

## **Quarterly Issues Report For Blue Ridge Public Radio – 3rd Quarter of 2023 (July 1 – September 30, 2023)**

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### **ISSUE SHOW/DATE/DURATION**

#### **Local Government & Politics**

##### **[Rep. Chuck Edwards praises far-right "Constitutional Sheriffs" leader Richard Mack](#)**

Morning Edition, September 12, 2023; :59

##### **[Hicks wins fourth term as Eastern Band of Cherokee chief](#)**

Morning Edition, September 11, 2023; 2:00

##### **[Gov. Roy Cooper praises organized labor in wake of recent closures](#)**

Morning Edition, September 10, 2023; :59

##### **[Eastern Band of Cherokee voters pave way for Qualla Boundary to be first place in North Carolina for legal recreational marijuana purchase](#)**

Morning Edition, September 7, 2023; :59

##### **[The future of the Thomas Wolfe Auditorium reaches a major crossroads](#)**

Morning Edition, August 23, 2023; :59

##### **[Western Counties receive \\$157 million in opioid settlement funds, but only three counties confirm fund allocation](#)**

Morning Edition, July 20, 2023; 5:38

##### **[Macon County purchases Higdon property, designates property to school board](#)**

Morning Edition, July 5, 2023; 4:14

##### **[Supreme Court ruling divides hope and persistence in NC](#)**

Morning Edition, July 5, 2023; 8:55

#### **Race, Gender and Identity**

##### **[North Carolina institutions continue to hold the remains of more than 1,200 Native Americans](#)**

Morning Edition, July 25, 2023; 6:30

## Arts & Culture

["Good morning, O Great One! Hello everybody!" Remembering Tony Kiss](#)

Morning Edition, August 24, 2023; 7:18

[Culinary Final Four: WNC student chefs compete for top honors in New Orleans](#)

Morning Edition, July 19, 2023; 5:12