

# mid-year report

June 2016



*OUR MISSION:*  
To award scholarships from the RICHARD (YOGI) CROWE SCHOLARSHIP FUND to members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians demonstrating a desire to pursue graduate or post graduate degrees.

## Congratulations Shannon Swimmer



Shannon Swimmer, past Richard (Yogi) Crowe scholarship recipient, passed the February 2016 North Carolina Bar Exam. Shannon obtained her Juris Doctorate degree from the University of Kansas in 2013. She has served as the Cherokee Tribal Clerk of Court since

## Congratulations Graduates



Nelson Lambert, Juris Doctorate Degree,  
Charlotte School of Law



Beau Carroll, Masters Degree in  
Anthropology, University of  
Tennessee



Randall Crowe, Juris Doctorate  
Degree, Charlotte School of

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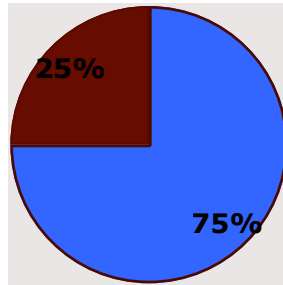
Dr. Carmaleta Monteith

Shannon Swimmer

Sunshine

**% of YCSF recipients who work in Cherokee or for the EBCI**

75% have worked in Cherokee or for the EBCI; 25% of recipients have not.



Some of the 25% are working for other Native American organizations or tribes.

*A Note from the President of the  
Reva Ballew, Ph.D. (also a former YCSF grant recipient)*

*Richard Yogi Crowe Scholarship Fund*

*The Richard Yogi Crowe Scholarship Fund (YCSF) continues to thrive and grow. We have increased our endowment, but most importantly we funded five post-bachelor students since Fall 2015 in the amount of \$9000. These students are pursuing advanced degrees in the fields of anthropology, law and business. These are our future leaders.*

*Due to the Casino monies and our Tribal leaders management of these monies we have funding sources for education for our enrolled members. Although this funding only goes so far especially at the graduate level. In addition to a tribal-funded Education Department we have numerous private scholarships available to enrolled members, the YCSF being one of those. YCSF funds enrolled members for degrees beyond the bachelors or baccalaureate level. The YCSF was established in 1985 as a perpetual endowment scholarship fund, the interest from the endowment is awarded to students.*

*Even during the not so long ago Great Recession we continued to receive financial support for the scholarship fund via donations. I would encourage you to invest in the future of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. We often receive "In Memory Of" donations in remembrance of deaths, birthdays, anniversaries, even pets. No amount is too small and we*

**For more information about Yogi Crowe and the Scholarship Fund, go to**

<http://www.yogicrowescholarship.org>

To donate to the scholarship fund, please send in the pledge card located below.

**Richard (Yogi) Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund Pledge Card**

In Memory of Richard (Yogi) Crowe, I wish to be an annual contributor to his Memorial Scholarship Fund to help more Eastern Cherokees attend graduate and post graduate school. I hereby designate that I will be a:

- Friend of Fund (\$100 each year)  Contributing Member (\$250 each year)
- Supporting Member (\$500 each year)  Sustaining Member (\$1,000 each year)
- Contributor as Past Grant Recipient  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Contributor: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Contributor: \_\_\_\_\_

E mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to Richard (Yogi) Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc. and mail