The Cherokee Center would like to recognize one of the community’s students attending Western Carolina University. Tonya Carroll is a senior at Western who will graduate in December 2007 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in History and a minor in Cherokee Studies. She is the daughter of Jan Smith and the late Kermit Carroll. She resides in the Birdtown Community. Tonya, an outstanding student, has made the Dean's list every semester. She is a member of the Phi Alpha Theta Honor Society for the History Department. She plans to continue graduate studies at WCU in the Cherokee Studies program. As busy as Tonya is, she is currently working on a project called, "Craft Revival: Shaping Western North Carolina Past and Present," which is a collaborative Heritage Partners grant funded by the Library Services and Technology Act. Its aim is to create a web-based digital history of the historic effort to revive handcraft in the western part of North Carolina. Tonya's supervisor is Anna Fariello on Hunter Library. She will be working with Vickie Ledford, Qualla Co-op, and Bo Taylor, Museum of the Cherokee Indians, to include Cherokee Crafts. For more information on this project, go to http://craftrevival.wcu.edu. We are very proud on Tonya.

Tuesday evening, November 28th, there will be a performance on the Cullowhee campus at 7:00 pm featuring the Fast Horse Family presenting "The Spirituality and Mythology of Native American Culture." This event is sponsored by the WCU Multicultural Center in recognition of Native American History Month. The show, which is free and open to the public, will be performed at the University Center Theater. For more information call 828 227-2276.