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UKB Candidates Vie for District Representative Positions

Filing closed on August 13 at 6 p.m. for candidates running for United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma's district representative positions on the UKB Tribal Council. The election will be held on the first Monday of November, or November 1. Candidates must win by getting 50% plus one vote. If one candidate in a district does not receive a majority, a run off election will be held on the first Monday of December, or December 6th. Winners will be sworn in the first Saturday in January.

The UKB Tribal Council is comprised of four officers – Chief, Assistant Chief, Tribal Secretary, and Tribal Treasurer, who serve four year terms and nine District Representatives who serve two year terms.

Sixteen Candidates have filed to fill nine UKB district representative positions, pending review of qualifications which will be completed later in the week. Four incumbents will run uncontested including Eddie Sacks in the Canadian District; Jerry Hansen in the Delaware District; Joyce Fourkiller Hawk in the Goingsnake District and Barry Dotson in the Sequoyah District. One new candidate, Peggy Girty of Vian, Oklahoma who is running in the Illinois District, drew no opposition.

In the Cooweescoowee District, incumbent Clifford Wofford of Claremore, Oklahoma will face opponent Clifford Arneecheer of Catoosa, Oklahoma.

The Flint District has the largest number of candidates filing with incumbent Woodrow Proctor of Bunch, Tom Duncan of Stilwell, Okla-

homa, Harlene Green of Stilwell, Oklahoma, and Frankie Still of Stilwell, Oklahoma all running to represent UKB members in the Flint District.

In the Saline District, incumbent Charles Smoke of Salina, Oklahoma will run against Carolyn Chumwalooky, also from Salina, Oklahoma.

In the Tahlequah District, incumbent Betty Holcomb of Tahlequah, Oklahoma, Danny McCarter of Tahlequah, Oklahoma and J. Kristene Scrapper of Tahlequah, Oklahoma will vie for Tahlequah District Representative.

"I'm pleased with the election board staff and the professional way they handled the filing process. Our polling locations are set, and after a background check on the candidates, we will begin printing the ballots and arranging for the voting machines to be delivered", said Election Board Chairman Leroy Adair. "I encourage all registered tribal members to get out and vote." The Keetoowah Cherokee election will be held on Monday, November 1. Polls will be open from 7

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United Keetoowah Band Chief George Wickliffe placed the Guidon banner to the Guidon pole carrying the United Keetoowah Band flag with the words "Established 1859," the year the tribe was formed. In the military sense, the flag was known as the "Battle Flag." Eventually names of the past Chiefs will be included onto the Guidon banner. Photo by Sammy Still

Family, Community, and Tradition - It's the Keetoowah Cherokee Way 60th Annual Celebration October 1 and 2

The United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma will host the 60th Annual Keetoowah Cherokee Celebration on Friday and Saturday, October 1 and 2. Most events will be held at the Keetoowah Cherokee Celebration Grounds off West Willis Road at Keetoowah Circle unless otherwise specified.

The theme for the 60th Annual Keetoowah Cherokee Celebration is "Family, Community, And Tradition - It's the Keetoowah Cherokee Way." The Keetoowah Cherokees have always held close the importance of family, community, and ancient traditions. Each are cornerstones of the Keetoowah Cherokee People.

The celebration logo features the sacred fire at the center with two stickball sticks crossed and centered above the letters "UKB". The United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians welcomes you to participate in the 60th annual celebration commemorating the signing of the UKB Constitution on October 3, 1950. The UKB is the only Cherokee tribe organized under the Indian Welfare Act.

The UKB Celebration goes green this year, as the United Keetoowah Band's Natural Resources Department will be giving free energy efficiency light bulbs as participants come by to park at the Keetoowah Cherokee Celebration. Each household will receive 2 family packs (10 bulbs total) to use in their home.

Utilizing an online energy savings calculator, the Natural Resources Department calculated that by changing 10,000 incandescent light bulbs to compact fluorescent bulbs, approx. 3,335 tons of carbon dioxide would be saved, the equivalent of removing 56.48 cars from the

highways or planting 2,274.89 trees. It would also save approx 90,000 incandescent light bulbs and packaging from being sent to landfills over the lifespan of the bulbs. The compact fluorescent bulbs can last up to 10 years, far longer than the average of 1 year for a standard light bulb.

Friday evening, October 1, from 6 to 10 p.m., the tribe will host an Open Gospel Singing. All Cherokee singers are encouraged to come and participate. There will also be a stomp dance beginning at 9 p.m. on Friday night. The stomp dance will be hosted by members of the Redbird Smith Ceremonial Grounds.

Early birds on Saturday morning will have the option of the Keetoowah Cherokee Run or the Kid's Fishing Derby, which both begin at 7 a.m. on Saturday.

Major festivities on Saturday will kick off with the Keetoowah Cherokee Celebration Parade at 10 a.m. on Muskogee Avenue. The parade will feature marching bands, many colorful floats including floats for the UKB Youth Choir, Henry Lee Doublehead Child Development Center, UKB Housing Authority as well as several tribal department floats, cars and walking groups. Marching bands already signed up for the parade include the pride of Northeastern, the jewel of Green country - the NSU Riverhawks Marching Band and the roar of the Tigers - Oktaha School Band. Parade organizers are hoping to get several more bands to participate. Kids won't want to miss the parade, and a chance to get candy and toys that will be handed out to parade goers.

Chief George Wickliffe's State of the Nation Address will precede all other activities at the grounds,



One of the favorite events during the Keetoowah Cherokee Celebration is the annual parade. Tribal members gather with family and friends to witness the sights and sounds of parade floats and local school bands as they march down main street Tahlequah.

beginning at 11:45 a.m. Following the chief's address, the audience will meet the 2010 Keetoowah Cherokee Tradition Keepers, 2010-2011 Miss and Jr. Miss Keetoowah Cherokee, and will be entertained by a performance from the Keetoowah Cherokee Youth Choir and the Cherokee Baptist Adult Choir with D.J. McCarter.

UKB history and tribal department displays will be available all day for viewing at the Jim Proctor Elder Community Center.

Other events featured on Saturday include traditional Keetoowah Cherokee games such as blowgun, stickball, cornstalk shoot and marbles. Additional sporting events include the Keetoowah Cherokee run, a volleyball tournament, and a horse-shoe tournament.

There will be a host of children's activities including the kid's fishing derby, turtle races (bring your own turtle), games, inflatables

such as the Alpine Summit, a pirate ship, an obstacle course and a Jupiter Jump. Kids will also have a great time watching cultural demonstrations and making their own crafts.

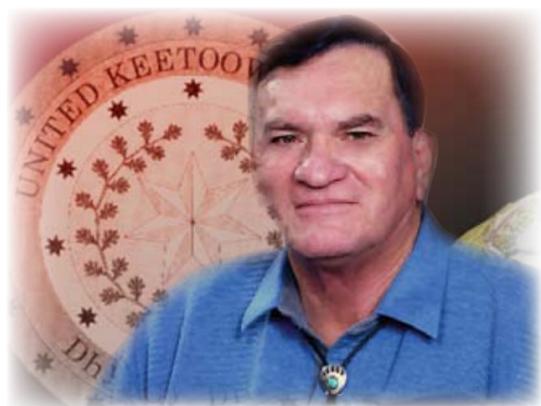
Always a crowd pleaser, free Keetoowah Cherokee Bingo will begin at 3:30 p.m. The Keetoowah Cherokee Casino is promoting a \$5,000 cash giveaway, with three drawings for \$1,000 and four \$500 drawings to take place Saturday at 5 p.m. at the Celebration Grounds.

One of the biggest events of the Celebration will be the Intertribal Pow Wow.

The Pow Wow begins with a grand entry at 3 p.m. Saturday. The Pow Wow runs to about midnight. For information on the Keetoowah Cherokee Celebration, call (918) 431-1818.

by Marilyn Craig
UKB Media Coordinator

A Letter to the UKB People From Chief George Wickliffe



Dear Tribal Members,

It seems that when Keetoowahs speak truth, the consequences are very hurtful. Legal mumbo jumbo and twisting of words are used to try and show that the Keetoowah lie. In a recent editorial by a representative of Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma, I was accused of lying 4 years ago about the unbelievable actions of their leader, Chad Smith. My commentary in 2006 reflected my disgust and horror at his laying a wreath on Andrew Jackson's grave in memory of the Trail of Tears director on his birthday. The editorial stated that Chad Smith did NOT do any such thing, and THAT is a lie. While the man did not physically place the wreath on the grave himself, he sent an official representative of his organization, in his behalf, to do the dirty deed. Following is a recap of the incident, the actions the UKB took, and reactions of people around the country at his behavior.

On March 6, 2006, "The Hermitage," a museum at Andrew Jackson's former home, sent out a press release announcing a special ceremony on March 15 The Hermitage "will become the newest site on the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail, which is administered by the National Park Service." The press release went on further to state that the ceremony will begin with the traditional wreath laying ceremony and that "The ceremony will include representatives from the Cherokee Nation."

The Associated Press (AP) even ran a story about the event, along with a photograph of Troy Wayne Poteete representing Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma at the event. Troy Wayne Poteete is

also credited with assisting The Hermitage in securing the official marker, designating the place as an official site on the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail.

Our Tribal Historic Preservation Office immediately sent a letter to the National Park Service, whom we have always had a good relationship with in historic preservation matters, which stated:

March 27, 2006

Fran Mainella, Director
National Park Service
1849 C. Street NW
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Ms. Mainella:

The United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma read with great heartache of the recent ceremony inducting "The Hermitage" as the newest site on the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail.

Although the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma has endorsed this recognition, it further astonishes us that they would actually participate in a birthday commemoration, including the placing of a wreath on his grave along with the Tennessee National Guard and Andrew Jackson VI.

Andrew Jackson was historically known as an "Indian Fighter," and is known by most Cherokees as the man who passed the Indian Removal Act, and intentionally neglected to enforce the 1832 Supreme Court Decision declaring the forced removal of the entire Cherokee Nation from their ancestral homes to be illegal, unconstitutional, and against US treaties made with the Cherokees. President Jackson, having the executive responsibility for enforcement of the laws, states "John Marshall has made his decision; let him enforce it now if he can." It is believed that Jackson disregarded treaties and laws and deliberately ordered the genocide of American Indians from ninety different tribes.

For 28 years, the United States government struggled to force relocation of the southeastern Indian nations. A small group of Seminoles were coerced into signing a removal treaty, as well, but the majority of the tribe declared the treaty illegal and refused to move. The resulting struggle was called the Second Seminole War, which lasted from 1835 until 1842. Thousands of lives were lost, and the

war cost the Jackson administration approximately 40 to 60 million dollars, which was ten times the amount allotted for Indian Removal.

Even though the Removal of the Cherokee took place after Jackson's presidency, the wheels were set in motion due to Andrew Jackson's activities during his presidential term.

The Hermitage states in its press release, "Becoming a site on the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail is yet another positive consequence of our outreach to the Cherokee community." However, the Cherokees here in the Keetoowah Cherokee and Cherokee Nation jurisdictional area in northeastern Oklahoma were not even aware of this event. We are confused as to what this outreach consists of. It is my understanding the National Park Service requires interpretive sites on historic trails to focus on the highest level of trail resources and history. It is our desire that The Hermitage, in fact, shows the true story through legal documents, historical archives and voices of the Cherokee people.

This participation of the Cherokee Nation is not only a desecration to the memory of all our ancestors and relatives, but is reminiscent of the small faction of Cherokees who signed the Treaty of New Echota (under Jackson's administration), without the knowledge of the full-bloods, traditionals, and majority of the tribe.

The United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma is one of three federally-recognized Cherokee governments. We have 12,000 tribal members who are over 1/4 degree Keetoowah Cherokee blood. Ninety-eight percent of our population lives within our own jurisdiction, and over 60 percent speak our native tongue. We are the traditional arm of the Cherokee people.

Although our tribal government moved west prior to the forced removal of the Cherokee Nation, we have many relatives who were involved in this tragedy. Due to intermarriage between citizens of both tribal governments, some of us also have direct ancestors who traveled on the Trail of Tears. It is our belief that all three Cherokee governments should have been consulted on this endeavor, and request that our protest be recorded in your official files. We also request a thorough review of the information, and ask that we, as well as the

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UKB Tribal Offices Closed Sept. 27

United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma tribal offices will be closed on Monday, September 27 in preparation for the Keetoowah Cherokee Celebration October 1 and 2. Tribal offices will re-open on Tuesday, September 28 at 8:30 a.m.

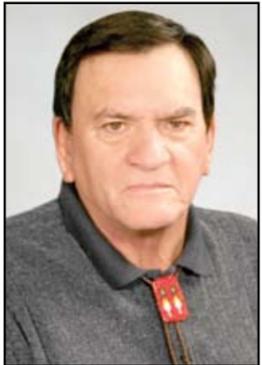
UKB Tribal Offices Closed Oct. 4

United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma tribal offices will be closed on Monday, October 4 in observation of Keetoowah Cherokee Day. Offices will re-open on Tuesday, October 5 at 8:30 a.m.

UKB Tribal Offices Closed Oct. 11

Tribal offices will be closed on Monday, October 11 for Native American Indian Day. In a council meeting three years ago the tribal council voted in Resolution 07-UKB-15 "To do away with Columbus Day and call it Native American Indian Day." Although the tribe never observed Columbus Day, Native American Indian Day has become an official tribal holiday.

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UKB August Council Meeting

United Keetoowah Band Chief George Wickliffe announced to the council during their August 7 tribal council meeting of his gratitude for Duke Energy's decision in identifying two possible sites for their Substation, avoiding the destruction of the view shed at the Mother Town of the Cherokees. "The news came down last week announcing Duke Energy will be moving their site. We scored a victory! We feel that anytime any Cherokee historical site is being desecrated we need to be there, we are the original Cherokee people," stated Chief Wickliffe.

In a special presentation Horizon Hospice staff members presented their program to the council. The staff takes care of patients who are terminally ill, as well as their families in their time of need. "One of my jobs as well as taking care of the patient is to also prepare the patient's family for their love one to leave this world," said Melissa Mills, R. N. Hospice is a special care agency for anyone who has a terminal illness, which can be cancer patients or any type of onstage illness-

es. Education is a big part of Horizon Hospice; they perform education training, visiting elderly nutrition centers, providing blood pressure clinics and education on hospice and education on general health. The agency consists of five essential departments, medical director, nursing staff, volunteer agency, Chaplin, and volunteer coordinator. "One of the key elements you have to have is compassion, you can't teach compassion, which comes from the inner peace," stated Alpheus Byrd, Hospice volunteer and Housing Specialist for the United Keetoowah Band. Horizon Hospice shared their interest in working with the UKB and was informed by the Administration to contact Don Ade, UKB Health Director.

Assistant Chief Charles Locust introduced two resolutions for approval by the council. The first resolution was to establish a banking account at Cherokee County Bank for the Keetoowah Gaming Enterprise Authority. Assistant Chief Locust stated to the council, "One reason is to develop and implement an Enterprise Authority staff. Their responsi-

bility will be to overlook all types of gaming, not just into our casino, but any other gaming enterprise we will be involved in such as in Vinita, or any involvement out of state. This will help us develop a staff and program within the Gaming Enterprise Authority." The council approved the resolution.

The second resolution presented by Assistant Chief Locust for approval was to establish a museum committee. "As you know, construction on the new John Hair Cultural Center/Museum has begun. What I would like to propose to the council is to establish a museum committee to develop and coordinate staffing and identifying artifacts for the museum," stated Locust. Council passed the resolution to establish a museum committee and approved two people for the committee, Barbara Girty and Sammy Still. Other names will be presented to the council for approval at the September council meeting.

The next tribal council meeting will be September 11, 2010, 10 a.m. at the UKB Community Services Building in Tahlequah, Oklahoma.

UKB's Honor Guard Holds First Public Review

Honored guests, family and friends attended the United Keetoowah Band (UKB) Honor Guard's first public review Aug. 27.

The military review started at 7 p.m. at the UKB celebration grounds with the blessing of eagle feathers for the members of the honor guard to wear on their berets.

Kelly Anquoe said the eagle is held in respect and honor for its ability to fly higher than any other animal.

This links the veterans of the honor guard to the honor and respect held for them by the UKB.

After the blessing, the honor guard marched to a series of commands given by Norman "Hominy" Littledave, honor guard adjutant. The honor guard demonstrated various steps and maneuvers designed specifically for use when groups cannot use normal military drills to move.

The drills are designed to keep the group shoulder to shoulder and pivot around the central flag bearer.

Monica Potter, Navy veteran, said she previously served on both a color guard and an honor guard. She helped choreograph the moves used during the preview.

Potter also said the UKB honor guard is the only tribal honor guard in the state of Oklahoma.

All of the members of the honor guard are UKB members and veterans.

The honor guard members are Hominy



Adjutant Norman "Hominy" Littledave, Air Force veteran and Jacob Littledave, Marine Corp veteran and a three Purple Heart recipient, stand at attention as they salute along with other UKB Honor Guards during a special ceremony held at the Keetoowah Cherokee powwow grounds. Standing is left to right, Monica Potter, Navy veteran; Thomas Pumpkin Sr., Air Force veteran; Daniel Houston, Marine Corps veteran; John Stayathome, Army veteran; and J. C. Wilson, Marine Corps veteran. Photo by Sammy Still

Littledave, Air Force veteran; Jacob Littledave, Marine veteran; Thomas Pumpkin, Air Force veteran; Daniel Houston, Marine Veteran; John Stay at Home, Army veteran; Monica Potter, Navy vet-

allow this to go forward."

"I have my Elders to fill in the REAL stories and this makes my Cherokee blood boil!! Please... Un-etlanvhi is watching this one. Why didn't someone do this before it was commemorated on March 15??? This is a tragedy, and I can't believe that the Cherokee Nation was there for it's ceremony? What's up with that?????"

"I am a Member of the CNO, and this sickening."

"Too shocked to comment."

"The Indians who had survived the Trail of Tears are the HEROS of today, not Andrew Jackson."

To read all the responses, and to sign the petition yourself, please visit: <http://www.petitiononline.com/Equa/petition.html>

The article commemorating the event was published on an online forum, and here is a sampling of the numerous comments posted:

"If I was CNO and the tribe didn't reverse that decision, I'd turn in my card."

"To me, that's like laying a wreath at the site of Hitler's suicide. The man was evil, pure and simple, and these morons are HONORING him?"

The writer of the editorial KNOWS that CNO placed the wreath, and that even though Chad Smith may not have physically put it there, it was under his direction, and the representative did the act on behalf of Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma; therefore, on in the 'stead' of Chad Smith.

Keetoowahs speak truth, and then are accused of lies. Then we have to spend our time showing people where to find the truth. The truth lies in the facts. The consequences of lying are much worse than telling the truth, but CNO has not realized that yet.

George Wickliffe

eran; and JC Wilson, Marine veteran.

Participation in the UKB Honor Guard caused deep emotions and feelings to well up at the event.

"It was pretty emotional, it represents a lot of things," said Jacob Littledave. "Our people throughout history have saved millions of lives. Forming this honor guard to continue honoring our elders and our veterans is a great honor. Carrying the guidon is a tremendous honor. It's like carrying the American flag for our veterans. Today was an honor. A lot of memories, I lost a lot of friends in Vietnam. There was a lot of mixed emotions with this."

The honor guard is available for special events, funerals, powwows and school events by request.

The National Indian Gaming Commission requested the honor guard to present the colors at its conference in Tulsa.

In 2005, Brenda Locust asked Hominy Littledave to emcee a veterans' luncheon. After the luncheon, Hominy Littledave came up with the idea to form a tribal veterans' honor guard.

The planning finally came to fruition this year when Chief George Wickliffe and the UKB tribal council voted unanimously to take the program forward and create and fund the honor guard. With the blessing of the administration, Hominy Littledave began soliciting members.

The UKB bought uniforms and equipment for the members, but a donation from Keetoowah Cherokee Casino, gave the unit its guidon. The Casino donated the flag and the pole to carry it.

Hominy Littledave said he wanted to thank everyone for their participation in making the UKB Honor Guard a reality.

For more information on the UKB honor guard, call Norman "Hominy" Littledave at 431-1818.

by Thomas Jordan
UKB Writer

NOTICE TO UKB MEMBERS

If you or a member of your family were treated at the Sam Hider Dental Clinic in Jay, Oklahoma during the past months of June, July or August it is very important that you contact Don Ade UKB Health Program Director, as soon as possible. You may do so by calling 918-457-7264 OR 1-877-431-1818 and ask for Don Ade.

From The Chief

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, be involved in a revised interpretive plan.

Of course, the response from the park service a month later was defensive of their actions, and did not seem to be interested in the Eastern Band and the UKB being involved in developing interpretive plans, although it said, "I was pleased, however, to learn that Principal Chief Chad Smith sent a representative to attend the ceremony, as it showed me the healing process that is occurring among our people - nearly 170 years after the Trail of Tears. Of course, the Principal Chief's decision to visit the Hermitage last year and send a representative to the recent ceremony is an internal matter within the Cherokee Nation."

Other people across the country were as shocked as we were. A Petition soon appeared on the internet, called "Remove Jackson's Home from the Trail of Tears," which was authored by someone named Gary Ellis. Non-Indians, and Indians from many tribes, signed the Petition. The petition currently has 1,298 signatures from across the country, and some of the comments are:

"This is a disgrace to all Native People and to ask us to support Jackson's home being on the Trail of Tears is almost blasphemous to a Cherokee native such as myself."

"I cannot believe that ANYTHING connected with Andrew Jackson is associated with a commemoration of the Trail of Tears. As a Cherokee, I am so friggin angry that something so insensitive could be done."

"The only way the inclusion of his home in The Trail of Tears would be tolerable would have a really BIG sign out front that reads "The Home of the Mass-Murderer Jackson."

"I'm a enrolled member of the Cherokee Nation, you might as well spit in my families face if you

Cooweescoowee Dist. Representative

Meet The Candidates



Clifford Arneecher

My name is Clifford Arneecher and I was born May 30th, 1963 in Claremore, to Ned Arneecher and Johanna Ballou. I married Gloria Brown, and we both work and reside in Catoosa.

My goal is to improve the quality of life for tribal members of the Cooweescoowee District. We can do this by promoting culture and address education and training for our youth. I plan to explore options for federal grants so the public schools may offer tutoring to our children.

As a leader for the Cooweescoowee District, I plan to open the door of communication with tribal members by holding monthly meetings and I will be available for the members that cannot attend the meetings. I will address the needs and concerns of this community, so we can work together and improve the quality of life, concerns and needs of our members.

I also plan to monitor the spending of the administration to ensure appropriated funds are used in the way that was intended. I will always fight for our elders and make sure they are never overlooked. My job as councilman is to see assistance and services are always given to the Keetoowah people.

I know I can effectively do this job and it would be an honor to serve my fellow Keetoowah people as the voice of the Cooweescoowee District.



Cliff W. Wofford

O-si-yo, Cooweescoowee Brothers and Sisters,

As a full blood Keetoowah candidate, I am honored to have this opportunity to serve our people. I will vote for , education, constitutional and financial accountability, and to preserve our language ,heritage and culture. I will always vote to take care of the youth and elders.

I have a bachelor's degree from Northeastern State University, and attended Haskell Indian Junior College.

I have 23 years of Tribal Gaming / Government Administration experience, and 8 years of County Government, and Federal Emergency Management Agency experience . The UKB committees I have served on are Budget, Finance, Human Service, Personnel, Enrollment, Housing, Enterprise Board and Gaming Commissioner.

My work experience includes Executive Director of Gaming Commission, Assistant to the Chief for other tribes, Director of Security/ Surveillance, Internal auditor, Compliance officers, General Manager of Tribal Casinos and I have worked in the Oklahoma Public School system.

I have been re-appointed to the USDA County Committee, (3rd term). I volunteer and coach youth football, basketball and baseball.

Please, call me anytime to discuss concerns or issues you may have. My heart is sincere toward you, and I request your vote November 1, 2010. God Bless you.

I can do all things through Christ, who strengthens me.

Philippians 4:13

Wa do,

Cliff W. Wofford

Flint Dist. Representative

Meet The Candidates



Tom Duncan

My name is Tom Duncan. I am announcing my candidacy as the United Keetoowah Band Flint District Councilman. I grew up in the Bell-Salem Community. I attended Bell School, Stilwell High School, Oklahoma State Technology Center and Eastern Oklahoma State College.

I served in the United States Army and learned to be a team player, to trust in each other and to have compassion for people.

I am active in Cherokee communities, fluent in the Cherokee language and served as a Cherokee language instructor.

My priorities are to support funding to provide educational opportunities and health care. My philosophy is we have to look forward rather than looking back. A way to achieve this is to elect a person who has new ideas, vision and listens to people. I believe I am the person to fulfill all of these expectations. I believe communication is vital when you are in need, which is why I intend on being accessible by phone at (918) 575-1020, on Facebook, Twitter and by e-mail.

I intend on assisting tribal members with confidentiality, respect, dignity, and with utmost consideration for your issues. If I am elected, you will always have a voice.



Harlene Green

Dear Voters,

My name is Harlene Green. I am a member of the Keetoowah Band of Cherokees. I am running for a place on the council in the Flint District. I need your vote. I will be fair and honest with all Cherokees that I represent. I have lived in the Bell community most of my life.

My grandfather's allotment has been my home. My grandfather was John Nakedhead. I have three children who live in Adair County. I am a retired teacher. I hold a master's degree from Northeastern State University. I also served as the

County Superintendent of Schools in Adair County.

I am very familiar with the need to educate all children. I am now considered an elder and I am familiar with elder needs in Cherokee Country. If you help me to get elected to this council position, I will make you a promise, your needs will always come first in my mind. Thank you for your vote. I won't disappoint you. I believe that a representative should serve the people.



Woodrow Proctor

I have served three terms as tribal councilor for the Flint District and have put my bid in for re-election for a fourth term.

During my three terms my fellow councilors, administrators and employees have successfully achieved Self-Governance. Self-Governance gives the United Keetoowah Band authority and control over our own tribal affairs. We can regain tribal governmental responsibilities for our people.

I was instrumental in the re-establishment of our tribal court system; created a Stilwell Sub-office; we established an Elderly Emergency assistance payment bi-annually. The Education Scholarship payment was increased to \$1,500 per semester. Our United Keetoowah Band Housing funds were restored and are currently in operation.

I will explore avenues for Health Care insurance for our tribal members.

It's been an honor serving three terms as councilor. I thank my elders for their guidance and diligence. I have been taught to keep our tradition sacred.

My deepest respect and appreciation is given to the administration, their advice and shared knowledge has been very helpful.

Vote for an experienced councilor. Your vote will move the United Keetoowah Band to a brighter, prosperous future.

Respectfully, Woodrow Proctor



Frankie Still

O-si-yo. My name is Frankie Still. I am a full blood Keetoowah Cherokee and I am running for Flint District representative.

I am fluent in my native language. I am a graduate of Cave Springs High School. I am presently employed at Cherokee Nation Industries.

In my travels through the community I have seen and heard the needs from many Keetoowahs.

If elected, my goals are to interact with the community by making house visits, to members, trying to meet their needs and listening to their concerns.

If elected I will work, hard to the best of my ability for the people of Flint District. I will be a voice for the people. That is why I am asking for your vote in November.

May God bless the Keetoowah people.

Thank you.
Frankie Still

Saline Dist. Representative

Meet The Candidates



Carolyn Chumwalooky

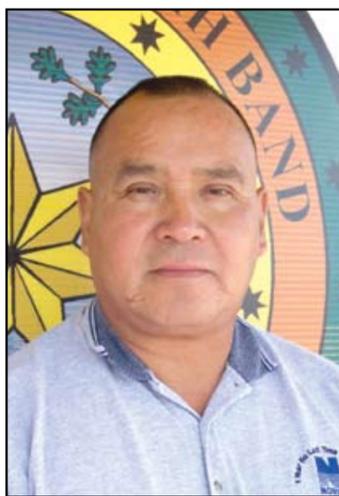
I am Carolyn Chumwalooky, friends and family call me "Cat". I have been married to William Chumwalooky for 35 years. We have a son, Robin Ross Chumwalooky, and his wife, Carol; a daughter Branda Mashell Chumwalooky; and a grandson, Chaston Wyatt Chumwalooky.

We live in the Kenwood area. I was raised in the Jay, Oklahoma area. I was born to Archie and Lorene Leaf. I am 3/4 Cherokee. I moved to the Kenwood area when I was 13 years old.

I feel that the UKB tribe is a strong tribe. I will be the voice of the people at all council meetings. I have always been business minded and love working with people. I make no promises, but if elected, I will work hard and do what's best for the U.K.B. people. I'm very proud to be part of the U.K.B. and have worked in the election for years.

On November 1st, I will appreciate your vote as your next Saline District Representative.

Wado, Carolyn Chumwalooky



Charles Smoke

I am the UKB Saline District Councilman Charles Smoke. I am a proud member of the United Keetoowah Band.

I grew up in Kenwood. My wife, Betty Ann, and I have three sons and two daughters.

I am a fluent Cherokee speaker and I stand behind the traditional Cherokee way of life.

I have been employed with Norit Americas Inc. in Pryor for 31 years.

I have served two terms on the council and serve on the Health Board and Grievance Committee.

My greatest goals are the promises I made four years ago, which are to always provide representation, be available at all times and to be a voice for all UKB members from youth to elder.

I am honored to have served the past two terms. With your vote and support we can continue this progress.

Tahlequah Dist. Representative

Meet The Candidates



Betty Holcomb

I, Betty Holcomb, am a full blood Keetoowah Cherokee of the Long Hair Clan; I was raised in a traditional home where Keetoowah Cherokee was the first language and I am a member of the Stokes Ceremonial Stomp Ground.

If re-elected another two years as Council Member, I will put my leadership experience skills that I have gained while serving as your Tahlequah District Council Representative. I will continue to serve my tribal members to the best of my ability.

Being fluent in the Keetoowah Cherokee language, I will be able to translate and speak for the tribal members who prefer to speak only our language. During the two years I served on the council, I approved several resolutions, including the Transit Program, Self Governance, Elderly Housing, Disabled and Rental Assistance, Emergency Disaster Plan, UKB Housing Restored, Voted Against Removal of the Secretary of the Interior, to name a few.

I pledge to continue to put the elderly and youth issues first and assist my district tribal members in times of emergency crisis if called upon. My future goal if I re-gain the council seat is to start a school supply fund for the parents in the Tahlequah District who may not be able to afford school supplies for their children. This can be accomplished through fund raisers in our district. I will continue to hold my district meetings in various places to make it convenient for all to attend. It would be an honor to serve as your council member for the Tahlequah District for another two years.



Danny McCarter

O-si-yo my fellow tribal members:

My name is Danny McCarter and I am running for Tahlequah District Representative. I was born and raised in the Tahlequah area and lived here all my life. I may not know all of you by name, but I know you by sight and I will learn your names.

I hope when November comes that you will get out to the polls and vote for me, but even if you don't vote for me, you need to get out and vote. I myself have never been a political person. I've never registered or voted in a state or federal election. Like

most Indian people I really didn't think my vote counted or that the outcome of an election concerned me, but since I joined the United Keetoowah Band I have always voted.

This is my tribe and yours, it's a matter of civic pride and duty to show support for our tribe. I won't adhere to this logic, I only have respect and best wishes for my opponents.

I'll close with this comment, I can't promise that I'll always be able to help you, but I can promise I'll always do my best for the tribe.

Wado



Kristene Scaper

O-si-yo everyone! My name is Kristene Scaper. I am a member of the United Keetoowah Band. I'm honored to say that I'm running for the UKB Council in the Tahlequah district.

I currently work for the Oklahoma Security Commission at Workforce of Oklahoma. My duties are to help unemployed people find employment. In working in this environment on a daily basis I see a lot of our own UKB members in difficult positions.

After talking and listening to their issues and concerns, it became my goal to help our people tap into the many resources and solutions available to them and assist them where and when possible. I will work hard to achieve these goals for UKB tribal members.

I'm very family oriented. I love spending my free time with my family, shopping and watching football. Being a single parent of three daughters—Heather, Sherniec and the late "Darci" Scaper—has made me a very strong and independent woman. I'm the youngest daughter of Junior and Eda Scaper of Welling. We are members of Elm Tree Baptist Church in Tahlequah.

My qualifications for this opportunity to serve the UKB members include being currently enrolled at Bacone College in Muskogee pursuing my education in business administration and I received my associate degree in business management in May 2005.

Illinois Dist. Representative Incumbent



Peggy Girty

See page 8 for Uncontested District Representatives

UKB Assists White Oak School in Opening Day Care

The White Oak Elementary School opened its doors Aug. 12 for free food, activities and enrollment in the White Oak/ Keetoowah Early Childhood Center.

The First National Bank provided a charcoal grill and Gary Mills, school board member and Diamond Rio Convenience Store owner, grilled hamburgers and hotdogs for everyone who attended the event. In the cafeteria, attendees found chips, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles and condiments to go with their burgers. Chris Carter, Shout & Sack, provided free pop and ice.

A water slide allowed children to put on their swimsuits and cool off on the 100 plus degree day. The water slide was free to the children to use as many times as they wanted and at least 10 children were in line at any given time.

Inside the school, parents filled out enrollment forms for the early childhood center.

While the parents filled out paperwork, children of all ages had the opportunity to pick out a free backpack filled with school supplies provided by the United Keetoowah Band (UKB) Henry Lee Doublehead Child Care Development Center. The children could also meet with their teachers and see their classrooms.

Britni & Co., a hair styling business, set up shop in one classroom and provided children with free, back-to-school haircuts. The shop usually sets up for free haircuts in Vinita, but this year it expanded its generosity to the White Oak school children.

Della Wolfe, Cindy Hair and Ella Mae Worley, UKB employees, handed out brochures to interested parties about human services, education

and cultural aspects of the UKB.

David Money, White Oak School Superintendent, said after losing the White Oak High School last March, the UKB became involved in doing what it could to help keep the same thing from happening to the elementary school. The plan included bringing back the pre-school program and establishing an early childhood program.

Currently, about 50 infants and toddlers are enrolled in the 3-year-old and younger program. Seven people are employed at the center with plans to hire four more before the center opens.

Aug. 26 the state gave the White Oak school accreditation with probation for its physical students, but the early childhood center is still awaiting its DHS rating.

To make this possible, the UKB provided the seed money to get the center started. The money paid for renovations to the building to bring certain rooms up to code. It also provided equipment and supplies for the classrooms.

Money said the expenditures are not completely over, but the pre-school can stand on its own now. Enrollment is up without even opening the doors.

Wanda Bartlett, White Oak school cook, said when a friend of hers heard the UKB planned to open the early childhood center at White Oak she decided to enroll her 3-year-old there instead of at Vinita, even though it means driving from the other side of Vinita to White Oak. The friend feels more comfortable taking her child to a smaller school instead of Vinita.

One mother of a newly enrolled child likes the fact that she can start her child in a school program now instead being forced to wait another year at other schools.

Jessica Oakley, Vinita, said her child is 3 years old and has a speech problem. By entering school now the child can start receiving professional help in school and if approved his tuition is free.

Cliff Wofford, Cooweescoowee District representative, said the early childhood center allows children to start school early and be in a structured environment outside of their home. Rural schools successfully produce a lot of good students and this is an asset to the White Oak school.

Money said enrollment jumped by almost 12 students in the last two weeks.

"We're going to grow and make it," said Money.

This is one more example of the UKB helping improve its community for its members.



Kyler Mehl, hairstylist for Britni & Co. of Vinita, a hair styling business, set up shop in one classroom and provided children with free, back-to-school haircuts. Other activities included free hamburger and hotdogs and water slides for the children during the White Oak/Keetoowah Early Childhood Center grand opening. Photo by Thomas Jordan



Stephanie Gilbert, of Vinita, enrolls her daughter into the White Oak/ Keetoowah Early Childhood Center during grand opening of the center, August 12. Her daughter also received a backpack with school supplies provided by the UKB Henry Lee Doublehead Child Development Center in Tahlequah. Photo by Thomas Jordan

Seven Clan Meeting Slated for September

Betty Holcomb, Tahlequah District Council Representative for the United Keetoowah Band, will host an informative meeting and a pot luck dinner on Saturday, October 16 at the Senior Citizens Center in Tahlequah.

The topic of the meeting will be "Learning about the Seven Clans." Holcomb said the event will include guest speakers who are knowledgeable about the clans and invites anyone who is interested to attend.

The event will begin at 10 a.m. at the center, located on 4th Street and will end at approximately 3 p.m. Barbecue beef and pork will be provided by Holcomb. She requests those planning to attend to bring a covered dish. The event will be free and open to the public.

"I'm looking forward to the meeting," Holcomb said. "To my knowledge, there has never been a meeting like this. Many people would like to know about their clan and its meaning and we hope to provide them with the information by providing guest speakers and literature. "Those who plan to attend can ask questions and learn how to trace their clan. We hope there's a big attendance for this," she said.

Holcomb said anyone wishing for more information may contact her at (918) 822-3805 or (918) 931-2611.

UKB September 2010 Calendar of Council, District and Special Meetings

Sept. 9	Sequoyah District Meeting, 5:30 p.m. Sallisaw Satellite Office
Sept. 11	UKB Regular Council Meeting, 10 a.m. Jay Community Center
Sept. 13	Tahlequah District Meeting, 6 p.m. Jim Proctor Elder Community Center
Sept. 14	Saline District Meeting, 7 p.m. Kenwood Community Building
Sept. 17	Tahlequah District Meeting, 6 p.m.. Keener Baptist Church
Sept. 18	UKB Elders Committee Meeting, 10 a.m. UKB Community Services Building
Sept. 28	Canadian District Meeting, 12:30 p.m. Bacone College Museum
Sept. 30	Cooweescoowee District Meeting, 6 p.m. First Christian Church, Pryor

NOTICE

UKB September Council Meeting will be held on Saturday, September 11 due to the Labor Day Holiday

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a.m. to 7 p.m. at the following locations:

Cooweescoowee District

Pryor, Oklahoma
Location: First Christian-Presbyterian Church
Address: 301 N. E. 1st Street
Phone: 918-825-2396

Flint District

Stilwell, Oklahoma
Location: Stilwell Satellite Office
Address: On the Corner of Young and Section Line Road
Phone 918-696-7672

Saline District

Salina, Oklahoma
Location: First Indian Baptist Church
Ph 918-434-2084
Address: 702 East Brewer St.

Tahlequah District

Tahlequah, Oklahoma
Location: VFW Post 3707 Building
Directions: Near the Intersection of Downing and Water Street
Phone 918-456-0595.

United Keetoowah Title VI Nutrition Menu Sept. 2010

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1 BBQ Bologna Baked Beans Potato Salad Corn Texas Toast	2 Brown Beans Spinach Galley Chips Cornbread Salad & Dessert	3 Closed For Holiday
6 Offices Closed For Labor Day 	7 Boiled Cabbage w/ Polish Sausage Black Eyed Peas Texas Toast Salad & Dessert	8 Chimichanga w/Cheese Spanish Rice Refried Beans Salad & Dessert	9 Lasagna Green Beans Garlic Toast Salad & Dessert	10 Fishing Day @ The River 11:00-??? 
13 Steak Fingers Mashed Pot/Gravy Grilled Veggies Hot Roll Salad & Dessert	14 White Beans w/Ham Salad Turnip Greens Galley Chips Cornbread	15 Sloppy Joes Potato Chips Baked Beans Salad & Dessert	16 Chicken Corn Chowder Sweet Potatoes Cheese Biscuit Salad & Dessert	17 Brunch Served from 10:30-12:00
20 Roast Beef On Texas Toast Mashed Pot/Gravy Carrots Salad & Dessert	21 Goulash Broccoli Hominy Breadsticks Salad & Dessert	22 Grilled Cheese Sandwiches Tomato Soup Salad & Dessert	23 Catfish Rice Pilaf Corn & Cole Slaw Hushpuppies	24 Closed for Cleaning 
27 Closed	28 Meatloaf Mashed Pot/Gravy Carrots Hot Roll Salad & Dessert	29 Chicken Nug- gets Fries Green Beans Texas Toast	30 Cultural Day & September B-days 	

UKB Regular July Council Meeting Minutes

UKB Regular Monthly Council Meeting At the UKB Community Services Building July 10, 2010 10:00 a.m. – 12:29 p.m.

I. Call to order by Chief George Wickliffe

II. Invocation: Jerry Hansen

III. Roll Call: 10 + Chief answered Roll Call (Fourkiller, Sacks absent)

IV. Chief's Address

- Referred to tribe's responsibilities and requirements under status of Self-Governance
- EchoHawk's decision referred to tribes having co-jurisdiction, wherein; he stated co-jurisdiction does work

- The Federal Government always refers to CNO as Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma not Cherokee Nation.
- The UKB has never sued CNO
- The Cherokee Nation was abolished at Oklahoma Statehood. The Keetoowah Society was active at this time.

- The Keetoowah Society was responsible for formulation of a charter which allowed for a continued government. The responsibility of government after abolishment of the original Cherokee Nation was; get rid of excess land and to distribute land to the people. This was the only designated responsibility given to those chiefs who had been appointed as chiefs.

- The United States allowed the Keetoowah Society to carry on the government for Cherokee people.

- There was no government of Cherokee Nation beyond the time when Oklahoma became a state. Cherokee people voted to give up their government therefore; when Oklahoma became a state, Cherokee Nation was abolished.

- The Keetoowahs carried on government after Cherokee Nation was abolished. The Keetoowah was called the Old Settlers when they came from the southeastern states into Arkansas then they became known as the Western Cherokee Nation when they crossed into Indian Territory from Arkansas.

At the time when Keetoowahs were called the Western Cherokee Nation, we already had two treaties. One treaty was when we left the southeastern United States and then another treaty in 1828, when Cherokee people moved into Indian Territory, which later became the state of Oklahoma.

- We entered Indian Territory under a treaty which guaranteed us seven million acres of land. This land was from the Arkansas River at Ft. Smith, AR to what is now Ft. Gibson, OK. People who claim to be the Cherokee Nation were still in the southeastern United States. These people were the Eastern Cherokee Nation.

- This Eastern Cherokee Nation has something to fight for because there had been a ruling by Chief Justice John Marshall whereas; the ruling stated the Indians were a sovereign domestic entity within the State of Georgia.

(10:10 AM – Fourkiller arrived)

- Andrew Jackson was President at the time of the ruling by Chief Justice Marshall. Jackson's response was to refuse to enforce Chief Marshall's ruling.

- The Keetoowah people are the original Cherokee people. The Keetoowahs voluntarily left the southeastern states.

- The people who came later with John Ross immediately joined up with Keetoowahs.

- The Keetoowahs can prove who they are.

- Those who were forced to leave the southeastern states known as "The Trail of Tears" faced tremendous hardships and extreme cruel treatment. This was due to the attitude of Andrew Jackson.

- The Keetoowah would not wish to celebrate or remember "The Trail of Tears" as does CNO. This event will always be a part of history. The people on "this trail" were under United States Army rules. The people were conquered and forced to leave on this trip.

- Washington now seems to realize how Indians have been mistreated and are now giving "us" the opportunities to have programs which will help our people.

- The Keetoowah now has self-governance which allows an open door, wherein; we can do what other federally recognized tribes can do. CNO has fought the UKB on any/all issues using "jurisdiction" as their argument.

- Keetoowah continues to fight legal battles and we are winning. UKB attorneys and lobbyists are always on the ready. Such representation is vital for the continued success of the UKB.

- Recent positive decisions for the UKB will cause need for much construction in preparation of growth within the UKB. We will build a future.

- Construction of an administration building, education and training facilities, etc. will be needed. We must begin planning for such need.

(10:30 AM – Sacks arrived)

- We must work with people in all areas of growth and development for the good of the people. That is the way of the real Cherokee. A real Cherokee does not "stiff arm" people and try to take over but to work with others toward what will benefit the people.

- In preparation for future development the UKB will be obtaining land.

- There are many positive things in the future for the United Keetoowah Band.

- The Keetoowah is moving forward. The progress is possible because we believe in God. This belief has always been the way of our people.

- Many things are expected for the UKB. Plans must be ready. We will not enter into something that we cannot

accomplish.

- We continue with negotiations on a Tobacco Compact with the state of Oklahoma. This subject is on today's agenda but due to recent developments today's agenda item slated for executive session will be removed from the agenda pending conclusion of future negotiations.

- When CNO says, "We were here 10 years before the Trail of Tears," they lie. The Keetoowahs were here 10 years before the Trail of Tears and established the boundary lines between us and the Creek Nation at Ft. Gibson. Ft. Gibson was originally called "Keetoowah."

Betty Holcomb: People who display a Cherokee Nation tag believe it is a tribal tag. This tag is actually a state tag because of CNO and state agreement. She said she tells people a Keetoowah tag is a tribal tag.

V. Approval of the minutes for the month of June 2010

1. MOTION by Barry Dotson to approve the Council minutes of June 2010; SECONDED by Cliff Wofford; VOTE: 12 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstentions.

VI. Presentations -

1. Barry Dotson

Nicut residents are having problems getting law enforcement in their area. Local county law enforcement is contacting CNO. He suggested an 800 telephone # for UKB Lighthouse in order that Lighthouse can respond to needs of "our" people. (Chief stated the Lighthouse should have an 800 telephone number)

Some tribal members in Sallisaw area are in the process of establishing a church. They ask if the tribe would be willing to donate toward this project. The name of this church is "Flowing Spirit."

The electrical problem of Lynda Eagle, reported at June's Council Meeting has not yet received any attention.

Inquired if buffalo could be secured by the tribe.

The DHS committee has been discussing the return of discretionary money to the Council. It is thought current policy is not working very well. Bryan Shade and his personnel is overworked.

LENGTHY DISCUSSION: comments from Chief, Assistant Chief, Woodrow Proctor, Jerry Hansen, Cliff Wofford, Barry Dotson, Liz Littlelaved and Robert Whitekiller. Robert Whitekiller referred to Buffalo inquiry.

2. Woodrow Proctor:

Informed of a 16 year old female who had been shot in the face and does require reconstructive surgery. A benefit for this girl is scheduled for Saturday, 1:00 PM at Stilwell High School. a representative from Modern Woodmen has come and offered to match finances raised on behalf of this girl. 45 days is required for this matching to be arranged. The girls' surgery is scheduled for August therefore; time is of the essence. There are other medical expenses outside of actual surgery such as transportation and pre-surgery preparations, etc. The family has raised over \$1,000. but \$4,000. is needed immediately. Woodrow says the family has raised \$1,000. and he would match whatever the family raises from his district discretionary funds. Don Ade recommended Modern Woodmen Corporation. (Don gave verbal explanation of this corporation. This corporation will match up to \$5,000.00)

Assistant Chief stated each of the UKB officers would give \$250. for a total of \$1,000. toward the needed \$4,000.

DISCUSSION: Matching funds for reconstructive surgery continued.

3. Betty Holcomb:

Reference to National Indian Council on Aging. She then introduced Juanita McCarter to present a summary on conference. Ms. McCarter did present a summary. She stated it would be a good thing for Keetoowah involvement. She stated she planned on joining in membership of this National Council. She then expressed her wishes to attend this September conference and to be a representative of the Keetoowah tribe.

Ms. McCarter said she planned to present this to the Elders at Saturday's scheduled meeting.

Assistant Chief Locust stated after his meeting with the Elder Committee, the committee should present their recommendation on her request to the Council/Administration.

Betty Holcomb: Report on last week's Elder trip to North Carolina. She thanked Chief Wickliffe and John Hair for allowing this N. Carolina trip. She then deferred to Lois Fuller to present a short summary of this N. Carolina trip.

Lois Fuller: presented a beaded bolo tie to Chief Wickliffe as a token of appreciation for allowing the trip.

- Trip began July 2nd

- 7 Elders made the trip

- Returned Tuesday, July 6th

- Gave details of activities/events

- Other persons who had gone on this trip made comments about the N. Carolina trip.

DISCUSSION: Future plans involving elders and/or UKB member trips

4. Charles Smoke:

Commented on Transit Drivers having to come to Tahlequah for the vehicle then retracing route, then begin picking up riders. At the end of the day having to return vehicle to Tahlequah. He asked if vehicle could be parked at a location near the drivers' residence to eliminate trips to get the vehicle before beginning tran-

sit schedule route.

DISCUSSION:

o Insurance

o Fueling, etc.

Charles Smoke: Inquired of participants in "Employee Appreciation" who is defined as an employee.

Ken Bellmard: might only need to redefine what the appreciation is for.

5. Robert Whitekiller:

Announced next Elder Committee meeting was scheduled for July 17th, in the Council room at 10:00 AM. He encouraged participation of more elders. He asked everyone to pass the invitation along.

VII. Reports to Council

1. Enrollment Report: Liz Littlelaved

MOTION by Cliff Wofford to accept and approve 23 new applicants for UKB tribal enrollment; SECONDED by Eddie Sacks; VOTE: 12 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstentions.

MOTION by Cliff Wofford to acknowledge and honor 3 membership relinquishments from UKB tribal enrollment; SECONDED by Eddie Sacks; VOTE: 12 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstentions.

FYI:

The Elder Assistance Program was completed on July 11th. At this conclusion 872 Elder Assistance checks were processed for a total of \$174, 400. issued to Keetoowah Elders.

Barry Dotson: Announced Anita Bird and Janice Sawney are back in the hospital. He said a prayer might be said for these women because neither are doing very well.

Jerry Hansen: inquired if Council would agree to come to Oak Hill for the next Council meeting. Oak Hill needs maintenance in preparation for such meeting but he would see to this needed maintenance if next month's meeting would be held there. He said he understood of Council decided against such scheduling for the August meeting. He stated possibly Oak Hill might be better in September. He said Jay Community Building was not available in August. Mr. Hansen said he would follow-up on this another time in the future then Council could decide on moving Council meeting site.

VIII. Public Forum - NONE

IX. Unfinished Business – NONE

X. New Business

1. Executive Session was removed from today's agenda.

XI. Announcements

1. Sammy Still: Saturday, July 31st at Rocky Ford near Oaks a Culture Day would be held. Previously the event was called Youth and Culture Camp but is now called, The Seven Clans of the Fire. The UKB will host this event. There will be crafts and language classes with a hog fry at 6:00 PM. Later in the evening there will be a stomp dance honoring Boss Cummings. Everyone is invited.

Newspaper items are to be reported to UKB Media for publishing.

2. Jim Teehee: a fund raising horseshoe tournament is currently being held at the Celebration Grounds. Food sale is also available at this time. Proceeds will go to expenses of 5 & 6 year old t-ball team as they travel to state playoffs at Durant, OK.

3. Leroy Adair: Reported he had received 25-30 telephone calls relative to the football camp recently held here at the Celebration Grounds. All calls were positive and complimentary.

4. Hominy Littlelaved: Veteran's Day Benefit

Brochures were presented to Council members and encouraged attendance (see attached)

July 23, 2010, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM to inform and assist in completing benefit forms; such as compensation and/or pension application and filing veterans claims.

An office for assisting veterans will be set up in the UKB Wellness Center.

He encouraged to show respect to any veteran for the service they provide for our country.

He encouraged Council to inform persons in their district of this veteran assistance program.

Hominy also exhibited an 8 X 10 color photo of the newly formed Honor Guard which is composed of UKB veterans all of which served overseas duty.

The UKB Veteran's Office will welcome and serve any/all veterans.

5. Chief Wickliffe: the UKB Lighthouse was founded in 1991 and it was stated they would connect-up with such as an Honor Guard. The Lighthouse has been utilized as Honor Guard. We will not take away utilizing the Lighthouse in this situation. Each faction will support the other.

XII. Benediction: Leroy Adair

XIII. Adjourn:

MOTION by Charles Locust; SECONDED by Eddie Sacks; Approved by affirmation: 12:29 PM

Uncontested District Representatives

Canadian District Rep.



Eddie Sacks

Delaware District Rep.



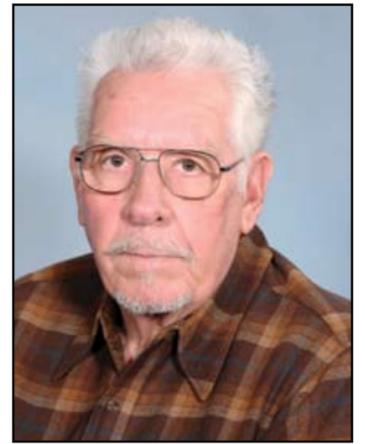
Jerry Hansen

Goingsnake District Rep.



Joyce Fourkiller-Hawk

Sequoyah District Rep.



Barry Dotson

Keetoowah Cherokees Host 5K and 2K Fun Run

The United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma will host a 5K and 2K Fun Run on Saturday, October 2 as part of the 60th Annual Keetoowah Celebration. The run will be held in Tahlequah beginning at NSU's Doc Wadley Stadium through downtown Tahlequah and back. The 5 K event is a sanctioned event, certification code: OK-08045-DG.

Interested parties may download a copy of the run registration form which is available on the UKB website at www.unitedkeetoowahband.org. Participants may pre-register by mail if postmarked by Friday, September 17 or participants may pre-register in person at UKB offices until Friday, September 24.

On site registration for the run is from 6:15 – 6:45 a.m. and will be held at Doc Wadley Stadium parking lot. The entry fee is \$12. Hand made clay medallions by Cherokee artist Robert Lewis will be awarded to the 5K category winners. Categories will include: children - up to age 15; youth - 16 to 20 year olds; women - 21 years and above; and men - 21 years and above. For more information, contact Tim Goodvoice at (918) 431-1818.

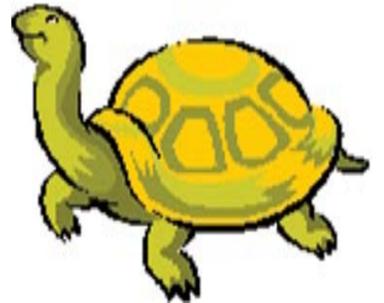
60th Keetoowah Cherokee Celebration Marble Tournament

The 60th Annual United Keetoowah Band Celebration will be hosting a Three-Man Team Marble Tournament, Saturday, October 2, 2010. Registration will be 12 to 1 p.m. \$15 per team, 18 years and older, limited to first 8 teams with 1st place awarded, 100% cash payback.

The Marble Tournament will be played at the UKB Celebration grounds, at the UKB tribal complex, just south of Tahlequah. Look for signs.

For more information please contact, 918-456-6533 and ask for Sammy Still.

Get out the Turtle Wax! UKB 9th Annual Turtle Races



The 60th Annual United Keetoowah Celebration will be holding their 9th Annual Turtle Races at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 2nd, 2010. Registration will begin at noon up until 1:30 p.m. There will be four age divisions this year: 2-4; 5-6; 7-8 and 9-10. Prizes will be awarded and there will be a limited number of t-shirts this year. Parents must register their child and sign the permission form. Children should bring their own turtles (tortoise or box shell only) this year as the UKB will have a limited number available. Further information is available by calling 918-456-8698. Ask for Georgia or Debb.

Celebration Horseshoe Tournament

There will be a Men's and Women's Horseshoe Tournament as part of the 60th Annual Keetoowah Cherokee Celebration. The event will be held on Saturday, October 2 beginning at 2 p.m. Both singles and doubles tournaments will be held. Entry fees are \$5 per person.

Each division is limited to 26 entries. Participants may pre-register by contacting Lala Beach at (918) 431-9998. Everyone must register no later than 1 pm on October 2. In the doubles divisions, 1st place is \$100, 2nd place is \$50, and 3rd place is \$30. Singles first place wins \$50, second place wins \$25, and third place wins \$15. For more information, call 431-9998.

UKB Announces A call for Arts and Crafts, Food Vendors for 60th Annual Celebration

The United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma is looking for vendors to sell arts and crafts and food at its 60th Annual Keetoowah Cherokee Celebration. Last year's arts and crafts vendors sold traditional baskets, frog gigs, jewelry and many other traditional crafts. Food vendors sold lemonade, Indian tacos, nachos, corn dogs, barbecue, funnel cakes and chocolate covered cheesecake on a stick, along with other delicious treats.

Arts and crafts booths cost \$40 for a 10-by-10 location without electricity, \$50 for a 10-by-10 location with electricity, \$60 for a 10-by- 20 location without electricity and \$70 for a 10-by- 20 location with electricity.

Food booths cost \$100 for a 10-by-10 location without electricity, \$110 for a 10-by-10 location with electricity, \$150 for a 10-by-20 location without electricity and \$160 for a 10-by-20 location with electricity. All food vendors must provide their own sanitary water hose. Vendors must provide their own 10 gauge electric cord.

UKB members receive a \$10 discount on booth fees if they attach a copy of their membership card to their application. Vendor applications are available on the UKB Web site www.unitedkeetoowahband.org and at the UKB Community Services Building.

All applications and payments must be made by Sept. 24 at 5 p.m. No exceptions. Booth location is chosen by a raffle after registration is closed. No refunds are issued after the raffle. Applications are accepted on a first come basis starting Aug. 2.

Pre-Celebration Event: Miss and Jr. Miss Keetoowah Cherokee Pageant September 17, 2010 6pm Tahlequah Armory Municipal Center	Pre-Celebration Event: 10 th Annual Keetoowah Cherokee Golf Tournament September 24, 2010 Cherry Springs Golf Course Tahlequah, OK
Friday, October 1, 2010 6:00pm Gospel Singing (Wellness Center) 9:00pm Stomp Dance Celebration Grounds	Saturday, October 2, 2010 Continued... Noon Entertainment - Music 12:15pm Children's Activities 1:00pm Marbles Volleyball Tournament Traditional Indian Meal 1:30pm Cornstalk Shoot 2:00pm Children's Turtle Races Cultural Demonstrations Make & Take Crafts Men's/Women's Horseshoe Tournament Blowgun Competition 3:00pm 4 th Annual Keetoowah Cherokee Pow Wow (Dance Registration @ Noon) 3:30pm Free Bingo @ Pavilion 4:00pm Exhibition Stickball Game Stomp Grounds 5:00pm Cash Giveaway
Saturday, October 2, 2010 7:00am 5K Run and 2K Fun Run/Walk 7:00am Kids Fishing Derby 8:00am Dignitaries Breakfast NSU Alumni Center 10:00am Keetoowah Celebration Parade Downtown Tahlequah, OK 11:00am Keetoowah History & Family History UKB Department Displays Merchandise Booth Art & Crafts, Food Vendors 11:45am State of the Nation Address @ Pavilion Introduce Tradition Keepers Miss & Jr. Miss Keetoowah Cherokee	
918-456-6533	

Fifth Annual KEETOOWAH CHEROKEE POWWOW

October 2, 2010
Keetoowah Celebration Grounds
Tahlequah, Oklahoma

Host Northern Drum: Birdtown Crossing, NC
Host Southern Drum: Bravescout, OK
Emcee: Rob Daugherty, Cherokee, Jay, OK
Registration Noon - 3pm • Grand Entry 3pm

Head Man Dancer: Cecil Gray, Cheyenne/Kiowa, OKC
Head Lady Dancer: Crystal McKinley, Osage, Pawhuska, OK
Arena Directors: RG Harris, Sac n Fox, Stroud, OK
Joseph Byrd: Cherokee/Osage/Quapaw, Tahlequah, OK
Walter Buffalomeat: Keetoowah Cherokee/Cheyenne, Norman, OK

Contest & Prize Money
Adults: 1st - \$600 • 2nd - \$400 • 3rd - \$300
Men: Traditional, Grass, Straight, Fancy
Women: Buckskin, Cloth, Jingle, Fancy
Junior 11-16: 1st - \$300 • 2nd - \$200 • 3rd - \$100
Boys Traditional & Straight, Fancy & Grass
Girls Buckskin & Cloth, Fancy & Jingle

Contacts: Joe Byrd or Stephanie Wickliffe
918-431-1818 or 1-877-431-1818

Vendors Contact: Brian Shade 1-800-259-0033 or 918-456-6690

Events
Registration Begins Saturday Noon-3 PM
GRAND ENTRY 3 PM
Tiny Tot, Juniors, & Adult Dance
Supper Break 6 PM
Adult Dance Continues

If not 3 in each category, committee reserves the right to combine categories. All decisions of the committee are final. No alcohol or drugs allowed.

Join us for the 60th Annual
Keetoowah Cherokee Celebration
October 1-2, 2010
www.unitedkeetoowahband.org

Golden Age Special!

Directions: 1.5 Miles South of Walmart on 1897 Rd. in Tahlequah, OK. Turn Right on 1897 Rd. at the 3rd Light. Turn Left on 1897 Rd. at the 4th Light. Turn Right on 1897 Rd. at the 5th Light. Turn Left on 1897 Rd. at the 6th Light. Turn Right on 1897 Rd. at the 7th Light. Turn Left on 1897 Rd. at the 8th Light. Turn Right on 1897 Rd. at the 9th Light. Turn Left on 1897 Rd. at the 10th Light. Turn Right on 1897 Rd. at the 11th Light. Turn Left on 1897 Rd. at the 12th Light. Turn Right on 1897 Rd. at the 13th Light. Turn Left on 1897 Rd. at the 14th Light. Turn Right on 1897 Rd. at the 15th Light. Turn Left on 1897 Rd. at the 16th Light. Turn Right on 1897 Rd. at the 17th Light. Turn Left on 1897 Rd. at the 18th Light. Turn Right on 1897 Rd. at the 19th Light. Turn Left on 1897 Rd. at the 20th Light. Turn Right on 1897 Rd. at the 21st Light. Turn Left on 1897 Rd. at the 22nd Light. Turn Right on 1897 Rd. at the 23rd Light. Turn Left on 1897 Rd. at the 24th Light. 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