

## 2019 Mountain District Eagle Scouts recognized



The Mountain District (Towns, Union, Fannin and Gilmer Counties) of the Northeast Georgia Council, BSA held their annual banquet on Saturday March 14 at the First United Methodist Church of Union County. Pictured with our guest speaker, Judge Stan Gunter are scouts recognized for achieving the highest rank in scouting-EAGLE SCOUT. Those included in the picture with Judge Gunter are (left to right) Luke Royston, Blythe Smith, Wesley Calhoun, Alexander Ledbetter and 2017 Eagle Scout and Master of Ceremonies Devin Saunders.



Following an outstanding meal the program included the acknowledgment of several outstanding adults who have given exceptional service to the scouting program over a number of years in their respective communities. Also recognized were scouts who had earned the Arrow of Light (highest award in Cub Scouting) during 2019. The six include (left to right): Thomas Gary, Kegan Storms, Casey and Cameron Roberts, Aiden Gregory, and Gracian Sabo. In addition two scouts who had been the top sellers of popcorn in the four county area during 2019 were recognized: Roland Lawrence and Cal Osborne-both from Blairsville.

The district also recognized one adult scouter with the District Award of Merit for outstanding leadership and service over a number of years: Chris Payne. Chris currently serves as Scoutmaster of the Blairsville Boy Scout Troop 101. NT(Mar25.Z9)CA

## Public Service Announcement: 9th District Cooling Help

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Brenda Dalin, Program Director, Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. announces Cooling Help for the Elderly and Medically Homebound for Banks, Barrow, Clarke, Dawson, Elbert, Forsyth, Franklin, Habersham, Hall, Hart, Jackson, Lumpkin, Madison, Oconee, Oglethorpe, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union and White counties.

Households in which every member is age 65 and older -OR- is medically homebound due to health reasons may apply for assistance with their home cooling bills beginning on April 1, 2020. One time payments will be made

by check issued to the home cooling suppliers on behalf of eligible households up to \$400.00. Eligibility for the program is based on the income of all household members. All eligible households must be responsible for their home cooling costs.

All eligible applicants are asked to contact Ninth District Opportunity, Inc.'s scheduling system April 1, 2020 beginning at 12:01 A.M. by telephone at 855-636-3108 or go online to [www.ndo.org/eap](http://www.ndo.org/eap). Phone lines or website for scheduling will not be active until the opening date of the program and no appointments will be made by telephone or online until this time. No walk-

ins, please. Appointments will be scheduled until all funds are exhausted. Additional information will be made available online at [www.ndo.org](http://www.ndo.org).

Only households 65 years of age and older or homebound Medically Homebound may apply April 1, 2020. Applicants that do not meet the required criteria will be denied. If funds are available, the general public may apply on May 1, 2020.

Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. is an equal opportunity agency while providing services without regard to age, race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, disability, national origin, or any other classification or category. NT(Mar25.Z3)CA

## Granddaddy Mimm's Moonshine to produce alcohol for Hand Sanitizer

Granddaddy Mimm's has developed a reputation for producing some of the most smooth and flavorful

moonshines available, but the Blairsville, Georgia distillery is heeding a call to help fulfill a specific need during the

Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic. The distillery has commenced producing alcohol specifically to be used in the production of hand sanitizer, one of the main products in short supply across the country.

"The process is basically the same as producing alcohol for our moonshines," said Granddaddy Mimm's owner Tommy Townsend. "We're happy we can keep the distillery working in these hard times and provide a product whose end result can help people stay healthy."

Granddaddy Mimm's Distillery is continuing to produce moonshine to fulfill orders in all the states that carry its various products, which include 100-proof Corn Whiskey, 140-proof Mule Kickin' 140, 96-proof Handcrafted Blueberry, Blackberry and Peach Moonshine, 80-proof Handcrafted Apple Moonshine and 40-proof Apple Brown Betty, Fresh Peach Cobbler, Wild Cherry Cobbler and Blueberry Cobbler Moonshine. All products are available in the Blairsville distillery and online.

For those wishing to visit the Granddaddy Mimm's distillery, extreme measures are being taken to provide a clean and safe environment. Visitors are urged to visit [GranddaddyMimms.com](http://GranddaddyMimms.com) before traveling for updated hours of operation. N(Mar25.Z16)CA

## Blairsville - Union County Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony

The Blairsville-Union County Memorial Day Parade Committee invite you to attend and participate in the parade which will start at 10 AM on Saturday, May 23, 2020. The parade route will wind around the old courthouse and end at the Union County War Memorial park. Also please join us at the park for a Memorial Day ceremony that begins shortly after the parade concludes.



illustrate the theme of "For God and Country, Support Our Troops". We hope you are able to enter a float or a vehicle displaying our flag. Your participation with any kind of entry is the most important thing. Our community has a large veteran population and remembering those that gave the ultimate sacrifice is the proper thing to do.

Also a reminder for your home or business, to display the flag proudly and replace if faded or worn.

For more information on how to participate in the parade, see the entry form in the newspaper or contact the Georgia Department of Veterans Service, P.O. Box 782, Blairsville, GA 30514; phone number 706-745-6341; fax number 706-745-6801; email [eddie.fontaine@vs.state.ga.us](mailto:eddie.fontaine@vs.state.ga.us). Thank you for your support. N(Mar25.Z10)CA

## Memorial Day Parade 2020

Sponsored by:  
American Legion Post 121 and associated Auxiliary, Legion Riders, and Sons of the American Legion,  
Disabled American Veterans Chapter 11,  
Marine Corps League Unicoi Detachment 783,  
Navy Seabee Veterans of America Seabee Island X-3,  
North Georgia Honor Guard,  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7394,  
Vietnam Veterans of America GA Chapter 1101,

**Saturday, May 23, 2020 • 10:00 AM**  
**Theme: "For God and Country, Support Our Troops"**

If your civic organization, church, business or other group wishes to participate in the Memorial Day Parade, please fill out this entry form and return it to:  
**Georgia Department of Veterans Service**  
P.O. Box 782 • Blairsville, GA 30514  
Phone 706-745-6341 / Fax 706-745-6801  
Email: [eddie.fontaine@vs.state.ga.us](mailto:eddie.fontaine@vs.state.ga.us)

Please have your entry checked in between 8 - 9 a.m. in front of the old recreation gym by 371 School Circle, Blairsville, GA 30512.

Name of entrant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one of the following types of entries:  
\_\_\_\_ Float (Length \_\_\_\_\_)  
\_\_\_\_ Vintage Car / Truck (Type of Vehicle): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ Other (Specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**"Please no candy throwing along parade route"**

## Sentencing Delay...

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abetting those counts.

Additionally, the jury found Heaton guilty of 27 counts of dispensing prescriptions without a legitimate medical purpose to two other patients.

David Gowder was first arrested for prescription fraud in April 2015 in Fannin County. He was arrested again in February 2016 by the Union County Sheriff's Office, as were Mike Gowder and Heaton, in connection with other prescription drug charges.

Regarding the outstanding state charges against the three men, which were brought prior to their federal indictments, Enotah Judicial Circuit District Attorney Jeff Langley said previously he would make a decision about moving forward with local charges after the federal sentencing.

## "Mile Long Yard Sale" cancelled

The "Mile Long Yard Sale" has been cancelled due to the ongoing Corona Virus threat. NT(Mar25.Z11)CA

### Bell Ringing Union County Old Courthouse



**March 11, 2020**

In memory of **Paula Paris Johnson** on the anniversary of her death

By: Terry & Ginger Meeks

**March 19, 2020**

In memory of **Harry Walker** and in honor of **Shirley Walker** on the occasion of their Wedding Anniversary

By: Joan Mannheim

**March 19, 2020**

In memory of **Harry Walker** on the occasion of their 66th Wedding Anniversary

By: Shirley Walker

**Bell ringing information at 706-745-5493**



### Important Notice Blairsville Cruisers Car Club Activities

Due to the ongoing Corona Virus threat the following cancellations of Blairsville Cruisers events was approved by the Board of Directors.

The Membership Meeting for next Thursday, March 26th is cancelled.

The Framers Market Cruise-In on Saturday, April 4th has been cancelled.

The board will discuss further activities as we see what transpires and will keep you informed. NT(Mar25.Z6)CA