## **CCCRA Press Release**

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## **Cherokee Heritage Festival A Success!**

The seventh annual Cherokee Heritage Festival was enjoyed by a crowd of ~600 on September 16<sup>th</sup>. For the first time, award-winning hoop dancer Eddie Swimmer wowed attendees with his acrobatic moves and dancing to rhythmic drum music. Davy Arch, The Oconaluftee Village Dancers, Darry wood, Dan Hollifield and Reed's Frybread, all festival favorites, returned this year.

Many thanks to The Conservation Fund's Resourceful Communities Program for funding the festival this year.

Congratulations to Claude Redd of Morganton GA and Jacqueline Blackburn of Clay County, winners of Door Prizes.

