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## Relay For Life celebrates survivors with Fashion Show selves on Saturday, Oct. 20, Pat Neubert, Connie Richard-

inside the civic center was

decorated to the nines with glit-

ter, purple ribbons and helium

food and Melissa's Custom

Cakes supplied two beautiful

Chick-fil-A provided the

balloons.



By Mark Smith North Georgia News Staff Writer

The members of the Union County Relay For Life Leadership Team outdid them-

cancer, the purpose of the show was to raise awareness with educational efforts in the fight to eradicate cancer. The brave cancer survi-

with their Second Annual Can-

cer Survivors Fashion Show at

survivors had walking across

the stage and down the runway

after their experiences fighting

Aside from all the fun the

the Blairsville Civic Center.

vors who participated in the Fashion Show, all of whom exhibited elegance and radiant charm, included: Gail Smith, Fave Patterson Kimsey, Alice Aiken, Mary Nicole Graphman,

Photo by Mark Smith

Young cancer survivor Mary Nicole Graphman at the Cancer

Survivors Fashion Show on Oct. 20.



fashion at the Oct. 20 Cancer Survivors show inside the Blairsville Civic Center.

Photo by Mark Smith

sheet cakes – one strawberry son, Susan Anderson, Katie with white icing, and another Strals and Cindy Neely. white and chocolate with white Perfectly suited for a fashion show, the big room

Rick Siefken, owner of Budget Blinds of Blairsville, did a fantastic job as Master of Ceremonies for the event, and overall, it was a memorable

evening for everyone. Each person received a

raffle ticket with the purchase of their admission ticket to the well-attended Fashion Show, and there were many, many winners of gifts.

The tremendous fundraising efforts of Union County

Relay For Life are possible thanks to the volunteerism of Diane Shillcutt, Mary Ann Lockaby, Vee Laffoon, Mia Crowe, Sue Upchurch, Allyson McGraw and many other volunteers and members of the community.



Faye Patterson Kimsey, Alice Aiken, Mary Nicole Graphman, Pat Neubert, Connie Richardson, Photo by Mark Smith Susan Anderson, Katie Strals and Cindy Neely.

## Motorcycle Show...from Page 1A

classes: American, Modern & that I knew and got them to maneuverable, and they can Vintage; Japanese, Modern & Vintage; European, Modern & Vintage; Custom; Competition; and Special Interest.

Those who register a motorcycle, which can be done the day of the show, will get the chance to win one of many custom plaques designed specifically for this show.

The show's organizer, Dennis Bradley, is a retired Union County educator, and he's glad that the show continues to do well here in the North Georgia Mountains.

Bradley, a self-proclaimed "motorcycle guy," has owned a number of motorcycles from his teenage years to today. In fact, many people know of Bradley's love of motorcycles, which is how the show came about in the first place.

"In 2001, the Jaycees originally approached me about organizing a motorcycle show as part of the Sorghum Festival," said Bradley. "I gave them some figures about how much it would cost, and they decided not to do it.

"So I said, well heck, I'll just do it myself. I contacted some businesses around town

be sponsors and pay me a \$50 sponsor fee, and I put their name on two sponsor boards that I have at the show. And almost that's how it came about.' One of the coolest

features of the show is the getting out and riding in the democratic way in which the bikes are selected for awards, as everyone who attends gets to vote on their favorite motorcycles.

"Some people will come to the show and say, 'I don't know anything about motorcycles,' and I say, well, just vote for one that's your favorite color," said Bradley. "It's a fun event. "And at the end of the

show, we count the ballots and give out the awards. The last several years, the awards have been really nice (one-of-a-kind) wooden plaques.' As for why he enjoys

the hobby of collecting and showing motorcycles, Bradley says it all goes back to the joy of riding them. "It gives you a kind of

freedom you don't get riding in a car, since you're out in the breeze," said Bradley. "Of course, they're real be lightweight, although some of these big ol' huge cruisers weigh as much as a small car

"But I think that's the main draw, just freedom of

All proceeds from sponsorships go toward the cos of putting on the show, which is a unique offering and now longstanding tradition here in the North Georgia Mountains.

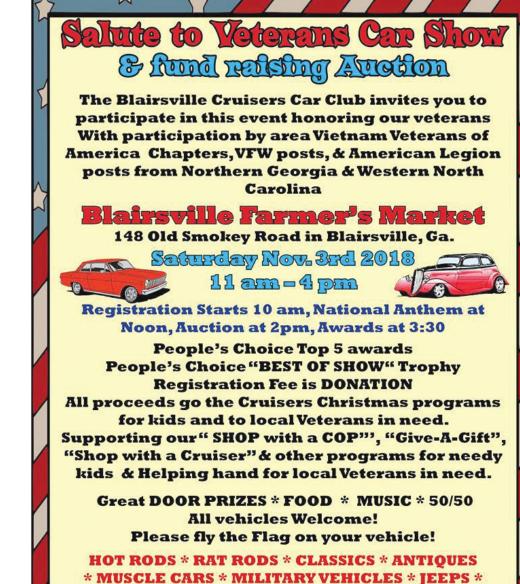
"A lot of the motorcycles there, when people come to the show and they see them they say, 'Oh man, I had one of those when I was growing up," said Bradley. "A lot of these bikes that are there are rare - you just don't see them much anymore."

Also available or Saturday will be music and door prizes awarded for answering trivia questions throughout the show The door prizes are

being provided by several of the show's sponsors. For a full list of sponsors and for more information on the show visit http://dennisbradley.com motorcycle/index.html.



The North Georgia Motorcycle Show will take place on Saturday, Oct. 27, at North Georgia Technical College. Photo by Lowell Nicholson



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