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Undefeated Indians rout Highlands, visit Union on Tuesday

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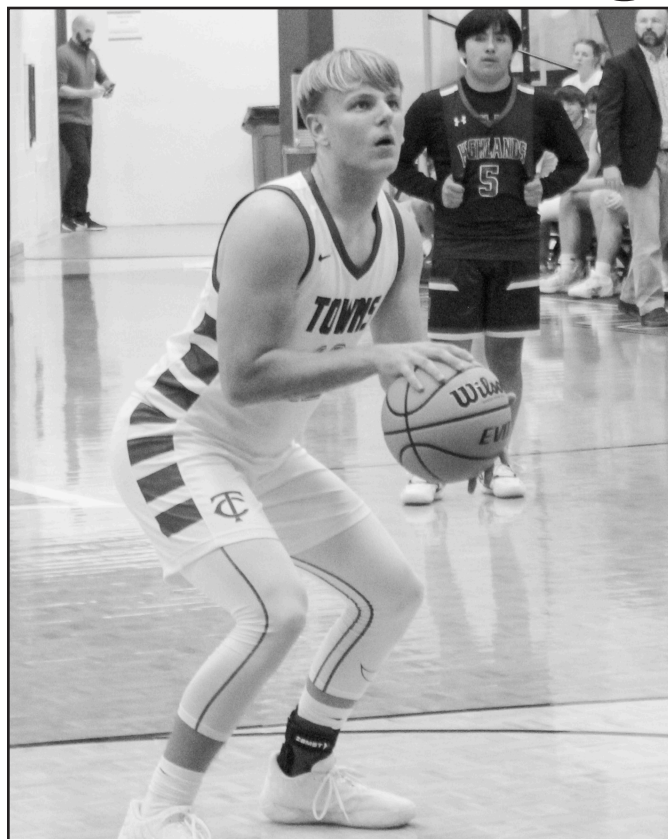
Highlands, NC - The Towns County boys' basketball team pulled off a phenomenal 63-25 victory over Highlands, North Carolina last Tuesday, Nov. 21.

They secured their win with their outstanding second-half performance, which followed a very close and questionable first half. While the Indians were in front at halftime, it was only by 7 points.

But this didn't shake them, and during the second half they outscored Highlands by 31 points.

By the end of the game, there was no doubt that Towns County earned the 63-25 victory - a kind of success that couldn't be reached without the outstanding contributions of players like Zane Floyd, Conner Chastain and Tanner Cunningham. Both Floyd and Chastain led the team with 11 points each, while Cunningham pitched in eight.

"This was our most complete game of the season," commented Coach Brian Hunnicut. "Highlands played very hard and competed well, and they kept the score close in the first half. However, the complete effort and pace of our team wore them down in the second half,



Senior Connor Chastain at the free throw line during a recent game. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

and we turned a seven-point halftime lead into a 38-point victory.

"We have had a great start to the season, and I am proud of our team," added Hunnicut.

As the team prepares to face Union County and Tallulah Falls next week, he highlighted

that they will need to prepare greatly for the heightened competition ahead.

Towns County and Union County have split their last four contests dating back to 2021. However, the Indians have won the last three meetings in Blairsville.



Senior Zane Floyd (pictured last November) and the Towns County seniors hope to leave UCHS on Tuesday night with a perfect 4-0 mark against the Panthers in Blairsville. Photo/Todd Forrest

No. 8 Lady Indians thump Highlands, head to Union County unbeaten

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The Lady Indians traveled to Highlands, North Carolina last Tuesday, Nov. 21, leaving with a 43-22 win.

Several key players were integral to the win, such as Brelean Seiveking who contributed 14 points, 2 steals and 2 assists. Kaleigh Beaver also provided necessary support to the team with 11 points scored, 4 rebounds, 2 steals and 2 assists.

Laura Mauldin contributed 7 points, 6 rebounds and 2 steals, while Emma Lalletment scored 5 points, pulled down 6 rebounds, dished out 3 assists with 2 steals.

Ansleigh Hardin contributed 4 points, 4 rebounds and 2 assists, and May-Lee Durham also added 2 points and 2 rebounds.

"(Tuesday night) was a team effort, and our defense was able to generate points for us," shared coach Shea Taylor, and while Taylor was proud of



Then-sophomore Kaleigh Beaver logged a 12-point, 11-rebound double-double during last year's trip to Blairsville. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

the girls' hard work, he was also eager to improve.

"Shots were not falling from outside, and we missed

several easy bunnies at the goal. We have to be more efficient on offense moving forward. It's always nice leaving with a win,

but we have to keep working hard," said Taylor.

The team will play next at Union County on Tuesday,

Nov. 28, then at Tallulah Falls the following Thursday.

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Senior Brelean Seiveking hits a jumper during a recent Lady Indians game. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

to Union County. Towns County's last win the series came via a 43-42 double OT victory at UCHS in 2020.

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Wrestling: Towns County second at Elbert County; TCMS hosts KOTM

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The wrestling season has officially kicked off for the Towns County High School under the leadership of new coach Clay Livingston.

For their first match, the Indians took a road trip to Elbert County last Saturday morning, Nov. 18, where half of the present team placed.

River Chauncy, Jack Stowers and Stone Chauncey each took home second place after Saturday's match.

"They wrestled well, and almost everybody had at least one win," said coach Clay Livingston. "We had some guys having to wrestle up a weight class because of their weight descent plan, but all of them wrestled tough and represented us well."

While this was the first match of the high school season, the middle school wrestling team has been in full swing for



Towns County middle school wrestlers during the recent King of the Mountain tournament. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

about three weeks, and on Friday, Nov. 17, hosted the annual King of the Mountain Middle School Tournament.

At about 4 p.m., Fannin, Union, White and Rabun Counties and Andrews North

Carolina met in the middle school gym alongside Towns County to spend the next five hours competing on the mat.

By the end of the night, Towns County Middle School had four first-place wrestlers: Kaden Sut-

ton at 84 lbs, David Ramirez at 94 lbs, Findley Nolan at 120 lbs and Noah Davis at 185 lbs.

The middle school Indians also had two second place winners: Johan Baker at 77 lbs and Jay Thomas at 106 lbs.

These victories served as more proof that the middle school wrestling team is on track to accomplish many more great things this season.

"We've done pretty well," commented coach Jeff Stowers.

"We finished second in The Battle of the Bluff at Cherokee Bluff High School, so that was a good tournament for us. We had a little let down right after that, but we've wrestled pretty well overall."