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Education is an EBCI priority

RICHARD G. SNEED
PRINCIPAL CHIEF

Last week, the Tribe worked toward the expansion of educational opportunities for our students and students in western North Carolina. I joined the EBCI education staff in meeting with representatives from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Southwestern Community College to discuss the expansion of the Carolina Student Transfer Excellence Program to our area. The program is called C-STEP and was started in 2006 with some funding from the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation. I traveled to Chapel Hill in October to visit and begin this process.

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill launched the Carolina Student Transfer Excellence Program to enable more community-college students to transfer to and graduate from Carolina. C-STEP focuses on high school seniors or community college students who come from financially challenged families. These students must be currently enrolled or plan to enroll at a partner community college in a course of study that will lead to the Associate of Arts (AA) or Associate of Sciences (AS) degree. The student must earn the degree with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.2.

Tribal member students who are possible candidates for C-STEP have proven their ability to overcome obstacles, are the first in their family to attend college, diversity, and have family responsibilities. Students who complete the community college portion of the program successfully are guaranteed eventual admission to Carolina.

One of the goals of the program is to insure students are academically prepared and participate in the campus community. The program provides special events, advising and support programs while the student attends community college and continues those support programs when the student attends Carolina. These activities will help our student more easily transition from our close knit tribal community to the larger academic community. The program also utilizes an Advisory Corps which works toward increasing the percentage of students accepted into programs and increase the graduation rates of those who are accepted. These resources are shared between the institutions and help student needs such as choosing a field of study, obtaining letters of reference, standardized test preparations and completing financial aid applications.

The next step in the process involves expansion of the program to include Southwestern Community College. The program is expected to be implemented for the Fall semester 2019.

UNC also discussed with me the opportunity to initiate the Carolina College Advising Corps program. This program helps low-income, first-generation, and underrepresented students find their way to colleges that will serve them well. By providing well-trained, enthusiastic advisers who are close in circumstance to the students they serve, the program aims to increase college-going rates at partner high schools across North Carolina. College advisers are placed in high schools and are immersed in the school setting. Advisers work closely with the schools’ counseling staff and work with students both in one-on-one and group settings. College advisers facilitate campus tours, taking students to visit a variety of institutions. College advisers do not recruit students exclusively to UNC Chapel Hill but help students find their “best fit” institution, wherever that may be.

College advisers participate in an intensive five-week training program on the UNC campus, as well as one week of training at the national level. They are trained to advise students on how to prepare for college admission, choose a college that matches their interests, complete admission and financial aid applications, and locate and apply for appropriate scholarship opportunities. In addition, college advisers provide parents with the information they need to encourage and support their children’s pursuit of a post-secondary education.

Education is a priority for our Tribe and generations of tribal leaders have worked toward that goal. It remains a priority for my administration and this project will benefit our students for years to come.
CIPD makes arrests in operation focused on child exploitation

Over the weekend of March 16-18, the Cherokee Indian Police Department led local, state and federal law enforcement agencies in an operation that was focused on the exploitation of children and the predators involved.

This operation resulted in the arrest of four adults. Three of those arrested were charged with attempting to engage in having sex with a minor. The subjects arrested are all from western North Carolina and traveled at different times to an undisclosed location with the intention of meeting the minors.

Law enforcement agencies taking part in this operation were the Cherokee Indian Police Department, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Swain County Sheriff's Office, Jackson County Sheriff's Office, North Carolina Alcohol Law Enforcement, Drug Enforcement Administration Asheville Post of Duty, Asheville Police Department, Hendersonville Police Department, Cherokee County Sheriff's Office, Homeland Security Investigations, and the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Subjects that were arrested during this operation include:

* Jeffrey Scott Shelly, of Sylva
  1. Attempted Statutory Sex Offense with a Child 11 years old by Adult
  2. Solicit by Computer and Appeared
  3. Possession of Methamphetamine

* Harvey William Carpenter, of Hendersonville
  1. Attempted Statutory Sex Offense with a Child 15 years old or less by Adult
  2. Solicit by Computer and Appeared
  3. Solicit for Prostitution

* Calvin Lavone Woodard, of Bryson City
  1. Attempted Statutory Sex Offense with a Child 11 years old by Adult
  2. Solicit by Computer and Appeared

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Judgment Summary for Feb. 26

CALHOUN, James Phillip
20-157(a) Failure to pull over for Emergency Vehicles – Dismissed, Failure to Provide Reasonable Suspicion for the Stop
14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana - Dismissed, Failure to Provide Reasonable Suspicion for the Stop
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Dismissed, Failure to Provide Reasonable Suspicion for the Stop
14-95.10 Drugs: Importing Controlled Substance - Dismissed, Failure to Provide Reasonable Suspicion for the Stop

PASCUAL JR., Jose G.
20-157(a) Failure to Pull over for Emergency Vehicles – Dismissed on Plea
20-141(a) Exceeding a Safe Speed – Dismissed on Plea
20-138.1(a) Driving While Impaired – Guilty/Responsible, 120 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, 48 hours community service, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment, $150 fine, $190 court costs, surrender driver’s license, may not operate vehicle

SHARPLESS, Reuben
14-40.1(b)(1) Domestic Violence – Bodily Injury – Dismissed, Failure of Prosecuting Witness to Appear and Testify

WALKINGSTICK, Norman Rozelle
14-40.56 Assault on a Female (DV) - Dismissed, Failure of Prosecuting Witness to Appear and Testify
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree - Dismissed, Failure of Prosecuting Witness to Appear and Testify

Judgment Summary for March 7

BURGESS, Dora Lillard
14-15.5 Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public – Guilty Plea, 15 months jail time suspended, 24 months probation, 24 hours community service, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment, 7 days active jail time
20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed on Plea
20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed on Plea
14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest – Guilty Plea, 15 months jail time suspended, 24 months probation, 24 hours community service, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment, 7 days active jail time
14-10.64 Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle – Dismissed on Plea

CROWE, Kristin Sanders
14-40.31 False Imprisonment – Guilty Plea, 60 days active jail time, credit for time served (53 days)
14-40.16 Elder Abuse and Neglect – Dismissed on Plea

LAMBERT, Caitlin Juanita
14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest – Dismissed on Plea

LAMBERT, Jesse
20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed on Plea

MARR, Miranda Leigh
14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest – Dismissed on Plea

QASILLO, Jose Cruz
14-15.1 Public Intoxication – Dismissed, Improper Charge

SANCHEZ, Maricela
14-70.18 Providing Contraband – Dismissed on Plea
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14-70.18 Providing Contraband – Dismissed on Plea
14-25.2 Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed

SAUNOOKE, Jonah Washington
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a Controlled Substance – Dismissed, No Labs Sent
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a Controlled Substance – Dismissed, No Labs Sent
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Guilty Plea, 60 days jail time suspended, one year probation, sentence to run consecutive to 17CR2281 sentence for a total of 120 days
14-15.1 Public Intoxication – Dismissed on Plea

SFIELD, Brandon Howard
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Guilty Plea, 60 days jail time suspended, one year probation
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Guilty Plea, 60 days jail time suspended, one year probation
14-10.9 Criminal Mischief – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation

WATTY, Erica
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed, Treatment Complete

WATTY, Toree R.
14-25.2 Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed

CUCUMBER, Bobby J.
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed, No Labs Sent
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a Controlled Substance Classified in Schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed, No Labs Sent

DRIVER, Randall Damian
14-70.17 Obstructing Justice – Guilty Plea, 10 days active jail time, credit for time served (10 days)

LAMBERT, Caitlin Juanita
14-70.14 Obstructing Governmental Functions – Dismissed on Plea
14-70.14 Obstructing Governmental Functions – Dismissed on Plea

TEESATESKIE, Brian Elliott
14-10.60 Larceny – Guilty Plea, 45 days active jail time, credit for time served (39 days)
14-95.10 Drugs: Importing Controlled Substance – Guilty Plea, 6 months active jail time, credit for time served (180 days)
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed, No Labs Sent

TEESATESKIE, Summer
14-10.9 Criminal Mischief – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation

WATTY, Toree R.
14-25.2 Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed

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BIRD, Steven Daniel
14-70.17 Obstructing Justice – Guilty Plea, 2 days jail time suspended, 30 days probation

CUCUMBER, Bobby J.
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed, No Labs Sent
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a Controlled Substance Classified in Schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed, No Labs Sent

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14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed, No Labs Sent

LAMBERT, Jesse Skyler
14-70.14 Obstructing Governmental Functions – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.10 Drugs: Importing Controlled Substance – Guilty Plea, 6 months active jail time, credit for time served (180 days)
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The stands were not full, but the building was full of enthusiasm, nostalgia, and fun as the first annual Cherokee Lady Braves Alumni basketball game was held on the afternoon of Saturday, March 24 in the Charles George Memorial Arena. The game, organized by Kelsey Jackson (Class of 2011), featured players from the 1970s to the 2010s.

“The main idea was really just getting everyone back together,” said Jackson. “You always hear ‘Once a Brave, Always a Brave’ whether it’s a Brave or Lady Brave, and that’s what I’ve come to learn.”

She added, “One of my favorite parts of high school was being around my friends.”

The game itself featured players who graduated from Cherokee High School and played at least a season as a Lady Brave. Of the alumni game itself, Jackson commented, “I’ve never known us to have one so I wanted to coordinate one and make it an annual game. We had a lot of obstacles to overcome in this one and it’s not as grand as I wanted it to be, but we’re already planning for next year so hopefully it’s a lot bigger than this.”

The players were divided into two teams - a Maroon team and a Gold team. The game itself was quite competitive. The Maroon team held a slight lead at halftime 33-30 and extended that to 50-39 by the end of the third quarter.

They kept cruising and went on for the 73-48 victory over the Gold team.

“It feels great,” Mary “Missy” Crowe (Class of 1981) said after the game. “To be able to have several decades - the 70s, 80s, 90s, 2000s - of Lady Braves out here is pretty cool.”

Taran Swimmer (Class of 2014) was the youngest player on the court. A student at Western Carolina University, she commented, “It was really fun because I haven’t played basketball since I left high school. Getting back here you’re part of that Cherokee team again and that was really special because you don’t get that everywhere you go.”
How about an alumni weekend?

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

I covered one of the most enjoyable games all year as the first annual CHS Lady Braves Alumni basketball game was held at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Saturday, March 24. The game saw players from multiple decades take to the court again, and I must say it was quite competitive.

The players may have lost a step or two from their high school days, but man there were some nice plays. Chelsea Taylor Saunooke had a keen spin move inside for a nice lay-up and Laura Blythe hit a four-foot jumper that both drew lots of applause. There were some nice passes, three-point shots, rebounds, and even a few steals.

Every single one of the women who played did a great job. It truly was a neat event. Kelsey Jackson, the event’s organizer, should be commended for a job well done!

Following the game, all of the players went to the middle for a final cheer and many pledged to play another next year.

That leads me to this column – wouldn’t it be cool if we could see other alumni games in the future? Why not try an alumni weekend with games in all sports? You could have a Braves and Lady Braves basketball game on Friday night. Then, have baseball, softball, and volleyball during the day on Saturday afternoon and finish it off with a football game on Saturday night complete with alumni cheerleaders.

The games themselves could have a minimal admission price with all of the proceeds going to a cause designated yearly.

Given the right amount of planning and advertising, I think these games would draw crowds and could be played towards the end of the school year so the weather would be nice for the outside sports as well as nice for those traveling from out-of-state.

Alumni games are fun, and I’m sure the crowds would dig them just as much as the people in attendance at yesterday’s event did.

Hippocrates said, “Sport is a preserver of health.” That certainly is true of those athletes I saw on Saturday.

STILL GOT IT: Mary “Missy” Crowe, CHS Class of 1981, goes for a shot in the second half of the first annual Cherokee High School Lady Braves Alumni basketball game held on Saturday, March 24 at the Charles George Memorial Arena.
THE CREATOR’S GAME

The Georgia Swarm lacrosse team held Native American Night at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Field in Infinite Energy Arena in Atlanta, Ga. on the evening of Saturday, March 24.

(Photos by Kristy M. Herron/EBCI Communications)

CHAMPS: The 2017 Cherokee High School varsity football team was honored during the event for their 1A State Championship title.

ROYALTY: Miss Cherokee Faith Long (right) speaks during the event as (left-right) Teen Miss Cherokee Raylen Bark, Junior Miss Cherokee Dvdaya Swimmer, and Little Miss Cherokee Araceli Martinez-Arch watch on.

SHARING: Will Tushka, a member of the Warriors of AniKituwha, dances during Saturday’s event.

JERSEY: Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed wears a Swarm jersey. The team donned uniforms honoring the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the game of stickball.

NATIVE: Lyle Thompson (#4), the Swarm’s leading scorer, is a member of the Onondaga Nation.

The healthy bacteria (probiotics) in our gut helps digest food, while also producing vitamins and essential fatty acids. It is important to keep a healthy balance of good and bad bacteria in our guts. The benefit of eating a well-balanced diet, including enough prebiotics and probiotics, helps keep us feeling better and improves our immune system. Studies show that almost 60-
Editor’s note: The One Feather solicited stories from our community’s veterans. Our intent is to honor them through their own words and remind everyone of the sacrifice of our armed forces and their families. After putting the call out, we received a call from Mr. Lunsford, who is a World War 2 veteran. He wanted to share his veteran’s story and told me that he wrote a book about his life which included his veteran’s story. He proceeded to give us permission to recount his story via excerpts from his book. You will find below the third in a series of excerpts from “Glory in the Mountains as The Sound of Many Waters” by Mr. Fred B. Lunsford, a veteran of the United States Army.

The Battle of the Bulge Part B

We moved into a town in Belgium called Saint Tronde. While there, I had a big and very pleasant surprise. We had moved into a building that had been a mental hospital. It gave us protection from the bitter cold and snowy weather. Late one evening, I was lying on my little Army cot in the doorway that I hadn’t heard in many months. The voice did not call the name, “Fred,” but a family nickname, “Cooter.” I looked and to my utter amazement, there stood my brother-in-law, Willard Greene. He was my wife’s brother, serving the Combat Engineers. They had been in battle for a long period of time and had come back for a brief rest period. He was close to the Mail Distribution Center, and he saw a mail truck with the 839th Ordinance Company on the bumper. He talked to the driver, asking him if he could get a pass if he would let him ride with him and bring him back the next day so he could visit with me and he said he would be glad for him to do so. He spent the night with me and went back the next day. What a wonderful blessing it was.

On New Years Day, 1945, a group of us were walking a short distance down a road to the motor pool where we had a large number of vehicles stored that had been evacuated out of the Bulge. These included everything from tanks to jeeps. It was a beautiful, sunshiny morning. It was bitter cold, but the skies were clear. The sun was shining on the fresh, fallen white snow. Ice tags were shining on the twigs and looked like diamonds. Everything was quiet and peaceful. Then all the sudden, an American P-51 Fighter Plane came out of nowhere and began to strafe us with machine gun fire. I jumped into a foxhole to get away from the bullets that were hitting all around me. I had just barely got in the hole, when one of my comrades jumped in on top of me and said, “My God.” He had said before that he was an atheist. I said, “You called on God that you said didn’t exist. We prayed to God together in the foxhole. Following the P-51 and it caught fire and the pilot, a German, bailed out. His parachute opened and he glided to the snow-covered ground. There was a group of Belgium men waiting for him when he hit the ground. They cut his throat and stripped him of all he had and left his bare body lying in the blood-sprinkled snow. The Germans had captured one of our Air Strips in the Bulge and took possession of our P-51 Plane. I watched all of this and looked to the heavens and prayed. I thought, why war anyway, how cruel it is. This event was the last big push of the German Air Forces. Our troops stopped the German Army, pushed them back all the way to the Rhine River, and beyond. Thus, the Battle of the Bulge was over, but not without a terrible cost to us. Seventy-six thousand, eight hundred and ninety Americans were killed. God was so good to me to bring me through this terrible event. “Well glory!”
Science, slime, and robots

New Kituwah students compete at state Science & Engineering Fair

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

For the first time in the school’s history, the New Kituwah Academy was represented at the North Carolina Science and Engineering Fair. Two teams competed in the Elementary Division at the Fair which was held in Raleigh on Saturday, March 24.

Both teams qualified for the state event by receiving Honorable Mention awards at the recent Region 8 Western Regional Science Fair held at Western Carolina University.

The fourth grade team of Alexis Motola, Lolo Hogner, and Jaime Panther built a robot that can draw various shapes and designs they call the “Master Drawer”. For their efforts, they received an Honorable Mention award at the state fair. Their project also won an Engineering Award at the Regional Science Fair.

“We were looking on YouTube and decided to try that project,” said Motola.

Hogner said making the robot was a challenging project. “The hardest part was working with the hot glue. The robot can draw things. It took a few days to make.”

The fifth grade team of Addyson Welch, Suli Lossiah, and Cameron Jackson did a project they called “Crazy Ooze Slime” in which they made slime from various types of glue. Their project also won a Chemistry Award at the Regional Science Fair.

“We were trying to see if the different glues would be the same and come together as slime, but there was only one that did it and that was the purple glue,” commented Welch. “The difference between the glue was the amount of PVA (Polyvinyl Acetate) in it.”

When asked why they chose their project, the fifth grade team exclaimed at once, “We love slime!”

Jessica Metz-Bugg, New Kituwah Academy science teacher (3rd – 6th) and science fair coordinator, commented, “I have been a teacher for 15 years here in Cherokee, and I have never had students heading to the state science fair before, and I’m super-excited. I’m very proud.”

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SLIMY: A fifth grade team from New Kituwah Academy poses with their science fair project entitled "Crazy Ooze Slime" in which they tested different types of glue in the making of slime. Shown (left-right) are – Addyson Welch, Suli Lossiah, and Cameron Jackson.

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She went on to say, “Overall, science instruction here, across all the grades, is amazing. All of the teachers here do a great job of integrating culture and Cherokee language with science instruction.”

Metz-Bugg said the younger students in Kindergarten through second grade do all of their projects in the Cherokee language. “In third through sixth, we’re starting to transition and provide more of a 50-50 day as far as the immersion goes. But, even though we don’t have as much of the language in the upper grades with the projects, we do integrate culture with everything that we do.”

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Kylie Crowe Shuler, New Kituwah Academy principal, commented, “We’re super-excited with this opportunity. We’re very proud of the girls. We’re very proud of the teachers who worked to put this together. We’re competitive and we offer the same programs that any other school offers. We have all of the opportunities. We have all of the materials. I’m just very pleased with the girls and the teachers for their hard work.”
Enterprise Waters closed for several weeks

The catch and keep Enterprise Waters on the Qualla Boundary will be closed to all individuals through Friday, March 30. Opening day is Saturday, March 31, and the Opening Day Fishing Tournament is set for March 31 – April 1. Catch and release fly fishing in the 2.2 miles of Ravensford is open year-round. Info: Paula Price, EBCI Natural Resources program coordinator, 359-6110

- EBCI Natural Resources Program

Deadline for Yogi Crowe Scholarship approaching

The Board of Directors of the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund reminds graduate and post-graduate students that April 1 is the deadline for requesting financial assistance from the Fund for summer semester. Applications and eligibility guidelines are available from any of the board members, from Tribal Education or from the Website yogicrowescholarship.org. Applications must be postmarked by the deadline date and mailed on or before the deadline. Applications not postmarked or received electronically by the deadline will not be considered.

For more information, contact any of the Scholarship Fund board members: Dr. Reva Ballew, president 631-1350; Dr. Jennifer Thompson, vice president 507-5997; Mary Herr, secretary 497-4998; Tamitha Fourkiller, treasurer 497-7034; Dr. Carmaleta Monteith 497-2717; Sunshine Parker 506-1952, Jan Smith 507-1519 or Shannon Swimmer 736-3191.

- EBCI Board of Elections

Cherokee Pre-K registration

Registration for Cherokee Pre-K is being held now through Tuesday, May 1. Applications can be picked up at the HOPE Center. The child must be 4-years-old by Aug. 31 and meet the service priority guidelines. Info: HOPE Center 554-5101

- Cherokee Central Schools

Eastern Band Community Foundation announces Bill Taylor Scholarship

Applications for the Bill Taylor Scholarship are now being accepted by the Eastern Band Community Foundation. This scholarship is available to all EBCI tribal members or their immediate family members who study Business/Business related curricula. The deadline to apply is June 1.

Awards are based on students meeting various eligibility requirements detailed on the NCCF website www.nccommunityfoundation.org. Applications can also be downloaded on this site under “Qualla Reservation”. For further information contact Norma Moss at normamoss@gmail.com

The Eastern Band Community Foundation is an affiliate of the North Carolina Community Foundation. In addition to the website, like us on Facebook, follow us on LinkedIn and Twitter @NCCF for more information on the North Carolina Community Foundation.

- Eastern Band Community Foundation

Per Capita Loan deadlines for upcoming cycle

The EBCI Office of Budget & Finance is about to begin a new cycle of loan assistance for EBCI tribal members for the months of April – September. If you wish to begin receiving loan assistance in the month of April, you must submit a new application to the Finance Office. Applications will be accepted March 19-23, and the new application forms are available at the Finance Office and online at www.ebci.com/government/per-capita-loans/. Applications submitted on forms from previous cycles will not be accepted.

Following is the deadline schedule with check release dates in parentheses: March 19-23 (April 13), April 16-20 (May 11), No applications accepted in May, June 18-22 (July 13), July 16-20 (Aug. 10), Aug. 20-24 (Sept. 7)

- EBCI Secretary of Treasury

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OBITUARIES

Tony Goodson

WAYNESVILLE - Tony Goodson, age 55, passed away at Cherokee Indian Hospital on Wednesday, March 20, 2018.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Leona Locust Goodson; one niece, Silvia Ann Goodson; a great niece, Karla Buchanan; and his grandparents, Homer and Hazel Locust and John Fannon Goodson and Lucy Inman Shuler.

Tony is survived by his son, Dustin Goodson of Waynesville; two daughters, Leona and Willa Goodson of Rockhill, SC; his grandson, Caine Goodson; four brothers, Robert Lee Goodson, Steve Richard (Barbara) Goodson, all of Waynesville, John Michael Goodson of Sylva and Randy Darrell (Cindy) Goodson of Waynesville; two sisters, Patricia (Jimmy) Hoyle and Kathy (Frank) Deaver, both of Waynesville; and with numerous nieces and nephews.

Tony was a small business owner who specialized in flooring with his brother. He also was a member of Allen Creek Baptist Creek Church and he knew he was saved. Tony loved to be outdoors, fishing, camping and ginseng digging.

Funeral Services were held on Friday, March 23 at Smoky Mountain Chapel with Reverend Kevin Valentine and Reverend Billy Rogers officiating.

In memory of Tony, memorial may be made to: Four Seasons Compassion for Life Foundation, 221 N. Main Street, Hendersonville, NC 28792, (828) 513-2440.

Smoky Mountain Cremations and Funeral Service of Clyde is caring for the family and the online register is available at www.smokymountaincremations.com.

Linda Kay Tramper Bradley

Linda Kay Tramper Bradley, 59, of the Painttown Community, passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday March 20, 2018.

She is survived by one daughter, Norma Kay Driver, of the home; eight grandchildren: one great grandchild; brothers, Daniel Tramper (wife Teresa Reed), Robert “Hoss” Tramper, Ammons “Wagoo” Tramper (wife Thelma Bird); and she is also survived by Kourtney Pooh, Kyle, John Leroy, Marianna “Annie Bug”, Usti, Davyn, Aliyah (her sidekick), Henry, and Brodie “The Great”.

Linda was preceded in death by her parents, Henry Leroy Tramper and Annie Ruth Tramper; two daughters, Rose Ann Driver and Bobbie Lynn Driver; one brother, Henry James Tramper; and sisters, Nellie Marie Driver and Witchie Ann Tramper.

Funeral services were held on Friday, March 23 at the Yellowhill Baptist Church. Pastors James “Bo” Parris and Greg Morgan officiated. Burial followed at the Armachain Cemetery on Swimmer Branch. Pallbearers were John Leroy Tramper, Kyle Watty, Davyn Broome, Scrappy Sherrill, Daniel Tramper, Dustin Tramper, Wagoo Tramper, and Auston Tramper.

THANK YOU LETTERS

Thank you from family of Ray Swayney

The family of Ray Swayney would like to say thank you to everyone for all the benefits that have been held to help with expenses, whether it was working the benefits, buying a dinner, or making a donation, etc. It would be impossible to name each and every one, but we want to say thank you to everyone. And, may God bless you all and continue to keep Ray in prayer.

Again, thank you all,
Ray Swayney and family

Dear Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund,

Thank you for the continued support going into my second semester of podiatric medical school. Thanks to your support I am able to live in a safe neighborhood near my school in the Bay Area.

Last semester Yogi Crowe funding helped me afford extra expenses not covered by the tribal education funding. Gas for my car, apartment utilities (water, electric, recycling, garbage), laundromat fees, airline tickets home and back for Christmas, phone bills, car insurance, and academic club dues were all extra expenses that Yogi Crowe funding went toward last semester. I was also able to afford the across country move and apartment furnishings.

I recently had my white coat ceremony this semester and needed to help pay for extra expenses not covered by the school such as class gifts for our professors. It was great to have extra funding so I could contribute.

The funding has helped tremendously and I look forward to giving back in the future.

Sincerely,
Carmen Johnson

Photo by Sheyahshe Littledave/Cherokee Indian Hospital public relations

ROYALTY: Miss North Carolina 2017 Victoria Huggins (third from right) visited the Cherokee Indian Hospital on Thursday, March 22. During her stay, she took the time to speak with patients in the inpatient unit. Shown (left-right) are staff from CHA Radiology – Sarah Hicks, SCC radiology student; Penny Auvile; Lindsey Holland; Huggins; Alicia Pasternak; and Holly Shepherd.
Living in dependence

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

I am a student of government. I hate politics, but I gravitate to discussion of public issues, and one leads to the other.

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners recently held a public hearing to discuss what is commonly known as the “brunch bill”. At the core of the bill, and the discussion, is language that would allow alcohol sales beginning at 10am on Sundays.

Current law in Jackson County is that retail sales of alcohol in restaurant establishments must wait until noon on Sundays. Any municipality may vote on the law change and, even though Sylva is a town in Jackson County, it is an incorporated municipality and was able to vote to approve the change earlier and has had brunch alcohol sales for roughly six months.

If you pick up a copy of the The Sylva Herald or Smoky Mountain News, you will find photos of a few of the many county residents who lambasted the Board of Commissioners for even considering the move to 10am alcohol sales. Both publications wrote excellent stories on the meeting. Many opponents were preachers of local churches and others were members of their congregations. The theme of the meeting was condemnation of alcohol with a touch of chastisement of the Commissioners for considering “such a sinful thing”.

There were many sincere and passionate people who stood before the podium at the meeting. Young and old spoke of lost loved ones, many of whom were the victims of alcohol or drug addiction, or were injured or killed by an impaired driver. In all cases, the culprit was alcohol. They would invariably say that alcohol did this or that. When the preachers would get up to speak, the criticism was not of those who drank, but of the alcohol itself, giving it personality and form, “the demon alcohol”.

Alcohol is a thing, just like a pill, or gun, or shovel, or...well, you get the idea. The definition of an inanimate object is “a thing that is not alive, such as a rock, a book, a chair; not endowed with life or spirit, lacking consciousness or power of motion”. In other words, without a person or animal to use it, an inanimate object cannot do a thing. It lacks power of motion and is incapable of the will to do anything.

Yet, for whatever reason, we want to talk about the “bad acts” of alcohol and drugs. Maybe we don’t want to blame our loved ones, or hold people accountable for their actions, so we pick the thing instead of the person who has control of it, or choses to let it have control over them. It isn’t until we talk about moderation of use that the abuser starts to get some heat. Moderate or controlled use of alcohol, or marijuana, or even opiate-based drugs will not lead to the negative outcomes that we are against. It is the misuse and abuse of these consumables that cause addiction, bad behavior, and death.

If we are going to have discussions about the use and/or abuse of alcohol, whether on the Boundary or with our near neighbors in the counties that surround us, we need to talk frankly and candidly about the reasons that people abuse alcohol. Saying that there is no good in alcohol, or drugs for that matter, is giving inanimate objects attributes that they cannot possess. They are neither good nor bad. Has alcohol been used for bad purposes? Absolutely. Alcohol in excess causes mental impairment, which can lead to negative outcomes, like divorce, injury, and death.

Has alcohol been used for good purposes? Absolutely. Alcohol in moderate and controlled consumption has beneficial effects and has been used in medicines for hundreds of years. The same holds true for marijuana, opiates, and all other inanimate objects. The common garden hoe, for example, is an implement that has been used for years to prepare soil for crops and ornamental plants (good stuff). Over the years, the hoe has also been used as a tool to dispatch animals and, in some cases, people (bad stuff).

Generally, we love and covet our independence.
Facebook Weekly Question Responses

Note: The following comments were made on the Cherokee One Feather Facebook page to our weekly question:

*Do you think Tribal Council Representatives should be able to abstain from voting on an issue without explaining their reason?*

Shell Nelson: They should explain whenever they abstain from a vote. After all, we didn’t vote them in that seat to not vote on any issue. If they abstain, then we should know why as knowing why eliminates any sense of a violation of our trust in voting them in. Not explaining an abstention from a vote can be interpreted as having something to hide or as being improperly educated or uninformed as to the issue up for a vote. Explaining why one is abstaining from a vote clarifies a politician’s position and promotes integral honesty to their constituents.

Blanche Vickers: They should have to explain their reason; after all, they are supposed to be taking care of business.

Keri Brady: They should have to explain their reason for abstaining from a vote - plain and simple!

Driver Blythe: If they can’t give a reason for a yes, no, or not wanting to give any input, they shouldn’t even have their seat. You’re getting paid 85k and you were selected by your community to represent, not be a wimp.

Orion Holmberg: Of course they should explain.

Debi Lemmond Bourgeois: I don’t think they should be able to abstain. Everyone has an opinion on what and how they feel. It’s either yes for or no against! I think they abstain because they don’t want to make voters mad.

Ashley Sessions: Yes! If they have to abstain due to conflict of interest, then it’s acceptable. However, I don’t feel that any of them should ever just ride the fence and not vote up or down because they are afraid of what someone might think. They are in there to vote on very important issues!

Karen Wood Alley: No! What is their job? They must represent the people by voting. They are afraid of getting on the wrong side of folks mostly in power. They should not be allowed to abstain - period.

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Bonus Facebook Weekly Question Responses

Note: The following comments were made last week on the Cherokee One Feather Facebook page to a question posed by the paper in September 2017. The thread re-ignited last week with many new comments, some of which are featured here.

*Should the Tribal Council be able to override the Last Will and Testament of a tribal member?*

Gladys Penick: No, no more power to Council; they have done enough damage now with their power...example blood quantum. Extinction; if you have proof of how you are dates should not matter...so, no, no, no.

Charles Penick: No!

Lea Wolf: No, it should not be overridden. But, in cases where the widow/widower isn’t enrolled they should get lifetime estate but should not be allowed or able to keep the blood heirs from receiving what is to be left to them. I know of at least one case where the grandchildren cannot use the land left to them by their grandfather due to his widow not allowing the division of the land in question. She should not have any right to do so. She has lifetime estate, isn’t an enrolled member, and by law has no right to the rest of the land.

Shell Nelson: No, not if the Will is determined to be legal and valid. They’ve no business messing with someone’s personal wishes regarding their own estate.

Lois Dunston: Absolutely not... the will is the express wishes and desires of that person.

Lori Taylor: Do we not have a court system? Isn’t it a will a legal binding document?

Tina Tseatsueki: No, it was done to me. I don’t how how cause I’m here.

Tina Saunooke: No! Individuals may have used an attorney to assist with the Last Will & Testament and have it notarized. It’s legit and leave it alone.

Boyd Andrew Catt: That’s a white man’s way of doing things, not the Cherokee way, not the Indigenous way. We can not call ourselves a nation of Cherokee people if we are going to fall back on the white ways of treating our people badly. They call that lateral oppression on the grandest scale.

Shawn Saunooke: It was also ignored when my wife’s father passed.

Loretta Mills: No, that’s their Last Will, and it should be honored.

Renée Cole: No, because that is the member’s last wishes, and it should be seen through.
**Benefits/Fundraisers**

**Pendleton Raffle Fundraiser.** Winner will be announced on Monday, April 2. Purchase raffle tickets at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian to help send the Warriors of Anikituhwa to England for London’s New Year’s Day Parade. To purchase a raffle ticket, see Mike Crowe Jr., Jarrett Wildcat, Dawn Arneach, Tyra Maney, Kristy Maney Herron, or Sonny Ledford. You can also stop by the Box Office at the Museum and purchase a raffle ticket as well. If you do not want to purchase a raffle ticket, donations will be accepted towards the trip to London. It has been over 250 years since Timberlake took Ostenaco, Cunneshote, and Woyi to visit King George III in London.

**Cultural Events**

**Cherokee Language Class.** Wednesdays March 28; April 4, 11, and 18 from 6-8pm at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. The cost of the class is $50 for all four evenings, and the class will be taught by Gil Jackson and Lou Jackson, both EBCI tribal members. Info: Museum (423) 884-6246, seqmus@tds.net

**Symposium commemorating the Cherokee Removal.** April 11 from 8am – 4:30pm at Western Carolina University Center Grand Room. The symposium is entitled “Cherokee Challenges & Tribulations: Exploring Scholarship, Memory, & Commemoration” and will commemorate the Cherokee Removal and celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the National Trails System Act. This event, which is free and open to the public, is hosted by Western Carolina University, WCU College of Arts and Sciences, WCU Dept. of History, National Trail of Tears Association, and the North Carolina Trial of Tears Association. Speakers include: Jack Baker, Mike Wrenn, Dr. Ben Steere, Dr. Brett Riggs, and more. Info: Dr. Susan Abram (828) 227-2735, smabram@wcu.edu; Dr. Anne Rogers (828) 349-1341, rogers@wcu.edu

**Cherokee Heritage Day.** April 21 from 10am – 4pm at Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Blowgun (weather depending), woodpecker shell carving, feather capes to view, kid’s games, GIS story map of historical events from 1700-1840 by Lamar Marshall (1pm), storytelling (2pm), music and dance (3pm). Info: 497-3481

**Free Syllabary Class.** Every Thursday through April 26 from 7-8pm at Cherokee Choices conference room. Limited slots available. This if for EBCI tribal members ages 10 and up only. This is not a Cherokee language class. Info: Tara McCoy 359-5542

**Cherokee Syllabary and Intro to Cherokee Class.** Every Monday and Wednesday from 5:30-6:30pm at the 3200 Acre Tract Community Center at 1000 Old Bryson City Road in Whittier. Everyone is welcome. Info: https://www.facebook.com/3200-Acre-Tract-Community-Center-1589774257745245/

**General Events**

**“From Dope to Hope” speaker.** March 28 from 5:30-7:30pm in the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. Tim Ryan, addiction expert and recovery advocate, and the author of “Dope Man”, will give a speech entitled “From Dope to Hope”. Light refreshments will be provided. Info: TimRyanSpeaks.com

**Open Teen Night.** March 29 from 5-8pm at Cherokee Youth Center. Games, food, prizes. This is open to teens ages 13-18. Info: Melissa Bodfield 359-8113

**Cherokee Community Garden Kit Giveaway.** April 2 and 4. Garden kits, sponsored by the Office of the Principal Chief, include 12 different vegetable seeds, a strawberry plant, an onion plant, and a soil sample test kit. April 2 at 12pm at Tsali Manor; April 2 at 5pm at EBCI Cooperative Extension Office; April 4 at 12pm at John Welch Senior Center in Cherokee County; and April 4 at 4:30pm in front of Snowbird Library. Info: 359-6939

**Cherokee Community Chorus spring practice sessions.** Beginning April 5 from 6-8pm at Cherokee Baptist Church. The Chorus, under the direction of J. Gilbert and pianist Shannon Bradley, will practice for a concert in early June titled “A Celebration of Gospel Music”. The Chorus is non-denominational. Anyone with the desire to sing and the commitment to attend the weekly practice sessions is invited to attend and participate. The group is especially in need of tenors, bass, and sopranos. Info: Frela Beck 736-4181, Teressa Sweet 736-1256, or Mary Wachacha 788-1196

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Native Youth Fabric Design Sessions. April 10-11 from 1 – 4pm and April 23 from 5 – 8pm at EBCI Extension Office. Learn about different fabrics. Create a custom fabric design that represents Cherokee culture. Designs will be sent to Durham and made into an actual piece of fabric to use in creating clothing for the Kananegsi Fashion Show in August. Sewing classes will be offered this summer. Info: Sally Dixon, EBCI Extension Office. 359-6936

Joy Harjo to participate in Visiting Writer Series at UNC Asheville. April 12 from 7-8:30pm at UNC Asheville’s Lipsinsky Hall Auditorium. Harjo, a member of the Mvskoke Nation, has won the William Carlos Williams Award from the Poetry Society of America and the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Native Writers Circle of the Americas. This event, part of UNC Asheville’s Visiting Writers Series and the American Indian and Indigenous Studies Series, is free and open to everyone. Info: (828) 251-6853, events@unca.edu

Kindergarten Registration for Swain County Schools. April 17 from 8am – 12pm at West Elementary and April 19 from 8am – 12pm at East Elementary. It is imperative to attend registration day as the number of expected students is used to calculate the number of needed teachers. Appointments for Kindergarten registration may be made by calling the school secretaries or Katrina Turbyfill 488-2110, kturbyfill@swainmail.org

K-9 Public Demonstration. April 24 at 6pm at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. A public demonstration featuring working K-9 teams will be presented. The event is being co-sponsored by the EBCI Natural Resources Enforcement Department, the Cherokee Fire Department, and the American Police Canine Association.

Kananegsi Pottery Festival. April 28 from 10am – 4pm at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Storytelling, vendors selling pottery, and presenters on Cherokee pottery. NAIWA will prepare food for sale. Admission is free.


Spring Sobriety Campout. May 10-13 at Yogi in the Smokies Campground on Big Cove Road in Cherokee. AA, NA, Al-anon speakers; Talking Circles; marathon meeting; sobriety pow wow; fun and fellowship. Pre-registration $40 per person (children under 12 are free), $45 at the gate. Info: Herb 506-8563, firesidecircle@yahoo.com

Swain Arts Center Summer Arts Camp. June 18-21. Activities will include Cherokee storytelling, arts and crafts instruction from Cherokee artisans, and field trips to significant historical and cultural sites in Swain County. Spaces available for 25 students who have completed grades 3-5. The camp is funded in part by a grant from RTCAR (Revitalization of Traditional Cherokee Artisan Resources) and the Cherokee Preservation Foundation. Registration will be open until May 19 or until the spaces are filled. There is a $25 fee for the camp. To register, www.swain.k12.nc.us. Info: Rachel Lackey, Swain Arts Center director, 488-7843, rlackey@swainmail.org

myFutureNC Listening Session. July 12 from 2 – 5pm at Cherokee Central Schools. myFutureNC, a statewide education commission focusing on educational attainment for all North Carolinians, is holding a series of listening sessions to hear from communities about what they perceive as their region’s economic strengths and identify the education opportunities that are most needed to capitalize on those strengths. This session will focus on Native perspective and will include Dr. Beverly Payne and Yona Wade from the Qualla Education Collaborative. Info and RSVP at: https://www.myfuturencg.org/listening-sessions/

Health and Sports Events
Health Series at Jackson County Public Library. A new, monthly health series entitled...
“Mind and Body: Health, Nutrition, and You” will be held at the Library. It is a partnership between JCPL, WCU, Mountain Projects, Vaya Health, SAND, and Cherokee Mental Health. Upcoming dates include:

- April 24 at 6:30pm, Diabetes and Disease Prevention, Heal what Ails You
- May 1 at 6:30pm, PTSD: Invisible Wounds, Visible Healing
- May 15 at 6:30pm, Mental Health Awareness and Suicide Prevention
- June 12 at 6:30pm, Drug Abuse, Addiction, and the Opioid Crisis
- July 10 at 6:30pm, Brain Health, a Look at Alzheimer’s and Dementia
- Aug. 14 at 6:30pm, End of Life Care and Planning

Info: Jackson County Public Library, 586-2016, www.fontanalib.org

NAYO Basketball Tournament. March 29-31 in Cherokee. The tournament, hosted by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, is featuring 67 teams. Games will be played at Birdtown Gym, Painttown Gym, Charles George Memorial Arena, and CHS Auxiliary Gym. Championship games will be played at the Charles George Memorial Arena. Free admission. Nicky’s Frybread will be at Charles George Memorial Arena and Reed’s Frybread will be at Birdtown Gym. NAYO shirts, by Native Designs, will be for sale at Birdtown Gym. SM Custom Sportswear and craft vendors will also be set up at Birdtown Gym.

Upcoming Pow Wows for March 30 - April 1

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.


41st Annual Indigenous Voices Pow Wow. March 31 at Weber State University Shepherd Union Ballroom in Ogden, Utah. Info: Tashina Barber (801) 626-7006, tashinabarber@weber.edu

Buffalo Run Casino & Resort Pow Wow. March 31 at The Peoria Showplace in Miami, Okla.

CHEROKEE PET OF THE WEEK
Ganasav hia sviđodagwasdi asuyagida
Sheri Moon, a 6-month-old Pit Bull/Bull Mastiff/ German Shepherd mix, lives with Waylon and Michelle Long in Kolanvyi.

2018 Cherokee Community Garden Kit Giveaway
Sponsored by the Office of the Principal Chief
April 2nd and 4th, 2018

Garden kits include 12 different vegetable seeds and a strawberry and onion plant! PLUS this year, kits will have a FREE soil sample test kit!

Questions? Call (828) 359-6939

NASO Michigan State University Pow Wow of Life. March 31 at Jenison Fieldhouse in East Lansing, Mich. Info: msunaisopw@gmail.com

Native at Virginia Tech Spring 2018 Pow Wow. March 31 at Graduate Life Center Lawn in Blacksburg, Va. Info: native@vt.edu, Doris Brown (540) 288-7543, dorisb@vt.edu

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 Brianna Lambert 788-3308. The rental fee is $75 and $25 will be returned after cleaning.

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. Chairman: Stephen Watty, Vice Chairman: Kallup McCoy, Treasurer: Deb Slee. Secretary: Sasha Watty. The community building is currently not available for rent.

Paint Town Community Club meets the last Monday of each month at 5:30pm at the new Painttown 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 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.

Health Boundaries: 1-2:30pm
Creative Writing: 2-3pm

Cherokee Diabetes Talking Circle. This group for community members with diabetes or pre-diabetes and their family and friends. meets at Tsali Manor on the third Thursday of each month from 12-1pm. 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 ence room

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly schedule for Fall/Winter 2017/18

NOTE: All classes/groups are open to all Analenisgi clients. Support groups marked with ** are open to the community.

Mondays
Safety WRAP: 9 -10am
Cherokee Culture: 11:15am - 12:30pm
Still Waters: 2-3pm
**Family Support: 5-6pm

Tuesdays
Native Plants: 8:30-10:30am
Employment Skills: (second and fourth Tuesdays 11am -12pm)
Taming Salolis (Squirrels): 11am – 12pm
Emotions: 1-2pm
**Self-esteem: 2-3pm
**Life Recovery: 3-4pm

Wednesdays
Safety WRAP: 9-10am
Strong Hearts Women’s Group: 11am – 12pm
Healthy Boundaries: 1-2:30pm

Support Groups/Meetings

**Family Support: 5-6pm
**Agape LGBT Group: 5:45-6:45pm
**HIV/AIDS/Hep C Support Group: (second and fourth Wednesdays 5:45-6:45pm)

Thursdays
**Life Recovery: 8:30-9:30am
Connections (Brene’ Brown): 10:30-11:45am
Finding Tohi (Peace/Balance): 1-2pm
Uncle Skills Men’s Group: 3-4pm

Fridays
Creative Recovery: 9:30 am - 12pm
Cherokee Language and Culture: 1-2:30pm
Popcorn and a Movie: 2:30-4pm
Info: Analenisgi Recovery Center 497-6892.
Times and dates may be subject to change.

CIHA Bariatric Support Groups meet every second Tuesday 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). Groups are led by registered dietitians. 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 pot luck 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
FOR RENT
2BR, 1 bath mobile home. Quiet park in Ela, no pets. References/background check required. $450/month, $450/deposit. 488-8752.
UFN

FOR SALE
FOR SALE by owners. Family owned/operated campground, established in 1965. Located on the banks of Soco Creek on the Cherokee Indian Reservation, Cherokee, NC. Within walking distance of downtown Cherokee and Harrah’s Casino. Within one -two miles of most major attractions in Cherokee. On approximately 12 acres, the campground consists of 11 cabins, 11 bunkhouses, and 33 campsites, including 23 FHU sites. Serious inquiries call 828-736-2765 for an appointment. Cherokee Campground and Craig’s Cabins. Must be an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. 3/22pd

LAND FOR SALE – Blackrock Creek Community; Great home sites and acreage available 15 minutes from Harrah’s casino. 1.6 to 9 acre tracts just outside the Reservation in Jackson County, NC. Seller financing available at great terms. Contact Bruce Nelson (954) 232-8375. 5/24pd

FOR SALE – Waterfront or view improved building sites, by owner, state road, gated, sites cut, well, electric, three bedroom, septic in, dock, southern exposure, private. (828) 788-6879. 4/19pd

SERVICES
Tax Preparation by Sandi – Can save you time and money. Monday thru Saturday 9am – 7pm. Located on Olivet Church Road. 507-5045. 4/12

Law Office of Shira Hedgepeth, Tribal Legal Advocate. For representation, call (828) 585-5044 or email shira@legal-decisions.com. Find us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/legaldecisions. 3/29pd

FREE
Oocumma’s Law Mowing Services. Attention all businesses and home-owners – are you looking for a reliable company to mow grass for a reasonable price? If so, please call for a free estimate at 508-5183. Licensed and insured. TERO-certified. 4/19pd

SEEKING
SEEKING Building or Vacant land for immediate leasing along - Casino Trail, Paint Town Road and Tsalagi Road (Downtown Cherokee.) For interest, please contact (954) 205-5092. 3/29

FREE
FREE - Four male Carolina pups. Two brown, two brown-white paints. Intelligent, four months old, easily trainable. Free to good, loving homes. Wonderful dogs. Contact Skyhawk (828) 837-1549.

Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings

- Cultural Program Coordinator - Master’s degree preferred: Bachelor’s degree required in Business or office related field. Work experience in business office management organization and related technical skill areas. Must have experience with budgets and grant writing. Must be sociable when dealing with the community. Experience with Cherokee Language and Culture preferred.
- School Psychologist - Minimum requirement of a Master’s Degree in psychology and have at least three year’s experience working in a school setting. Must hold state license to practice school psychology.
- Volleyball Coach - Must have HS diploma or GED; and must have previous successful experience.
- Middle School Special Education Teacher (Pathseekers)- Must have valid NC Teaching license.
- Middle School Special Education Teacher (Dreamcatchers-Autism Class)- Must have valid NC Teaching license.

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.applitrack.com/cherokeecentral/onlineapp/ or visit www.ccs-nc.org for more information.

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EMPLOYMENT

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:
- Residential Treatment Center Manager - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center
- Optometrist
- Pedodontist
- P&L Registered Nurse - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center
- Emergency Hire RN – Inpatient Emergency Hire Dental Assistant II (2 Positions)
- Dental Assistant II
- Dentist – Satellite Clinics Cherokee County & Snowbird
- Certified Nursing Assistant – Tsali Care (11 Positions)
- Certified Medication Aide - Tsali Care
- LPN – Tsali Care
- LPN-Behavioral Health
- RN MDS Coordinator – Tsali Care
- PTI Registration Receptionist Clerk (2 Positions)

To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close March 22, 2018 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply.

The Oconaluftee Indian Village is looking to fill the following positions for the 2018 Season:
- *Tour Guides/Greeters
- *Crafters
- *Historical Re-Enactors
- *Concessions
- *Gift Shop
- *Box Office
- *Janitor/Maintenance
- *Gardener

We are looking for people who are outgoing: who take pride in their culture and who are willing to educate the public about Cherokee History and Culture. We want applicants who have great work ethics and are willing to work weekends and holidays. An application and job description can be picked up at the Cherokee Historical Association Office, located across from the Museum of Cherokee Indians.

Guidelines:
- Indian Preference applies (Except specific historical reenactment roles)
- Must be 17 yrs. old or older (Except for mentoring program)
- Must make it through interview process
- Must be able to show up at 8:30am and work until 5:00pm when required.
- Must be able to work in varying environment and varying conditions.

Job Opening: Cherokee Friends-Cultural Specialist

The Museum of the Cherokee Indian is looking for one person for the Cherokee Friends program, April through November (part time hours). Cherokee Friends present programs to the public at the Museum and throughout the Cultural District, wearing historical clothing. Must have excellent skills for working with the public. Knowledge of Cherokee history and culture a plus, but will also be trained by the Museum. Job will include public speaking, cultural demonstrations, and walking through the Cultural District. Employment is dependent on passing a drug test and background check. Indian preference applies. Stop by the Museum Box Office for an application.

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:
- Payroll Officer
- EVS Specialist (3 positions)
- Mid- Level (FNP/PA) – Primary Care

To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close March 22, 2018 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply.

Museum Now Taking Applications

The Museum of the Cherokee Indians is now taking applications for both Full-time and Part-Time Seasonal workers. Pick up an application at the Box Office, must be able to work weekends and pass drug test.

LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 18-014
In the Matter of the Estate of
Amy Autumn Crowe

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
Jeanne Crowe Lira, 229 Dewitt Owl Road, Cherokee, NC 28719.

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
EBCI THE CHEROKEE COURT
CHEROKEE, NC
FILE NO: 17-SP-047
JONAH BIDDIX
v.
KAMI ESQUIVEL
TO: KAMI ESQUIVEL

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 MINOR NAME CHANGE. You are required to make defense to this pleading no later than April 24, 2018 said date being 40 days from the first date of this publication, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This is the 15th day of March 2018.
K. Denise Hallauer-Fox
Attorney for Plaintiff
Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

The Cherokee Court
Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File Nos.: EST 13-002; EST 11-023; EST 11-006; EST 10-051; EST 12-049; EST 12-053

In the Matter of the Estates of:

Mildred Messer Cisneros, (d. 11-23-2012)
Clarence James Deck, (d. 3-8-2011)
Arnulfo Luis Librado, Jr., (d. 12-11-2010)
Elsie Marie Johnson, (d. 3-8-2011)
Beatrice Edith Maney Carver, (d. 8-6-2012)
Margaret Ann Adams, (d. 7-29-2010)

Beatrice Edith Maney Carver,
(d. 8-6-2012)

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.

EBCI Justice Center
April 26, 2018 at 1:30 PM

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

BATHROOM CLEANING

2018 BRC

The EBCI PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAM is requesting proposals from qualified firms to maintain three separate outdoor public restrooms located at Oconaluftee Island Park, Big Cove Ponds (beside KOA), and Acquoni Rd Family Park (across from Cherokee Skate Park).

All bids must be submitted by March 29, 2018, 12:00PM (EST). TERQ certified companies will receive preference as TERQ rules and regulation will apply.

Contact Polly Castorena, 828-359-6530, to request a copy of the RFP. 3/29pd

Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Department of Transportation
680 Acquoni Road
Cherokee, North Carolina 28719
Phone: (828) 359-6530

Professional Survey

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed Qualification Proposals (NCDOT Qualified Contractors) for Licensed Professional Survey services. The deadline for submitting Qualification Proposals will be April 2, 2018 at 10am.

Please be advised that all TERQ rules and regulations, Tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations and laws shall apply to the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation and the procurement of work solicited through this advertisement.

You may request the full request for qualifications and proposal requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact CDOT at (828)-359-6530. 3/29pd

Request for Proposals

Investigative Services

(OIA-18-001)

The Office of Internal Audit and Ethics of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is requesting proposals from experienced investigators or investigations firms to conduct a second-level investigation of the 2017 Tribal Election. Must demonstrate relevant experience and qualifications. A complete RFP package may be requested by contacting Sharon Blankenship, Chief Audit and Ethics Executive at 828-359-7071 or sharblan@nc-cherokee.com. Proposals must be received on or before April 2, 2018. 3/29pd

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
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680 Acquoni Road
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Bridge Inspections

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed Qualification Proposals (NCDOT Qualified Contractors) for Licensed Bridge Inspection Services. The deadline for submitting Proposals will be April 20, 2018 at 10am.

Please be advised that all TERQ rules and regulations, Tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations and laws shall apply to the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation and to the procurement of work solicited through this advertisement.

You may request the full request for qualifications and proposal requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact CDOT at (828)-359-6530. 4/5pd

Families opening their hearts
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The Family Safety Program is in need of caring people like you to become foster parents. Please contact Nikki Toineeta at (828) 359 1520.
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EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

For deadlines and applications call 359-6388. 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 Monday, April 02, 2018
1. Family Safety Social Worker - Family Safety - PHHS (L10 $41,082 - $51,353)
2. Teacher Assistant (Multiple) - Qualla Boundary HS/EHS - PHHS (L4 $23,616 - $29,520)
3. Cook – Senior Citizens - PHHS (L4 $23,616 - $29,520)
4. Cook - Tsali Care Center - PHHS (L4 $23,616 - $29,520)
5. Cook Aide - Tsali Care Center - PHHS (L2 $19,598 - $24,498)
6. Housekeeper - Tsali Care Center - PHHS (L3 $21,484 - $26,855)
7. Driver - Transit - Administration (L4 $23,616 - $29,520)
8. Truck Driver/Crew Leader - Solid Waste - Operations (L8 $34,112 - $42,640)
9. Maintenance Utility - Facilities - SB/CC Services (L4 $23,616 - $29,520)
10. Maintenance Utility Worker (Tsali Manor) - Qualla Housing - Housing (L4 $23,616 - $29,520)
11. Technologies Buyer - Purchasing - Treasury (L8 $34,112 - $42,640)
12. Benefits Manager – Benefits – Human Resources (L15 $64,206 - $80,258)

Closing Monday, April 09, 2018
1. Driver – Transi – Administration (L4 $23,616 - $29,520)
2. Recreation Aide (Part-time) – Cherokee Life – CERS (L3 $10.33 - $12.91 per hour)
4. Finance Manager – Qualla Boundary HS/EHS – PHHS (L12 $49,200 - $61,500)
5. Youth Development Professional – Snowbird Youth Center – Snowbird/Cherokee County Services (L3 $21,484 - $26,855)

Open Positions

Download Applications and Job Descriptions and Apply Online at: www.cbci.com/jobs