

Cherokee Heritage Center
August/September 2016 Monthly Report

Tonia Hogner-Weavel
Interim Executive Director

- Candessa Tehee, former Executive Director, resigned August 5; Tonia Hogner-Weavel named interim director.
- Zach Mingus, NSU, and Jen Hardaway, U of A, began archive internships
- Cherokee Humanities Course began the fall semester with 14 students enrolled.
- Hosted the 21st Homecoming Art Show and Sale
- The Tulsa University School of Business, master's program is helping us develop a stronger business plan and streamlined economics. Brice Collier, professor, and four graduate students will be working all semester with CHC BOT and staff.
- Classes and presentations for August and September include, 1700 Cherokee Clothing, Cherokee Beadwork, Importance of Cherokee Corn, Cherokee Clothing – Aboriginal to Contemporary, and Cherokee Tear Dress. CHC Outreach contacts, ytd, 9,569.
- Excellent Cherokee Holiday with approximately 8,500 visitors, 13 food vendors, 77 arts and craft vendors. Revenue (includes all sales, admissions, memberships and donations) was best in recent history – about \$15,000.
- Cherokee Humanities Course is on track with 14 enrolled students for the fall semester. This college level course, partnering with NSU, continues to be funded by the Inasmuch Foundation, Inc.

Upcoming

- Cherokee National Treasures Art Show and Sale, Opening Reception, Sept 30
- Anna Sixkiller Mitchell Legacy exhibit – Winter 2016
- Stickball Stick class, October 1
- Ancient Cherokee Days, October 6 & 7, 1800 students expected
- Cherokee Heritage Festival, November 3 & 4, 1200 students expected
- Cherokee Cultural Skills Workshop (teacher oriented) – October 13
- Sevenstar Gala, fundraising event, October 22
- Gene Norris and Ashley Vann, genealogists, will be traveling to Dalton, Georgia Oct 3-6 to the Trail of Tears Association conference.