Reduction of Harm

Tribe's Syringe Services Program has been in operation six months...read more about their quest to reduce the spread of disease. Pages 2-3
Tribe’s Syringe Services Program working on ‘harm reduction’

S everal years ago, tribal officials declared an epidemic level of Hepatitis C (Hep C) in the Cherokee community. Now, staff at a small, yellow building overlooking the EBCI Public Health and Human Services administration building is working diligently to help curb that dilemma.

The Tsalagi Public Health Syringe Services Program was approved by Tribal Council a year ago and opened its doors on Feb. 1. There are currently 266 people enrolled in the anonymous program.

Vickie Bradley, EBCI Secretary of Public Health and Human Services, said the main goal of the program is harm reduction. “We have an epidemic of Hep C in this community, and ultimately the goal of the Syringe Services Program is to reduce incidences or new cases of Hep C. But, more than that, people who use syringe services programs are twice as likely to get into treatment and there are 60 percent less syringes on the street and less needle sticks to EMS personnel and other first responders. So, our overall goal is to reduce disease, but it’s also to instill hope and connect people with services.”

Information from the North Carolina Harm Reduction Council states, “Decades of research shows that syringe exchange programs are effective at lowering rates of HIV and hepatitis C, connecting drug users to treatment, preventing deaths from drug overdose, and offering a range of health and supportive services, including referrals to programs for food, housing, and employment.”

First-time clients to the Tsalagi Public Health Syringe Services Program receive syringes and other supplies for safer injection of their drugs. “We give out cookers, alcohol, cotton pellets to filter it through, sterile water, tourniquets, band-aids, anti-bacterial ointment, hand sanitizer, and paper clips to hold the cooker with so they don’t get burned,” said Ginger Parker-Southard, Syringe Services Program supervisor. “They can come in and get as much of that as they need so they’re not re-using any of it. The CDC says that Hep C can live on a surface for up to 30 days even if you don’t see any blood.”

The clients are issued a program identification card that contains only a number unique to them. They are encouraged to bring back syringes in order to receive more. Parker-Southard said that the average user will inject 10 to 15 times daily. “We try to give them enough to get through until the next visit to our site. Most people come once or twice a week. The maximum amount that we ever give out is 100 per visit.”

If clients return without any used syringes, they only receive 10. “We use that as an incentive to get more back and out of the community.”

That incentive is working. “Our return rate has increased,” said Parker-Southard. “Last week, it was 52.4 percent and the week before it was 51.3 percent. Our goal is 50 percent, and that’s really more than any of the syringe services in the state get back.”

Secretary Bradley said, “The goal of syringe services programs is to get your syringe rate of return up. We actually had one day that it was 102 percent. It’s gone up exponentially. It started out around 12 to 15 percent the first month. So, in about

DEDICATION: Ginger Parker-Southard, Syringe Services Program supervisor, shows some of the supplies they provide for free through their program – all in an effort to curb the transmission of HIV and Hep C.
six months, we’re running at around 50 percent the last few weeks, and overall, we’re at about 41 percent from the time that we started.”

The program also provides clients with education in addition to providing syringes and other supplies. “We educate them on how to clean their (injection) sites,” said Parker-Southard. “We educate them on how to look to see if they have any signs of infection at their injection site. We educate them on how Hep C is spread because it’s not just with the needles. It can be spread with a toothbrush, a razor...we just educate people to make sure they’re doing the best they can not to spread that to anybody else.”

She said the Syringe Services Program has a “great” relationship with Analenisgi, and they make sure that clients are aware of the services provided there. A peer support specialist comes to the program twice a week. “She’s there to talk to anybody who has questions about getting into group or getting into recovery,” noted Parker-Southard. “We help them in any way that we can help.”

Secretary Bradley said the program also does refer for HIV and Hep C testing as well as pregnancy testing. “If they are pregnant, then Ginger does all that she can to get them connected into pre-natal treatment...our goal is to keep that baby and mother united, and if she can understand that we’re not judging her and that she has potential for not getting her baby taken, then she’s likely to go to pre-natal care.”

Parker-Southard commented, “A lot of people think that if they go to get help that they’ll automatically lose their child. There are a lot of myths like that out there about our program. Some people still think that we report to the police which we do not, and they’re afraid about getting arrested.”

Secretary Bradley said she expects the program to continue to grow, “I think if we mobilize our action for an opioid response within our community and people feel safe, that they are not judged, that there are resources there and that we just want them to be healthier, we will begin to get more people.”

The program sees anywhere from 20 to 30 people daily now; a number that is up from an average of 10 when it started in February.

Secretary Bradley said the program is also going to grow in other ways. She recently submitted grants to the CDC and North Carolina Public Health and Human Services seeking contract personnel to do syringe litter pick-up in the community and to help reimburse the costs of installing 20 kiosks in the community for syringe disposal. “There will be one in each community and then in strategic places around the Boundary. We will manage that syringe pick-up.”

She noted that the tamper-proof kiosks, which will be mounted into the ground on concrete, will be installed within the next 90 days. “These are in a lot of cities, California is big on these. Diabetics can use them, anyone with any kind of syringe can use them.”

The program also distributes free injectable Narcan kits. “Fortunately, North Carolina Harm Reduction Coalition has given us all of our doses of Narcan. It hasn’t cost the program anything. Seven hundred and eight (708) doses have been dispensed and 65 reversals have been reported, and we started dispensing on April 6.”

Currently, the Syringe Services Program is open Monday (11am -5:30pm), Thursday (11am – 3pm), and Friday (11am – 5:30pm). Starting on Sept. 1, the Program will have the following new hours: Monday (9am – 5pm), Tuesday (9am – 5pm), Thursday (9:30am – 6pm), and Friday (9:30am – 6pm).
A former employee of the tribal prosecutor’s office filed a lawsuit July 31 alleging sexual harassment, hostile work environment, and malicious prosecution after charges against her were dismissed. Lori Taylor, a victim-witness coordinator for the Office of Tribal Prosecutor and an unsuccessful Tribal Council candidate, claims her superiors, former Prosecutor Jason Smith and Lead Prosecutor Justin Eason, created a hostile work environment through singling her out and inappropriate communications and behavior. She says complaints she raised resulted in inaction. She also alleges that she was falsely charged with disorderly conduct and assault on an officer after events surrounding the impeachment of Principal Chief Patrick Lambert and swearing-in of his successor Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed.

Taylor’s suit was filed against the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, the Cherokee Indian Police Department, Department of Justice, Acting EBCI Attorney General Michael McConnell, and former EBCI Attorney General Danny E. Davis. According to her complaint and demand for jury trial, Taylor had been a victim/witness coordinator for the Office of Tribal Prosecutor for almost 20 years when Davis fired her. She alleges that she endured years of hostile working conditions after the hire of Smith, and that Eason had contributed to the hostile environment.

She also alleges that Sgt. Neil Ferguson and Luke Hyde, officers with the Cherokee Police department along with Police Chief Doug Pheasant, conspired to file false charges that ultimately led to her termination.

Taylor’s termination and criminal charges coincide with the impeachment of former Chief Lambert and the swearing-in of Chief Sneed. In what were heated hearings and reaction surrounding Chief Lambert’s removal from office and Chief Sneed’s swearing in, Taylor can be seen asserting herself in a May 25, 2017 video taken by Smoky Mountain News Reporter Holly Kays.

“You let us talk,” Taylor said. She repeated, “You let us talk. Let us talk.” She is then shown stating in reference to Chief Sneed’s swearing in, “They’re going to (Tribal Operations Program) to do it.”

Taylor left the hearing and went to the Cherokee Justice Center to fill out a timesheet. She attempted to follow Chief Justice Kirk Saunooke into a court room to what she said was to discuss the day’s event. Saunooke was preparing to swear Sneed in as principal chief in one of the tribal court rooms.

It was then that Ferguson accosted Taylor and kept her from entering. Taylor responded that she wanted to observe the swearing-in. Taylor was instructed by Hyde to leave and was escorted from the location. Ferguson charged her with disorderly conduct.

According to Ferguson’s criminal complaint, Taylor made “coarse utterances, as well as addressing offensive language to (Cherokee Indian Police Department) officers and public in the hallway when refused entrance.” Ferguson said there were safety concerns surrounding Chief Sneed’s swearing in. “(It was) relating to a previous disturbance, which Taylor was instrumental in causing at the EBCI Council House just minutes prior.”

Taylor alleges that six weeks after that charge, she was charged with assault on an officer. She said Hyde denied writing the report and suggested mediation to dismiss the charge. She claims that she was never given the opportunity to mediate and that Eason, who was recused from prosecuting Taylor, had thwarted mediation efforts. An external prosecutor dismissed the assault charge.

The criminal charges filed against Taylor led to her suspension by Davis. Taylor was told that no decision on her employment would be made until her charges were resolved. On April 25, a jury found Taylor not guilty of disorderly conduct.

Davis also accused Taylor of not disclosing a DWI conviction prior to her obtaining employment, something she disputes. He also alleged that Taylor had inaccurate time sheet entries based upon surveillance footage, but according to Taylor, neither Davis nor Pheasant maintained a copy of that footage. Taylor was terminated based upon the pending criminal charges and alleged time sheet misrepresentations.

Davis, who left the attorney general post shortly after Chief Lambert’s impeachment, said he can’t comment on pending litigation and wasn’t going to “try this in the newspaper.” He did say in regard to
Tribe to consider changes to free press ordinance

JOSEPH MARTIN
ONE FEATHER STAFF

The use of anonymous sources in the Cherokee One Feather currently has no protection on the Qual-la Boundary. However, if an ordinance introduced to Tribal Council Aug. 2 passes and is ratified, that could change. Ordinance 293 (which can be viewed online at theonefeather.com in the Council Agenda tab for Aug. 2), introduced by Cherokee One Feather Editor Robert Jumper on behalf of the newspaper’s editorial board, seeks to strengthen the current free press laws and extend the ability to keep anonymous sources anonymous. It also proposes consequences for incidents of political pressure, which would be turned over to the tribal Office of Internal Audit and Ethics for an ethics violation investigation.

The use of anonymous sources in the media is generally resisted. It can present credibility concerns, and it puts the liability solely on the media outlet who makes the information public.

However, in most cases where an anonymous source is used, there will be accompanying documentation to verify what the source is alleging. One such example is the “Washington Post’s” coverage of President Nixon’s Watergate scandal, which relied heavily on an anonymous source.

The ordinance states, “The One Feather will always strive to identify sources of news articles unless such identification will adversely affect the source. The One Feather Editorial Board will decide when the use of anonymous sources will be allowed on a case-by-case basis. One Feather staff will not be subject to pressure or threats from political persons or entities to reveal anonymous sources.”

Other proposed changes are:
• Remove the requirement for all material “dealing with controversial subjects” to be submitted to the editorial board for approval prior to publication;
• Remove the director of Marketing and Public Relations, a division and position that no longer exists, as a member of the editorial board;
• Include positions appointed by the executive committee, Tribal Council and a staff member from the Office of the Attorney General to serve indefinitely only to be removed for cause by a vote from the remaining members of the editorial board.

“I think the Tribal Council and Executive Office know the importance of an unfettered press for our community, and I think they support it,” Jumper said. “News reporting, done right, is about ensuring the public is exposed to all the facts of history in the making with a minimum of spin. The changes we are requesting are to help us to report Cherokee news in an unbiased fashion and as free of political influence as possible.”

Last of three defendants sentenced for robbing Cherokee elder

ASHEVILLE – Kasey Lynn Keffer, 40, of Sylva, was sentenced on Thursday, Aug. 16 to 100 months in prison and three years of supervised release on robbery charges, announced Andrew Murray, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina. Keffer’s co-defendants, Mitchum Scott Turpin and Tillmon Gene Fortner, were previously sentenced to 120 and 78 months in prison, respectively, for their involvement in the robbery.

According to court documents and court proceedings, on Oct. 29, 2017, the three co-defendants met at Keffer’s residence in Sylva and discussed being short of money. Keffer identified the victim, a 72-year-old male and an EBCI tribal member, as someone who had money. Later the same day, Keffer drove Turpin and Fortner to the victim’s apartment, located within the Indian reservation in Cherokee.

Turpin, followed by Fortner, entered the victim’s apartment, where Turpin pointed a pistol at the victim and robbed him of $762. Turpin then ordered the victim into a closet. Keffer, Turpin, and Fortner fled the scene in Keffer’s vehicle and were apprehended shortly thereafter. Court records show that law enforcement later determined Turpin’s pistol to be a pellet gun.

All three defendants previously pleaded guilty to robbery charges. They are currently in custody and will be transferred to the custody of the federal Bureau of Prisons upon designation of a federal facility. All federal sentences are served without the possibility of parole.

In making today’s announcement, U.S. Attorney Murray thanked the Cherokee Indian Police Department for their investigation of the case and the Maggie Valley Police Department for their assistance. Chief Doug Pheasant, of the Cherokee Indian Police Department, joined U.S. Attorney Murray in making the announcement.

Special Assistant United States Attorney Justin Eason, of the U.S. Attorney’s Office in Asheville, prosecuted the case.

- Department of Justice
Cherokee One Feather/Na Tsalagi Soquo Ugidahli, week of Aug. 23-29, 2018

Principal Chief’s Report of Aug. 17

Principal Chief
Richard G. Sneed

Shiyo! I am happy to announce that I will begin updating tribal members every other week about activities I have been involved with. The past two weeks have been very busy, and I’d like to give you a few details.

I had the great honor of working with the community clubs to present book bags to our Cherokee youth. This year, we distributed book bags and school supplies to 768 youth at the Community Clubs. No child should have to worry about having what they need for school, and I am very proud to have helped these children start school with all the supplies they need to succeed this academic year. I also had the pleasure of welcoming students back to school at Cherokee central schools, the New Kituwha Academy, and a few local county schools. I presented these students with a bracelet and pencil as encouragement to start the school year off right. I want each student to Dream Big, and Work Hard!

Leaders within the Housing Division updated me on a few housing developments that are currently being constructed. The Housing program is working with Garanco to build 60 homes along Hwy 19 in the Painttown Community. These homes will be for rent through the Housing Division. Justin Wright Builders is constructing 4 units in the Fischer Branch community that will be for sale to enrolled members. At the outset of my term in office, I tasked the Housing Division with helping 100 families become homeowners before the end of my term. Halfway through their allotted time they have helped 57 families reach their dreams of homeownership. These two construction projects will help us reach our final goal.

I had the pleasure of visiting the Higher Education program in the height of their work to get students back to school for the Fall semester. They are serving approximately 470 students and are very busy helping these students navigate the processes involved with enrolling or re-enrolling in school. I am proud of the work these employees are doing for our youth. And I would like to thank them for their service. As many of you have heard, the road in the Rough Branch Community was deemed impassable for CCS school buses. I was very concerned with this revelation and held a community meeting at the Rough Branch Gym. Tribal representatives were able to update the progress on the construction of the road and the gym. I have tasked our tribal programs with working on solutions to the issues addressed, and we will follow up with this community with our plans for moving forward.

Finally, I met with NC Insurance Commissioner Mike Causey and NC Deputy Secretary of State Christy Agner. As Principal Chief I work to build relationships with State leaders to develop shared initiatives to benefit the EBCI and the region.

Taylor Wilnoty serves as the Executive Community Liaison. If my office be of service to you please reach out to Taylor at 828-359-7008.

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Tribe works to preserve voting precinct on tribal lands

Representatives of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians were able to preserve a Cherokee One-Stop Voting Precinct to be located at the Wofftown Gym for the 2018 mid-term elections.

North Carolina recently passed SB 325 and HB 335 changing the dates and times of one-stop voting. Citing this change in policy and the additional funds it would require, Jackson County Board of Elections considered not utilizing the One-Stop Voting Precinct previously located at the Wofftown Gym.

Anita Lossiah, a policy analyst with EBCI Legal, and EBCI Secretary of State Dennis “Bill” Taylor represented the Tribe’s interests at an Aug. 14 meeting of the Jackson County Board of Elections. Citing previous attendance numbers at all Jackson County One-Stop Voting precinct locations, these two representatives were able to convince the Board of Elections to retain the EBCI location for the 2018 mid-term election. The total number of voters that utilized the one-stop voting precinct in 2016 was 622 people for the general election and 72 people for the primary.

“The right to vote was not freely given to the Cherokee or any other tribe,” said Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed. “Our ancestors fought hard to secure this right. We finally won that fight by working with the federal government to pass the Indian Citizens Act in 1924. It is our responsibility to honor them by exercising this right to voice our preferences by voting in State and National elections. I thank Anita Lossiah and Bill Taylor for their work on behalf of the EBCI. I hope to see all of you at the polls this fall.”

The one-stop precinct located at the Wofftown Gym will be open on Wednesday, Oct. 17 and will remain open Monday - Friday 7am - 7 pm through Friday, Nov. 2 and will also be open Saturday, Nov. 3 8am - 1 pm.

Jackson County Board of Elections is looking for poll workers to provide coverage for the Wofftown precinct. Individuals interested in applying to be a poll worker can apply at www.surveymonkey.com/r/jcwpapplication, 586-7538 or email lisalovedahl@jacksonnc.org

- Office of the Principal Chief
Stephens to serve as BIA Tribal Realty Services director

The BIA Cherokee Agency has announced that Brandon Stephens, an EBCI tribal member, will serve as the director of Tribal Realty Services. He will be responsible for Tribal Realty Services, Tribal Surveying, and Geographic Information System (GIS).

Stephens previously served the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in several capacities most recently as the Deputy of Housing. Since 2012, he has served as the development director for United South and Eastern Tribes (USET). During his time at USET, he initiated a new economic development program and launched a new community development financial institution (CDFI) to serve USET members.

Brandon recently earned a Masters of Business Administration from the University of Tennessee-Knoxville and recently completed work on a Master of Public Administration at Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government.

“I am proud to serve my Tribal Nation in a role that will help continue building a very valuable program,” said Stephens. “Tribal Realty Services has some specific challenges that our team Tribal employees will work to address. Our mission is to provide an efficient flow of service to support accurate land transactions and collection of Tribal data that will empower our leadership to build a healthy community.”

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed commented, “I am proud of Brandon and his accomplishments. I am looking forward to working with Brandon and am excited to see what he does with Realty Services.”

- Office of the Principal Chief

Council approves help for Snowbird Fire Department

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

A volunteer fire department serving a tribal community could get some help in obtaining vital and updated equipment to fight fires. Tribal Council approved a resolution Aug. 2 to help the Snowbird Volunteer Fire Department obtain a new fire truck to use in carrying out its duties.

Tribal Council approved measures for the vice chief to carry out a lease-purchase agreement for a class A fire truck in 1988 for that fire department to use in service to the Snowbird community. The department received instead a used fire truck from the Cherokee Fire Department.

With new facilities in close proximity, a new rehabilitation center, a complex supporting numerous tribal programs, including a health clinic and recreation, Tribal Council Chairman Adam Wachacha, of Snowbird, and Snowbird-Cherokee County Rep. Bucky Brown, feel that a new fire truck is necessary for the department.

“The Robbinsville Fire Department has a response time of 30 – 40 minutes, or the Santeetlah Fire Department has a response time of over 45 minutes,” Rep. Brown and Chairman Wachacha’s resolution states. “The Snowbird Volunteer Fire Department is the closest. However, their fire truck is outdated.”

Rep. Brown said a new crew cab truck will allow better and faster response to the rehabilitation center, which is located up on a mountain. It would allow more crew to fit into a vehicle.

“We’re glad the tribe has passed it. It’s long overdue.”

Chairman Wachacha said they were trying to meet the needs of his community. “Even a volunteer fire department can serve the needs of the Tribe.”
## Tribal Court Report

### Judgment Summary for Aug. 8

**ALLISON, Lillian Elaine Brady**  
14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Dismissed after Investigation  
14-10.30 Robbery with a Dangerous Weapon – Dismissed after Investigation

**BIDDIX, Jonathan**  
14-30.3 Compulsory School Attendance – Guilty Plea, Prayer for Judgment Continued, no more unexcused absences

**BIRD, Amber Leigh**  
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Deferred prosecution for 12 months, 60 days active jail time – defer judgment 12 months under supervised probation, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment and follow all recommendations within 30 days  
14-5.4 Filing False Emergency Report – Dismissed on Plea

**BRADY, Cody Shay**  
20-28 Revoked License - Dismissed on Plea  
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14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Dismissed on Plea  
14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed on Plea  
20-28 Revoked License - Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Dismissed on Plea

**CAGLE, Sherry**  
20-28 Revoked License - Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Guilty Plea, 6 days jail time, credit for time served (6 days)  
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Dismissed on Plea

**ENSLEY, Brooke Lea**  
14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Dismissed, Voluntary

**EVANS, Jaelyn**  
14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear

**FRENCH-SMITH, Mary Theresa**  
14-40.30 Kidnapping - Dismissed on Plea  
14-40.50(a) Assault with a Deadly Weapon with Intent to Kill Inflicting Serious Injury - Dismissed on Plea  
14-40.59 Assault by Pointing a Gun - Dismissed on Plea  
14-34.11 Aggravated Weapons Offense – Guilty Plea, 8 months jail time suspended, 24 months supervised probation, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment, credit for time served (34 days), Substance Abuse Assessment recommendations, court costs: $190

**GARCIA, Julia Uribe**  
14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed with Leave to Refile, if find further information from Jackson County, then will possibly bring back  
14-60.4 Fraudulent Use of Credit, Debit, or Bank Card - Dismissed with Leave to Refile, if find further information from Jackson County, then will possibly bring back  
14-60.4 Fraudulent Use of Credit, Debit, or Bank Card - Dismissed with Leave to Refile, if find further information from Jackson County, then will possibly bring back

**GEORGE, Adrian Shane**  
14-70.17 Obstructing Justice – Dismissed after Investigation

**LEDFORD, Mary**  
14-30.3 Compulsory School Attendance – Guilty Plea, Prayer for Judgment Continued

**MCCOY, Leighann Rose**  
14-60.4 Fraudulent Use of Credit, Debit, or Bank Card - Dismissed

**SUTTON JR., John Theodore**  
14-2.2 Criminal Conspiracy - Dismissed on Plea  
14-40.16 Elder Abuse and Neglect - Dismissed on Plea  
14-10.60 Grand Larceny – Dismissed on Plea

**TAYLOR, Heather Lee**  
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea

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### CIPD Arrest Report for Aug. 6-13

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

**Wilnoty, Megan Dawn** – age 24  
Arrested: Aug. 6  
Released: Aug. 14  
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

**Crowe, Jessie Kathryn** – age 29
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You can also view the CIPD Arrest Report with photos online at theonefeather.com.
FOOTBALL

Blackhawks edge Braves in season opener

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

Cherokee and North Buncombe ended the game very even in the stat books and very close on the scoreboard, but the Blackhawks managed to edge it out on the latter. After making a first down on a key play with less than a minute left, North Buncombe (1-0) was able to run out the clock and secure a 24-21 win over the Braves (0-1) on a humid evening on Friday, Aug. 17 at Ray Kinsland Stadium.

The two teams had an almost dead-heat in several statistical areas including: total plays - Cherokee 68, N. Buncombe 64; first downs - Cherokee 16, N. Buncombe 16; third down efficiency - Cherokee 33 percent, N. Buncombe 33 percent; and penalties - Cherokee 7 for 79 yards, N. Buncombe 7 for 77 yards.

The Braves got on the board first scoring on their opening drive. At the 7:47 mark of the first, Bobby Crowe, Braves junior quarterback, hit Cade Mintz, junior wide receiver, on an 8-yard touchdown pass. Rocky Peebles added the extra point and Cherokee led 7-0.

On the night, Mintz caught 8 passes for 138 yards and 2 touchdowns and had an 82-yard kickoff return for a touchdown.

North Buncombe wasted no time answering that score as they drove down and scored on a 5-yard run by Christian King. Following a penalty, the follow-up extra point failed and Cherokee led 7-6 midway through the first.

Mintz scored his second of the night on a 65-yard pass from Crowe with about one minute left in the first. Peebles added the extra point and Cherokee took a 14-6 lead into the second quarter.

Several minutes later, North Buncombe’s Skylar Jutras ran 3 yards for a score. King ran for the two-point conversion to tie the game at 14-14 which is how the half would end.

SCORING: Cherokee’s Cade Mintz (#10) jumps into the end zone with two North Buncombe defenders closing in. On the night, Mintz caught 8 passes for 138 yards and 2 touchdowns and had an 82-yard kickoff return for a touchdown.

TACKLE: Cherokee’s Isaiah Evans (#5) and Blake Smith (#15) tackle North Buncombe’s Christian King.
Both teams were forced to punt on their first possessions of the third quarter. Then, midway through the quarter, North Buncombe took their first lead of the game as Josh Ramirez caught a 57-yard touchdown pass from King to make it 21-14.

Each team would punt once more in the quarter.

As the fourth quarter began, Cherokee drove deep into Blackhawks territory. But, their drive stalled and they turned the ball over on downs following an incomplete pass in the end zone.

North Buncombe took over and drove down the field and kicked a 32-yard field goal and took a 24-14 lead with just over three minutes left in the game.

The Braves weren’t done, and Mintz took the ensuing kickoff to the house on an 82-yard run to get Cherokee to within three points (24-21).

The Blackhawks got the ball back with 2:49 left and were able to convert on two key first downs to seal the game.

During the game, Cherokee alternated at the quarterback position between Crowe and Alex Ben, senior, who completed 6 of 9 passes for 60 yards. Isaiah Evans, Braves senior running back, had 17 carries for 79 yards.

The Blackhawks were led by King who completed 13 of 16 passes for 136 yards and 1 touchdown, and he ran 23 times for 133 yards and 1 touchdown.

Defensive statistics were unavailable for this game by press time. Cherokee is back at home on Friday, Aug. 24 at 7:30pm as they host Choctaw Central in the annual “Battle of the Nations” game.
ON THE SIDELINES

High quality H2O, stay hydrated

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

It’s football time again, and it hardly seems like the start to the season if I don’t watch Adam Sandler’s classic “The Waterboy” (SPOILER ALERT) For the eight of you in the country who haven’t seen the movie, it follows Bobby Boucher, from the bayou of Louisiana, who rises from waterboy to big-time college football hero.

One of the best lines from that movie is Bobby stating, “Now, that’s what I call high quality H2O.”

Bobby, who thinks his father died in the desert from dehydration, is obsessed with water and making sure that the players on the team he works with are properly hydrated.

As I was on the sidelines this past Friday, I really noticed the four waterboys working with this year’s Cherokee Braves varsity football team. Friday’s opening night game was a muggy one for sure. It wasn’t that terribly hot, but it was very humid - the perfect storm for dehydration and cramping athletes of which there were several.

Cherokee’s waterboys - Ray Jackson, Teddy Panther, Owen Bird, and Rupert Bird - ran onto the field during each break in the action to bring the players water. Hydration is their job, and they are doing it well.

Hydration in sports is very important. In an article on WebMD entitled “Drink up for sports and fitness”, Kathleen M. Zelman, MPH, RD, LD, writes, “Don’t rely on thirst alone to tell you how much you need to drink. To keep those muscles working and avoid fatigue; it’s extremely important to drink plenty of liquids before, during, and after the activity. A good guideline to use when preparing for an outdoor workout, whether it’s walking, running, biking, or tennis, is to drink about two cups of fluid two hours before the activity.”

She goes on to recommend drinking 4-6 ounces every 15-20 minutes to keep yourself well-hydrated.

Now, what to drink.

During “The Waterboy” movie, Bobby imagines Coach Klein saying “Gatorade not only quenches your thirst better, it tastes better too...” Bobby responds, “No. You people drinkin’ the wrong water.”

Well, Bobby has Harvard Medical School on his side.

In an article entitled “Trade sports drinks for water” on the Harvard Health Publishing blog, Patrick J. Skerrett, former executive editor of Harvard Health, states, “...drink when you are thirsty and don’t waste your money or calories on sports drinks - choose water instead.”

He goes on to say that sports drinks are laden with calories with some giving the equivalent of 10 teaspoons of sugar per bottle.

An August 2014 study by the University of California at Berkeley entitled “Looking Beyond the Marketing Claims of New Beverages: Health Risks of Consuming Sports Drinks, Energy Drinks, Fortified Waters and Other Flavored Beverages” states, “It appears that the marketing of fortified beverages as beneficial or health-enhancing is premature at best and deceptive at worst. All of the beverages discussed in this report - energy drinks, sports drinks, fruit drinks, flavored waters, and sweetened teas and coffees - supply natural and artificial ingredients in quantities that are not at this time proven safe and have not been shown to provide the benefits that are claimed for them.”

So, in conclusion, players, drink plenty of water to stay hydrated. Kudos to Cherokee’s waterboys. And, make sure to watch “The Waterboy” this week if you haven’t already. Trust me, it’ll put you in the football spirit.
Georgia man wins “life-changing money” at Harrah’s Cherokee WSOP event

“Yes! Yes! Life-changing money! Finally!”
This is what Adam Ross, the newly-crowned champion of the Harrah’s Cherokee WSOP Circuit Main Event, was shouting at the top of his lungs once the last card hit the felt on Tuesday, Aug. 14. In the final hand of the tournament, Ryan “The Janitor” Phan went all in, and Ross’ pair of twos were enough to take the win. He turned to his wife, who had been on the rail supporting him for the entire day, picked her up and celebrated.

“This is life-changing money,” said Ross. “I’ve had about 20 cashes but never a win. Never life-changing money. I can pay off my mortgage now.”

This stop marked the first of 28 series in the 2018/2019 World Series of Poker Circuit season. Ross wasn’t fully aware that along with his winnings, he will receive a free seat into next year’s Global Casino Championship. He says he is excited to compete with poker’s elite and will aim to win himself a bracelet to go with his shiny new ring.

The Main Event consisted of two flights with each player having the option to re-enter once per flight. By the end of the registration period there were 1,056 entries making up a prize pool worth $1,599,840 paying out 108 spots. Ross was the last player standing and pocketed $295,970 with the win.

Ross began Day 2 with 170,250 in chips and propelled this into a massive 1.8 million-chip stack, good for sixth place of the 21 players who moved on to Day 3. Throughout the final day, he battled the likes of WSOP bracelet winner Jesse Rockowitz (17th - $15,790), six-time Circuit winner Daniel Lowery (14th - $19,166), along with ring winners Bradley (Todd) Mercer (4th - $102,230), Andrew Kelsall (5th - $77,736), Charles Johnson (7th - $36,636), and Eyal Bensimhon (20th - $13,151).

Runner-up Phan is no stranger to the spotlight, and has a ring himself. He is also fresh off of an 11th place finish in the 2018 World Series of Poker $10,000 Main Event for his biggest career score of $725,000. At one point, Phan held more than a four-to-one chip lead but things started to go in Ross’ favor. Phan flopped two pair but Ross flopped a straight and doubled from there. The momentum shifted and the rest is history. Phan pocketed $182,990 for his deep run and is certainly nothing to sneeze at.

Ross says he plans on paying off his mortgage after this win. “I’ve been playing poker for a long time. I’ve had a $30,000 cash but never the life-changer. This is the pay-off-my-mortgage life-changer. I’m gonna continue to play a little poker, and continue to be a sales manager at my job. I think I’ll play in Vegas - the Main Event next year,” said a teary-eyed, emotional Ross.

**Official Final Table Results**
1st place: Adam Ross (Roswell, Ga.) - $295,970 + 2019 GCC Seat
2nd place: Ryan Phan - $182,990
3rd place: Raveesh Asnani (Marietta, Ga.) - $135,986
4th place: Bradley Mercer (Elon) - $102,230
5th place: Andrew Kelsall - $77,736
6th place: Matthew Ernst - $59,802
7th place: Tyler Payne (Fayetteville) - $46,539
8th place: Charles Johnson - $36,636
9th place: Justin Adams - $29,181

The WSOP Circuit hits the road and will return to Cherokee Nov. 22 – Dec. 3.

- WSOP.com

**POKER:** Adam Ross, of Roswell, Ga., won $295,970 at the recent World Series of Poker (WSOP) event at Harrah’s Cherokee Casino Resort.
Cherokee represented at Speed Week in Utah

Robert Jumper
One Feather Editor

Bonneville Salt Flats, Utah - Men have been testing their mettle and their metal in the form of iron horse racing since 1912 at the Bonneville Salt Flats. Speed Week is held Aug. 11-17 at the Flats and Cherokee is being represented by one of the members of the Cherokee Blue Ridge Run event team.

Jay Allen, the master of ceremonies for the 2017 Cherokee Blue Ridge Run, is running his 2000cc turbocharged bike named “Code Talker” on the Flats this week and is putting in a good showing for team Cherokee. He quickly set a class record of 218 mph on Tuesday, Aug. 14. The next day, he posted another record on another of his bikes, a stunning 189 mph. So, two records in the record books and he still has time to bring home another.

Allen promotes Cherokee as part of his relationship with the Cherokee Blue Ridge Run. He didn’t receive donations from the Cherokee organizations that he chose to promote via the artwork on his 2000cc “Code Talker”. He will return to Cherokee to “m.c.” the 2018 Cherokee Blue Ridge Run scheduled for Sept. 7-9. More information on the Run is available online at www.blueridgerun.com.
Cherokee Nation selects four to receive National Treasure distinction

Tahlequah, Okla. — Four Cherokee Nation citizens will receive the distinction of Cherokee National Treasure during the 66th Annual Cherokee National Holiday Awards Banquet later this month.

Cherokee National Treasure is an honor given by the tribe to individuals who are keeping the art, language and culture alive through their crafts and work.

Loretta Shade, of Hulbert; Troy Jackson, of Tahlequah; and Lisa Rutherford, of Park Hill, were selected as this year’s recipients as well as Annie Wildcat, of Tahlequah, who was selected to receive the award posthumously.

“The distinction of Cherokee National Treasure is an honor reserved for individuals who dedicate themselves to the preservation of Cherokee language, art and culture,” Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Bill John Baker said. “This year’s four recipients have truly set themselves apart for their commitment, and we are proud to recognize their lifelong efforts to educate the public about our Cherokee traditions. Their commitment to the conservation of Cherokee heritage will positively impact our future generations.”

Shade, widow of former Deputy Principal Chief Hast-ings Shade, was selected for her contributions to preserving the Cherokee language. As a first-language speaker, Shade dedicated more than 30 years of her career to teaching the Cherokee language and culture. Now, she is working to translate the Oklahoma Pass Objectives for the Cherokee Nation Immersion School, while also working to develop a variety of Cherokee teaching materials. Shade is a certified Cherokee language teacher by both the Cherokee Nation and the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokees.

Jackson received the distinction for clay pottery and sculpture. Jackson is a well-established artist that has received several awards for both clay and steel sculptures, including 17 grand prizes. “Best of Classification” and “Best of Division” from the Santa Fe Art Market. As a former instructor of art at the University of Arkansas, Northeastern State University and Bacone College, he has also dedicated much of his time to sharing his culture with others. Jackson is also well-known for his volunteerism and leadership in the artist community, serving as president of the Tahlequah Art Guild and the Cherokee Artists Association, and most recently serving on the advisory board for the Cherokee Art Center.

Rutherford was nominated for her contributions to Cherokee pottery. Rutherford shares her passion for 18th and early 19th century Cherokee art and history and originally created her traditional pottery from clay that she would dig, hand coil and pit fire. Her interest in history and art led to a career as a living history interpreter, which allows her to share her culture and art with hundreds of visitors per year at Hunter’s Home, formerly known as the George M. Murrell Home in Tahlequah. In addition to pottery, Rutherford also enjoys creating 18th century clothing and accessories including warp skirts, beadwork and historic feather capes.

Wildcat was posthumously recognized for her passion for traditional clay bead necklaces. Wildcat is a first-language Cherokee speaker who spent 23 years creating and sharing the art of traditional clay bead necklaces, jewelry and baskets. Throughout her life, Wildcat traveled to local schools and festivals where she promoted her art and culture, resulting in her necklaces selling across the country and world, including Sweden, South America, Germany, Australia, Canada and France. Wildcat also appeared in the award-winning documentary “Cherokee National Treasure” and had one of her clay bead necklaces featured on the cover of Oklahoma Magazine.

The Cherokee Nation will also honor tribal citizens and organizations that made significant contributions for statesmanship, patriotism, community leadership and devotion to the Cherokee Nation at the 66th Annual Cherokee National Holiday Awards Banquet. Award recipients will be recognized during the special ceremony held on Thursday, Aug. 30 and include:

Statesmen Award: Harley Terrell, Marilyn Vann, Lee Paden, John Sparks
Patriotism Award: Chyanne Smith, Dr. Ricky Robinson, Tom Stites
Community Leadership Award – Individual: Polly Teehee, David Benham, Sarah Holcomb, Diane Kelley, Becky Switzer, John Young, John Gritts
Community Leadership Award – Organization: Cherokee Indian Baptist Choir, Brushy Cherokee Community Center, Oakhill-Piney Community Organization, Mid-County Community Organization, Cherokee Citizens League of Southeast Texas, Jack and Betty Kingfisher Family
Samuel Worchester Award for devotion to Cherokee Nation: Dr. Bob Blackburn, Glenna Smith, Doug Evans, Governor David Walter

Anadisgoi, Cherokee Nation News
Cherokee Boys Club to hold Board election

Five Cherokee Boys Club member who are 18 years of age or older will be elected to serve on the Boys Club Board of Directors. As many as are nominated may run in the election, and the five receiving the highest number of votes will be elected. They will serve from Oct. 1, 2018 – Sept. 30, 2020. There is no limit to the number of times a Board member may serve as long as they are re-elected.

Following are the nominees for this year’s election: Beau Carroll, Tonya Carroll, Patty Grant-Edgemon, Cindi Foster Squirrel, Consie Girty, Cody Gloyne, Benny Graves, Hope Huskey, Alicia Jacobs, Sean Lawless, Donnie Owle, Greg Owle, Tara Reed-Cooper, Tiffani Reed, April Smith-Ross, Ashford Smith, Thomas Smith, Jay Thomasson, Rhonica Via, Tom Wahnetah, Becky Walker, and June Wolfe.

The election will be held on Thursday, Aug. 23 (fourth Thursday in August) in the Club lobby with the polls being open from 7am – 4pm. All voters must present a Club membership card. If they do not have a membership card, they may get a free card at the Club Information Desk. Any EBCI tribal member or a current or former employee of the Cherokee Boys Club is eligible for Club membership. Each member will be given one ballot and may vote for five Board members. If a ballot has over five names marked, the ballot will not be counted. The five candidates receiving the most votes will be named Board members. In the case two or more candidates tie for the number-five position, a run-off election will be held on Thursday, Sept. 6 between the tied candidates at the same time and place.

The Student Representative election will be held at Cherokee High School on a date to be approved by school officials. Nominations will be submitted from the Automotive Technology Vocational classes or Boys Club OJB summer youth trainees. Nominees must not be a senior. Student Representative ballots will be counted and certified by the Club Election Committee or their designated representatives.

A member of Tribal Council, appointed by the Council, serves as a member of the Club Board. The five Board members elected in the election, the student elected in the student election, and the two outside business people appointed by the Board must be approved by Tribal Council at Council’s September meeting.

The newly-elected Board will be on Friday, Sept. 7 at 8:30am and select two business people to serve on the Board and select from the Board itself a president, vice-president, secretary, and assistant secretary. The Board will select an Advisory Committee to serve a two-year term.

The previous Board and officers will continue to serve until Sept. 30, 2018. The new Board does not begin serving until Oct. 1, 2018. However, the new Board is given authority to act on the above-referenced actions. Any Board member who misses three consecutive meetings without calling the president and getting excused will be removed from office and replaced by a special election. The new Board will be installed and the outgoing Board will be recognized at a breakfast on Monday, Oct. 1.

-Cherokee Boys Club

“Cherokee custom, before the advent of the white man, was for the warriors to wear a single feather. The feather was a symbol of the warrior’s standing with the tribe, and was earned through a series of courageous acts or deeds. To be able to wear the feather a young warrior had to be battle-tested and approved in special ceremony. In search of an acceptable name for our news communication, we were unable to uncover a more suitable title than the Cherokee One Feather, noting its important symbolism in the Cherokee past.”

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Senior Citizens Heating Assistance applications

The EBCI Senior Citizens Program will begin accepting Heating Assistance Applications on Monday, Sept. 10. Applications will be available at Tsali Manor. If you are applying, bring a current bill and the last four digits of the Social Security number of the individual whose name is on the bill. Also, bring your EBCI enrollment card.

Info: Krisna Ashe, Tsali Manor social services supervisor, 359-6294
- EBCI Senior Citizens Program

Fall Sewing Club

The EBCI Cooperative Extension Program is hosting a Fall Sewing Club for youth ages 11 and up. All skill levels, beginners welcome.

Learn more about sewing, create fun projects, participate in a service activity. Meetings will be held from 5-8pm at the Extension Office on the following dates: Sept. 25, Oct. 23, Nov. 27, and Dec. 11. There will be an optional field trip on Oct. 27 to the Southeastern Animal Fiber Fair at the WNC Ag Center in Fletcher.

Info: Sally Dixon 359-6936 or srddixon@ncsu.edu
- EBCI Cooperative Extension

Enrollment deadline notice for new EBCI applicants

In order to be considered for the December 2018 per capita distribution, completed enrollment applications for new applicants for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians must be submitted to the EBCI Enrollment Office by Monday, Sept. 17 at 4:30pm. Enrollment applications received after this date and time will not be considered for the December 2018 distribution.

An application will only be considered complete with a county or state certified birth certificate, certified DNA results, and certification of all other Indian blood. To schedule an appointment at the local collection site, call Michelle Stiles 359-6463. Out-of-town applicants may contact Amber Harrison (918) 685-0478 to schedule an appointment in your area.

DNA testing must be collected by Thursday, Aug. 30 in order for the results to be in by Sept. 17. Any DNA collected after this date is not guaranteed to be returned by the deadline. Because of the extended amount of time in receiving a social security number for a newborn, an application will be considered complete without a social security card. However, an enrollment card will only be issued upon receipt of the social security card of a new enrollee.

Applications may be obtained from the EBCI Enrollment Office located at 808 Acquoni Rd. or at www.ebci.com.

Info: Enrollment Office 359-6469
- EBCI Enrollment Office

Cherokee Youth Council accepting new membership applications

The Cherokee Youth Council will be accepting applications for new membership through Aug. 31. Applicants must be an EBCI tribal member and in a grade 7-12 to qualify. For an application, please see the receptionist at the main entrance to the Cherokee Boys Club or visit: http://www.rkli.org/cherokee-youth-council/

Info: Ethan Clapsaddle 359-5543 or ethaclap@nc-cherokee.com
- Cherokee Youth Council

August message from the Cherokee WIC Program

It’s time to honor and/or treat yourself to your favorite sandwich for National Sandwich Month. The definition of a sandwich is two or more slices of bread with one or more layers of filling typically meat and/or cheese, and vegetables and of course the most tasty part the spread (I prefer mayo, who doesn’t?). You can always make healthier options such as whole wheat bread and/or a multigrain bread, lower sodium meat choices (turkey instead of ham, etc.), and of course more nutritious vegetables such as romaine and/or spinach instead of or with iceberg lettuce, and any other vegetables to add more nutrients (green peppers and cucumbers, etc.). To celebrate this month, go to one of your favorite places for lunch or dinner and get a sandwich! This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

- Cherokee WIC Program
In this tournament named after the Cherokees' home, anglers fish for tagged trout worth up to $5,000 in a $20,000 total purse. Entry fee is $11 everywhere Cherokee fishing permits are sold. All ages and fishing methods welcome. For registration details: VisitCherokeeNC.com or 828.359.6110.

Following are the winners in each age division of the 17th Annual Talking Trees Children’s Trout Derby held at the Oconaluftee Island Park on Saturday, Aug. 11:

3-5 year division
1st – Ervin Farmer, Cherokee
2nd – Jace Chavis, Pembroke
3rd – Porter Mandeville

6-7 year division
1st – Esabella Campbell, Williamson, SC
2nd – Ellyzabeth McLaury-Harris, Hickory
3rd – Mason Anderson, Bellmont

8-9 year division
1st – Cason McCoy, South Carolina
2nd – Brett Carden, Whitesburg, Tenn.
3rd – Trey Blankenship, Cherokee

10-11 year division
2nd – Eric Schmidt, Atlanta, Ga.
3rd – Alyssa Dill, Gastonia

WINNER: Ervin Farmer (above photo, left), of Cherokee, took first place in the 3-5 year old division at the 17th Annual Talking Trees Trout Derby held at the Oconaluftee Island Park on Saturday, Aug. 11.

BELOW: Little Miss Cherokee Araceli Martinez-Arch and Miss Cherokee Faith Long enjoy the event.
TAHELEQUAH, Okla. – The Cherokee National Historical Society announced the winners of the 23rd Annual Cherokee Homecoming Art Show at an awards reception on Friday, Aug. 10. Cherokee National Treasure Martha Berry was awarded the grand prize for her beaded bandolier bag titled “The Orange Monster’s Masquerade Ball.”

Berry has been recognized at the show many times throughout the years and this is her third time being honored with the Grand Prize.

“I am beyond humbled to receive this honor,” said Cherokee National Treasure Martha Berry. “While this piece was a little out of my comfort zone at first, it enabled me to address my concerns about the current political climate and its impact on Native people and the country as a whole. It also demonstrates the importance of utilizing ancient iconography in contemporary work to ensure that Native art remains timely, relevant and impactful.”

The premier Cherokee art show runs through Sept. 22 and features 92 pieces by 60 artists, divided into two divisions: traditional and contemporary.

The traditional division is defined as “arts originating before European contact” and consists of three categories: basketry, pottery and traditional arts.

The contemporary division is defined as “arts arising among the Cherokee after European contact” and consists of seven categories: paintings, sculpture, pottery, basketry, beadwork, jewelry and textiles.

“This show has become a staple to the Cherokee National Holiday and a wonderful way for us to showcase the incredible talent of Cherokee artists,” said Dr. Charles Gourd, executive director of the Cherokee Heritage Center. “There are so many wonderful things going on during our homecoming celebration but this is one event you truly can’t miss. These artists are what keeps our culture thriving and it is through their work that we continue to share our history, culture and traditions with the world.”

Artists competed for a share of more than $10,000 in prize money, sponsored by Cherokee Nation Businesses.

First-place winners in each category are as follows:

**Traditional Arts**: Phyllis Jimmeye, “Natural Grass Bag”

**Traditional Basketry**: Mike Dart, “Giggin’ Basket”

**Contemporary Pottery**: Troy Jackson, “Bird Effigy Pot”

**Contemporary Basketry**: Renee Hoover, “Newborn Love”

**Visual Arts**: Ron Mitchell, “Confrontation With The People”

**Sculpture**: Dan Corley, “The Greatest Identity Theft”

**Beadwork**: Carolyn Pallett, “Our Light Shines All Directions”

**Textiles**: Karen Berry, “Water is Life”

**Jewelry**: Toneh Chuleewah, “Tludatsi, Underground Panther”

Other special awards include the following: Emerging Artist Award - Brandy Brown, “Clans” and Betty Scraper Garner Cherokee Elder Artist Award - Tonia Hogner-Weavel, “Dearskin Suit”.

Bear Allison, an EBCI tribal member got second place in the Emerging Artist category for “Booger’s Courthouse”.

- Anadisgoi, Cherokee Nation News
OBITUARIES

Helen Mae Dorothy McCoy Smith

Helen Mae Dorothy McCoy Smith, 72, known as “Dorothy”, went home to be with the Lord on Aug. 14, 2018, with her loving family by her side at her sister Rosie’s home in the Birdtown Community.

She retired from the Cherokee School system.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her husband, Robert “Bob” Smith; her parents, Russell and Emmaline McCoy; one sister, Darlene McCoy; two brothers, Dean and Doug McCoy; and a niece, Deannah McCoy.

Dorothy is survived by one daughter, Bobbi Lynn Smith of Cherokee; one son, Travis Kent Smith; three grandsons, Zachary Alexander Smith, Kenton Rayce Smith, and Koen Dash Smith; one great grandson, Brantley Grey Smith; five brothers, Robert McCoy (Helen), Dan McCoy (Rosie), Johnny McCoy (Teresa), Eric McCoy (Wanda), and Joey McCoy; sisters, Rose McCoy, Juanita McCoy Matthews (Brian), and Kathie McCoy (Rich).

In addition, she had a very close and dear friend since the 7th grade, Duke Raby.

The funeral services were held on Thursday, Aug. 16 at the Long House Funeral Home in Cherokee. Pallbearers were family and friends.

Howard Pritchard Melton

Howard Pritchard Melton age 90, of Sylva, passed to his heavenly home on Tuesday, Aug. 14, 2018. He was a life-long resident of Jackson County. He was born March 23, 1928 to the late Claude and Beulah Hoxit Melton. Howard was married 62 years to his late wife, Violet Buchanan Melton. In addition to his wife, and parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Kelly and Wayne; two sisters, Louise Buchanan and Wanda Tallent; and one great granddaughter, Sydney.

Howard began his working career at Blackwood Lumber Company and later worked as a Wooderman at Mead Corporation where he retired in 1974. He later worked at Hennessee Lumber Company. He was a faithful member of Calvary Baptist Church. Howard loved gospel music and loved his church. He also loved his family and enjoyed spending time with them. He loved to work in the garden, to watch the humming birds, and to sit on the porch and smoke his pipe.

Surviving are Howard and Violet’s two children, Ronnie (Doris) Melton and Suzanne (Keith) Allison of Sylva; six grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; and one great great grandson.

The funeral services were held on Friday, Aug. 17 at the Western Carolina Funeral and Cremation Service. Grandsons Michael, Calvin, Jeremy, Jacob, Nathan, Lucas, and Jackson served as Pallbearers with Rev. Justin Hall, Rev. Avery Brown, and Rev. Eddie Stillwell officiating. Burial followed in the Old Savannah Baptist Church Cemetery.

Western Carolina Funeral & Cremation Service was entrusted with serving the family. Online condolences may be left by visiting www.westerncarolinafunerals.com

The Cherokee One Feather wants to be your voice and your source for information relevant to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and those who are interested in our culture, history, and lifestyle. We love sharing your opinions, views, and public service information. Please submit your letters, releases, and articles to Robert Jumper, One Feather Editor, at rjumper@nc-cherokee.com or bring them by our offices at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. To send them via snail mail, our address is PO Box 501, Cherokee, NC 28719. Happy writing!
A Cherokee Gardener’s Journal

Tomatoes

JODY BRADLEY LIPSCOMB

I am not sure there is anything better this time of year than a vine ripe tomato from your own garden. There is something special about walking outside and picking it off the vine and enjoying it. It may not be the perfect shape or the perfect color but it is something God and Mother Nature has had a hand in.

There are over 10,000 varieties of tomatoes. This includes heirlooms which usually means they have a story behind them and they require a bit more attention. My favorite is the unusually shaped, oh so tasty Cherokee Purple, and it’s not because of the name. I also love yellow tomatoes.

We did not raise Cherokee Purples when I was young. I remember Beefsteak and Better Boy. I remember picking tomatoes for my Mom and aunts to can tomato sauce. While picking tomatoes my cousins and I often had rotten tomato fights. I distinctly remember getting smacked in the face by a tomato. There is nothing much worse than a rotten tomato on your clothes and hair.

The best part about picking tomatoes was the pan of hot biscuits we had after the work was done. I still enjoy a hot biscuit with tomato. My other joy is a slice of commodity cheese and tomato on white bread. I have branched out in tomato dishes these days. I really like a Caprese salad. That’s a fancy way of saying tomato slices, mozzarella cheese, basil and balsamic vinegar. A friend from Mile High Campground made us a tomato pie. The pie was new to me but it was delicious. Another friend sliced a tomato thick, sprinkled mozzarella and parmesan cheese on it with a basil leaf and toasted it. There is a wide variety of recipes for a wide variety of tomatoes and depending on your preferences.

Start planning now for next year. When you find a tomato you like, save the seeds. Saving the seeds and starting them yourself ensures you get the plant you want again next year. Harvesting and storing seeds is easy. Consult your local internet or the extension. The sad thing about tomatoes is the season is short and winter tomatoes are bland and tasteless. That means enjoy them now. Eat up! You have a lot to choose from!
A year ago, Cherokee watched the frog swallow the sun.

TOTAL: The photo above shows a rare solar eclipse at totality last year on Monday, Aug. 21, 2017. Hundreds gathered for the Cherokee Cultural Eclipse Celebration at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds.

APPROACHING: The sun, with rays stretching out in various designs, is shown approaching totality.

GAZERS: Jalee Arch (left) and Josilyn Ledford watch as the eclipse edges toward totality.

VIEWING: Twins Heather Hussey and Andrea Hussey, from Asheboro, enjoy the eclipse as it nears totality.

WATCHING: Bo Taylor, a member of the Warriors of Anikituwah, views the early stages of solar eclipse.

FILTER: Russell Morgan, of Chevy Chase, Md., uses a special filter he made to view the progression of the solar eclipse through his binoculars.
If you are a veteran of the United States Armed Forces and your name is not listed on the granite memorial located in the Cherokee Veterans Park, or if you have a deceased family member who was a veteran and their name is not on the monument, contact the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143.

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A strong free press benefits us all

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The media’s relationship with elected officials, has at times, been a contentious one, but it’s undeniable a free press provides a valuable service to the public in a democracy. When the media is owned and funded by a government, whose elected officials make decisions on budgets, policy and staffing, as is the case with the One Feather, then that poses a challenge. However, the One Feather has a unique situation that “Stars and Stripes,” or “Pravda” do not. It has laws that guarantee a level of independence to provide those elected officials accountability to their constituents.

Over my 20 plus years in this business, I’ve developed some keen insight to the industry, both from the private side and government run. Both deal with censorship, but in different sources. While in the One Feather’s case it has come from tribal politicians and officials, in the private media, it comes from advertisers. And with increasing financial uncertainty in the business, losing advertisers is something they don’t take lightly.

The One Feather, like our Cherokee Nation colleagues at the Cherokee Phoenix, has a free press law to allow the independence to provide the public with a valued fourth estate, but like the Cherokee Nation law it has a flaw. For it to work, it depends on leadership who believes in it. That’s not always the case.

There is a proposal introduced before Tribal Council to amend the current Free Press Act with much needed changes, such as removing the non-existent director of a nonexistent division from the editorial board. But more importantly it proposes consequences for violations and allows the One Feather to make its own determinations whether to use anonymous sources.

The decision to use anonymous sources is one journalists don’t take lightly. The motives of someone wanting to conceal their identity are easily questionable. When using such sources, the liability falls on the media outlet, and it can be a major risk to credibility.

There are times when using such sources is necessary. The corruption of the Nixon administration was verified through an anonymous source, and likely the story wouldn’t have gotten out without it. If it’s newsworthy, particularly of value toward protecting democracy and holding public officials accountable to their constituents, and if there is no other way to verify than to keep a source anonymous, then there is a need to assure anonymity.

The Free Press Act hasn’t been perfect, but it has been a great tool to establish a precedence of honoring the rights of the media. The issues addressed in the latest amendment proposed don’t deal with all issues surrounding tribal government and its relationship with the press (access particularly), but it’s a much-needed start. Passing it would also be a far better example than what’s shown from a president who regularly demonizes and encourages hostility toward the press.

Finally, those of us working in the media aren’t the enemy. We’re your neighbors. Our kids go to school with your kids, play on your kids’ sports teams. We go to the same churches, and we’re your advocates. Without us, citizens would have no idea what their elected representatives and government officials are doing, good, bad or indifferent. The proposed changes to the Free Press Act are necessary. Let’s make them a reality.
LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Tribal member disagrees with contribution to football stadium

The recent decision made by Tribal Council to make a one-time contribution to Graham County Schools in the amount of $100,000 shows just how much further we have to go as a Tribe. The understanding is that a significant portion of this contribution, some $70,000, will go to improving the visitor bleachers at the football field as well as another $20,000 going towards a new PA system. While this act may seem charitable or well-intended, it displays a deliberate, neglectful, and utter disregard for the improvement of tribal youth’s futures. This begs the question of just how exactly are tribal children supposed to benefit from this contribution?

Placing sports in the same categorical need as education is ridiculously irresponsible and only adds to or inflates the ever growing issue of Native American children falling further behind other demographics in terms of academic achievement. Graham County could be best served with tribal dollars by actually investing it into tribal children, especially when presented with financial opportunities that aren’t usually available for the vast majority of school districts.

For years, sports have played a very big role in the culture of western North Carolina, but at what cost? Most North Carolina school districts still don’t receive the amount of funding they need to service more important activities like extracurricular academic programs, special needs programs, and advanced placement programs to name a few. All of these programs are designed to academically improve students and make them more college ready, something our tribe desperately needs now more than ever. And yet here we are, spending the dollars we do have on something such as this. Native American children are dramatically behind most other demographics, including black and most Hispanic populations, in terms of academic achievement and college graduation rates. This means that every financial contribution can have a negative or positive impact depending on what it’s used for.

And, if we start to invest our tribal dollars more wisely we can send a message to surrounding areas that the Tribe is not the neighborhood ATM.

And, while the public school districts of North Carolina can often overlook what monies should be used where, we should know better as a people; as a Tribe - one of the five civilized tribes that were held in such high regard by some of the first Europeans for how well we conducted ourselves and our government. Who knows, maybe we have lost some of our way in the midst of the financial whirlwind we have experienced over the past 20 some odd years. But, that doesn’t mean that we can’t get it back. That doesn’t mean that we can’t look to the future and how we can improve it. Improve our children’s lives and their children lives. But, it has to start somewhere.

Today, it starts with our leaders, Tribal Council. We must send a message to our tribal leaders that the future of our children is what’s most important. And, their futures are best preserved in an environment filled with academic opportunity. Education is the key to a fulfilled, happy, and sustainable life, one that can be built upon for future generations as well.

While a lot of us may think that in the grand scheme of things that $100,000 isn’t that much since the Tribe operates on a budget in the millions of dollars. But, it is. Every dollar will count. Every contribution, no matter how small, will matter either in a good way or not so good way. But, we have to stand for what’s best. No matter how difficult it may be.

Josh Holloway
Snowbird Community
COMMENTARY

Cherokee language has become a novelty

Shi-yo Ni-ga-da,

I t is the start of another school year. Every year, we send our kids to schools, private and public, to learn so they will be articulate and literate in this modern world. Every year, high schools graduate seniors and elementary schools welcome new fledglings. But, every year as kids begin their journeys to articulation and literacy; the Eastern Band of Cherokee sees a growth of inarticulate individuals and illiteracy in an area where it should not belong. The growth is among the very thing that makes us Cherokee and that is language.

To say the Cherokee are inarticulate or illiterate in their own language might seem strange to an outsider not well versed in our plight. Visitors flock to the Qualla Boundary in droves to gamble or catch a glimpse of “real” Indians. To distance ourselves from the early years of commercialized Indians, we showcase our knowledge of culture with shows, attractions and advertisements. The paramount feature to Cherokee uniqueness is the language itself. The Cherokee language litters our streets, signs, and buildings. It rides along with us on our cars, clothes and bodies. We showcase the language to outsiders so there is no mistaking us from other tribes.

“What is G-W-Y?” It is a question everyone in the Tribe will answer at some point. While the answers can vary like the fact the “G” more properly makes the “wa” sound rendering translation useless or the straightforward answer that it is not G-W-Y but Ts-la-gi meaning Cherokee in our language. The resounding notion is that all of our answers come off arrogant. We answer as someone who is an articulate and literate individual, even though we might know very little. So, we represent ourselves to outsiders as individuals who embody 200-ish of our tribal members but we can all agree, we answer the question.

Arrogance is one attribution of how the Tribe finds itself with 16,000 members and 99 percent of which being inarticulate and illiterate in Cherokee language. As a Tribe, we glorify the language only when that glorification can be seen. The Cherokee language in this modern world is used as amusement or as I see it, a novelty. Our language has become synonymous to that of Chinese knickknacks that pepper the windows of numerous generic gift shops. Much like the faux tomahawks the language has become cheap, inexpensive and only good for brief enjoyment.

This notion of course is denied by us, the Tribe. This denial, like arrogance, feeds the ignorance that our language is dying. With every dying speaker the Tribe will acknowledge the loss but in reality it is acknowledging the loss of an excuse. The most recurrent excuse being the belief that our speakers will always be around so there is no hysteria to learn the language right away. The importance of speakers is undervalued and will continue if we still believe there will not be a time when we have no speakers left. Until this time comes we will habitual sit in our growing denial.

Speakers are invaluable, but they are overly exploited and underutilized. How can this statement be true? Every week, month, and year we watch as our speakers disappear but what are we, the Tribe, doing? We continue to use them arbitrarily. They have become tribal Google: except you dial a home line instead of type into a search bar. Unfortunately, we do not call seeking ways to save language effectively. We call only when it comes to translations. It is for our political agenda, pageant speeches, tattoo ideas, or inappropriate words. We bombard them with meaningless task, but, as a Tribe we never ask the important question. Will you help us save our language?

They say children are our future, but who is responsible for our present? This problem continues to plague us as a Tribe. We do not strive for answers; we remain idling for someone else’s solution. During this time of waiting, we continue to deny ourselves learning the language out of embarrassment. It is embarrassment but also hatred as we discourage those who do. It could be outsiders, non-enrolled or even the enrolled who find the language fascinating to learn, but we provide resistance. We discourage them for being not “Cherokee” or if they are, we belittle and correct them on how to say words.

Learners will often find themselves the blunt of slang words, the most infamous being “Yuneg”. They endure all of this harassment stemming from a Tribe with very few actual speakers. So, the next time we want to correct someone on how our grandparents said things, how about we learn to say them too? The next time we want to use the slang word “Yuneg”, we should use it while looking at ourselves in a mirror. We are what we speak and “Yuneg” is all that is spoken here and that’s translation you will not have to call for.

Jakeli Swimmer
Snowbird Community

LETTER TO THE EDITOR
Couple enjoyed Fire Mountain Trail

I just want to say that my wife and I had a great time this past week in Cherokee, what a beautiful place! We really enjoyed riding our bikes on the Fire Mountain trail system. You do a wonderful job keeping those trails well maintained.

Thank you, for a great experience.

Rich and Kristine Bosselmann
Kailua-Kona, Hawaii
QHA PAYMENT METHOD CHANGE

NO MORE CASH PAYMENTS

As of Sept. 1, 2018, cash payments will no longer be accepted. For your convenience, QHA now has the capability of accepting your payment thru credit or debit card and will also continued to accept money orders or checks as well. Please do not hesitate to call if there are any further questions or concerns.

Regards,

Qualla Housing Authority

Payment Methods are changing for all residents who reside in our QHA Programs

We will no longer accept CASH payments

Effective September 1, 2018

Please make all checks payable to QUALLA HOUSING AUTHORITY along with the account holder’s number.

Seven Clans Rodeo

Cherokee, NC
September 1st - 2nd

Cherokee Expo Center - 1501 Acquoni Road

Sat. & Sun. Gates Open 6:00 p.m.
Rodeo starts at 8:00 p.m.

Ticket Information call 828-254-8681 or 828-417-2162.
Tickets available at Alan’s Jewelry & Pawn (Cherokee & Asheville) and Cherokee Welcome Center.
**Benefits/Fundraisers**

**“Personal Pizza” Fundraiser for CHS Cheerleaders.** Aug. 23 from 4-9pm at Wize Guys Grille. Proceeds will benefit the four CHS cheerleaders participating in the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade. 10” pizza (cheese or pepperoni) for $5 each. Info: Wize Guys Grill 497-2838

**Upcoming Turkey Shoots at the Jesse Welch Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community.** Aug. 25 at 5pm for Eddie Hill. Sept. 1 at 5pm for Big Cove Free Labor. Good prizes, good fun, good benefits. All are welcome.

**Maverick’s Tsalagi Sunshine 1st Annual Masquerade Ball.** Aug. 25 from 7 - 11pm at Chestnut Tree Inn. Single ticket: $25; couples ticket: $40. VIP ticket: $50. 21 and over only. Info: https://form.jotform.com/81634766143157

**Church and Religious Events**

**Raymond Jackson, Furman Wilson, and Emma Garrett Memorial Brush Arbor Gospel Singing.** Aug. 24-25 at 7pm nightly at the singing grounds past the Jacob Cornsil Community Center in Snowbird. Featured singers: Walking by Faith (NC), Welch Family (NC), Forgiven Quarter (NC), Vicki & Corbin (NC), Locust Family (NC), Joint Heirs (Tenn.), Isaac’s Well (NC), and Purkey Family (Tenn.). Everyone is welcome. Bring your own lawn chair.

**Open House at Saint Nicholas Orthodox Christian Church.** Aug. 25 at the church located at 23 Hickory Street in Murphy. Learn about the church that began in 33 AD. Divine Liturgy each Sunday at 10am followed by coffee hour. Info: James Blomeley (828) 361-1464, snocmurphy@gmail.com

**Cherokee Soul Revivers Christian Motorcycle Rally.** Aug. 31 – Sept. 1 at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Biker Down Lifted Up Motorcycle Ministry, a 501c(3) non-profit is hosting the event, and all proceeds will benefit the ministry which provides counseling and support to injured bikers and their families. This event features family fun, music, food, vendors, bike games, and a local ride. All motorcycle ministries, churches, clubs, and organizations are welcome. There will be a free pancake breakfast on Sunday. Featured preaching by Pastor Cotton Pate of Frontline Biker Church in Kershaw, SC; Scott Creasy, International Chaplain of Heaven’s Saints Motorcycle Ministry, and Pastor Tracy Smith from Ratcliffe Cove Baptist Church in Waynesville. Live music will be performed by bands Selfless Sunday, the Thad Coggins Band, Last Chance Band, and Tribe Called Praise. Admission fee for the weekend is $10 and children under 12 get in free. Info: www.bikerdownliftedupwnc.com
Annual Men’s Bible Conference. Sept. 28-29 at Camp Living Water in Bryson City. $40 per person. Info: 488-6012 or director@CampLivingWater.com

Cultural Events
Sequoyah Birthplace Great Island Festival. Sept. 8-9 from 10am – 5pm daily at the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. Native American food; Cherokee arts and crafts demonstrations, music, and dance; Cherokee lifeways in 1700s; Civil War encampment and battle re-enactment at 2pm; meet and greet tribal royalty; Bird of Prey program hosted by Tennessee State Parks; adult blowgun competition and children’s blowgun shooting; and more. Tickets: $10 for adults, $5 for teens 13-18, and children 12 and under are free. Info: Sequoyah Birthplace Museum (423) 884-6246

Language, culture presentation by Garfield Long Jr. Sept. 11 at 5:30pm at Museum of the Cherokee Indian Ken Blankenship Education Wing multi-purpose room. “Changing Landscape: Language and culture among EBCI, yesterday and today” will be presented as a free event. Info: Dawn Arneach 554-0489, dawn.arneach@cherokeemuseum.org

General Events
Wolftown Community events
- Ribbon-cutting ceremony for new Wolftown Community Building. Aug. 23 at 6pm. This is sponsored by the Wolftown Community Club and the Offices of the Principal Chief and Vice Chief. Everyone is invited.
- Wolftown Community monthly meeting. Sept. 4 at 5:30pm at Wolftown Community Building. The Cherokee Indian Fair and fundraisers will be discussed. Ideas and suggestions are sought.

Kananesgi Fashion Show. Aug. 25 from 5-8pm at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center Lobby. Traditional and Contemporary Cherokee Designs. Info: Hope Huskey 359-5005, Tara McCoy 359-5542, or Tonya Carroll 359-5545

GOP Cookout/Candidate Meet & Greet for Graham County residents. Aug. 25 at 6pm at Little Snowbird Playground at 1897 Little Snowbird Road in Robbinsville. All food will be provided. Info: Steve Odom (828) 735-3881 or Carolyn Stewart 479-7971

Qualla Boundary Historical Society meeting. Aug. 28 at 6pm in the Ken Blankenship Education Wing of the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Dr. Brett H. Riggs, Sequoyah Distinguished Professor of Cherokee Studies at Western Carolina University, will give a presentation entitled, “How The Standing Wolf Outsmarted Andrew Jackson.” In 1853, a Raleigh newspaper ran a story that detailed the escape of The Standing Wolf and his family from the Cherokee Removal of 1838. Their journey reveals some of the strategies that Eastern Cherokee families used to stay in their beloved homelands. Newspapers and journals around the country picked up the story, and the 82-year-old Standing Wolf, still at home in Wolftown, became the most famous Eastern Cherokee in America. Info: Robin Swayne 554-0477

Free Swing and Line Dance lessons. Thursday Sept. 6, 13, 20; and Tuesday, Sept. 25 at 5:30pm at Yellowhill Activity Center. Lessons – Line Dance at 5:30pm and Couples Swing afterwards at 6:15pm. Lessons will conclude with a dance featuring the Will Hayes Band live on Saturday, Sept. 29 at 7pm. All ages are welcome and no dance experience is required. Info: 788-0502

WCU’s Outdoor Economy Conference. Oct. 5 from 8am – 5:30pm at WCU’s A.K. Hinds University Center. Western North Carolina’s flourishing outdoor industry will be the focus of a conference at Western Carolina University that will bring together area business owners, entrepreneurs, service providers and industry leadership to discuss topics such as product development, workforce development, marketing, financing and stewardship of natural resources. Early registration for the conference is available for a reduced cost of $99 through Friday, Aug. 31, and registration is $159 thereafter. Students can attend the conference for $39. Info: www.outdoor.wcu.edu or contact Arthur Salido, WCU’s executive director of community and economic engagement and innovations, (828) 227-2587 or salido@wcu.edu.

Health and Sports Events
Archery at Big Y Gym. Each Tuesday at 6pm. All shooters are welcome. Deino and Allen, both certified instructors, will be assisting.

Good Health Seminar – “Can You Trust Your Gut: A beginner’s guide to gut health and diet”. Aug. 27 with two sessions (2pm and 5pm). Jessie Bassett, RD, will discuss gut health and share her personal journey to healing her gut. Info: Tammy Jackson, EBCI Cooperative Extension Center community development assistant, 359-6934

Seven Clans Rodeo. Sept. 1-2 at Acquoni Indian Expo Center. Gates open at 6pm and rodeo starts at 8pm nightly. Tickets are available at Alan’s Jewelry & Pawn (Cherokee and Asheville) and the Cherokee Welcome Center. Info: (828) 254-8681 or 417-2162

Analenisgi Focus Group. Sept. 5 at 5pm at Cherokee Indian Hospital cafeteria. Have you had experience using services at Analenisgi? They want to hear from you. Space is limited. RSVP to Sheyahshe Littledave 497-9163 ext. 6207

Fireside Circle Fall Gathering Campout. Sept. 6-9 at Yogi in the Smokies Campground in Cherokee. NA, AA, Al-anon speakers, talking circles, meetings, sobriety pow wow, and sobriety countdown. Bring chairs, camping gear, warm clothes, blankets, and your pow wow outfits. Info: Herb (828) 506-8563 or firesidecircle@yahoo.com

9th Annual Rooted in the Mountains Symposium. Sept. 27-28 at WCU in the Blue Ridge conference room. This year, Western Carolina University’s Culturally Based Native Health Program has collaborated with the Native Controlling Hypertension and Risk through Technology and the American Indian and Alaska Native Diabetes Translation Research Southeast Satellite Center. Together, they will bring together an
interesting group of local, regional, and national speakers to discuss theme-related topics. Registration is $75.00, with students and tribal elders admitted free. Info: Pam Myers (828) 227-2893 or pjmyers@wcu.edu, or visit www.rootedinthemountains.com

WCU Catamount EBCI Appreciation Day. Oct. 13 at 3:30pm (kick-off) at EJ Whitmire Stadium. Food and fun available for all EBCI Western Carolina University alumni at the Gate 6 Hospitality Tent beginning at 1pm. Pre-game traditional Cherokee stickball across the river on the Intramural Field at 2pm – game by the Kolyanv Indian Ball Family. $10 tickets for the event; tribal discount tickets only available at the WCU Cherokee Center until Oct. 11 at 4pm. Info: Sky Sampson 497-7920, snsampson@wcu.edu

Upcoming Pow Wows for Aug. 24-26
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.


2nd Annual Redhawk’s Gathering of Nations King City Pow Wow. Aug. 24-26 in King City, NC. MC: Joey Crutchfield. Host Northern Drum: Kau-Ta-Noh Jrs. Host Southern Drum: Smokey River. Info: Patrick Suarez (336) 416-4913, crazy_elk06@yahoo.com, or Lance Redhawk (336) 608-7192

Frog Lake First Nations Pow Wow. Aug. 24-26 in Elk Point, Alberta, Canada. Info: Herbie Stanley (780) 646-2849, burmax@live.ca

25th Annual Potawatomi Trails Traditional Pow Wow. Aug. 25-26 at Shiloh Park in Zion, Ill. Info: Bill Brown (847) 746-5797, wlb99@att.net

32nd Annual Three Fires Homecoming Pow Wow and Traditional Gathering. Aug. 25-26 at New Credit Indian Reserve in Hagersville, Ontario, Canada. Info: (905) 768-3067, info@newcreditcc.ca


Rama Pow Wow. Aug. 25-26 at John Snake Memorial Multi-purpose Grounds in Rama First Nation, Ontario, Canada. Emcees: Vince Beyl, Allan Manitowabi. Info: Lee Benson (705) 325-3611, leeb@ramafirstnation.ca


Adamstown Intertribal Pow Wow. Aug. 25-26 at Adamstown Rod and Gun Club in Reinholds, Penn. Invited Drums: Eagle Thunder, Otter Creek, Itchy Dog. Info: Keith (717) 940-8048 or Mark (484) 941-1317

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: Stephan Watty. Vice Chairman: Kallup McCoy. Treasurer: Deb Slee. Secretary: Sasha Watty. The community building is 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 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

Wolftown Community Club meets the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30pm at the Wolftown Community Club Building. Info: Tuff Jackson, chairman, 788-4088

Yellowhill Community Club meets the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30pm at the Yellowhill Activity Center unless it’s a holiday. Info: Bo Lossiah 508-1781, Lloyd Arneach 269-6498, Reuben Teesatuskie (building rental) 497-2043

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.

Constitution Committee meets on Monday from 6 -8 pm at the Shawn Blanton EOC Building in the IT Conference room. All are welcome to attend. Info: Lloyd Arneach 269-6498, Bo Lossiah 508-1781

Support Groups

Cherokee Living Well and 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.

Living Well with Diabetes: A Cherokee Diabetes Support Group. This group, for all persons with diabetes, meets the first Tuesday of each month from 4:30 – 5:30 pm in the Cherokee Indian Hospital cafeteria. Family and friends are invited as well. Info: Nilofer Couture, CDE, RD, 497-9163 ext. 6459, 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 conference room.

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly schedule Monday: Finding Tohi: 10 - 11am Cherokee Culture: 11am - 12:30pm Step by Step: 1:30 - 2:30pm The 12 Steps of Yoga (located at Cherokee Choices): 2:30 - 4pm Recovery Support: 4:30 - 6pm Tuesday: Emotions: 9 - 11am Employment Skills: 11am - 12pm Life Recovery: 3 - 4pm Wednesday: Wrap: 9 - 10am Wild Wednesday: 10am - 12pm Healthy Boundaries: 1 - 2pm Native Plants: 2 - 3:30pm Staff Meetings: 3:30 - 4:30pm Two Spirit: 4:30 - 6pm Peacemaking Support Circle: 5 - 6pm Thursday: Life Recovery: 8:30 - 9:30am Connections: 11am - 12pm Creative Writing: 1 - 3pm

Mentoring Men: 3 - 4pm Friday: Wrap: 9 - 10am Creative Recovery: 9:30am - 12pm Fit for Recovery: 12:45 - 2:15pm Cherokee Language & Culture: 2:30 - 4pm

All classes are open to clients of Analenisgi. The only classes that are open to the public are: Life Recovery, Recovery Support, Two Spirit and Peacemaking Support Circle. Info: 497-6892.

CIHA Bariatric Support Groups meet every second Tuesday of the month at Snowbird Library from 11am – 12pm (Chrystal Frank) and every second Thursday of the month at Cherokee Indian Hospital from 12-1pm in the Soco Gap Training Room and from 4:30 – 5:30pm in the Spray Knob Conference Room. Groups are led by registered dietitians. Info: CIHA Nutrition Dept. – Nilofer Couture 497-9163 ext. 6459, Linda Johnson ext. 6317, Chrystal Frank ext. 6806, or Jean Walborn ext. 7569

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 M - F 10am – 2pm and provides counseling and support services to cancer patients that may include supplies, travel, and meals. Info: 497-0788

Cherokee Alzheimer’s Support Group meets the first Tuesday of every month at 5:30 – 6:30pm at Tsali Manor. This group is presented by The Alzheimer’s Association Western Carolina Chapter. Info: 359-0788
FOR RENT
2BR, 1 bath mobile home. Quiet park in Ela, no pets. References/background check required. $450/month, $450/deposit. 488-8752. UFN

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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 16 acres, the campground consists of 11 cabins, 11 bunkhouses, and 33 campsites, including 23 FHU sites. Serious inquiries call 828-736-2537 for an appointment.

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YARD SALES
Yard Sale - BJ Consignments, ½ price sale throughout the store, except new items. Clothing for the entire family. Prom dresses on sale for $20, some with original tags. Located at 1410 Main St. Andrews, NC. 8/30

Garage Sale - Galbraith Cr. Rd., on old 19 towards Bryson City, rain or shine. Lots of old albums, lamps, vintage and antique things, household items, etc. 10/4

Outdoor/Indoor Gloyne/Wachacha Family Flea Market. Friday, Aug. 24 and Saturday, Aug. 25. rain or shine, former Episcopal Church Parsonage (Intersection behind Cherokee Baptist Church & Econolodge), 80 Old River Road, Cherokee, 9am-2pm, clothes of all sizes, some furniture, piano, household items.

BUYING
Buying Wild Ginseng from 2:00 -4:00pm, every Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday at Jackson Grocery Starting Sept. 1. Also buying Star Grub Root. Call Ricky Teem (828) 371-1802 or (828) 524-7748 10/10

Churches and Other Non-profit Organizations

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Call us at 359-6261 or email scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com.
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Watauga County Recreation Center

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The Harper Corporation has been selected as the Construction Manager of Record by Watauga County and is seeking to pre-qualify construction trade and specialty contractors to submit bids to include furnishing labor, materials, equipment and tools for the Watauga County Recreation Center project in Boone, NC.

Bid Packages:
1a Cleaning 9p Painting, Staining, High Performance Coating, Blast Masonry Coating
1b Unit Masonry Above Grade 10a Signage
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Additional packages may be added and/or deleted at the discretion of the Construction Manager.

Historically underutilized business participation is highly encouraged. If a MBE firm requests assurance with cash flow needs, The Harper Corporation will work with the Subcontractor, or Vendor to arrange payment on a bi-weekly basis through a surety check arrangement.

Interested contractors should submit their completed prequalification submittals by September 14, 2018, to Aaron Evans at The Harper Corporation. aerans@harpercp.com. Copies can be mailed if necessary to 35 west Court Street, Suite 100, Greenville, SC, 29611.

On August 23, 2018 at 10:00 EST, The Harper Corporation is seeking interested subcontractors to come to the Watauga County Administration building @ 814 West King Street Suite 205, Boone, NC 28607. There will be a brief presentation about the project and information regarding prequalification as well as tentative project schedule.

Prequalification forms can be obtained from our site online or by contacting Aaron Evans, aerans@harpercp.com or call 828-524-7748.

Please note that Plans will not be issued to any contractor until prequalification form is submitted and approved by The Harper Corporation. Bid date is October 2018.

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Director of Managed Care
EVS Specialist
HR Data Coordinator - Emergency Hire
Residential Tech – Snowbird Residential Treatment Center
Emergency Hire Residential Tech – Snowbird Residential Treatment Center
Certified Nursing Assistant – Tsali Care (12 Positions)
CNA Medication Aide – Tsali Care Center (2 Positions)
RN – Tsali Care Center (2 Positions)
RN Supervisor – Tsali Care Center
Driver/Medication Aide – Tsali Care Center
Ward Clerk – Tsali Care Center (3 Positions)
Housekeeper I – Tsali Care Center
Assistant Housekeeping Supervisor – Tsali Care Center
Cook – Tsali Care Center
Cook Aide – Tsali Care Center (2 Positions)
Cook Supervisor – Tsali Care Center
Social Worker – Tsali Care Center

To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions are open until filled. Indian preference does apply.

LEGAL NOTICES

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:
CNA Clerk – In Patient
CNA – In Patient
PTI RN – Emergency Room

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 August 23, 2018 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply.

FT Administrative Assistant Needed

Individual with friendly outgoing personality needed to greet visitors and answer office phones. Must have strong clerical skills using Microsoft Office Suite, Word, Excel, Publisher, email, and other database entry. Good communication skills, oral and written, ability to work under pressure in a fast-paced non-profit organization. Must be accurate, dependable, and organized to meet specified time frames. Experience in an office environment a must. People with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Applications available at DisAbility Partners, 525 Mineral Springs Drive, Sylva. You can also apply through the Employment Security Commission and at www.DisabilityPartners.org.

CNA Medication Aide

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 August 30, 2018 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply.

Notice of Service of process by publication

Cherokee Tribal Courts, Cherokee NC.

QUAL LA HOUSING AUTHORITY VS.
Joe Jumper (CV-18-380)
Kurie McGuire (CV-18-380)
Dara Wolfe (CV18-380)
Jordan Panther (CV-18-380)

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:

Complaint for Summary Ejectment

You are required to make defense to such pleading no later than the 10th day of September, 2018 and upon your failure to do so, the Party (Qualla Housing Authority) seeking service against you, will apply to the Court for the relief sought. This the 24th day of July, 2018. /S/ Sybil Mann, (N.C. Bar # 16729), Attorney for Petitioner EBCI Family Safety Program, PO Box 666, Cherokee, North Carolina 28719 (828) 359-1559.

In the Matter of the Estate of William Russell Locust

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

Serena Locust, 2207 Greenery Lane T#3, Silver Springs, MD 20906.

Notice of Service of process by publication

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File No. EST 18-056

Legal Notice

DISPOSITION. You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than October 1, 2018, in the Cherokee Tribal Court and upon your failure to do so, the Petitioner, EBCI PHHS Department of Human Services Family Safety Program, seeking service against you, will apply to the Court for the relief sought. This the 30th day of July 2018. /S/ Sybil Mann, (N.C. Bar # 16729), Attorney for Petitioner EBCI Family Safety Program, PO Box 666, Cherokee, North Carolina 28719 (828) 359-1559.

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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 MODIFICATION OF CHILD CUSTODY. You are required to make defense to this pleading not later than September 18, 2018, said date being 40 days from the first date of this publication, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This is the 8th day of August 2018.
Tim Lewis, Attorney for Intervenor, Gail Wachacha
EBCI Legal Assistance Office, PO Box 2280, Cherokee, NC 28719, 828.359.7400

N.C.G.S._1A-1, Rule 4(j1).

EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS
The Cherokee Court
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File Nos.: EST 13-075;
EST 13-078; EST 13-074;
EST 13-073

In the Matter of the Estates of:
James Edward Bigmeat II,
(d. 8-09-2013);
Lawanda Davis Jackson,
(d. 10-02-2013);
Dempsey Jumper, Sr.,
(d. 10-05-2013);
Rose Mac Taylor Salazar,
(d. 10-01-2013)

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
September 13, 2018 at 1:30 PM

EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS
The Cherokee Court
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 18-059

In the Matter of the Estate of
Henry Wyman Huskey

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

Arlene Huskey, 33 Katie Davis Road, P.O. Box 1774, Cherokee, NC 28719.

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

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 Indian Reservation (Swain, Jackson, Graham, and Cherokee Counties).

QHA bid packages include:
• Lawn Care Services
• Portable Toilet Services
• Fire Extinguisher Services
• Fire Sprinkler Monitoring/Maintenance
• HVAC Installation
• HVAC Preventative Maintenance
• HVAC On-Call Services
• Pest Control Services
• Propane Gas Services

Bid packages can be picked up at the Qualla Housing Authority Warehouse located at 2234 Old Mission Road. All bids/proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope. The deadline for submissions is 4:00 p.m. on September 3, 2018. Proposals received after this time and date will be rejected.

Request for Proposals

The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks competitive proposals for a Guardian ad Litem Attorney Advocate. This GAL Attorney Advocate will assure the protection of a child’s legal rights by taking all action necessary to zealously represent the child’s best interest. 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

Proposals may be submitted at any time, but those received on or before August 31, 2018 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.

Request for Proposals

The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks competitive proposals for a Mediator to mediate cases assigned to them by the Court, including criminal, civil, and juvenile cases. 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

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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

Proposals may be submitted at any time, but those received on or before August 31, 2018 will receive priority over later submissions.

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**Request for Proposals**

The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks competitive proposals for licensed attorneys to represent enrolled members in civil legal matters on a contractual basis.

The EBCI Legal Assistance Office needs to refer clients that cannot be represented by that office due to a conflict of interest to outside counsel for representation.

Qualifications include:
1. Applicant must be admitted to practice in the Cherokee Court of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.
2. Applicant must provide diligent, professional representation to clients.
3. Applicant should have experience representing clients in custody cases before the Cherokee Court.
4. Applicant must be responsive to clients and bill accurately.

Interested individuals should submit a brief letter proposal including the following information:
- Name and contact information
- Relevant education and experience in this type of work
- Proposed contract terms, including cost to the EBCI
- Professional references

Proposals may be submitted at any time, but those received on or before September 17th will receive priority over later submissions.

Please email proposals to Bonnie Claxton, Manager of the EBCI Legal Assistance Office, bonnclax@nc-cherokee.com.

This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract.

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians reserves the right to decline any proposals received. **9/13pd**
CHEROKEE VETERANS:
We want to share your stories.

The Cherokee One Feather would like to help you tell your stories through a column we call the “Veterans’ Corner”. If you or your family members would like to help you tell the Cherokee community what it was like for you while serving your community and nation, or what it has been like being a veteran, we would like to give you a forum to share your memories with the readers of the Cherokee One Feather. You don’t have to be a writer. If you prefer to set up an appointment with our staff to share your moments, we will document, write, and publish your thoughts. You may send written stories to robjump@nc-cherokee.com and/or call 828-359-6482 to schedule a time for us to interview you. You may also stop by the One Feather offices at the Ginger Lynn Welch Building in Cherokee.

Thank you for your service and love for your community.

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The 2018 Cherokee One Feather
Spooky Story Contest

Timeframe: August 10, 2018 to September 28 at 12:00 pm
Categories: Adult, Middle & High School, and Elementary School

General rules:
No employee of the Cherokee One Feather, member of the Cherokee One Feather Editorial Board, or their immediate families are eligible to submit for this contest. The One Feather staff will check the submissions for plagiarism and will disqualify any submission found to have been copied from another source or to contain language inappropriate for the readership. The decisions of the staff and board are final. Stories may be submitted in hard copy to the Editor’s office at the Ginger Lynn Welch Building, Suite 149, mailed to the Cherokee One Feather Editor, Post Office Box 501, Cherokee, NC 28719 or emailed to robejump@nc-cherokee.com. Entries will be judged by a panel of at least three judges not affiliated with the One Feather or Editorial Board. All entries must have the name of the author, category, mailing address, contact phone number and email address attached. All entries must be received by noon on September 28, 2018. Any submission may be featured in future editions of the Cherokee One Feather.

Adult rules: In addition to general rules above, no publicly published Cherokee legends may be submitted. Creatures or persons mentioned in Cherokee legends with an original story will be accepted. Personal or family paranormal, supernatural or unexplained experiences are acceptable. Submission word limit is 600 words. One submission only per person will be accepted for judging. The One Feather will not correct grammar and may disqualify a submission with spelling and grammar errors.

High School/Middle School, and Elementary School rules: In addition to the general rules above, stories may use characters from Cherokee legends but may not duplicate any publicly published legend. Submission word limit is 300 words. School submissions should include the name of the author, name of the teacher, grade, and school. All entries under the age of 18 must have contact information for a parent or guardian and winner’s checks will be issued to the parent or guardian at the end of the contest One submission per person will be accepted for judging. The One Feather will not correct grammar and may disqualify a submission with spelling and grammar errors.

Contact us with any questions or comments and good luck!
RETAIL SPACE AVAILABLE

Harrah’s Cherokee Casino Resort
Request for Proposal

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

Harrah’s Cherokee Casino Resort is a large casino gaming and hotel resort. The resort has been in operation for approximately twenty years and has enjoyed financial success and continuous growth throughout this period.

The facility offers casino gaming in the form of approximately 3,800 slot machines and over 150 table games. The hotel operation offers 1,108 rooms comprised of typical rooms and suites. The food and beverage operation consists of multiple F&B outlets including internal brands such as Sisu Garden Café, the Noodle Bar and Lobby Café. A food court offers franchise brands including Uno’s Pizza, Johnny Rockets, Earl of Sandwich, and Dunkin Donuts. Branded restaurant partners include Ruth’s Chris Steakhouse and Brio Tuscan Grille. Spa services are provided in partnership with Mandara Spa. The 3,000-seat Event Center offers a variety of shows and events. Approximately 16,000 square feet of meeting space is available to group/convention clients. Parking is available in a single large surface lot or in two multi-level parking garages.

The Resort is located on the lands of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, a federally recognized tribe. Tribal Law as stated in the Cherokee Code of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians applies to this lease. Other ordinances, resolutions, tribal polices and regulations may also apply. Tribal, state and federal environmental laws, rules and regulations may also apply to this project. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has adopted the North Carolina and International Building Codes.

The Tribal Casino Gaming Enterprise (“TCGE”) of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (“Tribe”) is seeking proposals to lease retail space at Harrah’s Cherokee Casino Resort.

LEASE SPACE DESCRIPTION

Location of space: Second floor between Brio Tuscan Grille and across from the Sequoyah National Golf Shop, currently the Sweet Stop shop. A floor plan of the space is available upon request.

Current Infrastructure: Small kitchen area with sink and electrical.

Modifications: Any construction, changes to interior and store concept must be presented to the General Manager and TCGE Board for approval prior to starting lease term. Conceptual design and construction plan will need to be approved by the property and TCGE Board.

Tenant will be responsible for remittance of Tribal Levy and obtaining business license and/or other permits that must be obtained prior to starting operation including a Tribal Gaming License.

Tenant’s operation will be independent of the Casino. Upon request, a tour of the facility can be scheduled.

PROPOSAL DELIVERY

Proposals should be returned by September 1, 2018, either electronically or by mail. Proposals must include:

- Business to be conducted
- Hours of Operation
- Timeline for opening
- Lease Terms requested – 1 year minimum
- Proposed property modifications
- Proposals should be sent to:
  - Adele Madden
  - Harrah’s Cherokee Casino Resort
  - 777 Casino Drive
  - Cherokee NC 28719
  - amadden@harrah.com

- Any inquiries please send by e-mail to Adele Madden

PROPOSAL AWARD

Proposal review will be conducted by the Harrah’s Cherokee Management by September 20, 2018.

Final award notification will be delivered by September 28, 2018.
FREE SLOT TOURNAMENT

AUGUST 23

Hitting it big has never been easier. Participate in our FREE slot tournament and you can win up to 200,000 Reward Credits®. Registration begins at 9:30am at Total Rewards and the first round starts at noon. The five players with the highest scores will be awarded the "Golden Pass" to the semi-final on Friday, August 24, 2018 for a chance to win a trip to Vegas, a cruise and more.

Don’t have a card yet? Sign up at the Total Rewards Center for free.

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