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Sept. 14

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Sept. 14-21

• Book Fair at Highlands School.

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Sept. 17

• At ...on the Verandah, a special 25th anniversary celebration from noon-6 p.m. It's free!

Sept. 18

• At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Fine Art Center: Beaded Woven Pouch, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Sept. 19

• Audubon Field Trip to the Blue Ridge Parkway to view fall migrants. Meet at 7 a.m. in the parking lot next to the Highlands Town Hall to carpool.

Riverwalk ordered to stop work

A stop-work order, effectively immediately, has been issued the developers of RiverWalk.

Wednesday morning, RiverWalk of Highlands, LLC in Atlanta and its general grading contractor on site were both delivered a

stop-work order by Highlands Watershed Administrator Larry Gantenbein.

Monday's inspection of RiverWalk by the state Division of Water Quality and the state Land Quality Division substantiated

Gantenbein's misgivings about the project.

The final word on findings and potential penalties by Kevin Barnett with the Division of Water Quality and Rick Allred with

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Condo high-rise a maybe on U.S. 64e

A rumor involving the development of a 12- to 14-floor condominium complex going up on 19 acres on U.S. 64 east across from the Community Bible Church has been confirmed.

County Building Inspector Jack Morgan said permits haven't been issued, but developers have been in contact with him concerning building restrictions on the site. "The only restrictions other than building codes involve the watershed which

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Results help chart future at hospital

By Susanna Forrester Reporter

Though it's not the only thing it revealed, the result of October 2005's survey of residents in the Highlands and Cashiers areas has substantiated a need for more primary care physicians at the Highlands-Cashiers Hospital (HCH).

"There were no big surprises from the survey," said Skip Taylor, marketing director of HCH. "We suspected we needed more primary care physicians and that's one of the things the survey showed. But why people don't use the primary care physicians here and why they leave the mountain for that service that we don't know."

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Highlands High School English teacher Catherine McIntyre-Ross with Superintendent Dr. Frank Yeager and Macon County School Board Chairman Kevin Corbin at the banquet Monday night. McIntyre-Ross was named Highlands School Teacher of the Year. Photo by Kim Lewicki

McIntyre-Ross named HS Teacher of the Year

By Susanna Forrester Reporter

Macon County school system's Teacher of the Year banquet was held on Sept. 12 at the Mill Creek Country Club in Franklin. This year, Highlands has two reasons to be proud.

Highlands School Teacher of the Year is high school English teacher Cathy McIntyre-Ross. Macon County's Teacher of the Year is Teacher of the Year for Franklin High, history and philosophy teacher John DeVille. DeVille is a 1980 graduate of Highlands School.

"Being named Teacher of the

Year by the Highlands School faculty and staff is a great highlight in my teaching career, and the credit for this honor goes to all of the team work and ongoing support I get from our faculty and staff," said McIntyre-Ross. "I feel extremely lucky to work in an environment in which colleagues want to help you and see you succeed."

McIntyre-Ross graduated from the University of Georgia in Athens with a Bachelor's Degree in Journalism in 1976. She received her teaching certification from Georgia State University in

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County's case dismissed

On Wednesday, Superior Court Judge Dennis Winters dismissed the county's case requesting the right to appoint ETJ members to the town's planning and zoning boards.

The town had filed a motion to dismiss the county's case on the grounds that the county didn't have standing in the suit.

"The judge ruled that the county commission wasn't a real party of interest in the case," said County Attorney Rick Moorefield. "But the case is still alive as related to Daniel A. Bryson, as plaintiff, but not as a county."

Moorefield said the case between the county and the town was never about the right to ETJ "but rather the right of the county to pick the representatives on the boards."

Members of the Town Board have said in open meetings they would likely let the county continue to appoint the ETJ members to the zoning and planning boards.

Moorefield said an email from Town Administrator Richard Betz dated June 27 only guarantees their appointment for their current three-year term.

Meanwhile, he said the county still has the right to appeal the decision in the Court of Appeals in Raleigh. "That's up to the County Commission to decide," he said.

Weekend Weather:

FRI	SAT	SUN
70-56°F	71-56°F	72-57°F

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the Land Quality Division haven't been issued yet, but the team was complimentary of Gantenbein's enforcement policies and the penalties levied against the development thus far. Gantenbein has issued several notices of violation and seven penalties totaling \$3,500 but RiverWalk is appealing them.

The stop-work order lists failure to properly design and install on-site storm water controls, continuing failure to properly maintain on-site controls following rain events, failure to implement on the ground many of the stormwater controls required by the Aug. 18 stormwater control plan and recommendations of RiverWalk's environmental engineers McGill Associates, failure to protect the buffers along the stream flowing down to and across the Daughtrey property.

Though questions had been raised concerning the legality of RiverWalk developers opening up too much land at one time, Gantenbein said the state's team seemed more concerned about the size and location of silt ponds.

"They don't believe the location of the silt ponds on site are big enough to handle the stormwater flow or match the location on the revised erosion control plan delivered by McGill & Associates on Aug. 18," he said.

Furthermore, the stream that enters the property through a pipe under the old road bed that travels across the property onto the Daughtrey property and into the Cullasaja River has now been classified a perennial stream by the state.

"McGill thought it was a ephemeral stream which meant it was basically a channel for stormwater runoff but the presence of microinvertebrae in the stream classify it as a perennial stream," said Gantenbein.

Macroinvertebrae are a kind of indicator species that verify that the stream can sustain life and as such must be protected. Perennial streams are protected under state, county and town watershed ordinances and require a 25-foot buffer around them.

Barnett found the presence of caddisflies and mayflies in the stream. "It takes a year for caddisflies to mature if breeding in the water," said Gantenbein. "So that means there is water in the stream most of the time."

An ephemeral stream is a stream channel that carries water only during and immediately after periods of rainfall or snowmelt. A perennial stream contains water at all times except during extreme drought.

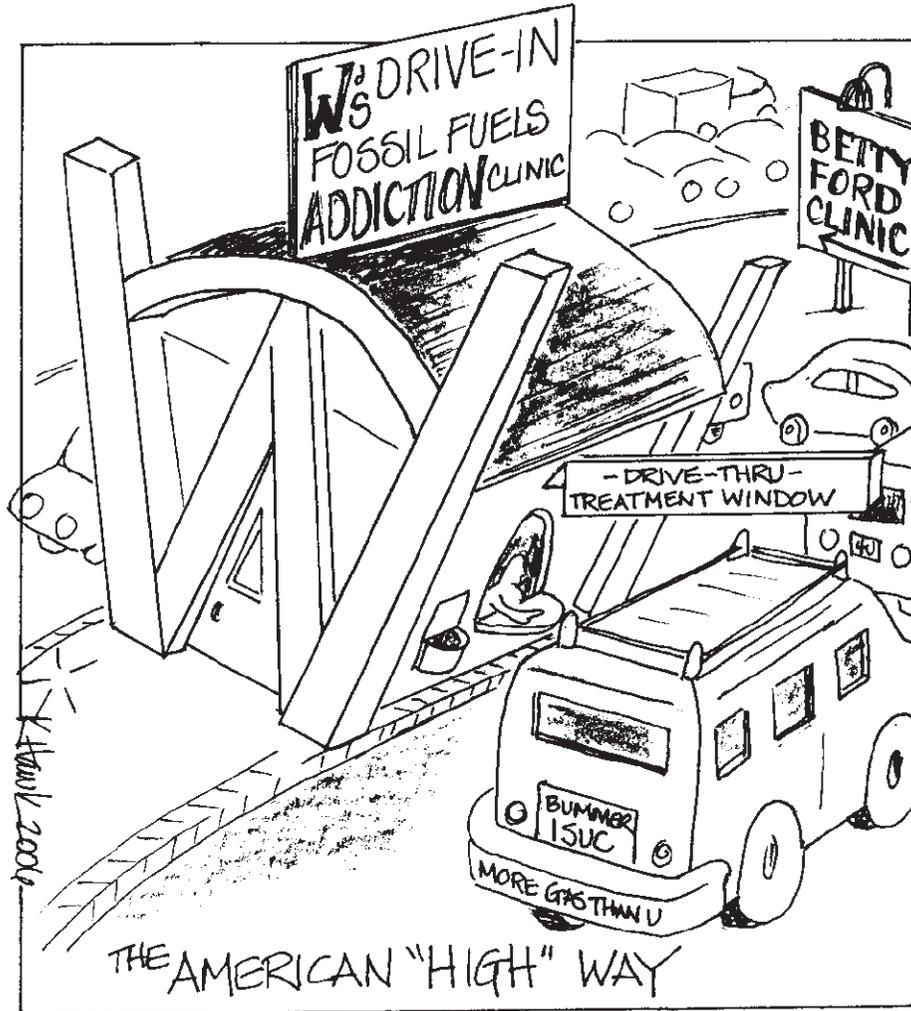
Since the stream has been classified as a perennial stream, it must be restored and stormwater must be diverted from entering it.

The stop-work order prohibits developers from continuing any infrastructure construction until they come into compliance with the Aug. 18 erosion control plan with changes approved and fully implemented including restoration and buffering of the perennial stream.

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Throw them out in November!

Dear Editor,

I hate to voice my political opinions on you but I've had enough. Last week, our "do nothing" Congress decided to put illegal immigration on a back burner for the rest of this year. That's the straw that broke this camel's back.

I beg you, I implore you, whether you are Democrat or Republican, use your vote this November to kick out your Congressman. This is not a Democratic or Republican issue. Democrat's, go ahead and vote a Democratic nobody into office and Republicans, go ahead and vote a Republican nobody into office. They couldn't do any worse than the worthless bunch that are in there now. It's time to clean house.

What happened to Social Security reform?

What happened to tax reform?

What happened to homeland security reform? The "do nothing" list is endless.

Yet, we reconvene Congress in recess to decide whether a woman in a vegetative state should be kept alive. Not only was that costly (over \$100,000) to taxpayers, but it was illegal. Never, in the history of our nation, has Congress reconvened on such a lame issue. It is usually a declaration of war, or equivalent.

In November, throw them all out.

If you agree, sent this to everyone you know.

Fred Wooldridge
An angry Independent in
Highlands

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Those Who Love Highlands Should Be Grateful

Dear Editor,

The Town Board, at the request of The Land Stewards of the Highlands Plateau (representatives of the Mountain and Laurel garden clubs), approved the funds to kill a tenacious, aggressive, exotic (non-native) plant commonly called Japanese Knotweed, that was choking out the beautiful native plants along the Town's streets and public areas. This project, begun in the summer of 2005 and continued during the current year, appears to be a resounding success,

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50 years but who's counting?



Ann and Luther Turner celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a brunch hosted by their children at On The Verandah on September 3, 2006. The couple was married in Macon, GA, on September 1, 1956. Their three children, Lynn, Leigh, and Trey, along with their sons-in-law, Fred and Woody, daughter-in-law, Kimberly, and four grandchildren, Annie, Tyler, Miller, and Sarah Frost, would like to congratulate them on this joyous occasion.

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The survey, which was conducted between October and December of 2005, by Diane Jones of Medical Staff Developers from Charleston, SC, surveyed 11,000 property owners from Highlands, Cashiers, Glenville, Scaly Mountain, Sapphire Valley, and Sky Valley to determine their level of satisfaction with the services provided by HCH.

The study generated 1,324 responses, a whopping 12 percent return. "That's an outstanding return on a survey," said Taylor.

Most survey participants were full-time and summer residents over the age of 40. Though a majority of those surveyed had used the hospital in the past five years, many still traveled off the mountain for their primary care physician. About 50 percent of residents in the area travel off the mountain for regular medical care, but the survey didn't ask why.

Thirty percent of full-time residents in Cashiers, Glenville, or Sapphire, and 25 percent of full-time residents in Highlands, Scaly Mountain, or Sky Valley see a primary care physician off the mountain.

"Because of the data received, the community will begin to see concrete changes beginning of 2007," said Skip Taylor, Marketing Director of HCH. "Now that the survey is in we will hire a strategic consultant who will analyze and verify the data through interviews and then help us develop a strategic plan for the hospital for the next three to five years."

Taylor said most importantly, the con-

sultant will be one that understands areas like Highlands — Vail, CO, Nantucket, MA, and the Outerbanks of NC — places with a fluctuating population of fulltime homeowners, second homeowners, weekend homeowners, daytrippers, and vacationers.

Shull said they opted for an outside consultant to absolutely level the playing field.

"Soliciting the services of an outside consultant is good because there are no politics involved," said Shull. "They come in with expectations but no answers and work through the process."

In addition to the consultant, the hospital will involve many people from many areas to help develop the strategic plan including a focus group made up of citizens, doctors, and others. "We will focus on primary issues as outlined in the survey and will use the findings as the basis for the budget, capital budget, funding, hiring, and rounding out of our medical staff," said Ken Shull, CEO and president of the hospital.

Shull said the hospital is in the process of interviewing several strategic consultant candidates. "From the data, the consultant will tell us who we should serve, how we could serve them, what is our market area, and what services are realistic for us to offer."

Shull said not surprisingly given the age of the Highlands population, cardiology was high on the respondents' list of valuable hospital services. "The survey suggested many respondents would be happy to

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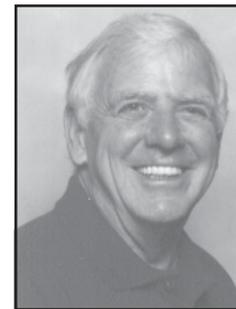
• LAUGHING AT LIFE •

Kentucky party

Ya'll come on over if y'ur car will crank. There are parties for the snooties, parties for the fruities and parties for the beauties, but you would never, in your wildest dreams, think there would be a party for Kentuckians, at least not right here in our little ole town. Anyone who was born, lived or passed through Kentucky at any point in their lives, shows up for Highlands' very own Kentucky party.

This all started when Paul and Pat Bollinger were sittin' next to their ice box on their front porch, pickin' their feet and sippin' on some good ole Kentucky moonshine. Then Pat, she's the split-tail of the two, said to ole Paul, "What they say about us Kentuckians just ain't true. Our eyes are not too close together and we don't go to family reunions to pick up dates. Let's have a party so we can see if other folks from the Bluegrass State have eyes close together like ours." "Good idea, baby cakes, and I can dispel those nasty rumors that my real name is Pauly Bob."

So last year the first Kentucky party was started at the Bollinger's shack and only a



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few of the bravest of us showed up. But it's been a growin' since and just last week the number had swelled to almost 50 invited. Not only that, the party moved from the Bollinger shack to the South forty owned by Patty and Commissioner (Mr. Teflon) Alan Marsh.

This thing is now a huge "Who's Who" hillbilly, slam dunk, you can kiss my grits, shindig. When you first arrive, Pegsie (Is that a Kentucky name, or what?) Payne hands you a Mint Julep made from some kind of white fluid with "explosive" marked on the

mayonnaise jar. Pegsie is an upper crust Kentuckian and actually wore shoes before she started school. By the way, everyone gets to come barefoot if they want, but pet pigs, not washed in the last three days, must be left on the front porch. Under no circumstances are any pigs allowed in the kitchen. Patty runs a first class party.

Anyway, Pegsie's Pa was a real muckety-muck in Lexington and was responsible for a law prohibiting the carrying of ice cream in your pocket. Could

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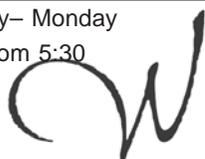
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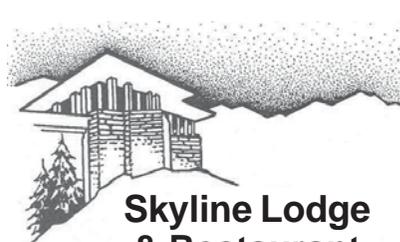
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Counter punch

I won't make a practice of responding to readers' letters in this space, but in the last issue there was a long, detailed letter from a Mr. Jack Cota to which I feel I owe an answer.

Without any evidence to back his assertion, he claims that I lack "a historical and geopolitical perspective." I may lack many other qualifications as a political writer, but my summa cum laude degree in international relations from the George Washington University prepared me, I think, precisely for that kind of perspective.

He then lumps me with the Democratic Party (I am an independent, leaning toward left-wing libertarianism) and slanders me as one of an "amalgamation of socialists, environmentalists, wing nuts (?), hardcore anti-capitalists, fellow travelers, etc." I don't know what a wing nut is, but the only one of those terms I cop to is "environmentalist," although I was late in life coming to that awareness.

That's the trouble with a brain hemorrhage. It almost always ends up in name-calling.

He then makes some reference to "the war on terror" being too vague a term, something I would certainly agree



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with. What's vague about it is the word "war," which hardly describes a relatively permanent campaign which has no specific nation or nations as enemies, is fought without confronting an opponent's army, and is battling against an endless supply of new insurgents. I think what Mr. Cota had in mind was the vagueness of the term "the war on terror," but I lost the thread of his reasoning

there.

The catch-phrase of the day, "Islamic fascism," proposed by Secretary Rumsfeld and echoed by the President, is embraced by Mr. Cota as a brand new concept. It isn't, and besides, it's inaccurate. My dictionary defines fascism as "a governmental system led by a dictator having complete power, forcibly oppressing all opposition and criticism, regimenting all industry, commerce, etc., and emphasizing an aggressive nationalism and often racism." That hardly describes the Islamic extremists, but it alarmingly resembles what is happening in our country under George W. Bush, as I have warned previously.

Both Mr. Cota and the President grossly over-simplify our current situation by comparing it to the Hitler years (which I lived through, close-up

and personal) and accusing nearly everyone, other than the Bush administration, of promoting appeasement of the terrorists. No one is advocating appeasement, not the Democratic Party and not a single national leader in Europe or Asia. This is strictly some kind of misdirected campaign issue, reminiscent of "The

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Pens made by foster boys with exotic wood will be auctioned off at Bolivian Auction to be held at the Highlands Country Club Monday, Sept. 25 at 5:30 p.m.

Bolivian Mission - The foster home

By Dr. John Baumruker
Contributor

The foster home has become the jewel of the mission. Many missionary groups help the hospitals, bring medical doctors to perform operations, as we do, and build homes or churches, but in Montero, no other has a foster home. During the first few years of the mission, we noted that there were ample orphanages for girls, but none, in Montero for boys. Homeless boys roamed the streets eking out a living shining shoes or asking for handouts. Eventually, most if not all, became thieves just to survive. Many of these boys would turn to drugs, sniffing glue or gasoline or using coca leaves to numb the pain of loneliness and hunger.

One night a plan came to me in the night to build a foster home. This would be a different kind of home from an orphanage as it would have a family as "parents." The children would learn parenting skills that cannot be taught in an orphanage. Also they would tend to a farm and learn basic skills that would help them as adults. A carpentry shop could be built later to give the children a trade if they so desired. An educational fund could be set up to offer college studies to those wanting to become professionals if qualified.

During a visit in January 2001, I brought the concept and \$20,000 to purchase land to the leaders of the Rotary Club. I had always been told that doing things in Bolivia would be hard if not impossible due to the graft and corruption, and the lazy spirit of the people. Within ten minutes of the beginning of the discussion, one of the members said, "Let's ask the mayor. Perhaps he will provide the land for free." He called him on the cell phone and in a few minutes he appeared. The next day the land was given and we had \$20,000 to begin the construction. We were already one year ahead of schedule. So much for the lazy spirit, which I have never seen, and the graft

getting in the way of progress.

During that year we were able to begin the foundation of the home designed by Paul Schmitt and with an additional infusion of \$20,000 the home was completed within a year. A \$40,000 Rotary matching grant paid for all the furniture and appliances, including a computer and a TV. Now the children, from four years old to 13 have weekly lessons in computer, music, English, swimming, art and soccer. The children only go to school for four hours a day as the city has grown so fast that there is no time or money to provide more schools.

Presently there are 17 young boys living at the home and a second house for the older boys is being constructed to accommodate the older boys on the same property. This will allow a separation of the young from the older boys and bring another family in to help with the enormous task of raising as many as 30 young men at the same time.

The carpentry shop was completed in 2004 and last year I brought a small lathe to the shop to introduce the older boys to the skill of making pens. These pens would be sold in Highlands to help their college fund. The boys were eager to learn and some of the pens were good enough to sell here. Of the 55 pens made by the boys all but 10 have been sold and these will be offered at the Bolivian Auction to be held at the Highlands Country Club Monday, Sept. 25 at 5:30 p.m.

The first pen made and a spectacular pen and pencil set will be in the live auction. These pens are made from beautiful and exotic tropical woods. The wood is harvested from the carpentry shop waste pile so there is no cost aside from the pen inserts. These fine wood instruments sell here from \$25 to \$60 in gift shops.

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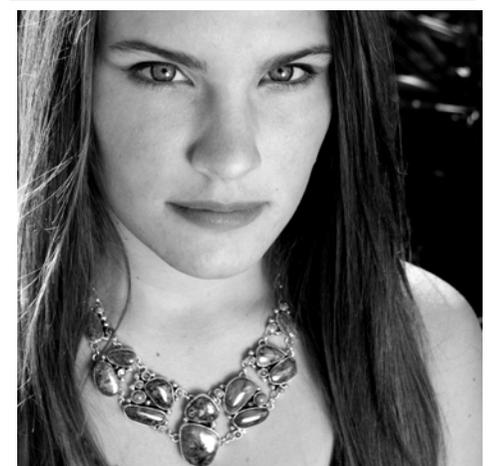
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• THE VIDEO GUY •

Flightplan

Flightplan, the 2006 PG 13 suspense/thriller, starring Jodie Foster (from every film in creation from Very Long Engagement back to Bonanza), Peter Sarsgaard (Jarhead, Garden State), and Marlene Lawston as Julia. Directed by Robert Schwentke, written by Peter A. Dowling and Billy Ray (Suspect Zero, Harts War). Original music (very spooky stuff) by James Horner.



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ceilings and walls, was constructed for the film, and a good deal of the tension and drama of the story hinges on the fact that 95 percent of the film was shot in something about as wide as a commercial jetliner's cabin. Jodie Foster does her usual great job, playing the scared but determined character in much the same way as she did in "Panic Room," and she does start looking a little grim by the time the

The Storyline: Kyle Pratt (Foster) has had a rough week, her husband has just died in a fall from a German apartment building, she is transporting a coffin on an international flight, and she has a small child in tow (A good performance by Lawston). She is traveling on one of the largest aircraft in the air to date, one that she coincidentally helped design. As if things weren't bad enough, her child has gone missing on the plane. After enlisting the aid of the crew and the on board air marshal (Sarsgaard) in searching the craft, things get a bit suspicious. In a Hitchcock type of turn, we start to guess all may not be as it seems, and there might be more than meets the eye to several of the passengers.

A very edgy, claustrophobic thriller, some decent action, with an amazing set. A 250-foot long, two-story mock up of the aircraft, complete with removable

show is over. The story does have several neat twists and turns as you figure out what really has (and has not) happened. We do get a good dose of fight and flight scenes, bad guys and locked doors, and some things that go kaboom in the night, so what we end up with is a bit Hitchcock and a bit Stephan Seagal. We do get a good sense of the post 9/11 attacks' impact on attitudes of airline passengers, and there are a few obligatory Middle Easterners tossed in, that are of course, suspects even before we have any clear idea of exactly what to be suspicious of. Jodie Foster's role was originally written for Sean Penn, before a rewrite was done to change the character to a woman, and I think it plays better in this version.

A few more similar films are Lord of War, Red Eye, Silent Hill, The Forgotten, The Lady Vanishes, and Panic Room (also starring Foster). Give them a look.

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Atlanta in 1988. She has been working in education for 16 years.

"The best thing about my job is that I happen to love it," said McIntyre-Ross. "We all see so many people stuck in jobs that are unfulfilling. I get to make a difference in someone's life, teach great literature and writing, have fun and challenge my students, and do the most important job in the world. What could be better?"

The process for choosing the Teacher of the Year and the Macon County Teacher of the Year begins with the individual schools says Jennifer Jones, with the central office.

The teachers in Macon County's 10 schools choose the Teacher of the Year for each school and a committee made up of the past Macon County Teacher of the Year, the Principal of the Year, and representatives from business, local government, and the media choose the Macon County Teacher of the Year from the Teacher of the Year pool.

The process begins in late winter and early spring when the school receives the information from the state regarding

selection of the Teacher of the Year. Each school's Teacher of the Year is selected and at the end of the school year their names are sent to the county.

The winners are honored at the annual banquet with a plaque, and the county teacher of the year gets \$200 from Macon Bank, and \$100 for school supplies from the Macon County Academic Foundation. The Macon County Teacher of the Year also progresses to the regional competition which can then lead to the state competition.

Eight other Teacher of the Year awards were presented. Winners are: Debby Stork of Cartoogechaye; Josh Lynch of Cowee; Melisa Cabe of Cullasaja; Pam Owens of East Franklin; Kari Allen of Iotla; Susie Ledford of Macon Middle; Kimberly Bateman of Nantahala; and David Yokel of South Macon.

Speaking at the banquet, Superintendent Dr. Frank Yeager said, "We are very proud of all of you. You are the best of the best and we appreciate what you do for the children of this county."

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Architect," Karl Rove, and his sleazy election tactics.

I don't know what makes Mr. Cota think I oppose taking strong measures against terrorists. Nothing I have ever written, or thought, or said suggests anything like that. My argument with the President, whom I am accused of bashing frequently (true), is that he and his administration are incompetent, thoroughly corrupt, and talk loudly while carrying a broken diminutive stick. He and vice-president Cheney like to act tough, accuse others of cowardice, while obscuring that both were essentially draft dodgers during the Vietnam War.

It seems almost delusional to support this President, as Mr. Cota does, after all the mismanagement of foreign policy, not to mention such domestic disasters as Katrina, the failed Social Security privatization scheme, an ignorant opposition to stem cell research, failure to veto Congressional pork bills, and the Terry Schiavo hysteria. I won't bother to discuss the explosive fiscal deficit, which has turned even hidebound conservatives against the president.

Mr. Cota credits me (obviously as a negative factor) and Victor Davis Hanson (positive) as influences which led him to write his letter. I had never heard of Mr. Hanson, but after doing some research found out that he is a classicist who has often compared modern times with the days of Sparta and Athens. Some have described him as the worst historian of our times, and most professional historians reject his qualifications and his reasoning. However, it seems, he is held in high esteem by the vice-president, and is known as a steadfast and loyal supporter of the Bush administration. I haven't read anything by him, but I can see why Mr. Cota would like him. Birds of a feather, I guess.

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although this plant may require another treatment if it recurs.

This eradication effort, solely on public property, deserves the commendation of the town's citizens. Please let the town commissioners and members of the garden clubs know that you are appreciative of their efforts to solve this problem. They may have prevented Highlands from becoming the "Japanese Knotweed capitol of the world."

Owners of private property now have an exceptional opportunity to wipe this pest out of the entire area by eradicating any that exists on their land. For advice on how to do this you may pick up printed material at town hall, the Nature Center, or the U.S.F.S. Ranger's office.

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see cardiology, family medicine, internal medicine, gynecology, and dermatology services provided on the mountain at HCH.

But Shull said he can't recruit doctors if he can't guarantee a certain amount of work. "For instance to have a viable prac-

tice, a dermatologist would have work a large part of the Western North Carolina region."

Even before survey results were in, Shull said the hospital began recruiting family practitioners. "We are in the process of re-

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cruting three now, one is a husband-wife team," he said. "We would like to have a total of five more, as well as a part-time gastrologist, and a urologist."

Overall, the large majority of those surveyed were pleased with the care they had received at HCH. For full-time residents, the reasons for not choosing HCH were because they didn't offer the needed services or they were referred elsewhere.

For part-time residents it was because HCH was not convenient or they were referred elsewhere. The services listed as most important to those surveyed were urgent care, preventive screenings, alternative medicine, breast cancer or women's health; and exercise, fitness, and wellness.

Understanding the population fluctuation in Highlands and Cashiers is key in the strategic plan.

"It's a delicate balance between part-time, seasonal, weekenders and year-round people," said Shull. "Some people own second homes here and come every weekend,

other second home owners come for months at a time."

"8,100 to 8,300 people live here year round. 23,635 in the summer — peak being July 4th," said Taylor. "We must plan for those numbers and it's hard. We need to staff our emergency room to handle the summer population but take into account the winter population. To do that we took an average and believe that realistically we must be able to serve 12,000 to 16,000 at any one time."

"Standard formulas for staffing hospitals just don't work up here," said Shull.

Interestingly, the hospital's emergency room has steadily gained 'patients' by about 15 percent a year, so the number of people seen there doubles every four years.

Aside from the fact that Highlands and Cashiers are growing, Shull said he doesn't know the reason for the growth in emergency eoom patients because the patient mix doesn't indicate one group over another.

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I make this up? Here's another good Lexington rule. Any person lying in their front yard, capable of holding on to the grass, is deemed sober. Late in the party, Patty gave everyone a demonstration of just how sober she wasn't. It was hard keepin' the pigs from lickin' the makeup off her face.

I was worried about two hour parking restrictions at the Marsh parking lot, but ole Alan was out in his driveway directing traffic, shaking hands, and assuring everyone no tickets would be issued. He was acting like a real Chamber of Commerce Director.

Dwayne Meeter showed up with a fat lip and bruises all over his face. While he claimed he was attacked by a pack of wild dogs at Harris Lake, we all know he thought Marge, his wife, said "stand up," when, in fact she said "shut up."

Just when everyone was finishin' off their third Mint Julep, out came the fixin's. There was melt in your mouth baked grits that had so much butter in them, I could actually feel my veins a cloggin'. There was Burgoo Soup. Oh my, Burgoo Soup. This concoction is made with chicken, lots of pulled beef, fat back, flour and every single leftover from the frig.

This explains why Alan has a three

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is one dwelling per acre and a 12 percent built-upon," said Morgan.

Since the property is just north of the town's extra territorial jurisdiction (ETJ) area, none of the town's zoning codes or land use regulations would apply.

The steep 19-acre tract is in the WSII-Balance of the Watershed (WSII-BW) which means a 50-foot buffer from any body of water on the property is required, as set forth by the state's Pollution and Sedimentation Control Act of 1973.

Morgan said it's his understanding that the developer has a firm in Raleigh working on plans to incorporate an on-site sewer and

legged cow in his pasture. He simply did not need a whole lot of beef to whip up a kettle of Burgoo Soup. Good thinking, Alan. Why waste a perfectly good cow on one party?

Just when the effects of the Mint Juleps were about to wear off, out came the Derby Pie. I thought I had died and gone to hog heaven. Derby pie is made with Kentucky bourbon, chocolate, pecans, Kentucky bourbon, syrup, eggs, and Kentucky bourbon. I would have had seconds but I couldn't coordinate my hand to mouth movement.

All in all, it was a great party. This year there was no pushin' and shovin' in the food line. As usual, the little missus had some difficulty gettin' in, but she showed everyone a three-year-old gas receipt from Upton, Ky. which was fake, of course, but they let her in anyway. She's a Jersey girl, ya know.

Toward the end of the party, a vote was taken by those still awake and it was decided that folks who had only flown over Kentucky would not be allowed in next year.

• Don't forget to buy Fred's new book "I'm Moving back to Mars" at your local bookstore.

water facility since there aren't any public services available in that area. As far as getting permission to discharge effluent into the headwaters of the Cullasaja River, "that's a DENR issue," he said.

Before the project becomes a reality, the property must be purchased, an erosion control plan must be submitted the county at which point a watershed permit could be issued after verification that the sewer and water plants don't violate any ordinances. A building permit can be issued after the NC Dept. of Insurance OKs the building plans. "That department OKs any building in North Carolina over 75 feet high," said Morgan.

The deadly force that is Hezbollah explained at CEP presentation

By Susanna Forrester
Reporter

The Center for Life Enrichment held a special presentation called "What's Happening in Lebanon and What It Means to You?" on Wednesday, Aug. 30.

Sandra Mackey, an expert in Middle East affairs who has written numerous books and been a frequent commentator on CNN, ABC, CBS, BBC and NPR, spoke at the Performing Arts Center about the conflict in Lebanon and the war on terror.

"This is a major earthquake in the Middle East that will have many ramifications," said Mackey. "I think one of the things we need to look at is this situation is not just between the organization of Hezbollah and Israel."

Mackey, who has traveled extensively throughout Lebanon and other Middle Eastern countries, explained in detail the events leading up to the eruption of violence in Lebanon. She called the igniting incident "not a particularly unusu-

al event."

Hezbollah, which is a combination of a religious organization, a political organization, and a militia, crossed into an area called Shebaa Farms which is claimed by Lebanon, Syria, and Israel. They captured two Israeli soldiers.

"Israelis have been coming to the decision they wanted to wipe Hezbollah out," said Mackey. "The gun was cocked and loaded." The capture just made their decision easier.

Mackey said that Lebanon has always had a fragile government, but it still has the strongest democratic tradition of any other country in the Arab world. "Whether or not the government can survive, we just don't know," she said. "Hezbollah has become a big political player in the politics of Lebanon."

Lebanon used to be a thriving and beautiful country. Beirut was known as the Paris of the East, but it has since been devastated by war. The ambience that the streets and buildings possessed is gone.

Mackey said that Lebanon and Iraq are "the two most similar countries" in the Middle East. They are both divided by religion, sect, and ethnicity. The citizens of both countries identify less with their nation and more with the religion or sect they ascribe to.

"These are really young countries," said Mackey. "These all came into being around the 1920s. They're fragile to start with."

Mackey also pointed out the differences between Lebanon and Iraq. "Lebanon has obviously been more sophisticated than Iraq," she said. "Lebanon is more westernized. Iraq looks eastward and Lebanon looks westward."

Lebanon is broken down into several different distinct religious and ethnic groups — the Maronites, a Roman Catholic sect, has predominated in Lebanese government since the early part of the twentieth century; the Muslims, which are divided between the Sunni and the Shi'a; the Druze, whose religion is an offshoot

of Islam and Greek philosophy; and non-Lebanese Palestinians.

Hezbollah was created by the Iranian Revolution of 1979 which transformed Shi'ism into a political system. "The Shi'a saw a system where they could achieve social justice," said Mackey. "Hezbollah provide services to the Shi'a that the Lebanese government has never provided. That is the real appeal of Hezbollah."

Mackey said that Hezbollah, which became an active political and military force in Lebanon during the 1982 invasion of Lebanon by Israeli forces hunting for Palestinian Liberation fighters, has been "the most effective political organization in Lebanon, and they want to turn Lebanon into an Islamic republic."

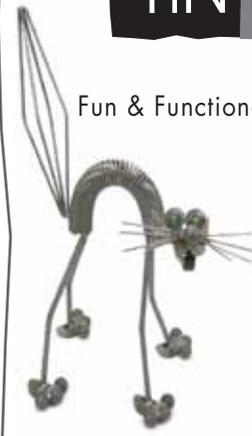
Mackey warned that as a country "our major enemies are not state players." She said we must abolish the Cold War mentality to operate in the new century. "We are now dealing not with governments, but with groups not afraid to die," said Mackey.

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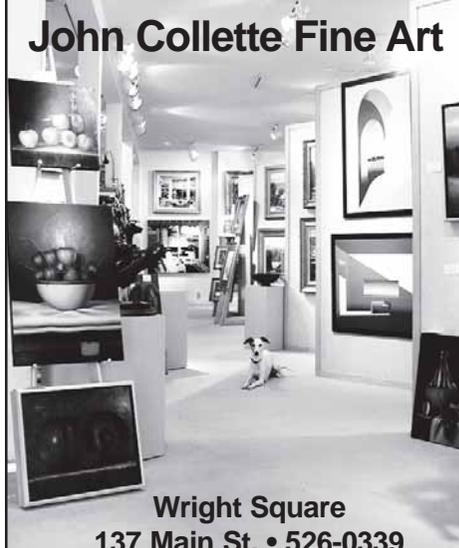
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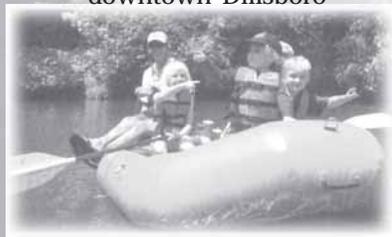
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Highlands Falls Country Club gives employees \$27,000 in scholarships

Many of the employees at Highlands Falls Country Club are students trying to further their education. Some started working at Highlands Falls while they were still in high school and continued after graduation. For many, it is difficult to pursue their scholastic interests without other support or assistance. Nine years ago, under the guidance of Barbara Estes and with the support of the membership of Highlands Falls Country Club, the HFCC Scholarship Program was formed. Its purpose was to build a fund through member's financial contributions and designate those funds to employees that met specific parameters to further their undergraduate educations. Selection and management of the scholarship program is performed by the CFWNC (Community Foundation of Western North Carolina) in Asheville, NC through a very objective and monitored process and gifts are tax deductible.

In August, the Club held its 9th Annual Scholarship Tournament and Banquet. Josh Roper, a former employee and scholarship recipient, returned to Highlands Falls as a guest speaker for this year's banquet. In his address to the gathering, Josh, now a CPA in Atlanta, thanked the Club for the years of support and also made a financial contribution to the Scholarship Fund. This year six employees received scholarships for their fall, winter and spring studies.

Monika Janderova, who has been with the club for five years, was recently named the 2006 Outstanding Student for the Dental Assisting Diploma Program at Lanier Tech. She is continuing her studies now as a Dental Hygienist

juggling work and a family at the same time. "Working full time and going to school is difficult enough," said Monika. "I don't know if it would be possible without the assistance I am receiving through the scholarship program."



Monika Janderova

Daphne Browning, from Jacksonville University, is a double major in English and Spanish language and literature. She will be involved in an academic program which involves living in Spain for 6 months while working as an English teacher.



Daphne Browning

Meda Green, from Franklin, NC, is in her third season with Highlands Falls. She is a senior at Jacksonville University, in Jacksonville, FL majoring in Dance Performance and Sociology. In addition to her daily responsibilities, Meda still found the time to choreograph the entertainment performed by the HFCC employees at the annual Scholarship Banquet.



Christian Jimenez

Kelley Garton, from Greensboro, NC, is in her second season with us and is a senior at WCU majoring in Recreational Therapy. "I can't begin to thank the members of Highlands Falls for the exceptional scholarship program and the help it has given my family," says Garton.

Iyali Ruiz graduated from Highlands High School and is now a student at the University of Georgia. Thanks to the college credits she was able to obtain as a senior at Highlands School, Iyali

was able to get a head start on her degree in International Business.

Christian Jimenez, is in her second season at Highlands Falls. She is attending Gainesville State College majoring in Psychology.



Meda Green, Kelley Carton, Iyali Ruiz

Center gets donation from Mtn. Findings



Highlands Community Child Development Center Scholarship Fund: Children from the 4-5 year old class help Pat Hedden and Bob Wright receive the donation of \$4,000 presented by Mary Thompson. Checks totaling \$70,000 have been given to various organizations in the Highlands community from Mountain Findings.

Harris named Executive Director of the Highlands-Cashiers Hospital Foundation

Highlands-Cashiers Hospital Foundation announced today the appointment of Russell M. Harris to the position of Executive Director. Harris will be responsible for all the Foundation's fund raising efforts and will report directly to the Foundation Board of Directors.

"Russell is recognized as an outstanding leader in the field of philanthropy and we are delighted to welcome him to our community. In this assignment he will be responsible for the development and implementation of our fund raising efforts and for ensuring that those efforts are consistent with and supportive of the needs of our hospital," said Cassandra Manley, chairperson of the Foundation Board.

For the past 10 years, Harris has served as President and CEO of "Partners for a Healthy Community" in Anderson,



Russell M. Harris

SC. In 2004 he served as Chairman of the South Carolina Association for Nonprofit Organizations.

At the national level, Harris is completing his term as Southeast Region Director of the Association for Healthcare (AHP) and at the end of this month he will be named a Vice Chairman of AHP.

Developer Nellis heads to TB for ruling

The claim of a contract waiting in the wings to buy the Crisp Harris Lake property on which to build nine structures didn't sway the Planning Board. Members upheld their previous decision against a multi-family project on the property.

At the Monday, Sept. 11 meeting, the vote was 4-2 (Doug Campbell was absent), against recommending conditional multi-family zoning for the property.

Developer Bill Nellis has one more shot with the Town Board which meets Wednesday, Sept. 20. "I think I have a 50-50

chance," he said.

The Town Board sent his request back to the Planning Board for a second look but requested Nellis to purchase land needed to meet the built-upon and to decrease density from 16 units to 14 units.

Nellis has done that, but the Planning Board voted against the plan for the same reasons as the first time.

"The purpose of rezoning certain sites multi-family is to make something ugly, pretty, not make something pretty, ugly," said Planning Board Chair Griffin Bell.

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With sharp eyes and nimble fingers artist creates wonders

Susanna Forrester
Reporter

Creativity and imagination are the center of Van Tribble's life as evidenced by the intricate needlepoint tapestries and rugs displayed throughout his home. For him rugs are artwork worthy of display not just on the floor but walls, too.

Tribble created each one — a chair cushion in an intricate pattern of yellows and greens, a long blue rug with soft pink flowers stitched down the center, a tapestry of horses in a native American-type pattern. They each have an individual personality that is reflected in Tribble's loving description of them.

Tribble derives his inspiration from "looking at other things, seeing things in magazines" and his own imagination. On his tapestry of horses, Tribble stitched one upside down to catch people's eye. He is not afraid to take chances with his artwork. He doesn't draw out his designs he just begins to work on the canvas and it all comes together.

"I took a course at Furman University about painting on the right side of the brain," said Tribble. "It taught me to look at one spot and concentrate on that and it will all come together."

Tribble began doing needlepoint during a divorce in 1973. He asked his mother to do two pillows for him, and she told him she would do one if he would do the other. "I was hooked," said Tribble.

Tribble points out a rug that he created after looking through a copy of a 1988 National Geographic magazine. A photo of a corner of the oldest carpet in the world caught his attention. The Pazyryk rug, which is on display in St. Petersburg,



Van Tribble isn't afraid to take chances with his work which he does from memory without pre-design or etching. Rugs of his making and design cover the walls and floors of his home in Highlands.

Photos by Susanna Forrester

Russia, was found in Siberia and dates back to 500 B.C.

Tribble began working on the rug, and when he was more than halfway through with it a friend gave him a book with pictures of famous carpets from around the world. A full picture of the Pazyryk rug was displayed in the book. Remarkably, Tribble's creation had the same amount of squares as the Pazyryk. The rug, with its large red, yellow and blue design catches the eye immediately.

"I only do needlepoint for people who do needlepoint," said Tribble, who does not sell his work, "Because they can appreciate it. The tips of my fingers bleed when I do it, because I won't use a thimble."

"I did seat covers for a lawyer in Greenville, SC," said Tribble, displaying photos of delicate seat covers

each one done with a different colorful fish on it. "And I stitched a boat for a friend who let me use his yacht."

Each piece Tribble does takes several months. He blocks his work up on his deck with a hose. "I had a good friend in Greenville who showed me how to do my blocking. I take a hose and wet them down and pull them."

Tribble, who is also a hairdresser, has taught others his needlepoint art. "I've taught a lot of men to needlepoint. They love it," he said.

He laughs as he says, "When I lived in Greenville the rumor was I wouldn't do people's hair unless they did needlepoint. Isn't that a hoot?"



McKim goes grassroots route to get the word out

By **Evan Schmidt**
Contributor

The old fashion 'Sign Painting Party' and bonfire was the perfect venue for approximately 75 supporters of candidate Ken McKim's for state senate. They enjoyed the food, fun, and doing their part by helping paint colorful Ken McKim campaign signs!

There was a job for everyone. Some helped by stenciling and chalking the signs to get them ready for painting. Others helped by painting McKim's name in white on the blue 4-foot by 8-foot plywood signs. There were also people who had special jobs, such as the "red paint lady" who put the flash of red on each sign, and the man with the blue paint who covered any errant mark. Once the signs were completed, McKim called all the hungry helpers to enjoy the roasting of hot dogs and marshmallows over the roaring bonfire. The event was a real blast of fun!

McKim took part in the event with paintbrush in hand. He said he was motivated to run for state senate last year. "I had several people come and approach me and encourage me to run for office that were local businessmen and family," he said. After prayerful consideration, on

February 13, 2006, McKim filed with the Republican Party to run for the state senate seat. McKim's interest in politics started at the age of 15. "I went to an election polling place, before I could vote, with my parents," he said. "The election judge started showing me what it was all about, and what they did," he said. "That night I went with her to the county courthouse to count the votes. And that was my first experience in politics where I really thought it was interesting," he said.

McKim, who prefers to be called a statesman instead of a politician, says that if he gets elected he would like to propose some new laws for North Carolina including some new immigration and healthcare plans.

"I believe we need some immigration laws in our state to address the illegal immigration challenge that we are facing," he said. "I believe that we have to address some healthcare issues because we are losing doctors in this state and our costs are skyrocketing."

Given the fact that McKim comes from a family of 13 children, he understands what it means to have to provide for a family. I would like the people to know

•See McKim page 21



Candidate Ken McKim and about 75 supporters of his senate campaign gathered last week to help paint 80 "Ken McKim for State Senate" campaign signs. It was a family and friends affair, with everyone pitching in.

Photo by Evan Schmidt

HS playing better by the game



Highlands School lost to Rabun-Gap Nacoochee last week, 3-2 but it was a very exciting and close match. Jason Aspinwall runs with the ball. The team lineup this year: Gray Alexander, Nick Kerhoulas, Jason Aspinwall, Alec Schmitt, Darrin Keener, Jake Heffington, Billy Ray Converse, Andrew Watson, Greg Porter, Alex Foltz, Mikey Lica, Ezra Herz, Luke McClellan, Hunter Leffler, Taylor Parrish and Will Mathiowdis.

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Tonni and Taelor Elkins and their parents (Tony and Darlene) understand firsthand the enormous emotional toll premature birth takes on a family. Tonni weighed only 3 pounds 6 ounces and Taelor weighed 2 pounds 14 ounces at birth, and no one knew if the twins would survive. Both girls did, and now are normal healthy 1 1/2 year olds.

As the 2006 Macon County WalkAmerica Ambassador Family, the Elkins share their story to help the March of Dimes raise money to fight premature birth and its consequences. Tonni, Taelor and their family

will be appearing at the 2006 WalkAmerica event on Saturday, Sept. 30 at the Franklin Memorial Park so that everyone in Macon County can learn how participating in WalkAmerica supports March of Dimes research and programs to save babies from premature birth, the leading cause of newborn death in America.

Darlene and Tony urge everyone in Macon County to come out for the walk. "On behalf of Tonni and Taelor we want to invite all the residents of Macon County to join us at the 2006 WalkAmerica and learn about our struggles and the problems of

premature birth."

Tonni and Taelor are two of nearly half a million babies born too soon every year. In North Carolina, one in seven babies (13.6 percent of all live births) were born prematurely in 2003.

Between 1993 and 2003, the rate of infants born preterm in North Carolina increased more than five percent. Some of these babies die; others face lifelong disability. The Elkins have become volunteers to help the March of Dimes find answers to why premature birth happens and what can be done to prevent it.

Registration will begin at 9 a.m. and the three-mile walk will start at 10 a.m. Other events that day will include food for walkers, door prizes, karate demonstration by Danny Antoine's Karate Academy, music by the Haus Band from the Rathskeller, balloon release, and live radio coverage by WFSC/WNCC.



Tonni and Taelor Elkins

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The featured Giving Balloon Tree will let you use your tax deductible dollars to help the center fulfill its needs. Color coded balloons will tell you what you provided.

The 60 children at the center range in age from three months to kindergarten age. Parents working in Highlands have this safe haven for their children with preschool training and daycare, and a range of indoor and outdoor activities. The facility in downtown Highlands, is the only fulltime, year-round, licensed child care provider in Highlands.

All of us residents, fulltime and seasonal, have reason to invest in all children and the center's families who provide basic ser-

vices for Highlands' quality of life.

Mark the date and come and enjoy. Tickets are \$100. Donations are welcome. Send reservations and donations to P.O. Box 2601, Highlands, NC, 28741, or call 526-0115.



The Up, Up & Away Steering Committee from left: Ann Herbert, Bena Bayless, Carolyn Tanner, Gayle Cummings. Not pictured, are Bunny Clarke, Ann Martin, Ruthie Watts, Carol Teem.

'Leadership Highlands' activities begin

Leadership Highlands held its reception Sept. 7 for the class of 2006-07 - Lor-

na Alexander, Robin Armstrong, Eleanor Crowe-Young, Lynn Delgado, Kathy Evans,



Bill Futral, John Gaston, Krysti Rogers, Mary Skubna, Ronnie Spilton, and Rich Trevathan.

Also in attendance were members of the governing board, Chamber of Commerce board, and professors from WNC who will be an integral part of this year's program.

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Mission of Mercy Dental Clinic in Sylva open for two days in Sept.

The "Mission of Mercy" Dental Clinic will once again be available in Sylva to provide for dental care free of charge to individuals who have dental problems and do not have the financial resources to pay a regular dentist. This will be held on Friday, Sept. 22 and Saturday, Sept. 23 at the Jackson County Community Services Building located at 538 Hospital Road in Sylva.

In 2005, this clinic was offered and approximately 340 patients were treated over the two days. Dr. Steve Slott, DDS of Burlington, N. C. operates this clinic which is jointly sponsored by the Jackson County Health Department and the Blue Ridge Mountain Health Project.

Local dentists and dentists from across North Carolina as well as dental students, hygienists, and dental assistants will be staffing the clinic for these two days. In 2005, there were a total of 52 dental professionals and students who took part in providing the patient care along with 20 volunteers who kept the clinic running smoothly.

On Thursday, Sept. 21 from 3:30-5 p.m. registration will be held for the first 30 persons who come to the Community Services Building in Sylva. On Friday, Sept. 22, registration will begin at 7 a.m. and

continue throughout the day and all day Saturday. No advance registration is necessary or available.

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If you need further information, please call 586-8994.

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• BUSINESS NEWS •

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The critically acclaimed restaurant is the proud recipient of the Wine Spectator Award of Excellence since 1987 and Wine Enthusiast Award of Distinction. ...on the Verandah is open seasonally, from mid-March through New Year's Eve. Reservations for the dinner or Sunday brunch can be made at 828-526-2338 or www.ontheverandah.com

OEI announces holiday packages for 2006

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Holiday Package Details

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Thanksgiving Package (Available November 22nd ~ November 25th)
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Upcoming wine dinner at Wolfgang's

Wolfgang's Restaurant and Wine Bis-
tro presents Oakville
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ner this Monday, Sept. 18.

Paula Kornell, general manager of Oakville Ranch Vineyards is coming from Napa to attend the dinner. Oakville Ranch is known for high quality, premium Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon and Chardonnays. Oakville Ranch is a boutique winery with very limited productions; usually 2,000- 3,000 cases produced annually, all from 100% estate grown fruit.



Paula Kornell
Oakville Ranch Vineyards
General Manager

Robert Parker recently reviewed the 2004 Chardonnay that we are pouring at the dinner. "A fruit driven, straightforward satisfying Chardonnay, this light 2004 reveals aromas of tropical fruits, white peaches and honey. Medium to full bodied, it is best consumed over the next year," he said. (Parker, 8-28-06, issue 166).

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• BUSINESS NEWS •

Madison's Restaurant & Wine Garden presents holiday menus

Madison's Restaurant and Wine Garden, the flagship restaurant of the Old Edwards Inn and Spa is pleased to announce holiday menus for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Eve 2006. Reservations for Thanksgiving and Christmas Day are available 11 AM- 6 PM. New Year's Eve dinner will be served from 5:30 to 9 PM. Reservations may be made by calling the restaurant directly at 828.526.5477.

Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinner menus offer guests choices for appetizer, entrees and desserts. Along with the regular dinner menu, on New Year's Eve Chef Nate Waugaman will present a six-course tasting menu featuring the theme "Tiny Bubbles." Highlights from the menus include the following: Leek and Celeriac Soup with Crisp Veal Sweetbread; Georgia Caviar Pear and Frisee Salad with Warm Country Ham; Lemon Vinaigrette Acorn Squash and Duck Confit Terrine with Watercress Salad; Deviled Quail Egg; Pan Roasted Striped Bass with Salsify Champagne Cream, Grapes, & Wilted Spinach; Slow Roasted Suckling Pig with Braised Red Cabbage Spaetzle, Wilted Mustard Greens; Fresh Sage Scented Loin of Beef with Apple and Pumpkin Hash, Braised Chard, Madeira Sauce; Basted Medallion of Turkey with Cranberry Cornbread Stuffing, Candied Sweet Potatoes and Herbed Giblet Velouté; Pumpkin Praline Pie with Praline Ice Cream, Spiced Rum Sauce; Pecan Mille-Feuille with Pecan Pastry Cream, Vanilla Terrine; or Gala Apple Tart Tatin with Brown Butter Roasted Apple Purée, Cinnamon Ice Cream. \$65 per person, plus tax and gratuity; children menu available ~ \$25 per child (under 12), plus tax and gratuity

Century 21 Mountain Lifestyles names top producers for August



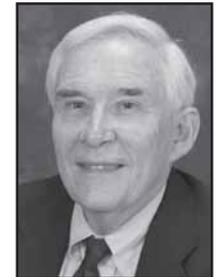
Cathy Garren



Diane Stumm



Gary Garren



Bob Shipp

During the month of August, Cathy Garren, managing broker with the Cashiers office was named "Top Listing Agent." Cathy Garren was awarded the Masters Emerald award for her production in 2005. She was also the Top Listing by Volume and the Top Sales by Volume agent in her office in 2005.

Diane Stumm, also with the Cashier

office was named "Top Sales Agent."

Bob Shipp, with the Highlands Office was named "Top Listing Agent" and Gary Garren, managing broker, was named "Top Sales Agent." Gary Garren was awarded the Silver Producer award for his production in 2005. He was also the Top Sales & Top Listing by Volume & Units agent for his office in 2005.

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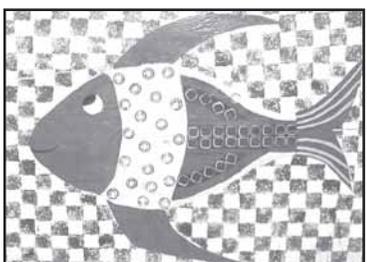


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A breath of fresh air



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Recently, while on vacation, I kept passing these “kiosks” called Oxygen Bars. Finally, after about the third one, I had to stop and ask the attendant what it was. She said you breathe pure, clean oxygen. I looked at the tubing and asked her, “just like at a hospital?” She said yes, but their tubing was prettier (it was fluorescent yellow!). She went on to add that you could get aromatherapy with the oxygen in different flavors. The oxygen is pumped through an aroma of your choice en route to the nose. She shared with me the benefits of this oxygen and how much better it would make me feel.

Upon arriving home, I “googled” Oxygen Bars to see what I could find out. One website indicated “from happy customers to high profit margins, oxygen bars make perfect sense for your company.” An FDA website article indicates that oxygen bars were introduced in the United States in the late 1990s. I guess I'm behind! The article suggests that “oxygen fans tout the benefits of oxygen for reducing stress, increasing energy and alertness, lessening the effects of hangovers, headaches, and sinus problems, and generally relaxing the body.”

I know a better type of “oxygen” for our lives. My professor, Bill Mallard, at Emory called it *ruakh* or spirit. In John, chapter 14, Jesus tells us that upon his departure from earth, he will “ask the Father, and he (God) will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever... You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.” Our advocate is the Holy Spirit. The promise was that the Holy Spirit will come to us and “teach you everything, and remind you of all that I (Jesus) have said to you.” The Holy Spirit is a different kind of breath of fresh air for our lives.

Spirit in the Greek (*pneuma*) also means breath or wind. The Holy Spirit continues to “breathe” God into our lives and into our world. Like the wind, the Holy Spirit is present and while not seeing the wind itself, we can see the effects of the wind. The Holy Spirit moves and lives in our lives in a way that our faith is lived out through our acts of love. Through our love for others, we see the effects of the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit is God living in our lives and our worlds forever and ever. The word *advocate* is also translated *comforter, counselor, or helper*. While an oxygen bar may give us a temporary feeling of cleansing or relief, a life full of the Holy Spirit will give us a lifetime of comfort and hope. This is a much better “fix” than stopping at an oxygen bar.

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Breakfast; 9 a.m.. - Sunday School; 9:45 a.m. - Choir Practice;
10:30 a.m. - Childrens Chapel; 10:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist -
Rite II
Monday: 4 p.m. - Womens cursillo Group; 5:30 p.m. -
Womens Cursillo Group
Tuesday: 8 a.m. - Mens Cursillo Group; 9:30 a.m. - Staff
Meeting
Wednesday: 2 p.m. – Interlude; 6:30 p.m – Choir
Thursday: 7:30 a.m. - Mens Cursillo Group Meeting; 10
a.m. - Holy Eucharist with healing; 10:30 a.m. - Daughters
of the King Meeting; 10:30 a.m. – Bible Study

• Sunday Service on Channel 14 Sun. at 10:30 a.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Dr. Daniel D. Robinson, 526-4153
Sun.: Worship – 8:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 6:30 p.m.; School –
9:30 a.m.; Youth – 6:30 p.m.;
Choir – 7:15
Wednesdays: Dinner – 5:30 p.m.; Team Kids – 6 p.m.; Prayer
– 6:15 p.m., Choir – 7:30 p.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. J. Hunter Coleman, Pastor, 526-3175
Sun.: Worship – 11 a.m.; Sun.School – 9:30 & 9:45.
Mondays: 8 a.m. – Mens Bible Discussion & Breakfast
Tuesdays: 10 a.m. – Seekers

Wednesdays: Supper – 6 p.m.; Choir – 7 p.m.
Sat: Adventistas del Septimo Dia – 10 a.m. & 5

HIGHLANDS ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Rev. Scott Holland, 524-6026, Sixth Street
Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 11
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Wednesday evening prayer & Bible Study
Call Lloyd Kidder at 526-9474

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Pastors Eddie & Kim Ingram, 526-3376
Sun.: school 9:45 a.m.; Worship 8:30 & 11 a.m.;
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Childrens choir and handbells; 5:30 – Supper; 6 – Adult
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Wednesdays: Prayer Mtg. – 7 p.m.

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Wed: Adult Bible Study & Youth – 7 p.m.

For more information call 526-3212.

SHORTOFF BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Rev. Wayne Price
Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 11
Wednesdays: Prayer & Bible Study – 7

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Rev. Maureen Killoran (part-time) 526-9769
Sundays: Worship – 11 a.m.

WHITESIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Cashiers, Rev. Sam Forrester, 743-2122
Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 11

DeVille named MC Teacher of the Year



At the Sept. 12 Teacher of the Year Banquet held at the Mill Creek Country Club in Franklin, John DeVille (of the Highlands deVilles) is one of the county's 10 teachers to be named "Teacher of the Year." He is Franklin High's pick. From those 10, a committee selects the county's Teacher of the Year. DeVille won that title also and will advance to the state regional competitor. DeVille graduated from Highlands School in 1980.

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"that I am a family man, one of a large family, and know what it means to have a family, and know how difficult it is to make ends meet and to keep a family together and provide for a family in this state," he said. "I would like people to know that I am a businessman, and I think that it's important that we find people that have to deal with the state and its laws in business, because we will be able to provide jobs in different places."

McKim believes education is an important issue for children, but said the economy affects how parents can raise their children. "The economy, I think, is a very

important issue, and it affects children because it affects their parents' ability to take care of their children and meet their needs."

You may see some of the signs which were hand-painted last Friday. They are dispersed throughout the westernmost eight counties of North Carolina. They read "McKim for State Senate."

There is one special sign which has a smiley face in the "o" in the word "for." There's a contest to see who notices that sign first! If you see it, call the campaign headquarters and reveal the sign's location. You could win.....um.....the wonderful feeling of self-achievement!

Male Chorus performs tonight at PAC



The Performing Arts Centers Male Chorus will present a program of music entitled "Broadway and More" Thursday, Sept. 14 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10. Seats are limited, so call 526-9047.

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• UPCOMING EVENTS •

On-going

- Yoga Classes at the Rec Park. Mondays and Wednesdays. Bring your mat. \$7 per person per class or \$50 for a monthly pass.

- Sally Foster Giftwrap Sale to benefit Highlands School. Pick up order sheets at the front office of the school, talk to a student, or go on line at www.SallyFoster.com to order use code number: 605265. All orders will be delivered to Highlands School.

- Thursdays at the Barn: If you would like a walking tour of the new property on which will sit our new Fine Art Center, join us any Thursday at 5 p.m. for a personal tour. Meet us at the Crane Stable Barn on Oak Street.

- FREE improv classes at Instant Theater on Main Street. Call the ITC office at 828.526.1687. A new class is forming now. You may also email us at instanttheatre@instanttheatre.org. Come play with us!

- Mountain Findings will be open until 6 p.m. each Friday. The normal hours of operation have always been 10 am to 4 pm, Monday through Saturday.

- Angie Jenkins on the piano at the Old Clayton Inn in Clayton on Fridays and Saturdays for

dinner.

- Shakespeare & Co. bookstore in Highlands Village Square is hosting readings by members of the Highlands Writers Group at a literary happening 3-5 p.m. the last Sunday afternoon in each month during the summer and fall. Refreshments will be served and the public is invited. Call 526-3777.

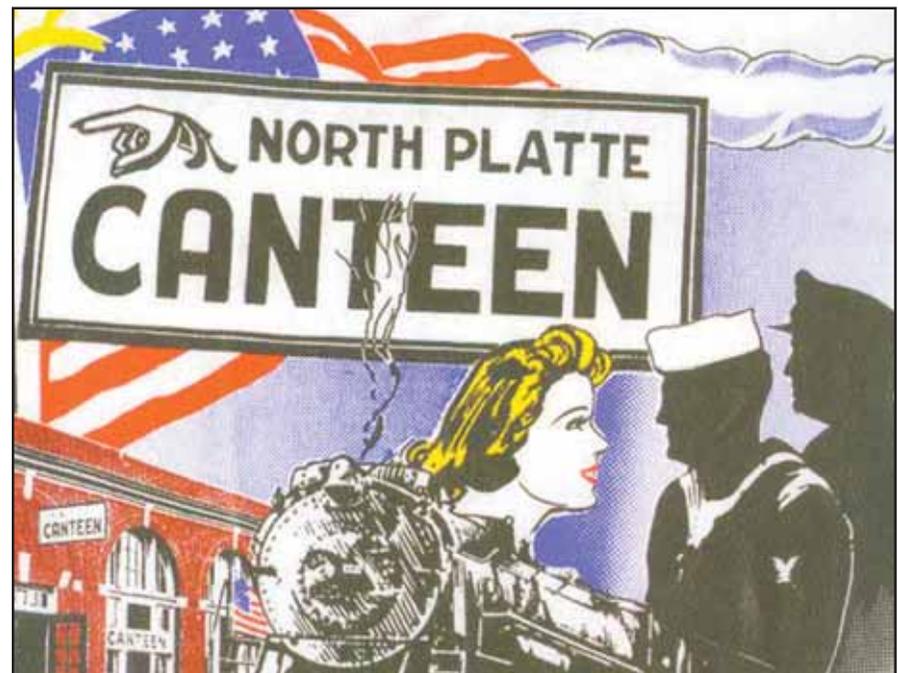
- Al-Anon meets every Wednesday at 10:45 a.m. in the community room of the First Presbyterian Church.

- The Scaly Mountain Women's Club's pancake breakfasts the fourth Saturday of each month through October from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

- The "Zachary-Tolbert House" in Cashiers will be open for tours Fridays and Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. through October 14. The house is located at 1940 Highway 107 S., two miles south of the Cashiers Crossroads. Special tours and events may be arranged by calling the Cashiers Historical Society, 828-743-7710.

- Highlands Historic Village is open for tours Fridays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through the end of October. The House-Trapier-Wright Home and the Museum and Archives are located at 524 N. 4th Street, across from the Funeral Home. Spe-

Coming up at Highlands Playhouse



A musical variety show with heart, "The North Platte Canteen" recalls the days of soldiers and war but also the hope that a few citizens can bring. When the Union Pacific is snowbound, USO performers entertain the canteen workers and some passing soldiers. At the Highlands Playhouse Oct. 5-6 at 8 p.m., Oct. 7 at 2 p.m., Oct. 13-14 at 8 p.m. Oct. 15 at 2 p.m. Tickets available at the box office at 362 Oak Street. Or call 526-2695.

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- New Beginners Clogging class Tuesday, 6-7 p.m. at the Sapphire Valley Community Center. Come have lots of fun and exercise. Call 743-7663.

- At Health Tracks at Highlands-Cashiers Hospital will have Osteoporosis prevention exercise classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Free with HealthTracks Membership or \$8 per class for non-members. Call Jeanette Fisher at 828-526-1FIT.

- At Health Tracks at Highlands-Cashiers Hospital is offering a total body and muscle-toning workout exercise class at 9 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Free with Health Track Membership or \$8 for non-members. An advanced class will also be available on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 9 a.m. Contact Health Tracks at 828-526-1FIT.

- At Health Tracks at Highlands-Cashiers Hospital is holding Pilates classes on Mondays and Wednesdays at 4 p.m. Cost of the class is \$10 per session or \$8 (each) for 10 sessions. Contact Health Tracks at 828-526-1FIT.

- A Grief Support Group is held every Friday from 10-12 at the Highlands-Cashiers Hospital for anyone who has lost a loved one through death or is dealing with a progressive illness with a loved one. If interested in attending, please contact Helen Moore (Hospice) 526-0727 or Martha Porter (Chaplain at HCH) at 787-1463.

- Every Tuesday Weight Watchers meets at the Highlands Civic Center. Weigh-in is at 5:30. The meeting starts at 6 p.m.

- Every Tuesday evening, Spiritual Cinema Circle at The Instant Theatre Company brought to you

by StarPony Productions at 7 pm. Visionary, inspiring movies showcased at film festivals around the world are viewed. Suggested donation: \$5, Bever-

At Cyrano's Book Shop Book Signings • 1-3 p.m.

September 16

Dennis Ackison – *Murder at Fontana Dam*

September 23

Paul Gerhardt – *Feline Four*

September 28

Tom Smoot – *The Edisons of Ft. Myers*

October 7

William Rawlings – *Crossword*

October 8

Fred Wooldridge – *I'm Moving Back To Mars*

October 12 • 6-7:30 p.m.

Susan Mason – *Silver Service*

October 14

Joan Medicott • 11-1, *The Covington Series*

Celia Miles • 11-1, *Mattie's Girl*

Gayden Metcalfe • 3-5, *Being Dead is No Excuse*

October 21

Gerry Soud – *Life As I Slice It*

October 28 • 10 a.m. -noon

George Ellison – *A Blue Ridge Nature Journal*

December 16

Carl Smith – *Louisiana Burn*

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• UPCOMING EVENTS •

ages and snacks available for purchase.

- Live music nightly at ...on the Verandah at 7 p.m. Chad Reed plays Wednesday - Sunday night and Sunday Brunch; Angie Jenkins plays Mondays; Paul Scott plays every Tuesday.

- Live piano music with Hal Phillips at Skyline Lodge & Restaurant every Friday and Saturday night and Sunday brunch.

- Live music at Fressers in Helen's Barn. featuring Cy Timmons Wed. through Sat., 6 p.m. until.

- Live music at Cyprus Restaurant every Friday at 9:30 p.m.

- Highlands Wine and Cheese Shop: Wine Flights Saturday from 4:30-6:30.

- Live music at Wolfgang's Bistro every Sun. and Mon. it's Momo on Piano; every Wed. it's Paul Scotts Trio; and every Thurs. & Fri it's Rickey Dean on piano.

Through Sept. 17

- The 53rd Macon County Fair will take place in Franklin. The theme for 2006 is "Agriculture: Macon It Happen at the Macon County Fair." Pack up your projects of art work, garden vegetables, baking, canning, photography, sewing, flowers, or other hobbies you may have, and enter them at the fair. ATTENTION! Youth that participated in the Summer Relief Programs, special interest programs, club activities...please locate your projects and enter them in the fair. For more information, call the Macon County Fair at 369-3523.

Sept. 14-21

- Scholastic Book Fair at Highlands School 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The Book Fair will be open on Thursday evening, Sept. 14, from 5 to 6 p.m. before the PTO meeting. Parents, grandparents, friends, and community members are all invited to visit the Book Fair!

Sept. 14

- At ...on the Verandah, a French Creole Dinner with McKinnon's Louisiane. Call 828-526-2338 for tickets and reservations.

- PTO meeting at Highlands School at 6 p.m.
- Male Chorus accompanied by pianist Angie Jenkins at PAC at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10. Call 526-9047.

Sept. 15

- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Fine Art Center: Beaded Woven Pouch, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Pin-loom weaving. Create a woven pouch with novelty threads first day. Bead it second day. \$120. (\$85, FRIENDS)

Sept. 16

- At Cyrano's from 1-3 p.m., a booksigning Dennis Ackison - *Murder at Fontana Dam*.

- Mountain Song Festival at the Brevard Music Center featuring Doc Watson, David Holt, 111rd Tyme Out, Steep Canyon Rangers, and Biscuit Burners. Tickets are \$35. Call 800-514-3849 or 828-243-3496 for tickets and information.

Sept. 17

- At ...on the Verandah, a special 25th anniversary celebration from noon-6 p.m. It's free!

Sept. 18

- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Fine Art Center: Beaded Woven Pouch, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

- Wine Dinner at Wolfgang's on Main, Monday at 6 p.m. Oakville Ranch Vineyards. Call 526-3807 for reservations.

Sept. 19

- Audubon Field Trip to the Blue Ridge Parkway to view fall migrants. Meet at 7 a.m. in the Parking Lot next to the Highlands Town Hall to carpool.

- Franklin Camera Club meeting is 7 p.m.

Antiques, antiques, antiques



Last year the Highlands Playhouse Antique Show was held in the new gym at Highlands School. This year it's at the Civic Center, Sept. 29-Oct. 1

Today Highlands is a year round community. The Highlands Playhouse has brought professional theatrical events to Highlands each summer for 68 seasons, and is now excited to bring the community and its guests the upcoming antiques show. The antique show is a major fundraiser for the Highlands Playhouse, and wants to continue to enhance the appeal of the mountains during the Fall Leaf Season.

Examples of items you will find at the show include American Antique Wicker, Carolina Pottery, rustic lake and lodge furnishings, wonderful oriental rugs, antique and estate jewelry, sterling silver, art glass, Majolica, fine linens, antique clocks and music boxes, 18th and 19th century American, English and European furniture and paintings. For those interested in American Civil War items, Christopher Mitchell (expert appraiser on the Antique Roadshow for eight seasons) will be exhibiting a selection of his numerous Confederate and Militia items. Mitchell has been a frequent consultant to museums and auction houses. For a complete list of participating exhibitors, as well as other antique shops in the area, be sure to pick up a show catalogue during the show.

The show will be held the last weekend of September (Friday the 29th, Saturday the 30th and Sunday, October 1st) at the Highlands Civic Center on Hwy 64 E., (known to locals as the recreation center). Hours are 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday and noon until 5 p.m. on Sunday. This is an event that you and your friends will not want to miss.

This year's event will host a spectacular Exclusive Preview Party, Thursday evening Sept. 28 from 6:30 p.m. till 8:30 p.m., black tie optional. A well-known restaurant, Rosewood Market, will cater the party. A limited number of preview party tickets are still available through the Highlands Playhouse Box Office at 362 Oak Street, Highlands or Call (828) 526-2695 and reserve your tickets today.

All proceeds benefit the Highlands Playhouse in continuing to bring the Highlands community live professional theatre.

at the Spiritual Light Center in Heritage Hollow. The DIGITAL group will meet one hour earlier at the same location. Please bring pictures (up to 4 per person) that illustrate your knowledge of the "rules of competition." The Franklin Camera Club will hold a competition/critique of members' photos. There are 4 divisions: color, black & white, slides, and digitally manipulated photos. ONLY MEMBERS may enter. Anyone interested may attend.

Sept. 21

- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Fine Art Center: Fearless Acrylic Painting with Laurence Holden
- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Fine Art Center: Open Studio, 5 a.m.-7 p.m.

- The Plateau Fly Fishing Club will feature guide Dave Duffy at its meeting to be held at Grace

Community Church. Dave's presentation features a slide show describing water types, locations, flies and methods to fish different flies. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. and features a raffle for a selection of Dave's flies and the Brookings guided trip. Call 743-2078 for additional information.

- CLE annual meeting, Thursday, 5 p.m. at PAC. A wine and cheese reception will follow the meeting. Ideas and suggestions will be welcomed and an overview of the future plans for CLE will be presented. Members are encouraged to renew their memberships at the meeting, to get an advance mailing of the 2007 brochure in the spring. Please call the CLE office at 526-9938 ext 120 if you plan to attend.

Sept. 23

- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Fine Art Cen-

ter: Art and Wine Display: regional artists will have their work on exhibit in the gallery prior to the auction (free)

- An evening of "Mountain Folk Tales" Saturday at 7 p.m. with playwright and regional folklorist Gary Carden at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Hall at 85 Sierra Drive in Franklin. A "pie dinner" will be served starting at 6 pm. A \$20 donation is requested. You may purchase tickets by calling (706) 746-9984 or buy them at the Franklin Chamber of Commerce or from UU members.

- Ryder Stevens to speak on "Peace and Reconciliation: A Christian Science Approach" at the Highlands Civic Center at 4 p.m. It's free.

Sept. 25

- Bolivian Auction at the Highlands Country Club on Monday from 5:30 p.m. until the last item is auctioned by Al Scudder. The admission donation will be \$100.

Sept. 26

- Encouragement for the Homeschool Family Conference By Steve & Teri Maxwell at Franklin Covenant Church, 265 Bellevue Park Rd., Franklin. Call Michelle Loewy at 828-349-3483. Pre-registration is greatly appreciated.

Sept. 28

- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery, "Fearless Acrylic Painting" with Laurence Holden.

- Second Annual Highlands Antique Show Preview Party at the Civic Center.

Sept. 29-Oct. 1

- Second Annual Highlands Antique Show sponsored by the Highlands Playhouse 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday at the Highlands Rec Park. Tickets are \$10.

- At Acorn's Slane and Slane Trunk Show.

Sept. 30

- Up, Up and Away Gala to benefit the Highlands Community Children's Development Center at the Cullasaja Club. Enjoy a festive evening with dining, an open bar and dancing to the music of Reggie & Deas boys. Tickets are \$100. Call 526-0115 for reservations.

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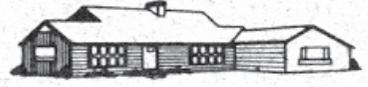


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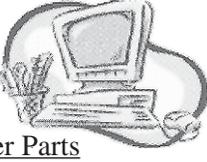
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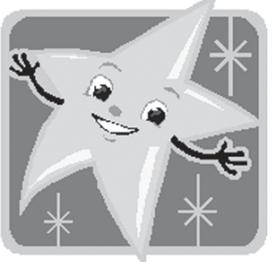


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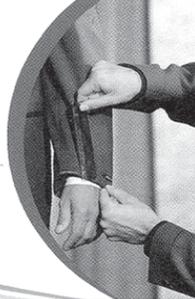
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POLICE & FIRE REPORT

The following is the Highlands Police Dept. log entries for the week of Sept. 7-12. Only the names of persons arrested or public officials have been used.

Sept. 7

• At 5:25 p.m., Alyson Leigh Baumruker, 32, of Highlands, was arrested for drunk and disorderly conducted in Wright Square. She was released on bond.

Sept. 8

• At 4:30 p.m., officers responded to a call from Highlands Quick Mart to request motorcycle riders to leave the premises.

• At 11:20 p.m., officers responded to a noise complaint concerning Cyprus Restaurant.

• At 9:50 a.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 45 mph in a 25 zone at U.S. 64 east and Poplar Street.

• At 8:20 a.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 46 mph in a 25 zone at U.S. 64 east and Poplar Street.

• At 5 p.m., a business owner reported receiving harassing phone calls.

Sept. 9

• At 7:50 p.m., officers responded to a noise complaint at a residence on Big Bear Pen Road.

Sept. 10

• At 9:45 a.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 52 mph in a 35 zone on Choctaw Drive.

• At 10:30 a.m., a resident on Hummingbird Circle, reported a weathervane stolen from the yard probably in July.

Sept. 11

• At 10:40 p.m., a resident on Bowery Road requested help in getting a snake out of her house.

• At 12:50 p.m. Gabriel Bruce Bolick, 23, of Highlands, was arrested for failing to appear at court. He was released on a \$500 bond.

• At 1 p.m., a diamond and gold ring with a

Tiffany setting valued at \$18,400 was reported missing from a residence on Bowery Road.

• At 10:04 p.m., officers were called to a residence on Bowery Road to help get snakes out of the house.

During the week, officers issued four warning citations.

The following is the Fire & Rescue Dept. log entries for the week of Sept. 5-12

Sept. 5

• The dept. provided mutual aid for Satolah Fire & Rescue while that department fought a structure fire.

• The dept. responded to an accident on Buck Creek Road but it was out of district and handled by the Cullasaja Fire & Rescue Dept. instead.

Sept. 6

• The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call at a residence on Club House Trail. The victim was transported to the hospital.

• The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call at a residence on Edward Creek Road. The victim was transported to the hospital.

Sept. 8

• The dept. provided mutual aid to Cashiers. The call was cancelled en route.

• The dept. provided mutual aid to Scaly Mountain concerning an accident between Turtle Pond Road and the view.

Sept. 10

• The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call at a residence at First Baptist Church when a woman fainted.. The victim was transported to the hospital.

Sept. 11

• The dept. provided mutual aid to Cashiers. The call was cancelled en route.

• REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS •

PIN ID # - ADDRESS - GRANTEE - DATE - SALE - GRANTOR - APPRAISED

Town of Highlands

• 0530751, 386 BONNIE DR, CHAMPION BRADLEY PAUL, 9/6/2006, 350,000., COFFEEN DEBRA JANE, \$347,460.

• 0501177, 593 HICKORY ST., PARRISH ALICE D, 8/25/2006, \$0., DAVIDSON WILLIAM HARPER JR TRUSTEE, \$193,610.

• 0501227, 455 DILLARD RD, REESE CHARLES ALLEN, 8/29/2006, \$0., REESE WAYNE, \$158,820.

• 0502642, 4181 DILLARD RD, OLALDE SALVADOR M, 8/24/2006, \$163,000., PATTERSON DONALD F, \$176,210.

• 0503770, 278 ZACHARY RD ON ZACARY RD, BURT THEODORE, 8/29/2006, \$0., FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORP., \$66,410.

Highlands Township

• 0548146, SHORTOFF RD NORTON RIDGE, POTTS CLARENCE, 8/18/2006, \$0., ARMOR KAREN GAIL, \$16,800.

• 0548147, SHORTOFF RD NORTON

RIDGE, POTTS CLARENCE, 8/18/2006, \$0., ARMOR KAREN GAIL, \$16,990.

• 0517592, 320 WILDWOOD DR, BAUER BRIAN E, 8/17/2006, \$415,000., REID CHARLES R., \$251,290.

Flats Township / Scaly Mtn.

• 0600520, ON HWY 106, SIMMONS JOSEPH, 8/18/2006, \$28,000., STANNAT MARJORIE, \$31,960.

• 0600639, 95 ROCK HILL RD LOT 39 KING MTN, DAVISON KATHARINE A, 9/6/2006, \$1,010,000., GUIDO LAWRENCE C, \$851,650.

• 0600307, OFF HWY 106 LOT 18 KING MTN, SCHWARTZ HARRY TRUSTEE, 8/29/2006, \$88,500., KING MTN CLUB INC, \$5,000.

• 0637465, 350 EVANS CREEK RD, BAGWELL STANLEY R, 8/29/2006, \$52,000., MARSHALL ROBERT, \$27,190.

• 0623925, 32 HUCKLEBERRY HILL RD, BAUGHMAN JOSEPH, 8/29/2006, \$88,000., BAUGHMAN JOSEPH ERNEST, \$92,200.

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