



## CHEROKEE NATION

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TO: Rayna Green, Smithsonian  
FROM: Wilma P. Mankiller, Principal Chief *WPM*  
SUBJ: Historic Cherokee Photographs of Women

Rayna, I am doing a book, part biography, part history, to be published by St. Martin's Press in October, 1993. I want to include some historic photographs. I would like to enlist your help in this endeavor.

If you know of historic photos of Cherokee people, particularly women, I would love to know about them. I am particularly interested in emphasizing the social, economic and cultural stratification among Cherokees once the Cherokee elite began to adopt the plantation system. I would love to have a sort of southern-belle appearing Cherokee woman and then contrast that with a woman like those appearing in the Swimmer manuscript. Please let me know your thoughts on this. I will, of course, gladly pay for any costs associated with these photos.

Any help you can give in this endeavor would be appreciated. I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

Thank you