

County & City Reports

Local law enforcement provide the following information for publication. Names are spelled as they were received from the law enforcement agencies. It is important to remember that the following individuals have been charged only and are presumed innocent until such time as they are found guilty by a court or enter a guilty plea.



Union County Jail Arrest Report

Mack Mason, Union County Sheriff

- 11/17/19 Taylor Leann Born, age 20, Mineral Bluff, GA Hold for other agency
- 11/12/19 Juan Baustista Campos, age 60, Blairsville, GA Driving without a valid license, failure to maintain lane, taillight requirements
- 11/12/19 Joseph Carmen Cordova, age 34, Blairsville, GA Probation violation (felony)
- 11/17/19 Madison Paige Davenport, age 19, Epworth, GA DUI-under age 21 .02% or more, violating restrictions of driver license
- 11/14/19 Jesse Oliver Maier, age 36, Blairsville, GA Distribution of controlled substance (2 counts)
- 11/12/19 Richard Stephen Radziwill, age 65, Morganton, GA Hold for court
- 11/14/19 David Lee Reid, age 50, Morganton, GA Probation violation (felony) (2 counts)
- 11/17/19 Shawn Mark Sisum, age 31, Cornelia, GA Driving while license suspended/revoked, seat belt violation
- 11/15/19 Tristen Gregory Stratton, age 24, Morganton, GA Theft by taking
- 11/14/19 Michael Dean Tate, age 77, Blairsville, GA Hold for Boone Co. KY

There are 51 inmates now being housed in the Union County Jail.



Blairsville Police Department Arrests and Incident Report

Chief Michael "Bear" Baxter

- 11/14/19 Sheila Elaine Burch, age 59, Suches, GA Theft by shoplifting
- 11/17/19 Jacob Gary Rogers, age 23, Blairsville, GA DUI, possession of open alcohol container
- 11/11/19 2 accidents, assist other agency, escort
- 11/12/19 2 escorts
- 11/13/19 2 arrests-possession of drug related objects, 2 accidents
- 11/14/19 2 escorts, misc. traffic, assist motorist
- 11/15/19 2 assist other agency, suspicious activity, 2 911 hang ups, welfare check, assist motorist, escort
- 11/16/19 3 escorts
- 11/17/19 2 escorts, arrest-DUI, 2 traffic stops, alarm



Union County Fire Department Incidents

Union County Fire Chief David Dyer

- 11/11/19 3 Medical Calls-Station 1-Blairsville; 2 Medical Calls-Station 2-Jones Creek; Medical Call-Station 6-Pat Colwell; 3 Medical Calls-Station 10-Trackrock; Motor Vehicle Accident-Murphy Hwy/Gumlog Rd
- 11/12/19 Medical Call-Station 5-Suches; Medical Call-Station 8-Gumlog; Motor Vehicle Accident-Hwy 515 E/Bitter Creek Rd; Fire Alarm, 2 Pre-Fire Plans-Station 1-Blairsville; Motor Vehicle Accident-Hwy 515 E/Kiutuestia Creek Rd; Smoke Detector Install-Station 7-Dooly
- 11/13/19 Medical Call, Pre-Fire Plan-Station 1-Blairsville; Medical Call-Station 9-Coosa; Smoke Detector Install-Station 2-Jones Creek; Controlled Burn-Station 8-Gumlog
- 11/14/19 Medical Call-Station 4-Ivy Log; Medical Call-Station 5-Suches; 3 Medical Calls-Station 10-Trackrock; 2 Smoke Detector Installs-Station 9-Coosa; Smoke Detector Install-Station 12-Choestoe; Pre-Fire Plan-Station 1-Blairsville; Motor Vehicle Accident-Pat Colwell Rd/Peter Young Rd; Motor Vehicle Accident-Owltown Rd/Huntington Ridge Rd; Unauthorized Burn-Station 6-Pat Colwell
- 11/15/19 2 Medical Calls-Station 5-Suches; Medical Call, Smoke Detector Install-Station 10-Trackrock
- 11/16/19 Medical Call-Station 5-Suches; Medical Call-Station 9-Coosa; Medical Call-Station 12-Choestoe
- 11/17/19 Medical Call-Station 3-Owltown; Medical Call-Station 8-Gumlog; Chimney Fire-Station 7-Dooly

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings/times

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength, and hope, in order to solve their common problem and help others to recover from Alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking.

Blairsville: Lutheran Church, 83 Earl Shelton: Monday 5:30 PM, open meeting. Mountain Presbyterian Church, 2945 Hwy 76: Monday 7 PM, open meeting; Wednesday 7 PM, open meeting; Saturday 8 AM, open meeting. St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Hwy 76 next to Presbyterian Church: Tuesday 7 PM, Ladies Meeting; Wednesday noon, open meeting.

Young Harris: Sharp Memorial Methodist Church on College Campus: Tuesday 7 PM, Men's Meeting.

Hiawassee: Methodist Church, 1139 Hwy 76: Wednesday, noon, open meeting. 1298 Jack Deyton Circle: Friday 7 PM, open meeting; Sunday 7 PM, open meeting.

For more meeting info, call 828-837-4440.

Energy Assistance funds for 2019

Ninth District Opportunity Energy Assistance Program. A one-time payment will be made to the home energy supplier on behalf of eligible households. Eligibility for the program is based on the income of everyone living in the home (please see income chart below for maximum annual income per household size). All eligible households must be responsible for their home heating bill.

Income guidelines for 2019 by Household Size/Annual Gross Income: 1 - \$23,776; 2 - \$31,092; 3 - \$38,408; 4 - \$45,724; 5 - \$53,040; 6 - \$60,356; 7 - \$61,727.

Elderly/Homebound Household ONLY: November

SMART Recovery program

SMART Recovery (Self-Management And Recovery Training) helps individuals gain independence from addiction (substances or activities), by providing an educational and supporting environment based on SMART Recovery 4 - Point Program.

We teach self-empowerment for recovery from addiction, drug abuse, alcoholism, and alcohol abuse, by teaching how to change self-defeating thinking, emotions, and actions; and to work towards long-term satisfactions and quality of life.

For more information call 706-994-3692; 76 Hunt Martin Street, Blairsville, GA.

Opportunity to change a life

Do you know a loved one who struggles with addictions or strongholds?

Unity Farm, a biblically based, 12-step Men's Recovery Home is located in Union County. For more information please call 706-851-5390 or 706-455-9043.

1, 2019. *All applicants must be age 65 or older - or - completely unable to leave the home due to health reasons

General Public: December 2, 2019.

When applying for assistance, the applicant will provide: Social Security Number verification for everyone in the home. Citizen Verification of the Applicant (photo ID). Verification of all household income for the past 30 days. Most recent home heating AND electric bill.

Towns and Union County call 855-636-3108. Must have an appointment!

For more information, visit us online at www.ndo.org.

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police a man grabbed her by the throat from behind as she exited her car shortly after 2 a.m.

She said the man threatened to kill her if she continued to struggle or make noise. The man shut the victim's car door and forced her into his car before driving to St. Joseph's Lane in Park Hills, where the victim reported being raped and forced to perform other sex acts against her will for about the next two hours.

During the assault, the victim said her assailant bragged about having killed other women. She said she begged for her life and was eventually released alive. The victim then went to police.

Boone County Sheriff's Department's "Cold Case" detectives began an investigation into the unsolved Park Hills' rape and kidnapping case in 2017 after noticing similarities to an unsolved homicide in Boone County.

Detectives Adams and Cox found that Park Hills Police collected fingerprints from the car door closed by the assailant, but at the time, computerized fingerprint databases did not exist. The detectives submitted the prints to the Integrated Automated Fingerprint Identification System.

Eventually, the detectives received notice from the FBI that the prints matched Tate. Adams and Cox tracked Tate down and found he lived in Georgia. However, further investigation documented his presence in Cincinnati in the mid-1970s.

More investigation by Adams and Cox located the victim of the now 41-year-old Park Hills attack living thousands of miles away from Kentucky. The detectives flew to her new home for an interview and found she didn't know anyone named Michael Dean Tate.

The victim said she parked her car in her garage, hadn't had it worked on or serviced recently, and didn't know of anyone who touched her car door except her assailant. Detectives couldn't find any reason Tate's fingerprints would be on the car door except if he were responsible for the kidnapping and assault.

On Nov. 13, 2019, Adams and Cox traveled to Tate's home in Union County, Georgia. During a lengthy interview, Tate admitted to having raped a woman in Kentucky that he'd grabbed from behind as she exited her car in a garage.

Though he wasn't sure of the exact date, Tate told detectives it "could have been 1978." Tate went on to admit to more sexual assaults in at least two additional states, and detectives are now working on those additional cases as well.

"This is some of the most amazing police work I've ever seen," Kenton County, Kentucky, Commonwealth's Attorney Rob Sanders said, applauding the tenacity of the cold case detectives as well as Boone County Sheriff Mike Helmig's commitment to justice for the victims of sexual assault.

Park Hills, where the rape took place, is located in Kenton County.

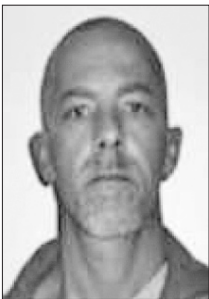
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Narcotics Anonymous

A new NA group called "One Is Too Many" has started meeting in Young Harris at Sharp Memorial Methodist Church. Meetings are being held every Wednesday evening at 6 p.m. The church is on campus and the meeting entrance is through the back door.

For further questions about Narcotics Anonymous please call the NA Help Line at 888-666-3609.

NOTICE OF SEX OFFENDERS



Scott Fouche Clark
32 Lafern Drive,
Blairsville, GA 30512
Sex: Male Race: White
Height: 5'11" Weight: 140
Hair: Blonde Eyes: Blue
Year of birth: 1980
Offense: Statutory Rape
State of Conviction: GA
Date of Conviction: 4/25/02

For additional information regarding the sexual offender registry visit the GBI website at gbi.georgia.gov/georgia-sex-offender-registry