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An extensive search of the area over two days revealed very little additional evidence. No positive identification has been made at this time.

Major Edge said that the human skull and two small bones were discovered

several hundred feet from the Appalachian Trail near the Towns-White county lines.

"Investigators believe the remains had been there at least several months," Major Edge said. "We're still awaiting dental identification."

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How Time Slips Away, Hello Walls, Pretty Paper and of course, Cline's passionate hit *Crazy*.

By the way, Willie sold *Crazy* for \$50.

Despite his personal success as a songwriter, the former disc jockey didn't score a No. 1 hit of his own until 1975 when *Blue Eyes Crying in the Rain*, a song written in 1945 by Fred Rose, topped the record charts off his *Red-Headed Stranger* album.

Nelson teamed with

Waylon Jennings to change the Country Music industry. Together they formed a brand new genre in music known as "Outlaw Country." Teamed with Waylon's better half, Jessi Colter, they recorded *Wanted: The Outlaws*, which became Country Music's first platinum album.

Nelson later released two more platinum albums, which included *Waylon and Willie*. That album included the smash hit *Mamas Don't*

Sheriff Clinton said that his office is in frequent contact with GBI ASAC Parks and the State Crime Lab. The Sheriff's Office will release information as soon as it becomes available, pending notification of next of kin.

Let Your Babies Grow Up To Be Cowboys.

For details about available tickets to the Willie Nelson Concert, call (706) 896-4191.

Tickets are \$47 and they may be purchased online or in person at the Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds box office.

Concessions, both food and drink, will be available for purchase at the Willie Nelson Concert. Don't miss out on the *Red-Headed Stranger*.

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als and Tim Collier finished fourth in his weight class.

The wrestlers advanced from Area 3 competition held at Darlington High School on Friday and Saturday in Rome.

Indians' Head Coach Jeff Stowers couldn't be more proud of his squad which finished the Duals season with a school record 21 team wins during the regular season. The Indians also finished fourth in Area 3, their highest finish ever in the eight-year history of the program.

"It's been a good year, a positive year," Coach Stowers said.

The Indians competing at Sectionals include Aaron Collier at 106 pounds, Tim Collier at 138 pounds, Zack Stroud at 152 pounds, Tyler Hoffman at 160 pounds and Wesley Bloodworth at Heavyweight.

Kyle Davis finished fifth in his 182-pound weight

class and is the alternate for Area 3, Coach Stowers said.

"The kids just worked really hard," Coach Stowers said. "They've taken their lumps all year, we've had injuries and they've just continued to fight and scrap. Even when things don't go their way, they just keep fighting and scratching."

"They find a way to get where they need to be. It wasn't always pretty, but they got the job done," Coach Stowers said. "That's been the biggest thing this year. These kids realize that even though they're down, they're not done and they just keep scrapping."

The never-say-die attitude will serve the surviving Indians well during the next couple of weeks, Coach Stowers said.

"It's kind of like a basketball tournament, you just have to hang in there and keep the ball rolling," he said. "For instance, Tim Collier is

in the semi-finals, he's winning by one point with 12 seconds left, the other kid takes a shot, Tim trips over (the other wrestler's) feet, the kid bull rushes him and winds up winning.

"Tim has to fight back through the consolations to get a chance to advance," he said. "There are a lot of kids who would have lain down and took that, but not us; our kids just keep scrapping."

Coach Stowers said he hated it for Austin Stephens, who fell ill and was unable to compete at Area 3 Traditionals. He also had high praise for Vonya Baldwin who fought his way through a crowded field at 132 pounds only to finish sixth.

"You have to be proud of those kids," he said. "They didn't make it this year, but they're going to be ready for this competition next year. This group of kids will only get better with time."

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year's Queen Jordan Moss. Guss, the Indians' majestic Cross Country runner, tennis player and All-State Band member was crowned Homecoming King.

Others in the Queen's Senior Court included Lindsay Patton, Kindle Moss, Bleckley and Gabby Arencibia. The King's Senior Court included Cody Smedley, Noah Calhoun, Dakota Barrett and Rylan Albach.

The Court of Princes included junior Tyler Hoffman, sophomore Garrett

Bradshaw and freshman Grant Arencibia. The Court of Princesses included runner up Bleckley, a senior, Dadian Blythe, a junior, Cadi Olin, a sophomore and Mia Manto a freshman.

This year's junior representatives were Austin Wood, Ryan Tallent, Tyler Hoffman, Wesley Bloodworth, Kayla Olin, Brittany Ledford, Meagan Ellis and Dadian Blythe.

The sophomore representatives were Cesar Bustamante, Garrett Bradshaw, Brett Barrett,

Bailey Sutton, Cadi Olin and Eryn Cochran.

Representatives from the freshman class were Cruz Shook, Grant Arencibia, Mia Manto and Karlie Albach.

Hoffman and Blythe were crowned Junior Prince and Princess; Bradshaw and Cadi Olin were crowned Sophomore Prince and Princess; Grant Arencibia and Mia Manto were crowned Freshman Prince and Princess.

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Homecoming was electric on Saturday at Bill P. Kendall Gymnasium. Photo/James Reese

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son Music Hall. Vince Gill returns to The Hall on June 23rd.

Gill, an Oklahoma native, who began his career in Bluegrass in the 1970s, and later became a pop star as a member of Pure Prairie League, is best known for his heart-wrenching solo ballads that led him to the top of the Country Music charts beginning in 1983.

He shared several of his more than 40 Country Music Billboard hits with a partisan Vince Gill crowd last year at Anderson Music Hall.

Gill has charted more than 40 County Music Billboard hits, brought home 18 Country Music Association



Vince Gill

awards to go along with 20 Grammy Awards, more than any Country Music male artist in the world. He's also sold more than 26 million albums.

He's played Carnegie Hall, the Grand Ole Opry and many more nationally renowned music halls.

However, when he was here last May, he felt like he was back home on the front porch picking a Country melody that he most likely would share with a group of friends.

Most recently, Gill has been touring and teaming with Sting, of The Police in a mix of Country Music and soulful Rock 'N Roll.

Ticket prices for the Vince Gill performance were not available at press time.

And don't forget Jeremy Camp, Francesca Battistelli and Adam Cappa on March 15 at Anderson Music Hall. Tickets are on sale now and start at \$20.

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end of his junior year.

There can be no doubt, however, that complete records would place Bryson at the top of the career scoring ladder for the Indians, ahead of the verifiable total of Eddie Rushton who totaled 1,366 points before graduating in 1975. In a "keep it in the family" scenario, Rushton's mother was the former June Bryson and a first cousin of Bob Bryson.

Bryson averaged 24 points per game in the 22 games with stats available as a junior but dropped slightly to 22.8 as a senior when Carol Shook far more than made up the difference by averaging 20.4 per game. This is almost certainly the only year in TCHS history when two Indians or Lady Indians averaged more than 20 points per game for an entire season on the same team.

While it is quite common for the Lady Indians to feature very productive players as freshmen, it is a far less frequent occurrence for the Indians due largely to the earlier maturity factor for girls. Indeed, quite a number of Lady Indian freshmen have easily sur-

passed the 200-point barrier with Keisha Taylor (O'Hearn) continuing to hold the known overall school record of 287 points.

Manus worked his way up through the basketball programs at the Towns County Recreation Department and Towns County Middle School before the not very common occurrence of playing with distinction along with Grant Arencibia on the Indians' Junior Varsity team as eighth graders a year ago. Both Manus and Arencibia have continued a pattern this year as freshmen of being able to far more than hold their own at the varsity level with many productive games for each.

Readers have expressed an interest in the past in family connections for athletes who are honored for noteworthy accomplishments.

While Manus has had no close relatives recalled to have approached his success on the basketball court in Towns County, most readers are probably not aware of a quite prominent family connection with a star athlete in nearby White County.

Debbie Bryson, a first cousin of Dallas' father Rodney, was a top flight player for White County High School's Class AA State Championship Team in 1981. Rodney's and Debbie's mothers, the former Diane and Barbara Chastain of Hiwassee, are sisters and yes, Debbie is also a cousin of Bob Bryson through her father, Wayne Bryson of Young Harris. Debbie and her family moved to White County from their native Towns County prior to Debbie's high school years.

As an added note perhaps of interest to readers, White County's star player Ann Smith on that state championship team is the sister-in-law of the aforementioned Eddie Rushton and, for Bulldog fans, the mother of current UGA senior baseball star Levi Hyams.

It's not often when such a young athlete achieves such a noteworthy accomplishment as Dallas Manus has reached but sincere congratulations and best wishes for the future are extended to him from this reporter and the Towns County Herald.



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So, while a merchant may ask a consumer for identification, he generally may not deny a VISA credit card transaction because the consumer refuses to show identification. Generally, a signed credit card is all you should need to pres-

ent in order to avoid showing identification. Be aware that identification may be required for other purposes, such as purchasing alcohol, tobacco products, or certain medications.

Paying online or by phone can sometimes create an exception for the merchant, and they may ask for some identifying information, such as a zip code. This varies a bit by credit card company: MasterCard's rule for merchants regarding supplemental identification is similar to VISA's; American Express doesn't ban merchants from requiring customer identification, though it discourages the practice; Discover's policy allows merchants to request identification if desired. You should always contact your credit card company and ask about its policy regarding supplemental identification. Often, you will find that many merchants ignore or are unaware of this identification rule. If you're shopping in a store rather than online, and you don't want to show identification, simply sign your card and refuse to provide ID if asked. If you feel strongly about not showing identification, you may wish to print out a copy of the relevant merchant rule and ask to speak to a store manager.

In your particular case, you can email the merchant a copy of Visa's International Operating Regulations. If the merchant still demands to see your identification, and then refuses you service if you fail to comply, you should contact your credit card company to open an incident report. This will initiate an investigation, which can result in a warning or even a fine to the business for violating their merchant contract.

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