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a federal prison for Hill.

Hill still faces a state court indictment for two counts of violating the Georgia Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO), four counts of subornation of false swearing, and one count of attempt to

commit subornation of false swearing, state court records show.

Hill filed a motion to dismiss the indictment, alleging excessive pre-indictment delay and a violation of his speedy trial rights.

The trial court denied

Hill's motion, and Hill appealed to the Georgia Court of Appeals. In May 2012, the State Court of Appeals agreed with the trial court.

Hill contended that the trial court abused its discretion by denying his claim of pre-indictment delay, because the State delayed the prosecution of his case to gain a tactical advantage, and he sustained actual prejudice as a result, Georgia Court of Appeals records show.

The State Court of Appeals denied Hill's claim in May 2012.

That case continues against Hill, state court records show.

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being flown to Erlanger Hospital.

Deputy Whittle had served with the Union County Sheriff's Office for less than one year.

He died Sept. 18, 2011 from injuries sustained in the crash.

In May 2012, the Union County Sheriff's Office retired Badge 221, the one worn by the 38-year-old deputy.

Deputy Whittle's service revolver also was retired and presented to the Whittle family along with the fallen deputy's uniform.

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price.

It consists of an all you can eat pancake breakfast for the low, low price of only \$6.

The deal includes blueberries, strawberries or chocolate chip toppings.

It also includes, sausage, juice, milk and coffee. Carry out plates also are available.

Gather up the family and call all the neighbors and come on out and join the Blairsville Kiwanians for a hot breakfast and lots of good fellowship.

All proceeds from this fundraiser go to support the many projects the Blairsville Kiwanis Club provides for the youth in Union County.

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sed explained to the Union County Board of Education last week, that most of these students have never traveled outside of Union County in their lifetimes.

That's why she wants to take them on a trip of a lifetime, Chicago, Ill.

Union County Schools Superintendent Gary Steppe has approved the field trip, giving these students an opportunity to travel before they graduate.

The trip is slated for April 10-15. Hogsted, George, and Tracy have raised more than \$9,000 of the needed \$13,000 for the trip.

The group needs another \$3,800 to make the trip a success for these UCHS Special Needs students. They need some help in raising the final amount necessary for the trip for the Access Explorers.

If you are financially able to make a donation or have questions, please con-

tact Hogsted at Union County High School.

Hogsted's contact information is Shannon Hogsted, 153 Panther Circle, Blairsville, GA 30512, (706) 994-9668.

The help couldn't come at a more convenient time. March is Random Acts of Kindness Month. There couldn't be a more Random Act of Kindness than sending these students on the trip of a lifetime.

Allison to speak to Republicans at March meeting

State Representative Stephen Allison joins the Towns County Republican Party at their regular meeting Thursday, March 27, 6:30 PM, at the New Senior Citizens Center. Fresh from the just completed 2014 session of the Georgia State Legislature, Representative Allison will fill us in on the many contentious pieces of legislation this year, including HB 707 and HB 1014

(nullifying Obamacare), HB 875 (expanding gun rights), and SB 167 (Common Core). All citizens are welcome to join the TC GOP at the New Senior Citizens Center, 954 N Main St, Hiawassee and get the firsthand report from your Representative in Atlanta.

And be sure to get your \$2 Rifle Raffle ticket for a Remington 770 bolt-action rifle with scope in 30-06 caliber.

The drawing will be May 10th at our Candidates Barbecue. For tickets or more information please call 706-994-3919.

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