



STARR THUNDERFOOT MACAULEY

Starr Thunderfoot is Chief of the Buffalo Creek Band, based in Sevier County, Tennessee at the foot of the Smoky Mountains. Her band is the largest in the tribe, numbering over 350 members.



Bear Spirit Band and guests (above) made a field trip to the Museum Of The Cherokee Indian located in Cherokee, North Carolina inside the Qualla Boundary of the Eastern Band Of Cherokee Indians. From left to right they are Bruce Hunting Wolf McDowell, Terri Quiet Panther McDowell, Gary Dancing Bear Bitler, Mike Stone Carvr Utz, Linda Spirit Eyes Eidson, Rick Runningbear Dunifer, Carole Giving Waters Dunifer, Tyler Silent Thunder Utz, Ann Chandler, and Mike Chandler. The excursion was financed from the treasury of Bear Spirit Band. The trip took place on the last day of July, 2012. Another feature of the field trip was a hike up a trail to view the spectacular Mingo Falls, located in the Big Cove section of the Qualla Boundary Cherokee Reservation. The back drop of the photo, shows the outside wall of the museum featuring the famous "water spider" of Cherokee legends regarding the origin of Fire.



Above: Phyllis Usti Wohali Shryock, Shirley Morning Star Clark, and Grandmother Of Family; all of the Hummingbird Medicine Clan of Missouri.



In the mountains of western North Carolina on the way to Cherokee on the Qualla Boundary reservation. Viewed above are Gary DancingBear Bitler, Linda SpiritEyes Eidson, and Rick Runningbear Dunifer.