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On-going

• Tuesday evening, Spiritual Cinema Circle at The Instant Theatre Company at 7 p.m.. Visionary, inspiring movies showcased at film festivals around the world are viewed. Suggested donation: \$5, Beverages and snacks available.

• Live music at Skyline Lodge & Restaurant Friday and Saturday nights.

• Live music at Fressers in Helen's Barn featuring Cy Timmons Wed., Fri., & Sat., 6-9 p.m.

• Live music at On the Verandah has featuring Chad Reed, Fridays and Saturdays from 7 pm-10 pm

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

• Live music at Buck's Coffee Cafe Sat. from 8-11 p.m.

• Live music at SweetTreats Friday and Saturday nights.

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

June 1

• Live music at Bucks Coffee Café Thursday night from 8-11. Singer/songwriter Zorki on acoustic guitar.

• Zahner Conservation Lecture Series. Dr. David Webster presents "Bats of the Southern Appalachians and the Endangered Species Act." 7 p.m. at the Nature Center. It's free.

June 2-3

• At Acorn's, on Main Street Gordon C. Maier Estate & Fine Jewelry Trunk Show. Call 787-1877.

June 3

• Live music at Bucks Coffee Café Thursday night from 8-11. Singer/songwriter Zorki on acoustic guitar.

• Saturday, The Instant Theatre Company kicks off its "Summer Season of Entertainment" with The Wild Hog Band sponsored by the ITC and sponsor Country Club Properties at 8 p.m. at the PAC on Chestnut Street. \$10 for adults; \$5 for children 17 and under. The doors open at 7:30 p.m.

• Highlands Audubon Society sponsors a field trip to Chestnut Hill and other spots to view breeding birds. Meet at 7 a.m. in the parking lot next to Highlands Town Hall to carpool.

• The varsity girls basketball team is having a car wash on Saturday in the parking lot of First Citizens bank in Highlands. Proceeds will go toward basketball camp.

• Campaign Kick-off for the new Fine Art Center will be 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Oak Street Property, the site of the new facility. Festivities will include free food (hot dogs and fixin's), live music, a preview showing of what the new center will look like, and lots of fun and activities for all ages. Kids will have a make-it-and-take-it art project.

• ARTitecture Exhibit at the Fine Art Center Oak Street property from 5-7 p.m. The exhibit includes architecturally-related works on loan from the Georgia Museum of Art.

• Mountain Findings Art Show. Front of the First Presbyterian Church 10 am to 3 pm. Framed pictures and paintings by many artists from various locations. Some are originals and all are of high quality. Cash or check. Proceeds donated to various organizations in the Highlands. If it is raining on the 3rd, the show will be postponed, art work will be at Mt. Findings.

June 4

• The Methodist Church recognizes Highlands School graduating seniors in worship on Sun. at 11 a.m.

• Wolfgang's Restaurant & Wine Bistro is the site for the 25th Anniversary Celebration of the Highlands-Cashiers Chamber Music Festival from 5-7 p.m. Call 828-526-9060.

• CLE opens its 2006 season with a concert by the Smoky Mountain Brass Band at the PAC on Sat. at 4 p.m. Tickets are \$10 available at the CLE office in the Peggy Crosby Center and the door.

June 5

• High School Awards Assembly at 8:30 a.m.

• Wine Tasting, at Wolfgang's on Main, 5-7 p.m.

"Summer Whites. Austrian, Spanish, New Zealand, German.

June 7, 8

• Proctors needed for End of Course testing from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Contact Annette Jenkins at 526-2147.

June 8

• Bach @ Bucks Thur. from 8-10 p.m. 828-526-9060

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PB wants to change B3 regs

The proposed amendment of the zoning ordinance dealing with residential density in the B3 zone is set for a public hearing on June 7, but the amended version was never sent to the planning board for recommendation.

Now the Planning Board wants its say and at the May 22 meeting, mem-

bers sent a different version back to the Town Board for consideration.

"The way this is written now, it's a 70 percent commercial built-out, or only two residential units allowed per acre so you're pretty much guaranteeing all B3 areas will be developed commercially,"

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Police arrest suspect in HCC burglaries

The rash of burglaries that have plagued Highlands Country Club residents since March may be ending and the cases put to rest.

On Friday, May 19, Highlands Police arrested Deborah Ann Cross, 49, from Alpharetta, Ga., for felonious larceny in connection with at least one residence.

"Under tactics we've deployed with HCC security, in concert we caught Cross in the act of stealing property from a residence on Hutchinson Court on May 19," said Police Chief Bill Harrell.

Though the case is still under investigation, other charges are pending in connection with the break-ins and burglaries of Highlands Country Club residences numbering in the double-digits.

"Through the continued ongoing investigation we hope to connect the other burglaries. We have reason to believe she was involved with many of the breaking and enterings at the country club," said Harrell.

The vehicle she was driving on May 19, a Jaguar on loan from Nelley Jaguar in Atlanta, was seized, as was her own car, a Lexus later.

"Evidence in the vehicle leads us to believe that we will be able to close the other breaking and enterings," said Harrell. "Among other items, several keys were found and we are checking to see if they are connected to Highlands Country Club."

While Cross was in jail at the Macon County Detention Center, Chief Harrell worked with the Cobb County Police Department to secure a search warrant to search her residence at Paces Ridge Condominium in Alpharetta. Accompanied by the Cobb County Police Dept., Chief Harrell and Highlands Police Investigator Todd Ensley found

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HS academic students honored



At the May 25 Highlands School Academic Banquet, students in grades 4-12 were honored for maintaining all As in 4th-8th grade and As and Bs in 9th-12th grades. April Hicks is Highlands School Valedictorian for the class of 2006 and Callie Rawlins is Salutatorian. Junior Marshalls are Chief Marshall, Chase Jenkins; Kelli Baer; Lucy Herz; Lara Gibson; Angela Sanchez; and Allison Winn. Also pictured are Interim Superintendent Dr. Frank Yeager, Interim Principal Larry Brooks and Assistant Principal Mark Thomas. Photo by Jim Lewicki

Growth tips come from Davidson

By Susanna Forrester
Reporter

As a potential sister community, Highlands could learn a lot from Davidson, N.C.

Margo Williams, Commissioner of the Town of Davidson, spoke to interested Highlands residents, commissioners and planning board members on Thursday, May 25 at the Highlands Conference Center.

The Houston, TX native and former school teacher gave a humorous and candid presentation called "Growth in Davidson: Discovering and Sustaining Ourselves." The presentation detailed the ups and downs of town planning in Davidson, NC – a bedroom community of Charlotte — and how the town

managed the growth of their hamlet without losing its charm.

"It is not a blueprint for every town," Williams said, "because every town is different." But early on, the town board and citizens decided that they had to shape growth before growth shaped them.

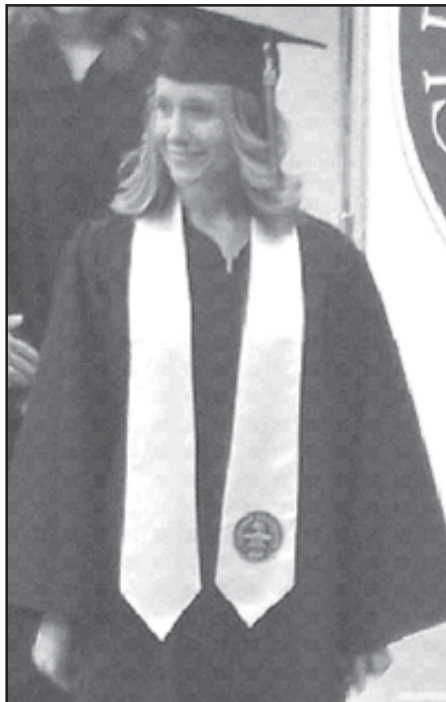
"I'm just overwhelmed by the creativity in the Town of Davidson," said Ginger Slaughter, a member of Highlands Planning Board, after the hour and a half long presentation concluded. She said it was amazing how Davidson reached its goals.

The town held many meetings that included citizens and town officials to determine the direction they wanted

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• THE PLATEAU'S POSITION •

• MILESTONES •



Jennifer Standish Dunn graduated cum laude from the College of Business and Behavioral Science at Clemson University with a major in marketing and a minor in communications. To receive the cum laude honor, she achieved a grade point ratio of 3.40-3.69.

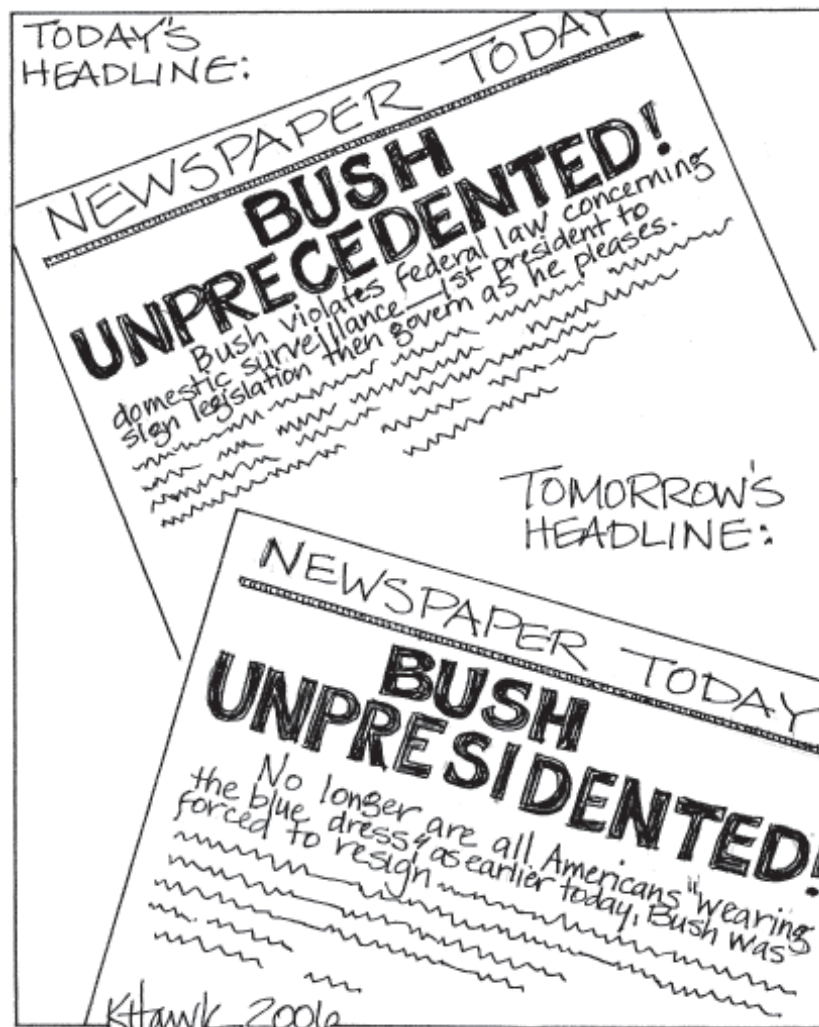
Jen was raised in Highlands.

Many wonderful teachers, administrators and staff guided her through her K-12 School. Upon high school graduation, the Heffington Foundation, the Rotary Club of Highlands and the Town of Highlands Scholarship Fund helped her achieve her goal of graduation from Clemson with honors.

Her family credits not only Jen for her hard work but also the Highlands community and the institutions we are so lucky to have. Thank you all! Your guidance, teachings and scholarships were put to good use. Jen has secured employment in Columbia, SC and will be moving there in June. – Karen Dunn

**Congratulations to
April Hicks:
Valedictorian for
Class of 2006 and
Callie Rawlins:
Salutatorian for
Class of 2006!**

• HAWK-EYE'S VIEW •



• LETTERS TO THE EDITOR POLICY •

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• LETTERS •

Volunteer hours take form as brick walkway

Dear Editor,

Highlands is blessed with many people who volunteer their time for the good of the community. A recent example is the addition of the beautiful brick walkway at the entrance of the Highlands School gymnasium.

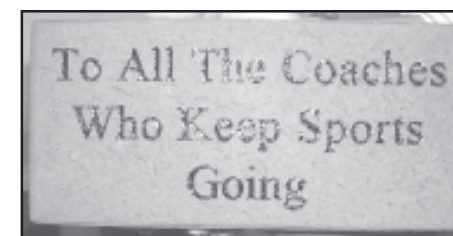
The Highlands School Athletic Booster Club extends its deepest thanks to Lonnie and Doug Barnes of L&D Masonry, along with Gary Houston and David Leffler for the long hours and expertise they contributed to this project. In addition to their labor, L&D Masonry also donated supplies and the extra bricks to complete the walkway. We commend these men for their contribution.

The engraved bricks in the walkway are engraved in recognition of present and former Highlands School students, faculty, coaches and others who support Highlands school. The ones now in place in the walkway are the first bricks ordered in an ongoing fundraiser by the Highlands School Athletic Booster Club.

Additional engraved bricks will replace the blank bricks as orders are received. The wall planned design by these men will allow this to be accomplished as needed. Our sincerest thanks to each of them.

Highlands School Booster Club

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Commemorative bricks costs \$50 and may contain up to three lines with 20 characters per line. Brick orders of 100 are turned in periodically. To order a brick, send a message and with the above requirements and a check or money order to Highlands School Booser Club, P.O. Box 940, Highalnds, NC 28741.



Mountain Garden Club salutes new college graduates: Sam Chambers & John Warren

The Mountain Garden Club's annual plant sale, which took place this past weekend, is what makes scholarships possible and this year the club celebrates the end of a road for two of their recipients.

"We have two new graduates!" said Elizabeth Motz, scholarship chairman.

Sam Chambers and John Warren graduated with bachelor of science degrees this month. Both young men received scholarships for two years from the Mountain Garden Club.

Sam Chambers earned a bachelor of science in forest resources, and a minor in fire ecology, from the University of Idaho on May 13. Sam is the son of Vickie and Tommy Chambers.

Sam has accepted a job with Chestnut Ridge Forestry, a private forestry consultant with more than 20 years of contracting on over 35 National Forests in 20 states. Chestnut Ridge Forestry also consults with Indian Reservations and private landowners.

Sam's first assignment with Chestnut Ridge will be to work at Deer River, Minnesota. In August, Sam's job will take him to the Manzano Mountains in New Mexico. After that he will be working on the Hualapai Indian Reservation in Ari-

zona.

Sam studied forest management at Haywood Community College during 2001-2003, while he was a recipient of a Dorothy Wertzler Scholarship from the Mountain Garden Club. Sam first heard about Chestnut Ridge Forestry from a consulting forester in Waynesville, NC.

On May 12, John Warren graduated with a bachelor of science in marketing with a minor in sports management from Clemson University. John is the son of Peggy and Gary Warren. John began his college studies at UNC-Pembroke, where his major was Professional Golf Management during 2001-2003.

The Mountain Garden Club supports studies in professional golf management to promote sound environmental management of turf grasses, waterways, and wildlife areas on golf courses.

John continues to have a strong interest in golf management. This summer he will be the Assistant Director of Golf at Kanakuk Kamp, Branson, Missouri.

Since 1996, the Mountain Garden Club of Highlands has provided over \$22,000 of scholarships for college-level studies of horticulture or a related field. Each scholarship is for one year of aca-

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Bascom-Louise Fine Art Center becoming a reality

Susanna Forrester
Reporter

There are some exciting developments going on for art lovers in Highlands. The Campaign Kick-off for the new Bascom-Louise Fine Art Center is set for Saturday, June 3 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the 5-acre site of the new facility on Oak St.

Coordinators for the kick-off are hoping to draw summer residents who are coming back for the season. The campaign has already raised \$1.7 million in cash and pledges for the \$5 million campaign. Groundbreaking is set for 2007 and they hope to complete the project in 2008.

The primary mission of the new facility will be education and exhibition, and will hopefully have a positive impact on the development of Highlands' west side of town, said board members.

"Its going to be great for the business community," said Bob Fisher, chair of the board of directors. He hopes the new Fine Arts Center will become a destination when classes and art retreats are incorporated in the events for the year – particularly during January, February, March and April when the influx of visitors is slower than other times of the year.

Fisher said the Oak Street property

Campaign kick-off & cookout this Saturday 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Crane's Barn on Oak Street



Artist's rendition of the Bascom-Louise Fine Art Center on Oak Street property.

is "quintessential Highlands" and they hope to keep it that way. The designers are leaving much of the meadow and woods on the property. And since it's relatively flat and there aren't any trees the property won't be negatively affected by having to cut down trees.

"The original Crane Barn is giving us a strong motif to work from," Fisher said. "The new building will borrow much of the feel of the barn but will be new." He said the barn will set the tone for the entire project.

They're also hoping the project will have a positive influence on how the town develops. They will double the educational and exhibit space in new building compared to what's now at the Bascom-Louise Gallery in the Hudson Library. "The building opens up all kinds of potential for what we can do," Fisher said.

A sculpture trail from the terrace near the new building through the meadow and woods, punctuated with sculptures is planned, as are outdoor

classrooms. In the winter months, January through April, they plan to host artist retreats that include art classes, lodging, and meals.

The Saturday event will include live Bluegrass music, free hotdogs, and a preview of what the new facility will look like. There will also be activities for all ages, such as a make-it and take-it art project for kids. Visitors will be allowed to explore the site, to get a vision of what's coming in 2008.



COUNTRY CLUB PROPERTIES

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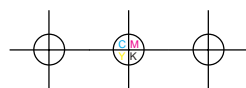
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• LOOKING AT LIFE •

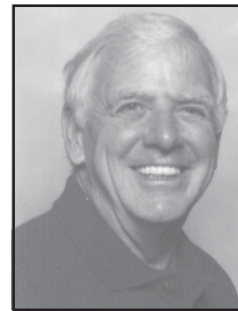
To Kill a Mom

Part one

Fred Wooldridge spent nine of his 28 years with the Miami Beach Police Department as their SWAT commander. This event occurred 26 years ago this summer. The names have been changed.

When the phone rang around 2 a.m., the little missus and I let out soft moans at having been awakened in the middle of the night. I dragged the phone from its cradle to my ear. "I hope this is important" was all I could muster. "Captain, this is Conner in CDC. Sorry to bother you at this hour, but the shift commander deployed your alpha team 1 and is asking you to come in." "What's up, Conner?" "Sir, you need to talk to Captain Smith. It's a hostage involving an infant. Should I tell him you're rolling?"

I jumped to my feet, grabbing a T shirt and pair of shorts draped over a nearby chair and headed for the kitchen. Slipping on flip flops, I pulled my keys from their hook next to the door and headed into the sultry July night. Pulling out of the



Fred Wooldridge

driveway, I sat the small portable blue light on the roof of my unmarked police car and set my speed at 90 mph once reaching I-95.

I switched my radio to the command frequency. "940 Charlie, this is 910 Alpha, copy?" There was silence but just as I started to repeat my call I heard a response. "I

want you to know it gives me great pleasure to drag your sorry butt out of bed. When you going to Highlands?" I smiled, "Good morning, Smitty. Two weeks from tomorrow. Can't wait to get there. I've saved up six weeks of leave and thanks for asking. What's up?"

"We got a 27-year-old woman, stoned on crack, threatening to kill her infant child if we don't find her good for nothing *%#*@ boyfriend baby daddy and bring him to her. They got into a fight, he punched her pretty hard, packed his bags and left. The neighbors called this in and guess what? It's a sweaty one-room efficiency on the 5th floor of the

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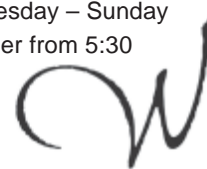
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This and That

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Even many conservatives are convinced that he is the worst president we've had in the last 100 years. Only a few voters still believe that he can "protect us from terrorism." He couldn't even protect us from levees collapsing in New Orleans or from the aftermath of the hurricane. He couldn't protect our young men who lacked body armor while fighting in a needless war. He couldn't protect our country from reaping the hatred of most of the world.

Not that all these things are his doing, I understand, but if they were going well, he'd be taking credit for them. So I think it's only right that he should be blamed when they're such a disaster.

Having an incompetent president for eight years will leave us with more than a horrendous fiscal deficit. It will leave us with a leadership deficit, a public image deficit, a unified nation deficit. It will leave us with a moral deficit.



Dr. Alex Redmountain

George Bush, who pledged to bring us together, has driven us apart more than any president since Richard Nixon—and Nixon left office under threat of impeachment.

I used to think Bush was stupid; then I realized he was shrewd; now I don't know what he's up to. The recent shake-up at the White House, at the C.I.A., the assignment to the Pentagon of increasing intelligence work, are all public relations gimmicks likely to do more harm than good.

I don't know if voters will be able to sustain their concentration until November and throw the Republi-

cans out of office, but I sure hope so. Not that I think a Democratic Congress is any great improvement, but of the two parties, it is the only one that has a chance of restoring our civil liberties, stemming some of the corruption in Washington, and ending the anti-science, anti-homosexual, anti-working class bigotry rampant in this administration and especially in the House of Representatives.

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I don't know how she's doing it, but Condi Rice is restoring some sanity to American foreign policy. She is certainly working hard to counter some of the arrogance and needless nose-thumbing at friends and enemies indulged in by the President. She seems to be able to balance an willingness to talk with firm diplomatic limits.

A Condi for President movement is under way, some of it genuine and some of it meant to counter the Hillary bulldozer. Rice has said repeatedly she isn't interested in running, but if pressed she will find it hard to hang on to her decision, not to mention her integrity.

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My admiration to Mayor Don Mullen, the first mayor to frequent DonLeon's. Thus demonstrating good taste & courage...

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sives (NSP), of which I am a member, is holding its second major conference in Washington the week of May 15. The NSP, sponsored by the Tikkun community, was created

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The hardest part of this is leaving all of you. You have welcomed us to Highlands and into your lives. You have enriched our lives with your friendship, love and support.

Concerning **Curves**, we are definitely NOT closing the doors! We intend to find a buyer who would enjoy the business and the wonderful treasured friendships they will find here in Highlands.

If you know of anyone who may be interested in purchasing the **Curves** franchise here at Highlands or our home, please let us know. Thank you for being such an important part of our lives. (E-mail dodomingo@yahoo.com or phone 828 787-2383)

Donna & Doug Domingo

• ANOTHER VIEW •

Quality matters not longevity

Sunday, May 28, was a big birthday for me, a very big birthday. Sixty-five is not as big as it once was, when almost everyone retired at 65, when 65 was like the end of a marathon. Employees eagerly awaited their 65th birthday, a gold watch, and retirement, followed by a few years of boredom. Today, many retire younger, but others choose, or are forced to work longer, sometimes many years longer. I recently spoke with an old friend, who at 83 is working full time, with a backlog of some 7,000 autopsy specimens from mummies still to be sectioned and studied.

Still, 65 is pretty huge. Last Thursday evening, after a bike ride, I stopped at the Piggly Wiggly for a bag of dog food. I looked with dismay at the cashier's screen. I was the recipient of a \$0.59 senior discount. No driver's license, no passport, no AARP card, no conversation, and no request. It just appeared, mockingly, offensively. So much for the often repeated lie that I don't look my age. There was irrefutable evidence that I look at least three days older than my age. Or maybe the discount kicks in at 60. I joined AARP when I reached 50 but didn't renew because I was too embarrassed to use the card. AAA is much less revealing. I didn't need a discount, didn't ask for one, and didn't want one if the price of securing it was acknowledging my status as a gray panther, or is it a golden oldie, and the payoff was 59 cents.

I plan to continue working for a long time. When I finally retire, maybe I'll try to get a job writing a column for a weekly newspaper somewhere in the mountains. As many of you know, Lizzie and I have a 10-year-old son, Bull. What few of you know is that we are in the process of adopting a second son, a nine-month-old boy from Haiti. When Bull joined our family, I told Lizzie that it was important for him to remember his father working. I want the same for Paul. I believe that work is both necessary and noble, and the income beats the heck out of sitting on the porch drinking beer, which pays about the same as writing a column for a weekly in the mountains. I may look my age, but I haven't lost my sense of humor. Considering that Milton Berle, George Burns, and Bob Hope were cracking jokes on their 90th birthdays, a sense of humor may not prove much.



Dr. Henry Salzarulo

I feel good and my Medicare card arrived today. In a few months I will start to pocket Social Security retirement benefits, although I will not be retired. I look forward to joining the ranks of the "double dippers" and hope there is something left in the system when you reach retirement age. It no longer matters to me

whether Social Security is a retirement plan or a welfare entitlement. I'm just happy that there is still something there to "dip."

Last night I read that aging research is progressing at such a pace that in a few years it will be possible to slow, arrest, or even reverse the effects of aging. The article suggested 180 as a reasonable life span, maybe even longer. It said that if I could hang on for another 20 years or so, I might get to cash in on that advance. I hope Medicare wouldn't cover it, better to lump it with liposuction and lasik. Without liposuction, lasik, and the fountain of youth, I'd probably still look my age, so I think I'll pass.

Of course, I'd like to meet Bull's great grand kids, but it's not worth a 115 years of "honey do" lists. If the word got out that I'd become damned near immortal, my partners would probably insist that I start taking calls again. Don't get me wrong. I'd like to live another 20 years or so. I'd like to guide my boys to manhood, maybe even see Bull get married. I might be lucky enough to see Paul graduate from high school, but college graduation might be a stretch. If I've become a little less controversial by then, maybe I'll be invited to speak at his graduation. I'd like that. I'd promise not to talk about my secret to long life. I have no desire to be photographed on my 100th birthday, toothless and grinning vacantly, oatmeal cascading down my chin, revealing the secret of my longevity, which would be, "I couldn't die. Lizzie and the boys needed the money."

Just a few weeks ago I heard a guy interviewed who had retired from the LA Transit System at age 100. In his 70 plus years on the job, he had been absent one day, which was for his wife's funeral in 1986. He was being questioned by his grandson, who asked the secret of his long life. I don't remember his secret, because frankly I didn't care, but I don't think it had

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Strand apartments. We've just started checking the bars for the father. Nothing yet. I called the chief and he said you're it. You might wind up killing this woman. Talk to your team leader. I'll meet you at the CP. It's in the alley behind the Strand."

As I approached the city limits, I dropped my speed considerably and switched radio frequencies again. "Tac 1, this is 910 Alpha, copy?" "Sir, this is Fitzsimmons, how far away are you?" "Ah...close, maybe five minutes."

"We have a white female with a kitchen knife to her child's throat and threatening to kill him. She is sitting in the middle of the bed and we have continuous visual through her open window. Kramer is on the roof next door and he has a good head shot. You have a green light, if needed." "OK Fitz but I don't see why I'm here. This is a 'hummer.' She will eventually drop the knife and sleep." "Sir, I will meet you in the CP."

The CP, a converted mobile home, was filled. Two fire paramedics, an intern from Mount Sinai Hospital, the shift commander, the zone lieutenant and two sergeants were putting a strain on the tiny air conditioner. Sitting at the far end of the table was my team leader, Fitzsimmons. I took the only seat left

at the table.

"Let's have it," I asked, looking directly at Fitz. "We have Sanchez on negotiations and that's the problem. Every time he attempts to speak with her, she pulls the kid to her chest and puts the kitchen knife to its throat. That's happened twice and now the baby is bleeding badly from accidental cuts on its neck." The intern spoke up. "I looked at the cuts as best I could from your roof scope and they are oozing. With an infant that size, it will bleed out quickly. Time is not on your side."

"How long do I have?" The intern shrugged his shoulders. "I will not guess because the child is too far away for me to make a judgment."

There was silence at the table and now everyone was staring at me. "Let me see if I have this straight. If I don't act soon, the baby will bleed out. If I cap the mother and save the child, the press will hang me in the morning for shooting the mom." Captain Smith smiled, "Actually, Fred, no matter what decision you make, they're going to hang you out to dry in the morning. The headlines will either read 'Police kill mom' or 'Police allow baby to die.' Not good choices....and since when do you care about the press?"

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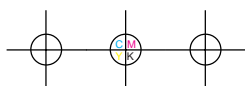


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Lance Hollars and Bill Horwitz, tie yellow ribbons on poles around town to build awareness about the upcoming fourth annual SOAR race set for June 24.

SOAR race is June 24

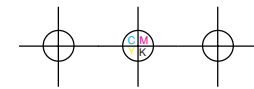
This year there are 72 children of fallen Special Operation soldiers in Iraq. All the proceeds will be donated to the Warrior Foundation, a non-profit 501 (3) organization with more than 600 children in its program. If you would like to donate to this cause please send your checks to Warrior Foundation, PO Box 923, Highlands, NC 28741

We will raffle 2 oriental rugs from Shiraz and 3 leather USA jackets from Jolie's.

A raffle of two Oriental rugs from Shiraz and three leather USA jackets from Jolie's will start May 1. The drawing will be June 24 after the race. The cost of the tickets is \$2 each or 6 for \$5. Tickets are being sold at Shiraz Rugs, Jolies, Macon Bank, Citizens bank, D&J Express Mart, Cashiers BP Station, and most weekends at Bryson Grocery and Oak Street Square. The following events will take place:

- Wednesday, June 21 – Golf Tournament at Sapphire Mountain Golf Club, 2 p.m.
- Thursday, June 22 – Silent/Live Auction, Conference Center, 5:30 p.m.
- Friday, June 23 – Spaghetti Dinner open to the public, Recreation Center, 5:30 p.m.
- Saturday, June 24 – SOAR Adventure Race, Elite 7 a.m., Sprint, 8 a.m.

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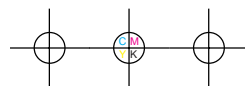
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• GARDENING WITH CHARLIE •

Landscaping the front entry

Whether it's a job interview, buying a car or going on a date, first impressions mean a lot. When it comes to making a good first impression with your home, the area to focus on is the front entryway. A well-landscaped entryway sets a welcoming tone and adds value to your home.



Charlie Nardozi

Jonathan Bardzik, of the American Nursery and Landscape Association, says effective landscaping adds 8 to 15 percent to the value of your home. "A well-landscaped front entryway beautifies your yard, inspiring neighbors to do the same," he says.

Ideas for Sprucing Up the Entryway

Landscaping doesn't have to be elaborate or expensive to be welcoming. Here are some design ideas that can help you create a beautiful entryway to your home:

- Create a walkway wide enough for two people to walk side by side to your house. There's comfort in numbers!
- Evaluate the exposure of your front entryway. Is it windy, open to the rain, sunny or shady? These environmental factors can determine what you can grow.
- Instead of a direct path to your front door, consider creating a winding path that adds a sense of excitement and intrigue. Plant in layers along the front entryway. Place the tallest shrubs near the house, medium-sized shrubs in the middle and lower growing ground covers, perennials and annuals in the front.
- Think about the structures you have or want to have around your front entryway. These could include an arbor or trellis for vines to climb.
- Consider dwarf trees and shrubs that will look natural in relation to the size of your front entry area and serve as focal points. Plant perennials, ground covers or bulbs under the trees to fill out the planting.
- Plant a mix of deciduous and evergreen shrubs throughout your gardens, and repeat the same grouping of plants around the front entryway. This draws your eye across the entire landscape, tying it together and making it look full.

Creating Four Seasons of Interest

While spring and summer are easy times to create interest and color in your entryway garden, fall and winter are a little more problematic.

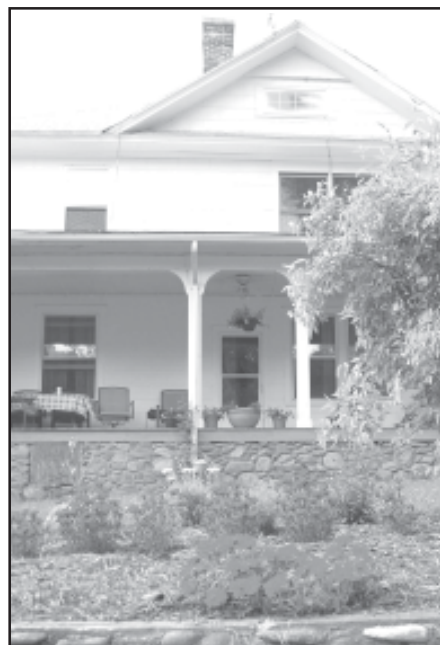
Gardeners in warm climates can spruce up the front entryway with cool-season annuals, such as pansies and primulas. In any climate, consider shrubs with distinctive bark, berries or branch structure — such as contorted hazelnut, hollies and birch trees — that are still interesting even after

the leaves have dropped. Ornamental grasses, such as fountain grass, have richly textured seed heads that look beautiful all winter. Perennials such as teasel and coneflowers have interesting seedpods that can be left on through fall and winter.

Landscaping Basics

Always choose plants adapted to the sun, drainage, exposure and winter low temperatures in your area. If planting under the eaves of the house, remember that rainwater rarely reaches there, so those plants need more water and protection from snow and ice falling off the roof.

• Charlie Nardozi, a nationally recognized garden writer, book author, speaker and radio and television personality, has appeared on HGTV, PBS and Discovery Channel television networks. He is the senior horticulturist and spokesperson for the National Gardening Association and Chief Gardening Officer for the Hilton Garden Inn.



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Highlands School participated with the Western Mountains Reading Council in a Book Swap for students on Thursday, May 25. Students brought in their books to swap for different books to give them some new summer reading material. Hundreds of books were swapped in the Media Center with the help of Media Coordinator Carol Bowen, Media Assistant, Gail Garland, and parent volunteers Nancy Johnson and Melani Beavers. Pictured are Kayla, Cara, and Emily look over a book.



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growth to take. They created a land plan in 1995 that contained their guiding principles for growth in Davidson.

Williams said Davidson's "sense of community defines us." The town endeavored to protect their big trees, sidewalks, and Main Street so that the town would not lose its pedestrian-friendly status. "We hoped to avoid loss of identity," she said. "We want to look like ourselves."

Davidson's officials refused to allow the state to widen their Main Street, because they knew that it would make it difficult for pedestrians to cross. They also made sure that a CVS Pharmacy that wanted to build on Main Street followed their building codes so that it would exhibit a friendly and welcoming exterior and blend in with the colonial look of the town.

After the presentation, audience members asked many questions about how Davidson dealt with the issues that Highlands is facing now, including ETJ and the lack of affordable housing. Williams said that Davidson took their time instituting ETJ, but eventually the town decided to move forward on the decision. "We felt like we could prove to [developers] that we could improve the value of their property," she said.

Though about twice the size of Highlands Davidson has been going through the same growing pains as Highlands.

"They instituted ETJ some 10 years ago and even though they had the same resistance we had, it has come to be accepted and, indeed, championed by not only developers but residents of ETJ," said Mayor Mullen.

Williams said that Davidson's citizens were concerned about the extravagant rise in housing prices. They created an Adequate Public Facilities Housing ordinance to give lower income families housing options within Davidson. The ordinance requires developers to include affordable housing in their projects, but it does not affect density within developments.

"She had much to say about greenways, development, and affordable housing," said Mullen. "Affordable housing has been a very difficult issue for Davidson, too, because of rising property values. But Davidson has somewhat of an advantage over us in that it is in Mecklenburg County — the most populated county in the state and is adjacent to Charlotte which supplies Davidson utilities and sewage, at a cost, of course."

Williams emphasized the effort that the board made to create a balance between the rights of the property owner and the rights of the community. She said the town does not force developers on the outskirts to annex to Davidson, but encourages them to do so.

The town also created green resources such as parks and lakes to keep the town beautiful and uncluttered, and to boost the property value for all of its citizens. "Our citizens are the reason we worked so hard to protect Davidson," she said.

The Highlands Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with the Innkeepers Association will host the 2006 Innkeepers Tour on Wednesday from 1 to 5 p.m. Each inn will be offering tours, refreshments, and door prizes. Participating inns are 4 1/2 Street Inn, Chandler Inn, Colonial Pines Inn, Hampton Inn, Highlands Inn, Highlands Suite Hotel, Inn at Half Mile Farm, the Lodge at Mirror Lake, Main Street Inn, Mitchell's Lodge & Cottages, Mountain High, Skyline Lodge, and Whiteside Cove Cottages.



Academic Banquet May 25 at Highlands School

Highlands Mtn. Top Rotary treated students at Highlands School in grades 4-12 to a banquet to commemorate their good academic standing. To be eligible for the banquet, elementary students had to get all As the first three grading periods. Students in grades 9-12 had to be on the A or A-B Honor Roll for the first three grading periods. The MC was Joe Simmons, president of Highlands Mtn. Top Rotary. Interim Superintendent Dr. Frank Yeager, Highlands School Principal Larry Brooks and Asst. Principal Mark Thomas presented the students with certificates and a medallion. Rev. Kim Ingram gave students an inspirational talk.



Photo by Jim Lewicki

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what they believe to be property stolen from homes at Highlands Country Club.

"We appreciate the patience of the homeowners, the victims, and the community while we continue to work this case," said Harrell. "This is the kind of crime where there is no forced entry so it takes a lot of intrinsic work."

Cross isn't a member of Highlands Country Club but her family owns a condominium at VZ-Top, the site of

several of the burglaries.

Many Highlands Country Club second homeowners returning this spring found items missing from their homes — arts & collectibles, household items, stereo equipment, furs and antiques — valued from \$100 to thousands.

Cross will be indicted on charges in Macon County Court, on June 5.

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said Chairman John Cleaveland. "We have to give people some opportunity not to build commercial. We've all said we don't need more commercial right now."

The Town Board wants B3 to demand 22,000 sq. ft. per family for single-family residences, but Cleaveland said the price of land zoned B3 is too expensive to justify two residential units per acre.

The original concept behind amending the B3 ordinance was to make it a transitional zone between commercial and residential areas with clustering and multi-family projects considered a good transitional residential solution.

But when the B3 zoning ordinance was amended two years ago, the Town Board wasn't ready to address multi-fam-

ily projects in that zone and then details regulating clustering were left out of the amended version.

To fix all that, the Planning board wants to allow four detached residential units per acre but keep the 6,000 sq. ft. per family for incidental apartments, which could be built above a commercial project.

"That would have solved the problem we're having with OEI and it will make the density the same as multi-family," said Cleaveland.

Vice Chair Ginger Slaughter said the idea behind changing the B3 ordinance in the first place was so it could be a transitional zone with multi uses.

The Town Board will consider the Planning Board's recommendations at the June 7 Town Board meeting.

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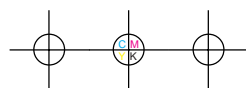
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H S athletes honored at cookout at Rec Park

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The Baseball Conference awards went to:

All Conference – Ryan Bears; All Conference – Buddy Parrish

Honorable Mention Conference – Ryan Perkins; Honorable Mention Conference – Tyler Wavra

The Soccer Conference Awards went to:

All Conference – Ryan Bears; All Conference – Buddy Parrish

The Basketball Conference Awards went to:

All Conference – Ryan Bears; All Conference – Buddy Parrish; All Conference – Alec Schmitt

Honorable Mention Conference – Nick Kerhoulas

2006 Highlands Coaches' Awards

Cross Country Coach's Award – Stacy Wright

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Varsity Soccer Sportsmanship Award – Nick Kerhoulas

Varsity Soccer Most Improved Player – Jason Aspinwall

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Varsity Volleyball Highlander Award – Callie Rawlins

Varsity Volleyball Sportsmanship Award – Ramsey Ashburn

Varsity Volleyball Best Defensive Player – Toni Schmitt

Varsity Volleyball Most Improved Player – Rebecca Wyatt

Varsity Basketball Most Valuable Player – Rebecca Wyatt

Varsity Basketball Highlander Award – Kaylie Buras and Allison Winn

Varsity Basketball Sportsmanship Award – Keri Raby

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Varsity Basketball Coach's Award – Ramsey Ashburn

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Varsity Basketball Highlander Award – Eric Chen

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Chief Harrell visits the school



Police Chief Bill Harrell believes community policing means reaching out to the youngest in the community. Last week he spent time reading to elementary students in the Highlands School Library.

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to counter the influence on politics of the Religious Right. Its first conference, in California in 2005, attracted several thousand.

The NSP stands for a new approach to government, with generosity, kindness and caring for each and every human being as its guiding principles. It bases its outlook on the major credos of all religious traditions. Its founder, Rabbi Michael Lerner, has reached out to mainline Christians, Muslims, Buddhists and others, including agnostics and atheists, to establish a national movement that welcomes infusing all government policies with spiritual values.

I'll be attending the conference and will let you know how it goes. It takes a lot to get me to any meeting, but the idea, however idealistic, of injecting kindness and caring into the bureaucracy, was too appealing to pass up.

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In a 2005 study of undocumented workers in the Washington, DC

metropolitan area, more than half of day laborers reported they had been cheated out of their wages at least once during the past year.

Either they weren't paid at all, or they were given checks that bounced.

Since they were illegals they had little recourse. They couldn't very well complain to the police, or go to the union hall, or write their Congressman. So they just kept quiet and swallowed the injustice.

I doubt such flagrant abuses occur in Macon County, where people often know each other and the word travels fast. But you can bet your last \$5.25 (the prevailing hourly wage for illegal immigrant day workers) that various work site violations do occur. Which is all the more reason why we need comprehensive immigration reform, a decent minimum wage, and safe enforceable working conditions for all, be they American citizens, guest workers or illegal immigrants who are living among us.

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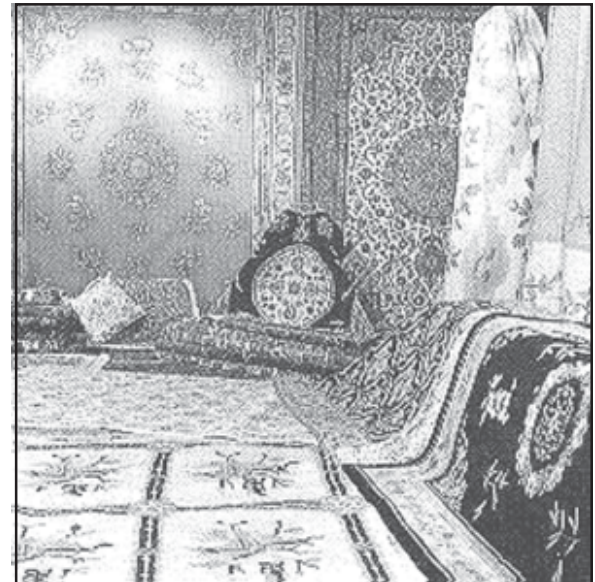
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School volunteers honored at breakfast



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anything to do with needing the money. Anyway, a month later I read that he had died. Come to think of it, I think his secret was this; not retiring. I'd like to live a while longer, but on my terms. I don't care to survive a debilitating stroke, the kind that scrambles the brain, although I guess I could accept walking with cane if it wasn't one of those tripod aluminum models. I don't want to live long enough to become bored with life. I don't want azaleas to lose their magic. I might be willing to exchange my bike for an adult tricycle. That's a tough one.

My brain must remain sharp. That is nonnegotiable. When I no longer

search for answers or enjoy catching a glimpse of a deer, I'll know my time has come. If God forbid, I should happen to outlive my kids, I'll be waiting in line for my turn to join them. I don't want to go out like my Mom, rotting in a nursing home. There are worse things than death, and living forever may be one of them.

- Dr. Henry Salzarulo is a practicing anesthesiologist in Seneca, S.C. He lives in Scaly Mountain with his wife, Elizabeth, and son, Bull. He can be reached at hsalzarulo@aol.com. All comments are invited, those offering conflicting as well as supporting view.

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To be considered for a Dorothy Wertzler Scholarship from the Mountain Garden Club, students must: complete high school with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.5; major in horticulture, botany, environmental studies, forestry, landscape architecture, marine biology or

a related field in college; be a resident of Highlands or Scaly Mountain, (zip codes 28741 or 28775) or be a graduate of Highlands School. Students apply in January for scholarships for the following academic year. For more information write to the Mountain Garden Club, PO Box 1021, Highlands, NC 2841-1021.

• UPCOMING EVENTS •

On-going

- 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. Cost of the class is free with Health-Tracks Membership or \$8 per class for non-members. For more information contact 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. Cost of the class is 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 for more information.

- 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 June, July, August and 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..

- Registration is now open for the 2006 summer day camps at the Highlands Nature Center. Five camps are being offered this year: "Amazing Animals," "Nature-Works," "Mountain Explorers," "Jr. Ecologists," and "WOW!" Each camp runs from Tuesdays to Fridays. For details, call 526-2623.

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

- Live music at Skyline Lodge & Restaurant every Friday and Saturday night.

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

- Live music at Buck's Coffee Cafe every Saturday night from 8-11 p.m.

- Live music at SweetTreats every Friday and Saturday.

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

In June

- The Highlands Recreation Department will hold its annual Summer Recreation Camp Program for 2006 on June 12 and end on July 28. It will run for six weeks. Ages 5-10 years old (Child must be 5 years old as of June 14. No exceptions.) Call the Civic Center at 526-3556

June 1

- Live music at Bucks Coffee Café Thursday night from 8-11. Singer/songwriter Zorki on acoustic guitar performing original songs and classic covers by Peter Gabriel, Neil Young, The Grateful Dead and others.

- Zahner Conservation Lecture Series. Dr. David Webster will give a talk entitled "Bats of the Southern Appalachians and the Endangered Species Act." 7:00 p.m. at the Highlands Nature Center. Admission is free.

June 2-3

- At Acorn's Gordon C. Maier Estate & Fine Jewelry Trunk Show. Call 787-1877.

June 3

- On Saturday, June 3, The Instant Theatre Company kicks off its "Summer Season of Entertainment" with The Wild Hog Band sponsored by the ITC and sponsor Country Club Properties at 8 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center on Chestnut Street. General Admission at the door, no reservations are necessary. \$10 for adults; \$5 for children 17 and under. The doors open at 7:30 p.m. with general seating. For additional information on ITC shows call 342-9197.

- Highlands Audubon Society sponsors a field trip to Chestnut Hill and other local hot spots to view breeding birds. Meet at 7 a.m. in the Parking Lot next to Highlands Town Hall to carpool. Questions, Edwin Poole, 526-2775.

- The varsity girls basketball players will be having a car wash on Saturday in the parking lot of First Citizens bank in Highlands. Proceeds will go toward basketball camp.

- Campaign Kick-off for the new Fine Art Center will be 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Oak Street Property, the site of the new facility. Festivities will include free food (hot dogs and fixin's), live music, a preview showing of

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Varsity Soccer Defensive MVP – Claire Frederick

Varsity Soccer Highlander Award – Allison Winn

Varsity Soccer Coach's Award – Stacy Wright

Varsity Soccer Sportsmanship Award – Lucy Herz

Varsity Soccer Most Improved Player – Martha Damian

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Varsity Golf Most Improved Player – Adam Chandler

Varsity Baseball Most Valuable Player – Buddy Parrish

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Varsity Baseball Coach's Award – Ryan Perkins.

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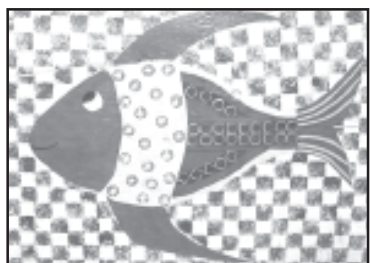


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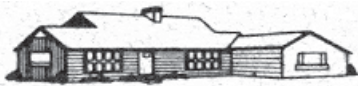
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what the new center will look like, and lots of fun and activities for all ages. Kids will have a make-it-and-take-it art project. Visitors will be able to walk the site and see what's in store for our 2008 grand opening.

- ARTitecture Exhibit at the Fine Art Center Oak Street property from 5-7 p.m. The exhibit includes architecturally-related works on loan information.

June 4

- The Highlands United Methodist Church will recognize Highlands School graduating seniors in worship on Sunday at 11 a.m.

- Wolfgang's Restaurant & Wine Bistro the site for the 25th Anniversary Celebration of the Highlands-Cashiers Chamber Music Festival from 5-7 p.m. Featuring gourmet dining with wine pairing and entertainment by Chamber Music Festival performers. For reservations, call 828-526-9060.

- The Center for Life Enrichment opens its 2006 season with a fanfare concert by the regionally renowned Smoky Mountain Brass Band. The public is invited to this celebration at the Performing Arts Center on Saturday at 4 p.m. Tickets are \$10 available at the CLE office in the Peggy Crosby Center as well as at the door. After the concert, the audience is invited for wine and cheese to meet the band.

- 25th Anniversary Celebration Hosted by Wolfgang's On Main on Sunday. Please call 828-526-9060 for reservations. Dinner and Mozart begins at 5 p.m. Call 526-9060 for ticket information.

June 5

- Highlands School High School Awards Assembly at 8:30 a.m.

June 7, 8

- Proctors for End of Course testing from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. If you are willing to volunteer your time to help proctor one of our tests, please contact Annette Jenkins at the school at 526-2147.

June 7

- The Highlands Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with the Innkeepers Association will host the 2006 Innkeepers Tour on Wednesday from 1 to 5 p.m. Each inn will be offering tours, refreshments, and door prizes. Participating inns this year are Chandler Inn, Colonial Pines Inn, Hampton Inn, Highlands Inn, Highlands Suite Hotel, Inn at Half Mile Farm, the Lodge at Mirror Lake, Main Street Inn, Mitchell's Lodge & Cottages, Mountain High, Skyline Lodge, and Whiteside Cove Cottages. Directions to each location will be available at the Chamber office beginning Thur., June 1

June 8

- Bach @ Bucks Thursday from 8-10 p.m. Buck's on Main Street, Highlands. Call 526-9060 for ticket information.

- Zahner Conservation Lecture Series. Author Jean Maloof will give a talk entitled "Teaching the Tress: Lessons from the Forest." 7 p.m. at the Highlands Nature Center. Admission is free.

June 9

- Highlands School Senior Scholarship Assem-

bly at 9 a.m.

- Cocktail Hour Theatre opens Friday and runs every Friday night (except June 30th) thru September 1st. The party begins at 5:30 p.m. with complimentary cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, and music. The show begins at 6 p.m. and Finis at 7:30 p.m. Reservations can be made by calling 828-342-9197. The Studio is located at 310 Main Street, Oak Square (upstairs). There is an elevator at the back of the mall. For a complete lineup of all things Instant Theatre Company visit www.istantheatre.org.

June 10

- Highlands School graduation ceremony in the new gym at 7 p.m.

- "Nature by Night" at the Highlands Nature Center. 9-10:30 p.m., ages 6 - adult. Bring a flashlight to learn about nocturnal animals through a variety of fun activities, games, and observations along the garden trails. \$2 per person, advanced registration required. Call 526-2623 for more information.

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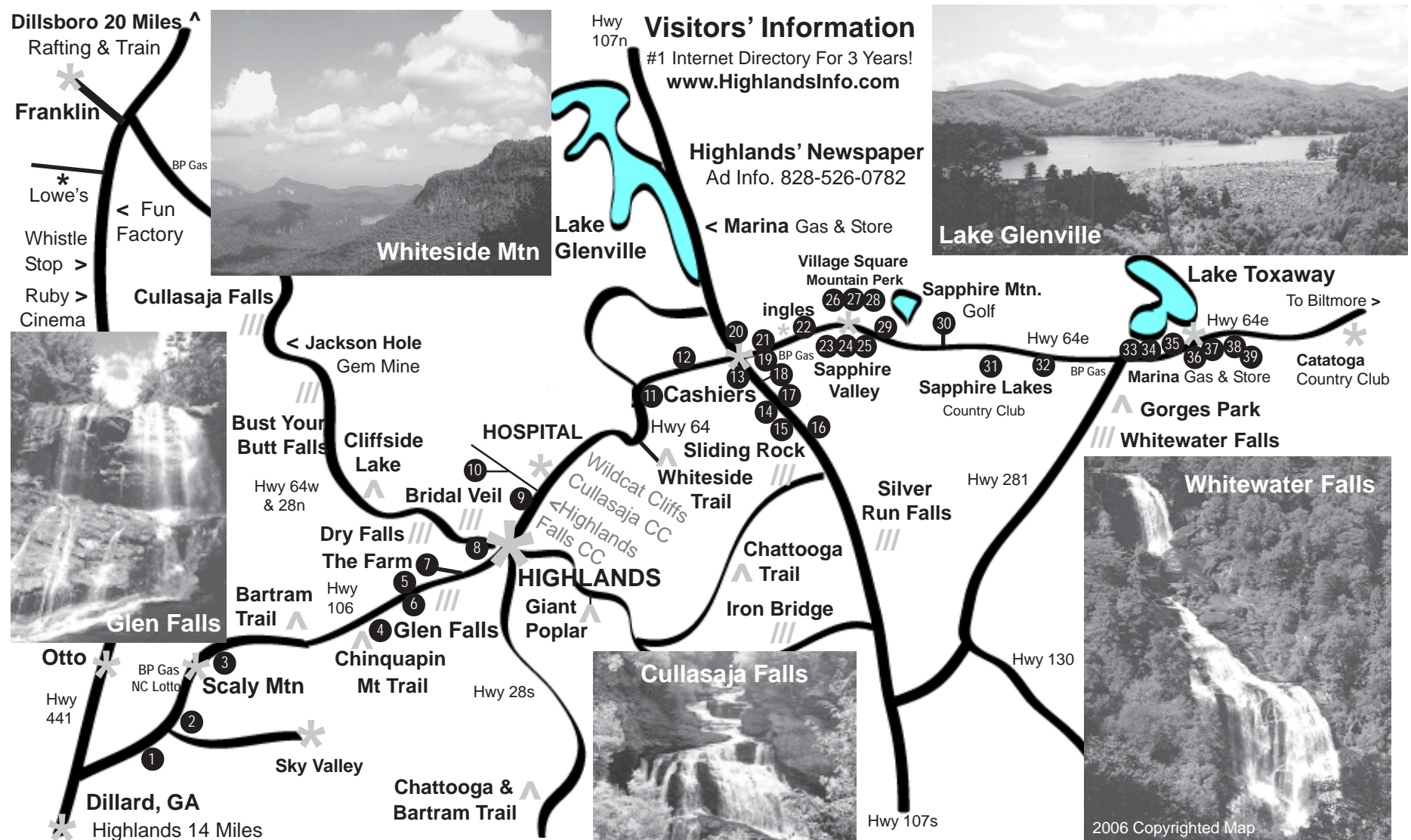
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