

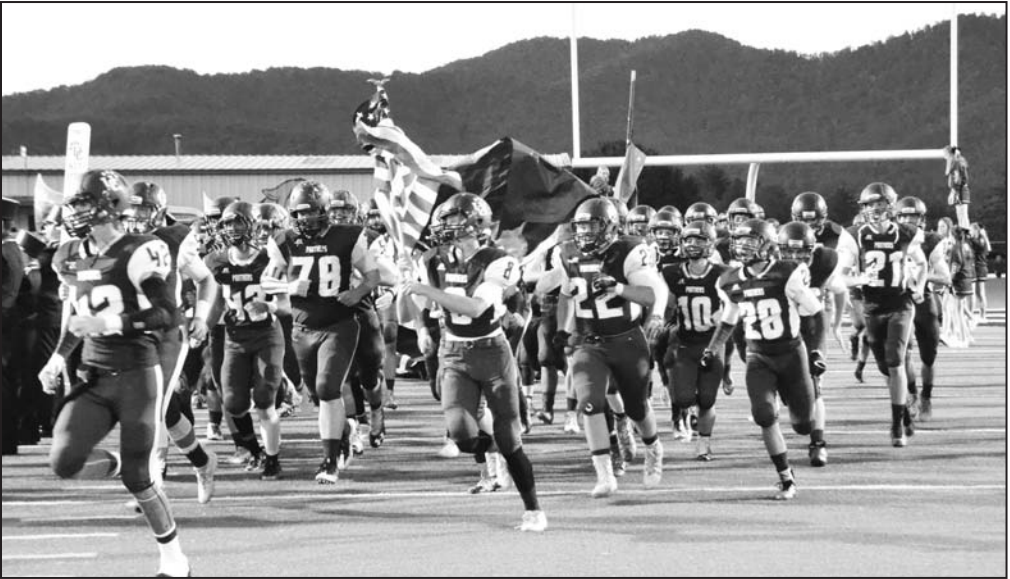
# Lady Panthers returning to State; region finals Wednesday at North Hall



The Union County Lady Panthers softball team was victorious in its final regular season game of the season, a 12-7 win at Greater Atlanta Christian. As a result, the Lady Panthers finished second in region play and received a bye into the Region 7-AAA semifinals - guaranteeing a top four finish in the region tournament and a berth in next week's State Tournament, for the eighth consecutive season. On Wednesday Oct. 5, the Region Championship will be settled on the field at North Hall High School. At 1 p.m. Union will face No. 3 seed East Hall for a spot in the Region Championship game at 5 p.m. on Wednesday. A loss to East Hall and the Lady Panthers will play in the third place game being held at 3 p.m., prior to the Region finals. Make the trip to North Hall to support our Lady Panthers as they look for their third Region crown since 2010 and their first in Class AAA. Photo/Todd Forrest

# Union County High School Homecoming Festivities 2016

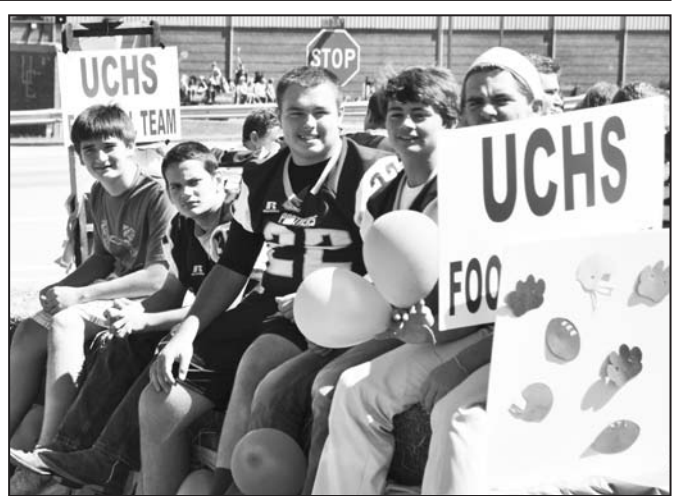
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**Mountain High Hikers Hiking Club**

Mountain High Hikers schedule two hikes every Tuesday, one long and one shorter, as well as occasional specialty hikes. Weekly trail maintenance trips are scheduled every Thursday.

Come enjoy the beautiful mountains and waterfalls we have here. Check the website [www.mountainhighhikers.org](http://www.mountainhighhikers.org) for schedule and contact numbers. NT10a5.Z2/CA



## Pickleball Tournament held at First United Methodist Church of Blairsville

The first "Novice Pickleball Tournament" was held September 27th in the MAC (Methodist Activity Center), of the church. Most of the sixteen participants were graduates of the 'Beginning Pickleball' classes offered through the OASIS program of the Methodist Church last year. Winners of the 'Round Robin' included Jerry Hall, first place with the most points earned; Lynn Laurenti, second place; and a three way tie for 3rd place won by Terry Korpinen, Francis Mangham, and Phillip Ortiz.



(L-R): Winners, Terry Korpinen, of Blairsville; Francis Mangham, of Hiawassee; Jerry Hall, Lynn Laurenti, of Blairsville; Dave Evans, of Morgantown. Not pictured, Phillip Ortiz, of Blairsville.

Organized by Dave and Marty Evans, members of the church and the Blairsville Pickleball Club, the event was met with great enthusiasm by both players and the large audience of friends, relatives, and other Pickleball enthusiasts.



Rev. Stan Wallace, Director of Recreation and Older Adult Ministry; Dave Evans, Tournament Director

The tournament raised over \$500 for the church, from entrance fees and donations. The contribution was presented to Minister Stan Wallace along with a plaque thanking him for his work in bringing Pickleball to the church and community. According to Dave Evans, "A great time was had by all! We were privileged to have a good time and raise a significant donation for the Methodist Church, which

Paddles, balls, and nets are provided. Non-marking tennis shoes are required, and players are asked to sign in at the desk and place \$1 in the donation box. NT10a5.Z2/CA

## Bowling scores

Monday Night Men: Michael Whitehead 200, Jeremiah Plott 215, 205, 258, Taz Matetzschk 202, Richard Tanner 224, John Delphino 224, Jay Burrell 236, 211, Bob Bischoff 202, Greg Whittenburg 206, Ron Wingate 204, Michael Brandenburg 203, Tom Griffiths 209, Keith Rhodes 257, Joe Teague 221, Derick Rice 204, 299, Series 683, Bonnell Thomas 213, Walter Carpenter 21, Curtis Corn 204, Justin Miller 204.

Monday Night Ladies: Monita Rodgers 195, Linda Nichols 197. Blairsville Youth: Sabrina Willis 112, Lizzy Tazzia 88, Jared Edwards 172, Joshua Collins 114, Michael Lierd 90, Ivy Robbins 137, Christian Theriot 141, Kiley Hartness 91, Jaeden Love 144, Woo Wooten 74, Michaela Caldwell 129, Ben Love 117, Cooper Allen 70, Noah Freven 50, Cooper Boyle 191, 254, Series 606, Nick Love 86, Lily Love 81.

Young @ Heart Seniors: Walter Carpenter 198, Peggy Kidder 195, Dewey Allen 202, Bob Landis 206, 238, Ron Wingate 211, Larry Snyder 197, Bob Bischoff 235, John Delphino 203, Mel White 216, 203, Ron Gaucher 195, Bart Rogers 220, 204, Series 617, Gene Clopton 213.

## Youth Bowling Boot Camp

Free bowling lessons for youth 5-15. Learn something new and practice it each week during class time. Dates: October 9th & 16th; time: 1 PM to 2:30 PM; at Blairsville Galaxy Bowling, 104 Backyard Lane Blairsville, GA, phone: 706-745-4444.

