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Subject: Email Dialog with **Scott McLeod**, smn tabloid - State of Decay of Local Newspapers/Tabloids.

The city of Asheville hosted a gathering of people lamenting of better days for WNC hard copy newspapers at the Asheville Country Club banquet hall on 2/23/2023. Of those attending, **Scott McLeod** of our own smn tabloid. The Citizen-Times (hard copy paper) ran an article - "1/3 of newspapers gone in 2 years; what about in Asheville, WNC?"

<https://www.citizen-times.com/story/news/2023/02/23/13-of-newspapers-gone-in-2-years-what-about-in-asheville-wnc/69932992007/>

Thus sets the backdrop for an interesting dialog with **Scott McLeod**.

Subject: 1/3 of newspapers gone in 2 years; what about in Asheville, WNC?

Date: Thu, 23 Feb 2023 08:57:29 -0500

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"I think a lot of those papers are just hanging on by a string," Smoky Mountain News Publisher **Scott McLeod** told the nearly 120 attendees packed into the Asheville Country Club banquet hall.

I agree, and you can thank **Cory Vaillancourt** for your current state of affairs, and **Mr. Key**, you can thank your Liberal Hack Writer/Editor, **Vicki Hyatt**, for yours.



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Subject: Re: 1/3 of newspapers gone in 2 years; what about in Asheville, WNC?
Date: Thu, 23 Feb 2023 12:18:29 -0500
From: Scott McLeod <info@smokymountainnews.com>
To: Monroe Miller

Thanks as always, Monroe. So insightful.

Scott

So ends the email dialog.