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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“The tasks set before us are great, but I am fully convinced and have the greatest confidence that by working together for the greater good and truly coming together as a Tribe, we will not only achieve our objectives, we will exceed all expectations.”

- Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed during his Inaugural Address on Monday, Oct. 7

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Chief Sneed at Inauguration:
“We will exceed all expectations.”

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The 28th Principal Chief and Vice Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians as well as the new Tribal Council and three Cherokee Central Schools Board of Education members were sworn-in at the EBCI Inauguration event at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the morning of Monday, Oct. 7.


Vice Chief Ensley thanked everyone in attendance during his inaugural address and noted, “I want to thank my big family. They support me in good times and in bad times. I want to thank my children. I could be worn out from a day’s work and they always encourage me...I wouldn’t be standing here today without the help of my wife. She works just as hard as I do on a daily basis.”

He thanked the community members for their support in the election and during his last two years as Vice Chief. “Today is not about me, the Chief, Tribal Council, nor School Board. This day is about our Tribe, the enrolled members of this Tribe. We all ran for public office hoping that we could make a change. Hopefully, in the next four years we can make a change and serve the people and improve the quality of life for every enrolled member on the reservation.”

Vice Chief Ensley added, “One of the first vows I made when I entered office was to be present in every community and hear the concerns and needs of every enrolled member of the Tribe. I made a pledge when I went in that my door would always be open and it has, and it will continue to be open.”

In his inaugural address, Chief...
Sneed spoke of hope, the need to honor Cherokee ancestors and traditions, the importance of fiscal responsibility for the future of the Tribe, and the absolute need to put resources and efforts into the preservation and revitalization of the Cherokee language.

He asked for daily prayer support for himself and all tribal leaders and their families. “Nobody can truly know the burden of leadership and public service until they have lived it. Serving in public office can be a very demanding job. The stress and pressure does not stay with the elected official alone. Please be mindful that it is our families who serve with us and who bear the burden of office as well.”

Chief Sneed said, “I am pleased to say that I have never been more hopeful about the future of our Tribe than I am right now. We have a Tribal Council and Executive Branch that understands the absolute necessity of progress on many fronts and that are willing to make the decisions to ensure the prosperity, both culturally and economically, for our Tribe.”

He said himself and all tribal leaders will need support from tribal members. “It is imperative that we do not give in to the voices of fear and opposition, but instead we look toward the future with not only our present personal best interests in mind, but more importantly the interest of our future generations of Cherokees.”

Chief Sneed said it is important to leave a legacy of self-service and sacrifice for future generations. “Let us harken back to the voice of our ancestors. Let us hear what their spirits are saying to ours. There was a path of great uncertainty set before them at the time of Removal. Our ancestors chose a path of resistance and resilience. I am sure there were times that they were fearful, but they could not turn back. There was only one path set before them and that path is forward.”

Responsible fiscal management will be the primary goal for Chief Sneed’s upcoming term he told the crowd. “Every program, every service, employment opportunity and benefit is directly tied to our finances. We’ve already begun this course over the last two years by submitting budgets for Fiscal Years 2019 and 2020 that were the most fiscally responsible budgets in over a decade coming in at 82 percent and 80 percent of gaming projections. We must make it our objective to ensure that the benefits and, more importantly, the opportunities that we enjoy currently will be available to the generations who come after us. To do so, we must be responsible with our spending, our savings, and with our investments.”

Chief Sneed spoke of the importance of language revitalization. “Most importantly, we must preserve our language.”

He said all tribal leaders will work together in this effort. “We will make the resources available to make sure of the survival and proliferation of our language. Period. However, resources alone are not enough. If our language is to thrive, it will require a comprehensive and strategic plan, but more importantly, a commitment from all Cherokee citizens.”

Chief Sneed concluded his address by saying, “And so it is now that we begin this journey together. The tasks set before us are great, but I am fully convinced and have the greatest confidence that by working together for the greater good and truly coming together as a Tribe, we will not only achieve our objectives, we will exceed all expectations.”

The Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 Color Guard posted and retrieved the colors during the event. Alfred Welch opened the event with an invocation and Ben Reed closed with the benediction. The New Kituwah Academy Singers sang the “Cherokee National Anthem” at the beginning of the program, and the Cherokee Chamber Singers sang “Amazing Grace” at the end.
The Cherokee Central Schools (CCS) Board of Education met Monday, Oct. 7 following the EBCI Inauguration Ceremony.

The meeting was called to order at 10:43 am with Board members Gloria Griffin, Karen French-Browning, Isaac Long, Jennifer Thompson, Tara Reed-Cooper, and Regina Ledford-Rosario; School Board Assistant Sunnie Clapsaddle; HR Director Heather Driver; and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Beverly Payne present. Superintendent Dr. Michael Murray was on scheduled annual leave. The selection for a Tribal Council representative will be made at a later date.

Jennifer Thompson led an opening prayer.

The returning members of the Board approved the minutes and agenda from the Sept. 16 meeting, and there was no old business to discuss.

Then, there was the swearing-in of re-elected member Jennifer Thompson (Yellowhill) and new members Tara Reed-Cooper (Big Y) and Regina Ledford-Rosario (Painttown). Dr. Payne led the trio in the process of swearing to their duties and Driver had them fill out the necessary information before proceeding.

The first piece of business for the new Board was to elect School Board Officials for the next two years. Long nominated Thompson for chairperson, and Ledford-Rosario nominated Griffin for the same position. The votes between Thompson were split at three a piece, and with no Tribal Council representa-

The new Cherokee Central Schools Board of Education is shown on Monday, Oct. 7 including, left to right, Karen French-Browning, Jennifer Thompson, Vice Chairperson Isaac Long, Tara Reed-Cooper, Gloria Griffin, and Regina Ledford-Rosario.

tive present for a tie-breaker it was set aside for the time being. It is to be handled like the last time there was a tie, when the election for vice-chair was between Griffin and John Crowe. They moved on with the elections and decided among themselves later.

The new vice-chair is Long. He was nominated by Thompson and was voted in 4-2. Griffin had nominated Ledford-Rosario for the seat, which were the two other votes. Long would lead the rest of the meeting due to the lack of a chairperson. The final position voted on was secretary. Griffin nominated Reed-Cooper for the position, and there wasn’t a second nomination so Reed-Cooper was voted in unanimously.

With no guests, the Board turned their attention to the consent agenda. There were six items on the agenda. One of which, resolution 20-077, was pulled for further discussion. The other five were voted unanimously, establishing the following:

• Emily Boyer approved as a Substitute Teacher for Cherokee Elementary School (CES).
• Demetrius Gibson approved as a Substitute Teacher for CES.
• Kari Read approved as a Teacher Assistant for CES.
• Kenny Davis approved as Boys Basketball Assistant Coach for Cherokee Middle School (CMS)
• Kathleen McCoy approved as a Social Studies Teacher for CMS.

A closed session was then called to discuss resolution 20-077. Once the session was opened, the Board unanimously approved Mike Winchester as an Alternative Classroom Teacher for Cherokee High School.

Thompson presented the Silverbell Award that was given to the CCS Board at the Western District Meeting, which is given to a Board of Education that has undergone enough training hours among the members.

The annual state Board of Education conference that is being held in Greensboro next month was also discussed. The experienced members explained the training options at the conference as well as travel guidelines.

The Board would finish the meeting in a closed session to discuss several issues. No report was provided on the closed session.

The next meeting of the CCS Board of Education will be held Monday, Oct. 21 at 4:45 pm.
The EBCI Board of Elections (BOE) has voted to dismiss the protest filed by Teresa McCoy, candidate for Principal Chief in the September General Election, following a hearing held on Sept. 23. In a 5-0 vote (BOE member Shirley Reagan recused herself), the BOE wrote in a 12-page decision that “McCoy’s protest of the 2019 General Election for Office of the Principal Chief did not meet the minimum requirements set forth in Chapter 161 of the Cherokee Code”.

The decision was dated Monday, Sept. 30 and was made available to Robert Jumper, One Feather editor, on the afternoon of Thursday, Oct. 3. The Sept. 23 hearing was closed to the public and the press. The One Feather has requested a copy of the full transcript of the hearing but has not received it as of press time.

McCoy’s protest was against alleged actions of the BOE members and stated, “I have information and evidence that BOE Member Shirley Reagan and Chair Denise Ballard, and the Board as a whole, because they were aware, have violated the integrity and spirit of our elections and have violated CC (Cherokee Code) Sec. 161.17(c), 161-19(a) (g).”

Cherokee Code Sec. 161-17(c) states, “No Election Board member shall be a candidate for any tribal office or actively support any candidate for tribal office during the term for which the member is appointed to the Board. For purposes of this section, ‘actively support’ means contributing money to, campaigning for, or openly declaring support for any candidate.”

Cherokee Code Sec. 161-19(a) speaks to the power of BOE and (g) states, “The Board shall investigate irregularities and nonperformance of duty and violation of tribal election rules and regulations by election officials or other persons.”

McCoy said she wasn’t surprised by the outcome of her protest. “We expected them to say exactly what they said. We do plan to take it to court, but that will be at a later date.”

She added, “We expected a denial.”

Part of her protest involved issues she alleges with absentee voting. “There’s a process for absentee voting. We are going to come into Tribal Council (with legislation) and point out the problems in the Election Ordinance at a later date.”

According to information from the BOE, Richard G. Sneed won the race for Principal Chief in the General Election over McCoy with 2,131 votes (55.11 percent) to 1,736 (44.89 percent) – a difference of 395 votes.

According to the BOE decision, all BOE members (Chairperson Ballard, Reagan, Pam Straughan, Annie Owens, Margaret French, and Roger Smoker) were present for the Sept. 23 hearing as well as four attorneys including: Craig Jacobson, attorney for the BOE; Michael McConnell and Chris Siewers, EBCI Attorney General’s Office; and Carolyn West, Legislative Attorney for Tribal Council. McCoy’s attorney was not present which caused her to seek a continuance. The decision was authored by Jacobson.

Chairperson Ballard told the One Feather, “She (McCoy) did not prove that anything affected the outcome of the election.”

The BOE decision states, “The hearing commenced at approximately 10 a.m. with McCoy making a motion to continue the hearing. She stated that she was requesting a continuance because her attorney could not be present. Discussion on this motion took up a significant amount of time.”

After more discussion and a closed session during the hearing, the BOE denied McCoy’s request for a continuance. The decision states, “McCoy had a notice of the Monday, September 23 hearing date on Tuesday, September 17. This gave her six (6) days to prepare for the protest hearing. In this time, McCoy did not secure the services of an attorney who would appear before the Board on her behalf at the schedule hearing. After much back and forth, the Board voted unanimously to deny McCoy’s motion to continue and the Board proceeded with the hearing as it was originally scheduled.”

McCoy ended up being represented at the Sept. 23 hearing by lay advocate Lori Taylor.

The first issue brought up in the hearing, according to the decision, was a complaint by McCoy about alleged voting irregularities at Tsali Care Center on Aug. 28 in which she alleged that BOE Members Straughan and Reagan were present collecting absentee ballots at the Center at the same time Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed...
and Birdtown Reps. Albert Rose and Boyd Owle were there playing Bingo with the residents.

The decision relates that Straughan and Reagan were at the Center in the morning, around 9:30 a.m., and the tribal officials were there in the afternoon, around 2 p.m.

The decision states, “All ballots which were provided to, and retrieved from, Tsali Care residents were handled in compliance with the absentee balloting process provided in tribal law. August 30, 2019 was the last day for absentee voting in the 2019 General Election. On August 28, Reagan and Straughan retrieved a total of three (3) absentee ballots from Tsali Care. Those ballots were properly transmitted to the Board of Elections and counted in the election according to standard protocol. Reagan and Straughan were not present at Tsali Care at the same time Chief Sneed, Albert Rose, and Boyd Owle were at Tsali Care playing Bingo with the residents.”

The BOE related that a total of 42 absentee ballots were cast in the Principal Chief’s race in the General Election (31 for Sneed, 11 for McCoy).

Of the absentee balloting issue, Chairperson Ballard said, “They followed the process. Tsali Care called with the names of the people who wanted to absentee vote. An absentee application was mailed to them just like any other absentee voter. We vote to approve or disapprove every absentee vote based on the criteria that was established by a referendum vote.”

She further stated, “There were only four absentee ballots that Shirley and Pam took to Tsali Care and one of the residents declined to vote, she changed her mind. So, there were only three ballots collected at Tsali Care.”

Chairperson Ballard reaffirmed the timeline of the visit to Tsali Care by Reagan and Straughan to retrieve the ballots. “They went at 9:30 a.m. and they left at 9:55 a.m. They weren’t even there 50 minutes.”

The next complaint handled during the protest hearing involved a Facebook message Reagan posted on the Facebook page for Chief Sneed which read, “I was at Tsali Care today with some of the patients absentee voting. They were excited about the Chief and some of the Council coming to play Bingo today.”

According to the decision, “Reagan admitted she made the comment on Sneed’s Facebook page. In her testimony, Reagan explained: ‘The lady told me that she was excited after she cast her ballot. I didn’t talk to any other voters or anything like that. And I do not think that’s supporting Chief Sneed. The residents were just happy that somebody from tribal government was coming to play Bingo with them.”

The decision goes on to state, “McCoy argues that Reagan’s Facebook comment constitutes an election irregularity. Assuming arguendo that Reagan’s Facebook comment constitutes an election irregularity, McCoy has not provided any evidence that the alleged irregularity ‘unfairly or improperly or illegally affected the actual outcome of the election, and but for the irregularity, the winning candidate would not have prevailed at the polls.”

It was at this point in the hearing, according to the decision, that McCoy requested that Reagan be recused herself at the end of the hearing according to the decision.

The next part covered in the decision involves McCoy’s allegation that the BOE members violated Cherokee Code 117-4.5 (Standards for Ethical Conduct for Tribal Officials). The BOE related in the decision on the protest that the BOE is not tasked in tribal law to handle alleged ethical violations of the Board’s members – the EBCI Office of Internal Audit & Ethics is.

McCoy also alleged in the hearing that the BOE’s denial of certification of her candidacy prior to the Primary Election in June hurt her chances in the General Election. The decision states, “At the protest hearing, McCoy said, ‘But that I feel — I know, and I can bring people in here that will tell you and the Council and whoever they need to that they chose not to vote for me because you called me a thief. You allowed it and you condoned it.’ After being denied certification of her candidacy, McCoy took her case to the Cherokee Supreme Court and won an appeal in which the Court ordered the BOE to certify her for the Primary Election.

The conclusion of the decision reiterates that the burden of proof is on the protestor (McCoy) and states, “McCoy’s evidence does not establish the existence of an election irregularity regarding absentee votes. However, even assuming arguendo that the evidence did establish such as irregularity, and assuming all thirty-one (31) absentee votes for Sneed should be subtracted from his final total. Sneed’s margin of victory over McCoy would still be 364 votes.”

It continues, “McCoy’s multiple other complaints about her perceived treatment before and during the 2019 General Election fail to show that but for the alleged irregularities that the actual outcome of the election has been affected or would have been different. Even viewing the evidence in the light most favorable to McCoy leaves McCoy with a 364 vote deficit to Sneed that she is unable to bridge.”

Chairperson Ballard noted, “Unfortunately, what was an election that went very smoothly hasn’t ended very smoothly.”

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**Good Housekeeping**

**Citrus Scallops**

Lemon and lime add a boost of vitamin C to this ultra-low-fat seafood entree. For heart-healthy fiber, serve with a side of whole-wheat couscous.

1 lemon
1 lime
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
1/2 pounds sea scallops, rinsed
3 teaspoons olive oil
1 tablespoon finely chopped shallot
1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
1 bag (5- to 6-ounce) baby greens
1/4 cup fresh parsley leaves, chopped

1. From lemon, grate 1/4 teaspoon peel and squeeze 2 tablespoons juice. From lime, grate 1/4 teaspoon peel and squeeze 1 tablespoon juice. Set juices aside. In small bowl, combine peels, salt and pepper.
2. Place scallops on paper-towel-lined plate; pat dry. Sprinkle with citrus-peel mixture.
3. In 12-inch nonstick skillet, heat 2 teaspoons oil on medium for 1 minute. Add scallops; cook 6 to 8 minutes or until opaque throughout, turning once. Remove from pan; cover.
4. To skillet, add 1 teaspoon oil and shallot; cook 3 minutes or until tender. Stir in Dijon mustard and citrus juices, scraping up browned bits; cook 1 minute. Toss sauce with greens; place on plates. Top with scallops and chopped parsley, and serve with whole-wheat couscous (to make couscous, follow package directions). Makes 4 servings.

- Each serving: About 275 calories, 5g total fat (1g saturated), 47mg cholesterol, 390mg sodium, 29g total carbohydrate, 4g dietary fiber, 29g protein.

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Tsali Care officially merges with Cherokee Indian Hospital

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A celebration for the merger of the Tsali Care Center and the Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority (CIHA) was held on Tuesday, Oct. 1 at the Center located in the Birdtown Community. Casey Cooper, CIHA chief executive officer, talked on the numerous benefits of the shift.

“I think it’s significant for the Tsali Care Center, because now we move it under the Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority where we have all of the support to benefit them and bring value. For example, a lot of our infrastructure at the hospital is much better aligned to support the needs of the Tsali Care Center than the Tribe is able to, because the Tribe is a large municipality.”

Cooper says this has move is the culmination of a two-year process. He says that is was a very measured approach from everyone involved to ensure that it was a smooth transition.

“Any time there’s extra work, there’s always some stresses with that. But, it’s been easy to work through it, so I’ve very appreciative of that,” said David Hunt, the Administrator at Tsali Care.

Hunt continued by saying there are several benefits both in the short-term and the long-term when it comes to the merger.

“I think the biggest thing that I see, being aligned with the hospital, we are aligned with a facility that is accustomed to, has policies and procedures in place and everything else to support a 24/7 operation.”

It will still take some time to fully transition operations between the two facilities, but an impact can already be seen at the campus of the Tsali Care Center.

“We have a grounds crew that started first thing this morning,” said Sheyahshe Littledave, CIHA public information coordinator. “They’re gonna repurpose and redo a lot of the landscape here. I know a lot of the residents like to be outside and things like that...I think just being able to see those small, incremental changes right off I think is beneficial.”

Cooper said that now that the merger is official, the process of phasing the program in can begin. “The next step now is to take the core competencies and the resources we have the hospital and to pour them into improvements. Pour them into service improvements, quality improvements. Focus really hard on the CMS surveys,” said Cooper.

“And then turn our attention on to supporting the plant and facility and the environment. And most importantly, bring the hospital’s resources to add value to the human capital down here. To improve employment conditions, provide greater support to the employees in the forms better staffing and training...if we can become the employer of choice, then becoming the facility of the choice for the community will be a function of that.”

Cooper says that the CIHA and tribal Leadership have done a lot to make this move possible, and that he is confident in their efforts moving forward with the program.

Former Pine Ridge IHS Pediatrician convicted of multiple sex offenses against children

BISMARCK, N.D. – U.S. Attorney Ron Parsons announced on Tuesday, Oct. 1 that Stanley Patrick Weber, 70, of Spearfish, S.D., was found guilty by a federal jury of five counts of aggravated sexual abuse and three counts of sexual abuse of a minor following a week-long jury trial in Rapid City, S.D.

Aggravated sexual abuse carries a penalty of a mandatory minimum of 30 years up to life in federal prison and/or a $250,000 fine, a minimum of five years up to lifetime supervised release, and a $300 special assessment to the Federal Crime Victims Fund for each count. Restitution may also be ordered.

Evidence at a week-long trial, which ended in a conviction on Sept. 27, established that Weber, while employed as a pediatrician with the Indian Health Services at Pine Ridge, sexually abused minors between 1999 and 2011.

“This defendant is the worst kind of sexual predator: a person placed in a position of trust – a pediatrician – who abused that position to rape and sexually assault the children entrusted to his care,” said U.S. Attorney Parsons.

“I want to commend the courage and bravery of the men who came forward to testify about what happened to them as boys. I know that the jury’s unanimous verdict has brought them some measure of justice. I hope that it will bring them some measure of peace. Let us never forget that with the justice
granted by these convictions comes an obligation shared by us all. We must resolve to do everything we can to ensure that nothing like this can ever happen again to any of our children in any of our communities.”

Assistant U.S. Attorneys Sarah B. Collins and Eric Kelderman prosecuted and tried the case. A sentencing date is set for Feb. 10, 2020. Weber was remanded to the custody of the U.S. Marshals Service pending sentencing.

- Department of Justice release

CIPD Arrest Report for Sept. 23-30

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. Addresses and those files with no charge data have been redacted. Mugshots may be viewed online at theonefeather.com.

**George, Winona** – age 19
Arrested: Sept. 23
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

**Lespier, Ida Amelia** – age 39
Arrested: Sept. 23
Released: Sept. 27
Charges: Driving While Impaired, Hit and Run, Open Container After Consuming Alcohol

**Bird, Eric** – age 30
Arrested: Sept. 24
Released: Sept. 25
Charges: Communicating Threats

**French, Ayena Jane** – age 28
Arrested: Sept. 24
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

**George, Elicio Sanchez** – age 23
Arrested: Sept. 24
Released: Sept. 27
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

**Mc Coy, Richard Thomas** – age 51
Arrested: Sept. 24
Released: Sept. 24
Charges: Communicating Threats

**Morgan, Trevor Dillion** – age 22
Arrested: Sept. 24
Released: Sept. 24
Charges: Reckless Endangerment

**Price, Dustin Lee** – age 29
Arrested: Sept. 24
Released: Sept. 24
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

**Smith, Deanna Rai** – age 37
Arrested: Sept. 24
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Probation Violation, Providing Possession of Contraband

**Taylor, Vernie Franklin** – age 58
Arrested: Sept. 24
Released: Sept. 24
Charges: Temporary Hold for Jackson Co.

**Bird, Nicholas Daniel** – age 35
Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Sept. 27
Charges: Aid and Abet. Acting in Concert, Accessory Before the Fact

**Hughes, Kevin Matthew** – age 31
Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Probation Violation, Assault on a Female

**Huskey, Ursula Yvette** – age 33
Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

**Kirby, Angel Morningstar** – age 27
Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Sept. 25
Charges: Simple Assault

**Nations, April** – age 34
Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Sept. 25
Charges: Hold for Jackson Co.

**Postoak, Kogee Louise** – age 34
Arrested: Sept. 25
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Failure to Appear

**Armachain, Brian William** – age 29
Arrested: Sept. 27
Released: Sept. 27
Charges: Driving While Impaired, Simple Possession of Marijuana, Aggravated Weapons Offense, Possession Drug Paraphernalia, Expired Tag

**Rivera, Alex Livorio** – age 27
Arrested: Sept. 27
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Public Intoxication

**Jones, Dustin Corey** – age 27
Arrested: Sept. 28
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance, Possession Drug Paraphernalia (two counts), Obstructing Justice, Resisting Public Officer

**Queen, Christopher Terron** – age 23
Arrested: Sept. 28
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Public Intoxication, Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

**Watty, Kevin Redford** – age 35
Arrested: Sept. 28
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Assault on a Female

**Teesateskie, Uktena** – age 48
Arrested: Sept. 30
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Aggravated Weapons Offense, Child Abuse in the Second Degree

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FOOTBALL

Braves double Rosman for second win of season

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After falling behind early, Cherokee kept moving and grinding and ended up doubling Rosman 42-21 in a win at Ray Kinsland Stadium on the evening of Friday, Oct. 4. The Braves were led by Bobby Crowe, senior quarterback, who was back in the line-up after being injured in the first game of the season. On the night, he completed 10 of 19 passes for 138 yards and 2 touchdowns, and he ran 7 times for 44 yards and 1 touchdown.

Cherokee had one of its best games of the season offensively with 306 total yards including a pretty balanced offense with 138 passing yards and 168 rushing yards. Anthony Allison, Braves running back, had a good night with 14 carries for 104 yards and 2 touchdowns. In the fourth quarter, he broke around 10 tackles on one play en route to a touchdown that would be called back for a penalty. On the very next play, he rinsed and repeated and ran 25 yards for the last score of the game.

Crowe had several targets on the night including: Don Bradley 4 receptions, 55 yards, 1 touchdown; Jonathan Frady 2 receptions, 47 yards, 1 touchdown; Sterling Santa Maria 1 reception, 20 yards; and Jaden Welch 2 receptions, 9 yards.

Note: Defensive statistics were not provided to the One Feather for this game.

Rosman opened up the game with a bang as Thomas Collins took it the house on a 55-yard run in the first minute of the game to give the Tigers a 7-0 lead early. On the ensuing kickoff, Rosman tried an onside kick and recovered it at the Braves 44-yard line. But, their drive stalled and resulted in a punt.

The remainder of the first quarter was punt central. The second quarter, however, was a scorefest with each team scoring twice. Rosman took it to 14-0 early on, and then Cherokee got the ball and drove down deep into Tigers territory. Behind a strong line, Crowe ran in from the 1-yard line to get the Braves on the board. Rocky Peebles added the point after to make it 14-7.

Collins added another score for Rosman on a 45-yard run to make it 21-7 Tigers. On the night, he ran 19 times for 151 yards and 2 touchdowns.

Crowe and company came right back as he connected with Bradley on a 31-yard touchdown pass. Peebles added the PAT, and Cherokee only trailed 21-14 at the half.

The third quarter opened with the teams deadlocked at 21-21.

The fourth quarter was all Braves as they scored three times to seal the victory. Allison scooped it up and ran 53 yards down the right sideline for the score and equalizer.

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The fourth quarter was all Braves as they scored three times to seal the victory. Allison scored twice on runs of 23- and 25-yards and Crowe connected with Frady on a 39-yard pass.

The Braves (2-5) travel to Andrews (2-4) on Friday, Oct. 11.
Jonathan Frady, Braves wide receiver, catches a 39-yard touchdown pass from Bobby Crowe in the fourth quarter.

Anthony Allison (#18), Braves running back, runs hard in the first half of Friday’s game. On the night, he rushed 14 times for 104 yards and 2 touchdowns.

Cherokee’s Mykel Lossiah (#56) tackles Derick Snyder (#23), Rosman running back.
**SCOREBOARD**

**CROSS COUNTRY**
Cherokee Middle School teams run in County Line Challenge

ALMOND – The Cherokee Middle School (CMS) cross country teams participated in the County Line Challenge at the Tsali Recreation Center in Almond on the afternoon of Wednesday, Oct. 2. Following are the top five finishers in each race plus all CMS finishers per Slipstream Timing & Meet Management:

**Girls Race**
1 – Arizona Blankenship, Swain Co., 12:17.9
2 – Dvdaya Swimmer, Cherokee, 12:37.7
3 – Annie Lewis, Swain Co., 13:54.8
4 – Fern Crayton, Martins Creek, 14:04.0
5 – Emma Beasley, Robbinsville, 14:19.1
23 – Marilyn Swayney, Cherokee, 16:38.6
25 – Yvonne Saunooke, Cherokee, 16:52.0
28 – Boie Crowe, Cherokee, 17:23.9
45 – Fern Crayton, Martins Creek, 18:04.0
48 – Audrina Cooper, Cherokee, 18:55.4

**Team Results**
1 – Mountain Discovery Charter 52
2 – Hayesville 76
3 – Swain Co. 79
6 – Cherokee 114

**Boys Race**
1 – Connor Brown, Swain Co., 11:50.3
2 – Robert Turner, Murphy, 11:50.8
3 – Connor Lambert, Swain Co., 12:05.2
4 – Xander Wachacha, Robbinsville, 12:17.0
5 – Justin Hamby, Hiwassee Dam/Ranger, 12:21.0
17 – Tyce Hogner, Cherokee, 13:04.1
38 – Jack Teesateskie, Cherokee, 15:26.1
48 – Matix Stamper, Cherokee, 16:08.6
53 – Josiah Teesateskie, Cherokee, 16:35.5
61 – Javan Garcia, Cherokee, 17:33.4
63 – Tayvin Bark, Cherokee, 18:15.3

**Team Results**
1 – Swain Co. 49
2 – Hiwassee Dam/Ranger 53
3 – Murphy 64
7 – Cherokee 177

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**BOYS SOCCER**

**Monday, Sept. 30**
Swain Co. 5 Cherokee 0
Blue Ridge Early College 2 Hayesville 1

**Wednesday, Oct. 2**
Hayesville 9 Cherokee 0
Swain Co. 4 Murphy 0
Highlands 4 Blue Ridge Early College 3

**FOOTBALL**

**Friday, Oct. 4**
Cherokee 42 Rosman 21
Swain Co. 48 Andrews 15
Robbinsville 55 Hayesville 10

**VOLLEYBALL**

**Tuesday, Oct. 1**
Rosman 3 Cherokee 0 (25-14, 25-16, 25-20)
Murphy 3 Nantahala (25-8, 25-6, 25-5)
Robbinsville 3 Hayesville 0 (25-13, 25-12, 25-15)

**Thursday, Oct. 3**
Swain Co. 3 Cherokee 0 (25-16, 25-15, 25-19)
Murphy 3 Robbinsville 1 (25-13, 25-17, 21-25, 25-22)
Rosman 3 Hayesville 0 (25-13, 25-12, 25-23)
Hiwassee Dam 3 Andrews 1 (25-20, 15-25, 25-18, 28-26)

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**The Garden Bug**

**Milk thistle**

In the spring or fall, sprinkle milk thistle seeds directly over the soil. They should only take about two weeks to germinate. Since the milk thistle plant grows in clumps, it is recommendable to space the plant 12 to 15 inches apart. It should not be necessary to water milk thistle unless there are very extreme conditions of drought, as it is a very drought tolerant plant and prefers dry conditions. — B. Weaver

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country is more deadly than the ammo available to our soldiers in the combat zone and will penetrate even body armor. Something about the Geneva Convention I suppose. Republicans are OK with this, the rest of us aren’t, or shouldn’t be.

But, a bright spot shines as there is some actual sanity surfacing amidst all of the NRA BS. Walmart and Dicks Sporting Goods have raised the legal age to purchase guns to 21 and have stopped selling assault style weapons altogether. Once upon a time you had to be 21 years old to buy a handgun but only 18 to score an AK or AR style rifle from a dealer. It’s funny, you have to be 21 to buy alcohol but at 18 you can go off to war or buy a high-powered, magazine fed weapon o’ death and destruction and wage war here, at home. America, what a country. Colt Arms has recently decided to stop manufacturing and selling their AR style weapon to civilians. Gun shop owners cheerfully point out that Colt was only a small portion of the civilian market and you can still purchase these things from other gun dealers and private owners whose consciences reside in their cash registers and in a darker, smellier place.

News flash! Trump is still in the news! And as usual it’s because of something stupid he said, or did, or both, this time is no different except, this time he might get impeached for being stupid. Because his attorney, Rudy Giuliani, seems to have been driven insane by excessive Viagra intake he constantly feeds Trump conspiracy theories and Trump, being the “stable genius” that he is, buys in to Rudy’s ranting and goes all out. This time it was the attempt to compel Ukraine to investigate a political rival and his son. Trump also has been reported attempting to compel Australia to seek out the source of the Russia investigation. All because of Giuliani. And Giuliani has been hitting the political talk show circuit showing just how bat crap crazy he is. On one he was waving official looking papers around that he claimed were “evidence” of Biden corruption except these papers had a hand-drawn Presidential Seal on them. Who does that? And isn’t forging the Presidential Seal a crime? If it ain’t, it should be. Geez, who needs films like Silence of the Lambs, Alien, Texas Chainsaw Massacre, The Exorcist or La Llorona for Halloween when we have Rudy Giuliani who is both psychotically scary and hilariously funny…at the same time? Stay tuned.

The House of Representatives leaders are currently preparing Articles of Impeachment because of the Ukraine stuff. It’s absolutely amazing. Trump doesn’t realize, or simply doesn’t care that as President, he can’t act like he did as boss of his family business. In government there’s always someone to answer to. Checks and Balances. Geez. I learned this stuff in high school. The GOP hasn’t learned anything. You know, you can’t write comedy this good. You have to live it. And we are definitely living it. See ya next time. And…looking for a Christmas raise. Yoohoooo...
Raylen Bark, a senior at Cherokee High School (CHS), was named CHS Homecoming Queen during festivities at Ray Kinsland Stadium on the evening of Friday, Oct. 4.

Raylen Bark, left, beams after her name is called as the 2019 CHS Homecoming Queen. She was escorted on the night by Jaylen Bark.

Donna Thompson, left, a sophomore at CHS, was named CHS Maid of Honor. She was escorted on the evening by Lucian Davis.
Ariyonna Hill-Maney, freshman; escorted by Dacian Tafoya

Vivian Ross, sophomore; escorted by Dawson Bradley

Aiyana Lambert, junior; escorted by Jordan Arkansas

Destiny Mills, junior; escorted by Tallamon Bradley

Rosa Reyes, junior; escorted by Caden Pheasant

Awee Sequoyah, senior; escorted by Chris Johnson

Lauren Luther, senior; escorted by Jacob Hill

Malia Davis, senior; escorted by Tso Smith

First Grade Attendants (front row) Zyah Amezcua and Richard Williams are shown with the winners (back row) CMS Maid of Honor Donna Thompson and her escort Lucian Davis and CMS Homecoming Queen Raylen Bark and her escort Jaylen Bark.
Lupita Toineeta, left, an 8th grade student at Cherokee Middle School (CMS), was crowned CMS Homecoming Queen during festivities at Ray Kinsland Stadium on the evening of Thursday, Oct. 3. She is shown with Kieaira Ensley, a 6th grade student at CMS, who was crowned CMS Princess.
Lupita Toineeta, left, Cherokee Middle School Homecoming Queen is shown shortly after crowning with her escort for the evening, Will Davis.

Kieaira Ensley, left, CMS Homecoming Princess, is shown with her escort for the evening, Kellen Ensley.
Hernandez enjoyed traveling, meeting people during reign

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

On a warm, humid night in Cherokee, a crowd of several thousand people fell silent as the microphone was handed to the youngest, smallest person to speak during the 44th Annual Eastern Band Cherokee Pow Wow. Little Miss Cherokee 2018-19 Morgan Hernandez took the microphone and dazzled the crowd with her poise and charm – a scene that played out many times during her reign this past year.

“It’s been fun, and I enjoy going to places to see people,” Morgan said of her reign. “It made me happy. I liked seeing new things and different kinds of people and just being a part of it.”

Traveling has been one of the highlights of her time as Little Miss Cherokee, and in addition to many events in western North Carolina, she has traveled to Washington, D.C. for the Cherokee Days event; the Cherokee Nation Holidays in Tahlequah, Okla.; the Choctaw Indian Fair in Mississippi; the Native American Festival at East Tennessee State University (ETSU); and she traveled to Tahlequah to welcome in this year’s Remember the Removal riders, one of whom was her father, Manuel Hernandez.

Her trip to Cherokee Days was her favorite. “We got to see lots of stuff, and I was just very thankful to be there.”

Samantha Crowe-Hernandez, Morgan’s mother, said it has been a good experience for Morgan. “It has helped her to be able to speak in front of other people, whether they are veterans, elders, children, any range of people she has just learned to talk in front of them. She has more confidence in herself, and it’s made her more aware of her surroundings.”

She said her daughter has grown a lot during the past year. “She was eight for most of her reign. Eight-year-olds want to run barefoot and play, but she had to grow up with this. It’s not a bad
Crowe-Hernandez encourages families with daughters thinking about running for a title to most definitely give it a shot. "It took her three tries to win and each year we learned more and more. It’s a great cultural lesson. You learn more about the clothing. When you’re doing your talents, you research the stories and traditions, and that just helps you grow culturally whether you win or lose. It’s not a losing situation because you get so much from it."

She added, “Stay organized and don’t be afraid to ask for help.”

Crowe-Hernandez thanked their family and extended family for help getting Morgan to the events. “When there are 10 events in a two-week span, and I can’t take off of work that much, I really used our village in that way.”

One way Morgan keeps organized is her “Little Miss Cherokee box” purchased by her Granny Rosie which is a bag that keeps her crown, picture cards, moccasins, and sash and is always kept tidy and packed. “So, if someone calls and asks us last minute, ‘can she be here?’ we can go,” said Crowe-Hernandez. “We have a garment bag with all of her clothes, ironed and ready, to go whenever she needs it.”

Crowe-Hernandez left with, “We’ve had a lot of fun, it’s been exciting.”

Morgan will give up her crown at the Little Miss Cherokee pageant scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 8 at 7:30 p.m. at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. “I’m not excited to give it up, but I am excited to be home a lot,” she said with a smile.

Little Miss Cherokee Morgan Hernandez speaks during the Honoring Nikwasi event at the Nikwasi Mound in Macon County on Aug. 24.
Siweumptewa represented two tribes during her reign

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

Destiny Siweumptewa was crowned the 2018-19 Junior Miss Cherokee during last year’s Cherokee Indian Fair. This past year has been an exciting ride filled with new experiences and learning opportunities while representing not only the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians but also another part of her heritage - the Hopi Tribe of Arizona.

“It’s been good,” she said of her year-long reign, “the Teen Miss (Destiny Mills) and Little Miss (Morgan Hernandez) are my sisters. I like going to the senior centers to visit the elders and going to various places to represent our Tribe.”

She has traveled extensively to events in western North Carolina as well as traveling to places such as Washington, DC; Atlanta, Ga.; Tahlequah, Okla. for the Cherokee Nation Holidays; and to Arizona to visit her Hopi people.

Siweumptewa, a member of the Long Hair Clan from the Birdtown Community, is also a member of the Sun Forehead Clan of the Hopi. She enjoyed her visits to the Hopi reservation where she met with school children, elders, and many community members. “Getting to know them was fun and getting to see the elders was good. It’s a lot different from here to there because we’re more privileged. And, we’re close together and their tribe is spread out in different places. It was really cool seeing that.”

She said spending time at Hopi was a nice, learning and sharing opportunity. “Learning about the culture was really cool because I didn’t know what clan I was from, but then I found out I was part of the Sun Forehead Clan. When you’re down there, they’re more like family – your aunts are like your mother and your cousins are like your siblings. They’ll have gatherings that will go on throughout the day.”

Siweumptewa said her reign as Junior Miss Cherokee has been a
a learning and eye-opening experience. “One thing I’ve learned about myself is that I am really, really confident, but I didn’t know that...I’ve grown up a lot.”

When asked what advice she would give to this year’s Junior Miss Cherokee contestants, she noted, “Practice all you can and work on your public speaking. That’s one thing I went in with not much experience in because I was always really, really shy and I didn’t like to talk to people. But, during this reign, I’ve had to talk to a lot of people and get up in front of a lot of people and talk, and that’s made me more confident in myself. Just practice and get to know your culture.”

Looking forward to her future, Siweumptewa noted that she has aspirations to attend Clemson University and study sports medicine. A freshman at Cherokee High School, she is active in HOSA and Upward Bound as well as volleyball and cheerleading.

Jennifer Siweumptewa, Destiny’s mother, said it takes a lot of dedication for someone to take on the title of Junior Miss Cherokee. “It has been a good experience because I’ve gotten to share it with her. I’ve watched her grow, and she’s really opened up and become more confident. I can see it each time that she gets up in front of people, she’s sure of herself now.”

She had these encouraging words for families with young girls considering running for a title. “Just put your kid out there as much as you can...make sure that they get involved in their community and that they get out there and they meet their elders...our elders are very cultural and they have a lot of good knowledge behind them.”

Jennifer Siweumptewa had this final thought on her daughter’s reign, “I think it has made her a better, more well-rounded person.”

The 2019-20 Junior Miss Cherokee will be crowned during the pageant which is being held on Thursday, Oct. 10 at 7 p.m. at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds amphitheater.
Destiny Mills, who has held the title of 2018-19 Teen Miss Cherokee, knew she had a lot to learn when she stepped into her role.

She said that public speaking was never her strongest skill, and just preparing for the pageant in 2018 was stressful.

“It just took me some time to be able to go up to people and introduce myself. But, I realized I had to be a role model for Little Miss Cherokee and Junior Miss Cherokee so that definitely helped me come out of my shell,” said Mills.

She said that over time, though, she came into her own. “It really helped me gain a lot more confidence,” said Mills.

“I loved traveling and meeting new people and getting to talk to them. It was really fun. Especially getting to connect with them and learn their culture as well as share my knowledge of the culture here.”

She traveled to Raleigh; to the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians; Washington, D.C.; and Tahlequah, Okla. during her time as Teen Miss Cherokee, not to mention constant local events. Mills says that she enjoyed being able to talk to people about her culture and that they often asked her about the outfits she wore.

“It felt really good to be able to connect in a different way. Especially when they would ask me, and I was able to say I made it myself. Just to see the look on their face was really rewarding.”

She says that it’s been an honor to take on the role, but the workload has been more than she realized.

“Before I knew what it was like, I thought it would just be going to different places and showing up.”

Mills said that the pressure can build and at times she’d have to put her title above any other interests.

“Especially when I had to make sacrifices with my personal life, it definitely got overwhelming,” said Mills.

“Over the summer, I was supposed to travel to Greece and Italy, and there was an event in Choctaw, Mississippi for their fair that they wanted me to attend. And, I signed the contract to...
fulfill my duties, so I had to pass up the opportunity to travel to Greece and Italy.”

From the beginning, her family was always there to support her. Rose Mills, her mother, was especially involved.

“She has her license now, but before she got her license, it was really time-consuming. Because she has sports, my other daughter is 13, and she participated in some events. It’s wake up at 5:30 in the morning and lay your head down at 11:30 at night,” said Destiny’s mother.

Rose Mills says it took a lot of work with her job and her family to support Destiny, and that it was all worth it.

“I’m very proud of her for learning our traditional ways and just representing as an ambassador for our Tribe.”

Destiny said that her friends helped to keep her grounded throughout the process, as well.

“I have tried to keep my same personality as before, and they haven’t treated me any different, and I’m thankful for that.”

Destiny says that she’s going to stay busy after her reign is over too. She’s currently a junior at Cherokee High School. She plays softball, is on the varsity cheer squad, is part of the homecoming court, and is a member of HOSA.

She’s already planning her future as well. She was selected to the Leadership Enterprise for a Diverse America (LEDA) summer program at Princeton University. She’ll spend eight weeks at the campus training. The following comes from LEDA’s website:

“LEDA Scholars receive leadership training, writing instruction, standardized test preparation, and a year of highly personalized guidance as they navigate the application and admissions process at the most competitive colleges. Throughout college and beyond, Scholars are offered ongoing advising, career counseling, postgraduate planning, and community-building support to help them succeed and lead.”

She’s already spent a week learning from the STEM program at Emory University, and just this week, she received a similar invitation at Johns Hopkins. Mills has started looking at colleges, marking the University of Cincinnati as one of her top choices so far.

“I plan to go to college, and I then plan to go to medical school to become a pediatrician. I would wish to come back to Cherokee and work here,” said Mills.

Mills has plenty of time to study her options and make her decisions, but she says she’s ready for the next step. There’s no doubt that a lot has changed in one year.
The 2019-20 Little Miss Cherokee contestants are shown, left to right, including - Khloe Sequoyah, Georjia Girty, Hailey Winchester, Aria Toineeta, Kennedy Moore, Ariel Crowe, and Genevieve Raya.

The 2019-20 Junior Miss Cherokee contestants are shown, left to right, including - Shawnee Kirkland, Joscelyn Stamper, Nevayah Panther, Janna Girty, Araceli Martinez-Arch, Kendra Postoak, and Pippa Welch.
The 2019-20 Teen Miss Cherokee contestants are shown, left to right, including Rosa Reyes, Lauren Luther, Haley Smith, Hayley Keever, Kayandra Youngdeer, Abigail Taylor, and Mahala Bird.

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The following teachers and students, shown left to right, had perfect attendance for the month of September at the New Kituwah Academy: back row (teachers) – Chelsea Murphy, Shayla Jackson, Tamara Sampson, Joni Hill; front row (students) – Keira Winchester, Payden Carey, Lyric Hogner, Alessandra Ramirez, Penelope Stamper, and Charity West.

THANK YOU LETTER

Thank you for cemetery clean-up

In early September, my grandson and some of his friends, shown in picture, volunteered to clean the Washington Family Cemetery. They worked hard and did an awesome job. They are shown, left to right, including – William Wilnoty, Bumper Smith, Hawk Brown, Anissa Price, Peggy Bradley, Timmy Allison, Nadine Dills, Jonah Saunooke, and Dana Pheasant.

I want to personally thank all of them. I know my mom, Sara Washington Wabagkeck, would be so proud of each and every one of you!

Thank you all so much,

Mary Swayney
Senior Citizens Heating Assistance applications

The EBCI Senior Citizens Program began accepting Heating Assistance applications on Monday, Sept. 9. 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 the bill is in as well as your EBCI enrollment card. If you do not use the contract companies, it is yours and your company’s responsibility to get your delivery invoices turned in.

Info: Krisna Ashe, Tsali Manor Social Services supervisor, 359-6294

- EBCI Senior Citizens Program

THANK YOU LETTER
Little Miss contestant thanks supporters

Little Miss Cherokee Contestant Number 1 Miss Aria Toineeta would like to thank the following for supporting her and sponsoring her during her Little Miss Cherokee journey. Aria would like to thank Mavericks Tsalagi Sunshine, Qualla Java, Crowe’s Quality Products, Native Clans Designs, Tribal Gaming Commission, Creations, Alternations & More, and her family and friends.

Thanks from the family of Jonathan French

The family of Jonathan French would like to thank the many people who showed us such love and kindness over the last few weeks of his life. Thank you to Pastor Bo Parris for your daily visits, prayers and support, to Pastor Jim Parks for taking time to minister to us, and thank you to Joe Wolfe for stopping by so many times to visit, sing, and pray. We are grateful that Acquoni Baptist Church opened their doors for the viewing and funeral service, and for providing supper.

Thank you to the singers who blessed us with songs at the hospital and during the services, including the Yellowhill Baptist Church Choir, the Rock Springs Choir, the Acquoni Baptist Church Choir, and Flora Bradley. We also want to thank those who supported us with meals and snacks at the hospital: Nora French, Jeannie and Michael Parker, Martha Sherrill, Gaynell Trejo, Pastor Bo, Squirrelly Rattler, Anita Thompson, Roberta and Ella Arch, Jeff Arthaud, Shannon Toney, Shelly Dietz, Eugenie Thompson, and Shirley and John Stalcup. All of the food provided was delicious and sustained us through the hospital stay. Finally, we are especially thankful for all of the prayers that were said for Jon and our family. We can’t say thank you enough for the support during our time of need.

Tsali Care Facility September Planning Session

By Frank Dunn

On the evening of Sept. 10, a planning session for the construction of a new Tsali Care facility was held for resident and family input. In attendance was the firm of McMillian-Pazdan-Smith Architecture who will design and construct the new facility. Tsali Care Management, Sonya Wachacha, IHS Executive Director of Nursing, Daman Lambert, IHS Director of Engineering and Corey Blankenship, EBCI Secretary of Finance. Most in attendance were Tsali Care residents and their families who attended in support of them.

The facilitator spoke of how the new facility would be located next to the hospital, that land had been allocated for this new facility, and that it would give residents closer and faster access to the hospital. The project is in the planning stages and the Hospital is gathering input from the community.

Planning staff asked residents for their feedback on what they would like to see in this new facility. Residents spoke out of how they would like to have their own rooms and bathrooms, how they would like to see the new facility fully staffed so they would have the ability to have showers daily, a call system that would allow them to have two way conversations with staff when they have a need, a bigger physical therapy area and gym for residents.

Family members spoke of things they would like to have incorporated into the new facility which included Rita Driver, who spoke of the need for conference rooms to give residents and family members privacy when discussing medical issues; sun room with floor to ceiling windows; screened in patio; and a wound care area.

Another family member, Pam Sneed spoke of how the facility needs to incorporate places for families to come together to celebrate and hang out with their loved ones. A place where the grandchildren can play, and the residents can watch and participate in their play with them.

Another family member spoke of the new facility having trails that residents could get exercise and stroll their wheelchairs into wooded areas.

Frank Dunn, who has both his aunt and uncle at Tsali Care spoke of how the new facility needs to be a place that Cherokee and the elderly would be proud of, one that would be on the front page of the Asheville Times and Cherokee One Feather as a top of the line, state of the art facility. Dunn stated the facility needs to be built where the residents have a view of these beautiful Smoky Mountains, we all call home and close by to the water, as this is where our ancestors and people of today feel connected to the land and their home. Dunn proposed that the facility be built across from the island, up on the riverbank looking out over the river, a several story building with residents who are more mobile on the bottom and more capable elderly on the upper floors. The facility would include shops, beauty and nail shops to name a few. Dunn mentioned that the facility would draw more tourist to the area to see this state-of-the art facility as well as they would be able to visit with the Indians. Dunn proposed what if the Oconaluftee Village be located within or nearby the facility allowing the residents to be right there and participate as his uncle, John Ed Walkingstick worked at the Village for over 30 years and what more would give him and other residents a continuation to participate in something that they were involved with for so many years.

Dunn spoke of asking the question of what is important to our people, is it having a place of worship at this new facility? Then we should look at building a chapel by the water, connecting the people to the land, our creator, and having that special place to spend the rest of our days.

The meeting ended with fellowship and snacks provided to those in attendance. It was mentioned that there is a committee that will incorporate the ideas expressed during the session.
CULLOWHEE – The Rooted in the Mountains theme of “Giduwagi - Appalachian Historical Ecology” struck a resounding note with the record number of attendees at this year’s symposium.

Nearly 400 people participated in the 10th annual gathering, hosted by Western Carolina University and supported by a grant from the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities, on Thursday, Sept. 26, and Friday, Sept. 27. It was the largest attendance to date. More than 50 people enjoyed a native food dinner served by members of the Native America Indian Women’s Association.

The theme was topical and philosophical, as it reflected both the changing landscape and habitat of the mountains, and attitudes toward the natural resources of Southern Appalachia. Roughly translated, “giduwagi” is Cherokee for “the ground belonging to the creator” or when referring to the tribe, “people of the mountains.”

The decade-long series of forums have sought to integrate indigenous and local knowledge with health and environmental issues. Guest speakers and discussion groups have touched on ethnography, literature, art, music and native and western science, with attendees typically including local residents, students from WCU and other universities, scientists, local and state policy makers, and health professionals.

“Each symposium is designed to raise awareness,” said Pam Myers, event organizer with WCU’s Culturally Based Native Health Programs, a collaboration between the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and WCU’s College of Health and Human Sciences. “We always encourage anyone concerned about our mountain landscapes and learning more about native ways of understanding to attend. We’re thrilled for the strong showing of interest and support from campus and surrounding communities.”

Tom Belt, retired coordinator of WCU’s program in Cherokee language who is noted for his knowledge and insights into Native American heritage and culture, was the keynote speaker. He currently teaches a Cherokee language course with Stanford University’s Language Center. A member of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma, he was recently named recipient of the t'Tube’s Community Leadership Individual Award, given to recognize citizens who have tirelessly given, without hesitation, their time to make their communities more vibrant livable places. The Cherokee Nation is one of three federally recognized Cherokee tribes in the U.S., with the other two being the local Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians of Oklahoma.

“There is value and there is purpose in the land,” Belt told attendees. “It is a way to ground us. It is a way to inform us. These things connect us. They connect us not only to our own people in the past, but they connect us to that time, the element of time.

“Today we are finding out that those mythological superstitions that we were told that we believed in are now becoming scientific fact,” he said. “It is ironic that they are now finding out that trees actually do communicate with each other, to the point of where trees may have memory.”

A field trip to Judaculla Rock, a soapstone boulder covered in Native American petroglyphs, was led by Belt and T.J. Holland, cultural resources officer for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. A second field trip to an archaeological dig at WCU’s Norton Hall, part of the historic site for Two Sparrows Village, was conducted Brett Riggs, the university’s Sequoyah Distinguished Professor of Cherokee Studies, and Ben Steere, director of the university’s Cherokee Studies Programs.

For more information on the Rooted in the Mountains symposium, go to nativehealth.wcu.edu or call 828-227-2164.

- Western Carolina University release

Photo by Pam Myers

Brett Riggs, WCU’s Sequoyah Distinguished Professor of Cherokee Studies (center), speaks with Rooted in the Mountains attendees about the findings from an archaeological dig on campus near Norton Hall.
During the N.C. Mountain State Fair, an outbreak of Legionnaire’s Disease was discovered. Since that Fair, the latest confirmed cases of the disease, according to the N.C. Department of Health and Human Resources (NC DHHS), have reached 116 with 1 resulting in death. A total of 65 percent of those infected have had to be hospitalized. The NC DHHS has not confirmed that the source of the outbreak is the Mountain State Fair, but so far it is the most common link between those diagnosed with Legionnaire’s Disease. Many of the fairs scheduled in North Carolina for the month of October are taking precautions to ensure the safety of visitors to their fairs. According to WLOS news, the WNC Agricultural Center has cancelled a major event for the weekend starting Oct. 4 as a precautionary measure.

The One Feather contacted the EBCI Public Health and Human Services (PHHS) to ask what precautions were being implemented for the Cherokee Indian Fair, which starts on Tuesday, Oct. 8. Dwayne Reed, PHHS Environmental Health and Safety manager, provided the following statement:

This is the plan that PHHS has formulated to assess and monitor for Legionella at the Cherokee Fair:

- The Public Health and Human Services Division (PHHS) is working closely with the Cherokee Fair Events Coordinator and county health department to assure that the Fairgrounds are safe. The bacteria that has sickened over 100 people at the Mtn. State Fair (Legionella, which causes Legionnaires’ disease or Pontiac fever) could be linked to the site of the Mtn. State Fair or to a traveling vendor. The illness can be caused by aerosolized water, that is, water that gets into the air as a spray, mist, or shower. PHHS is going over a list of Cherokee Fair vendors who may have water features—such as hot tubs, tabletop fountains, misting stations, or cooling equipment that sprays water—that could be sources of Legionella. PHHS and the county health department will be working with the Cherokee Fair Events Coordinator to find, inspect, and prevent possible sources of the bacteria.
- PHHS checked with Cherokee Fire Department on their plans to use water at the fair. They have no plans to use water at the fair.
- PHHS will work closely with Fair staff and the county health department to find and deal with possible sources of the bacteria at the Fair.
- PHHS will be handing out information about Legionella, Legionnaires’ disease, and Pontiac fever to vendors and Fair visitors.
- After the Fair is over, PHHS will check Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority (CIHA) and WNC counties for any signs of unusual lung illness that might be caused by Legionella for two weeks.

For more information about the outbreak or about how PHHS is working with Fair staff and neighboring counties to keep the community safe, contact PHHS 359-6180.

If you are a leader of an organized religious organization we invite you to submit your commentary for the Speaking of Faith column.

If you are interested in becoming a contributor, please contact the Cherokee One Feather Editor at 828-359-6482 or robejump@nc-cherokee.com.
Edith Enloe Armachain

Edith Enloe Armachain, 90, of the Bigwitch Community, went to her heavenly home on Sunday, Sept. 29, 2019. Edith was born in the Birdtown Community of Cherokee. Edith was feisty and sassy. She loved to watch raccoons, birds and turkeys at her house. She was a former director of Nursing at Cherokee Indian Hospital and retired from Indian Health Services.

Edith was preceded in death by her husband, William Armachain; daughter, Lynda Armachain; father, Grover Enloe; mother, Delia Lambet; and brother, William Enloe. She was also preceded in death by her grandchildren, Gina Younce and Jimmy Johnson Jr.

Edith is survived by her daughters, Bambi Sneed (Dike), Teresa Ether등, and son, William Armachain (Cathy); in addition to her sister, Ethel Francum. She leaves behind her two children, whom she held in her heart as treasures, Breydan and Kieaira, and the love of her life, Roy Bradley. Amanda is the daughter of Martha and Calloway Ledford, and the late Vaughan Albert Sr.

Amanda knew no stranger and welcomed everyone with arms wide open and a kiss on the head or cheek. She was an avid Clemson Tigers fan and she loved Carolina Tarheels Basketball. She worked at Harrah’s Cherokee Casino in the Total Rewards program. Amanda was a second language learner. She worked in childcare at the New Kituwha Academy for several years. She loved her language and was actively pursuing ways to learn and preserve the language.

In addition to her parents, children and Roy; Amanda is survived by several brothers and sisters, Kelly Long-Sampson (John), Channing George, Chad George, Karla George, Heather Singleton, Trace Albert (Tawania), Dianne Driver (Frank), Allen Ledford (Lisa), Calloway Ledford Jr (Shelly), Mark Ledford, Alicia Bradley (Chigger), and Chris Ledford (Joni) all of Cherokee, as well as Vaughan Albert Jr. (Jackie) and Clint Albert (Starr) of Muncey, Ontario, Canada.

She also leaves behind many nieces and nephews, and one great nephew. She loved them like they were her own and many times said, “These were my babies before I had my own and they always will be”. In addition she leaves behind her uncle, Dan Conseen (Tracy) and uncle, Don Conseen; aunt, Gloria Griffin and aunt, Deb Conseen Bradley (Craig).

Amanda leaves behind many special friends, Mike “Peckerhead” Ocumuma, Charlie Burgess, George Burgess, Roger McCoy, Nehi Toineeta and so many more.

Amanda is loved by many and will be missed.

Funeral services were held at the Macedonia Church on Friday, Sept. 27 with Pastor Dan Conseen officiating. An immediate burial followed at the Amanda Lynn Family Cemetery. Pallbearers were among special friends and family. Brothers in the Wind escorted Amanda to her final resting place.

Evelyn Taylor Wachacha

Evelyn Taylor Wachacha, 73, of Robbinsville, passed away peacefully at home with her family by her side on the night of Friday, Oct. 4, 2019.

Her parents, Julius Taylor and Katie Panther; grandparents, Jonah and Mindy Wolfe; and brother, Julius Taylor, preceded her in death.

She is survived by her brothers, Richard Panther, Patrick “Sam” Panther, Kenny Panther, and James Panther all of Cherokee; and sisters, Gloria Panther-French, Pat Panther, and Debbie Panther all of Cherokee.

Evelyn was a fluent Cherokee speaker. She taught Cherokee Language at Cherokee Elementary and Robbinsville Elementary. Evelyn loved her students and the feeling was mutual. Evelyn was a graduate of Tri-County Community College, and she worked diligently to ensure that all seven of her children had college educations.

She is survived by her spouse of 54 years, Wayne Wachacha.

Evelyn has seven children, Eve Wachacha of Robbinsville, Jennifer Wachacha of Robbinsville, Candace Wachacha Crowe (Sam) of Cherokee, Melissa Wachacha Crowe (Troy) of Cherokee, Jeremy Wachacha of Cherokee, Clara Wachacha of Robbinsville, and Paige Wachacha Gross (Aaron) of Robbinsville.

Evelyn was the proud grandmother of Adrian Chekelelee, Zachary Chekelelee (Brittney), Samantha Crowe-Hernandez (Manuel), Kaleb Chekelelee, Kayla Crowe, Isaiah Chekelelee, Carr Crowe, Gabriel Chekelelee, Taylor Wachacha, Trac Crowe, Jaron Ayers (Macey), John Wayne Wachacha, Blake Wachacha, Jensen Thompson, Rossi Wachacha, Dasan Gross, Katie-Lyn Gross, and Canyon Gross.

Evelyn’s great-grandchildren are Talan, Samuel, Zachlan, Emory, Morgan, Zayleigh, Colton, Kaiser, Zeller, Legend, Rory, Maverick.
Dwayne, and Zadie.

She had two adopted daughters, Jill Jones and Mary Ann Trull and one special granddaughter, Nadallee Beasley.

Crisp Funeral Home of Bryson City handled the funeral arrangements. The funeral was held on Monday, Oct. 7 at Church of the Lamb. Burial took place in the Buffalo Church cemetery.

**Donald B. Wood**

Donald B. Wood, 72, of Whittier, went home to be with the Lord, Saturday, Oct. 5, 2019. A native of Jackson County he was the son of the late Walter and Bessie Brown Wood.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Betty Wood; two sons, Donald Jeffrey Wood and wife Tongia of Canton, and Jeremy Wood of Whittier; one daughter, Lillian Byrd of Whittier; four granddaughters, Timberly Wood, Sarah Wood, Hanna Wood, and Sophie Wood; one grandson, Chase Wood; one sister Mildred Tadlock of Whittier; nieces, Kristie Noble and husband Doug, Stephanie Bales and husband Oscar, and Shea Tadlock, and a nephew, Kenny Tadlock.

Funeral Services will be held 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10 at Crisp Funeral Home Chapel. Rev. Shane Silvers will officiate with burial in Birdtown Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Funeral Home.
Opinions

COMMENTARY
Observations and random thoughts. Meet the new boss....issue.

WILLIAM LEDFORD

A famous poet once said, “Meet the new boss, same as the old boss”. That sentence sorta, kinda paraphrases the results of the latest Rez-wide election. No major changes, which means one of two things, we’re either happy with our current leadership or we’re too darn lazy to get up off the couch and go vote the change. I saw that more people had voted than usual, so I guess it would be the former. So, as a tribal elder, still getting used to saying that, actually I’m still amazed that I’ve lasted this long. I have one request for tribal leadership. We elders need a COLA adjustment on our Christmas checks. Not too much now, save room for a little more later on, because these days a little more goes a long way. Especially with tariffs and an upcoming economic recession looming. Who agrees with me out there? Leaders! Let’s get this thing done.

It seems that not everyone was OK with the results of the last election. What else is new? Sour grapes maybe? Believing your support group more than the exit polls? Do you consider the election results to be “fake news” or “alternative facts”? Or, maybe there was an actual transgression and the perpetrators need to be exposed. I stress this though…be careful with public exposure, you may not like what you see.
country is more deadly than the ammo available to our soldiers in the combat zone and will penetrate even body armor. Something about the Geneva Convention I suppose. Republicans are OK with this, the rest of us aren’t, or shouldn’t be.

But, a bright spot shines as there is some actual sanity surfacing amidst all of the NRA BS. Walmart and Dicks Sporting Goods have raised the legal age to purchase guns to 21 and have stopped selling assault style weapons altogether. Once upon a time you had to be 21 years old to buy a handgun but only 18 to score an AK or AR style rifle from a dealer. It’s funny, you have to be 21 to buy alcohol but at 18 you can go off to war or buy a high-powered, magazine fed weapon o’ death and destruction and wage war here, at home. America, what a country.

Colt Arms has recently decided to stop manufacturing and selling their AR style weapon to civilians. Gun shop owners cheerfully point out that Colt was only a small portion of the civilian market and you can still purchase these things from other gun dealers and private owners whose consciences reside in their cash registers and in a darker, smellier place.

News flash! Trump is still in the news! And as usual it’s because of something stupid he said, or did, or both, this time is no different except, this time he might get impeached for being stupid. Because his attorney, Rudy Giuliani, seems to have been driven insane by excessive Viagra intake he constantly feeds Trump conspiracy theories and Trump, being the “stable genius” that he is, buys in to Rudy’s ranting and goes all out. This time it was the attempt to compel Ukraine to investigate a political rival and his son. Trump also has been reported attempting to compel Australia to seek out the source of the Russia investigation. All because of Giuliani. And Giuliani has been hitting the political talk show circuit showing just how bat crap crazy he is. On one he was waving official looking papers around that he claimed were “evidence” of Biden corruption except these papers had a hand-drawn Presidential Seal on them. Who does that? And isn’t forging the Presidential Seal a crime? If it ain’t, it should be. Geez, who needs films like Silence of the Lambs, Alien, Texas Chainsaw Massacre, The Exorcist or La Llorona for Halloween when we have Rudy Giuliani who is both psychotically scary and hilariously funny…at the same time? Stay tuned.

The House of Representatives leaders are currently preparing Articles of Impeachment because of the Ukraine stuff. It’s absolutely amazing. Trump doesn’t realize, or simply doesn’t care that as President, he can’t act like he did as boss of his family business. In government there’s always someone to answer to. Checks and Balances. Geez, I learned this stuff in high school. The GOP hasn’t learned anything.

You know, you can’t write comedy this good. You have to live it. And we are definitely living it. See ya next time. And…looking for a Christmas raise. Yoohoooo...
SPEAKING OF FAITH

The calling... ours, too

REV. TIMOTHY L. MELTON, PASTOR
CHEROKEE PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH

Read and study Acts 9:1-22 (KJV)

("Damascus, Syria, was about 150 miles north of Jerusalem. Several trade routes were linked there to other cities throughout the Roman world and Saul/Paul probably hoped to stamp out Christianity there and could prevent them from spreading to other areas. Then he discovered God had other plans for him. He saw the risen Christ Himself. True conversion comes from a personal encounter with Jesus Christ."

NLT Study Bible.)

"The Church (Pentecostal) today seems to have found that in many respects, reverence, healing, and the Fear of God has gone. The Church has grown cold. (Exercise prayer.)

"Saul was a very learned man, a master of the Word. Holding onto the Old way, have any of you ever murdered other Christians? Blasphemed the Name of God? Sought to find them to put them to death? Saul did. However, after Jesus apprehended him on the way to Damascus and reaching him with a better message, God allowed him to write 2/3 of the New Testament. Jesus told him not to kick against the pricks.

"In verse 6 there could be much trembling in following the Law—like the cut of your hair, shoes, but we are to be like Jesus—let some things go. Saul was blinded by the Glory for three days—to show him he had been blind for a long time.

"Ananias—because God sent him to Saul—was to remove the scales from his eyes. In verse 15, we are told, Saul was a chosen vessel to carry His Presence. We are told as the Church, that we are chosen as vessels to present Him before Gentiles, kings, and others—for them to see more clearly.

"In the early Church, as they began to scatter out into the world because of the persecution, they had all been filled with the Holy Ghost.

They, and we also, are to receive the Holy Ghost. Saul, who became Paul, immediately began preaching to sick people. He was delivered to tell (empowered to) by the Holy Ghost, even as Saul, the one, who had asked, ‘Lord, who are you?’

“In verse 21, all were amazed as he taught: Paul knew how to pray—prayed in the Name of Jesus. He now knew Jesus and day after day, he began to strengthen daily. (He exercised it! Practiced!)

"Receive the Holy Ghost and increase! Say something! Accept Him as ‘my Healer’ by the baptism in the Holy Ghost, to receive Him; you can take Him into your heart. Learn how to increase in speaking, in knowledge, in healing, in deliverance. Take Him as your Healer. One person we knew, even though being near death, just started laughing, as she told us, “The devil thinks I’m sick, but I’m not.” She kept laughing at the devil, kept it up for two weeks and came away fully healed.

"My people perish.” Learn to exercise your faith in Him. “He’s my caregiver and caretaker.” Let God have control—He said to give Him everything. None of us want calamity to strike, but it can come. We are to increase in strength! We must increase in strength.

"Lord, take me as far as I desire to go. I want to go all the way—I cannot love my life— it is now Yours.” Amen.

My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.
And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.
1 JOHN 2: 1,2

“Christ Preaching” by Rembrandt (1646-1650)

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**Puzzle & Quiz Answers on Page 40**
Church Events
Ela Missionary Baptist Church Homecoming. Oct. 13 with services at 11 a.m. The event will honor Rev. Larry Foster, pastor Emeritus who was pastor at Ela from June 3, 1985 to Sept. 6, 2017. Special music by Michael J. Balin of Clover, S.C. Everyone is invited to stay for dinner immediately following the service.

Gospel Singing. Oct. 26 at 6 p.m. at Ela Baptist Church. The King Family of Bryson City will be singing. Everyone is invited.

General Events
Baby Crawling Contest at 107th Cherokee Indian Fair. Oct. 9 from 10:30 a.m. at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Age groups: 6-9 months, 9-12 months, and 12-16 months. This event is sponsored by the Office of Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley. To sign up early, you can pick up a form at the Tribal Council House or the Cherokee Welcome Center. Sign-ups will also be available the morning of the event next to the stage from 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. Return all forms to Chavella Taylor at the Tribal Council House. Info: Chavella Taylor 359-7005 or chavtaylor@nc-cherokee.com

Second Annual Pancake Festival. Oct. 12 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the United Methodist Church at 76 Main Street in Bryson City. Music, games, entertainment, raffles, and more. This event, sponsored by RENEW Bryson City, is being held to address the impact of drugs in the area communities. Info: www.renewbrysoncity.org

Swain County Democratic Party meeting. Oct. 15 at 6 p.m. at the United Community Bank at 145 Slope Street in Bryson City. Items on the agenda include voter registration drives and planning for 2020. All are welcome. Info: 497-9498

Jackson County Democratic Party meeting. Oct. 15 at 6:30 p.m. at party headquarters at 500 Mill Street in Sylva. The meeting is open to all Democrats. JCDP monthly meetings include all precinct officers and party executive officers, as well as representatives of auxiliary organizations. Frank C. Burrell, JCDP chair, will preside. Info: www.jacksondems.com

Building a Raised Bed class. Oct. 22 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Steve Youngdeer American Legion 143 post headquarters on Acquoni Road. Learn about different types of raised beds and how to build one. The raised bed constructed during the class will be donated to Post 143. This event is hosted for free by the EBCI Cooperative Extension office. Info: Benjamin Collette 359-6928 or benjcoll@nc-cherokee.com


Cherokee Business Training. Nov. 6-7 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex conference room. This training will provide insight into what it takes to start and run a business. You will get to explore entrepreneurship as it relates to your industry, values, and goals. The training will help you develop skills, create

**Health Events**

**Community Meeting and Panel Discussion. Oct. 10** from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Southwestern Community College Jackson Campus Burrell Building at 447 College Drive in Sylva. This meeting will be used to provide education and obtain input on priorities for addressing social determinants of health throughout western North Carolina. During the session, national public health experts will take part in a panel discussion highlighting the various factors that influence health and well-being and discuss possible ways to address these issues throughout the region. To register for this event, visit: www.dogwoodevents.org

**WNC Ostomy Support Group meeting. Oct. 14** from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Jackson County Center N.C. Cooperative Extension meeting room at 876 Skyland Drive, Suite 6, in Sylva. Info: ostomywnc@gmail.com

**Sports Events**

**Ball in the Fall Men’s and Women’s 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament. Oct. 11-12** at Birdtown Gym. $1,000 winner-take-all. First 12 teams to register. 5-person roster. $150 entry fee. The deadline to register is Tuesday, Oct. 1 at 2 p.m. Info: Shannon 359-3345 or Peaches 359-6890

**Fall Ball 2019 Golf Classic. Oct. 17** at Sequoyah National Golf Club. Proceeds to benefit Cherokee High School Braves and Lady Braves basketball teams. Per player cost: $125. All participants who pay the $125 fee for this event will receive a $50 discount on the spring 2020 event. $5 mulligans (five max per player). Prizes: top three lowest scores, longest drive, closest to pin, and other drawings. Info: chsbballfundraisers@gmail.com

**Cherokee Turkey Strut. Nov. 23** at Kituwah Mound. Registration at 10:30 a.m. and the race begins at 12 p.m. Walkers and runners welcome. Proceeds go to Tahnee’s Kids Fund. Fee: $15 ($20 after Nov. 19, $5 for children under 12 and adults 60+. Register online at: www.runsignup.com. Info: Yolanda Saunooke 359-6784

**Upcoming Pow Wows for Oct. 11-13**

*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.*


**10th Annual Running Water Singers Pow Wow. Oct. 11-12** at Les Maxwell Indian School in Fayetteville, N.C. Info: William Maiden (910) 308-7249, wmaiden15@aol.com

**Gold Eagle Casino Sakicawasihki Pow Wow. Oct. 11-13** at North Battleford Civic Centre Arena in North Battleford, Saskatchewan, Canada. Info: Leanne Pawlyshyn (306) 440-8258. Leanne.pawlyshyn@siga.sk.ca

**Elko Band Pow Wow. Oct. 11-13** at Elko Colony Health & Wellness in Elko, Nev. Info: Corinna Gonzales (775) 934-6407, charlie_g_48@hotmail.com

**33rd Annual Shawnee Indian Mission Fall Festival. Oct. 11-13** at Shawnee Indian Mission in Fairway, Kan. MC: Manny King. Host Drum: Upstream. Info: (913) 262-0867, jlaughlin@fairwaykansas.org


**Honor the Ancestors Pow Wow. Oct. 11-13** at Denmark Technical College in Denmark, S.C. Host Drum: Edisto River. Info: Michelle Mitchum (803) 662-3377, pinehillndn@yahoo.com

**San Manuel Pow Wow. Oct. 11-13** at California State University San Bernardino in San Bernadino, Calif. Info: (909) 425-3450, powwowsanmanuelvendor@gmail.com

**To’Nanees’Dizi Western Navajo Fair Contest Pow Wow. Oct. 11-13** at Tuba City Fairgrounds in Tuba City, Ariz. Info: Dawn (602) 376-9762 or Karlis (602) 376-8404 or email coordinatorpowow@gmail.com


**Support Groups**
Analenisgi Recovery Center
weekly schedule

Mondays
Be Assertive, Not Aggressive: 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.
Parents Supporting Parents: 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Acceptance (open to community): 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Tuesdays
Abstract Recovery: 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Strong Hearts: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Life Recovery (open to community): 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Wednesdays
W.R.A.P. Class: 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.
Creative Writing: 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Adulting 101: 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.
Communication 101: 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

We Belong – Two Spirit (open to community): 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Peacemaking Support Circle (open to community): 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Thursdays
Life Recovery (open to community): 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
Putting off Procrastination: 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Radical Acceptance: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Healthy Boundaries: 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Fridays
W.R.A.P. Class: 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.
Creative Recovery: 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Depression and Anxiety: 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

All classes are open to clients of Analenisgi. Classes open to the community are noted. Info: 497-6892

CAHA Bariatric Support Group

Strange BUT TRUE
By Samantha Weaver

- It was multitalented Robert Anton Wilson — he was, at various times in his life, a novelist, essayist, psychologist, editor, philosopher, playwright and mystic — who made the following observation: “It only takes 20 years for a liberal to become a conservative without changing a single idea.”
- It took between 75,000 and 80,000 workers to build the Panama Canal, linking the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans across the Isthmus of Panama.
- When the Barbie doll was first introduced in 1959, it was described in The New York Times as a “crushing bomb.” So much for early reviews. Since then, more than a billion Barbies have been sold in more than 150 countries. Mattel, the doll’s maker, claims that more than 100 dolls are sold every minute of every day.
- William Howard Taft, the 18th president of the United States, was quite a large man. Quite a large man, indeed. In fact, he was so large that his 300-pound bulk got stuck in a White House bathtub, and he had to summon help to extricate himself.
- Pope Benedict IX held the office three different times.
- There are lots of sports fans out there, and a lot of sports to enjoy: football, basketball, soccer, baseball, hockey … olive oil wrestling? OK, maybe they aren’t a lot of oiled wrestling events here in America, but in Turkey it’s the national sport. Kirkpınar, as it’s known there, has been popular since the Ottoman Empire. The Turkish town of Edirne has been hosting the annual tournament since 1361.

Thought for the Day: “Even a purely moral act that has no hope of any immediate and visible political effect can gradually and indirectly, over time, gain in political significance.” — Vaclav Havel

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meets every second Thursday of the month at Cherokee Indian Hospital from 12-1pm in the Soco Gap Training 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 potluck 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 1 p.m. at In-Home Care Services in the Beloved Women’s & Children’s Center second floor). This group is presented by Alzheimer’s Association Western Carolina Chapter. Info: 359-6860

Life Recovery Tsa La Gi Family Support Group meets on Tuesdays from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Macedonia Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

Life Recovery Tsa La Gi Bible-based 12-Step meets on Tuesdays from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. and on Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at Analenisgi.

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 Chairperson Cindy West, 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: Joi Owle, 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 or the Tuesday before the Tribal Council meeting. Info: Roger Smoker, chairman, (828) 479-8678 or (828) 361-3278, rogersmoker@yahoo.com

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

Yellowhill Community Club meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6pm 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

HCD wishes to congratulate Shoshoni & Martin Medina on the purchase of their first home in Jackson County. We would like to thank the Medinas for allowing HCD to assist them in making their homeownership dream a reality. Congratulations!!!

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FOR RENT
2BR, 1 bath mobile home. Quiet park in Ela, no pets. References/background check required. $450/month, $450/deposit. 488-8752. UFN

FOR SALE
Carbon Express 390 Crossbow, Cranking device – 390 ft. per-sec., Draw 185 lbs./Quiver, 3 bolts 432 scope $350.00 (828)341-5552. 10/9

FREE
Free Gospel Books! (Malachi 4:5 and Revelations 10:7). Are you searching and hungering for more of the Living God? Then, there is more for you! Send for your FREE books at: P.O. Box 1894, Beaufort, SC 29901. UFN

WANTED
Wanting to buy Ginseng - NC licensed Ginseng dealer is willing to pay Top price for Top quality roots. For more information, please call (828) 316-8372 or (917) 459-8600. 10/17pd

Buying Wild Ginseng starting Sept. 1. Green only until Sept. 15 then green or dry. Buying at the old Caney Fork General Store every Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Call Ricky Teem (828) 371-1802 or (828) 524-7748. 10/16pd

YARD SALES
Saturday, Oct. 5, 8:30am-3pm. Tools, Household Items, Furniture, Movies and Misc. Airport Hill, Lemons Branch Rd, Bryson City.

--- MARKETPLACE ---

--- Puzzle Answers ---

--- King Crossword ---

Solution time: 21 mins.

Answers:

1) Old; 2) 6 (Magdalene); 3) Mothers of: Jesus, James the younger, and John Mark; Mary of: Bethany, Rome); 4) Jesus; 5) Carnel; 6) Reuben; 6) Jerusalem

--- Weekly SUDOKU ---

Answer:

1. Robin Williams
2. Ohio River
3. James Thurber
4. Cairn Terrier
5. Hypnos
6. Calvin Coolidge
7. Pita Bread
8. Battle of Fort Sumter
9. Almost 5 mL
10. 1984
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EMPLOYMENT

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:
Medical Lab Technician
Dental Assistant I
Dental Assistant II
Master Level Therapist – Adult Behavioral Health Consultant I
Systems Administrator I
Child Services Manager – Analenisgi
Clinical Pharmacist
Pharmacy Technician II
Training/Development Specialist
PTI Radiology Technologist
Provider Network Manager – MCO
Food Service Worker
Psychiatrist - Inpatient
Physician – Emergency Room
CNA – Tsali Care Center (10 Positions)

Cook – Tsali Care Center (2 Positions)
Cook Aide – Tsali Care Center (2 Positions)
CNA Medication Aide – Tsali Care Center (2 Positions)
PTI CNA Medication Aide – Tsali Care Center (3 Positions)
PTI LPN – Tsali Care Center
PTI RN – Tsali Care Center (5 Positions)
RN – Tsali Care Center (3 Positions)
RN Supervisor – Tsali Care Center
Ward Clerk – 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.

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:
Family Safety Team Supervisor
Targeted Case Manager-Family Safety
CNA/Emergency Room

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CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:
Medical Social Worker (2 Positions)
EVS Technician
RN Lead – Primary Care
EVS Technician
Behavioral Health RN – Analenisgi (2 Positions)

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LEGAL NOTICES

In the Matter of the Estate of James Sequoyah, Sr.

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.

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

James Sequoyah, JR., P.O. Box 2091
Cherokee, NC 28719,
In the Matter of the Estate of Mary Frances Ensley
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

Tawania Ensley

In the Matter of the Estate of Patsy Mable Lambert
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

Nick Lambert

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**Traveler Application**

**2020 YOUTH CULTURAL EXCHANGE: NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA**

The Youth Cultural Exchange program is a leadership, education, cross-cultural program funded by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation in partnership with the Ray Kinzle Leadership Institute.

Tentative travel dates: July 10-22, 2020

- Students in 10th-12th grade

There are two phases to the application process for the 2020 Youth Cultural Exchange Program. The first phase, you must complete and return the attached application to the Ray Kinzle Leadership Institute.

1. Applicants must be in grades 10th-12th.
2. A high school student currently attends one of the schools in Western North Carolina (Swain, Jackson, Haywood, Clay, Cherokee, Graham, and Macon County schools or homeschooled in those counties).
3. Have a valid passport or able to secure a passport on or before January 8, 2020.
4. Able to attend all mandatory training, educational, and team building events.

The second stage is a personal interview. Applicants will be called to schedule a personal interview with trip chaperones for the week. (Appropriate dress is suggested). Dates for interviews are scheduled for October 21-23.

If chosen for this trip, it will be your responsibility to successfully apply for your passport and have a copy of the return to us by January 8th. Failure to do so will disqualify you from participating in this tour, and your slot will be given to another applicant.

If you are chosen and are unable to fulfill your commitment to the tour, and airline tickets are purchased, you will be asked to pay the total cost of the non-refundable ticket fee.

All successful applicants will be invited to a “Kick-Off” Celebration in November with time and place to be announced. This is intended for travelers and their parents or guardians.

If you have any questions or need more information please call Ethan Clapsaddle, CYC Leadership Specialist, at phone number 828-359-5541.

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**Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings**

(Open until filled):
- Varsity Baseball Coach - Must have a high school diploma. Applicants should submit a detailed resume of appropriate experience.
- Varsity Softball Coach - Must have a high school diploma. Applicants should submit a detailed resume of appropriate experience.
- Middle School Social Studies Teacher - Must have a Bachelor's degree, a valid NC Teaching License in the appropriate area of hire or eligible to receive licensure based on bachelor’s degree in related field with a minimum of a 2.7 GPA. If seeking alternative licensure, must enroll in an Educator Preparation Program upon hire.
- Alternative Classroom Teacher - Must have a Bachelor's degree, a valid NC Teaching License in the appropriate area of hire or eligible to receive licensure based on bachelor’s degree in related field with a minimum of a 2.7 GPA. If seeking alternative licensure, must enroll in an Educator Preparation Program upon hire.
- Full Time Custodian - Must have a high school diploma or GED.
- Special Education Teacher Assistant - Must have an Associate's degree or two years (48 semester hours) of study at an institute of higher education.
- Elementary Teacher Assistant - Must have an Associate's degree or two years (48 semester hours) of study at an institute of higher education.
- Secondary Teacher - Must have a valid NC Teaching license or eligible to receive licensure based on bachelor’s degree in related field.
- Special Education Teacher - Self-contained Classroom (Elementary School) - Must have a valid NC teaching certificate in the appropriate area of hire, or alignment with an approved educator prep program as the board of education finds acceptable; Bachelor’s Degree is required.

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**StrongHEARTS Native Helpline**
New Enrollees of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians April 1 – Sept. 30, 2019

“This is a list of new enrollees of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians who were officially enrolled between April 1, 2019 and Sept. 30, 2019 who, unless otherwise prohibited by Tribal law, are eligible to receive a per capita distribution of distributable net gaming revenue for the period of April 1, 2019 to Sept. 30, 2019. This list is being published according to Cherokee Code Section 16C-4.”

June Rose Anderson
Aubrey Maria Arch
Radik Rozier Arch
Madelyn Paige Armenti
Makenzie Hazel Autrey
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Eliana Grace Barrera
Tanna Rhae Bedonie
Rowan Scout Belanger
Walaela Rose Bigmeat
Jordan Jim Bird
Isabelle Marie Bosler
Finn Ward Braswell
Rock Albert Braun
Madison Grace Brooks
Christopher Thomas Bynum, Jr.
Maggie Suella Calhoun
Waytt Walker Cantrell
Braidyn Earl Catolster
Jedidiah Allen Church
Micara Avianna Coffey
Joshua Daniel Crowe
Oakley Marie Crowe
Carter James Davis
Liam Michael Davis
Arthur David Derreberry
Oakley Quinn Driver
Elaine MaryJane Dugan
Brenden Lee Dunivan
Sterling Pierce Earley
Collin Orlyn Edmundson
Taylor Anne Edwards
Alize Kingsley Esquivel
Rhea Sophia Esquivel
Tymberline Rayne Ford
Bo Henry Fowler
Georgia Jane Midnight Franks
Lily Jane French
Marcel Ballard French
Luna Ann Gammon
Kevin Swailon George
Scarlett Faye Sabarre George
David Garrett Gesswein
Henrik Cash Lambert Gjesdal
Brian Roy Gomez
Kyrie Everly Griffin
Nelia Marie Groenewold
Ashlee Marie Hair
Amelia Sophia Jade Harrin
Caelan Shane Hatley
Joshalyn Jean Reed Hawkins
Alex Lionel Hernandez
Cyde Rashon Hill, Jr.
Beatrice Bonita Hodge
Jameson Gage Hodock
Hesoli Chanel Hornbuckle
Nash Hudson Irvine
Kaijah Raylie Bleu Isbll
Melody Diane Jansen
Wa-Le-La Jenkins
Isabel Brooke Kanott
Silas William Kelly
Azula Marie Komenda-Maney
Knox Jacob Lambert
Nevaeh Ga-Lv-Lo-I Larch
Liana Jude Ledford
Alaina Marie Lippencott
Azlyn Olivia Lonon
Kateri Mali Lonon
Issac Lyons
Logan Ezra Maney
Micha Lenette Maney
Terri Lynn Martin
Phynn Rhett McConnell
Jeannine Nora Renee McCoy
Kendrick Tom McCoy
Alexina Leshea McIntire
Dominic Armani Mendoza
Nicolas Lee Metcalf
Ambrose Cash Milligan
Phillip Chance Milligan, Jr.
Lewis Dakota Moore
Theodore Bennett Morales
Wilder Michael Morgan
Brooklyn Grace Nelson
Juni Lylah Nelson
Leah June Nordengren
Edawin Briar Norton
Valentino Americo Nunez
Rashad Donell Outlaw
Tia Elizabeth Outlaw
Kaye Thomas Parris
Mireya Alicia Ezma Perez
Fenix Ugytstvi Pheasant
Hunter Ray Pheasant-Jones
Pierce Allen Phillips
Isabella Amaya Picon
Olivia Graceylnn Picon
Gracie Faith Pilkinson
Emma Rayn Pointer
Denver-James Odell Price
Laydin Vincent Pritch
Ada Lee Olive Elsie Queen
Emily Lula Rose Rattler
Kilah Serenity Ray
Brooke Elaine Reed
Daisy Nicole Reed
Lukas Steven Reed
Skyler Grace Reed
Rosalie Quinn Riet-Kerk
Adalyn Rose Roberson
Esther Wren Roberts
Nolan Day Rodriguez
Amelia Richie Roemer
Arabella Teresa Roemer
Bianca Monroe Roemer
Arlo Dohshawn Sadongei
Azalia Amapola Rose Sadongei
Cedar Amapola Rose Sadongei
Acheron Carver Stanley
Khaillynn Marie Swisher
Jessa Jarae Teensateskie
Thea Brenna Teensateskie
Ayden Shawn Tingle
Kyler Brooks Toineeta
Jarrett Lee Thomas Townend
Daxton Beckett Trammell
Amira Raelynn Wade
Enoch Bascom Walkingstick
Zella Nicole-Brightyn Walkingstick
E-Lo-Hi Daylynne Watty
Erik Josue Aguilar Watty
Kyndrick Lee Duke Watty-Jackson
Raiden Amari Webster
Rylan Maddox Webster
Acosia Marose Welch
William Fletcher Welch
Amie Marie Whitney
Cornelius Rambo Wildcat
Jazlyn Lila Wilnoty
Obadia Shaloli Wilnoty
Cara Ann Wright
Maddox Edwin-Kolanv Youngdeer
Ayoka Adelaide Standingdeer
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One Feather deadline Friday at 12 p.m.
This is a list of deceased members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians whose estate is entitled to a pro rata share of the deceased members per capita distribution of net gaming revenues for the period April 1, 2019 – Sept. 30, 2019 pursuant to Section 16C-5 of the Cherokee Code.

This section does not apply to deceased minors. Distribution to the estate of a deceased member may be made only to the authorized, or court-appointed, fiduciary, affiant, executor or administrator of the estate. The estate has one year from the date of death to claim this final payment. Please submit, in person, to the Tribal Enrollment Office at 808 Acquoni Rd., Ginger Lynn Welch Complex, or mail to Tribal Enrollment Office, PO Box 2069 Cherokee, NC 28719.

Please report the death of an enrolled member to the Enrollment Office at 828-351-6664, 6665, 6666, 6667, 6668 or 6669.

Each person is shown with their date of death, full name and executor(s):

4/3/2019 Albin Rex Gwaltney, Executor Amber Gwaltney
4/9/2019 Mary Ruth Abernathy
4/10/2019 Susan Jones, Executor C. David Jones
4/12/2019 Mary Griffin
4/13/2019 David Ensley, Executor Brenda Ensley
4/13/2019 Lisa Lynn Cox
4/15/2019 Anna Bell Sipes, Executor Linda Ann Reynolds
4/15/2019 Sandra Mildred Cucumber, Executor Erma McMillan
4/17/2019 James Albert Ashe
4/22/2019 John Gregory Hynes, II, Executor Judy Emig
4/28/2019 Alice Modenia Queen, Executors James Robert Queen & Diane Landreth
4/30/2019 Charles Emory Anderson, Executor Steven Anthony Forrest
5/1/2019 Willie Teesateskie, Executor Ella Mae Teesateskie
5/2/2019 Avis Evelyn Boling, Executor Raymond W. Boling
5/6/2019 William Stephen Saunooke, Executor Kerry Graham
5/10/2019 Chrismon Todd Smith, Executor Chantelle Denise Smith
5/11/2019 Sam Saunooke, Executor David Saunooke
5/12/2019 Lily Jean Nickerson
5/21/2019 Douglas Seab Mathews, Executor Glenda Mathews
5/31/2019 Perry Lee Steven Dixon
6/3/2019 Donald Ray Palmer
6/4/2019 Paul Squirrel, Executor Pamela Squirrel
6/5/2019 Bernette Bridges
6/12/2019 Scott Nathaniel Rochester
6/13/2019 Elsie Marie Calhoun
6/14/2019 John Allen Haymond, Executor Gary Haymond
6/17/2019 James Robert Miller
6/22/2019 Lizzie Marie Poe
6/27/2019 Mary Frances Ensley, Executor Tawania Ensley
6/27/2019 Jennifer Jeanne Lucille Nickerson
7/5/2019 Doris Charlene Stiles
7/14/2019 Alice Mae Forney
7/14/2019 Myron Robert Ledford
7/24/2019 Malyn Kelcy Crowe, Executor Rebecca Stephens McClure
7/27/2019 Mary Frances Smith
7/31/2019 Coleman Wayne Terrell
8/3/2019 William Christopher Wolfe
8/7/2019 Josephine Calhoun
8/12/2019 Dinah George
8/13/2019 David Arch Blythe
8/14/2019 Bonnie May Kelly
8/16/2019 Rosemary Powell, Executor Benjamin E. Powell
8/16/2019 Samuel Scott McLeaymore
8/18/2019 Mary Lou Feather, Executor Sonia Denise Taylor
8/19/2019 Carl Robert Davis
8/20/2019 Messiah Sean Brown
8/21/2019 Ted Edwin Killian
8/23/2019 Lillian Franklin
8/23/2019 Judy Regina Bird
8/25/2019 Tyron Willard Freeman
8/26/2019 Larry Leland Miller
8/28/2019 Margaret Naomi Owl
8/28/2019 Burton Littlejohn
8/30/2019 William Jacob Driver
8/31/2019 Joseph Welch Oocumma, Jr.
9/5/2019 Frieda Louise Jenkins
9/9/2019 Cody John Decoteau
9/10/2019 Virgil Dennis Crowe
9/12/2019 Floyd Samuel Thompson, Jr.
9/12/2019 McAdoo Levi Driver
9/15/2019 Jonathan Lee French
9/16/2019 Catherine Marie Armachain
9/19/2019 Roberta Louise Waldroup
9/22/2019 David Ledford
9/24/2019 Amanda Lynn George
9/24/2019 Elba Virginia Crain
9/28/2019 Norma Jean Carrigan

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Native American communities, hard hit by the opioid crisis, seek innovative solutions

By Daniel Gatalica, Cronkite News

PHOENIX – Native American advocates are seeking more funding and new ways to tackle the opioid crisis in Indian Country as overdose death rates continue to rise.

Native Americans have the second-highest death rate related to opioid use in the nation – a number that’s been on the rise for nearly two decades. In 2017, the rate hit 15.7 deaths per 100,000 people, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Only whites are dying at a higher rate – 19.4 per 100,000 people.

The crisis took center stage at a gathering last week of Native American health experts sponsored by the National Indian Health Board.

Stacy Bohlen, CEO of the board, said a number of factors have contributed to the opioid epidemic among Native Americans. One, she said, is a lack of access to basic health care and treatment when someone is suffering.

“People can’t afford to get care but can certainly afford painkillers,” she said.

Bohlen said improving the public health system for American Indians and Alaska Natives would go a long way toward preventing opioid abuse and overdoses.

“For every dollar you spend in prevention, you save $5 in provision of direct medical care,” she said.

Shervin Aazami, a policy analyst at the health board, said the opioid crisis in Indian Country has been overlooked by most Americans.

“This invisibility contributes to the lack of awareness, lack of correct funding, lack of technical assistance and resources directly to the tribes,” Aazami said, adding that such resources would allow tribes to address the problem on their own terms as sovereign nations and in more culturally appropriate ways.

The federal government has distributed grant money to states to address the addiction crisis.

“However,” Aazami said, “they often neglect to allocate money towards the tribes, leaving the Native people to sit waiting.”

President Donald Trump last year signed into law opioid relief legislation that included a specific 5 percent set aside to ensure that some federal funding goes directly to Native organizations battling the problem. Aazami said that’s not nearly enough.

At the tribal health conference last week, Virginia Hedrick, director of policy and planning at the California Consortium for Urban Indian Health, spoke about steps communities can take to address the opioid crisis, including reducing the stigma around addiction itself as well as alternative pain management.

Hedrick’s organization plans to distribute the drug naloxone, medication that rapidly reverses the effects of an opioid overdose, into the hands of as many community members as possible. The group also is training providers at clinics to increase access to medication-assisted opioid treatment, where doctors can prescribe different medications, such as buprenorphine, that can help an individual overcome addiction.

“What I hope to accomplish is really sharing the data on how our program is effective, sharing information on putting naloxone into the hands of more community members, so that we don’t continue to lose more people to overdoses, and to reduce stigma around addiction and to reduce stigma around alternative pain managements,” Hendrick said.

Hedrick said supporting mental health services and alternative pain management systems and making insurance easier to access also could help address the crisis in Indian Country.

“It could be that an individual has suffered trauma throughout their life, and an opioid is a way to address a mental health issue,” she said. “We don’t typically see individuals who are struggling with an addiction that don’t have an underlying issue.”
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