens and I am very happy that so many of you turned out.”

Angie Knight, Superintendent of Graham County Schools, noted, “I am excited to be here to see this come to fruition...to see this facility here to meet the needs of all of our students. I think you can be very proud of what Ned and his staff do. They are such a vital part of our school community and of our whole community. I know soon (this building) it is going to be filled with the laughter, love, and learning for all those students, community and families, and I am really pleased that we can enhance this program.”

The welcoming prayer was given by Alfred Welch and the closing prayer was led by Michael Rattler, then the ribbon was cut.

OPEN: Officials from the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and Graham County Schools celebrate as Ned Long Jr. (blue shirt), Graham County Indian Education manager, and Cherokee County – Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha cut the ribbon on Tuesday, Aug. 29 to officially open the new building which will house the Graham County Indian Education Program.

EDUCATION: Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed (right) speaks during Tuesday’s ribbon cutting ceremony about the history of a commitment to education within the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.
Hiyo Everyone! My name is Sasha McCoy-Watty and I am excited to be a candidate for the office of Birdtown/3200 Acre Tract School Board.

First, I would like to tell you a little about myself. I am the only daughter of Dave and Vickie McCoy. I have two brothers, Skooter and Taz. My paternal grandparents are the late Bud and Nonie McCoy, and my maternal grandparents are Blue-Jay and the late Alice Maney Sequoyah. I am married to Stephan Watty, and we live in the Birdtown Community with our two wonderful daughters. Suri Alise is nine years old and will be going into the 4th grade at Cherokee Elementary School. She enjoys playing softball, basketball, and learning the Cherokee language. Sela Liona is three. She loves Peppa Pig, enjoys dancing, and rules the roost.

I am a 2006 graduate of Cherokee High School, and I hold a bachelor’s of science degree in sports management, with a minor in business administration from Mars Hill University. I am currently the EBCI Recreation manager. In my previous job as a grants programmer at the Cherokee Preservation Foundation for seven years, I assisted the school in obtaining many grants. These grants were vital in building Cherokee’s workforce and supported the Cherokee Language department within the school.

My desire to run for the School Board has been ongoing. I love being involved and giving back to my community, and I am a person of action. If elected to this office, I will take my role very serious. I’m a strong role model for our youth, and I have strong family values.

Recently, I assisted with the creation of the Qualla Education Collaborative at Cherokee Central Schools. This group is developing ways to move our school forward into a blended learning E-Stream based curriculum, which is vital to the academic growth of our student population. I also assisted with the creation of the Cherokee Language APP that all Cherokee families can use to help learn and save the language.

**Student Preparations:** Our students need to be better prepared for life after graduation. I agree we should push college as a top option, but we also need to be realistic that college isn’t for all students. These students need more options with obtaining certifications and life skill classes that help prepare them for competitive jobs. A blended learning education would involve individual learning techniques that each student could benefit from with new learning opportunities to navigate careers and be a well-rounded, successful person.

**Teacher and Coach Recruitment:** As a parent, I’m ready to see new young energetic teachers at Cherokee Central Schools. I think we can all agree that teachers who have retired from public schools
CONGRESSIONAL VISIT: Congressman Mark Meadows (R-NC), standing, held a town hall meeting with veterans at the American Legion Steve Youngdeer Post 143 headquarters on Monday, Aug. 28. He heard concerns from veterans and provided updates about the status of projects underway at the Charles George VA Medical Center in Asheville.

LEADERS: Several leaders from the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians met with and attended the town hall with Congressman Meadows (right) on Monday including Yellowhill Rep. Anita Lossiah (left), Birdtown Rep. Travis Smith (second from left), Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed (second from right), and Painttown Rep. Marie Junaluska (not pictured).
Tribal Court Report
Judgment Summary for July 5
BRADLEY, Spirit Adando
14-40.62(a)(1) Simple Assault – Dismissed, Age of Case
CROWE, Melina
20-7(a) No Operator’s License – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V - Dismissed on Plea
14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana - Dismissed on Plea
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V - Dismissed on Plea
LAMBERT, Michael Edward
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed, Defendant was never arraigned
WILNOTY, William J.
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed for Compliance, 45 days jail time suspended, six months probation, $1,000 DARE fine
CLIMBINGBEAR JR., Henderson
14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed at Complainant’s Request
CLINE, William Donald
14-10.60 Larceny – Guilty Plea, 90 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, $830 restitution ordered
14-10.60 Larceny – Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time suspended, 18 months probation, credit for time served (30 days)
WILDCAT, Brenda K.
14-2.2 Criminal Conspiracy – Dismissed, Insufficient Evidence
Judgment Summary for July 12
BIDDIX, Callie May
14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed at Complainant’s Request
CLININGBEAR JR., Henderson
14-10.14 Injuring Communication Equipment – Dismissed, Defendant was never arraigned
CLINE, William Donald
14-10.60 Larceny – Guilty Plea, 90 days jail time suspended, 18 months probation, 24 hours community service, credit for time served (30 days), $835 restitution ordered
WELCH, Benny Lee
14-70.22 Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court – Dismissed on Plea
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree - Dismissed on Plea
ARCH, Stephanie
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed with Leave to Refile
14-30.1(a)(2) Contributing to the Abuse of a Minor – Dismissed with Leave to Refile
SMITH, John Patrick
14-10.60 Larceny – Guilty Plea, 3 months jail time suspended, 18 months probation, 24 hours community service, credit for time served (30 days), $835 restitution ordered
WELCH, Benny Lee
14-10.60 Larceny – Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time suspended, 18 months probation, credit for time served (30 days)
WILDCAT, Brenda K.
14-2.2 Criminal Conspiracy – Dismissed, Insufficient Evidence
Judgment Summary for July 17
CROWE, James William
14-70.22 Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court – Dismissed at Complainant’s Request
ROSS, John R.
14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Dismissed, Failure of Prosecuting Witness to Appear and Testify
WELCH, Benny Lee
14-70.22 Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court – Dismissed on Plea
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree - Dismissed on Plea
ARCH, Stephanie
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14-30.1(a)(2) Contributing to the Abuse of a Minor – Dismissed with Leave to Refile
SMITH, John Patrick
14-10.60 Larceny – Guilty Plea, 3 months jail time suspended, 18 months probation, 24 hours community service, credit for time served (30 days), $835 restitution ordered
BIRD, Marcelena Leona
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed after Investigation

BRADLEY, Spirit
14-5.2 Communicating Threats – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation

BRADLEY, Thunder
14-40.56 Assault on a Female – Dismissed at Complainant’s Request

BRADY, Cody
14-60.30 False Pretenses – Dismissed, Failure of Prosecuting Witness to Appear and Testify

GEORGE, Bonnie Locust
14-40.62(a)(1) Simple Assault – Dismissed, Failure of Prosecuting Witness to Appear and Testify

LOCUST, Ivy
14-40.62(a)(1) Simple Assault – Dismissed, Failure of Prosecuting Witness to Appear and Testify

MEDFORD, Charles Ray
14-70.14 Obstructing Governmental Functions – Guilty Plea, Prayer for Judgment Continued, PJC six months

MEDFORD, Graham
14- 10.64 Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle – Dismissed on Plea
14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed on Plea
14-10.60 Larceny – Guilty Plea, 120 days jail time suspended, 9 months probation, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment, credit for time served (70 days)
14-10.64 Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle – Dismissed on Plea

ROLAND, Shawnenna Caroline
14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest – Guilty Plea, 90 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed on Plea
14-70.14 Obstructing Governmental Functions – Dismissed on Plea
14-5.2 Communicating Threats – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation
14-25.12 Disorderly Conduct – Guilty Plea, 90 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation

SOLIS, Chasity Dawn
14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation
14-60.10 Forgery – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation
14-60.30 False Pretenses – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation
14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation

TEESATESKIE, Summer
14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation
14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation

WACHACHA, Damien
14-10.40 Burglary – Dismissed on Plea
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14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed on Plea
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14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time suspended, 12 months probation

WELCH, Kelsey
14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time suspended, 12 months probation
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V - Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time suspended, 12 months probation, credit for time served (30 days), comply with DSS
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed on Plea, 6 months jail time suspended, 12 months probation, credit for time served (30 days), comply with DSS

Judgment Summary for Aug. 2
FRADY, Jeffery Lee
14-40.56 Assault on a Female – Dismissed on Plea
14-25.14 Public Nuisance – Guilty Plea, 44 days active jail time, credit for time served (44 days)

HARRISON, Terri
14-10.64 Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle – Dismissed, Failure to Prosecuting Witness to Appear and Testify

LAMBERT, Samuel Steve
14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Guilty Plea, 90 days jail time suspended, one year probation
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Schedule I, II, III, IV, and V - Dismissed on Plea
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Dismissed on Plea
14-10.60 Larceny – Guilty Plea (no sentencing information provided)

PARTON, Courtney E.
14-25.2 Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea
14-25.14 Public Nuisance – Guilty Plea, 90 days jail times suspended, one year probation

SHERIFF, Mikayla Renee Gwen
14-70.14 Obstructing Governmental Functions – Dismissed for Compliance, PJC six months

WILNOTY, Joseph Corey
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed on Plea
14-5.2 Communicating Threats - Dismissed on Plea
14-10.11 Injuring Real Property - Dismissed on Plea
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Dismissed on Plea
14-70.11 Tampering with Evidence – Drug Court, Stay judgment. 8 months jail time suspended, two years probation
14-70.14 Obstructing Goven-
Judgment Summary for Aug. 14

SHULER, Dennis Brandon

14-95.6(c) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty Plea, 12 months jail time suspended, 12 months probation, 30 days active jail time, $1,000 DARE fine, $600 SBI fee
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14-95.5(b) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty Plea, 12 months jail time suspended, 12 months probation, 30 days active jail time, $1,000 DARE fine, $600 SBI fee
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea

Judgment Summary for Aug. 23

AMMONS, Justin Moses

14-15.5 Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public – Dismissed, SAA completed

ARCH, Erica Loraine

20-28 Revoked License – Report Infraction

ARMACHAIN, Lonnie

14-20.8(1) Abusive Sexual Contact – Dismissed with Leave to Refile
14-30.5 Child Abuse in the First Degree – Dismissed with Leave to Refile
14-20.2 Aggravated Sexual Abuse

DAVIS, Carl Robert

14-25.12 Disorderly Conduct – Guilty Plea, 13 days active jail time suspended, credit for time served (13 days)

CATOLSTER, Dominick

20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed, Interest of Justice

RATTLER Jr., Freddie Max

14-20.2 Aggravated Sexual Abuse – Dismissed with Leave to Refile

RATTLER, Tierra Chyanne

14-34.1 Weapons on Educational Property – Dismissed, Interest of Justice

WATTY, Toree

20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed, Officer Unavailable
CONCENTRATION: Tori Teesateskie, junior, serves for the Cherokee Lady Braves during a match against the Murphy Lady Bulldogs at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Tuesday, Aug. 31. Murphy swept Cherokee 3-0 with game scores of 25-12, 25-7, and 25-10. Two days earlier, the Lady Braves traveled to Hayesville and lost 3-0 (25-9, 25-9, 25-18).
Great times planned at Great Island Festival

26th Annual Great Island Festival planned at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum

VONORE, Tenn. - The Sequoyah Birthplace Museum, Tennessee’s only tribally-owned museum, will host the Great Island Festival on Sept. 9-10 from 10am – 5pm each day.

At Sequoyah Birthplace Museum, visitors will have the opportunity to step back in time to experience Native American food, Cherokee arts and crafts demonstrations, music and dance and the blacksmith shop will be doing demonstrations both days. Special demonstrations and displays will include Cherokee life in 1700’s and a Civil War encampment and the Civil War battle re-enactment will be at 2pm.

The 26th Annual Cherokee Fall Festival’s theme is “Cherokee Phoenix”. Visitors will be able to meet and talk with Cherokees from the Cherokee Nation in Oklahoma and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Nation in North Carolina. Check out the reconstructed 1800’s dog-trot log cabin. Meet and chat with Miss Cherokee. Have your name written in Cherokee. The Tennessee State Parks will be doing a Birds of Prey program both days.

Meet Bill Landry who will host a book signing on both days from 11am – 1pm.

Other activities include posters from Cherokee Elementary school. Darts, beads, talking sticks, face painting and free Cherokee name cards will be available for children. There will also be a children’s blowgun competition and an adult blowgun competition on both days. Traditional Indian Fry bread and Indian tacos, and other food and drinks will be sold.

This event is funded in part by Tennessee Arts Commission Rural Arts Program Grant and the Cherokee Preservation Foundation. Tickets are $5 each and children 12 and under are free.

Info: Sequoyah Birthplace Museum (423) 884-6246 - Sequoyah Birthplace Museum

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WARRIOR: Sonny Ledford, a member of the Warriors of Anikituwah, dances at a previous year’s Great Island Festival at the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum. This year’s Festival is set for Sept. 9-10.

Cherokee Indian Fair Parade


“Your voice matters to me”
Elect Ashley Sessions
Birldtown Tribal Council
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AFLAC: Esther (Johnnie Sue) Myers (right) was recognized at a recent Regional Aflac meeting for her over 20 years of service. An EBCI tribal member, she has worked in Cherokee as an independent agent for Aflac since June 1996. Arizona Jane Blankenship (left), also an EBCI tribal member, became an Aflac associate in July 2017. She holds a bachelor of arts degree in business management from N.C. State University and a master’s in business administration from Western Carolina University in addition to holding a N.C. Real Estate Broker License and Health/Wellness and Life Insurance Producer licenses. “With the determined recruitment efforts of Johnnie Sue Myers and assistance with Ms. Myers long-established accounts for tribal enterprises, Ms. Blankenship has obtained a Fast Start Award from Aflac,” information from Aflac stated.

EMPOWERMENT: Terri Henry, former Tribal Council Chairwoman, is one the 2017 recipients of the Women Empowering Women for Indian Nations (WEWIN) Award. “It was truly an honor to receive this award and recognition of my work and leadership,” Henry commented. She received the award earlier this month at the Isleta Resort & Casino in Albuquerque, NM. Susan Masten, WEWIN co-president, said in a letter to Henry, “You were nominated and chosen as one of our honorees because of your dedication, hard work, and contributions to tribal communities and beyond.”
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OBITUARIES

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Rev. Dinah Welch Oocumma, 90, of Cherokee, passed away Sunday, Aug. 27, 2017 at the Cherokee Indian Hospital.

She was born July 20, 1927 in Cherokee. She was an Assistant Pastor of the Cherokee Wesleyan Church. Dinah was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great gran-ny, and great great granny. She was highly loved by everyone who knew her.

She is survived by her children, Martha Vim Oocumma, Catherine Ann Littlejohn, Allan Oocumma (wife Brenda), Wilson Oocumma (wife Patricia), and Olsa Fay Oocumma; grandchildren, Jason Littlejohn, Janelle Maney, and Joseph Littlejohn; great grandchildren, Shelby, Bailey, Davis, Hallie, Me-Li, Julian, Dylan, Triniti, Champ, Calvin, Jesse, Pheobe, and Navaeh; great great grandson, Mitchell Littlejohn; and numerous cousins also survive.

Dinah is preceded in death by her husband, Woodrow W. Welch; her mother, Ollie Squirrel; one grandson, Tyron Oocumma; and one infant great grandson, Jesse Maney.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, Aug. 29 at the Cherokee Wesleyan Church. Pastor Patricia Crockett officiated. Burial followed at the Oocumma Cemetery. Pallbearers were grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, the family request contributions to be made to the Cherokee Wesleyan Church to be used for local charities.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Oocumma family.

Gary LeQuire

Gary LeQuire, 56, of the Alarka Community, went home to be with the Lord, Tuesday, Aug. 29, 2017.

In addition to his father, Gary is also survived by one daughter, Garyetta Phillips and husband Jay of Bryson City; three grandchildren; three brothers, Darrell LeQuire and wife Stormie, Brandon LeQuire and wife Gianna both of Bryson City, and Michael LeQuire and wife Thersa of Florence, Ala.; several aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews; and special friends.

Funeral Services were held on Saturday, Sept. 2 at Crisp Funeral Home Chapel. Revs. Gerald McGaha and Percy Cunningham officiated with burial in Lauada Cemetery.
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Tahlequah, Okla. – Eighteen-year-old Madison Whitekiller, a Northeastern State University student and former Junior Miss Cherokee from Verdigris, is the 2017-18 Miss Cherokee (Nation).

Whitekiller was crowned Saturday during a leadership competition at Cornerstone Fellowship Church in Tahlequah.

As Miss Cherokee, Whitekiller will represent the Cherokee Nation as a goodwill ambassador to promote the government, history, language and culture of the tribe for the next year. She also receives a $3,000 scholarship.

“It’s important Cherokee Nation recognizes our young role models, like new Miss Cherokee Madison Whitekiller. Miss Cherokee traditionally reflects the best qualities of Cherokee youth, and Madison is no different,” Principal Chief Bill John Baker said. “As she travels across Oklahoma and the United States in the coming year, Madison will be a messenger of the Cherokee people as she educates people of all ages and from all walks of life.”

Whitekiller is the daughter of Suzy Whitekiller. She competed against six other young women for the Miss Cherokee crown.

The Miss Cherokee Leadership Competition judges contestants on their use of the Cherokee language, cultural and platform presentations, and responses to impromptu questions.

“So much preparation went into this, and when they called my name, it was just instant shock and tears came to my eyes,” Whitekiller said. “It’s really just such a testament that hard work really does pay off, and I feel so completely blessed to be where I am right now.” For her cultural presentation during the Miss Cherokee Leadership Competition, Whitekiller told the traditional Cherokee story of why the cornhusk doll has no face. Her platform focused on empowering Cherokee women.

“My inspiration behind my platform was my mom and her battle with cancer, and how I helped her along with that. She called me her ‘little nurse,’ and that’s what made me pursue a medical career,” Whitekiller said. “I’ve always been surrounded by really strong Native women with my mom, my grandma and my whole family. In the media and other places, I noticed our Cherokee women aren’t being honored like they used to be, so I thought this would be a great way to remind people of the importance of our women.”

Whitekiller served as Junior Miss Cherokee 2015-16.

Miss Cherokee first runner-up was LaNice Belcher, 19, of Sallisaw, who earned a $2,000 scholarship. The second runner-up was Amari McCoy, 20, of Sallisaw, who earned a $1,000 scholarship.

Judges for the Miss Cherokee Leadership Competition were Geri Gayle (Glass) Pearce, Susan Chapman Plumb, Mark Wilson and Lawrence Panther.

PAGEANT: Shown (left-right) are Miss Cherokee second runner-up Amari McCoy, Miss Cherokee Madison Whitekiller, Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Bill John Baker, and Miss Cherokee first runner-up LaNice Belcher.
NEW HIRE: Cherokee Indian Hospital has named Sheyahshe Littledave as their new public relations officer. Her primary function is to build volume, drive revenue, and kindle patient retention. She will serve as the CIHA Foundation Director, Public Relations Officer and Public Information.

Littledave lives in the Wolftown community with her two sons, Bryson, age 4, and Aaron, age 2. She attended Smoky Mountain High School and graduated from Gardner Webb University with a bachelor’s degree in journalism and a minor in public relations. She has worked at Cherokee High since 2015.

Her goals include helping the community become familiar with the dedication and devotion of the CIH staff and the services they provide to the community.

Littledave’s hobbies include writing, reading, and watching musicals and reality TV. She recently participated in the Remember the Removal Ride which she describes as “a life-changing experience.”

You can contact her at 497-9163 ext. 6207, sheyahshelittledave@cherokeehospital.org. Like and follow the Cherokee Indian Hospital on Facebook.

- Cherokee Indian Hospital
**Cherokee Indian Fair baked goods entries**

Entries into the Cherokee Indian Fair baked good contests will be accepted on Monday, Oct. 2 from 8am – 1pm at the EBCI Cooperative Extension Center classroom (located at the end of the building near the basketball court). If you are bringing multiple items to be entered, bring them by 12pm to prevent delaying in judging.

- *EBCI Cooperative Extension*

**Percy B. Ferebee Endowment Fund accepting grant applications**

The Percy B. Ferebee Endowment Fund will be accepting grant applications through Sept. 30. Grants from the Endowment are limited to exempt organizations, under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, located in Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Jackson, Macon, and Swain counties and the Cherokee Indian Reservation in western North Carolina. The Endowment typically does not fund requests for general operating and salary expenses.

Primary considerations will be given to projects which will be of a non-recurring nature or short-term in duration as to reliance upon grants from the Endowment.

Grants may be made to match contributions or other sources of funds for the support of a particular project.

The Endowment was created under the will of Percy B. Ferebee for educational, charitable, and benevolent purposes.

Info: www.wellsfargo.com/private-foundations/ferebee-endowment, email to david.m.miller@wellsfargo.com

- *Percy B. Ferebee Endowment Fund*

**Cherokee Historical to hold auditions for fall production**

Cherokee Historical Association (CHA) producers of “Unto These Hills” and the Mountainside Performing Arts School will hold auditions for “A Year with Frog and Toad”, the fall production to be performed on Dec. 16.

Auditions will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 5 from 6:30-8:30pm at the CHA office located at 564 Tsali Blvd., Cherokee, NC. Rehearsals will begin Thursday, Sept. 7 and continue every Tuesday and Thursday 6:30-8:30pm until the performance. No experience is necessary. They are looking for everyone from the beginning actor to the seasoned professional.

Info: Philenia Walkingstick, CHA associate artistic director, 497-1125, Philenia@cherokeeadventure.com

- *Cherokee Historical Association*

**Senior Citizens Fuel Assistance applications**

The EBCI Senior Citizens Program will begin accepting Fuel Assistance Applications on Monday, Sept. 11.

Applications will be available at Tsali Manor, Snowbird, and John Welch Senior Centers. If you are applying for Electric Heat Assistance, bring a current bill and the last four digits of the Social Security number of the individual whose name the bill is in as well as your EBCI enrollment card. If you do not use the contract companies, it is your and your company’s responsibility to get your delivery invoices turned in to the program.

- *EBCI Senior Citizens Program*

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**“Your Voice is My Voice” Elect Ashley Sessions Birdtown Tribal Council**

**“A vote for me is a vote for the people.” VOTE Frank “Pete” Taylor for Vice Chief**

Photo courtesy of Kelly Murphy/New Kituwah Academy

**THANKS:** Micah Swimmer (right), New Kituwah Academy Early Childhood manager, presents Amy West with a duffel bag for her work with the program over the summer. “New Kituwah Academy – Early Childhood would like to thank the Education & Training Department and the WIA Program for allowing Ms. Amy West to come and work with us this summer,” New Kituwah Academy officials noted. “Sgi, and best wishes to Amy as she starts her junior year at Mars Hill University!”

Photo courtesy of Kelly Murphy/New Kituwah Academy
September 11 and relevance of symbols

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

We are approaching another anniversary of a tragic event in America’s history. The attack in 2001 cost the lives of 2,996 people and wounded 6,000 more. The immediate deaths included 265 on the four airplanes that were used as weapons. Those deaths included 19 terrorists. No one got to speak to the people who committed this act of violence, so what was going through their minds when they hijacked the airliners and executed the plan to use them to kill Americans will never truly be known.

What is known is that they were ISIS or ISIL sympathizers and very likely part of a massive network of terrorists. In taking credit for the acts of 9-11, the leadership of ISIS confirmed that the reason they selected their targets was to destroy symbols of America and to denigrate/demoralize the government and people of the nation. They hit the World Trade Center in New York, a hub of American commercialism and capitalism, the Pentagon in Washington, DC, a symbol of American military might, and one plane that did not make it to its presumed destination, which likely would have been the White House or Capitol Building in DC, both representative symbols of American democracy and society.

ISIS either didn’t learn or, if they learned, didn’t heed the tragic lesson that history teaches about striking at symbols of society. In 1941, the Japanese, fearing that America was about to enter into the second World War against them, decided to strike at America’s Pacific fleet, the majority of which was stationed in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. As much as to get a first blood advantage against America’s war machine strategically, the Japanese wanted to demoralize the people by destroying this fleet’s symbolic “American might” value. They thought if they could crush America’s spirit, they would get a leg up on winning the war, take America for their own, and assimilate it.

In both cases, the enemy postulated wrong. With the attack on Pearl Harbor, a total of 2,403 lives were taken by the Japanese -2,335 military personnel and 68 civilians. The United States, who had been on the fence about entering the war, now declared war with a vengeance. Instead of demoralizing the people, they were catalyzed into becoming a force that ultimately crushed Japan.

History tells the story of the nuclear retaliatory strike on Japan prior to their surrender. The death toll after America dropped two atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki totaled over 200,000. To this day, Japan has not more than a defensive military presence in the world, primarily due to their actions at Pearl Harbor some 76 years ago.

In the case of ISIS, they engaged America with the thought of striking paralyzing fear into the people. Instead, America unleashed its weapons on the countries thought to be havens of ISIS, Iraq and Afghanistan. Primarily, American forces invaded Iraq, crushed their military and took control of their government. Their leader was chased down and eventually executed, and the regime in Iraq was forced to conduct democratic elections to have the people select new leadership. Today, America still battles ISIS with a determined vigor that was ignited by the actions of ISIS terrorists on 9-11.

These are just two of the many examples of what happens when we forget or ignore our history. On June 17, 2015, a sociopathic killer took the lives of nine people at the Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, SC. Among the killer’s belongings and photos, was the image of a Confederate flag. He stated “reason” for the killings was that he felt that African-Americans were taking over America and must be stopped. The killer was taken into custody and convicted of federal murder. He is going through the appeal process while he waits on death row in a federal prison in Indiana.
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As a result of his actions, there was a groundswell of support for a special interest movement to remove all government-sponsored displays of the Confederate flag. Those who promoted the removal said that it was a symbol of hate from a chapter of American history that needed to be forgotten. Just last month, another deviant used the chaos of a protest event to kill one woman and injure 19 other people. The sociopath has been arrested, charged, and awaits trial. As a result of his actions, the special interests pressed to have Confederate monuments torn down. Some in the government and media are fanning the flames on this issue. The important thing to remember about sociopaths is that they do not care about causes or people, only self-gratification. They do what makes them happy and what will get them what they want. Much of the time what they want is attention.

The idea of a supreme race is ridiculous. As several people have pointed out, we all bleed red. There are many unique cultures in this world and in America. All have a sense of history and cultural pride. Slavery was a dark part of the history of America and our Tribe. There were slaveholders among our ancestors too.

Today, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has a very unique culture, history, and people. But, we don’t claim to be better than anyone else. One of our greatest strengths throughout our history has been our adaptability and our compassion. We honor our elders, who gave us life, history and culture. We respect other cultures and celebrate differences.

Symbols mean different things to different people. The meaning of symbols changes over time. For example, the swastika that became the symbol of Hitler’s Nazi regime and the moniker for the white supremacy movement, had a life before becoming a symbol of hate. In fact, it was and is a common religious symbol, first in Hinduism and Buddhism, then even in Byzantine and Christian artwork, all pre-Hitler.

At one time in America, the people of the country used slave labor for commerce and comfort. It was unmistakably a heinous and wrong decision. Some wanted to do away with the practice of slave ownership while others did not. A war ensued and 620,000 people died. In the South, the side that wanted to continue slavery, there were several different flags flown representing different southern states and regiments. One that was used regularly was referred to as the “Stars and Bars” or rebel flag. Some still see these flags as signs of white supremacy. But, I think the vast majority of Southerners have left behind the hatred once represented by the flag and look at it as a symbol of pride in their roots and heritage. It relates a sense of place for them. There is a whole modern Southern culture that doesn’t condone the slaveholding of their ancestors. They are relating the flag to a sense of place and an antebellum culture. The same is true for most monuments to that time period. I believe that the supremacy group is a small subculture that doesn’t represent the majority of people who celebrate more so their culture than their checkered past.

And, let’s remember the lessons of history. You don’t stop hate by attacking symbols. You don’t teach children to avoid the hazards of racism by hiding it from them. Symbols can be just a powerful tool to remind us not to make mistakes we have made in the past as they are a reminder of the hatred that was once behind them. Human emotion and morality is much more complex than whether or not we see a symbol as good or evil. It is not the symbol, but the issue and the mindsets we must contend with and find resolution for.

As we remember the heinous acts of Sept. 11, 2001 and the symbols of hate that ISIS worked to establish, let us also remember the resolve, character, and patriotism that those symbols inspired. Just as in an individual life, we are the Tribe. We are the country we are because of the decisions we have made, both good and bad. We can either use those symbols of the life history of our society to destroy each other, or we can choose to lift each other up and make those symbols mean something positive in our lives.

PLATFORM: Sasha McCoy-Watty, from page 7

have retired for a reason and need to be enjoying their retirement not coming to our school system for 3-5 years only to gain a second retirement. These new teachers would be more familiar with implementing the new E-steam based curriculum.

Coaches are a key element of promoting learning and citizenship within the student body. When our school board, superintendent and principals value an education-based athletic program we can attract top coaches. These coaches will lead by example and are held to higher expectations, while also guiding and counseling their athletes through issues and problems that arise.

Public School Relationships: Lastly, with such a high percentage of our enrolled member students from the Birdtown/3200 Acre Tract community that attend public schools we need a stronger working relationship with the Swain County School system. I would like to know why these students attend other schools and I would also like to find solutions to these issues and possibly get those students back to Cherokee schools.

These are only a few highlights about me. I look forward to this opportunity, so let’s be proactive together and make our school’s future as bright as possible! Please contact me with any questions or concerns you have.

I would appreciate your support this coming Thursday, Sept. 7.

Sgi. Sasha McCoy-Watty
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COMMENTARY

The fun never stops...issue

Observations and random thoughts Vol. 24.1

WILLIAM LEDFORD

It’s a new week, the eclipse is over, the frog swallowed then regurgitated the sun and the fun never ceases in Washington. Our beloved orange leader has only been on the job seven months and has already exhausted the budget for his Secret Service protection; for the year! On the campaign trail, the “Man Who Would be King” loudly proclaimed that President Obama took his family on too many vacations and played too much golf and he would change the status quo. And, so he did. Instead of every now and again, he leaves the White House every weekend to travel to one of his properties and plays golf; every weekend.

Those of you who thought that he was gonna work harder were sadly mistaken. He was just gonna vacation and golf harder. Being President is hard work. And, once while golfing, Trump stated that the place (the White House) was a “dump”. So, he’s renovating. No, sorry, he just ordered the renovation. We, the taxpayers, are footing the bill. And, I guess we’re also supposed to pay for a wall instead of the Mexican government. We’ll call it The Great Wall of Trump.

One final note on Trump and the eclipse. Like he’s known to do, Trump retweeted or posted a meme. This one showing him eclipsing ex-Prez Obama with the exclamation “Best Eclipse Ever”. The first thought that popped into my brain was, “This guy is so dumb, doesn’t he realize that he’s eclipsed Obama for three plus minutes and then Obama outshines him...again.” Wotta maroon.

My family and I traveled to Douglas, Wyo. and camped out for the total eclipse, and it was great! It was awesome! It was amazing! Man, I’m trying so hard not to drop any eff bombs in here it was that tremendous. And, there’s another total eclipse on April 8, 2024. That’s seven years to those of you that attended CHS and are challenged by math. It’ll be passing through the southeastern part of the country through Texas, Arkansas, and Illinois to the north, and we’re going to watch it. Hopefully, we won’t be in the throes of a civil war with the KKK, neo-Nazis, White supremacists, White militia, White nationalists, Trump sheep, and people identifying as alt-right versus the Antifa and the rest of us by then. Right now, it doesn’t look good. And, the Antifa (anti-fascist) group seems just as psycho as the people they’re against. They’re just anarchists like the people they fight, and I can do without either of these gangs of clowns.

I don’t know what it was like during the totality at home. I’ve heard that it was stunning, but on the northern Plains there was a 360 degree sunset. It was red in every direction. The temperature rapidly dropped eight or nine degrees. It got waaaay dark. There was a ring of fire. It was so cool. I can see why primitives thought that it was the end of the world. Good thing there were Indians around to calm and reassure the Pilgrims.

Then, it took 13 hours to drive back to southern Colorado. Long drive. Six hours of bumper-to-bumper traffic just to make the hour and a half trip out of Wyoming to the Colorado state line. And, even that didn’t dampen the blast of seeing the amazing celestial event. Nothing ever could, nothing ever will. Plus...I got an official eclipse tee shirt to commemorate. Not gonna wear it though, I’m fat and that’s a lotta tee shirt.

The makings of an unprecedented disaster is in the process down in Texas. Hurricane Harvey and resulting storm dumped around 50” of rain on Houston and the surrounding areas. 50 inches. And, I’m helping again, that’s four feet plus in a matter of days. And, now the storm is rolling back in to dump more rain on the flooded areas and may also hit New Orleans. These people need your good thoughts and prayers. I don’t want to pummel a deceased equine, but our world’s weather is changing and these monster storms are soon to become commonplace instead of rare occurrences. Time to start preparing for the worst.

Finally, I read and saw on the news that some teenage kid got himself lost and wandered around the Smokies for 11 days. I’m happy that he survived, although a little worse for the wear and tear. I have another question: should we have to start putting these people on leashes or something? Maybe a pre-hike GPS suppository insertion should be made mandatory before they wander off. And...oh boo yourself...you thought the same thing. OK, time to go for now, Remember, the grass is always greener in the dispensaries.

Ledford is an EBCI tribal member living in Albuquerque, NM.

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Cultural Events

Cherokee Heritage Festival. Sept. 16 from 10am – 3pm at Cherokee Homestead Exhibit at 805 Hwy. 64 Business in Hayesville. This free event is hosted by the Clay County Communities Revitalization Association. Hoop dancing by Eddie Swimmer, pottery demonstrations by Amanda Swimmer, artist and storyteller Davy Arch, and more. Info: (828) 389-3045, http://www.cccra-nc.org

Fireside Circle Fall Gathering Campout. Sept. 7-10 at Yogi in the Smokies Campground. NA/AA/Al-anon speakers, Talking Circles, meetings, sobriety pow wow, and more. Registration begins Thursday at 12pm. Pre-registration $45/adult, kids 11-17 are $20, kids 10 and under free; price includes food and tent/camper site for three nights. Info: Herb W. 506-8563 or fireside-circle@yahoo.com

General Events

Swain County Genealogical and Historical Society meeting. Sept. 7 at 6:30pm at Swain County Regional Business Education and Training Center at 45 East Ridge Drive in Bryson City. “Growing up on Hazel Creek and the Fontana Basin prior to 1943” will be the presentation for the evening by Lee Woods. This is open to the public and is free of charge.

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Turkey Shoot. Sept. 9 at 5pm, both at Jesse Welch’s residence in the Big Cove Community. The Aug. 26 event is sponsored by Lawrence Queen, and the Sept. 9 event is sponsored by the Gates Boys. Good prizes, good food, good fun. Bring your best gun. Info: Jesse Welch 497-2434

Indivisible Swain County NC meeting. Sept. 11 at 6pm at Swain County Democratic Headquarters at 122 Everett Street in Bryson City. Topics to be discussed include environmental and health care issues and Qualla Boundary and Swain County listening sessions. All are welcome to attend. Info: Brenda Donargo 488-1118

Community Bingo. Sept. 14 at 1pm at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall. Everyone will receive two Bingo cards. To receive an extra card, bring canned goods, toiletries, or other household items for donation to the Cherokee Children’s Home. This event is sponsored by the Office of the Principal Chief and EBCI Human Resources Department.

Meeting for Driver family descendants to plan reunion. Sept. 14 at 6pm at New Kitu-wah Academy Community Room. The reunion is planned for Sept. 30 from 2-4pm at the Big Cove Community Stickball Field.

Swain Arts Center Community Art Exhibit.

Event listings are free of charge. Send your event name, date and time, location, and contact info to scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com.
Swain Arts Center Community Art Exhibit. 

Lois Hornbostel and Ehukai Teves concert. Sept. 17 at 2pm at Swain Arts Center. Admission is $8 for adults, $5 for students, and children under the age of five are admitted free. Light refreshments will be served. Hornbostel is a well-known dulcimer player and Teves, from Hawaii, plays dulcimer, Chapman stick, and bass. Info: www.swainartscenter.com

Ledford – Greybeard Family Reunion. Sept. 23 from 12-4pm at Yellowhill Activity Center. Plenty of parking in the back. Bring food, door prizes, and pictures of your elders – present and past. There is a planning committee if you’d like to help. Info: Regina 788-5655 or Renee 226-6090

Rebel Cruise-In. Oct. 1 from 1-4pm at Sylva Plaza (Sav-Mor parking lot). The cruise-in commemorates The Rebel Restaurant who were young people used to cruise “back in the day”. There will be t-shirts, music, food trucks, a 50/50 raffle, classic cars, muscle cars and rat rods. Don’t miss the police escorted cruise by all participating vehicles from Sylva to Dillsboro and back at 4pm. $20 registration per vehicle. All funds raised will benefit the Jackson County Genealogical Society. Info: (828) 506-9241 or 508-4160

Veteran’s Day Walk. Oct. 6 at 10am. Begins at BIA Cherokee Agency and ends at Cherokee Veteran’s Park. A free t-shirt will be provided to those who participate. Sign-up to ensure a free shirt in your size. To sign-up, Angela Hernandez 359-6473, angehern@nc-cherokee.com

Health/Sports Events

Cherokee Cancer Support Group monthly meeting. Sept. 7 at 5:30pm at Betty’s Place at 40 Goose Creek Road in Cherokee. This will be a business meeting and covered dinner. Chris Brouwer, Edward Jones Associates financial advisor, will be the guest speaker. Everyone is invited.


Cherokee Rally for Recovery. Sept. 16 from 3-7pm. Free food, guest speakers, music, raffles, giveaways, information on resources and services from local organizations. Everyone is welcome.

Adult Clogging Lessons for Free. Tuesdays through Sept. 26 at Yellowhill Activity Center at 6:30pm. Instructor is Dave Conklin. No partner needed. Wear closed shoes, no flip flops or sandals. This free event is sponsored by the Appalachian Community Dance Association. Info: 488-3848

Free Yoga Class Schedule. Ginger Lynn Welch Complex Community Rooms. Gentle Yoga on Mondays from 12-1pm. All Levels Flow Yoga on Tuesdays from 12-1pm. Both of those classes provide an option to leave at 12:45pm. Evening Yoga on Tuesdays at 5-6pm. Mats and props provided for all classes. No classes on tribal holidays. Sponsored by Cherokee Choices: A Diabetes Prevention Program. Info: Robin 359-6785, robbail@nc-cherokee.com

Rooted in the Mountains. Sept. 28-29 at WCU Blue Ridge meeting room at 515 Centennial Drive in Cullowhee. This event is the 8th Annual Symposium Integrating Indigenous Knowledge, Language, Health, and Environment. WCU students and tribal elders are free. Adults: $75. Info: www.rootedinthemountains.wcu.edu

Upcoming Pow Wows for Sept. 8-10
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.

28th Annual Sycuan Pow Wow. Sept. 8-10 in El Cajon, Calif. Emcees: Ruben Little Head Sr., Ral Christman. Info: Contact information not available


48th Annual Coharie Cultural Pow Wow. Sept. 8-9 at Coharie Tribal Center in Clinton, NC. Info: www.coharietribe.org

Mendota’s 18th Annual Traditional Wacipi. Sept. 8-10 at St. Peter’s Church Grounds in Mendota, Minn. Info: Sharon Lennartson (651) 452-4141, mendotadakota@gmail.com

Wyandotte Pow Wow. Sept. 8-10 at Wyandotte Nation Pow Wow Grounds in Wyandotte, Okla. MC: Steve Kinder. Host Drum: Yellow Hammer. Info: Contact information not available


30th Annual Trail of Tears Pow Wow. Sept. 9-10 at Trail of Tears Commemorative Park in Hopkinsville, Ky. Info: Jimmy Dossett (270) 3598-3598, jimmyd8548@att.net

40th Annual Nanticoke Indian Pow Wow. Sept. 9-10 in Millsboro, Del. MC: Keith Colston. Host Drums: Red Blanket, Stoney Creek. Info: (302) 945-7022, info@nanticokeindians.org

5th Annual High Plains Pow Wow. Sept. 9 at Carbon County Fairgrounds in Rawlins, Wyo. Info: Lauren Hunley (307) 328-2740, education@carboncountymuseum.org

Andersontown Pow Wow & Indian Market. Sept. 9-10 at Athletic Park in Anderson, Ind.

Community Club Meetings

Big Y Community Club meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Big Y Community Building. For information on renting the building for your special occasion, call Bunsey Crowe, president, 497-6339 or 788-4879. Rent is $60/day for gym and community room with $25 returnable clean-up fee.

Big Cove Community Club meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Big Cove Rec. Center. Info: Chairman Butch Hill 497-7309, Vice Chairman Joe Red Cloud 269-6130, Secretary Lavita Hill 736-3126, or Treasurer Lisa Hardesty 788-1646

Birdtown Community Club meets the last Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. Potluck starts at 5:30pm, meeting starts at 6pm. To reserve the building for your special occasion, call Faye McCoy, treasurer, 226-5194 ($50 fee with $20 key deposit).

Paint Town Community Club meets the last Monday of each month at 5:30pm at the new Paint-town Gym. Info: 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 first Tuesday of each month or the Tuesday before the Tribal Council meeting. Info: Roger Smoker, chairman, (828) 479-8678 or (828) 361-3278, rogersmoker@yahoo.com

Wolftown Community Club meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm at the Wolftown Community Club Building. Info: Tuff Jackson, chairman, 788-4088

Yellowhill Community Club meets the first Tuesday of every month unless it’s a holiday. If anybody would like to teach an art or craft call Reuben 497-2043 to be scheduled.

Community Groups

Big Y Archery Club meets every Tuesday at 7:30pm at the Big Y Community Club Building. Indoor targets and 3D game targets available. This is free of charge to all and everyone is welcome. Instruction is available.

Support Groups/Meetings

Cherokee Diabetes Support Group. This group, for community members with diabetes or pre-diabetes and their family and friends, meets at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Demonstration Kitchen on the first Tuesday of each month from 4:30-5:30pm. Info: Nilofer Couture, MPH, RD, LDN, CDE, 497-9163 ext. 6459 or Nilofer.Couture@cherokeehospital.org

AA and NA meetings in Cherokee. 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 CIH center room.

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly class schedule

Monday: Community Culture 11:15am – 12:30pm; Stressed No More 2-3pm; Nar-Anon 6-7pm (1st and 3rd Mondays); CoDA 6-7pm (2nd and 4th Mondays)

Tuesday: Recovery Thru Art 8:45-9:45am; Healthy Relationships 11am – 12pm; Employment Workshop Series 11am – 12pm (2nd Tuesday); Family Support Skills 1-2pm; Surviving Emotions 2-3pm

Wednesday: Managing “Monkey Mind” 10-11am; Recovery is Happening Now 11am – 12pm; My Self. My Boundaries 2-3:30pm; Family Support Skills 5-6pm; HIV/AIDS/Hep C Support Group 5:45-6:45pm (2nd and 4th Wednesdays)

Thursday: Life Recovery Bible Class 9-10am; Connections with Brene’ Brown 10-11am; Managing “Monkey Mind” 11am – 12pm; Improve Self-Esteem 1-2:30pm

Friday: Recovery Thur Art 9:30-11am and 11am – 12pm; Cherokee Language Class 1-2:30pm

CIHA Bariatric Support Groups meet every second Thursday of the month at Snowbird Clinic from 11am – 12pm (Chrystal Frank) and every second Thursday of the month at Cherokee Indian Hospital from 12-1pm (Nilofer Couture) and 4:30-5:30pm (Linda Johnson). Groups are led by registered dieticians. Info: CIHA Nutrition Dept. 497-9163 ext. 6459

Cherokee Cancer Support Group meets the first Thursday of each month at Betty’s Place at 40 Goose Creek Road. A potluck is held at 5:30pm, and the meeting is open to all. Betty’s Place is also open Monday – Friday 10am – 2pm and provides counseling and support services to cancer patients that may include supplies, travel, and meals. Info: 497-0788

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Cherokee Indian Hospital Job Listings

These positions will close on Friday, Sept. 8 at 4pm.
- Materials & Contracting Assistant
- Registered Nurse – Snowbird Clinic
- Food Service Worker

These positions will close on Friday, Sept. 14 at 4pm.
- Registration Receptionist Clerk - Immediate Care Center
- Part Time Intermittent - Medical Laboratory Technician (2 Positions)
- Part Time Intermittent - Phlebotomist (2 Positions)
- Staff Psychiatric Physician Extender
- Part Time Intermittent – Food Service Worker

These positions are open until filled:
- Physician - Emergency Room
- Snowbird Residential Treatment Manager
- Targeted Care Manager - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center
- Master Level Therapist - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center
- Cultural Coordinator - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center
- Pedodontist
- Residential Technician - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center (9 Positions)
- Housekeeping/Grounds/Maintenance Specialist - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center
- Residential Kitchen Supervisor - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center
- Emergency Hire Dental Assistant II (2 Positions)

To apply, visit careers.cherokeehospital.org.
If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163.
Indian preference does apply.

EBCI GENERAL ELECTION POLLING LOCATIONS

Big Y Community Center - 2641 Wrights Creek Road
Wolfstown Rec. Center - 27 Long Branch Road
Big Cove Rec. Center - 8715 Big Cove Road
Snowbird Gym - 60 Snowbird Road
Cherokee County Clinic - 328 Airport Road, Marble, NC 28905
Yellowhill Community Building - 918 Acquoni Road

Birdtown and Painttown have new polling locations
Birdtown Rec. Center - 1212 Birdtown Road
Painttown Rec. Center - 10 Old Gap Road

Election Board Office
(828) 359-6361

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The Family Safety Program is in need of caring people like you to become foster parents. Please contact Nikki Tolteeta at (828) 359 1520.
FOR RENT
Rentals Units Available: Qualla Housing Authority currently has two bedroom rental units available. Applications are available at the main office located at 687 Acquoni Road. Office hours are 7:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Once qualified and selected, please be advised that there is a $200 cash deposit due at lease signing. Additionally, the tenant is responsible for Duke Energy and Tribal Water & Sewer accounts placed in their names. You may have a co-signer, but the account must be in the tenant’s name. QHA adheres to HUD standards & regulations in selection/qualifying potential customers. For more information and to schedule an appointment, call 828-359-6320. Please make sure that you have completed the check list on the front page of the application that pertain to your needs.

FOR SALE
2007 Keystone Copper Canyon fifth-wheel camper. $4,800. Located on reservation. 30’ long with slide-out in living and dining area. Like-new condition. David (919) 772-1129 or cell – (919) 601-4846. 9/7

REALTY
Birdtown Community

Agreement to Divisions
Mary Edith Reed Smith, Dennis Ray James, Frankie Nelle James Patencio, George Milton James, Eric Thomas Lambert, James Dwayne Lambert, Carla Marie Sneed Ballew, Howard Vincent Sneed, Patricia Eldean Sneed Lambert, Mary Louise Sneed Welch, Rena Janet Johnson Wachacha, Jackie Lee Johnson, Denise Rayline Smoker Sanchez, Lita Raylene Calhoun.

If you’ve submitted a survey application that is over a year old and the survey is not complete, please visit the Tribal Realty Office to update your survey application.

Proposed Land Transfers
Marguerite Karen Hornbuckle Owl to Evelyn Isabella Littlejohn Locust for Lower Cherokee Community Parcel No. 62 (Part of Parcel No. 130), containing 1.0 acre, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.
Marguerite Karen Hornbuckle Owl to Evelyn Isabella Littlejohn Locust for Lower Cherokee Community Parcel No. 130-C (Part of Parcel No. 130-B), containing 1.000 acre, more or less.
Marguerite Karen Hornbuckle Owl to Evelyn Isabella Littlejohn Locust for Lower Cherokee Community Parcel No. 68, containing 0.92 acre, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

YARD SALES
Yard Sale: Geraldine Thompson - Old Gap Road. Off of Wrights Creek Road. When: Saturday, September 9. Time: 8am – 1pm. 9/7
Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements

Receptionist/Switchboard Operator - Administration Department  
Opening Date: Aug. 28, 2017; Closing Date: Sept. 7, 2017

Lead Teachers -  
Aglalink (must have credentials)  
Opening Date: July 24, 2017; Closing Date: Until Filled

Part-Time Night Watchman - Administration Department  
Opening Date: Sept. 6, 2017; Closing Date: Sept. 20, 2017

General Education Teacher - Oconaluftee Job Corps  
(through agreement with USFS)  
Opening Date: Sept. 6, 2017; Closing Date: Sept. 20, 2017

Application and job description can be picked up from the Receptionist at the Boys Club Information window between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday (828-497-9101). 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. The Cherokee Boys Club reserves the right to extend position closing dates or re-advertise positions without notice.

Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings

- **Transition Specialist** - Master's Degree preferred but Bachelor's Degree acceptable in education; Special Education preferred.
- **Director of Information Technology** - Master's degree in related field with 677 licensure teaching experience; OR - eligible for a professional license issued by the North Carolina State Department of Public Instruction.
- **Boy's Basketball Varsity Head Coach** - Must have previous successful experience.
- **Talent and Gifted Teacher Assistant** - Must have an Associate's Degree or 48 completed semester hours at an institute of higher education.
- **Cultural Coordinator** - Master's degree preferred: must have a Bachelor's degree in business or office related field, OR - work experience in business office management organization and related technical skills area. Must have experience in budget and finance, as well as grant writing.
- **Dance Instructor** - Must have a bachelor's degree preferable in dance or education. Applicant must show qualified dance training and teaching experience. Current valid educator license with appropriate endorsement OR must have the qualifications and experience to become a licensed teacher. Lateral entry license is acceptable.
- **Woodshop Teacher** - A valid North Carolina teaching certificate in the appropriate area of hire or such alternative to the above qualifications as the Board may find acceptable.
- **Assistant Superintendent** - Master's degree in School Administration required: three years experience in field of education & one year experience in School Administration.
- **Special Education Teacher K-12** - NC Teacher's license required.

Applicants who have retired from EBCI or other affiliated entities must wait a period of 6 months before applying for employment. Applicants who have accepted the Early Retirement Incentive Plan (ERIP) from EBCI or affiliated entity must wait 3 years before applying for employment.

**APPLY ONLINE at:**  
https://phl.apptrack.com/cherokeecentral/onlineapp/  
or visit www.ccs-nc.org for more information.

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**SEQUOYAH FUND**  
LENDING AND TRAINING FOR BUSINESS OWNERS  

Account Manager Position  
Full-time

**About Sequoyah Fund**  
The Sequoyah Fund, Inc. is a certified Native Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) located in Cherokee, NC providing lending and training for small businesses on the Qualla Boundary and in the seven far-western counties of NC. Sequoyah Fund was founded in 1996 as a revolving loan fund of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and incorporated in 2006 to better serve the needs of new and growing businesses. Since our founding, we have made over 400 loans totaling over $15 million, and currently manage $6.8 million in assets.

**Position Description**  
The Account Manager is responsible for origination, application evaluation, due diligence, financial analysis, underwriting, and closing of small business and housing rehabilitation loans. The Account Manager will be the primary contact for loan clients, assessing their needs and directing them to appropriate assistance providers. Included in the Account Manager's duties are loan modifications and collections. This position will serve as the liaison to Sequoyah Fund's legal team, auditors, and lending partners. Some travel will be required. Pay is competitive with similar positions within the finance industry and is commensurate with experience.

**Qualifications**  
The ideal candidate should have a bachelor's degree in business management, accounting, finance, or other related degree. Relevant experience may be considered in lieu of a business-related degree. Lending experience is not necessary, as training will be provided. Candidate should be familiar with Microsoft Office products, self-motivated, and able to thrive in a team environment. The selected candidate will be required to pass a drug test, criminal background check, and personal credit check.

**How to Apply**  
Applicants must submit an online application and attach a current resume at the following link:  

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.
EMPLOYMENT

Mandara Spa at Harrah’s Cherokee Casino Resort is seeking dependable, energetic individuals for the following Full Time hourly positions: Senior Concierge (shift leadership position), Concierge, Male Host, Female Host. Also seeking candidates for the following licensed positions: NC Licensed Massage Therapist, NC Licensed Esthetician, NC Licensed Cosmetologist. All full time positions are eligible for a benefits package that includes medical, dental, vision, 401k, paid holidays, vacation, sick time, and more. Candidates must pass background check and drug test. Please contact the Spa at 828-497-8550 or email resume to laurenw@mandaraspa.com for consideration. 9/7pd

Tribal Alcohol Beverage Control Commission has the following job available: Part time Admin Assistant

Anyone interested should pick up an application and position description from Amanda Younce at the Tribal Alcohol Beverage Control Commission Office between the hours of 9:00am - 4:00pm Monday-Thurs. This position will close 09/8/17 at 4pm. Indian preference does apply and a current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of TABCC application. 9/7pd

Full - Time Food Service Supervisor- Cherokee Detention Center

Summit is seeking a dependable Full- Time Food Service Supervisor to work at the Cherokee Detention Center located in Cherokee, NC. Qualified applicants must be 18 years of age and pass a pre-employment background check. Apply online today at www.ontheplatecareers.com or by calling toll-free 1-844-354-6762

Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action/Minorities/Women/Individuals with Disabilities/Protected Veteran Employer. 9/14pd

LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate Files: EST 12-005; EST 12-012; EST 12-061.

In the Matter of the Estates of:
Gary Martin (d. 11/21/2011);
Steven Blake Ross (d. 12/02/2011);
Ammons Tooni 09/15/2012).

All persons, firms, or corporations having outstanding claims or interest in these estates are hereby notified of a hearing to settle the above named estates at the following date and time or be barred from making any further claims against the estate.

Courtroom 1, EBCI Justice Center,
September 21st 2017 at 1:30pm.

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

THE CHEROKEE COURT, EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA
FILE NO: CV 17-409

CAROLYN LITTLE JOHN PILKINGTON, Plaintiff vs
FRED PILKINGTON, Defendant.

To: FRED PILKINGTON,
ADDRESS NOT KNOWN

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action.

The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: CIVIL SUMMONS FOR ABSOLUTE DIVORCE.

You are required to make defense to such pleadings on the 25th day of September, 2017, said date being 40 days from the first date of publication of this notice and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. 9/7pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-051

In the Matter of the Estate of
Rosie Owle Marler

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 fiduciary(s) listed below.

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

Mary Jane Ward, 1285 Old Bryson City Road, Whittier, NC 28789.

9/14pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
The Cherokee Court
Cherokee, North Carolina

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

THE CHEROKEE COURT, EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA
FILE NO: SPC-17-090

ALEXANDRIA J. JACKSON

v.

9/14pd

EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS
THE CHEROKEE COURT
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA
FILE NO: SPC-17-090

IN RE SMITH, A MINOR CHILD.

TO: THE UNKNOWN FATHER OF A MALE MINOR CHILD,
T.L. SMITH, BORN OCTOBER 18, 2009 IN JACKSON CO,
NC TO JILL CHANTAI SWAYNEY.

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought against you is as follows:

TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS OF A MALE CHILD,
T.L. SMITH, BORN OCTOBER 18, 2009, filed June 23, 2017
in the Cherokee Court, Cherokee, North Carolina. A written answer to the petition must be filed with the E.B.C.I. Clerk of Court within 40 days of the first publication of this Notice of Service of Process by Publication. You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than the 9th day of October, 2017. Your failure to do so may result in the Petitioner, Patricia Sequoyah Tramper, receiving the relief she seeks. This the 30th day of August, 2017. Virginia Jordan Song, 1085 N. Main St., Waynesville, NC 28786, Tel: (828) 452-2220. 9/14pd

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

EBCI THE CHEROKEE COURT
CHEROKEE, NC
FILE NO.: 17-CV-279

NICODEMUS BUSHYHEAD

v.

ALEXANDRIA J. JACKSON

TO: Alexandria J. Jackson

9/14pd
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TO: Alexandria J. Jackson
N. Main St., Waynesville, NC 28786,
2017. Virginia Jordan Song, 1085 Tramper, receiving the relief she
Petitioner, Patricia Sequoyah failure to do so may result in the
day of October, 2017. Your
You are required to make a defense to
of the first publication of this Notice
E.B.C.I. Clerk of Court within 40 days
North Carolina. A written answer
in the Cherokee Court, Cherokee,
2009, filed June 23, 2017
RIGHTS OF A MALE CHILD,
TERMINATION OF PARENTAL
against you is as follows:
the nature of the relief being sought
PUBLICATION
NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY
NC TO JILL CHANTAI SWAYNEY.
2009 IN JACKSON CO,
EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE
NICODEMUS BUSHYHEAD
EBCI THE CHEROKEE COURT
ALEXANDRIA J. JACKSON
NOTICE OF SERVICE OF

The full project description
and “RFQ” will be provided to any
interested firm upon request. All
questions, comments or requests
for materials should be addressed
to Travis Sneed, Tribal Planner
at 828-359-6701 or by email at
travsnear@nc-cherokee.com. The
deadline for submitting proposals is
2:30 p.m. on 09/29/2017.
Indian Preference (as defined
by the Tribal Employment Rights
Office, TERO) applies for this RFQ.

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-046
In the Matter of the Estate of
EVANGELINE ARCH LANEY
All persons, firms and corporations
having claims against this estate
are notified to exhibit them to
the appointed 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
Tasha Welch Martinez, P.O. Box 142,
Cherokee, NC 28719. 9/28pd

BIIDs, RFPs, etc.
Personal items need to be
picked up at CIPD
There are personal items that are
currently being held in the
property room at the Cherokee
Indian Police Department. As of
today, July 31, 2017, you have
60 days to contact our evidence
personnel at 828-359-6609 or
828-359-6618. After Oct. 30,
2017 any property not picked up
will be destroyed or turned over to
the Cherokee Indian Police Depart-
ment.
Evidence personnel will arrange a
date and time with you to collect
your property. They will also in-
struct you on necessary documents
to bring in order for the property to be
turned over to you.
The following need to contact our evidence personnel:
Adrian S. George; Aletha M. Mathis; Amanda Nicole Sherrill; Amy Lincoln;
Anita Nicole Filippo; Barry Coggins; Charles Hammond; Cody John
Decoteau; Corie Bradie; Darren
Sned; Dayini Lossie; Devan Whisper
Jackson; Ernest Jarrett Sneed; Estefan Ryne Welch; Jacob Ivey Jr.;
John Ricky Lossie; Jonathan S. Hill;
Jordan Elizabeth Littlejohn; Justin
Reeves Lamb; Katelynn Ledford;
Kyle Cragar Sneed; Larry and Melba
Haigler; Lauren Elisabeth Hodge;
Living Waters Church/Jack Russell;
Matthew Armachain; Matthew
Hughes or Johanna Climbingbear;
Michael Christopher Estes; Monica
Kristine Singer; Rodney and Rhon-
da Rogers; Steven Lewis Saunooke;
Tyler Lee Crowe; Velva Powell.
10/25
Request for Qualifications
Service Delivery:
Environmental Assessment
Services
This is a “Request for Qualifi-
cations” from firms or teams that
have verifiable experience and ex-
pertise in the scoping and creation
of NEPA compliant environmental
assessments and biological assess-
ments.
The Eastern Band of Cherokee
Indians (EBCI) Project Management
Office is seeking the services
of an environmental specialty or
engineering firm with an envi-
ronmental compliance division
to develop environmental scop-
ing documents. NEPA compliant
environmental assessments and
biological assessments for a num-
ber of proposed projects on federal
trust and privately held lands of the
EBCI.
The Cherokee Tribal Court
seeks competitive proposals for a Juvenile
Public Defender. This service will
be paid on a contractual basis from
the Cherokee Tribal Court. Inter-
ested individuals should submit a
brief letter proposal including the
following:
1. Name and Contact Information
2. Copies of Certificates and Licenses
3. Relevant Work Experience
Proposals may be submitted at
any time, but those received on or
before September 30, 2017 will
receive priority over later submis-
sions. Please mail or email propos-
als to:
Amber Shuler, Court Administrator,
Cherokee Tribal Court, PO Box
1629, Cherokee, NC 28719,
ambeshul@nc-cherokee.com
This is a solicitation of propos-
als and not an offer to contract.
The Cherokee Tribal Court reserves
the right to decline any proposals
received. 9/28pd

Request for Proposals
General Notice
Qualla Housing Authority
is requesting proposals from all
interested qualified contractors for
construction services and labor for
QHA properties, including rental
units on the Cherokee Indians Res-
ervation (Swain, Jackson, Graham,
and Cherokee Counties).

QHA bid packages include:
• Lawn Care Services
• Drywall installation
• Portable toilet
3. Relevant Work Experience

Proposals may be submitted at any time, but those received on or before September 30, 2017 will receive priority over later submissions. Please mail or email proposals to:

Amber Shuler, Court Administrator, Cherokee Tribal Court, PO Box 1629, Cherokee, NC 28719, ambeshul@nc-cherokee.com

This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. The Cherokee Tribal Court reserves the right to decline any proposals received. 9/28pd

Request for Proposals

The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks competitive proposals for a Public Administrator (Estates Only). This service will be paid on a contractual basis from the Cherokee Tribal Court. Interested individuals should submit a brief letter proposal including the following:
1. Name and Contact Information
2. Copies of Certificates and Licenses
3. Relevant Work Experience

Sheetrock repair
Painting
All services for lawn maintenance
Pest control
Locksmithing
Dumpster services
Portable toilets
Fire extinguisher service
Mold and asbestos abatement
Water damage assessments

Qualified contractors and professionals will be expected to start work upon issuance of a contract. Several contractors and professionals will be selected for work. Selections will be based on qualifications. The HCD reserves the right to reject any and all submissions. The work to be performed under this RFQ is subject to TERO guidelines. TERO certified vendors will be given preference. Qualification packages should include a W-9, tribal business license, proof of insurance, and any applicable licenses or certifications. Deliver sealed proposals to the TERO office. Deadline for sealed proposals is September 29, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. Contact Joan Bradley, joanbrad@nc-cherokee.com with questions or comments at 828-359-6638. 9/14pd
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