Spring football returns to UCHS this week; spring scrimmage at Chestatee next week





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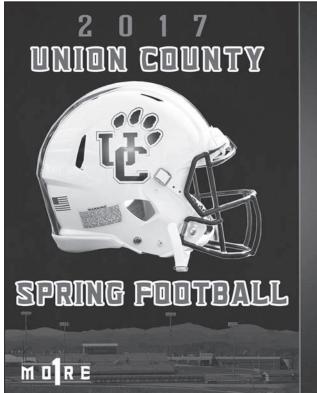
Union County Football will be holding spring football practice for the first time in four years when the players participate in spring drills this week and next.

And as an added bonus,

for the first time in recent history - and maybe ever - the Panthers will take part in a spring scrimmage game when they visit Chestatee High School on Friday, May 19 at 7 p.m.

Spring football got underway on Monday and will hold nine scheduled practices before the game at Chestatee.

In years past, Union County has chose two preseason scrimmages over spring practice since GHSA rules allowed two preseason scrimmages if no spring practice was held. However, the GHSA recently allowed teams to hold a spring scrimmage in place of one fall scrimmage.



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Jeep season is roaring back to life! Only one thing is gonna make that layer of tree pollen on our hoods look any better! That's right. an additional layer of trail

We gathered plenty of dust last month, with forest service road rides to the Hiawassee Power Plant one week and to the Apalachia Power Plant another. Also, a large group of us caravanned to the Camp Merrill Army Ranger Base for their annual open house and demonstrations. Those rangers are

Everyone is eager to

check out the local waterfalls and backroad trails, as well

as swap some stories during

our picnic lunches. Review our schedule of upcoming events on our website, www.

blueridgemountainjeepers.

BRMJ welcomes all Jeep enthusiasts to join us for any of our events. Whether you enjoy driving through the forest on a gravel road, or prefer to engage your 4WD and wrangle with the challenging landscape of Beasley Knob, we've got your ride. You will also find us at the Blairsville Cruiser's Block Party Car Show at the Farmer's Market on Old Smokey Road. This event begins at 4 p.m. the first Friday afternoon of every month, and we usually have dinner out together after the

Please join us at one of our club meetings and meet a lot of great people. Our meetings are the second Tuesday of every month at Steve's Steakhouse. Join us for dinner at 5 p.m., or when the meeting starts at 6 p.m.

amazing!

For those anxious for the return of football: the wait is over. UCHS football will be practicing every day for the next two weeks before visiting Chestatee on May 19th for a scrimmage.

Soccer: Parker McCombs named Blitz Player of the Year finalist



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Photo/courtesy of Blitz Sports



Union County senior Parker McCombs led the team in goals with 16 and has been selected as one of four finalists for Blitz 2017 Player of the Year. UCHS soccer photos by Todd Forrest.

Charity Golf Tournament - sign up today!

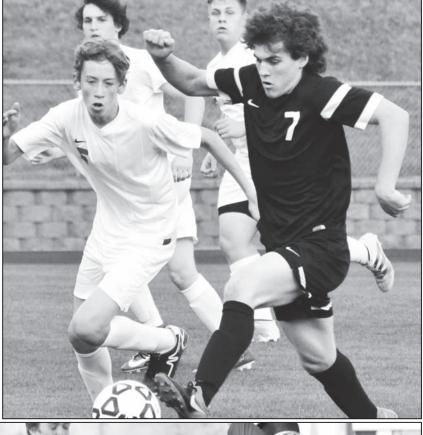
nity Clinic, volunteer health for a foursome. care facility for the uninsured, will be hosting its annual golf tournament on May 22, 2017 at Butternut Creek Golf Course. There will be a shotgun start at 1 p.m. Sign in is at 12 noon. Lunch will be served.

Sign up today by calling 706-994-6768 or visiting the clinic website at www.healing-Format is a simple scramble. your support. N(May10,Z14)CA

Healing Hands Commu- Individual fee is \$65 or \$250

A percentage of the fee is tax deductible and a receipt will be provided.

All proceeds benefit the mountain area community by enabling Healing Hands Community Clinic to provide health services to the uninsured. Healing Hands is funded solely by the generosity of handscommunityclinic.com. the community. Thank you for





Union County Recreation Senior FULL-OF-LIFE Outdoor Exercise Program

2017 Senior Outdoor Exercise Program

Ages: 55 and over Did you know outdoor exercise could be fun? Outdoor exercise is very beneficial to maintaining a healthy lifestyle. This program is designed to meet each individual participant's ability. The Program Director of Union County Parks and Recreation will be leading a free outdoor exercise session two times a week for 6 weeks in session 1! This is a great time to socialize and exercise with a fun group. We will meet at Meeks Park Backside Exercise Equipment (off Old Blue Ridge Highway entrance) and work out for 60 minutes!

**Session One Registration begins on May 9 and ends May 31, 2017 at the Recreation Office (310 Wellborn

Registration must be done in person due to cap on participants per session! If you

have any questions, you can call (706) 439-6074.N(May10,Z15)CA

and Rabun Co. (bottom) It is time for Football and Cheerleading

Sign-ups at the Union County Recreation Department begin May 1-June 23rd.



Ages 7-11 (Age cut off is April 30)

Sign up on-line at

unioncountyga.gov

Go to park and recreation/ youth athletic programs or

at the Recreation Office located at 310 Wellborn Street ** For more information please call the recreation office

at 706-439-6074**

We would love to have you.