

Autumn Snow joins Talking Leaves staff:



**Above: Audrey Autumn Snow
Jones**

The Cherokee Talking Leaves newspaper, which serves the Southeastern Cherokee Council, headquartered in Ochlocknee, Georgia, is pleased to announce the acquisition of an associate editor. Audrey Jones resides in Orlando, Florida and is chief of the Spirit Wolf Watches clan of the SECCI. Audrey has long been a member of the Southeastern Cherokee Council and also has been regularly putting out her own newsletter that pertains to her clan. Autumn Snow has also been active in fundraising for the Talking Leaves.

Autumn Snow is a faithful attendee at the National Tribal Grounds both for the Spring and the Fall gatherings. We are pleased to have the services of Autumn Snow and her editorial and writing skills. She also has a rich experience and knowledge of Native culture, history, and spirituality, especially as it relates to the Cherokees,

We welcome Audrey Autumn Snow and thank her for her willingness to keep this publication progressing in its service.



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American Culture to all who wish
to walk the Native path"*

Spirit Wolf Watches Clan News October 2013

Our Clan was excited about going to National tribal Grounds this October for many reasons. We always look forward to getting together with friends and catching up on news as well as the ceremonies and festivities planned for the weekend.

We arrived Friday morning. Friday was preparation day and any last minute things to be done before Saturday was addressed. Food was discussed with Little Eagle and Pam, Terri and Julie volunteered to help with cooking and serving in the cook shack. William our Clan Marshall went around to help with Pam and Black Wolf and one of his duties was putting the signs and flags up in the council house. He was the tallest so he was chosen for that honor! Later that

evening dinner was prepared and served which was Fry Bread Indian Tacos! Compliments of Phyllis Little Eagle Shryock. MMMMM they were delicious! Terri, clan Secretary laughed and said he and Julie went back three separate times to serve the Indian Tacos, they were a big hit with everyone. Chief Panther remarked they were delicious! Everyone was fed and satisfied then settled in to visit and relax for the evening.

The Tribal Council and membership meeting was in the morning after breakfast, We donated \$500.00 to the General Fund from myself and the clan in Memory of the Traveler my dear husband Paul White Horse. Our clan secretary Terri Two Eagles was appointed by Chief Panther as Orator until the next tribal election which will be October 2014. She was very excited and asked I tell her what she needed to do as Orator. We will set up a date to go over the by laws and the history of SECCI. Phyllis Little Eagle was appointed as Historian until next election as well. She is very excited. The New Moon and Atahuna ceremonies were performed Saturday afternoon after the general tribal meeting.

William Night Panther, our Clan Marshall requested he be able to take his mother and brothers ashes to Ochlocknee to have them spread in ceremony at the memorial bridge. The request was made to Chief Panther and approved. It was a very beautiful ceremony and very meaningful to William and all of us as family. Jack White Eagle Shryock performed the ceremony. He made a special spoon out of cedar wood. William said he was very happy and at Peace, it was a beautiful ceremony.

We returned to have dinner together and look and purchase Indian crafts that were brought by members to sell. Terri, Julie, Will and myself purchased many beautiful pieces of jewelry, moccs, abalone shells, sage etc., and I purchased an 18" hand drum to paint myself! It was a wonderful weekend, we said our "see you next time" we don't like to say goodbye then drove home to Orlando, we talked about our weekend all the way home! Donadagohv'i *Autumn Snow*