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## HS gym roof replacement to remedy shoddy work

A long list of problems with Highlands School's new gym roof was presented to the Macon County Board of Education last week.

Architect Mike Watson looked over the roof and recommended the entire roof be replaced citing overall poor workmanship and attention to detail in the construction as being just a few of the many problems.

While the school board didn't take any action during the meeting

on what to do moving forward, according to Macon County Schools Superintendent Dr. Chris Baldwin, the district has since decided to take Watson's recommendations and replace the entire roof.

"After several meetings with roofers, Highlands builders, local engineers and architects, we have taken architect Mike Watson's recommendation and developed a new spec sheet for roofers to use in order to develop and submit a

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## County Manager gets 20% salary bump

Derek Roland was hired as the manager of Macon County three years ago, replacing long time Manager Jack Horton. Before taking on the role of manager, Roland briefly worked for the town of Franklin as Town Planner and prior to that served as the Macon County planner. Roland was hired in 2013 at a salary of \$100,000. In June, Commissioner Jim Tate asked the board to consider opening discussion on increasing Roland's salary.

"Anything we have asked you to do, and I think no one on this board can deny this fact, you not only bring us back an answer, but you always exceed our expectations on what we want to have, what we want to see, and where we want to see this county go," Tate said earlier this summer.

Tuesday night, Tate once again presented the issue to com-

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Workers secure the base to the pad.

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## The US Cellular Tower is up

Back on Feb. 25 the Highlands Town Board gave US Cellular the go ahead to erect an 80-ft.

stealth tower behind the Highlands Fire & Rescue Department

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# • THE PLATEAU'S POSITION •

## • MAYOR ON DUTY •

### Traffic, parking and trash



**Mayor Pat Taylor**

have to soon close Main Street to parking and make it a pedestrian byway like other communities have done." My response was, "Not so fast, maybe in the distant future after careful study and broad community support." My concern would be about the unintentional consequences. Such a proposal sounds wonderful, but what would be the impact? Would Highlands gain, maintain or lose visitors and residents?"

I have a "quasi psychological" theory about our current parking congestion, and how it might be advantageous. Ironically, full parking may cause more people to want to stop and shop in our downtown. Main Street with the many filled parking spaces could have the reverse psychology effect of projecting downtown as an active place, a place for a visitor to stop and check out. Major changes to parking might have a reverse effect also.

So, what if we closed Main Street to traffic and made it a pedestrian venue? Certainly it could change the makeup of our businesses downtown. There may be more restaurants providing outside dining. There may be a move to allow street vendors, artists, musicians and attractions like strolling mimes. (Mimes? Maybe not!)

There would be a lot of major questions to resolve. What would the town do about the loss of parking? Create parking garages? And if so, what would large parking garages do to the streetscape of downtown? Furthermore, NC DOT would want to create a bypass road around the downtown. Yes indeed, a US 64 Alternate Bypass! How would that road impact neighborhoods? And, would a bypass cause folks to pass right by Highlands?

When I sometimes discuss grand community visions with the Town Manager his frequent response is, "Sounds great mayor, but who is going to tote the note." That question would loom big with the major project I have outlined above. Who would pay for the project?

Oh, I have to snap out of my "midsummer dreaming." Back to traffic, trash and parking, at least for now.

## • BIZ/ORG NEWS •

### The Community Foundation awards scholarships totaling \$407,900

Highlands School graduate Remy Adrian is one recipient

The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina recently approved scholarships totaling \$407,900 to 94 students in Western North Carolina. The Foundation administers 60 scholarships of which 45 run a spring cycle offered to high school seniors each year.

Remy Adrian of Highlands School and Gracie Hornsby of Franklin High School were awarded. Scholarship endowments can have broad eligibility criteria or can be focused on a particular school or county, offered to students pursuing a degree in a stated field or available to those who will attend a designated college or university.

"This year, we awarded 106 scholarships from 41 funds," said Jennie Eblen, member of the WNC Regional Selection

Committee. "The generous people who set up these funds had the foresight to invest in our future. Their support helps young people in Western North Carolina achieve their educational dreams. It's an honor to assist these bright, talented and motivated students."

The Community Foundation is a non-profit serving eighteen counties in Western North Carolina. Last year, CFWNC facilitated \$18.9 in charitable giving. Discretionary resources are focused on People in Need, Early Childhood Development, Food and Farming and Natural and Cultural Resources. CFWNC inspires philanthropy and mobilizes resources to enrich lives and communities in Western North Carolina. Information can be found at [www.cfwnc.org](http://www.cfwnc.org).

### Macon County Commissioner elected to national board

Macon County Commissioner Ronnie Beale was elected to the National Association of Counties' (NACo) Board of Directors during the NACo Annual Conference in Long Beach, Calif., on July 23.

Beale, who is currently serving as Past President of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC), was elected unanimously by the NCACC membership to a two-year term on the NACo Board.

"I am deeply honored to have been chosen for this prestigious position," Beale said. "It is very important for North Carolina to have a strong voice within our national organization, and I look forward to representing all 100 North Carolina counties and especially those issues important to Macon County."

Beale is the first commissioner from Macon County elected to the NACo Board

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# • OBITUARIES •

## Amy Elizabeth Bauknight

Amy Elizabeth Bauknight, 51, of Highlands, NC, went to be with the Lord, August 4, 2016 after a short illness.

Amy will continue sharing her special gifts in her heavenly home. She was born on July 25, 1965 in Lancaster, Ohio. A "Sunshine Girl", she brought joy and a different meaning of life to those she touched through Highlands School and our community and to all who loved her at Annandale Village in Suwanee, GA. Our precious Amy will remain an angel among us. She was an artist, loved needlework, basketball, miniature golf, bowling, walking on the beach. She was a Charter Member of Mountain Laurel Tennis Club, where she practiced with the Highlands Swim team. Among her many Special Olympic medals was the Gold Medal for the Softball Toss in NC



and the Gold Medal in freestyle swimming in GA.

Amy is survived by her parents John Edward Bauknight III and Susan Stetler Bauknight; brother John Edward Bauknight IV and wife Laura, children Ellis and Chappell; brother Mark Stetler Bauknight and wife Stacey, children Macon and Walker; Aunts Jody Bauknight and Sara Stetler Taylor; Uncle Clarence Bauknight and wife Harriet, Uncle Benjamin Stetler.

A celebration of Amy's life was held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, August 9, 2016 at First Presbyterian Church of Highlands. Rev. Emily Wilmarth officiated.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Hospice House Foundation of WNC, Inc, The Eckerd Living Center, or a charity of your choice. Macon Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

## Molly Meiring

Molly Meiring died peacefully in her sleep on Friday, July 29, 2016 in Tampa, FL.

Molly was a brilliant, delightful person who brought much joy to all who knew her. Her compassionate heart reached out to a wide circle of friends and family who were all greatly enriched by knowing her and who will greatly miss her generous spirit.

She is survived by her precious son Jayden who was the light of her life. In addition, she is survived by her mother Cristina Meiring of Charleston, SC, her father Jim Meiring and stepmother Christy Kelly of Highlands, NC, her brother Joseph and his wife Kim Daniels of Austin, TX, grandmother Marilyn Powell of Charleston, SC, and many loving aunts, uncles, cousins and step siblings.

She was preceded in death by her grandfather Joseph Powell of Charleston, SC, her grandparents James and Pat



Meiring of Perrysberg, OH, and her Aunt Mary Meiring, also of Perrysberg.

Molly was born April 28, 1977 in Sewanee, TN. She attended St Andrews School in Sewanee. She received her R.N. at Trident Technical College in Charleston, and her BS in Social Work from The University of South Florida. She was employed by WestCare Gulf Coast

Florida.

A celebration of her life will take place at a later date. The family asks that memorial donations be made to The Alpha House of Tampa at 201 South Tampania Avenue, Tampa, FL 33609 or <http://www.alphahouseoftampa.org/> or donations can be made to the Jayden J. Meiring Memorial Fund by check sent in care of Jayden J. Meiring, 1429 Brockman Circle, Charleston, SC 29412.

Contact: Christy Kelly and Jim Meiring at 828 787-2124

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– specifically behind the Ladder Truck building beside the station.

For most of Tuesday, Aug. 9, Maple Street was closed to through traffic so the semi-trucks carrying the tower compo-

nents could maneuver easily and safely behind the station.

GIS/MIS Director Matt Shuler said the Ladder Truck building will hide most of the

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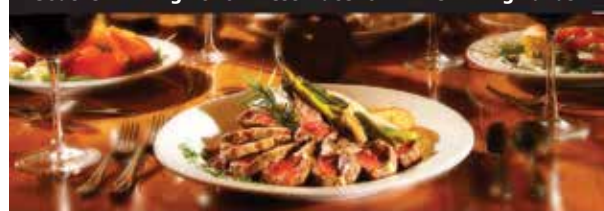
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bid on this project,” said Dr. Baldwin.

MC Board of Education member Stephanie McCall agreed saying that the problem has been evident for more than a decade. “I would like the entire roof taken off and replaced,” she said.

“My top priority is ensuring the safety of our students,” she said. “The current roof leaks and there are puddles of water in the weight room and on the floor of the gym and that’s not acceptable for our students. I want to make sure the tour athletes and our physical education classes have an appropriate facility.”

Watson noted that the roof had an array of problems ranging from exhaust fans to improperly constructed and fastened metal roof pans. The improperly constructed ridge cap caused the leaks on the roof that first caused concern last winter. According to Watson’s recommendation, the ridge caps likely caused leaks from both rain and lack of insulation during colder weather.

Repair of the existing screw holes would be impossible, according to Watson, so he recommended that the school system consider replacement of the entire roof including gutters and downspouts.

Watson also said that with the removal of the metal, gaps in the insulation could be discovered and repaired with spray foam insulation. A new ice and water shield underlayment would provide rapid dry in of the roof as well as give

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pole void of branches from the front of the building and existing shrubbery will hide the pole at the back so most of the pole won’t be visible. The artificial limbs will start a little above the top of the building.

The State Historic Preservation Office nixed a traditional monopole for Highlands due to the many historic sites in the area, so a stealth “tree” tower was the only option.

US Cellular and the town picked artificial white pine limbs because they are native to the area and because they often grow to be 80 feet, said Shuler.

He said the technology is much improved from the first stealth “tree” tower on Satulah Mountain and it will look more natural than older versions.

There will be room on the tower for three carriers and for town equipment – each 10 feet apart with US Cellular on the top and the town on the bottom with the antennas hidden in the branches.

Town Manager Bob Frye said through its agreement with US Cellular, the town owns the tower and will, at some point, deploy equipment on it, “but not for at least the next six months,” he said.

“We are currently working on deploying fiber hard links in the downtown area as well as wireless relays on Big Bear Pen,” said Frye.

According to US Cellular’s representative Chuck Burton, the tower in the middle of town will be a win-win for customers.

“You have super terrain issues here. The Satulah tower simply doesn’t catch everyone. This tower will fill capacity holes. If you can’t see the tower you won’t benefit from its coverage; but it will relieve congestion on the Satulah tower. That one tower can only feed so many people. With most of the density of usage in town, especially during season, the new tower will relieve congestion so people who could not get service before may now be able to.”

lasting protection to the wood nailing surface of the composite Martin Fireproofing Deck. He also advised that the replacement include installation of ice guards on the lower roofs along with lowering the gutters so that ice and snow won’t be a factor.

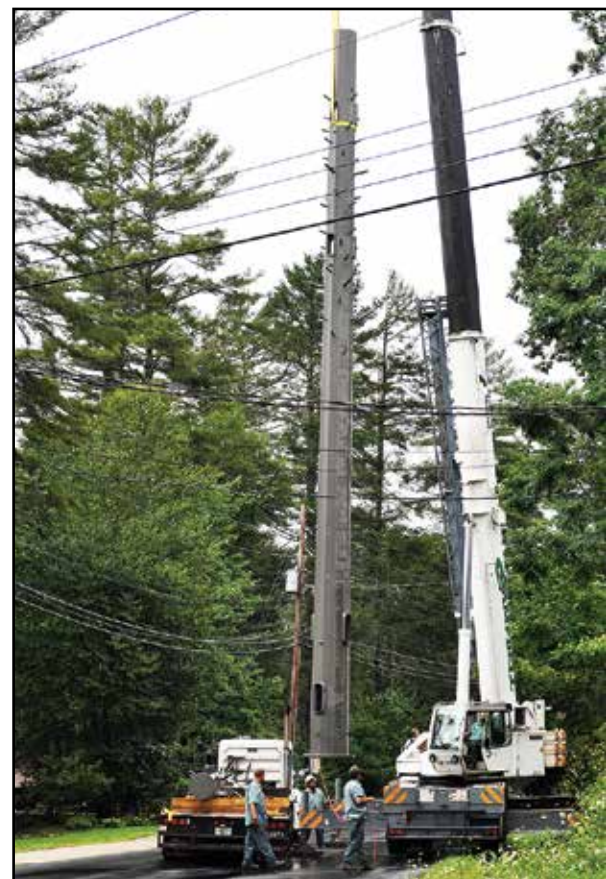
Funds for the new roof have already been earmarked and \$200,000 has been included in the Macon County Board of Commissioners capital outlay allocation for the upcoming year.

“I hope the roof is fixed permanently, and we have no more leaks,” said Highlands School Principal Brian Jetter. “I think the timeline will be dictated by what the engineers, and architects, and contractors decide to do. Our school will do whatever we need to do to assist in making that timeline as effective and efficient as possible.”

The Highlands School gym roof will be replaced this fall

The original concern over the roof came up last winter when ice and rain were evident in and around the leaking roof. With winter season soon approaching, the Highlands area, Dr. Baldwin said ideally they would like to get the replacement completed by Thanksgiving.

“More than setting a timeline to get the roof repaired as soon as possible, I want to make sure that we take our time this time and ensure quality work,” said McCall. “Getting the roof replaced is important, but getting the roof replaced right to make sure this problem doesn’t go on for another 10 years is even more important.”



Staged on Maple Street, contractors worked through the rain connecting all the tower parts and moving them into place.

Photo by Jim Lewicki

It’s expected that other carriers will eventually rent space on the tower.

– Kim Lewicki

# • THE FREDSTER •

## The many faces of our small town called Highlands

When our current administration decided to order where Americans could and could not pee and poop, it was perfect fodder for an out of control satire writer like me. Fun, fun, fun and it had nothing to do with being gay, lesbian, or anything in between. In fact, if I were to give the column on bathroom behavior to our lesbian next door neighbors in Florida, these girls would laugh and take it as silly laughable nonsense! We could not ask for better neighbors. America has become too politically sensitive.



Fred Wooldridge

west-southwest. Be sure to bring your compass.

And on to the subject of Highlands not having a tattoo parlor, I'll admit that when I was fourteen years of age and had zero brains, I got on my bike, rode across the Ohio River on the 4th. St. bridge at night to Indiana and used my allowance to pay for a carnival tattoo of a fly on my butt. Don't get excited, ladies, 'cause when my parents found out about the tattoo the following week, they paid big bucks to have it removed. Ask me how bad that hurt.

Other than getting a permanent tattoo, name another thing you can't get in Highlands including the service of a prostitute. Oy! Should I even bring that up?

If your shopping list consists of items like probiotics, a haircut by an outstanding male barber with a family, a five-star meal at a five-star restaurant or Mexican cuisine, Highlands is your town.

And speaking of Mexicans, are you aware that if we charged the one million Mexicans who legally cross our border each day for work just twenty cents per crossing, it would add two hundred thousand dollars each day to our daily budget. How many transgender bathrooms could we build with that kind of money? Or how about free condoms for everyone. My head is spinning!

And this should upset some of our overly sensitive politically correct Highlanders. When ordering from a Mexican menu, making your selection from the menu only moves the food around on the plate. For example, with selection A, the rice and beans are on the left with the burrito facing north and on selection B, they are on the right and the burrito is facing

Moving on: While Highlands seems to be the most peaceful community on our planet, fear reigns even here. I have two friends who shall remain nameless who bring fully loaded handguns to church with them on Sunday morning. When I questioned one of my friends about this conduct, he said, "Why not? What better place for a lone ISIS terrorist to mow down a large number of parishioners than from the back of a Highlands church?"

Since my conversation with him, an eighty-eight-year-old Catholic priest was butchered.... then beheaded on the altar during mass by a lone terrorist in Normandy, France, a place where so many Americans soldiers died defending our freedom. I believe this will eventually all come to America.

Most of the time, my handgun is only a short reach from me while in Highlands and Florida. Yes, things have changed and not for the better. It's the cop in me that will be with me to the urn.

PS - Have you read my mystery/thriller titled "Deceived?" If you're faint of heart, don't read it!

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and only the third from western North Carolina, joining John Vance of Buncombe County, who served on the board in 1943-44, and of Benny Smith from Polk County, who served on the board from 1996-2001.

Beale served as NCACC President in 2014-'15. During his term as NCACC President, Beale supported NACo's Stepping Up initiative, which is designed to reduce the number of adults with mental and co-occurring substance use disorders in county

jails. Under Beale's leadership, 24 counties in North Carolina have joined the initiative, the third-highest total for any state in the nation. At the recent NACo Annual Conference, Beale moderated a session titled, Stepping Up: Key Considerations for Reducing Mental Illness in Jails."

He is serving his third term on the Macon County Board of Commissioners after first being elected in 2006.

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missioners and said compared to county managers in neighboring counties, as well as the state average for the position, he believed Roland's salary should be increased.

According to Tate, the county did a salary study last year to bring all county employees up to market levels to

remain competitive, but during that process, the county manager's salary wasn't examined. He took it on himself to research the average position and noted that the average salary for county managers in counties with similar populations to Macon County is \$120,000 with Transylvania County having the lowest county manager salary at \$100,000 and Beaufort County the highest with a salary of \$153,000.

With that in mind, Commissioner Tate recommended that Macon County increase Roland's salary by 20 percent, bringing it to \$120,000.


Tate said that Jackson County just hired a new manager

and the salary he was given is more than what Roland was earning without the raise. With three years under his belt, Roland was earning \$100,000. Jackson County's new manager Don Adams took over on August 1 and was hired at a salary of \$125,000. Adams comes to Jackson County with 19 years experience serving as the County Manager of Allegheny County.

Because the current year's budget has already been established, Tate recommended the salary raise be taken out of contingency for this year and then added to the budget

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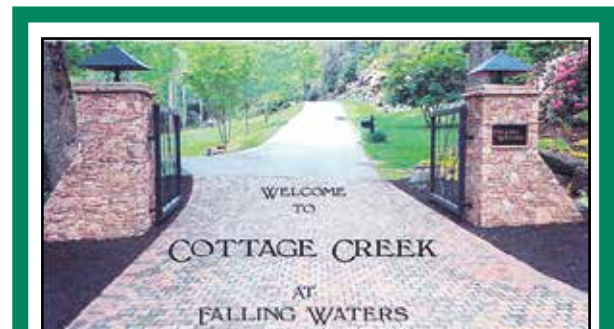
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## What a season!

Real Estate is hopping, just like everything else in Highlands. Currently in our MLS for the Highlands Township, there are 46 properties (homes, condos, town homes) in DUE DILIGENCE, 16 others have moved on to PENDING, and in the time from January 1st to August 8th, there have been 78 closings. The prices are all over the place. Interestingly enough, the same time period in 2015 showed 94 closings, but I think we just had a slower start in 2016.



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here. We hear stories all the time from people who have found Highlands (and we didn't even know it was lost). We hear how stress levels are relieved on their way up the mountain. But, we're also hearing (whether spoken (sometimes loudly) or implied that people are paying a "pretty penny" to be here, and they expect more – THEIR fair share of Highlands.

Remember that old Prudential Insurance slogan "Own a piece of the Rock?" What's the difference in being a guest in

Highlands and being the host? Patience, and lots of it. Most of our visitors seem happy to be here, whether they're here day-tripping, staying for the weekend, or here for the season. In our office, we've seen a good mix of first-timers to our old favorites who have been coming for years. This year, they all seem to be delving deeper, asking more questions about ownership and investing in Highlands.

Once you buy a piece of the rock, you're "one of us" so to speak. Some want to close the gates of Highlands as soon as they sign their closing papers, while others want to shout it from the mountaintops and get all their friends up here. We all have a duty to be nice to our guests – it says so right in the Golden Rule, and besides, you never know, a guest in Highlands today, may become your neighbor tomorrow.

Everything is perfect, peachy keen, smelling like roses. Well, not always.

Remember the saying, "To whom much is given, much will be required?" This pertains to towns as much as it does individuals.

No doubt, there has been change, and lots of it. Some say it's for the good, others disagree, but one thing for certain, there's no going back.

Highlands has been given much (some by nature, some by philanthropists). Highlands gives much to many – just by being

Yes, we have more trash; we have more people here that create more trash. Yes, we have more fender benders; we have more cars here than ever. Yes, we have more accidents on and near waterfalls; there are more people there too – some of them seem to feel invincible.

The noise level has risen tremendously over the years, and that's not always a bad thing; just different.

Take a stroll around town, especially on the weekend. Sit and listen. The air is thick with excitement, music from several places melding together, laughter, chatter, etc. It's a resort-feel that is still new to many of the local people. Highlands has more people here every year. More people to buy and rent homes, shop in our stores, eat in our restaurants, build properties, buy gas and groceries, fill up our churches and our natural areas like waterfalls, hiking trails, and landmarks. "To whom much is given, much will be required."

Highlands has been given much – it's called tourism. Tourism starts with a visit,

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# BIZ/ORG NEWS.

## Do you 'know' the Peggy Crosby Center?

By Lane Giddings

"Serving those that serve others" is the mantra the Peggy Crosby Center has embraced. Since the Center opened its doors in the mid-'90s, it has dedicated its space, time, and energy into the non-profits of Highlands.

The Peggy Crosby Center is a non-profit whose sole purpose is to assist other non-profits. The Center rents out its rooms and space at the lowest price possible in order to allow the non-profits to thrive. "The Peggy" serves numerous high impact non-profits such as: the Literacy Council of Highlands, The Center for Life Enrichment, Highlands Cashiers Land Trust, Counseling and Psychotherapy Center of Highlands, and the International Friendship Center. These nonprofits have set their home base within "The Peggy" flooding its walls with Highlanders of all ages in need.

The for-profit companies that reside in "The Peggy" are selected with great care. The Board of Directors must deem the for-profit tenants as either a necessity to the Highlands Community or the tenants must give back to the community, in order to get one of the rental spaces.

The Peggy Crosby Center is a non-profit itself, which puts it in a financially difficult position. The non-profit aspect of the Center is how the tenant's rental space is so affordable, their rates essentially just cover the utilities, the cost of everyday operation. The renovations and improvements on the building are made possible by

donors. Without the help of Canon Foundation, Community Foundation of WNC, Town of Highlands, MAC Mountain Fund, Hack Foundation, Cullasaja Women's Outreach, Highlands Woman's Club, Highlands Community Fund, Laurel Garden Club, Peggy & James Woodruff, Jr. Foundation, Wild Azalea Garden Club, I.M. Britton Foundation, Mountain Findings, Macon County Community Foundation, A.L. Williams, Jr. Family Foundation, and Hundreds of individual community minded donors

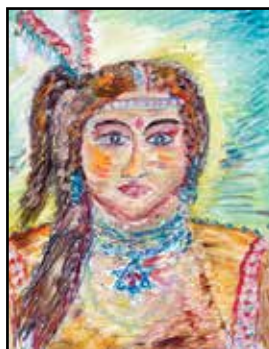
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# HIGHLANDS AREA EVENTS

## ONGOING

• Terry Johnson, owner of Estate Jewelers of Highlands - 360 Main Street, has merchandise from an anonymous individual whose sale will benefit the Hospice House Foundation of WNC. To date, this effort has raised roughly \$20,000 in support of HHFWNC. Johnson is waiving the consignment fee on the sale of this select merchandise. Go into Estate Jewelers of Highlands and to see the merchandise.

• Summer Movies at the Highlands Playhouse: Sundays 5:30 and 8 pm; Mondays and Tuesdays, 2, 5, and 8 pm;

• Highlands Hurricanes Swim Team is open to all levels of swimmers ages 6-18. Con-

tact Coach Steve Hott at 828-421-2121.

### Daily

• At MountainTop Wine Shoppe on Main Street, wine flights.

### Mondays

• Shortoff Baptist Church non-denominational Men's Meeting at 7 pm first Mondays.

• At the Rec Park, High Cardio Zumba Fitness with Certified Instructor Tiffany Austin at 5:25 p.m.

### Mon. & Wed.

• Zumba with Mary K. Barbour at the Rec Park from noon to 1p. For more information, call 828.342.2498.

### Mon. & Thurs.

• The Joy Program at HUMC from 11:30a to 1:30p. Includes a free lunch and a variety of programs and games. All seniors are welcome. For more information, call Tricia Smith at 828-338-8167.

### Mon., Wed., Fri.

• Heart Healthy Exercise Class 8:30am-9:30am at the Rec Park.

• Aerobics with Tina Rogers 8-9a.

### First Tuesdays

• The monthly family support group for those with family members, friends, or loved ones living with the challenge of mental illness meets at 7 p.m. at Memorial United Methodist Church, 4668 Old Murphy Road, Franklin. For info call 828 369-7385.

### Tuesdays

• The Humanist Discussion Group meets every Tuesday morning from 10:30-11:30a in the Meeting Room in the back of Hudson Library,

• FREE Community Table Dinner at the Community Bldg. at 6p.

• The Beyond the Walls Book discussion group meets at 4 PM at The Ugly Dog Public House. Each week a short story discussed.

### 2nd and 4th Tuesdays

• OccupyWNC meets at the Jackson

County Justice Center. For more information, visit [www.occupywncc.org](http://www.occupywncc.org) or call 828.331.1524

### Tuesday and Thursdays

• Zumba with Connie at the Rec Park 8:15 a.m. \$5.

• Pickle ball is played from 11:30a to 1p in the gym at the Rec Park.

### Wednesdays

• 499ers Bridge Club at the Rec Park at 8:45 a.m. Be seated by 8:30.

• Open Duplicate Bridge at 1 p.m. Be seated by 12:45 a.m.

### 1st Wednesdays

• Family Movies at the Hudson Library at 3:30pm. Call 828-526-3031 for titles.

### 3rd Wednesdays

• Recently released movies at Hudson Library at 2pm. Call 828-526-3031 for titles.

### Thursdays

• Storytime with Miss Deanna at Hudson Library 10:40 am. Open to the public.

• Zahner Lecture Series at 6:30 p.m. at the Nature Center. Free

• Weight Watchers support group meets every Thursday at 5 pm at Christ Church of the Valley. Call Lisa 828-506-3555.

• NAMI Support Group for individuals dealing with mental illness: depression, bipo-

## Darwin's Oddball Army subject of Zahner Lecture Aug. 18



Richard Milner's entertaining talk, "Darwin's Oddball Army" recounts the strange history of such naturalists as Charles Waterton, who fooled his colleagues with a mysterious humanoid made from monkey parts; Sir John Lubbock, founder of the "prehistory movement" who attended scientific meetings with a tame pet wasp perched on his shoulder; John Garner, who lived in a cage to study wild apes in the African jungle; Barnum Brown, the dinosaur hunter, oil prospector, and spy; Bashford Dean, who pioneered the analysis of both human armor and armored fossil fish; and William Hornaday, the soft-hearted taxidermist who saved the American bison from extinction by breeding them in the Bronx Zoo. Join us to learn more about these oddball naturalists and, if encouraged, Richard may perform a few of his delightful songs about evolution. Join Richard Milner on Thursday, August 18th at 6:30pm at the Nature Center of the Highlands Biological Station for a fascinating lecture and potential musical entertainment sponsored by Paul Sanger.

Richard Milner, anthropologist and historian of science, is director of the Alfred Russel Wallace Centenary Celebration, which is funded by the John Templeton Foundation. His books include Darwin's Universe: Evolution from A to Z and Charles R Knight: The Artist Who Saw Through Time. In July 2015, at London's Natural History Museum, he was awarded the bronze Wallace Medal 'for outstanding contributions to the public understanding of Alfred Russel Wallace's life and work'. For more than a decade, he served as Senior Editor at Natural History magazine, where he edited paleontologist Stephen Jay Gould's popular essays. An Associate in Anthropology at the American Museum of Natural History, Milner has performed his one-man musical Charles Darwin: Live & In Concert all over the world - including in the Galapagos Islands. He is now creating a new project about animal behavior and its evolution.

For a full schedule of lectures, programs and other opportunities offered at the Highlands Biological Station, please visit [www.highlandsbiological.org](http://www.highlandsbiological.org) or call the Highlands Biological Foundation at (828) 526-2221.

## Village Square Art & Craft Show Sat-Sun Aug. 20 & 21



The paintings of Cathy Casano (of Franklin) will be featured at the up-coming Village Square Art & Craft Show Aug. 20 & 21. Find her with other artists and crafters at Highlands Plaza's lower level (Dillard Rd.) 10 to 5 both days. Easy parking at the dedicated lot off Spring Street. (828) 787-2021 for more info.

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lar, schizophrenia, etc., and the family members of individuals dealing with these challenges from 7 – 8:15 pm. at First United Methodist Church Out Reach Center on West Main Street beside Bryant's Funnel Home. Call Donita for more info (828) 526-9510.

## 2nd Thursdays

• Sapphire Valley Needlepoint Guild meets at the Highlands Rec Park at 10 a.m.

## 3rd Thursdays

• Kidney Smart Classes in Franklin: from 4:30-6pm, Angel Medical Center, Video Conference Room, 3rd Floor, 120 River-view St. Contact Majestic 828-369-9474

• Kidney Smart Classes in Sylva: from, 7:30am-9am, DaVita Sylva Dialysis Center, 655 Asheville Highway, Contact Sue 828-631-0430

## Fridays

• 99ers Bridge Club at the Rec Park at 9 a.m. Be seated by 8:45 a.m.

• Open Duplicate Bridge at 1 p.m. Be seated by 12:45 a.m.

• Friday Night Live, 6-8pm in Town Square. Live music. Free

## Every 2nd Saturday

• A group meets every 2nd Saturday of the month at Highlands Hudson Library at 10am. There are speakers, videos, recipes, health tips, and more to educate people about any health issues. Group is a non-profit. Contact Kelly Woods 828-421-3520 or live4above@aol.com

## Saturdays

• At MountainTop Wine Shoppe on Main Street, free wine tastings from 1-3 p.m.

• At The Bascom, Pottery Sale in the barn from 10a to 5p.

• Highlands Marketplace at K-H Park 8a to noon.

• All knitters, crocheters and other needle craft artists are invited to join The Bascom Knitters on the Terrace at The Bascom from 10 am until noon. In event of cold/rain, meet downstairs in The Bascom Library room.

## Thurs., Aug. 11

• The Macon County Cancer Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria of Angel Medical Center, Riverview Street, Franklin. Karen Gorby, RN, MSN, MBA, CENP, FACHE, President and Chief Nursing Officer of Angel Medical Center will be the guest speaker. There will be door prizes and light refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome. **Friday, August 12**

• The Bascom and Land Trust present, 2-4 pm McKinney Meadow "Floral Chimes." Using natural resources from the trail, you will make wind chimes and learn about the flora of our region! For more information, see [www.hicashlt.org](http://www.hicashlt.org) or contact Will Barclift, Director of Community Outreach, 828-787-2897, [wbarclift@thebascom.org](mailto:wbarclift@thebascom.org).

• iPad Advanced Photoediting – 10:30a – 3:30p, CLE Classroom, Peggy Crosby Center. 828-526-8811.

• Will Henry Stevens: Pioneer Abstractionist – 2-4p, CLE Lecture Hall, Peggy Crosby Center. 828-526-8811.

## Sat, Aug. 13

• At Cliffside Lake, Michael Skinner with Balsam Mountain Trust and live raptors at 11 a.m.

• Scaly Mountain Summer Festival 9a to 3p at the Scaly Mountain Fire Station. Arts, Crafts, yard sale. Food and beverages, entertainment and music, games and prizes for kids, tours of fire station and fire truck rides from noon to 2p. For more information, call Grace Crouch at 850-251-7355.

• The Highlands Emergency Council will present its 3rd Annual Bluegrass Bash featuring the Wild Hog Band on Saturday from 1-4:30 p.m. at the Kelsey-Hutchinson Founders Park. The day will include hotdogs, clogging, freestyle dancing and a raffle. Ticket prices are \$5. Come join us for an old-fashioned afternoon of fun, while supporting the Highlands Emergency Council.

• At The Bascom, a Barn Dance from 6-10 p.m., \$5 per ticket. Donnie Calloway will be the caller. Includes live music from Benny Queen and the Wild Hog Band, square dancing, creative exercises for children, contra, pottery studio sale, food & drink, arts & crafts and a raffle. For more information call Will Barclift at 828-787-2897.

## Sun., Aug. 14

• Auditions will be held for the Highlands Cashiers Players production of Neil Simon's comedy, "The Sunshine Boys" is Sunday, from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Highlands Performing Arts Center, 507 Chestnut St. Performances are scheduled for October 13-23. Scripts are available to read in the Hudson and Cashiers libraries.

## Mon., Aug. 15

• The Highlands Bolivian Mission, now in its 19th year, is having its fundraising auction at Highlands Country Club on Monday night from 7-9p. The cost of the auction is \$125 and that includes dinner, a silent auction and the live auction. Reservations can be made by calling 526-3605 or the Highlands United Methodist Church at 526-3376

• The Battle of Sugartown Chapter of the North Carolina Society, Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), will hold its monthly meeting at 11:30 on in the Boiler Room Restaurant

• See **EVENTS page 14**



## At CLE Aug. 18 & 19 'Stories of Our Lives' with Betty Holt

The "Stories of Our Lives" class at the Center for Life Enrichment August 18 and 19 will help you do just this! The small group setting is conducive to remembering and sharing, if you choose to, some of the important events of your life. This class will assist you in creating a timeline of your life and put significant events on it. In a group setting, sometimes hearing others' stories can stimulate your memory to recall more details of your own.

**ABOUT THE AUTHOR:** Betty Holt, M.Ed., L.P.C., is a licensed professional counselor, life and retirement coach, as well as a native Highlander. A certified instructor, she has taught journaling classes for the last 13 years. She also works as a realtor at Meadows Mountain Realty.

For more information, please contact Sandy Carlton at the Center for Life Enrichment, 828-526-8811.

## Georgia State students to perform Wed., Aug. 17 at First Presbyterian Interlude



Melissa Joseph, soprano.



Aikaterini Grigoriadou, soprano.



Yanue Zhan, pianist.

At 2pm on Wednesday, August 17, the Interlude Concert Series sponsored by First Presbyterian Church and the Episcopal Church of the Incarnation will feature vocalists from the Georgia State University School of Music. The concert will take place at First Presbyterian Church.

Featured will be Aikaterini Grigoriadou, soprano; Melissa Joseph, soprano; and Yanyue Zhao, piano accompanist. Ms. Grigoriadou just graduated from Georgia State University with an MM in Vocal Performance. She is from Thessaloniki, Greece. Ms. Joseph is from Kennesaw, GA, and is currently pursuing a Master's degree in Vocal Performance at GSU. Ms. Zhao earned a Bachelor's of Music at Renmin University in China. She is currently pursuing a Master's degree at GSU. The concert will consist of both classical songs and arias, and also Greek songs.

There is no admission charge for the Interlude concerts, which constitute a ministry in music to the community. Dress is casual – come as you are. First Presbyterian Church is located at the corner of Main and Fifth Streets. Handicap entrances are located on Church Street and on Fifth Street.

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- The Bascom and Land Trust present, 2-5p, Pinky Falls "Catch the Rain." Learn about water runoff and conservation and decorate a 45-gallon rain barrel. After August 15, the rain barrel will be moved to The Bascom, by the Hughes Children's Studio, where it will be used to water the garden and to inspire future environmental art lessons. For more information, see [www.hicashlt.org](http://www.hicashlt.org) or contact Will Barclift, Director of Community Outreach, 828-787-2897, [wbarclift@thebascom.org](mailto:wbarclift@thebascom.org).

- Imperial Pathway: Panama Canal – 2 – 4 PM, CLE Lecture Hall, Peggy Crosby Center. 828-526-8811.

**Tuesday, August 16**

- All Christianity is Local & Global – 10AM – NOON, CLE Lecture Hall, Peggy Crosby Center. 828-526-8811.

- Apple iWorks (Office Suite) – 10:30 AM – 3:30 PM, CLE Classroom, Peggy Crosby Center. 828-526-8811.

**Wed. & Mon., Aug. 17, 22,  
24, 29**

- Travel Sketching: Keeping a Journal – 1:00 – 4:00 PM, The Bascom. 828-526-8811.

**Wed., Aug. 17**

- Firewater! - Explore this private conserved property located near the famous Panthertown Valley and discover a hidden waterfall on Robinson Creek. Guided adventures led by experts in their field. Reservations required. \$35 donation for new friends includes the guided hike, lunch on the trail and a one year membership to HCLT, \$10 for HCLT members. Contact Julie at [julie.hitrust@earthlink.net](mailto:julie.hitrust@earthlink.net) or 526-1111.

- Author Series: Gardening for the Soul – 10AM – NOON, CLE

Lecture Hall, Peggy Crosby Center. 828-526-8811.

- Long Live the Queen – 2 – 4 PM, CLE Lecture Hall, Peggy Crosby Center. 828-526-8811.

- Summer Interlude Concert at the Presbyterian Church at 2 p.m. An Afternoon of Classical and Operatic Arias by Georgia State University Vocalists; W. Dwight Coleman, Artistic Director.

**Thurs., & Fri., Aug. 18-19**

- Stories of Our Lives – 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM, CLE Classroom, Peggy Crosby Center. 828-526-8811.

**Thurs. Aug. 18**

- Rock 'n Roll in the 50s and 60's – 2 – 4:PM, CLE Lecture Hall, Peggy Crosby Center. 828-526-8811.

- At the Nature Center, Zahner Lecture: Darwin's Oddball Army at 6:30 p.m. Free.

"My life with ADD/ADHD: history, science and coping" will be presented by NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) on Thursday, at 7pm at Memorial United Methodist Church, 4668 Old Murphy Road, Franklin. Bob Dobs, Professional Counselor (Retired) will be the speaker. Public welcome. For more info: Ann Nandra 828 369-7385.

**Fri., Aug. 19**

- Carnival in the Americas – 2 – 4PM, CLE Lecture Hall, Peggy Crosby Center. 828-526-8811.



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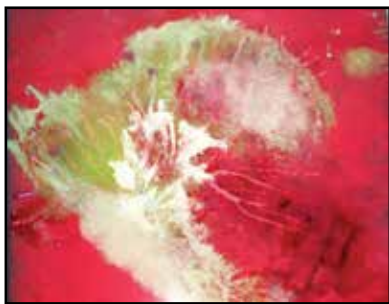
From August 13 through August 28, interior designers representing the South-eastern region of the United States will not only bring trending design to Cashiers but will again create the magic that is The Cashiers Designer Showhouse.

Leading area landscapers are involved in redefining the areas surrounding the home and in turn creating serene and evocative late summer mountain gardens for Showhouse strolling.

The Cashiers Designer Showhouse is the primary fundraiser of Cashiers Historical Society, whose work is educating and advocating to preserve the cultural heritage of the valley.

Showhouse 2016 features an array of unique finds and one-of-a-kind items tastefully in keeping with Burt Farm's sense of time and place. The historical setting is the perfect backdrop for perusing artistry, flair, character and history.

Daily tickets are good for a tour of the home on the day of purchase and admittance to the grounds for shopping and dining throughout Showhouse. Tickets purchased online or by phone will be available at will-call table at Burt Farm.



Coral Fragility by Michael Hayes



Trumeaux mirror by Marie Christine

MarieChristine Maitre de Tarragon, a French sculptress, will show some of her bronzes and spectacular French "Trumeaux" decorative mirrors in the retail tent. Her partner Michael Hayes will present some of his vivid marine and water paintings.

Marie Christine is also the owner of the Chateau de Parthey in Jura, France, her family estate since the 15th century, which is for sale and she will take this opportunity to introduce the chateau to anyone in love with French art and architecture. (See ad on this page.)

Parthey stands proudly near Dole in the Jura region, at a crossroads between Switzerland, Geneva, Paris and Lyon.

Nominated a "Historic Monument" by the French government, it has been restored carefully in accordance with the style of the period. Many rooms and art works have been conserved in their original condition.

MarieChristine Maitre de Tarragon and Michael Hayes will be showing their art under the tent at the Designer Show House in Cashiers on August 13-28 and will be happy to answer all your questions and inquiries about the chateau.

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next year.

The Macon County Commissioners unanimously voted to approve the 20 percent salary increase with little discussion other than touting Roland's work and dedication to Macon County.

"Out of all of the decisions I have made while sitting on this board, hiring you

is probably the one I am most proud of," said Tate.

In addition to increasing Roland's salary, in June commissioners also approved a one-time salary bonus in the amount of \$5,490 (5 percent of his salary). Roland's new salary will become effective on August 22.

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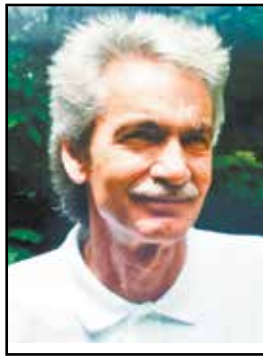
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# • SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING •

## What do we know of Calvary love?



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*"That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith, that ye, being rooted...in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height, and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fullness of God" (Eph 3:17-19)*

These words are too great for us. What do we know of Calvary love?

- If I can easily discuss the shortcomings and the sins of any; if I can speak in a casual way even of a child's misdoings, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

- If I can enjoy a joke at the expense of another; if I can in any way slight another in conversation or even in thought, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

- If I can speak an unkind word, think an unkind thought without grief and shame, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

- If I cast up a confessed repented and forsaken sin against another, and allow my remembrance of that sin to color my thinking and feed my suspicions, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

- If I have not the patience of my Saviour with souls who grow slowly; if I know little of travail (a sharp and painful thing) till Christ be fully formed in them, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

- If I am afraid to speak the truth, lest I lose affection, or lest the one concerned should say, "you do not understand," or because I fear to lose my reputation for kindness; if I put my own good name before the other's highest good, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

- If I am content to heal a hurt slightly, saying peace, where is no peace; if I forget the poignant word, "Let love be without dissimulation" and blunt the edge of truth, speaking not right things but smooth things, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

- If I put my own happiness before the well-being of the work entrusted to me; if, though I have this ministry and have received much mercy, I faint, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

- If I am soft, and slide comfortably into the vice of self-pity and self-sympathy; if I do not, by the grace of God, practice fortitude, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

- If the moment I am conscious of the shadow of self crossing my threshold, I do not shut the door, and in the power of Him Who works in us to will and to do, keep that door shut, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

- If I take offence easily, if I am content to continue in a cool unfriendliness, though friendship is possible, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

- If a sudden jar can cause me to speak an impatient, un-

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## Proverbs 3:5

## • PLACES TO WORSHIP •

## John 3:16

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Wednesday: Prayer Service, 6:30 p.

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# • POLICE & FIRE REPORTS •

**The Highlands Police log entries from July 1. Only the names of persons arrested, issued a Class-3 misdemeanor or public officials have been used.**

## July 30

• At 5 p.m., officers responded to a report of a woman taking a wallet that didn't belong to her and taking \$90 from it at Bryson's Food Store.

## Aug. 1

• At noon, officers responded to a 2-vehicle accident on Oak Street.

• At 6:50 p.m., officers responded to a call regarding someone yelling, cursing and pointing his finger like a gun in Mountain Fresh Grocery.

## Aug. 2

• At 5:55 p.m., officers responded to a 2-vehicle accident on Main Street.

## Aug. 3

• At 5:30 p.m., officers responded to a 2-vehicle accident on NC 64 west near Oak Street.

• At 6:46 p.m., officers responded to a complaint about a barking dog at a residence on Upper Lake Road.

• At 7:45 p.m., officers responded to a report of someone taking produce from another's property on Upper Lake Road.

## Aug. 4

• At 10 a.m., officers responded to a report of someone burning patio furniture with a cigarette at Fressers Eatery resulting in damaging 6 patio chairs worth \$90.

• At 7:53 p.m., officers responded to a report of a verbal argument taking place on the corner of US 64 west and Hickory Hill Road.

## Aug. 5

• At 2:10 p.m., officers responded to a 2-vehicle accident on NC 106 near Old Creek.

• At 6:15 p.m., officers responded to a report of someone entering a house, taking locks off doors and taking a ring of keys at a residence on Hickory Hill Road resulting in \$70 worth of damage.

## Aug. 7

• At 6:40 p.m., officers responded to a report of disorderly conduct at the Farmers Market at NC 106 and Main Street.

**The Highlands Fire & Rescue Dept. log from July 27**

• At 11:55 a.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Oak Street.

• At 7:56 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Forest Trail.

• At 8:31 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Hemlock Ridge.

## July 30

• A little past midnight, the dept. responded to a motor vehicle accident on NC 106.

• At 5:59 a.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Mack Wilson Road.

## July 31

• At 10:07 a.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Clubhouse Trail.

## Aug. 1

• At 11:07 a.m., the dept. helped a motorist on NC 28 south.

• At 12:04 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Sagee Drive.

• At 12:55 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Joe Pye Trail.

## Aug. 2

• At 11:19 a.m., the dept. responded to a fire alarm at a resi-

dence on Upper Brushy Face Road.

• At 1:56 p.m., the dept. helped a motorist on NC 106.

## Aug. 3

• At 10:35 a.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Highlands Walk.

• At 3:57 p.m., the dept. was

first-responders to a residence on White Clover Lane.

• At 5:23 p.m. the dept. responded to a motor vehicle accident on N. 4th. Street.

• At 6:28 p.m., the dept. responded to a CO<sub>2</sub> alarm at a residence on Old Edwards Lane.

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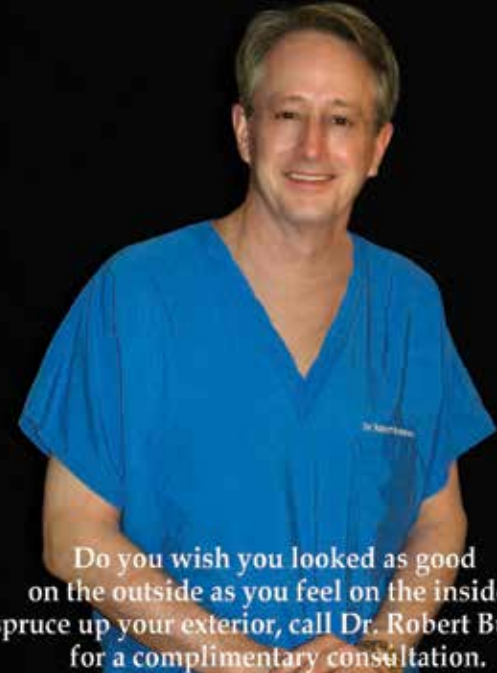
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but could end up as a property owner. It's not that Highlands needed to be "new and improved" – there was nothing wrong with the old Highlands.

The good news is the 'old Highlands' is still here. Get off the beaten path. Walk the trails. Get involved with the local churches and some of the many non-profit organizations. Visit the Highlands Marketplace and talk to the vendors whether you buy or not. Highlands has more of everything – including more things to do. Some things are still free like hikes, church concerts and places like The Nature Center and The Bascom free exhibits, others are practically free like our swimming pool and the movie theatre.

Go ahead; pay it forward by leaving a big tip for the wait staff person who may

have just worked their first ten-hour day, or 12 days in a row. Ask people where they're from and how they found Highlands. I'm constantly amazed at some of those answers. I once met a man in Highlands who told me "If you just talk with someone long enough, chances are you'll find a common thread." And no, it wasn't Kevin Bacon.

"To whom much is given, much will be required" Highlands has been given much – many of you reading this call yourself Highlanders – YOU ARE HIGHLANDS. WE ARE HIGHLANDS. Go ahead and say it. "I AM HIGHLANDS!" I didn't hear you – say it louder, and this time with feeling. We're not Disney, we're not Mayberry, we're not "Where I'm from," We are Highlands.

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and philanthropists the Peggy Crosby Center would be nowhere near it's pristine condition. "The Peggy" has undergone some massive improvements since 2010 when the renovations began. Before 2010, "The Peggy" still resembled the hospital that once resided in its walls. Since then, "The Peggy" has been transformed with new flooring, paint, ceilings, furniture, artwork, and beautiful landscaping. The landscaping was made possible by the support of the local garden clubs and arborists.

The current renovation project the Center is working on is the outdoor area. "The Peggy" just finished a covered outdoor area and deck, perfect for numerous events from dining to meetings. The space has beautiful brick and wooden features as well as natural lighting and fresh greenery surrounding it. This area has recently been

made available for rent for anyone in the Highlands Community. Since the completion of this project the team at "The Peggy" has moved its gaze to the outdoor area adjoining this event space. The renovations on this area will enhance the beauty of "The Peggy" greatly, only furthering the Legacy of Peggy Crosby in Highlands.

The history of The Peggy Crosby Center has been vibrant since its beginning in 1948 as the Highlands-Cashiers Hospital. The building became a Christmas present for Peggy Crosby in 1994. All Mrs. Crosby wanted for Christmas was a legacy and her husband gave her the perfect one.

The Peggy Crosby Center moves every day to enhance the Highlands Community. Make sure to stop by and see how you can get involved.

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loving word, then I know nothing of Calvary love. For a cup brimful of sweet water cannot spill even one drop of bitter water however suddenly jolted.

• If I feel bitterly towards those who condemn me, as it seems to me, unjustly, forgetting that if they knew me as I know myself they would condemn me much more, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

• If I say, "Yes, I forgive, but I cannot forget," as though the God, Who twice a day washes all the sands on all the shores of all the world, could not wash such memories from my mind, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

• If souls can suffer alongside, and I hardly know it, because the spirit of discernment is not in me, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

• If there be any reserve in my giving to Him Who so loved that He gave His Dearest for me; if there be a secret "but" in my prayer,

"anything but that, Lord," then I know nothing of Calvary love.

• If I become entangled in any "inordinate affection," if things or places or people hold me back from obedience to my Lord, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

• If the praise of man elates me and his blame depresses me; if I cannot rest under misunderstanding without defending myself; if I love to be loved more than to love, to be served more than to serve, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

• If I do not forget about such a trifle as personal success, so that it never crosses my mind, or if it does, is never given a moment's room there; if the cup of spiritual flattery tastes sweet to me, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

• If I avoid being "ploughed under."

• See **SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING page 21**

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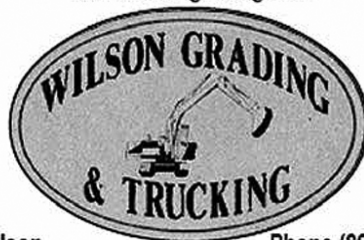
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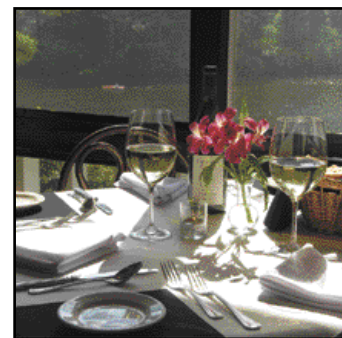
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