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Change in county line could mean more property tax money for Macon

A Macon County citizen who reached out to his county representative initiated the county line survey now underway by N.C. Geodetic Survey in Raleigh.

The survey will take a year or so to complete and will cost between \$10,000 and \$15,000 – all on the state's tab.

A review of the Macon/Jack-

son county line will settle jurisdiction claims, particularly in the Highlands area where boundaries vary depending on

• See COUNTY page 9

County appoints interim manager

Bids Horton farewell

Macon County is expected to have a new county manager in place no later than January 1, 2014. County Commission Chair Kevin Corbin gave his fellow board members an update Tuesday night at the September board meeting.

"Commissioner [Paul] Higdon and I met and talked about it, and we think a good cut off date for applications would be in two weeks on September 24," said Corbin. "That will give anyone waiting to turn in an application time to do it and then will let us start narrowing down the search."

As of last night, Macon County has received 29 applicants interested in the county manager position, which was left vacant after Jack Horton announced his

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Highlands Gateway signs are completed



This gateway sign is at the town limit on NC 106.

Photo by Kim Lewicki

All four of the Highlands Gateway signs are now installed, and all the signs around them have been removed to focus only on the Gateways. They can be seen at the town limits on US 64 east, US 64 west, NC 28 south and NC 106.

The Small Town Main Street Design Committee hopes the signs meet with general approval. Many alternatives were considered for wording and coloring, but the vast majority of all those who were surveyed favored what has now been installed.

The materials are local, and the appearance is understated, as the surveys requested.

All the street signs have also been installed, reducing two or three poles to one and identifying every corner. In addition, the green route signs have been placed on the mast arms at Main Street intersections for improved viewing.

These are three of several projects that are now complete.

– Ran Shaffner

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Zoning Board to consider SUP for Brew Pub

At the Wednesday, Sept. 11 Zoning Board meeting, a Special Use Permit for the Satulah Mountain Brewing Company was considered.

According to the Brewers Association, there are more than 2,500 independent Craft brewers, also called Microbreweries and Brewpubs, in the United States.

In North Carolina there are 79 craft brewers providing locally crafted beers to their communities.

Amending the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) to accommodate Brewpubs and microbreweries was addressed some months ago when Dale Heinlein requested permission to open a brew pub in town.

• See BREW PUB page 17

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• Books Are Fun Book Fair – Thursday 12-6pm & Friday 7am-1pm. Jane Woodruff Clinic first floor lobby

Thurs., Sept. 12

• CLE presents middle east expert Sandra Mackey who will discuss the latest developments in Syria at 7 p.m. at The Highlands Playhouse. Free.

Fri., Sept. 13

• Highlands Plateau Audubon walk at the Highlands Botanical Gardens. Call 828-743-9670.

Sat., Sept. 14

• At The Bascom, Clay Symposium 9a to noon and 1-4p. Three American potters will exhibit their work and be featured.

• Dazzling Dahlias Festival is Saturday from 1-5p.m. Tickets are \$5 at the door. Exhibitor fees is \$10. Call Joyce Franklin at 526-9418.

• Dedication of the Wright Memorial Garden off Helen Barn's Ave behind Wright Square at 11 a.m followed by refreshments in Helen's Barn.

• Land of the Sky Barbershop Chorus, Asheville chapter of the International Barbershop Harmony Society, at the Performing Arts Center, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15, students are free. Call 828-526-9047.

Sun., Sept. 15

• HCCMF's "Come to the Cabaret! at the Highlands Playhouse at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$100 per person. Call (828) 526-9060.

• First Presbyterian Church's Food for Fuel Luncheon 11:45a to 1:45p in Coleman Hall in the church. Free; donations accepted. Reservations are required. Call 526-3175.

Monday, Sept. 16

• Themed Dinner and Cooking Demonstration. Fundraiser for the Laurel Garden Club. "Rubs and Suds." \$140 per person, 30 guests max. Purchase tickets on line at www.LaurelGardenClubHighlands.com

Tuesday, Sept. 17

• Themed Dinner and Cooking Demonstration fundraiser for the Laurel Garden Club. "Garden to Table." \$140 per person. Purchase tickets on line at www.LaurelGardenClubHighlands.com

Wed., Sept. 18

• At Paoletti's, a fundraiser for MAMA (Mountain Area Medical Airlift). If interested please RSVP by Fri., Sept. 13 at: 828-526-4906 for details.

• THE PLATEAU'S POSITION •

• LETTERS •

Gateway signs are easy to miss

Dear Editor

Have you seen the new Town Limits signs? They are easy to miss because the green color blends in with the shrubs and other vegetation. The log frames have a person wondering if tree-cutting is being done in the area. Our famous 4,118 "claim to fame" signature is so small it looks like bird-droppings.

Wow! Wonder what the "way-finding" signs will look like!

Elaine Johson
Highlands

In response to 'To Fred from a reader' in Sept. 5 edition

Dear Gene Keesler,

Yah, I'm not a native either - but had the sense to move out of Florida.

I've come to accept that 4-lane roads through these mountain curves are not prac-

tical. So, 2-lane is the only way to get around, and to get to work.

However, in my 30 years here I've discovered that those troublesome "natives" on the road are very likely to assist with a motoring problem rather than to rob, rape, or otherwise harrass as in Florida. You can ask Fred for details.

Donald V. Cook
Highlands

Is it a Farmers Market conspiracy?

Dear Editor:

Concerning the previous potential closing of the Highlands Farmers Market. This must be a conspiracy between Vladimir Putin and Fred (guess who).

The Amazon lady Fred met in the parking lot at Ingles recently is obviously a KGB agent sent here to spy on our community. Maybe Fred and Vladamir are trying to corner the veggio market. I hope I can still get my tomatoes.

Ron Ovarlet
Tampa-Highlands

Info in Mackeys column is bound for the Armed Services Committee

Dear Editor

As a happy part-time resident of Jackson County, I appreciate Highlands Newspaper.

As a former National Guard JAG officer who lectured on law of war, the recent column by Sandra Mackey was the most helpful I have read on chemical weapons and I will circulate it with the Armed Services Committee in Washington. (See the Aug. 29 edition: www.highlandsinfo.com. Click on Local News)

Additionally, I was grateful to read the message of Rev. Sam Forrester of the very friendly Whiteside Presbyterian Church. Rev. Forrester and his family make a difference fighting for Christianity.

Best wishes for your continued success in this beautiful environment of WNC!

Joe Wilson
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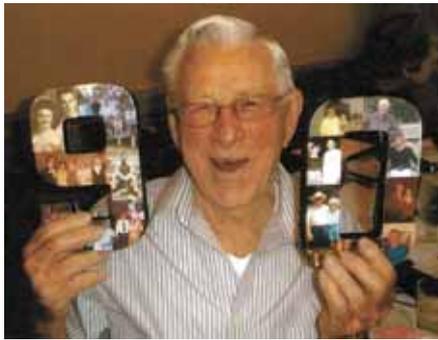
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Chance Thunderstorms High: 76 °F	Chance Thunderstorms Low: 63 °F	Slight Chc Showers High: 72 °F	Partly Cloudy Low: 53 °F	Sunny High: 64 °F	Mostly Clear Low: 53 °F	Mostly Sunny High: 66 °F

• OBITUARIES •



Herbert John Ashe

Herbert John Ashe, age 91, of Highlands, NC, died on Thursday, August 29, 2013 at Fidelia Eckerd Living Center in Highlands, NC. He was born on April 30, 1922 in Harlem, NY, to parents Michael and Martha Carroll Ashe. He was the oldest of three siblings, Carroll Ashe McIver, deceased and Donald Ashe. He was also preceded in death by his first wife of over 50 years, Gloria, his son Tim, and his second wife of 10 years, Enid Hess Ashe.

Herb grew up in the Atacama Desert in Chile where he became fluent in Spanish, and attended high school in Buenos Aires, Argentina where he met Enid. He was a World War II Navy pilot and flew PBVs off the coast of South America.

While training at the Pensacola Naval Air Station, he met and married Gloria McCluskey Ashe. They had four children together: Michael, Mary Ellen, Herbert Jr. and Timothy. He was a proud alumnus of Colorado School of Mines where he graduated with a degree in Mining Engineering. Herb worked for Bethlehem Steel for most of his career, which had him living in Venezuela, various parts of Mexico, Bethlehem, PA and Wheeling, WV. He moved to Florida after his retirement and split his time between Highlands and Florida for the last 17 years.

He was a member of Our Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church in Highlands. Herb enjoyed life to the fullest; two of his greatest pleasures in life were a fine whiskey and a bowl of ice cream. He never met a stranger and was always ready with a smile and a joke.

He is survived by his wife, Dorice Pulte Ashe; his daughter, Mary Ellen Madison and her husband George of Zanesville, OH; two sons, Michael Ashe and his wife Maria of Cincinnati, OH and Dr. Herbert Ashe, Jr. and his wife Robin of Houston, TX; his brother, Donald Ashe and his wife, Rita of Greenville, SC; step children and their spouses of Florida and North Carolina, and 9 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren, and

many nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that memorials may be made to Four Seasons Hospice, 171 Hospital Drive, Suite 600, Highlands, NC 28741 or Our Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church, 35 N. 5th Street, Highlands, NC 28741.

Bryant Grant Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be made at www.bryantgrantfuneralhome.com.

W Randy Collany

W Randy Collany, 70, of Winter Haven, died at 3:37 AM, Monday, August 26, 2013 at his home due to complications from Parkinson's disease. He was born to Walter von Collany and Lucille Chiles Collany in St. Petersburg, FL.

He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Mary Diane Devaney whom he married on June 7, 1969.

He is also survived by, his son, Randy Collany Jr. of Winter Haven, FL; son, Chris Collany and wife Katie of Winter Haven, FL and their children, Caspian, McCambridge, Copeland, Carlow, Creighton; daughter, Robin Collany Parker and husband David of Wintermere, FL and their children, David, Landon, Berkley, Kelsey; and daughter, Kathy Collany of Highlands, NC and her son Caleb Collany.

Randy received his Bachelor Degree from The University of Florida and was also the US Navy OCS in Newport, RI and the LSU School of Banking.

Randy was the President of Barnett Bank from 1976 to 1981. He was past President of WH Chamber of Commerce in 1978, Girl Scouts of America, Boys and Girls Club, Co-founder of Parkinson's support group, Ridge Art Association, The Bascom Art Center, Red Sox Boosters, an active Rotarian, served on the Vestry of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Founding Member of St. James Methodist Church, St. Petersburg, FL, Member of the Florida Club, Past Commodore Lake Region Yacht & Country Club, Member of Highlands Country Club, Highlands, NC, Member of St. Petersburg Yacht Club, Member of FL Yacht Club, Jacksonville, FL.

He was an active conservationist, citrus grower and real estate developer including Shell Island, Weedon Island, Collany Conservation Bank, Collany Mitigation Bank, Merrill Lynch Building Winter Haven and Gates of Lake Region.

Randy was an incredible provider, both as a husband and father. He was a great and decent man who accepted everyday challeng-

es, turning them into opportunities. He possessed unparalleled character, dignity, integrity and courage. His ability to harness the power of optimism is something he passed on to any individual he touched. He was an example for all of us and will be greatly missed by those whom he came in contact.

The celebration of life service for Randy Collany will be at 11:00 am, Thursday, September 5, 2013 at New Hope Church, 651 Carl Floyd Road, Winter Haven, FL 33884. The Reception is to follow at his home located at 1200 West Lake Otis Dr. SE, Winter Haven, FL 33880. There will be a service at 5:00pm Friday, September 13, 2013 at Community Bible Church, Highlands, NC.

In lieu of flowers donations made be made to U of F Foundation, Dr. Okun, Parkinson's Disease Research, 3450 Hull Rd., 4th Floor, Gainesville, FL 32607, Gilliam's Promise, or FL Water and Land Legacy, 316 William St., Tallahassee, FL 32303, Reference: Randy Collany.

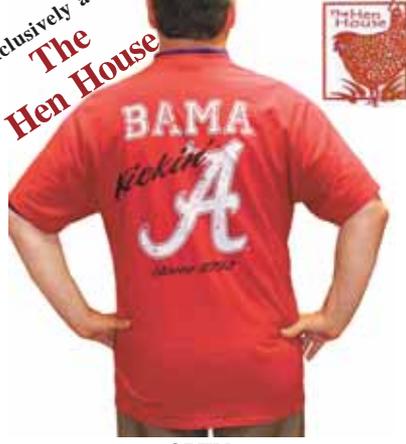
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• THANK YOU •

The family of Les Owens would like to say "thank you" to all the people in the Satolah and Highlands communities who helped in some way during this difficult time. May God bless you.

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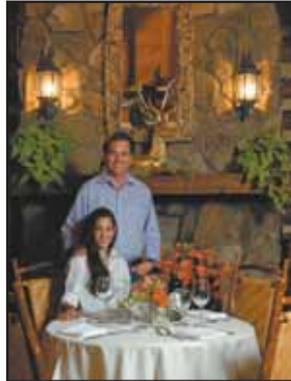
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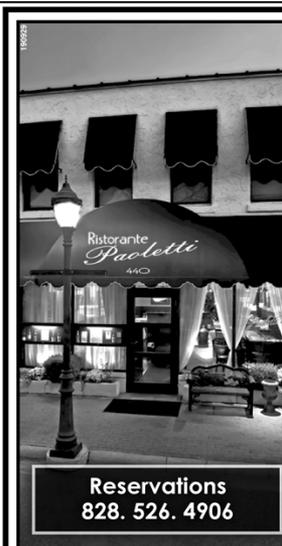
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**Doris Crowe
Picklesimer**

Doris Crowe Picklesimer age 76, of Highlands, NC, died Wednesday, September 4, 2013. She was born in Macon County, the daughter of the late Alvin C. and Pearl Reed Crowe. She was a retired teacher for Highlands Head Start. She was a loving wife, mother, grand and great-grandmother, she loved her music, reading and taking care of other people. She was a member of Highlands United Methodist Church, where she was on the worship committee, a former organist, and head of nurture and membership care committee. She was an active member of the Order of The Eastern Star, former worthy matron and organist. Doris gave generously of herself in tireless and endless service. She was loved greatly, and we are proud of the witness she showed to all by loving, caring, and sharing with humility to everyone.

She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Clark N. Picklesimer; a daughter, Terri P. Crowe and her husband Ronnie of Franklin, NC; a son, Greg Picklesimer and his wife Jeanne of Newington, CT; four brothers, Joe Crowe of Manassas, VA; Wayne Crowe and Merlin Crowe both of Highlands, NC and Junior Crowe of Franklin, NC; four grandchildren, Natalie Dendy, Michelle Pendergrass, Nathaniel and Joshua Picklesimer; one great-grandchild, Taylor Pendergrass. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one brother, Morris Crowe.

A memorial service was held Saturday, September 7th at Highlands United Methodist Church, with Rev. Paul Christy and Rev. Beth Bowser officiating. Burial was in the Picklesimer Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Highlands United Methodist Church, PO Box 1959, Highlands, NC 28741.

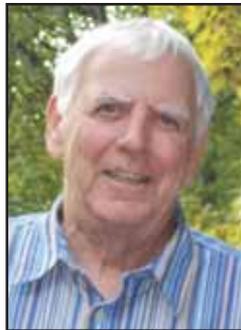
Online condolences may be made at www.bryantgrantfuneralhome.com. Bryant-Grant Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements

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• THE FREDSTER •

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The art of snagging a handsome-challenged man in Highlands



Feedback is encouraged
highlandseditor@aol.com

for is a dad-gum wedding band. If you see a beautiful birthstone on his ring finger instead, run from this guy. Under that birthstone could be the indentation from years of wearing a wedding band. If you're not sure, admire the ring and ask him to take it off. If he hesitates, flee!

Oh, and always remember, if you spot a muscular, handsome 'knock your socks off' well dressed-to-die-for guy, he probably has a boyfriend.

Sooooo, girls, if you're on the hunt for a man, then look

for a handsomely challenged one. Look in the mirror and take a hard look at yourself, then ask, "Who is more challenged?" And remember, handsome men are always get-

ting 'hit on' by prettier women. In time, he'll hook up with a fox and dump you.

But if you happen to be in a dimly lit bar and see a guy wearing baggy jeans, worn out sneakers, an oversized sleeveless T shirt with the words "bang me" inscribed on the front, then take a closer look. A guy dressed like that is definitely not on the hunt and not being dressed by a woman. He's probably given up.

On your personal 1 through 10 scale of handsome-challenged, if he rates a score of five or over, run! Only hit on the dogs 'cause they're always more generous and grateful. Ya see, ladies, men think with the lower parts of their bodies, but you, Miss Smarty Pants, use the only head you have.

And finally, girls, remember when the lights go out, who cares how handsome-challenged he is as long as he doesn't snore.

Grover Franklin Kennedy

Grover Franklin Kennedy, 72, of Highlands, NC passed away on Saturday, September 7, 2013. Born in Chatham County, he was the son of the late Arthur and Athelene Moody Kennedy. He was a shrimp-er in Florida, and a landscaper in Highlands. He was a member of Highlands United Methodist Church.

Mr. Kennedy is survived by his wife of nine years, Barbara Kennedy; one daughter, Cynthia Marie Flowers of Franklin; one son, Duane Kennedy of Highlands; one brother, Jerry Kennedy; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Johnny Kennedy.

A memorial service was held Wednesday, September 11, 2013 at Highlands United Methodist Church with Rev. Paul Christy and Rev. Beth Bowser officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to American Kidney Fund, 11921 Rockville Pike, Suite 300, Rockville, MD 20852.

Bryant-Grant Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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Labor Day Swim 'lessons'

On Labor Day, Diana Nyad completed her childhood dream of swimming the more than 100-mile distance between Cuba and the Florida Keys, becoming the first person to do so without a protective cage.

Not only did Nyad have to complete this journey without a protective cage, for her record to be official, she had to swim continuously until the journey was complete. This requirement caused eating and staying hydrated to be a difficult task. Additionally, staying awake for 53 hours straight was a bit of a challenge as well.

Perhaps the most difficult part of Nyad's swim was the large amount of salt water she ingested with every breath caused by the protective jellyfish mask she wore, which put her in a severely dehydrated state.

To me, this act of athleticism did not seem like much fun. Initially, this appeared to be a senseless act to accomplish a personal goal ... not to mention, downright crazy. I told one of my clients that if they ever hear about me participating in such a heroic endeavor, they should find me and remind me that it is not something I want to do.

Conversely, the truth is there is much to learn from Nyad's swim. The truth is I have nothing but respect for what was accomplished. The efforts put into preparing for the swim and the extreme conditions that were endured are something we all should admire.

However, what I admire most about Nyad's Labor Day swim is that she completed this swim on her fifth try and at 64 years of age. Let me be clear, I do not feel 64 is old. Undoubtedly, Diana Nyad has proven that. But, I don't think any of us would blame a 64-year-old for giving up on such a physically exhausting goal, especially after failing on four previous attempts over the past 35 years.

But, she didn't give up. She continued to improve both mentally and physically. Nyad didn't care that she was 64; she simply wanted to get better. She wanted to accomplish a goal, set a record and catch the dream she had been chasing since she was eight!

While Nyad's swim was a bit crazy, I have come to realize it was not just a senseless act to accomplish a personal goal.

Nyad swam to inspire us to not give up



R. Garrett Tandy, Jr.
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and to prove that we are never too old to chase our dreams. Many of us may not be old or ever dream of attempting a physical feat such as previously described but, I hope we are at least inspired to undertake a new task which may have previously seemed unattainable, continue to work toward a previous goal that may have become too challenging and finally realize that we shouldn't let trivial difficulties get in the way of things

that would be beneficial, fun and enjoyable.

• R. Garrett Tandy Jr., M.A.Ed., CSCS, Titleist Performance Institute CGFI; Lead Personal Trainer Highlands Country Club-Highlands NC; Personal Trainer Lost Tree Club-North Palm Beach NC; 252-475-0687; www.GarrettTandyFitness.com; Follow him @GTandyFitness

Performing Arts Building — UPDATE —

At the August Town Board meeting, Mayor David Wilkes announced that Jane Woodruff told him she was going to build a Performing Arts Building in Highlands, but few details were forthcoming.

Now, according to Town Manager Bob Frye, Jane Woodruff is talking about building a Performing Arts Building where it was proposed 17 years ago – on the Rec Park property.

"At this point we are waiting for Ms. Woodruff's people to finish their cost estimates so she can decide if she is going to move forward," he said.

Frye said they are having to go back and revisit the plans due to changes in costs over the last 17 years and the changes in regulations such as ADA.

"At this point, I don't think that they will be in a position to discuss this until the October Board meeting," he said.

— **Kim Lewicki**

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retirement in July. Horton, who was worked in local government for 36 years and has been in his role as Macon County Manager since 2008, is scheduled to have his last day of service come at the end of the month.

"I appreciate all the support I have gotten from the county and I have enjoyed my tenure here as your county manager," said Horton.

With Horton's last day slated for September 30, commissioner unanimously voted to appoint the board's clerk, Mike Decker, as interim county manager while the search for Horton's replacement continues.

"I have talked to Mike about it, and while he has no interest in remaining in the county manager position permanently, he is willing to serve until we find a permanent replacement," said Corbin.

Board attorney Chester Jones informed the board that by state statute, the county had to have a manager in place and that Decker would be able to fulfill those duties on an interim basis.

Corbin explained that Decker will serve as interim county manager for one month, and if the search for a county commissioner is not complete by November 1, Horton has agreed to

return to Macon County to act as county manager on a contract basis until no later than Jan. 1. Corbin explained that legally, Horton must be "retired" for a full month before being allowed to return to work for the county in any capacity.

"By cutting off the application, we hope to have a new county manager in the next few months, but we are grateful that both Mike and Jack are willing to work with us until we get that settled," said Corbin.

Commissioner Ronnie Beale requested that the application end date be bumped up a week to September 17. "I just think we are already going to get into some trouble with interviews during the holiday months of November and December," explained Beale. "Having to have people come here and leave their families around the holidays. I don't see any reason why we cannot stop taking applications next Tuesday."

On a unanimous vote, the board agreed to end the application process on September 17 and to appoint Mike Decker as interim county manager effective October 1.

Each of the commissioners took time to thank Horton for his service and guidance during their respective tenures on the board.

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the source.

Knowing what county your property is in can affect property taxes, emergency and fire calls, school districts, and the handling of permits and policies.

For instance, Jackson County's building requirements are stricter than Macon County's.

As for taxes, Macon County's tax rate is 27.9 cents per \$100, and Jackson County's is 28 cents per \$100 value; so a change in jurisdiction tax-wise wouldn't make much difference.

Macon and Jackson counties follow the Cowee range of mountains in a northerly course — the watershed be-

tween the Tennessee and the Tuckaseegee valleys and its those ridge lines that defined the county lines long ago. However, due to development — golf courses, homes, etc. — the natural ridge lines have been altered.

Exactly how many parcels of property could be affected by the survey is the "million dollar question," said Macon County Tax Appraiser Richard Lightner.

"We worked on this over 20 years ago and had it pretty well cleaned up with our maps and Jackson's. However, over the years, surveyors indicated approximate county lines and that has put some properties into question concerning which county has them listed," said Lightner.

"I cannot say it enough, but there is no better manager in the state than Jack Horton," said Commissioner Ronnie Beale. "We really hate to see you go."

"If we could have it our way, we would vote not to let you retire, but are so thankful for everything you have done for us and for the people of Macon County," said Commissioner Corbin.

"You have been so great to me as the new guy on the board," said Commissioner Jimmy Tate. "Thank you for being patient with me and making sure I knew what I was talking about when a lot of times I had no clue."

"I have known you a long time and consider you a dear friend, good luck in your future endeavors," said Commissioner Higdon.

— **Brittany Burns**

Food for Fuel Luncheon

First Presbyterian Church presents its annual Food for Fuel Luncheon 11:45a to 1:45p in Coleman Hall in the church, Sunday, Sept. 15.

The luncheon is free but donations are accepted. All proceeds go to the Highlands Emergency Council to provide heating for 64 families. Reservations are required. Call 526-3175.

He said that in the entire scheme of things, the numbers and value of the properties are insignificant. "If I were to guess, I would say 20-50 properties are involved with a total value of \$10-\$20 million. If we adjust anything it would likely be along Wildcat Ridge and in the Cullasaja Club," he said.

Lightner said he believes Jackson County has some very valuable properties listed in its county that should be listed in Macon County.

For the survey to take place, both Macon and Jackson counties had to request it from the N.C. Geodetic Survey — which they have.

— **Kim Lewicki**

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• A Gilliam's Promise fundraiser. Raffle tickets on a 2003 Mitsubishi Eclipse Spyder convertible. \$25 per ticket or 5 for \$100. We will give the car away at our annual 5K race on September 21 and you don't need to be present to win. The car can be seen at Franklin Ford most days, or at the Highlands Farmers Market on Saturday mornings, or you can call Gilliam's Promise office at 828-526-2220 for information on how to get your tickets.

Through Oct. 15

• Join the "Winkler Challenge" for Hudson Library. Horst and Margaret Winkler are offering the library \$35,000 if it can collect a matching amount. Donations will be accepted July 15-October 15.

• Prentiss Church of God Blood Drive from 1-6p. Please contact Jean Crane at (828) 524-4976 for further information or to schedule your appointment.

Thurs.-Fri., Sept 12-13

• BCBS Flu Shot clinic - FREE flu shots for BCB-SNC and Medicare Part B members, \$30 for all others - Jane Woodruff Clinic First Floor

• Books Are Fun Book Fair - Thursday 12-6pm & Friday 7am-1pm, 10% of proceeds benefits the HCH Ladies Auxiliary, Jane Woodruff Clinic first floor lobby

Thurs., Sept. 12

• CLE presents middle east expert Sandra Mackey who will discuss the latest developments in Syria at 7 p.m. at The Highlands Playhouse. Free.

• The Western North Carolina Woodturners Club will meet on Thursday 6 PM at the Blue Ridge School, in Glensville, N.C. Drive to the back of the school to the

woodworking shop. Visitors are always welcomed.

• The League of Women Voters of Macon County will host a program featuring new superintendent of schools for Macon County, Dr. Chris Baldwin in Tartan Hall at the First Presbyterian Church of Franklin at noon. Bring your own lunch.

Fri., Sept. 13

• Highlands Plateau Audubon will lead a walk at the Highlands Botanical Gardens on in conjunction with the Native Plant Conference. For more information call 828-743-9670.

Sat., Sept. 14

• Dazzling Dahlias, Highlands 3rd Annual Dahlia Festival is Saturday from 1-5p.m. Tickets are \$5 at the door. Exhibitor fees is \$10. Contact Joyce Franklin at 526-9418 or jfran@aol.com. Proceeds benefit the Highlands Historical Society and the Highlands Recreation Center.

• The Nantahala Hiking Club will take 6.5 mile moderate hike with elevation change of 1,200 feet in Little Cataloochie in the Smoky Mtn. National Park, a rarely visited section of the Smokies with views of old home sites, churches, barns and cemeteries, and wildlife. Meet at Ingles in Waynesville at 9 a.m. Drive 50 miles round trip. Call leader Keith Patton, 456-8895, for reservations. Hike limited to 15.

• Dedication of the Wright Memorial Garden off Helen Barn's Ave behind Wright Square at 11 a.m followed by visiting and refreshments in Helen's Barn.

• Land of the Sky Barbershop Chorus, Asheville chapter of the International Barbershop Harmony Soci-

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Highlands Laurel Garden Club Kitchen Tour and Cooking Events Mon.-Sat, Sept. 16-21

The Laurel Garden Club will host its second Kitchen Tour. During the week, enjoy uniquely themed dinners with cooking demonstrations from some of the fabulous chefs of the Blue Ridge Mountains. The week will culminate on Saturday, September 21, with a tour of six fabulous kitchens in Highlands Country Club with cooking demonstrations, design tips, fabulous food and much more. After the tour, visit The Pantry, a garden and home shop featuring food, antiques and garden items. Shuttles will depart from the Performing Arts Center on Chestnut Street every half hour from 9 am to 1:30 pm. Tickets to the Kitchen Tour are \$60 per person.

Preceding the Kitchen Tour will be three intimate culinary events on September 16, 17 and 20. On September 16, watch Wolfgang Green work his magic in an outdoor venue as he prepares a grilled feast including lobster and other delicacies in a state of the art Viking outdoor kitchen

while drinking locally brewed beer and carefully selected wines.

On September 17, the new Executive Chef of Mountaintop Golf and Lake Club will educate and transform the fruits and vegetables of local gardens into a gastronomical feast in a stunning Mountaintop setting. Tickets to both of these events are \$140 per person. And on September 20 the final culinary event, "Mad Men Cocktail Party" will offer an evening of favorite tunes from the '60s, while enjoying updated appetizers and cocktails from that period in the comfort of a spectacular, contemporary Cold Springs home. This event is sold out.

Proceeds from the Kitchen Tour go to our mission to aid in the protection and conservation of our natural resources and encourage civic beauty and roadside beautification. For more information or tickets go to laurelgardenclubhighlands.com or the Dry Sink on Main Street.

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ety, at the Performing Arts Center, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15, students are free. Call 828-526-9047. Credit Cards accepted.

• At The Bascom, The Three Potters from 10a to noon and from 1-4p, three of the most successful and well-known potters in the nation – Cynthia Bringle, Michael Sherrill, and Ron Meyers, come together for simultaneous potter-making, story-telling, and audience and artists' interaction. All levels and ages welcome. Free. Call 526-

4949.

Sun., Sept. 15

• HCCMF's "Come to the Cabaret! at the Highlands Playhouse at 6 p.m. Jason and Carrie Hardy accompanied by pianist William Ransom, will sing Broadway favorites, opera and American Songbook selections. It's an evening to benefit the Highlands-Cashiers Chamber Music Festival and the Highlands Playhouse. Tickets are \$100 per person. For more information or reservations, call (828)

526-9060.

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• The Nantahala Hiking Club will take a one-mile easy-to-moderate hike with elevation change of 200 feet on the Rufus Morgan Trail through woods to a beautiful falls. Bring camera, snack, & sit-upon. Meet at Westgate

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Middle East expert Sandra Mackey at Highlands Playhouse Thurs. night

By Millie Ball

From the deadly serious situation in Syria to the never-ending news and gossip on social media, and relentless promotions for smart phones (iPhone or Droid?), tablets and laptops, it's hard to know where to begin. Whew!

As usual, the Center for Life Enrichment is stepping in to help.

• Tonight's topic, Thursday, Sept. 12 - A Conversation about Syria and Egypt - may be CLE's most important presentation this year. And it's free. Highlands resident Sandra Mackey, a university professor and journalist, who lived in the Middle East and wrote six books on the Arab world, will begin her talk at 7 p.m. Thursday at Highlands Playhouse. With a born teacher's ability to explain complex issues, she also has written about the Middle East for The New York Times and The Wall Street Journal.

• CLE's annual meeting/par-

ty from 5-7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 16 at CLE headquarters at the Peggy Crosby Center, 348 S. Fifth St., Highlands. Unless noted otherwise, all events are at the Crosby Center.

• Nigel Sixsmith, a guru for Western North Carolina users of all things Apple, is teaching yet another class, this on on iPhoto for Apple Computers (\$70) from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20.

Sixsmith also will lead courses on iPad Apps and Websites Oct. 4; iPad 101 and iPad 102, Oct. 11 and 18 respectively; and iOS7 on Nov. 13-14. Apple CEO Tim Cook said the new Apple operating system, announced Sept. 10, is the "biggest change to iOS since the introduction of the iPhone" in 2007.

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Fall Home Improvement

Top Tasks for Your Fall Home Maintenance Checklist

(StatePoint) Keeping your home in shape may not top your daily to-do list, but completing certain small seasonal tasks can save you money, time and the need to complete larger, more expensive projects in the future.

“Investing a small amount for preventative fall home maintenance can save thousands in the long run,” Leah Ingram, personal finance expert, says.

Don't know where to start? The following checklist from HomeAdvisor can help homeowners prepare their homes for the cooler months:

- **Clean gutters:** During the year, debris such as leaves and twigs can pile in your gutter. Cleaning them once a year prevents problems such as water damage, roof damage and flooding.

- **Service your furnace:** A well-maintained furnace can help save on heating costs and prevent the need for repairs. Before temperatures drop, schedule your furnace to be serviced.

- **Install weather stripping:** As fuel and electricity costs continue to rise, keeping your home

warm without wasting money and energy is important. Weather stripping your doors and windows can make a big impact.

- **Winterize sprinklers:** Removing all the water that's in the lines, pipes, fittings, valves, sprinklers and pumps will prevent your equipment from freezing, expanding and potentially breaking. Hire a professional to attach an air compressor to the system to blow out the water from the lines, pipes and other parts. The service is inexpensive and a professional will know the proper amount of volume and pressure to use to ensure no water is left in the system.

- **Clean your chimney:** Chimney maintenance is not optional. Deadly fires, carbon monoxide poisoning and expensive chimney repairs are serious consequences associated with neglected chimney maintenance. The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommends all fireplaces, chimneys, flues and venting systems be inspected at least once a year by a pro.

- **Flush your water**



heater: Generally speaking, water heaters are fairly reliable, so they usually aren't top of mind. But flushing your water heater periodically can prevent leaks and promote efficiency.

“Hiring a professional for fall maintenance tasks like these is a great

idea,” Ingram says. “Use a resource such as Cost Guide to research the average price of a project in your zip code before hiring a pro.”

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Fall Home Improvement

Tips to Cut Home Utility Bills and Improve Comfort and Energy Efficiency

(StatePoint) Having trouble keeping your home comfortable year-round? You're not alone. The average mid-size U.S. home has a staggering half mile of gaps and cracks that outside air, including dust and allergens, can infiltrate and that inside, conditioned air can leak out of, according to the Air Barrier Association of America.

Just as you wouldn't want to leave a window open in winter or summer, you don't want to let gaps and small holes around windows, doors, plumbing penetrations and electrical outlets go unaddressed.

By doing some straightforward air sealing and insulating projects around the home, homeowners can typically save up to 30 percent on home energy costs, according to the Residential Energy Services Network (RESNET). Even if you're not that handy, you're in luck. Sealing your home is as simple as knowing your 1,2,3's and ABC's.

All you need to get

started is:

- **One sealant:** An inexpensive product can do the trick. Opt for a versatile sealant, such as Great Stuff Insulating Foam Sealant, to tackle a series of sealing projects around the home.

- **Two Hours:** It only takes a couple of hours to seal all those gaps and cracks that cause drafts in your home. Doing so will permanently increase the comfort, performance and energy-efficiency of your house. For a complete home sealing project checklist, visit www.GreatStuff.dow.com/pdfs/checklist.pdf.

- **Three Locations:** Three key locations will be impacted the most by air sealing projects -- the attic, basement and central living space.

So where should you start looking? An easy trick to remember is the ABC's of air sealing:

- **A is for Attic:** The attic is one of the main places in the home you're likely to lose heat. So in addition to adding insulation, seal around the attic door to help keep air from escaping. You'll keep heat inside your living



space and make your family comfortable year-round by sealing the attic tightly to prevent drafts.

- **B is for Basement:** It's damp, dark and cold, and often one of the largest air leakage culprits in the home. It's also the most accessible, making it an excellent place to start sealing to prevent cooler air from seeping into the rest of your house.

- **C is for Central Living Areas:** Don't neglect the most trafficked areas of your house where you eat, sleep, watch TV and hang out. Fill the gaps and cracks in your living spaces -- including around electrical outlets and plumbing penetra-

tions -- to prevent drafts throughout the year that directly impact the comfort of the home.

By sealing plumbing penetrations with sealants like Great Stuff Insulating Foam Sealants, homeowners can begin to see financial returns after less than half a month, saving \$45 annually, according to a recent study conducted by Dow Building Solutions and DR Nelson & Associates.

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Monday, Sept. 16

- Themed Dinner and Cooking Demonstration. Fundraiser for the Laurel Garden Club. "Rubs and Suds." \$140 per person, 30 guests max. Purchase tickets on line at www.LaurelGardenClubHighlands.com

Tuesday, Sept. 17

- Themed Dinner and Cooking Demonstration. Fundraiser for the Laurel Garden Club. "Garden to Table." \$140 per person. 30 guests max. Purchase tickets on line at www.LaurelGardenClubHighlands.com

- The Battle of Sugartown Chapter of the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution encourages all churches, schools, courthouses, fire houses, veterans' homes, city governments, and individuals to ring bells on Tuesday at 4 p.m. EST in all time zones so that they are heard simultaneously from coast to coast. Let's celebrate our wonderful United States Constitution and let the sounds of freedom ring throughout our community!

Wed., Sept. 18

- At Paoletti's, a fundraiser for MAMA (Mountain Area Medical Airlift). The event will begin with passed canapés and bubbly then a six-course dinner with appropriate wine pairings. If interested in taking part in this crucial fundraiser and for details, please RSVP by Fri., Sept. 13

at: 828-526-4906 for details.

Thurs., Sept. 19

- Taize on the Mountain. A time of music, light, peace and beauty at 6 p.m. in K-H Park on Pine Street at 6 p.m.

- Franklin Community Blood Drive at the First Baptist Church of Franklin from 12:30-5p. Please contact Joe Sustarsic at (828) 369-9559 for further information or to schedule your appointment.

Friday, Sept. 20

- Themed Dinner and Cooking Demonstration. Fundraiser for the Laurel Garden Club. "Mad Men Cocktail Party." \$60 per person. 50 guests max. Purchase tickets on line at www.LaurelGardenClubHighlands.com

Saturday, Sept. 21

- A program on managing bear attractants with demonstrations of bear deterrents, including electric fences, by the B.E.A.R. Task Force. Highlands Nature Center amphitheater at 4 p.m. Alternate location if it rains is the Civic Center. For more info call 828-526-9227.
- Gilliam's Promise annual 5K race at the Highlands Recreation Park. Registration begins at 8a, the race starts at 9a, and it is once again followed by our famous post race brunch. Runners and walkers are all welcome and can register at active.com, or call Gilliam's Promise office at 526-2220 for more info.

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The 2013 Dahlia Festival Committee. From left: Janice Duke, John Newsome, Kitty Moore, Beverly Howell, Raya McArthur, Judy Taylor, Linda New, Joyce Franklin (Chair). Not shown: Ann Sullivan, Sandie Travathan, Carolyn Tanner, Anna Bradley, Mopsy Aldridge

Highlands 3rd Annual Dazzling Dahlias Festival benefiting the Highlands Historical Society and the Highlands Recreation Center is Saturday, September 14 from 1-5 p.m. at the Civic Center/Rec Park. Submission of dahlias for display begins at 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13 and on Saturday, Sept. 14 from 8:30-10 a.m. at the Rec Park. Categories are Best Bloom over 8", Best Bloom under 8", Multiple Blooms, Novelties, Arranged Dahlias, and Professional Blooms. The entry fee is \$10 per category. Make checks payable to HHS. Mail to Joyce Franklin, 890 Horse Cove road. Highlands, NC, 28741 or credit card through www.highlandshistory.com

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Land of Sky Barbershop Chorus

Sat., Sept. 14 at PAC



This distinctly American form of cappella singing -- Barbershop Harmony -- will grace the stage at the Performing Art Center on Chestnut Street this Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 available at the door or by phone at 526-9047.

The Land of Sky Chorus trademark is harmony and hilarity themed and scripted to perfection.

The Land of Sky Chorus's barbershop singing will conjure up visions of the silvery moons, straw-hatted strollers and spooning couples of a nostalgic past.

The performers ages range in age from 22 to 83!

• SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING •

You Are Not Forgotten



Pastor Gary Hewins
Community Bible Church

Two thousand years ago little boys would hang out near the Jordan River in Palestine and goof around. Sometimes they would go looking for reeds. If you cut holes in a reed you could make a cool musical instrument. The best reeds for making music were mature and straight. If one of the boys came across a reed that had been bent or twisted he would likely chuck it in the river or in the woods. It was no good. It's tough to make music out of bruised reeds. In fact, it's a waste of time to even try.

Later in the day, when one of those boys and his family went to visit another family for dinner they would likely leave a flax or wick in a bowl of oil to light the house in their absence. If the family stayed out too late, all the oil would burn up. Their home would then smell of nasty smoldering flax. Smoldering flax smells awful.

Sometimes we as individuals go through deeply difficult times physically, emotionally, spiritually and financially. Sometimes life stinks. Sometimes the music stops playing and there is no reason to dance. Where is God in the pain? Where is God in the confusion? Where is God in the turmoil?

He is nearer than we may even imagine. After 17 years of ministering the Word of God I can faithfully say that the Holy Spirit makes beautiful music out of the most bruised people and He provides a new fragrance of celebration in those who once felt empty and exhausted. The Bible puts it this way: "A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice..." Isaiah 42:3. God hasn't given up on you and you are not forgotten. He will intervene.

How does that intervention begin? If you are hurting, feeling discarded, or if your life stinks consider the following prayer over the next few weeks. See what a little faith will do.

"Father, I want to know Christ. I really want to know Christ and the power of His resurrection in my life. Would you personally overwhelm me with yourself more than I am overwhelmed with the things in life? Would you be really obvious with me-I don't want to miss you or be distracted away from you. Be real to me in a way that has depth and power. I can no longer be my own god in some or all areas of my life. Be who you are in my life in a way that I know it is you. I invite you to reveal yourself to me in keeping with your nature and your love. I no longer want to be anxious and afraid. I no longer want to be hurt, easily hurttable or hurtful to others. Please reign in my life and

• See SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING page 19

John 3:16

• PLACES TO WORSHIP •

Proverbs 3:5

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According to the UDO, a brew pub is a brewery that sells 25% or more of its beer on site. The beer is brewed primarily for sale on the brewery site and is often dispensed directly from the brewery's storage tanks. Retail and wholesale of the product is allowed, but is limited to a maximum of 1,000 barrels of production per year.

Heinlein now represents the Satulah Mountain Brewing Company and if all goes as planned will be opening on 454 Carolina Way by the end of September or early this fall.

According to the SUP application, Satulah Mountain Brewing Company will offer locally sourced and hand-crafted brews and will produce under 500 barrels a year for both wholesale distribution to local establishments and for retail sale on site.

Initial operating hours will be 2-9 p.m. The craft beer will be on tap and local wine and snacks might also be available.

The brewpub is permitted in the B-3 zoning district of Carolina Way and one parking space for each 250 sq. ft. of gross floor space is required. There will be three parking spaces in front and three in back of the building.

In his application, Heinlein said Satulah Mountain Brewing would like to capitalize on the growing popularity of hand-crafted ales and become the town's first brewpub.

Since the SUP application is in order and the business is allowed as per the UDO, it's likely the Zoning Board will grant the SUP. The meeting took place after press time, so the final outcome will be discussed in the Sept 19 edition.

— Kim Lewicki

Wright Memorial Garden dedication is Sat., Sept 14 at 11 a.m.



Years ago a promise was made by Harry Wright, in his will, that a small piece of the four-acre plot of land purchased by Charlie and Helen "Oopie" Wright (Wilson) in 1914 be set aside in memory of them. The years passed; no memorial was ever produced.

Two years ago Robert Wright, his son, and Linda Wright David, daughter of Chester Wright, got together with the one surviving daughter, Maxie Wright Duke, Vernon "Josh" Wilson, children and grandchildren of Grace Wright Watson and Thomas Barak Wright, to make that promise become a reality.

On Saturday, September 14 at 11a.m., dancers, friends and family are asked to gather at the Salt Rock, Helen's Barn Avenue, Wright Square, to dedicate the garden to the memory of Charlie and Helen. A large native stone holds the appropriate plaque describing their lives, and their contributions to the life of the Highlands area.

The short ceremony will be led by Robert Wright who will make comments as to the reason for the garden's existence, followed by readings of the plaque by Grandson Buddy Watson and Granddaughter, Helen W. Hedden. Maxie Duke will lead the Dedicatory Remarks and Buddy Watson will trumpet "Amazing Grace" before the benediction by Linda Wright David.

All are invited to visit, reminisce, take pictures, and enjoy refreshments in Helen's Barn, courtesy of Wade Ennis and the grandchildren of the Wrights following the ceremony.



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• BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NEWS •

Emergency Council subject of MountainTop Rotary meeting

The good works done by the Highlands Emergency Council's Emergency Fuels Program was the topic of discussion at last week's Mountaintop Rotary program. Pictured are Mary Anne Creswell, director of Highland's Emergency Council, Jennifer Creswell, treasurer of Highlands Emergency Council and Hillrie Quin, Mountaintop Rotary President.

Mary Anne, informed club members that last year the Council was able to provide over \$17,000 in assistance to Highland's area residents who otherwise would not have been able to afford fuel to heat their homes. Mary Anne reminded club members that the Emergency Council operates a thrift shop located at 71 Poplar Street in Highlands. She also thanked Mountaintop Rotary for their generous donation to the Emergency Council's Funds for Fuel program and encouraged club members to attend the Council's Food for



The Emergency Council's Food for Fuel free luncheon at the First Presbyterian Church is September 15, in Coleman Hall in the church 11:45a to 1:45p. Call 526-3175 for reservations. Donations accepted.

Fuel complimentary luncheon (donations accepted) to be held at the First Presbyterian Church on September 15, in Coleman Hall, 471 Main Street, Highlands from 11:45 A.M. to 1:45 P.M. Reservation by Wednesday, September 8 would be appreciated. For more information call 526-3175. Guest are always welcome at all Mountaintop Rotary meetings which are held every Wednesday beginning at 7:30 A.M. in the cafeteria dining room at Highlands Hospital. Come be a part and learn more about Mountaintop Rotary's contributions here in Highlands and through out the world.

September 17 – 23 is Constitution Week



September 17th, 2013, marks the 226th anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America. A proclamation is issued each year by the President of the United States designating September 17th - 23rd, as Constitution Week. Highlands Mayor David Wilkes does recognize the week of September 17th as Constitution Week, and all citizens are encouraged to reaffirm the ideals the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787, this year's proclamation was presented to Pamela Harris, DAR Chairman of Constitution Week.

• POLICE AND FIRE REPORTS •

Highlands PD log entries from Aug. 9. Only the names of persons arrested, issued a Class-3 misdemeanor, or public officials have been used.

Aug. 18

• At 10:49 a.m., officers were called to Highlands Community Child Development Center about a vehicle that was involved in a hit and run in Franklin.

Aug. 24

• At 3:32 a.m., Jedadiah Joshua Beaseley, 31, of Highlands, was arrested for resisting a public officer. He was issued a \$500 secured bond. His trial date is Sept. 19, 2013.

Aug. 25

• At 2:15 a.m., officers were called to The Lost Hiker on Carolina Way about a patron who was drunk and disorderly. Aug. 26

• At 3 p.m., officers were called to a residence on Hicks Road concerning a civil dispute.

Aug. 30

• At 2:14 p.m., officers responded to a one-vehicle accident on US 64 east near Sherwood Forest Road.

• At 2:30 p.m., officers responded to a shoplifting incident at Potpourri 2 on Main Street where a cell phone case valued at \$20 and a dummy cell phone were taken.

Aug. 31

• At 9:30 a.m., a burglary with forcible entry and larceny was reported at The Toy Shop on Main Street where a safe was broken into and \$1,500 in cash, gold cuff links with jade and pearl insets valued at \$150, emerald earrings valued at \$200, two passports, and two birth certificates were taken. The exterior door frame & lock valued at \$500 were damaged.

• At 5:15 p.m., officers responded to a two-vehicle accident on S. 4th Street.

• At 1:30 p.m., Jose Lues Hernandez-Garcia, 24, of Franklin, was arrested for DWI, driving without a license and driving on the sidewalk on Spring Street. He was issued at \$1,000 secured bond. His trial date is Oct. 9, 2013.

Sept. 1

• At 5:15 p.m., officers responded to a two-vehicle accident on N. 4th Street near Oak Street.

• At 7:47 p.m., officers received a call about an open door at a residence on Upper Lake Road.

• At 8:15 p.m., officers received a complaint about barking dogs at a residence on Azalea Circle.

• At 3:30 p.m., Brett Nathan Cater, 28, of Anderson, S.C., was arrested for an assault on a female at a residence on Paul Walden Road.

Sept. 3

• At 7:41 p.m., officers were called to Regions Bank on Spring Street concerning construction noise after 6 p.m. without a permit.

Sept. 4

• At 9:15 a.m., officers were called to a residence on Paul Walden Road concerning a domestic argument.

• At 8:20 a.m., officers were called to a residence

on Maple Street concerning vandalism to a parked vehicle whose tires had been punctured.

The Highlands Fire & Rescue Dept. log entries from Aug. 27

Aug. 27

• At 12:14 p.m., the dept. responded to an alarm at a residence on Horse Cove Road. It was false.

• At 1:43 p.m., the dept. responded to an alarm at a residence on Hill Road. It was false.

• At 3:02 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to assist EMS at a residence on US 64 east. There was no transport.

• At 5:08 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to assist EMS at a residence on N. 5th Street where a woman had fallen while walking. EMS transported to the hospital.

Aug. 28

• At 2:36 p.m., the dept. responded to a call of a brush fire in the vicinity of Mt. Lori Drive. It was unfounded.

• At 10:41 p.m., the dept. responded to an alarm at OEI on Spring Street. It was false.

Aug. 29

• At 10:44 a.m., the dept. responded to a Life Alert alarm from Laurelwood Court but it was cancelled by the alarm company.

• At 3:11 p.m., the dept. responded to an alarm at a residence on Hutchinson Court. It was false.

• At 3:49 p.m., the dept. responded to an alarm at a residence on Streamside Lane. It was false.

Aug. 30

• At 2:10 p.m., the dept. responded to a vehicle accident on N. 4th Street where the driver was pinned in. It used the Jaws of Life to remove the door and extricate the driver. EMS transported to the hospital.

• At 9:49 p.m., the dept. received a report of a possible structure fire at a residence on Wildwood Drive. The fire was caused by an electric short. There was about \$4,000 in damage.

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wash me of the sin in my life that so easily entangles me. I want to be free through you. I ask you for enough faith to see this come to pass. Share yourself with me as I share myself with you. I need something and someone to celebrate-I want to have enough reason to celebrate you. I desire a passion for you that comes from you and leaves me satisfied, and with purpose. I'm asking you for an appetite and a thirst for your Word and the means to understand you. I have much to be grateful for but not one to personally be grateful to-I want you Lord-I am ready for a revolution that liberates. Here I am, help me. I want and need to be free from anything and anyone that keeps me from you. Amen."

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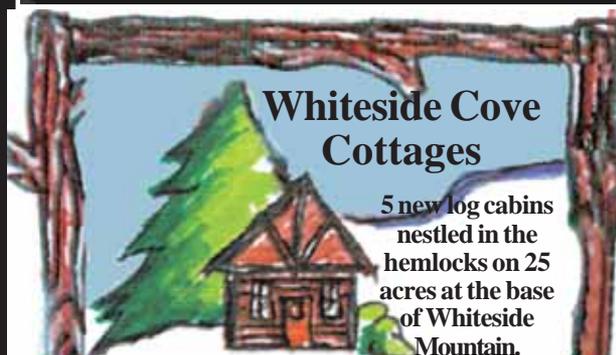
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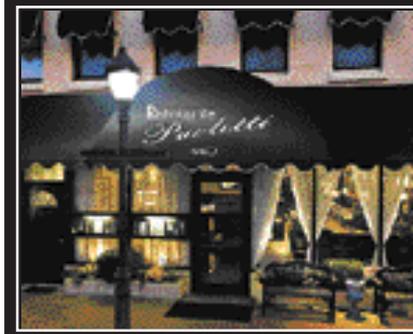
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