

# Highlands' Newspaper FREE

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## On-going

- Every Tuesday evening, Spiritual Cinema Circle at The Instant Theatre at 7 p.m. Suggested donation: \$5, Beverages and snacks available f.
- Live music nightly at ...on the Verandah at 7 p.m. Chad Reed plays Wed. - Sun. night and Sunday Brunch; Angie Jenkins plays Mon.; Paul Scott plays every Tues.
- Live piano music with Hal Phillips at Skyline Lodge & Restaurant every Fri. & Sat. night and Sun. brunch.
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- Live music at SweetTreats Fri. & Sat.
- Highlands Wine and Cheese Shop: Wine Flights Sat. from 4:30-6:30.
- Live music at Wolfgang's Bistro Sun. and Mon. it's Momo on Piano; Wed. it's Paul Scotts Trio; and Thurs. & Fri it's Rickey Dean on piano.

## Aug. 10

- Zahner Conservation Lecture Series. Connie Barlow will give a talk entitled "Rewilding Torrey's Trees to the South." 7 p.m. at the High Hampton Inn in Cashiers. Admission is free.

## Aug. 11

- Cocktail Hour Theatre - doors open at 5:30 and reservations recommended. Call 828.342.9197. Only 3 more shows left!
- At Bascom-Louise Gallery, Zelda Fitzgerald as artist. An exploration of her life. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at PAC downstairs. \$15 for CLE members, \$25 for non members.
- Bob Jones Invitational at the Highlands Country Club.

## Aug. 12-Sept. 14

- At Bascom-Louise Gallery and Fine Art Center on exhibit: The Potters of Seagrove. Opening is from 5-7 p.m., Aug 12. Free.

## Aug. 12

- Mountain Luau to benefit the Relay for Life at Selkey Farm on Buck Creek and Short Off roads, 6-9:30 p.m. rain or shine. Call 526-9520 or 743-2484 for tickets.
- Dog Wash at First Citizens Bank to benefit the Bolivian Mission from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Hot dog lunch available.

- At ...on the Verandah, Live Music with Trio Lococo from 9 p.m. - midnight.

## Aug. 13

- At Instant Theatre in Oak Square on Main Street, a free reading of the Pulitzer Prize winning play, "Wit." Calling 828.342.9197 for reservations. It's free

- Audubon Picnic. Reservations required. Call Kay Poole, 526-2775

## Aug. 15

- "Meet Principal Brian Jetter" on Tuesday, noon until 2 p.m. at the Highlands School.

- At ...on the Verandah, Guest Chef "Dinner Series" Vietnamese Dinner with Hy Vong Restaurant of Miami. Call 828-526-2338 for tickets.

- The film "American Beauty" at PAC at 7:30 p.m. Winner of 5 Academy Awards.

## Aug. 17-20

- The Highlands Community Players present "Simon Suites" episodes from the plays of Neil Simon. Call 526-8084 for reservations.

## Aug. 17-27

- "Too Kill A Mockingbird" at the Highlands Playhouse. Performances are Tues.-Sat. at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Call 526-2695.

## Aug. 17

- Women's Health Series, with Dr. Sue Aery at Highlands Whole Life Market. 5:30-7 p.m. Subject: Stress and Hormones. Call 526-5999 to reserve a seat.

## Septic permit backlog at critical stage

A backlog of septic permits has citizens directly or indirectly involved with the real estate business up in arms and county commissioners pulling their hair out.

At the Monday, Aug. 7 Macon County Commission meeting, where citizens crammed into the

board room, Commission Chair Allan Bryson blasted Health Department Director Ken Ring. "When we hired you in 2000, you said you could get this on track and it's just gotten steadily worse," he said. "We allocated onetime funding for overtime use and I

haven't even seen you using that." He said Ring hasn't managed the department properly to expedite the septic permitting process.

Realtor Marty Kimsey said the department's inability to keep up with the huge septic permit de-

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## Town eyeing room tax

Several municipalities and counties in Western North Carolina are recipients of room tax proceeds and now at least one town commissioner is wondering if the Highlands could be a recipient, too.

At the Aug. 2 Town Board meeting, Commissioner Alan Marsh quoted an article in the "Smoky Mountain News" that outlined how room tax proceeds are dispersed in Buncombe County, Boone, Beech Mountain and Blowing Rock. In each case, one-third of the tax sent back to the county from the state has been used for such things as a soccer field, bonsai garden, visitor center, renovations to an arcade, sidewalk upgrades, parks and a new visitor bureau.

"They got the money on the grounds that chambers of commerce are membership-biased," said Marsh. "And the money can be used 'to enhance the quality of life of summer people and visitors including sidewalks, parks, even renovations to a community building,'" he said.

Rick Siegel, president of the Highlands Chamber of Commerce, said the Chamber has been a good steward of the room occupancy tax and it is regularly audited by the county. He also said the money must be used to promote

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## Community Prayer Day

The Aspinwall family is asking the community to pray for Art Aspinwall at 11 on Thursday, Aug. 10. Art had an aneurism two months ago and is now at the Thom's Rehab Center in Asheville, still in a coma.

## Free fire truck rides an annual thing



Age is not part of the equation when it comes to the the Highlands Fire & Rescue Department's Annual Open House. This year, it was Saturday, Aug. 5, and included free hot dog lunch and rides on a fire truck. About 600 hot dogs were given out and the department received \$1,850 in donations which will be added to the Firemen's Benevolent Fund.

Photo by Kim Lewicki

## Immigrant impact on county agencies

By Ashlyn Williams  
Reporter

On July 31, the Macon County Commission held a public forum on the economic impact of illegal immigrants in the county.

## Weekend Weather:



The agencies of the county were asked by the government to present their reports to the public.

"This is no longer a regional issue. Every town is now considered a border town," said Vicki Greene, introductory speaker.

There are three main problems facing the agencies — not being able to find out if someone is illegal, cost, and language barriers.

"We help high risk offenders from being incarcerated. But we

are not allowed to ask offenders whether they are legal or not," said Crystal Altman, representative of the Criminal Justice Partnership Program. "We can only ask for a Social Security number. Of those asked, 15 to 20 probationers did not have Social Security numbers," she said. Of course this implies they are illegal.

As far as the Employment Security Commission is concerned, they do not check whether someone is a valid U.S. citizen. "This is

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# • THE PLATEAU'S POSITION •

## Corbin not running for "at-large" seat on school board

Dear Editor,

I have made the decision not to run for the Macon County School Board this fall. My decision was based primarily on two factors.

First, Beth and I made a business decision to purchase a second insurance agency located in Asheville and with the help of a manager at that location, we will own and operate the Buncombe county location as a "satellite" office to better market health insurance in Western NC counties. We made this purchase July 1st and of course by doing so, committed the additional time it takes to operate a second office.

Secondly, my plans are to devote more time to my music ministry both as Minister of Music at Holly Springs Baptist Church and as a member of the gospel group Blue Ridge.

On a side note, it is also important to note that I have served 5 terms on the Board – which having been elected at 23 years old, (I just now turned 45) I have literally given half my life to time on the school board. Sometimes it is important and necessary to take a break even from things which mean a lot to you.

I love serving on the Board and am very proud of Macon County Schools. In the past few years we have gone from nearly last in the State in computer connectivity to 7th out of 115 school districts. We have been able to work with county commissioners to build 2 new elementary schools with plans for a third in the near future. We also built a much needed new classroom building at FHS. In addition, by our cooperation with commissioners, we have made many needed renovations in the past few years.

We have also been blessed to have some of the highest test scores in the state. In the ABC's testing, we are consistently in the top 10-15% of school districts statewide.

With this said, it was a difficult decision for me not to run – but one that I feel is best for my family at this time. If you serve on this board as you should, it is fairly time consuming and that is the primary reason for my need not to run at this time.

A few years ago, I took a break from the Board and did not run but came back and ran in the next election. I would not rule out running again sometime in the future. I love Macon County Schools and the kids. They are why we are here and I still have a daughter in a Macon County School entering FHS this fall.

## • LETTERS-TO-THE-EDITOR •

I would like to thank the public for their support of our schools. We have the finest community in the state for a school system. I would like to thank the public and the voters for their unwavering support during my five terms. We worked with community volunteers on many projects like the FHS stadium and others.

Before they filed to run, several of the candidates that have now filed called me and asked if I was seeking re-election, which I appreciate very much, but it also let me know that we have several quality candidates interested in the board from which to choose. I wish each of them well as they campaign for the wonderful chance to serve the people of Macon County.

My term of course runs through December, so I will be very active with board until then. Also, I will be involved in the selection of the new superintendent for Macon County since Dr. Yeager's contract only runs to early in November. I understand from the NC School Board Association (which is assisting us in the search) that we are

getting many quality candidates. We have seen none of the applications but will do so towards the end of August. I look forward to helping with that search.

I want to thank Frank Yeager for doing a simply outstanding job for us. We are blessed to have four new principals in place and many other good things Dr Yeager has facilitated for us. We are blessed to have him and the system is running smoothly.

Also, I would like to thank the principals, teachers and all the staff in Macon County Schools. You are absolutely the best and you are the reason our schools are among the best. I have been proud to serve you.

Lastly, I would like to thank my fellow board members from over the past years. They are one of the highest quality groups of people I have ever known. It has been my pleasure to serve with them. All of them are people of character and showed a love of children in their service, and for that I am grateful.

Kevin Corbin  
Chairman MC School Board

## Nero continues to fiddle while Rome (Highlands) burns

Dear Editor,

Our mayor and Town Board have done it again. We worked very hard to help get the noise ordinance changed for the Town of Highlands and the town board voted to approve

the new changes.

Problem solved, right? No, wrong.

Again this weekend the Riverwalk project was busy at work. My wife, Jane, and a neighbor called to complain about construction work on a Saturday. I called Mayor Mullen to discuss the weekend work and he informed me that he gave Riverwalk permission to work on weekends until the drainage problems are corrected. (Remember folks, we are having one of the driest summers ever.) So I asked him why don't they work on the drainage during the week and stop the other work until the problem is solved? The mayor's response was "I never thought of that." Or something to that effect.

The mayor assured me he would call and get the work stopped. The mayor called me back at our Highlands home and talked to Jane and proceeded to tell her that "wouldn't she feel bad if her complaint stopped the work and there was a bad rain and there was an issue with silt in the water again?"

I called the mayor back and informed him of a discussion that occurred at the last town board meeting. Board member Alan Marsh asked Mr. Woodley (the person in charge of the road construction for the Riverwalk project) if there is a substantial rain will there be any problems with run off? Mr. Woodley replied that the problem had been corrected.

I don't know what planet the mayor was on during the board meeting but he really missed an important discussion. During that same phone conversation, with the mayor, he proceeded to inform me that the town ordinances are complaint driven and if no one complains then construction can continue until someone does complain. Just maybe if some substantial fines were issued we wouldn't be in this mess.

Folks, I think we are all starting to get some insight into what's happening in our paradise (Highlands). I would suggest that everyone involved with this disturbance and nuisance call all of the town board members and voice your opinion on the lax enforcement. Call the town office at 526-5266, or 526-2118 for their names and phone numbers. I hope someday, before they leave office, the mayor and town board remember who pays them and who voted for them to be in office. I only wish we were in the town limits so I could vote.

Remember public service is a privilege not a right. I think some people need to think about that. I have had the privilege to serve the citizens of Florida for a number of years on a Governor-appointed board and when anyone of our licensed professionals that we regulate or citizens have a complaint or concern, action is taken as soon as possible and it doesn't

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### James Keith Potts

James Keith Potts, 46, of Alto, GA, formerly of Highlands, died Thursday, July 20, 2006 at his residence. He was a native of Macon County, the son of Lucille Zachary Potts of Highlands and the late Wade H. Potts. He was a maintenance engineer for M. D. Building Products. He was a 1978 graduate of Highlands High School.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by a daughter, Elizabeth Potts of Raleigh, NC; a sister, Sheila Harbold and her husband Mike of Alto, GA; a brother, Johnny Potts of Highlands; a granddaughter, Christina, one nephew, Travis Potts, two nieces Amanda Webb and Danielle Potts also survive.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Teresa Potts and a brother, Don Wayne (Rugg) Potts.

A graveside service was held Sunday, July 23, at 2 p.m. at Potts Cemetery with Rev. Keith Ashe officiating. Bryant Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

### Anne Lamb

Anne Lamb, 77, of Highlands, N.C. died Tuesday, August 1 at her residence. She was born in Towns County, GA. She was married to Floyd Lamb who died in 1979. She was a seamstress and caretaker and was a member of Highlands First Baptist Church.

She is survived by her daughter, Carol Anne Lamb of Hayesville, N.C.; five sisters, Stella Jenkins of Otto, N.C.; Margie Blaine of Franklin, N.C.; Faye Shirley of Otto, N.C.; Willette Richardson of Liberty, S.C.; and Betty Carpenter of Easley, S.C.; two brothers, Hoyt Nichols and Bobby Nichols of Otto, N.C. Four grandchildren also survive. She was preceded in death by a son, Steve Lamb.

A memorial service was held Friday, August 4 at 7 p.m. in the Chapel of Bryant Funeral Home in Highlands with Rev. Randy Ammons and Doug Robinson officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Relay for Life, PO Box 1648, Franklin, NC 28734 or to the Angel Home Health & Hospice, PO Box 1209, Franklin, NC 28734.

Bryant Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

### Lorraine Mildred Gears DeWolf

Lorraine Mildred Gears DeWolf, our beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and dear friend died peacefully in the company of her family on Wednesday, August 2, 2006, in Tallahassee, FL, at the age of 89.

Lorraine was born and raised in Rochester, N.Y., where she also met and married her husband of 53 years, Henry Robert DeWolf.

Always inseparable, Lorraine and Henry moved from Rochester to Coral Gables, FL in 1946 and again in 1977 to DeLand, FL, where they remained for 23 years.

Following the death of her husband in 1993, Lorraine left DeLand and moved to Tallahassee, FL where she resided at Cherry Laurel and Heritage Oaks.

Lorraine was a person who felt and expressed unconditional love to her family and friends. She is survived by her son, Dennis K. DeWolf and his wife, Jane, of Highlands, N.C.; a daughter, Sandra Sumrall and her husband, Daile, of Tallahassee, FL; five grandchildren, Jennifer DeWolf Steelmon of Richmond, KY, Wendy DeWolf Albano of Durham, N.C.; Laura Sumrall Carter of Tampa, FL; Dennis Keith DeWolf, Jr., of Durham, N.C.; and Rod Daile Sumrall of Annapolis, MD. She also had seven great-grandchildren, Griffin Lee Carter, Sydnee Grace Carter, Ashton Henry Steelmon, Dennis Keith DeWolf III, Rocco Reynolds Albano, Barak DeWolf Steelmon, and Wolf Evans Albano.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the charity of choice.

## Pilot meth rehabilitation program

By Ashlyn Williams  
Reporter

In recent years, methamphetamines, also known as meth, has increased in its production and usage all over the United States. Specifically in North Carolina, awareness has risen in reference to its use.

"This time last year the division of mental health asked the Smokey Mountain Center to pilot a program for intensive outpatient treatment for methamphetamine addiction," said Shelly Lacky, Community Relations Coordinator of the Smokey Mountain Center. "All over the state, law enforcement has worked to

crack down on clandestine labs because they feared an epidemic," she said.

From the Division of Mental Health's standpoint, there has not been a lot of talk about treatment. The media has been giving the impression that recovery rates are minimal, said Lackey.

In an effort to change this impression, Smokey Mountain Center and other area programs have begun to pilot an outpatient treatment program using a matrix design from California.

"There has been a lot of planning with the Macon County Substance Abuse

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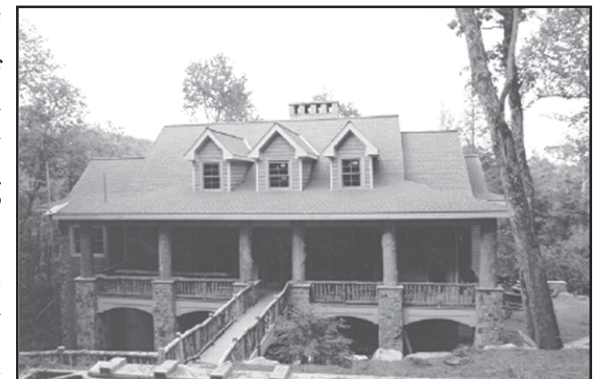
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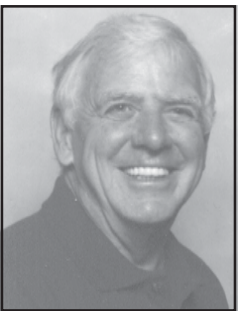
**“Y**ou misled us on your application so you're fired!" "You can't fire me, I quit!" "You can't quit 'cause you don't have a job because I just fired you!"

Just when you thought the circus music was playing as loud as possible on the musical two-hour parking issue, our brand new surgeon, Doctor Pearlstein, ups and quits his job. Was he even fully unpacked? Turn up the volume, folks, and welcome to our circus-land called Highlands.

Let's see if I have this straight. A "nobody" writes a poison pen letter (Ha, I have never gotten one of those.) about Dr. Pearlstein, then gets it published in a local newspaper. The doctor reads it, gets his shorts in a wad and resigns. WOW! Just when I thought I had seen it all.

First, I am bowled over by the doctor's lack of lower glandular fortitude. Not only am I surprised he resigned, but that it only took a lone citizen with a sharp pen to finish him off: very wimpy.

Further, why would Dr. P. say he had never been sued when it's so easy to prove



**Fred Wooldridge**

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he has? Duh! Now we're told the matter is on "hover," pending more investigation. Thank goodness the cone-heads at the hospital didn't send him packing on the strength of a poison pen letter. Can you believe this is happening?

I know, I know, he's got law suits. Duh, again! Find me an active doctor who has been practicing for over five years, especially a surgeon, who has not been sued. Are we living in a fantasy world here in the mountains? Now we only want doctors who have never been sued? Get

real, everyone.

Maybe it's because I have seen too much of life that I am so flip about doctors occasionally goofing up. I have watched doctors accidentally kill people for years. They make mistakes....they bury them....they are human.

Years ago, when the now common "MAST" suit was first introduced into the medical world, the suits were given to all the emergency teams in the field. The "MAST" suit is a simple pair of inflatable pants that squeezes much needed blood

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## A kinder, gentler revolution

A lot of people, especially men, think the feminist revolution died an ugly, noisy death a few years back. Their concept of the revolution is burning bras and burly women truck drivers.

The revolution didn't die.

It's still percolating along, winning battle after battle.

A majority of enrolled medical students today are women. Many other professional schools, from law to engineering, report soaring female enrollments.

Even the corporate world is coming along: several major corporations are headed by women, with scores of other women climbing the ladder to top executive positions.

Women are serving proudly in Army and Marine combat units, flying military and commercial jets, working as cops and EMTs, as executive chefs and newspaper editors, prime ministers and rebel commanders.

They are proving they can do pretty much everything men can do.

But the revolution is not over.

In the home, even when both husband and wife are employed full time, the wives end up doing a vast majority of the housework. The same is true where childcare is concerned.

Many men retain a barely concealed contempt for women, revealed by the jokes



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and stories they tell, the scholarship they ignore, and the pornography that turns them on.

On the religious right, there is a powerful movement to reverse modernity. Women are encouraged to avoid careers and to follow their husbands' lead in all important decisions.

What is still missing as a consequence of the feminist revolution is a lasting bond among women from all over the world, exerting their influence for social and political ends.

In the ancient Greek play "Lysistrata," Athenian women join hands and agree to deny men their sexual favors until they stopped their warring ways.

Although the strategy worked for a while, it clearly didn't last.

Wars have continued unabatedly since then, and some have even been conducted by women.

But for the most part, women are more peaceful than men, and more compassionate on social issues.

They also seem to have better political judgment.

In each of the last two presidential elections, a smaller percentage of women voted for George W. Bush than did men.

Beyond our borders, however, women continue to suffer horribly and frequently.

Among many orthodox Muslims, in the Near East and in Africa, they are condemned to lives of total servitude, murdered in honor killings, frequently beaten.

When war breaks out among tribes or between religions, they are raped and killed mercilessly.

It would behoove feminists to speak out more loudly against these injustices.

It is hard to overstate the potential impact of women from Europe, Asia, and the Western Hemisphere speaking with one voice against these atrocities.



What's the best way to resolve the restaurant parking issue?  
Change the law!  
What's the big deal? Our commissioners change laws all the time.  
I'm DonLeon and that's MY opinion.

Or protesting the continued scourge of war; or being united against the death penalty where it is still permitted.

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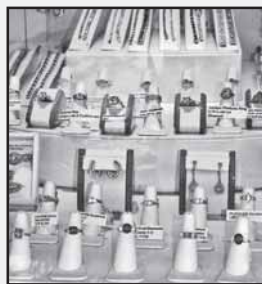
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the Rogers and Hart Songbook and the entire second section of the first act fell out..." "Funny Valentine," "I Could Write a Book," "You Took Advantage of Me," "Bewitched," "The Lady is a Tramp," "Ten Cents a Dance," "Johnny One Note" and "With a Song in My Heart."

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The show runs through Sunday, Aug. 13. Call 828-526-2695 for tickets.

## Young singing actress to star at Bel Canto

Megan Roth, the young mezzo-soprano who will share the stage with Metropolitan Opera tenor Roy Cornelius Smith at the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Bel Canto Recital on Sunday, Sept. 3, is admired not only for her voice, but her skill as an actress.

Praised for her performance in Rossini's "Barber of Seville" at the Brevard Festival last year, Megan is equally at home in the works of Mozart and Handel where she exhibits her skill in the "trouser roles" written for the mezzo-soprano voice.

She especially enjoys playing Cherubino, an impetuous youth infatuated with an older woman in Mozart's "Marriage of Figaro." This was her first operatic role as a graduate student and her first role in a foreign language. Furthermore, it is a role closely identified with Megan's role model, Frederica von Stade.

Megan's skill as a singing actress has been enhanced by study with such international artists as Susanne Mentzer, Ashley Putnam and Catherine Malfitano. Dr. Jerrold Pope

was her vocal mentor at Florida State University where she earned her Artist Certificate in Opera and a Master of Music degree after earning a bachelor of music performance at DePaul University in Chicago.

On the threshold of a bright operatic career, Megan said, "I am thrilled to be singing with a Metropolitan Opera tenor! At the Bel Canto Recital on Sept. 3, she will sing several duets with Roy Cornelius Smith and solo arias from well-known operas and musical theatre.

Accompanying the two artists will be Stephen Dubberly, master pianist, who will be making his 14<sup>th</sup> appearance as a Bel Canto favorite.

The recital, a benefit for the music program at Highlands School and for the permanent art collection in the Bascom-Louise Gallery, will begin at 4 p.m. at the Martin-Lipscomb Performing Art Center and will be followed by a gala reception-buffet at the Highlands Falls Country Club. Call 526-5252.



Megan Roth



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the employer's job to do that," said a representative of the Employment Security Commission. The only time the Employment Commission can check citizenship is when a person comes in to file for unemployment or insurance."

The Macon County School system is being particularly affected by the inability to find out about a student's citizenship. The school board report quoted that "The interpretation of this ruling [Plyler v. Doe] is that school officials cannot ask questions regarding citizenship of any child enrolling in public school."

In March of 2006, the number of immigrant students in Macon County reported was 92. Yet, because of the strict laws concerning checking for citizenship, no comparative data was available. Statistics do show an increase in total enrollment which puts more of a financial burden on the county.

"Departments funded by Macon County that probably are impacted most are the Sheriff's Department, Detention Center, Transit, Social Services, Health, and Macon County Schools. Whether these departments are funded locally or by the state or federal government, the taxpayer still writes the check," said Evelyn Southard, Interim Finance Director for the Macon County. In fact, the report indicates that the county's total budget has increased 38 percent since 2003. "One of the greatest impacts to our county will most likely be in Medicaid dollars for children born in this country to immigrants who are not paying into the system through either payroll taxes or property taxes," she said.

This burden as far as Medicaid is concerned was verified by the report from the Macon County Public Health Center. "We have experienced increases in the number of Hispanic clients served in recent years. In most cases the adult Hispanic clients are ineligible for Medicaid. However, all preg-

nant women are eligible for up to two months of Medicaid, provided they can furnish two documents of residency," said Ken Ring, Director of the Health Department. Also, other costs have been incurred due to the prenatal clinic. "Another cost for the prenatal clinic is that it went from being open for two days a week to five," he said.

Emergency Management has seen a problem with outstanding accounts for ambulance calls. "We have 439 accounts outstanding that we do not have valid Social Security numbers for, but we have no way of knowing whether they are illegal or not," said Warren Cabe of Emergency Management. "Yet, our biggest problem has to do with the language barrier with dispatchers," he said.

This problem was echoed by the Macon County Code Enforcement Department. "The main problem we encounter is a language barrier. The most egregious situation is when there is no one on the job site that either can or will speak English, and our inspector's trip to this location is wasted because we can't communicate our concerns to the workers present," said Jack Morgan, codes administrator.

A positive aspect to the language barrier is that agencies are updating manuals, signs, and websites to include Spanish. "Because of this change to our website, more people access it," said Barbara Jacobs, the information technology director.

MC Commission Chair, Allan Bryson said this was just the first step in a fact-finding mission.

"We're gathering information concerning money spent by the county on illegals in hopes that we can be reimbursed by the Federal government," he said. "Illegal immigration is a Federal issue and the problems it causes should be paid by them, not the county."

## Physicians to attend seminar by cardiothoracic surgeon

Both retired and active physicians from around the area are invited to hear one of the region's leading experts speak on advances in cardiac surgery in September at Highlands-Cashiers Hospital.

Robert A. Guyton, MD, chief of the Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery at Emory University Hospital, will speak at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 9, as part of the continuing seminar program sponsored by the Highlands-Cashiers Senior Physicians group.

In addition to being the Charles Ross Hatcher, Jr. Professor of Surgery, Dr. Guyton is also director of the Cardiothoracic Residency Training Program, at the Emory University School of Medicine. He has held numerous positions of leadership in national organizations, including serving

as president of the Society of Thoracic Surgeons. He has lectured widely and authored or contributed to more than 200 publications within his field.

He graduated Magna Cum Laude from Harvard Medical School, in Boston, MA, and went on to perform his residency and fellowships at Massachusetts General Hospital and other major hospitals in the area.

A buffet breakfast begins at 8:30 a.m. with the lecture to follow. There is no charge for the event and one does not have to be a member of the Senior Physicians group to attend. Pre-registration is required, however. Contact Cindy Latina at Highlands-Cashiers Hospital at 526-1498, or you can pre register by email at clatina@hchospital.org.

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Task Force," Lacky said. The force in conjunction with the Smokey Mountain Center worked hard to gather information concerning the demographics of this problem. "This group really wanted to get behind the idea and have Macon as the test pilot," she said.

Macon was one of the four counties considered as a test pilot. The other counties were Jackson, Haywood, and Cherokee. These counties were closely examined based on their medical facilities and because these areas have seen a significant increase in the production and use of meth.

One obstacle facing Macon and the Smokey Mountain Center was finding a location for the treatment process. "First we needed to identify a provider. The provider chosen was Mountain Youth Resources with a partnership with Mental Health Professionals," Lacky said.

Most importantly this was a licensed facility used for this outpatient program. "This is particularly important when dealing with substances that are very addictive, such as meth. The outpatient program runs for a few hours a day and it is within the community which makes a difference to patients," said Lacky.

"The matrix model has been shown to be highly effective in stimulant addictions such as meth," said Lacky. With the matrix model, patients are able to understand the aspects of physical and psychological dependency. "The real benefit for the Department of Mental Health was Sam Minsky with the matrix institute who provided training, technical assistance, program development, and ongoing support and supervision," Lacky said.

Another benefit is that the patients learn within a group setting what sort of problems they may experience after they have been off the drug for a period of time. Problems include an excessive need for sleep, depressive moods, and anxiety. The need for sleep is because meth causes people to remain awake for long periods of time which makes them insomniacs. It also can cause people to feel empowered and very euphoric.

"Getting clean of meth is the easier part because people start to feel better right away, but the desire to use still remains. Over time, meth provides dopamine to the brain giving a happy feeling. After a while the brain stops producing this chemical on its own so the person may have a desire to go back to the drug," she said.

Avoiding this relapse is a very strong goal of the program. Patients meet three times a week for a period of six weeks and after that, they go for check-ups for another year.

"There is also a family night where patients and their families can come and share a meal. The families also get help understanding the addiction," said Lacky.

There are a lot of exciting things going on with this program such as additional funding and community involvement. The funding has helped provide transportation and child care for those who need it, and the community has become involved in providing forums on this topic.

Sheriff Robbie Holland said it's too early to calculate the effects of the program, but so far he's all for it.

"I think the program is great," said Holland. "There has not been enough programs for people who want help. What I really like is the program encourages a support system from the family, too. An addict needs more than himself for support. His confidence in himself is generally shattered by the time he reaches rock bottom and asks for help."

Holland said it's too early to know the long-term affects of the program, but his hopes are high.

"As far as increase or decrease of meth use in our county since this program has been established there has not been enough time to really be able to say," he said. "Only time will tell and the success of the program will be able to show a significant difference one way or the other."

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## • ANOTHER VIEW •

### Give Sharon the honor he's due

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I have no idea why Sharon is not permitted to die. I can discern no political, strategic, human, or symbolic value. He apparently suffers from septicemia, a bacterial infection in the blood stream. Sepsis or septic syndrome, a condition in which the body's vital organs shut down, frequently complicates this type of blood infection. Sepsis explains the deterioration of Sharon's renal function. The condition is frequently fatal in healthy people. What are the chances for a comatose 78-year-old? Sharon has had a birthday since the onset of his stroke. How does one celebrate such an event? With a great deal of help with the candles. In sepsis, the brain, heart, liver, lungs, kidneys, peripheral vascular system, blood forming elements and immune system all crash. With the wonders of modern medicine, it is possible to keep a patient such as Sharon alive for a long time, although thankfully, not eternally. Patients who were in good health prior to the catastrophic illness have a reasonable chance of complete recovery. If we are able to eliminate the infection and restore organ function, a person may go on to enjoy years of normal life. The best that can be expected for Sharon, or the worst if you share my sentiments, is a prolongation of his vegetative existence. A biography of his life after the stroke might be entitled, "My Life as a Carrot."

If Sharon is an important symbol to the state of Israel, maybe the solution is allowing him to die, preserving his body, and displaying him in some



**Dr. Henry Salzarulo**

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prominent place. It worked for Lenin. Maybe cryogenics is the answer. There is a company in Arizona which immerses a body in a thermos of liquid nitrogen, thus preserving his tissues in hopes that some future advance in medical science will permit the resident to be thawed and healed. My guess is that the timely payment of rent is a greater concern to the company. How would you evict someone from one of those things? You certainly wouldn't have to

throw the furniture out onto the sidewalk. Ted Williams, former Boston Red Sox center fielder and Hall of Famer, is currently their most famous tenant. Maybe Sharon could get a jar next to his. A visa wouldn't be a problem unless Sharon was required to sign for it.

It is all so preposterous, this idea of prolonging life indefinitely. It is especially ridiculous for one like Sharon whose quality of life resembles that of a rutabaga. It is only slight less ridiculous for someone like Ted Williams who died at 84. Even in the highly unlikely event of successful restoration of life, Ted would emerge a worn out 84, not the "splendid splinter" of his youth. What possible appeal could there be for him to be restored to life after 50 years of hibernation, friendless, lost in a new world and with a whopping back rent due?

In the past I've written about end-of-life care. I've never written about this particular perversion, because I have never imagined it. In this case, I'm not concerned with the cost, misallocation of precious resources, or with morality of making care available to VIPs which is not accessible to taxpayers who foot the bill. I am disgusted at the most fundamental level with prolonging the existence of this shell which houses no semblance of human life and which never will.

I have no idea who made this decision or why. I have no notion what value the warm, but lifeless, body of the former prime minister retains for the nation. I only hope that the leaders of Israel soon realize the futility of their efforts allow Sharon to die and provide for him a grand state funeral and the honor which is his due.

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Today, Thursday, August 10, Macon County's League of Women Voters will host a forum on drug enforcement and treatment within the county. Lt. Brian Ledford of the Macon County Sheriff's Department will also be there to inform

the public about efforts to control meth production and the part it plays in crime.

For more information on the pilot program for to find help call, 800-849-6127.



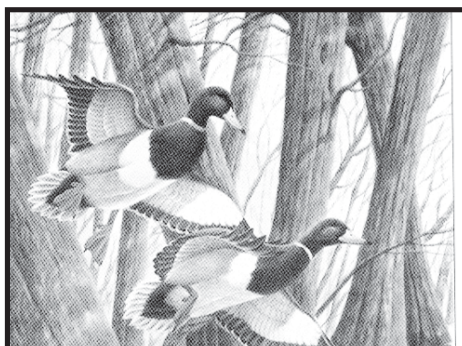
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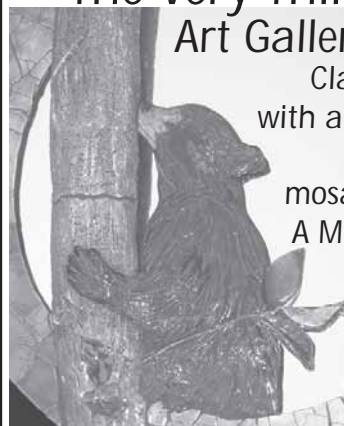
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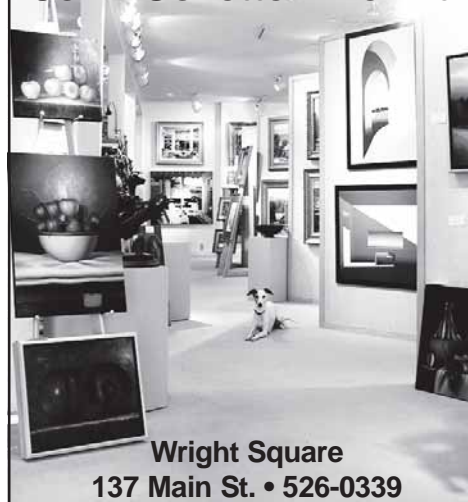
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## Eight file for two school board seats

The filing period for the Macon County School Board seats on the Nov. 4 ballot closed Friday, Aug. 4.

Only two seats are open -- the one now occupied by Tommy Cabe representing District II - Franklin and the At-Large seat held by Chairman Kevin Corbin. Corbin had decided not to run for re-election.

Running for the District II seat is incumbent Tommy Cabe and Tony Ester-

wood.

Running for the At-Large seat is Joy Curtis, Williams Cozzens, Wendy Dalton, Brooks Bennett, Guy Gooder and Mike Geiger.

The other three seats currently occupied by Vice Chairman Donnie Edwards, Susie McCoy and Tommy Baldwin come open in 2008.

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require a second phone call.

Highlands is changing rapidly, way too rapidly. This town board better wake up and get things under control. Giving our permits with little or no thought to the repercussions is why we have the Riverwalk mess. The town board needs to treat Riverwalk like they have treated Mr. A.L. Williams, who in my opinion, has done a first-class job in spite of the input from the town board. Everyone should be treated equally, with the good of Highlands having priority.

**Dr. Robert O'Neil**

**Highlands, Fort Lauderdale**

## Burning issues overlooked

Dear Editor,

At a time when our congressmen are busily engaged in non-issues such as amending the constitution forbidding same-sex marriages and flag burning, they are doing NOTHING about raising the minimum wage, social security, repairing our ailing health care system, and controlling the use of semi-automatic weapons. Neither have they done ANYTHING about curbing the power of lobbyists. In my opinion, with very few exceptions they should ALL be replaced!

There is an e-mail going around reminding us that congressmen when they retire they continue to receive FULL pay until they die! (Except for occasional cost of living increases). For example, Senator Byrd and Rep. White and their wives will draw \$700,000 and their wives \$275,000 during the last years of their lives. Their cost for this glorious plan? NOTHING! And these funds come directly from the general fund!

For our own Social Security (which you and I have paid into) we can expect an average of \$1,000 per month. Do you suppose there would be any brave new office seeker who would dare to offer a bill placing congress on Social Security? That may not be possible but I'll bet Social Security would be fixed in a hurry!

But take heart, my friends, some of the state legislatures are starting to show some sense of responsibility.

Massachusetts and Vermont have come up with a health care plan of their own which bears watching. (See AARP News for July-Aug. for details.) Our own state legislature (Democrat controlled) has done some very good things.

They passed a 12-month moratorium on landfills that will delay six mega-landfills where the urban Northeast could dump their garbage; they defeated a bill called "Risk Remediation" that would have allowed polluters to pay a fine and then walk away from full cost of ground water contamination which they caused. Taxpayers

would then bear the cost of cleaning up their messes. But be alerted! These and other bad bills will come up next session.

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**Edna Foster**  
**Highlands**

## County targets sexual predators

Monday night county commissioners formalized the decision they made some months ago, prohibiting sexual predators at county recreational facilities.

Though the ordinance only affects registered sex offenders, commissioners say "it's a start."

"We need a predator-free zone around our parks, pools, and libraries," said Lori Mersheimer with Mothers Against Sex Offenders. "But we're also concerned about the sex offenders who aren't known or registered."

She said after 10 years sex offenders fall off the "registered" list if they've had no more offenses. She also said rules governing the behavior of sexual predators are stricter in South Carolina and Georgia so sexual predators are coming into North Carolina for refuge.

"There are a lot of sexual predators flying under the radar in North Carolina especially if they were convicted and released prior to 1996," she said.

Commissioners said the new ordinance doesn't address every aspect of the issue, but believe it's a step in the right direction. For now, registered sex offenders are prohibited from knowingly entering into or onto any property owned by or under the control of Macon County for recreational purposes.

Commissioner Bob Simpson hopes schools and towns in the county adopt a similar policy.



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to a trauma patient's upper body, keeping them alive until they reach the hospital. They work great and many are saved because of these inflatable pants.

But because the suits were new and the word did not always get to all the doctors, the first thing an ER intern would do is cut off the victim's clothing. The pants would deflate and the patient would be dead in less than a minute. I personally watched doctors kill two patients at Mount Sinai Hospital on Miami Beach and that's only one hospital in America. Multiply that by hundreds, maybe thousands.

Once I raced out on the beach to assist a vacationing doctor attending a bather who had obviously had a heart attack. The doctor identified himself and began to give me orders. Cops almost never second-guess doctors in emergency situations. While I applied oxygen to the bather, the doctor pounded the patient's chest with such force I could hear ribs breaking.

The next morning I got a call from Dr. Joe Davis, the Dade County Medical Examiner. "Remember the DOA you had yesterday on the beach? How many floors did he fall from?" I knew he was joking and knew exactly what he meant. The

dead bather, had his heart been resuscitated, could have never survived the trauma to his chest and spine inflicted by the vacationing doctor. Such is life.

I don't know Doctor Pearlstein because I keep far away from people walking around with scalpels. In fact, because I know doctors are not perfect, I stay away from all of them. If my arm has been ripped from my shoulder, I'll make an exception.

I could fill many columns of this newspaper with incidents of where I have witnessed doctors making mistakes, many of them fatal. So what? Don't you think if a doctor acts in the best interest of his patient, he should not be run off? Our hospital cannot afford a reputation of running off doctors.

Doctor Pearlstein may be gone, he may not. If he is, we may have lost a good surgeon. The Highlands/Cashiers Hospital is not Mount Sinai Hospital in New York. Doctors are not flocking here to practice medicine because of the big bucks, the benefits package or our awesome reputation. Don't you think we should go a little easier on them, even if they loose an occasional sponge in a body cavity?



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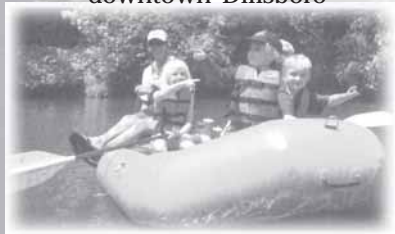


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mand is affecting the county's economy.

"Because the health department is behind in septic permits, people in the county are losing money in real estate sales. People in the business of building homes can't build them so they're out of work all because they can't get a septic permit," he said. "One Realtor in Franklin lost four sales because they had no idea when septic permits could be issued." He said there's no building without a septic permit.

Kimsey also reminded commissioners that those in the real estate business spend money at other businesses in town. "We need a solution now. Instead of first-come, first-served, sites should be prioritized. Some people turn in applications prior to when they are actually needed just so they have it when they're ready to sell or in case their property sells."

He said someone who has a building permit should be top on the list, "then, if they have a real estate contract, they should be number two on the list. Many sales are contingent upon septic system approval." He said the real estate business keeps the economy strong.

Commissioner Jim Davis, who is on the county's health department board, said the county's backlog is not totally due to the state of affairs at the Health Department. "The problem is due to a series of events no one could have foreseen including the stricter state laws for credentialing, and the building boom in Macon County," he said. "In six months, we will see significant changes that will pay big dividends. We know real estate is the economic engine that drives our county and I'm very proud of the strides the Health Department has made."

Barry Patterson, environmental health specialist with the health department, gave a step-by-step scenario to clear up the backlog which he says will be under control by March 2007.

"I agree with everything Mr. Kimsey said," said Patterson. "Prioritization has

been a problem. I think his ideas would work. Some applications aren't as pressing. But I do have a stack of 100 on my desk where a closing is eminent."

The problem is a lack of staff. Commissioners OK'd the hiring of two inspectors Monday night but more are needed.

"We got 249 septic permit applications in June and 126 in July," he said. "We're averaging 140 a month which will mean 1,600 septic permit for 2006."

In the second week of May, the department had a backlog of 425 permits applications and was making 14-15 inspections a day. With an increase in permitting fees set to increase July 1, 2006, an influx of applications came in June.

Commissioner Bryson said the department should have anticipated the influx. "When we increased the fees, someone should have known people were going to come running to get the permit requests in," he said.

Patterson said as of September 2006 he'll have six certified inspectors in the department with one more completely credentialed in February 2007. It takes 6-9 months to go through the state's credentialing process. He said using outside contract help would help them get caught up because the department is involved in all aspects of public health, not just septic permits.

"Recently we had a food poisoning incident so we had to stop everything we were doing to deal with that," he said. "That took 300 manhours away from septic inspections. We are working a maximum level at

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this point."

Commissioners suggested correlating with the building inspection division to do both inspections at the same time; scheduling applications in the same vicinity one after the other; letting the inspectors work overtime; and contracting some inspections out to private contractors.

Commissioner Bob Simpson, said he thought subdivisions over three lots were supposed to be on the fast track. "You should put our most experienced employees on those and take advantage of private contractors," he said.

But Patterson said there haven't been enough private contractors to take advantage of the fast track idea until recently.

Last week, Jackson County, which pays its septic inspectors \$15,000 more a year than Macon County, lost four inspectors to the private sector because they can make more money.

County Manager Sam Greenwood said the long range plan should be some form of privatization. "That would give the private market the incentive to go through the licensure process," he said. Currently, septic inspectors have to have a four-year degree in Environmental Science or similar science degree, put in time as an intern and then pass the state test to be certified.

Greenwood said the inspectors should focus initially on high-need for quick turnaround, particularly for subdivisions. "Also, look at our fee schedule. "Maybe we should give a discount for volume at a subdivision, maybe we should lower the fee but charge a fast track fee. But whatever we do, the process has to start immediately," he said.

Patterson reminded commissioners that the department's purpose is to protect public health and the failing of septic tanks takes precedence over the installation of new systems.

"The truth is, it's the nature of septic tanks to fail every 20-25 years," he said. "That's a potential of 450-550 wells failing per year and contaminating the ground wa-

ter. This just adds to the work load because a failed system goes to the top of the list."

Meanwhile, commissioners hope private contractors will help lessen the health department's load; though they will charge more than the county for the inspection.

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Marsh said he wasn't suggesting the Chamber had erred, just that it's possible room tax proceeds could be shared with the Town of Highlands, as well.

Gary Nicholson, who was hired by the county to find those in the business of renting homes and other accommodations who aren't registered with the county as "vacation rental agencies," said the statute that governs the levy of the three percent room tax and disbursement of its proceeds, is extremely broad. "The statute has been around for 20 years, but it's just not clear." Currently, Macon County, gives a proportional amount back to the Franklin and Highlands chambers.

"It's my personal opinion that the exact use of the money should be clarified by the state legislature," he said. "The law says the money must promote tourism, but that can be virtually anything." He said under the current definition, a park could certainly promote tourism. "Who's to say it couldn't? No one could say that's not a proper expenditure."

He's certain of one thing. "The money must be used to promote the entire town and everybody in it," he said. "It's collected by the accommodations folks but it can't be specifically used for one facet of the economy."

Nicholson will have a complete report for county commissioners soon and said he will suggest "a more effective way for the room tax money to be spent, maybe with different guidelines," he said. "I'll be looking at other communities to see how they have been spending the money."

•Next week: ROOM TAX part 2

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News from King William's Town, South Africa  
- part 7 -

# Turning 16, the Wild Coast, Matric Dance and horses with no brakes

**By Sara Bates**  
Highlands Rotary Exchange Student  
**H**ello to Highlands and Cashiers! It feels strange to be submitting these last articles after having returned to the states, but for those of you who have been following my year away, I don't want to leave out the details of my last few months in South Africa. I have to go back in time to mid-April and to articles that I wrote but somehow never submitted to the paper. Sorry for that!

In mid-April I settled back into life in King William's town after two weeks of traveling with my family who came to visit (and whom I had not seen in over eight months!) Since my parents wrote an article about our travels, I will spare the details of our time together, except to say that it was loaded with fun and family bonding and was a perfect introduction for them to South Africa. Now, having met my friends and host families in King, they understand why I love this place so much.

Saying goodbye to my family was

not too difficult, as I knew I would be home in a few months (my, how your perspective changes!) and I had amazing plans for the next five weekends. After a week of difficult schoolwork, I was off again for an "African Easter Holiday" at the Wild Coast with the Newman and Boucher families. Here's a quote from my journal...

"Sweets! Sweets!" and screams and giggles were about all we heard as we made our way along the (third world) dirt roads to the Wild Coast...dodging cows, goats, chickens and small excited children...it was such a perfect welcome. The children in the villages knew we would arrive with sweets, and it was adorable to watch them race around and search the grass for the little chocolates we tossed from the bakkie (truck). Kayley and I are now warming up with a cup of coffee after a quick dip in the freezing ocean that is only a few hundred meters from our cottage. The full moon is rising out of the water

now. Ours is the only house for miles and miles. I love this place. I can hear the waves from my bunkroom...there are smells of campfires, cow dung, African dirt, and fish...and it is more beautiful than anything I could have ever pictured. What would you expect though...I have made it to the WILD COAST!"

Our long weekend at the coast was filled with fishing lessons out on the rocks, reading and sun bathing with tea and biscuits, swimming with the locals in the waves, and long walks along the rugged coastline. For our final night, we had a lovely braai (bbq) out on the campfire, eating fish that the men had caught earlier in the day. Just for the record, if you ever hear of my mysterious disappearance...just look for me at Beechanwood on the Wild Coast. This weekend allowed me to see a whole new side of African culture and beauty. I love the local people's simple and happy lifestyle, the lush green surroundings and the families who so willingly allowed me to join them. I cannot thank them enough for this opportunity.

The next weekend was yet another highlight of my year. The Matric Dance (similar to Prom for the senior class) was held on April 22 and it was one of the most beautiful and fun evenings I have ever experienced. This is a very formal dance and I joined my girlfriends in the long process of selecting fabric and a pattern, having our dresses hand-made, nails painted, hair done and make-up applied. The theme of the evening was "Heaven," complete with angel servants, cotton candy, a full meal, dangling icicle lighting, candles, soft pink material, and bubbles floating on the dance floor. The school hall was transformed! One of my closest friends, George, accompanied me for the evening, making it a memorable night of laughter and attempts at dancing. After the dance came the "after party," and it was the early hours of the morning before everyone returned home, completing one of the most memorable evenings of my stay.

Adjusting to schoolwork again was quite difficult due to a public holiday the following week. On Thursday morning my host family and counselor's family traveled to a place called "Hole in the Wall" along the

Wild Coast (again!) for the next five days. We rented a small house with a perfect view of the stunning Hole in the Wall. Our days consisted of hikes to hidden lagoons, jumping from rocks into the waves, evening runs and swims with the girls, reading books, sun tanning, late night bonding sessions with loads of coffee and tea, fresh crayfish, oysters and mussels for supper, and wild horse rides with my host brother along the stunning Wild Coast. Here is another selection from my journal...

"April 29th, Wild Coast after the horse ride...Craig (host brother) and I walked down to the stable looking for the horses. We were told they could not find the horses, but "no worries...come back in about an hour" (definitely African time). We walked back an hour later, and after saddling up and tracking down our guide, we climbed on. The Xhosa guide, who spoke very little English, was going to show us the stunning views around the area.

"Dat one...has NO brakes," he said with a smile, pointing to my grey horse. Craig sat on his horse, laughing at my worried expression.

"Mine?" I asked.

"Ya, no brakes...Noo brakes...jus hang on." He smiled back, as if it were no serious problem that my horse lacked the ability to *stop*. He then kicked his horse and shouted "Hamba" (meaning "go" in Xhosa)...and we were off! I have never ridden a horse like that in my life...not trotting, not cantering...but all out galloping because my horse had "Noo brakes." But, I have also never had so much fun! The views were breathtaking as we rode along the beaches, hills, horse trails and hidden lookouts. I have to invest in a horse with no breaks when I get home!"

The Rotary Club of King William's Town has been so supportive of me during my stay here. Throughout Christmas, New Year's, Easter and now my 16th birthday, the members of the local club have taken such good care of me that I have not had the opportunity to be homesick. On the night of my 16th birthday, all the Rotarians and my host families came together for a great party. I have never received so much attention (or so many presents) for a



Gowns were made for the annual Matric Dance at school.





### The Wild Coast of South Africa

birthday! What a special evening! They even listed my birthday in the local paper, so that everywhere I went, I received birthday greetings. We will have to remember this for our exchange students to Highlands!

And the last big weekend was the "Dale Reunion" which is a huge party for the people of the Eastern Cape. Reunion weekend is held every year when graduates from the Dale School for Boys return to King for a weekend filled with rugby, hockey, parties and just about any competition you can think of. I played my first hockey game with the "under 18 B-side," also known as the "second team," and even though we tied 0 to 0, it was a great game. More than 1,000 people came to watch the girl's 1st team hockey play, and more than 3,000 came to support the boy's

rugby team. And, after all the crazy competitions, everyone headed to the "after parties," so it was another late but very entertaining evening! Let's just say the South Africans love their sports and know how to throw a party!

Now, I am back at school in King and will leave soon to coach soccer for the under 9 and under 13 teams. I often run into the soccer teams that the people of Highlands and Cashiers supported, and I thank you again for your generosity. Your efforts helped change their lives.

In a few weeks, I will be back in Highlands again. Please pray for me, as I can't imagine saying goodbye to my friends and families here. Thank you for your prayers and support. God bless and cheers!



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For additional information contact Jeanette Awtrey, NC Cooperative Extension at 349-2224 or 349-2046.

## Back to School Week in Highlands

### Blessing of the School Year

On Tuesday, Aug. 22, the Highlands Ministerial Association will once again host the "Service of Blessing for the School Year." This ecumenical worship service will be held at 3:30 p.m. at The Episcopal Church of the Incarnation. The service will offer a blessing and encouragement to faculty, staff, students, parents, volunteers, and the community which supports students and schools. Please bring school supplies as an offering.

### Help Us Get Ready for School

Come help the teachers and staff get the school ready for opening day! The Highlands School PTO is recruiting parents and members of the community to come to the school to help move furniture, hang things on walls, and do other tasks that will be helpful to teachers in getting classrooms ready. Bring a ladder if you can. Please call the school (526-2147) to sign up for a time or times you can help. Volunteers are needed on Wednesday, Aug. 23 between 1 and 3 p.m. and on Thurs., August 24 between 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

### Open House at Highlands School

On Thursday, Aug. 24, the Highlands School administrators will hold an open house from 4-6 p.m. Parents and students are encouraged to pick up schedules, meet their teachers, and drop off their classroom supplies. Student-serving groups in the community are invited to set up displays in the gymnasium to provide information to families. For more information, contact the school at 526-2147 or check the school web page at [www.highlands-school.org](http://www.highlands-school.org).

### First Day of School

The first day for students at the Highlands School is Fri., August 25. It will be a full day of school from 8 a.m.-2:53 p.m.

### Back to School Field Day

On Sat., August 26, several local churches are hosting a "Back to School Field Day" from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at the town ball field. There will be games, lunch, inflatables, cotton candy, and fun. Preschool and elementary children are invited. In case of rain, it will be held in the Rec Park gym.

## Pipe organ concert at First Presbyterian

On Thursday, Aug. 17, First Presbyterian Church of Highlands will host a recital on its Wicks Pipe Organ, which the church dedicated in 2004.

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will be a hula-hoop, limbo and "best-dressed" contests throughout the night. Traditional Luau cuisine with cocktails, beer, and wine will be served.

The Hawaiian festivities, rain or shine, will begin at 6 p.m. and end

around 9 p.m.. Located at the Selky farm on the corner of Buck Creek and Short-off Roads in Highlands.

For tickets, call Mary or Debbie at Keller William in Highlands at (828) 526-9520.

## HFCC members are ballroom dancing

It isn't exactly like Ballroom Boot Camp, but 40 of Highlands Falls Country Club members have started lessons on Saturdays with a renowned teacher.

Bob Mitchell, from Greenville, has taught at Sea Island and in several states and is an international judge and competitor.

So far, the group has worked on the Fox Trot, the Waltz, and the Rhumba. They are looking forward to the dinner dances at the club to use these new skills.

Even the beginners are now able to complete an entire dance.

There are so many things to do at Highlands Falls, that husbands who were dubious about dancing, were told they could have time for the classes and still make their tee-times. And it has worked out great, everyone is having a good time!

Highlands Falls is known for such varied activities as a Hiking Club, Book Club, and Garden Club as well as all the usual card and table games and sports. Dancing has become the newest of the activities members are participating in this year.

— Barbara Estes

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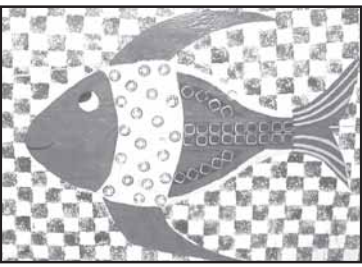


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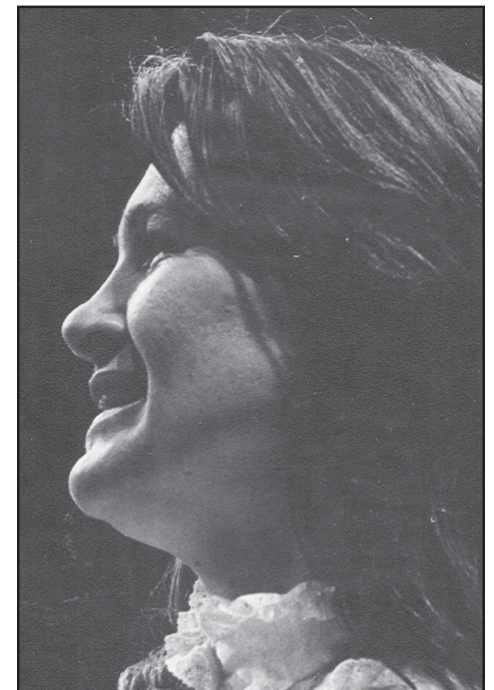
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## Free ARTSaturday for Kids is Aug. 12

The Arts Council will hold its monthly ARTSaturday for creative kids on Saturday, August 12, 10 a.m. to noon, in Big Bear Shelter on the Greenway, East Main Street in Franklin.

The "Sticks and Stones" theme offers a variety of make-and-take projects crafted from natural materials, including Indian talking sticks, animal paintings on river rock, glass stone collages, and Guatemalan bird stick-puppets.

ARTSaturday is free learning fun for elementary school-aged children, held the second Saturday of the month. Robin



Daughter and mother, Jennifer Royce and Jill Montana, when they performed in "The Women" in 1974 in Houston, Texas.

## Highlands Community Players' 'Simon Suites' coming up

For the second time, Jill Williamson Montana and her daughter Jennifer Royce play a mother and daughter on stage. They will appear in the Highlands Community Players production of Simon Suites August 17-20 and August 24-27. Donna Cochran, director of the London Suites vignette, has cast the two women in roles that Jill calls, "almost autobiographical." The mother and her adult daughter share moments of laughter, frustration and tenderness as each faces challenges in her own life while caring deeply for the well-being of the other.

Their other appearance together was in Houston, Texas, in 1974. In a very different phase of the mother-daughter relationship, Jill and her young daughter Jennifer played Mary and Little Mary in the Clear Creek Country Theater's production of "The Women."

In between these two productions, the two women have been busy. Jill has

lived in Highlands for 17 years and is the executive director of the International Friendship Center, "Centro de Amigos." She is an active member of the theatrical community, having appeared in HCP production of "The Odd Couple" (female version), "Murder She Wrote," "Mornings at Seven," "The Octet Bridge Club," and "The Dining Room." With the Instant Theater Company, she appeared in "Nick the Beard."

Her favorite role to date is Evie in "Stop the World I Want to Get Off." Her least favorite was playing a pot-bellied organ grinder with a monkey on her shoulder in the sixth grade.

Passtimes include cooking, gardening and enjoying her dogs. And just like her character in Simon Suites, she "can't get enough" of her children and grandchildren.

Jennifer moved to the Highlands area in 1991. For 12 years she has worked as assistant administrator for Highlands Falls Community Association.

Having grown up with theatrical parents, it's not surprising that she too has theatrical experience.

She was Suzanne in the HCP production of "Dearly Departed" and Cynthia in "Second Time Around." In addition to her work and caring for daughters Stephanie and Danielle Puchacz, Jennifer tutors math twice a week at the Peggy Crosby Center.

The family and their five animals live in an old farm house in Scaly Mountain. In her spare time, just like her character in the play, Jennifer likes to read.

For tickets and more information about Simon Suites, call 526-8084.

Swaby Miltner directs the series, and the Arts Council provides materials. Participants should wear old clothes and come for any part of the session.

This event is sponsored by Betsey Gooder and Macon County News & Shopping Guide.

The ARTSaturday series is supported by a Grassroots Arts Program grant from the North Carolina Arts Council, a state agency.

Contact the Macon Arts Council for information, 524-7683 or e-mail arts4all@dnet.net.



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Cathy Garren



Elizabeth Matej



Gary Garren



Sherman Pope

### Century 21 Mountain Lifestyles winners

The following CENTURY 21 Mountain Lifestyles agents were top producers for their office during the month of June.

In the Cashiers office, Managing Broker Cathy Garren was top listing agent and Broker Associate Elizabeth Matej made Top Sales.

Cathy Garren was awarded the Masters Emerald award for her production in 2005. She was also the Top Listing by Volume and the Top Sales by Volume agent in her office in 2005. Elizabeth Matej was awarded the Masters Ruby award for her production in 2005. She was also

the Top Listing by Units and Top Sales by Units agents for her office in 2005.

In the Highlands office, Managing Broker Gary Garren was Top Listing Agent and Broker Associate Sherman Pope was Top Sales.

Gary Garren was awarded the Silver Producer award for his production in 2005. He was also the Top Sales by Volume & Units as well as the Top Listing by Volume & Units agent for his office in 2005. Sherman Pope was recognized as Rookie of the Year for his office in 2005.

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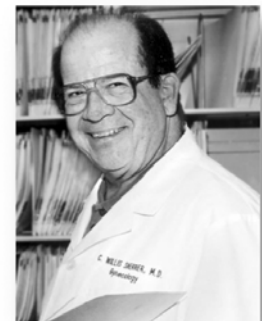
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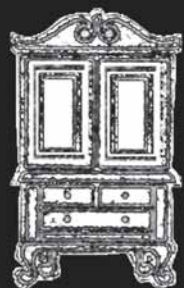


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## • SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING •

# 'Blessing of the School Year' set for Aug. 25 at Episcopal Church

For the fourth year, the Highlands Ministerial Association will host a "Service of Blessing for the School Year." This service offers an opportunity to provide a blessing and encouragement to faculty, staff, students, parents, volunteers, and the community as a whole as the new school year begins.

The beginning of school is right around the corner. The first day of school in Highlands is Friday, Aug. 25. The ecumenical worship service will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 22 at 3:30 p.m. The Episcopal Church of the Incarnation will be the host. The church is located at 530 Main Street. Rev. Hunter Coleman, senior minister of First Presbyterian Church will be the preacher and local clergy will participate.

Every year there are students who cannot afford to purchase all of the required school supplies. As an offering, school supplies will be received for the Highlands School. The list of all items students need is available, but particularly needed are #2 pencils, erasers, scissors, large glue sticks, crayons, colored pencils, boxes of tissues, 3 ring binders, pencil sharpeners, pens, washable markers, and backpacks. Any kind of school supply is welcome.

This is an opportunity for the community to support students and teachers. Preschool, elementary school, middle school, high school, and homeschool teachers, students, and parents are invited. It is an uplifting way to begin the fall semester and a way to remember God's presence is always with us. – Kim Ingram, PTO president

## Organist Norman MacKenzie In Concert



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Rev. Oliver Rice, Pastor (706) 782-3965  
Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 11  
Sunday night services every 2nd & 4th Sunday at 7  
Wednesdays: Mid-week prayer meeting – 7 p.m.  
July 30 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Singer and Dinner featuring Tommy Brown Family Singers. Followed by worship service and dinner.

### BUCK CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 11  
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Sunday: Holy Communion: 4:30  
(Community Bible Church)

Tuesday: Bible Study in Cashiers at noon  
Wednesday: Men's Bible Study at 8 a.m.  
(Highlands First Baptist)

Thursday: Morning Prayer at 10:30  
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5:30 p.m. Supper; 5:45 p.m. - 7:15 pm Small Groups for kids  
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Monday: 4 p.m. - Women's cursillo Group; 5:30 p.m. - Women's Cursillo Group  
Tuesday: 8 a.m. - Men's Cursillo Group; 9:30 a.m. - Staff Meeting  
Wednesday: 2 p.m. – Interlude; 6:30 p.m. – Choir  
Thursday: 7:30 a.m. - Men's Cursillo Group Meeting; 10 a.m. - Holy Eucharist with healing; 10:30 a.m. - Daughters of the King Meeting; 10:30 a.m. – Bible Study  
• Sunday Service on Channel 14 Sun. at 10:30 a.m.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Dr. Daniel D. Robinson, 526-4153  
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Choir – 7:15  
Wednesdays: Dinner – 5:30 p.m.; Team Kids – 6 p.m.; Prayer – 6:15 p.m., Choir – 7:30 p.m.

### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. J. Hunter Coleman, Pastor, 526-3175  
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Mondays: 8 a.m. – Men's Bible Discussion & Breakfast  
Tuesdays: 10 a.m. – Seekers

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Sat: Adventistas del Septimo Dia – 10 a.m. & 5

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Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 11



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## On-going

• Mountain Findings will be open until 6 p.m. each Friday. The normal hours of operation have always been 10 am to 4 pm, Monday through Saturday. People that work in local shops have asked that we stay open past 5 pm at least one day a week. We will try this through September and if successful may make it a permanent change

• Angie Jenkins plays Broadway piano at the Old Clayton Inn in Clayton on Fridays and Saturdays for dinner.

• Bascom-Louise Gallery Garden Tour Tickets are on sale! Call the gallery and reserve you space. 526-4949.

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

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

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

• The "Zachary-Tolbert House" in Cashiers will be open for tours Fridays and Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. through Oc-

tober 14. The house is located at 1940 Highway 107 S., two miles south of the Cashiers Crossroads. Special tours and events may be arranged by calling the Cashiers Historical Society, 828-743-7710.

• Highlands Historic Village is open for tours Fridays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through the end of October. The House-Trapier-Wright Home and the Museum and Archives are located at 524 N. 4th Street, across from the Funeral Home. Special tours or access to the archives may be arranged by calling the Highlands Historical Society at 828-787-1050 or by emailing [highlandshistory@nctv.com](mailto:highlandshistory@nctv.com).

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

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

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

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

• First Saturday September "Happy Hour" an old-fashioned Hymn Sing at Highlands United Methodist Church in the Sanctuary from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Pianist: Tillie Arwood. Song Leader, Carol Shuttleworth.

• Yoga at Highlands Rec Park every Mon. & Wed. beginning June 2. \$7 per person per class or \$50 monthly pass.

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

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

• Every Tuesday evening, Spiritual Cinema Circle at The Instant Theatre Company brought to you by StarPony Productions at 7 pm. Visionary, inspiring movies showcased at film festivals around the world are viewed. Suggested donation: \$5, Beverages and snacks available for purchase.

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

• Live music at Sweet Treats every Friday and Saturday.

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

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

## Aug. 10

• At Bascom-Louise Gallery, History of Southern art. Guest speaker Jay Williams of the Morris Museum of Art. 1-4 p.m. at PAC downstairs. \$15 for CLE members. \$25 for others.

• Zahner Conservation Lecture Series. Connie Barlow will give a talk entitled "Rewilding Torreya Trees to the South." 7 p.m. at the High Hampton Inn in Cashiers. Admission is free.

## Aug. 11

• Cocktail Hour Theatre - doors open at 5:30 and reservations are strongly recommended. Call 828.342.9197 for tickets - only 3 more shows left!

• At Bascom-Louise Gallery, Zelda Fitzgerald as artist. An exploration of her life. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at PAC downstairs. \$15 for CLE members, \$25 for non members.

• Bob Jones Invitational at the Highlands Country Club.

• "The Dowden Pavilion Dedication" - will be held at the Zachary-Tolbert house, 1940 Hwy. 107 S., Cashiers, on Friday. Festivities will begin with an old-fashioned picnic on the lawn at 5:30. The public is invited to bring a picnic supper and a blanket and enjoy music and fellowship. The dedication ceremony will take place at 6:30. Lemonade and soft drinks, as well as tours of the site, will be provided by the Cashiers Historical Society. For further information, call 743-7710.

## Aug. 12-Sept. 14

• At Bascom-Louise Gallery and Fine Art Center on exhibit: The Potters of Seagrove, Sid Luck is back by popular demand... along with Ben Owen and other distinguished potters from Seagrove, North Carolina, mecca of thrown pots since the 1700s. The gallery will be filled with dozens of turned pieces in all kinds of shapes, contours, colors, glazes, and textures. Opening is from 5-7 p.m., Aug 12. Free.

## Aug. 12

• Mountain Luau to benefit the Relay for Life at Selkey Farm on Buck Creek and Short Off roads, 6-9:30 p.m. rain or shine. Live entertainments, hula dancers, traditional luau cuisine, cocktails and beer. Call 526-9520 or 743-2484 for tickets.

• Dog Wash at First Citizens Bank to benefit the Bolivian Mission from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Hot dog lunch available.

• At ...on the Verandah, Live Music with Trio Lococo from 9 p.m. - midnight.

• At Bascom-Louise Gallery: The Potters of Seagrove, promises to be magnificent. Sid Luck, Ben Owen, and many other outstanding potters from the Seagrove

area will be represented. And if Want to be part of the creativity, take a handbuilding class with Pat Taylor or Julie Hilliard on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> respectively.

• The Nantahala Hiking Club will take a moderate 6-mile hike in the Shining Rocks area along the Art Loeb trail to Graveyard Fields parking lot on the Blue Ridge Parkway. Meet at Westgate Plaza in Franklin, opposite Burger King, at 9 a.m. Drive 5 miles round trip. Bring a drink, lunch, and wear sturdy, comfortable shoes.

Hikes are limited to 20; reservations are required. Call leader Doug Deane, 864-718-9265.

• The Nantahala Hiking Club will take a moderate 4-mile hike from Hickory Knut road up Scaly Mountain, an elevation gain of 200 feet, and down 1,100 feet to Osage Overlook on Hwy. 106. Meet at the Highlands Bank of America at 9:30 a.m. or the Osage Overlook at 9:50 a.m. Drive 15

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## • UPCOMING EVENTS •

miles round trip with a car shuttle. Bring a drink, lunch, and wear sturdy, comfortable shoes. Hikes are limited to 20; reservations are required. Call leader Mo Wheeler at 743-9560 or 743-9579.

### Aug. 13

- At Instant Theatre in Oak Square on Main Street, a free reading of the Pulitzer Prize winning play, "Wit." Make your reservations by calling 828.342.9197. It's free

- Audubon Picnic. Reservations required. Call Kay Poole, 526-2775

### Aug. 15

- Come and "Meet the Principal" on Tuesday, from noon until 2 p.m. at the Highlands School. This will be a good opportunity for students, parents, school personnel and the community to meet Mr. Brian Jetter, the new principal of the Highlands School. Sponsored by the Highlands School PTO.

- At ... on the Verandah, Guest Chef "Dinner Series" Vietnamese Dinner with Hy Vong Restaurant of Miami. Call 828-526-2338 for tickets and reservations.

- CLE Presents Jeanné Brown with "What They Did for Love" an exploration of music and plots and the tragedies and triumphs of four great operatic heroines at the Episcopal Church of the Incarnation from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. The cost for members is \$20, non-members are \$30. Please call the CLE office at 526-9938, ext 120 to register.

- The film "American Beauty" at PAC at 7:30 p.m. Winner of 5 Academy Awards. Refreshments available. Rated R.

### Aug. 17-20

- The Highlands Community Players present "Simon Suites" episodes from the plays of Neil Simon. Call 526-8084 for reservations and ticket information.

### Aug. 17-27

- "Too Kill A Mockingbird" at the Highlands Playhouse. Performances are Tues.-Sat. at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Call 526-2695.

### Aug. 17

- The Plateau Fly Fishing Club will feature local fly fisherman, Keith Lewis, at its meeting at 7 p.m. at Grace Community Church in Cashiers. Keith specializes in wild brown trout and will discuss his favorite spots, including the Nantahala River and streams in the Smoky Mountain National Park. Call 743-2078 for additional information.

- Women's Health Series, with Dr. Sue Aery of Cashiers-Highlands Chiropractic and Acupuncture and Whole Life Market at Highlands Whole Life Market. 5:30-7 p.m. Subject: Stress and Hormones. Call 526-5999 to reserve a seat.

- At Bascom-Louise Gallery, Everything You Ever Wanted to Know about Pottery with Pat Taylor. 7 p.m. Free/donation.

### Aug. 18

- At Instant Theatre in Oak Square on Main Street, Cocktail Hour Theatre - doors open at 5:30 and reservations are strongly recommended. Call 828.342.9197 for tickets - only 2 more shows left!

### Aug. 19

- At Instant Theatre in Oak Square on Main Street, another chance to experience Songwriters in the Round. Come see a favorite: Thea and The Greenman. Stay tuned for more info.

- Fisher Garden Tour 10-12:30. Carpools leave from the Gazebo on Pine Street every half hour. Tickets are \$25, available at the Episcopal Church in Highlands. Proceeds benefit the church's outreach programs.

- The Nantahala Hiking Club will take a moderate 3.5 mile hike to beautiful Split Rock Cascade on the Chattooga River. Expect some scrambling over rocks and inclines on the trail. Bring a bathing suit for

an optional swim at your own risk. Meet at the Highlands Bank of America at 9:30 a.m. or at the Iron Bridge on Bull Pen road at 9:50 a.m. Drive 15 miles round trip. Bring a drink, lunch, and wear sturdy comfortable shoes. Call leader Mo Wheeler at 743-9560 or 743-9579.

- At ... on the Verandah, Live Music with Trio Lococo from 9 p.m. - midnight.

### Aug. 20

- The Nantahala Hiking Club will take a moderate 4.5 mile hike on the Deep Creek-Indian Creek loop trail in the Great Smoky Mountains near Bryson City, a drive of 70 miles round trip. There are several pretty waterfalls on Deep Creek and hikers can watch the inner tube floaters shoot the rapids. Meet at Westgate Plaza in Franklin, opposite Burger King, at 2 p.m. Bring a drink, a snack if you wish, and wear sturdy, comfortable shoes. There is the option of dinner in Bryson City. Hikes are limited to 20; reservations are required. Call leader Kay Coriell, 369-6820.

### Aug. 21

- "Dine Around the Club," an unforgettable evening of fun, food and friends hosted by members of the Cullasaja Women's Outreach will be held on Monday, August 21. Cocktails and dinner will be served at 14 different houses, with a fun filled dessert finale at the clubhouse. 100% of the proceeds from this event will go to Highlands' area charities selected by members of the CWO.

### Aug. 23-26

- At Bascom-Louise Gallery: Joan Bazzell will dazzle you with her gorgeous cloisonné hummingbird class. It is BLG's first venture into metalsmithing.

### Aug. 24-27

- The Highlands Community Players present "Simon Suites" episodes from the plays of Neil Simon. Call 526-8084 for reservations and ticket information.

### Aug. 25 & 26

- MountainTop Relay for Life begins at 5 p.m. at Cashiers Community Center and ends at 7 am. the next day

### Aug. 25

- At Instant Theatre in Oak Square on Main Street, Cocktail Hour Theatre - doors open at 5:30 and reservations are strongly recommended. Call 828.342.9197 for tickets - only 1 more show left!

- At Mill Creek Gallery the opening of a new exhibit with paintings by Ken Bowser and photography by Joe Calderone from 5 to 7 p.m. Mill Creek Gallery & Framing in Highlands Village Square on Oak St. (behind Wolfgang's). Wine and hors d'oeuvres, meet the artists. 787-2021 for more info.

- The Bascom-Louise Gallery Guild organizational meeting. Members of our Guild will be the heartbeat of our new facility: hosting events, docenting, socializing, helping hang shows, sending invitations, and serving in all kinds of capacities. Join the dedicated men and women of the Guild who are striving to make Western North Carolina THE destination for lovers of Fine Art. Call the gallery for more information, 526-4949.

### Aug. 26

- At Instant Theatre in Oak Square on Main Street, Appalachian High Concert Series - this time featuring "Small Potatoes" from Chicago. This has been a extremely popular concert series and you won't want to miss this duo. Their new CD is entitled, "Waltz of the Wallflowers (A Dysfunctional Duet)"

- Back to School Festival, 11-2 at the Town Ballfield. Games, music, food and fun. For ages preschool-5th grade. (Rec Park Gym in case of rain.)

- Fisher Garden Tour 10-12:30. Carpools leave from the Gazebo on Pine Street every half hour. Tickets are \$25, available at the Episcopal Church in Highlands. Proceeds benefit the church's outreach pro-

grams.

- Audubon Work Day, Highlands Greenway Trail, 9 a.m., Rec Park North Shelter.

- The Nantahala Hiking Club will take a moderate 4-mile hike in Panthertown Valley to Blackrock Mountain and Granny Burrell's falls with an elevation change of 500 feet. Meet at the Cashiers Wachovia Bank (in back) at 9:30 a.m. Drive 16 miles round trip. Bring a drink, lunch, and wear sturdy comfortable shoes. Call leader Eva Hansen between 6 and 9 p.m. at 743-1611.

### Aug. 28

- Town of Highlands Scholarship Fund Classic at the Cullasaja Club. 11 a.m., registration, lunch buffet, practice range open, tee gift distribution; 12:30 p.m. shotgun start scramble; 5-7:30 p.m., cocktails, dinner buffet and awards party.

### Aug. 31

- At Bascom-Louise Gallery: Laurence Holden will present a lecture on How To Draw What You Really See at 7 p.m. as an introduction to his week-end workshop.

- At Bascom-Louise Gallery, How to Draw What you Really See with Laurence Holden. 7 p.m. Free/donation.

### Sept. 1-2

- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Fine Art Center: Laurence Holden will be teaching How to Draw What you Really See from Basic to Intermediate to Advanced. \$170. (\$135 for FRIENDS) 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

### Sept. 2

- Art & Craft show at The Village Square showcasing local artisans from 10 to 5 p.m. Fine art, folk art, pottery, turned wood and more. Food, music and public rest room. At Highlands Village Square and Pine St. Park on 5<sup>th</sup> St. (1/2 block from Main St.). Sponsored by Mill Creek Gallery & Framing; 787-2021 for info.

- Audubon Field Trip to Highalnds Biological Station & Sunset Rock to view Fall Migrants. Meet at 7 a.m. in the Parking Lot next to the Highalnds Town Hall.

### Sept. 3

- At the PAC: Bel Canto BEAUTIFUL SINGING is the translation of Bel Canto. Roy Smith, Megan Roth and Stephen Dubberly will be performing opera and musical theatre selections 4 p.m.; \$150.

### Sept. 4

- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Fine Art Center: Children's Classes starting first and third Wednesdays: Home school — 1 p.m.; Mondays: 3:15-4:15; 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> grades; Tuesdays: K-1<sup>st</sup> grades; 3:15-4:15; Wednesdays: 3:15-4:15, 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grades; Mondays: 1:30-3 p.m.

### Sept. 6

- Audubon Work Day, Highlands Greenway Trail. Meet at 9 a.m., Highlands Rec Park, North Shelter. PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE.

### Sept. 7

- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Fine Art Center: Mohair Teddy Bears: make a gorgeous Teddy bear out of real mohair. Perfect holiday gift for a special child or for yourself. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; \$185. (\$150. FRIENDS)
- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Fine Art Center: Fearless Acrylic Painting with Laurence Holden: six-week class which meets every Thursday 2-4 p.m.
- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Open Studio: Live model for figure drawing 5-7 p.m.

### Sept. 8

- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Fine Art Center: Mohair Teddy Bear, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

### Sept. 9

- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Fine Art Center: Tea with the Artist: Donna Rhodes Enjoy tea and treats with Donna Rhodes, Fiber Artist. She will discuss fiber

arts and answer questions about the medium and her upcoming class: Beaded Woven Pouch.

### Sept. 10-14

- Women's Wellness Retreat at Old Edwards Inn & Spa presented by The Cleveland Clinic. Call 787-2610 for package details.

### Sept. 12

- "A Year in the Life of a Black Bear," Audubon Program, presented by Kathy Sherrard and Anne Allison of Appalachian Bear Center in Townsend, TN; 7 p.m. Highlands Civic Center.

### Sept. 14

- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Fine Art Center: Fearless Acrylic Painting with Laurence Holden.

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

### Sept. 15

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

### Sept. 16

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

### Sept. 17

- At ... on the Verandah, a special 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration from noon-6 p.m. Call 828-526-2338 for tickets and reservations.

### Sept. 18

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

### Sept. 19

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

### Sept. 21

- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Fine Art Center: Fearless Acrylic Painting with Laurence Holden

- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Fine Art Center: Open Studio, 5 a.m.-7 p.m.

### Sept. 23

- At the Bascom-Louise Gallery Fine Art Center: Art and Wine Display: regional artists will have their work on exhibit in the gallery prior to the auction (free)

### Sept. 25

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

### Sept. 26

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

### Sept. 28

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

### Sept. 29-Oct. 1

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

### Oct. 1

- Highlands-Cashiers Chamber Music Festival, Sunday at 5 p.m. at PAC, Highlands. Fall Concert. Call 526-9060 for ticket information.

### Oct. 16-21

- At ITC in Oak Square on Main Street, "Sylvia" - a romantic comedy about a marriage and a dog.



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Any persons, firms or corporations having claims against Irene Madeline Schultz, Deceased, are notified to exhibit them to Louie Albert Schultz, Personal Representative of the Deceased's Estate at the address of the Estate's undersigned attorney, on or before November 15, 2006, or be barred from their recovery thereafter. Debtors of the Deceased are asked to make immediate payment to the above-named Personal Representative at the same address.

DATED: August 1, 2006

John R. Mayer  
Attorney at Law, PLLC  
Attorney for Estate  
511 Smallwood Avenue  
Post Office Box 750  
Highlands, NC 28741

POLICE & FIRE REPORT

The following is the Highlands Police Dept. log entries for the week of Aug 2-8. Only the names of persons arrested or public officials have been used.

Aug. 2

- At 8:40 a.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 49 mph in a 35 zone at U.S. 64 and Webbmont.
- At 9:10 a.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 50 mph in a 35 zone at N.C. 28 south and Sassy Lane.

- At 9:35 a.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 55 mph in a 35 zone at U.S. 64 west at Webbmont.

Aug. 3

- At 10:45 a.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 40 mph in a 25 zone at U.S. 64 east and Poplar Street.

- At 11:10 a.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 52 in a 35 zone at N.C. 106 and Cobb Road.

Aug. 4

- At 2:57 a.m., officers investigated a suspicious vehicle at Falls on Main. It was unfounded..
- At 9:30 a.m., officers investigated an possible break in at the Rec Park where a door handle had been broken.

- At 1:20 p.m., officers responded to a two-vehicle accident on U.S. 64 west.

- At 6:43 p.m., officers escorted a woman back to her home.

- At 10:57 p.m., officers responded to a two-vehicle accident at N.C. 106 and Buttermilk..

Aug. 5

- At 10:30 a.m., officers assisted EMS with a medical call on Main Street.

- Twice officers responded to the complaint of construction noise on a weekend.

- At 2:01 a.m., officers found an open door at a business on N. 4th Street. All was secure.

Aug. 6

- At 2:30 p.m., the pastor at the Church of God, reported the neighbor's tree removal had damaged the playground at the church.

Aug. 7

- At 10:05 a.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 42 mph in a 25 zone at U.S. 64 east and Poplar.

- At 10:15 a.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 42 in a 25 zone at U.S. 64 east and Poplar..

The following are the Highlands Fire & Rescue Dept. log entries for the week of Aug. 2-8.

Aug. 2

- The dept. responded to an accident with injuries on N.C. 28.

Aug. 3

- The dept. responded to a mutual aid call to Cashiers. It was cancelled en route.

- The dept. responded to an accident with no injuries on Flat Mountain Road.

Aug. 5

- The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call on Main Street. The victim was taken to the hospital.

Aug. 6

- The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call on Lyman Zachary Road. There was no transport.

Aug. 7

- The dept. responded to an accident with minor injuries at Flat Mountain Road and U.S. 64 east.





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