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Ongoing

• Every Friday from 6-8 p.m., singer/songwriter Sylvia Sammons performs at the Highlands Village Square on Oak Street from 6 to 8 p.m.

• Music nightly at On the Verandah. Wed., 7 p.m. & Sun. night and Sun. Brunch, Chad Reed; Angie Jenkins plays Mon.; Paul Scott plays Tues.

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

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

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

• Live music at SweetTreats every Friday and Saturday.

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

June 22-25

• Detra Kay Jewelry Trunk Show, Thurs.-Sat. at Acorn's on Main Street.

June 22-July 9

• "Fiddler on the Roof" at the Highlands Playhouse. Performances are Tues.-Sat. at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Call 526-2695 for tickets.

June 22

• SOAR Silent & Live Auction, 5:30 p.m. at the Conference Center. Tickets \$30 at the door.

• Highlands Male Chorus at PAC. Tickets are \$15. Directed by Orville Wike and accompanied by Angie Jenkins.

• Zahner Conservation Lecture Series. Charlie Williams presents "Michaux and the Lost Shortia." 7 p.m. at the Highlands Nature Center. Admission is free.

June 23

• Mountain Music Concert featuring Frazzled Edge in the HS old gym, 6:45-9 p.m. It's free.

June 24

• Special Ops Adventure Race begins at 7 a.m. on Main and Fifth Street.

• Jazz at the PAC Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at 507 Chestnut Street. Tickets are \$15. Call at 526-9047.

• Open House at the Highlands Historical Village next to the Rec Park, 3-6 p.m. Enjoy homemade refreshments, mountain music, and an intro archives.

• Songwriter Jon Zachary brings Songwriters-in-the-Round Series to the Studio on Main Saturday night. Hear these performers sing their own music. \$15 for Adults and \$5 for 17 & under.

• At Cyrano's Book Shop Matthew Eberz will sign copies of "Tenth Man" on Saturday from 1-3 p.m.

June 25-28

• Summer Bible Conference at First Baptist Church. For information call 526-4153.

June 25

• A digital photography workshop led by photographer Cynthia Strain from 2-5 p.m. at Mill Creek Gallery. Cost is \$35. Call 787-2021.

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High usage affects water plant

Hot dry days and cool nights might be great for vegetable gardens – particularly tomatoes – but dry summers can strain the town's ability to provide water.

"Big Creek is low," said Public Works Director, Lamar Nix. "There's not much

water in it right now. That mean's there isn't much excess water in Big Creek after the town withdraws the amount necessary to operate the plant."

The town has the capacity to pump two million-gallons-a-day (MGD) of

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It's pool time in Highlands!



The pool at the Highlands Recreation Park is the place to be on hot summer days. It's open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 1-5p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Cost is \$2 per person at the door, pool passes are available at \$45 per person or \$90 per family - prorated as season expires. Call 526-5982.

Photo by Susanna Forrester

Agencies prepare for PanFlu outbreaks and disasters

By Susanna Forrester
Reporter

Concerns about avian and pandemic influenza have been rising in Macon County as residents and health officials alike try to prepare for a possible outbreak.

Officials at the Macon County Health Department have been turning away dead birds that have been brought to them for testing for avian influenza, and the Highlands-Cashiers Hospital just

completed a mock bird flu disaster drill this past week.

Janet Lee of the MC Health Department stressed that pandemic influenza is not an imminent threat, though there has been a lot of hype in the media and on the internet about the avian flu virus in Asia, she said.

"The virus has to go through a lot of changing before it can go from person to person," Lee said. "If we have a pan-

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Town Board grants variance

It's just about official. The Town Board is partial to developers' variance requests if the variances are requested to save trees.

Commissioners have long granted road grade variances for the sake of the environment and lately they've granted road radius variances for the same reason.

At the June 21 Town Board meeting, commissioners heard a subdivision variance request from developer Bill Turrentine of the Riverwalk subdivision on U.S. 64 east.

The deeper Turrentine gets into the project the more trees he wants to save. "We went to the trouble of hiring an environmentalist and land planner to lay this subdivision out on this special piece of land," said Turrentine. "It's 32 acres of some of the prettiest property I've ever seen with incredible trees. It's never been

•See VARIANCE pg 9

Landslides part of MC history

– Part 2 –

By Ashlyn Williams
Reporter

With the North Carolina Geological Survey (NCGS) maps of potential landslide areas nearing completion, many question "What can be done now?" People moving to the area from the flatlands don't typically think of landslides as a problem, said experts.

"When we built here 35 years ago, we didn't think about that," said Maethel Shindelman, co-coordinator of the League of Women Voters. Unfortunately, most people have not considered the risk that building in the mountains sometimes poses. "People come from places like Florida, and never expect any

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• THE PLATEAU'S POSITION •

• LETTERS •

Cleaveland resigns from Planning Board/Appearance Commission

Dear Editor,

I have served this community for many years. First as a Town commissioner for four years, then as mayor for 14 years and most recently as chairman of the Planning Board and Appearance Commission for the past two years.

My service on the Planning Board and Appearance Commission has been very rewarding personally. We have accomplished much in the last two years but much remains to be accomplished. It is with sadness and regret that I submit my resignation from both boards.

The Planning Board is appointed by the Town Board to function as an independent board charged with reviewing subdivision plats for compliance with the law and making appropriate independent recommendations to the Town Board. We have not had a Planning Board meeting since I have been chairman that has not been attended by at least one Town Board member and as many as three. This has tended to interfere with the autonomy of the Planning Board. This needs to stop.

We are a community of laws and all board members are charged with enforcing and applying the laws fairly. When a new subdivision is proposed, the Planning Board is required by law to recommend the subdivision to the Town Board if it complies with the town's subdivision regulations, and the Town Board is required by law to approve a proposed subdivision that is in compliance with the regulations. These legal requirements have been compromised, ignored and interfered with over the past two years by arbitrary and capricious decisions based on personal agendas and whether certain board members on both boards "like" the applicant or the project, not whether the proposed subdivision complies with the law.

In my opinion, the Town Board has entered into dangerous territory by approving or disapproving projects on the basis of personal preference while ignoring the law. It is my sincere hope that the Town Board reverses the politicalization of our subdivision review process because it is dividing the town as well as compromising the integrity of both boards.

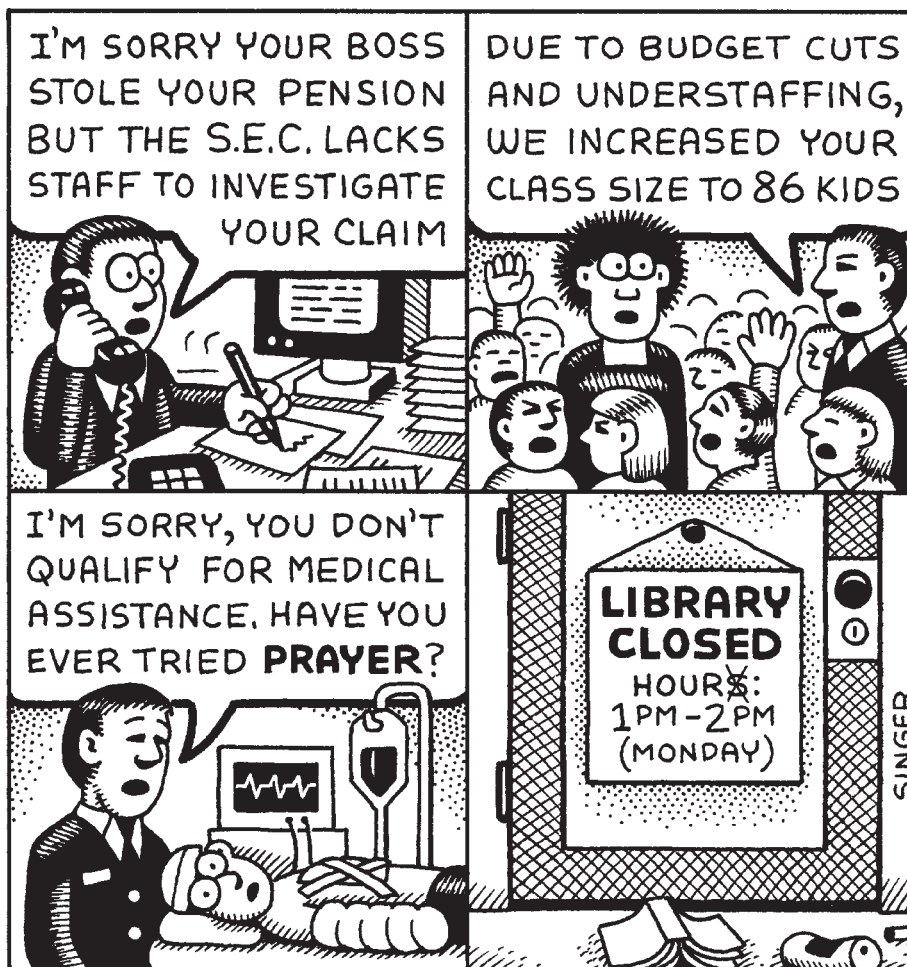
John Cleaveland
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• A BIRD'S-EYE VIEW •

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• CARD OF THANKS •

'Rooster' Parrish

There is no way you, as a community, can know what your acts of kindness have meant to each one of us.

The calls, the cards, the food, but mostly the prayers have given us great comfort and strength during this hard time of Rooster's death.

Thank you very much. May God bless each of you as we enjoy many years of good memories.

The Family of Ruth Parrish
June, 2006

The Highlands community is family

Get sick and you'll find out how many people in the Highlands care about you!

Many of you know I had surgery recently, but every day I'm amazed at how MANY people knew. Come to think of it, while I was convalescing Jim's trips to Bryson's Food Store took much longer than usual!

Jim, Rachel, Megan and my in-laws Clara and Alex Lewicki treated me like a queen and thank you Highlands Community for the cards, flowers, kind thoughts and words.

Despite surgery on Memorial Day – and thanks to Jim our interns Susanna Forrester and Ashlyn Williams, our steadfast contributors and of course the wonder of technology – we didn't miss a publication date or the Class of 2006 graduation!

However, I apologize for the balls that did drop – classified ads and a couple of mishaps with display ads.

Though I'm trying to "take it easy" and "not do too much" there really is too much to do to take it easy and not do! Thank you all for your kindnesses.

Kim Lewicki
Publisher

LETTERS-TO-THE-EDITOR

POLICY

We reserve the right to edit submissions. Views expressed are not necessarily those of Highlands' Newspaper.

Please email letters by Monday at 5 p.m.

There is a 500-word limit without prior approval.



• MILESTONES •

Irene James turns 101



On June 12, Irene Picklesimer James turned 101. She celebrated the day with family and friends at her home. Pictured are her daughters Wilma Gordon and Geri Crowe and her sons Herb and Tom James.

• OBITUARIES •

Carl Green

Carl Green, age 87, of Highlands, NC, died Thursday, June 22, 2006 in Highlands-Cashiers nursing home. He was a native of Habersham, Co., GA, a son of the late Hanable and Nancy Norris Green. He was a US Army veteran of World War II, and was of the Baptist faith.

He is survived by two sons, Eddie Green of Westminster, SC and Randy Green of Marietta, GA; one brother, Fred Green of Highlands, NC; eight grandchildren and several great-grandchildren also survive.

Graveside services were held Saturday, June 17 at 2 p.m. at Flats of Middle Creek Cemetery. The Franklin VFW Post #7334 and American Legion Post #108 conducted military rites.

Bryant Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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water to its residents. During peak days like Fourth of July, the town has hit the 1.3 MGD mark. Right now the water treatment plant is pumping 1.3 MGD.

"We are exceeding one million gallons a day mid-week in mid-June which is typically what we pump on peak holidays," said Nix.

The reason is simple. No rain and lots of sprinklers. When there is a drought, people water their landscaping.

"There is more of a strain on the system every year because more people are installing elaborate sprinkler systems. It's a trend," he said. "Nowadays people expect and want nicer things and that includes automatic sprinkler systems as part of the home hardware."

The town has five pumps in operation – three in Big Creek and two in Lake Sequoyah, which is the town's backup water supply, so getting the water isn't the problem. It's just that the maximum the town can pump is two MGD. It takes two pumps to supply the two MGD. Pumping is alternated among the five

pumps so they all wear the same.

"We don't have a water supply problem, we have a demand issue," said Nix. "How long do we have to run the pumps each day to keep up with the demand?"

Nix said he's waiting to see what happens on the Fourth of July. "We may hit a new high on the Fourth if we're hitting the July Fourth peak right now," he said. "I'm expecting a lot of visitors and a lot of homeowners using their sprinkler systems."

As per the town's ordinance, if the drought continues and the plant nears the two MGD usage, homeowners on town water will be asked to voluntarily refrain from watering their lawns or washing their cars. That request can change to mandatory action backed up by the police.

"But we're not there yet," said Nix. "All we need is a good rain and it will be all right."

It's been about three weeks since Highlands has had a good hard rain.



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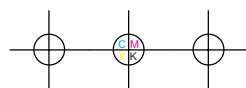
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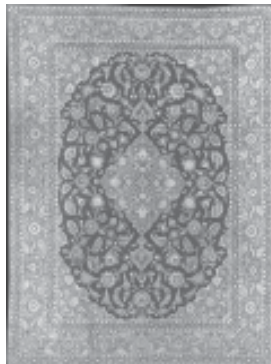


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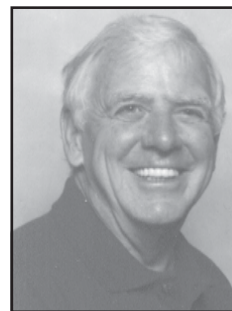
• LAUGHING AT LIFE •

Please pass the butt cream

It's amazing the things you can learn at dinner parties, especially when your dinner party friends are all weird, like me. You already know I am kind of a rowdy guy and therefore, you will not be surprised to learn that I can get boisterous when gossip and stories are being told. Laughing is contagious and I guess we were lucky the police didn't arrive. Anyway, when you have to watch out for me is when I get quiet as I am usually on the hunt.

Such was the case the other night. Things were going good until someone brought up a new product called Butt Cream, something I admittedly know little about. After verifying I had heard the words "butt cream" correctly, I clammed up to listen. I tried to make myself invisible and it must have worked because people were confessing to some really strange stuff. I am never allowed to break out paper and pencil so I had to make mental notes.

So here's a public announcement for all those moms out there. "Mothers of America, there is a miracle product out there you can apply to your infant's fanny rash and it is poetically called Butt



Fred Wooldridge

Cream." Could I make this up?

According to the ladies at the party, all of whom are grannies with eons of experience looking at fannies in many shapes and sizes, once you have tried everything to cure that little guy's raw rash and nothing helps, you simply slap on a dab of "Butt Cream" and, ta da, the rash is gone.

Be careful if you try to look for this new cream on the web as it is crammed in between two porn sites which I didn't open but I am sure will be the topic of our next dinner party and you can take that to the bank.

Once the group had established that this miracle cream was better than Georgia ice cream, the conversation turned to its many other uses. For example, this stuff works on all kinds of cheeks.

Here are a few examples of how to use Butt Cream. If your face becomes irritated from applying too much cosmetic gook, simply rub some Butt Cream on those other cheeks; POW, instant relief. Not only is it good for dry knees and elbows, but one dinner guest

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• HIGHLANDS FINE DINING •

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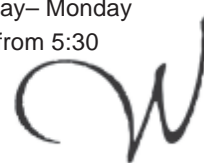
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Creation on the edge

I haven't written much about our deteriorating environment, mainly because I wasn't sure of my facts and felt more at home in the political arena. After seeing the documentary "Kilowatt Ours," I intend to become better informed on the subject, and, in fact, to make some fundamental changes in the way I conduct my daily life.

Every once in a while, a book or movie has a life-altering impact on us. It touches a vital nerve or opens the heart, not just for a moment but forever. "Kilowatt Ours" may have been such an experience for me.

For many of us, I suspect, issues like global warming, air and water quality, conservation of wilderness, and energy independence are met with denial and helplessness. We tend to shut out persistent cries of warning about the folly of the status quo, believing either that science will find a way of fixing things, or believing that we are doomed and nothing we can do will make a difference. I plead guilty to both of these myopic attitudes.

Having studied the evidence as best I can, it seems obvious that we are facing a real crisis on global warming. The irrelevant dispute about whether the cause is human pollution or



Dr. Alex Redmountain

cyclical weather patterns is just that, irrelevant. The arctic ice is thawing rapidly, the ocean is warming, and we can only guess at the likely consequences. Certainly the increase in hurricane activity is probably one. Our government is typically floundering or willfully obtuse about the issue.

"Kilowatt Ours" focuses on the plight of several small Appalachian communities in West Virginia, where mining for coal has become highly profitable as a substitute for our "addiction to oil," a phrase recently appropriated by the same president who has behaved as if he never heard the word "conservation."

The mining companies are simply blowing off the tops of mountains to get at the coal underneath, leaving permanent blight. I was deeply touched by the visible despair and helplessness of people whose families had inhabited these hills and "hollers" for generations, as they watched, and in some cases fought against, the destruction of their habitat.

Our consumption of energy is so immense that no amount of coal — which, not so incidentally, is a major contributor to global warming — nor the depleting oil resources can satisfy. This has allowed the brilliant minds in Washington to reprise the argument for nuclear facilities, which are monumentally expensive and monumentally dangerous. And where are the

nuclear towers most likely to be built? In the same rural America, of course, that is already paying a heavy price for our gluttony.

On the vehicular energy front, we are more than a day late and a dollar short. General Motors and Ford are starting to manufacture cars that can run on either gas or ethanol 85, a blend of 85 percent ethanol and 15 percent gas. Ethanol would benefit our farmers, large and small, who can



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• ANOTHER VIEW •

The magic, not the beast, captivates

Several months ago I read that Malaysian fishermen had spotted not one, but three Bigfoots, or Bigfeet in the Johor region of southern Malaysia. They described two adults and a juvenile, all large, hairy, and stinky and assumed that they had seen a family. The beasts walked on two legs, as one would expect of any self respecting hominoids. Such stories have a way of disappearing and never resurfacing, much like Bigfoot himself. Imagine my glee when I read later that the Malaysian government had announced an expedition to search for the creatures.

Whether this was to be a serious scientific effort or an attempt to boost eco-tourism remains to be seen, but at least for the moment, it keeps the dream alive. Shortly thereafter, the "Johor Wildlife Protection Society" reported that it had scientific evidence of the existence of Bigfoot. The society reported that one of its members had studied the "Orang Lenggor" for six years and had interacted with a colony of the hominoids, 70 percent of whom resemble giant humans. The rest of the tribe look more like apes. Adults range from 10- to 12-feet tall. Kids are six to seven feet. I wonder if Mike Krzyzewski could slip any of these guys by Duke's Director of Admissions. Their life experiences should be an acceptable substitute for a high school degree and anybody can major in sociology.

I remember the night that I first heard of Bigfoot, or Yeti, as his Asian cousin is called. I was a young boy in Richmond, Ind., and shared a room with my brother. A Bakelite Zenith radio rested on a bedside table between us. It was late, but I couldn't sleep. I turned the dial, AM only in those days, searching for something of interest, intercepting signals from near and far in the days of 50,000 watt clear channel stations.

A British naturalist, Ivan T. Sanderson, was being interviewed and discussed the existence of this yeti, or abominable snowman. "Of course Yeti exists," I remember him saying in a somewhat annoyed tone. "Many of the native sherpas have seen him [or them] and have described him in great detail. These giant beasts walk upright across the frozen Himalayas, and yes, of course, I've seen the tracks," he added impatiently. Proof? If someone would simply fund an expedition, and



Dr. Henry Salzarulo

I believe he quoted a price of \$20,000, Mr. Sanderson would be happy to travel to Tibet and return with a specimen.

Wow! I determined that night to become a naturalist and roam the world in search of strange phenomena. I didn't become a naturalist and didn't learn for many years that Ivan Sanderson

had become an embarrassment, a pariah in the scientific community. He claimed that, in 1932, while on expedition in Africa, he was attacked by a large flying reptile, presumably a living descendent of the dreaded pterosaur. He became interested in flying saucers and reported a sighting. The Bermuda Triangle also captured his interest. One wonders if the difficulty in capturing Yeti has been that, when cornered, he simply takes refuge in his space ship. As Sanders descended further into disrepute, his scientific journals became Argosy, True, Sports Afeld, and Saga.

In 1958 giant foot prints were reported at a construction site in the redwood country of northern California, where a company owned by Ray Wallace was cutting a logging road. The term "Bigfoot" appeared in a front page story in the "Humboldt Times," and stuck. My spirits soared. I remember it was about the time I had vowed to take my 22-caliber semiautomatic rifle to Cuba and fight in the mountains alongside Castro. It wasn't until 2002, after Ray Wallace's death, that his family admitted that in 1958 Ray had donned carved wooden feet and tracked up the area around a bulldozer he owned, perhaps to frighten vandals. It was further acknowledged that, in 1967, it was he who positioned Roger Patterson at the exact spot where Patterson filmed Bigfoot, or was it a guy in a gorilla suit. Bigfoot was dead. Long live Ray Wallace.

Now comes this report from the jungles of southern Malaysia. They have photographed a footprint. I've seen it and I admit it requires a leap of faith to see a foot print. Grainy would be an understatement. Villagers have come forward to report having seen this beast for years. And what better place for an unknown species to hide than an 800-square-mile wilderness with little or no access? There is a claim that hair, or should it be fur, was found at the scene. If that is true, DNA analysis will be able

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admitted to applying it to a troublesome zit that would not go away. The zit is still there but the skin around it reportedly looks wonderful. She wanted to show us but we looked away.

Then another guest said, "I probably shouldn't tell you this but has anyone heard about nose sucking?" Hey, is that the understated question of the night? The group grew quiet and I moved my chair back a little to make myself less conspicuous.

I couldn't imagine what this has to do with baby rash, but I was afraid to ask. He continued, "Once I was left to care for my infant grandson while his breast-feeding mom was away shopping. The kid starts to wail....and wail....and wail. I tried everything to get him to stop. Then, in an act of desperation, I pulled the child to my face and it accidentally found my nose. There was instant gratification as the kid thought it had found a new milk source." Are you grossing out?

The group continued to sit speechless and now everyone was staring at me except the story teller. Finally he turned to me and said, "I shouldn't have told you that, right?" I responded, "Well, I would never admit to nose sucking, but your new found sport is safe with me." Since this person is of some prominence on the plateau, I will not mention his name unless, of course, you want to make a donation to the HOFO club.

The next morning I was on the web early to find out if there was anyone else on the planet brave enough to admit to nose sucking and I was shocked to find that there were many. As it turns out, my friend may be a trend setter for the Highlands area. Even though he is still in the closet on this, in time, he may just stand up and shout, "My grandson sucked my nose." Awesome, don't you think? After all, off the plateau, emergency nose sucking is quite common.

Oh, did I mention that HOFO stands for "Help Ole Fred Out"?

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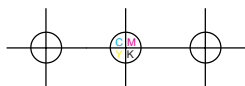
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demical we'll have plenty of time to prepare."

In October of 2005 members of State Emergency Management, NC Public Health, and Emergency Medical Services met to decide how to best prepare the state for an outbreak of pandemic flu — the result was the Pandemic Influenza Exercise Task Force. The Task Force was charged with completing a statewide exercise by May 30, 2006 to test the preparedness of hospitals and emergency officials during a pandemic outbreak.

Macon County sent their Medical Reserve Corps, a group of volunteers who are either retired or not working full-time who have experience with disasters, to assist the State Medical Assistance Team, which had set up an alternate care facility at Park Ridge Hospital in Fletcher, NC. SMAT is a self-sustainable team made up of physicians, nurses, paramedics, and other medical personnel who can help hospitals in dealing with medical disasters.

An alternate care facility is a safety net for a hospital in case of an overload of patients during a disaster. The SMAT and Macon County teams cared for "patients" at the facility as if they were dealing with a real-life pandemic outbreak. The rest of the statewide drill was done on paper only.

"Park Ridge was the only hospital required to open an alternate care facility,"

said Debbie Gilbert, the Regional Disaster Planner for WNC Hospitals and EMS as well as the coordinator for the State Medical Assistance Team. "But all North Carolina hospitals are required to have an alternate care facility."

The Highlands-Cashiers Hospital's alternate care facility is the Jane Woodruff Building on the hospital campus.

A pandemic influenza outbreak is caused by a new influenza A virus that is unlike past influenza viruses. It can spread quickly because people have no immunity to it and can occur at any time of the year. Because of the suddenness of an outbreak it might take between four to eight months for a vaccine to be created.

Scientists fear the avian flu virus could cause a pandemic if it mutates and begins spreading from person to person, though that has not yet occurred. So far the spread of avian flu has been from bird to human. Targeted surveillance of North American bird species — those that migrate directly between Asia, the Pacific Ocean, and North America — is being conducted by the US Depts. of Agriculture and Interior according to the Macon County Health Department.

"We have a team -- the Macon County Disaster Preparedness Team -- that meets twice a year," said Lee. "We meet to work with any disaster. Since we constantly plan for a disaster, we'll have enough time in case a pandemic occurs."

Lee said hospitals like Highlands-Cashiers Hospital are planning ahead because they know patient load may double in some areas, but they're looking at what they can do about that, she said. Businesses should also be aware of how they could be affected. "Businesses have to be aware that they may have 40 percent less people if a pandemic strikes," she said.

Dr. Howard B. Radest, adjunct professor at the University of South Carolina who conducted an ethics symposium at the hospital last week, said there is no place in the country that is guaranteed to be untouched should outbreaks occur. "Highlands could become an evacuation location from urban areas," he said.

But Lee also stressed the importance of individual preparedness. "With any type of disaster you need to prepare to take of yourself for up to two weeks. You can't depend solely on the government."

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timbered. It's a great piece of property. We're trying to save trees and we need curve radius variances to make it work."

He requested 14 curve radius variances from the traditional 150 degrees to 90 degrees. This has become the state standard for many road scenarios, but the town has yet to follow.

Whether the state allows 150- versus 90-degree radiuses depends on the road type - whether it's a local/residential road or a residential/collector road.

Town Engineer Lamar Nix said only one of the roads, Riverwalk Drive, was a residential/collector road. "That's the only road long enough (2,500 feet) for which the state would require the 150-degrees," he said. "Other than that, they're all local/residential roads."

But Turrentine requested the variance for that road, too.

"I just read the state standards and the state must have a reason for them. I

want to make sure we interpret the state standards correctly," said Commissioner Amy Patterson.

Commissioner Herb James said the board customarily grants grade variances and they have granted radius variances, too. "I think we should amend our ordinances to reflect what we're doing."

Patterson agreed but said that was about the future; they had to decide what to do now.

Patterson said since the town was in the process of amending its ordinances to reflect the state's new regulations she didn't think it was fair to penalize Turrentine at this point.

Commissioner James pointed out that the developers had actually improved Riverwalk Drive which was in existence when they bought the property.

The board voted unanimously to grant the variances.

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to determine if the hair is from some unknown species. If it turns out that it is bear fur, then maybe what the villagers saw was a family of escaped Russian dancing bears. But what if the sample proves to be from a previously unknown species?

I have waited most of my life for proof of Bigfoot. What if he is really is out there and his existence is proved? Will we hunt him to extinction, or capture him and display him in zoos? Will the vast jungle of southern

Malaysia become a Mecca of eco-tourism, suffering ravages similar to those occurring in the Galapagos Islands today? Will we shrink his habitat, or is it his home, until we drive him to extinction? I've waited a long time for proof, but I think I'd rather remain in the dark. Besides, the moment we see him the magic dies, and it is the magic, rather than the beast, that has captivated me for over 50 years.

Golfers support Highlands Playhouse

The annual Highlands Playhouse Benefit Golf Tournament raised slightly over \$10,000 for the 68-year-old theater. The event, held the first Monday in June, was hosted again this year by the Highlands Cove Country Club, a 6,699 yard, par 71 course.

"It was very well coordinated and the course was in absolutely beautiful condition," said spokesman George Schmitt. Ten foursomes competed in a shotgun-start (each team starts at a different hole), scramble format (after each team member hits a ball, team members can then hit from the location of whichever ball has achieved the best position). Overall winners were Tony Potts, Steve Chenoweth, Patrick Moore, and Will Madden. Jay Calloway won the putting contest and received a two-ball putter. "We thank Highlands Cove for a great meal and their golf pro Mark Todd for all the wonderful help he gave us," added Schmitt.

Forty-one businesses sponsored holes, including The Highlands Gem Shop, Sam's Grading, Wilson Gas Service, Lupoli Real Estate & Construction Co., Macon Bank, The Dry Sink, Highlands Cabinet Co., Schmitt Building Contractors, Preferred Properties of Highlands, All Phase Painting, D&J Express Mart, Paul Schmitt Architectural

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Following the event, participants enjoyed cocktails, a buffet and an auction that included three- and four-party golf rounds provided by Highlands Cove Country Club, Trillium Country Club, Wildcat Country Club, Cullasaja Country Club, Highlands Falls Country

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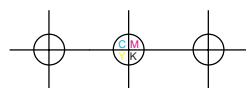
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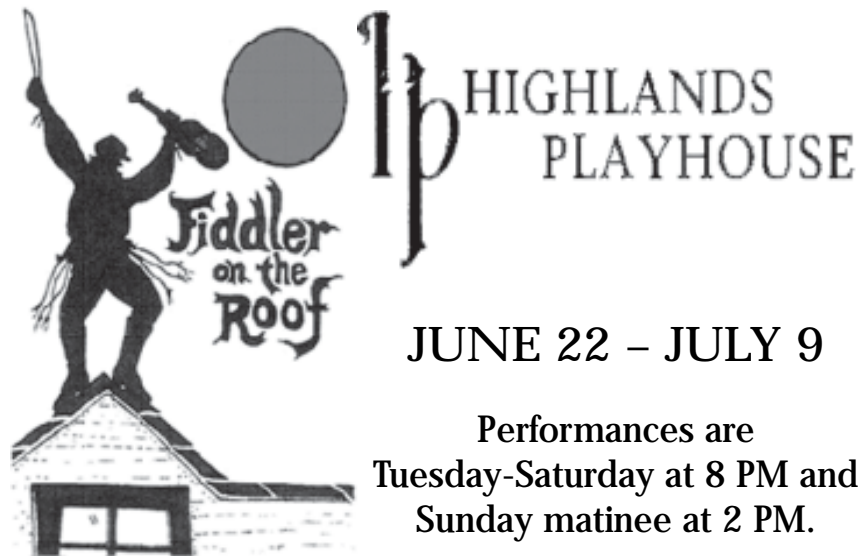
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Chestnut Hill flag ceremony

By Susanna Forrester
Reporter

The Chestnut Hill Flag Day Ceremony was a celebration of patriotism where the raising of the retirement community's flag on its brand new flagpole took center stage.

Chestnut Hill and Highlands residents gathered to reminisce about the flag and the future of the nation as Col. William D. Bathurst presented a history of the flag that was both humorous and educational.

"I'm very proud of this and I hope that all the residents are because you all contributed to it," Bathurst said.

The names of those in whose memory or honor donations were made were read by Horace Duncan. After a reading by Dorothy Jackson, and several songs led by Molly McKim and Joyce Hetzel the group adjourned to the flagpole for the raising of the flag by George Sorge, the oldest veteran in residence at Chestnut Hill.

George Boone, of Chestnut Hill, then led the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a rousing version of The Star Spangled Banner. The ceremony concluded with Father Tommy Allen's benediction.



Molly McKim and Joyce Hetzel led the singing of "America the Beautiful" while Willard Allen plays the piano.

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of this to happen," said Shindelman.

Events such as massive amounts of rain added to saturated ground and an earthquake — such as the one felt in Macon County last Thursday — could make for a disaster that newcomers to the area may not expect. Relatively minor earthquakes have a history occurring in North Carolina, particularly in Macon County. Experts say that this recurrent pattern of quakes has definitely contributed to the increased risk of landslides in areas of steep slope development.

Earthquakes are not the only indicators of slope movement in this area. In fact, weathered rock slides can occur

at such a slow rate, that their effects may go entirely unnoticed. "This type of slide only moves inches per month and are the least catastrophic," said Latham.

Unfortunately, Macon County and other surrounding counties have dealt with much more severe slides. In July 1997, the Pigeon River Gorge experienced a dangerous rock slide that resulted in \$10 million worth of damage and an inconvenient rerouting of traffic on I-40.

A Yancy County golf course also experienced a debris flow slide where one of the course's sand traps moved as an intact body down the green. "It is clear

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From left: Roger Plemens, president; Fred Jones, director; Ed Shatley, director; W.C. Burrell, Jr., director; Tony Potts, branch manager; Ronnie Beale, director; Carolyn Huscusson, area executive; Jeff Weller, Dewolf Architecture; Don Mullen, Highlands Mayor; Stan Jeffress, CFO and Bill Bassham, Chamber President.



Macon Bank opens new Highlands branch building

Macon Bank announced the completion of a new 3,400 square foot building for their Highlands branch. The bank's board of directors, employees and local citizens held a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new building on Wednesday, June 14.

"This building will allow us to better serve our customers with additional room for our growing branch," said Tony Potts, Macon Bank Highlands Branch Manager. "The property this new building sits on is just right across the street from our old location so we were able to watch it being built from the ground up."

Construction of the building began in August, 2005. It features three drive thru lanes, an outside ATM and a large conference room upstairs. With the new building just across the street from the

former location, customers have been able to find the branch with no problems.

"We wanted this building to be very comfortable for our customers and employees," said Potts. "I particularly love the large back porch which overlooks Main Street and the future site of Pine Street Park."

A grand opening celebration will be held Friday, July 7 with food, drinks and prizes.

Macon Bank, Inc. is a North Carolina chartered, locally-owned and operated financial institution that focuses on full-service banking, including small business customers. The bank operates 10 offices in Western North Carolina. On May 31, 2006, the bank reported \$918 million in assets and 196 employees.

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that this occurred because of an embankment failure," said Latham.

Though these are more recent events, a careful study of North Carolina's Geological history shows a definite pattern. July 15-16, 1916 there was a massive flood recorded in Transylvania County. "This flood resulted in two deaths and 56 plus landslides," said Latham.

On August 10-17, 1940, Deep Gap's had debris move through the Blue Ridge Escarpment in areas with greater than 30 degrees slope. This resulted in over 400 landslides in a very small area.

"After investigating the Peek's Creek slide, we determined that it began at the top of Fishhawk Mountain — elevation 4,420 feet," said Latham. What followed was a typical debris flow — a combination of rock, loose soil, and bedrock — which moved at 2.25 miles per hour. "Research showed that this area already had ancient debris flow deposits," she said.

The same is true in other cases involving landslides. "Often you can notice a clear debris flow line in areas prone to slides. Now it is time to increase the public's awareness," said Latham.

The League of Women Voters has taken an active role in trying to promote awareness of the potential problems with

landslides. The league feels, though it is a national organization, it is best to focus on local issues especially when connected with a disaster like Peek's Creek.

As easily buildable land dwindles, "steep slope development is rapidly being promoted and sold," said Susan Ervin, co-coordinator for programming.

Building in the mountains is certainly an area of development that can't be halted all together, but it should be approached with caution, said officials. Ordinances concerning development of slopes greater than 30 degrees could be just one of the many solutions toward making development safer.

A potential buyer should be aware of the risks when buying any home, but when purchasing one on a steep slope, it would be a good idea to consult a geologist, said Rebecca Latham of the NCGS. Lots of contractors already have a geologist/engineer on staff, she said.

In the future, the development of a "Citizens Guide to Landslide Hazards" manual is hopefully in store for builders and citizens in Macon County and the surrounding areas, said Latham. It is obvious that this would be a great help in making sure that homeowners, developers, and consumers investments and lives are protected.

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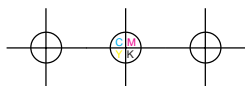
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– Highlands-Cashiers Hospital News – OB/GYN joins staff at hospital

A new specialist in obstetrics and gynecology has joined the medical staff at Highlands-Cashiers Hospital and has opened a regular part-time medical practice.

Dr. Carmelo A. Hernandez, who has been in private practice in Brevard since 2001, is expanding his OB/GYN practice to Highlands two days per month. He will see both obstetrics and gynecology patients at his Highlands office, as well as perform outpatient GYN procedures through the hospital here. He will perform all deliveries and inpatient surgery cases at Transylvania Community Hospital in Brevard.

"We are very pleased to welcome Dr. Hernandez to our area," said Ken Shull, president and CEO of Highlands-Cashiers Hospital. "He comes very highly recommended by a number of his medical colleagues in Brevard, and he will bring an added dimension to the range of services already being offered by our community of physicians."

Dr. Hernandez will become the second gynecologist serving the area on a part-time basis. Dr. C. Willis Sherrer, MD, continues to see patients at his Highlands office each Monday. He recently relocated his office from the Jane Woodruff Clinic to Suite 700 on the lower level of the Jane Woodruff Medical Building, located at the rear of the hospital campus.

Area physicians hear of ethics dilemmas in age of terrorism

Retired and active physicians here received a brief glimpse Friday into the myriad of ethical dilemmas that health care providers could face in the event of a major terror attack or natural disaster.

The program was the first of two symposiums planned this summer at Highlands-Cashiers Hospital by the Highlands-Cashiers Senior Physicians group. More than 24 physicians and guests heard Dr. Howard B. Radest, adjunct professor of philosophy at the University of South Carolina at Beaufort, and an expert of ethics, talk about recent efforts to develop a program of ethics education that will help prepare health care workers to face the difficult questions that could surface in the event of a massive terrorist attack.

Radest was one of group of educators, physicians and public health leaders in South Carolina to develop the Ethics and Public Health In An Age of Terrorism curriculum for the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control.

In the event of a major terrorist attack or natural disaster that overwhelms

Dr. Sherrer does not see OB patients, however.

When in Highlands, Dr. Hernandez will occupy Suite 600 on the upper level of the Jane Woodruff Medical Building. Appointments can be made by calling his Brevard office at 828 884-8860 during regular office hours. Initially, Dr. Hernandez plans to be in his Highlands office two Fridays each month.

Certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Dr. Hernandez earned his medical degree from the Wright State School of Medicine in Dayton, OH, in 1977, and performed his OB-GYN residency at Bethesda Hospital in Cincinnati. Born in Guam, he graduated from the US Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, CO, in 1985 with a degree in aeronautical engineering. He was an officer and pilot in the Air Force for eight years before entering medical school.

Following his residency he opened a practice in Brevard, Sylvan Valley OB/GYN. He has also undergone further medical training in tumescent liposuction at the International Society of Cosmetogynecology.

He is licensed in both Ohio and North Carolina, and he is a member of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology and the North Carolina Medical Society.

the health care system, providers may well face difficult choices regarding allocating limited medical resources, restricting civil liberties to isolate populations affected by bio terrorism, and effectively communicating with and gaining the cooperation of large numbers of highly alarmed people. In the wake of 9/11, Radest said experts around the country have been studying how to appropriately respond to the hard choices that could come with cataclysmic situations.

"We realized that public health workers have to be better informed. They have to be educated in ethics and the law," he told the group. "The question is how do you put ethics tools in the hands of the people who need them."

Radest explained that the purpose of ethics education is not so much to tell right from wrong (most of us can do that), but to help people choose between two good options, or more often, two bad choices.

While ethics tools have their place in helping human beings face difficult questions, he cautioned that they have

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The Prince House is one part of Highlands Historical Village

Historical Village open house

For anyone who has not yet had the chance to see what's on display and what's in the archives at the Highlands Museum, the Historical Society is sponsoring an open house this Saturday afternoon, June 24, from 3-6 p.m. The public is invited to enjoy homemade refreshments, mountain music played on Appalachian instruments, and an introduction to the growing collection at the archives.

According to archivist Ran Shaffner, many individuals have donated valuable photographs, diaries, genealogies, books, and documents as well as furniture, paintings, tools, and musical instruments. "Amelia Ennis gave us the original bars from Helen's Barn; Beverly Quin gave us George Masa's photographs, and Doris Potts gave us many of Henry Scadin's photographs. We have Luther Rice, Sr.'s cherry wood hutch from Matt Schroeder and a fascinating Remington accounting machine used by Jackson County Bank in the 1930s. The Reese family donated Samuel Kelsey's chair. We received John Jay Smith's handmade landscape collage of Bridal Veil Falls from Mary Fitzhugh and a history and genealogy of the Crunkleton family from Walter Taylor. There are photographs of the Reese family and home from Marie Reese and of all the homes built by Roy Phillips from Edna Bryson. And more come in every day."

The Prince house, which is being restored as a living history museum, already has furniture donated by the Harbison family, Sue Potts, Thyrza Evans, Marie Sharpe, Natalie Sato, Buzz Baty, Elizabeth Edwards, Charlie and Gladys McDowell, Tom and Linda Clark, Alice and Kent Nelson, Kim Gruelle, Mountain Findings, Ginger Glasson, Tommy Chambers, Elaine Tilson, as well as historic items currently on loan. Some items that are being sought to complete the Prince House collection are single and double feather beds, two small iron pot-

bellied stoves, a large dining room table with chairs, glass front Barrister-style bookcases, and any other furniture used in homes during the early days of Highlands.

The Historical Society is hoping that more families whose roots reach back in Highlands history will consider bringing their diaries, genealogies, stories, and photographs for the archives to preserve or copy, since there is a growing local interest in saving and researching these records for current and future generations. "These are what makes history fascinating," Ran claims. "They are what bring people together and spark fond memories, which is also what we believe the open house will help promote."

Walk in the Park



The role of "Doc" Alfred Hawkins will be played by Charlie Edwards in the upcoming *Walk in the Park*. Edwards is seen above at the "rock house" where Hawkins and two sons lived when they first came to Horse Cove in 1883. A former member of the Union Army, "Doc" Hawkins received hostile treatment, but won the affection of the local population by his treatment of the sick. *Walk in the Park* is set for July 7, 8 and 9, with shuttles from the Conference to Memorial Park from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 4 to 5:30 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$15 for adults; students are admitted free. Tickets may be purchased at the Conference Center on the day of attendance, or in advance at Cyranos Bookshop or D & J Express Mart.



• MOUNTAIN TOP RELAY FOR LIFE •

A son remembers his father's answers

By M. H. Benton
Contributor

In the summer of 2001, I was engineer for a large company in eastern North Carolina. The day had been long and taxing; not unlike most of my days during the heat of the summer. Increased power needs, to keep the plant cool, were taxing our systems to the very limits. Later that night, the test of my limits would only just begin.

Like most boys, my father was my hero. He was a big man physically. His personality was more gentle than rough. Given his height, it was easy for him to be that way. For me, he always had the answer. One day, he showed up at St. Simons Elementary School, to pick me up for a doctor's appointment. Filling the frame of the classroom door I had to smile at the comments of my fellow first graders: "He's a giant!" exclaimed one, "Wow, is that your Dad?" asked another. It was always like that with my dad. He always commanded a calm strength, either by his size or his character. Nothing could ever beat him in my mind.

It was 9:15 p.m. one late August night. I had just settled into bed, as the next day was due to start well before sunrise. I almost did not answer when the phone started ringing; I was in no mood for another silly question from work. I did answer, though. The sound of my father's voice gave me some concern; it was not our routine to talk on the phone much. Someone must be sick or been hurt in some way. My father and I had fallen into a strange distance from one another. I guess most do as sons become men on their own. I braced myself and asked, "What's wrong?"

"I have lung cancer." The words swam around in some misty haze in my head. I heard them; they simply could not be the truth. After a few uncomfortable moments getting my wits about me, the questions started. "What does this mean?" "What are you going to do about it?" "What do you need me to do...." I rapid-fired questions off at my father as if from the barrel of a machinegun. "I'm going to the Mayo in Jacksonville," he replied in a strong, calm voice. Again he had the answers.

Over the next few months, I made it a point to visit with my Dad. I guess it is common for us to make

time when something like this happens to a family. Reflecting now, I can only regret not doing more of that all along. We always make time when time is the commodity we see running out. A surprise trip for Father's Day was the first time I noticed something was different. It was nothing overt or dramatic. More the little things only noticed by someone that has distance between visits. For the first time, true fear swelled inside me. I would not allow myself to feel in my heart what my head was telling me. It was not something I talked with my Dad about; still he answered my concerns and reassured me. I believed if anyone was going to beat cancer, he would do it.

Soon the heat of summer was again upon me at work. Things with Dad were going as well as anyone expected. My fears began to subside. Dad even joked at how the chemo was doing just the opposite of what he was told it would do. Instead of losing his hair, a snow-white abundance covered his head. No appetite? Not my Dad! He was eating everything in sight. As late July approached, I was hopeful about life. My job was doing great; Dad was doing great. Maybe the last year had produced for daddy the result he has said. He would beat this. I was not surprised – daddy always had the answers.

Again a phone call in the night would change all that. This time it was my aunt, "You need to come see your dad." This time there was no confusion. It was something in her voice. "He is in the hospital and wants you to come see him." The same call was made to my brother and sisters. daddy was calling the family close to him.

I called my boss and explained the situation. To his credit, he simply told me to take all the time I needed so I was off on the six-hour drive home. I went right to the hospital. Finding my way through the labyrinth of wings, halls, and floors I found daddy's room. My stepmother was in the room with him. I grew up with the fortune of four patents. My father and mother derived before I was even in grade school and both remarried. I had four good, strong role models in my life. Daddy was sleeping so I greeted my stepmother, Pat. She looked tired.

As a nurse, Pat was well accustomed to the routine of a hospital. This was both a blessing and curse. She could resolve any minor problems but it also gave insight into what was not being said. She knew then my Dad's time was limited and it showed. She had spent the last few days at his side and it showed. She did not want him to be alone. Looking at her and my Dad, I made up my mind then. I called work and told them I was not going to be back for some time.

At this point daddy needed constant care. Pat had been that care day and night. She would not go home to sleep. Taking my father's example, I calmly told her I would stay with daddy each night so she could go home and sleep. At first she was against the idea. I further explained that it would do no one any good, especially Daddy, if she became sick also. Pat reluctantly agreed.

I spent that night in a chair by Dad's side. I gained a fuller appreciation of Pat's exhaustion. Hospitals are full of activity day and night. Everything from the nurse making rounds to the person cleaning the hall seemed loud. Looking back, I know it was me being overly sensitive. I have a deep respect for hospitals and the work they do, but it is not a good place to die, at least not for Daddy. At this point we all understood that was the road we were on. The first order of business was to get Dad out of there.

The next morning, when Pat arrived, she asked me to visit a local hospice and see what I thought of it. She had been by before she came to the hospital that morning and they were expecting me. For most of us, judging the relative decency of a hospice is about as familiar as quantum physics. I had no idea what to look for or what kind of questions to ask. Thank God, the staff at the hospice understood. In a short time, I was convinced this was the place for my Dad. Soon he was resting comfortably in a nice room at the hospice. It even had a view.

By this time, my father needed assistance walking and was very weak. He was in little pain and his mind very alert. I truly think it was only the loss of his self-reliance that bothered him. He did not like to ask for help. Over the next few days, we came to

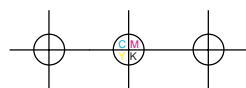
an understanding of how we would operate in the environment of the hospice. Each evening Pat would leave us with instructions for the night, we agreed to them but as soon as the coast was clear, daddy set the schedule for the night.

Most of my life I knew my father as a stoic man. He did not suffer his problems on others. Showing emotions did not come easy for him. Now, within the confines of that room in the hospice, our relationship changed. Still not complaining, daddy became more open with me about his feelings and life. Not one time did I hear my father complain about his situation. I stated how unfair it was for him to have lung cancer. He quit smoking more than 30 years before this. He simply reminded me that life is all about choices. He made his the best he could, with what he knew at the time and was not going to regret it now. Moreover, he did not want me to show him the sadness I felt. He needed me to simply enjoy his company. From that moment on, that is how it was.

Over the next weeks, my father was getting weaker and weaker. More than assisting him now, I was carrying him to the bathroom. I promised Pat I would not leave him for a moment, but I had to allow my father the dignity of privacy when I could, he did not ask, it was something understood. It is hard to convey how you can have such joy while feeling such total pain in your soul. It was time for me to be there for my father. I have wished my whole life to make my father proud of me; I guess every boy does. One bad night, that became the subject of our talk.

It was sometime after 2 a.m., daddy needed to go to the restroom. I was having a hard time by this point and he knew it. When we finally got him back into bed and all tucked in he told me was very proud of me. "I want you to know I am proud of you," he started. "Not for all this," referring to staying with him at night. "I am proud of you for who you are." Without saying a word I sat in the chair and placed my head on his bed. To say I was crying does not cover it. I was sobbing. Daddy simply put his hand on my head and told me it was OK. Lying on that bed, dying, he still

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1980, and almost every car there is equipped to run on ethanol, gasoline, or any combination of both.

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"Kilowatt Ours" showed how private residences could be almost totally free of outside energy providers. The first step is to gradually replace all appliances with energy-efficient models, and all incandescent bulbs with compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFL). At a cost of about \$20,000, admittedly a steep price, enough solar panels can be installed on the roof or on a nearby piece of land to furnish all energy needs. This conversion would be a perfect candidate for government subsidies or tax credits, many of which are already in place.

But we're going to have to wait for a new, visionary Congress and a visionary president to make energy conservation a high priority item. Although the president seems to have awakened a bit lately, the vice president still scoffs at conservation as an opium dream of weak-kneed liberals.

Of course there are many other

depredations of the environment which are harder to quantify. Our national forests are being sold off to developers.

National parks have been made thoughtlessly accessible to motorcycles and snowmobiles. The oceans are heavily polluted near human habitats. Although some rivers and streams have been cleaned up, there are still many others with toxic accretions. Air quality is poor in many areas—particularly here near the Smoky Mountains (which are not named the Smokies because of our coal-fired pollution).

I shudder when I think of the legacy we are leaving our grand-children. Not only are we saddling them with a fiscal deficit swollen by an unnecessary war, but with a deeply wounded planet which may take generations to heal. If they are lucky.

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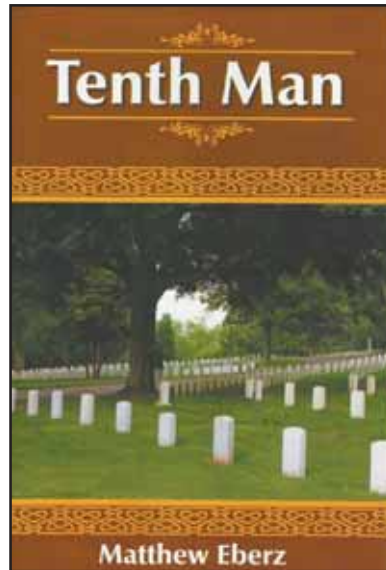
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• UPCOMING EVENTS •

Book Signings



On Saturday, June 24 at Cyrano's Book Shop, Matthew Eberz will sign copies of "Tenth Man" from 1-3 p.m. "Tenth Man" is a story of two soldiers, one of the present and one from the past, both fighting a war – not on a foreign battlefield but on American soil.

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At Shakespeare & Company at 462 Oak St. in Highlands Village Square on Sunday, July 9 at 4 p.m., Fred Wooldridge will be signing his new book, "I'm Moving Back to Mars." Fred will read his favorite short story and all are welcome. Come and meet the author.

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At Jacobs Well Christian Book Store on the Cashiers road a book signing on Tuesday, July 11 with author/artist Janet Carpenter, a contributing author of "God Allows U-Turns for Women: The Choices We Make Change the Story of Our Life" at 1 p.m. During the book signing, there will also be a mini art show of several of her paintings including her most recent 30" x 40" oil of "Jesus with Our Children" depicting the love languages of her four oldest grandchildren. Gary Chapman's book, "The Five Love Languages of Children" will also be available.

Upcoming

- Mom and Me Swim Lessons at the Rec Park, 10:30-11 a.m. Cost is \$2 or a pool pass. Call 526-5982 for more information. Start date to be announced.

On-going

- Al-Anon meets every Thursday at noon in the community room of the First Presbyterian Church.

- Zachary-Tolbert House - will be open for tours Friday, June 23 through Saturday, October 14 from 11 am until 2 pm. For more information or for special tours call the Cashiers Historical Society, 828-743-7710 or email info@cashiershistoricalsociety.org.

- The Highlands Historical Village Museum and Archives are open every Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

- 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.

- Every Friday from 6-8 p.m., singer/songwriter Sylvia Sammons performs at the Highlands Village Square on Oak Street from 6 to 8 p.m. Fressers will be open with food and drink.

- 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 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.

- 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.

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

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

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

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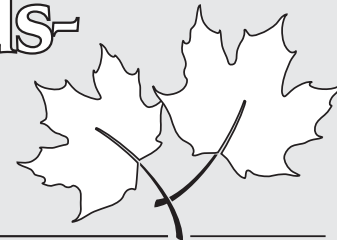
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• SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING •

Had your bath?



Rev. Hunter Coleman
First Presbyterian Church

Simply put, communion is God feeding us with food that will satisfy our deepest hungers. Simply put, baptism is God washing us clean. We see baptism in its pure and simple state in Jesus' encounter with the women at the well.

Most likely a prostitute, the Samaritan women was at the well at that time of day, not for water, but for business. In the eyes of those who saw Jesus conversing with her, Jesus was guilty of speaking with one who was vile, one who was nothing more than dirt under their feet. How could he, the holy son of God, allow himself to be seen in broad daylight with such filth? But there he was, big as life, having conversation with a lady of the night.

In his encounter at the well, he gets around to telling her about a spring of water welling up in her unto eternal life. He offers her such a wellspring. If we listen carefully to their exchange, we can hear the effects of the spring of water that is welling up in her as they talk. In the company of the very fountain head of divine mercy and compassion, she is able to begin cleaning up her life, as if she had some kind of spring of water gushing up inside her, washing her clean and pure.

What she would surely have denied or defended with most any other person, she freely admits to Jesus: "I have no husband." Her tone is not guilt mixed with shame and remorse, but release mixed with joy and hope. She is being baptized there by the well. Cleansed. Released from the dreadful burden of past failures by none other than the creator of water into wine, the walker on water, the one whose voice stilled trouble waters.

With God's justice and righteousness flowing in and through him, Jesus related to her, not in the usual way most males did, not as a potential customer, but as a human being due respect and courtesy; a potential friend. For the first time in a long time, if not the first time ever, a man was not treating her like dirt. That was the living water that began to gush up in her.

There are some of us who have been baptized. Many years ago, water was placed on our heads and words, "in the name of the Father, the son and the Holy Spirit" spoken over us. Even though we have attended church 1,000s of times since, we do not feel cleansed. There are others that ache for cleansing. Once they were clean, in earlier, bygone days, but things happened, mistakes made, that left them feeling filthy. They are wary of any claims of cleansing and for good reason. They went to worship once. The sanctuary was beautiful, the music grand, the offerings great, but only glares and whispers greeted them. They left feeling dirtier than ever, vowing never to return.

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their limitations. Such systems of principles often don't establish priorities among the various maxims, and sometimes those maxims conflict with one another. And every situation is different.

"All moral choices in life are imbedded in real situations," he told the group. As a result, information becomes a key tool.

"The more you know, the better off you are. The more transparent you are (to the public) the better off you are," he said. And in the event of catastrophe, information not only has tactical importance, it will also have strategic implications. Who is told what, and when, can dramatically shape the outcome of the event.

"Additionally, the threat of terrorism is not going to go away, he added. "With

terrorism there is no beginning, middle or end. The threat of terrorism is a continuing actuality, a continuing possibility for all of us. That's what living in an 'Age of Terrorism' means," he told the physician attending the lecture. "Americans had the illusion prior to 9/11 that we were all somehow immune. Now we know that isn't the case."

Radest pointed out that even non-urban areas like Highlands could be dramatically affected in the event of a terrorist attack on a major center such as Atlanta, or a natural disaster such as a major hurricane.

"This could become an evacuation location. There's no place in the country that is guaranteed that it will go untouched," he concluded.

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There are still others, too many to number, who have never entertained any notion of ever feeling clean. From their earliest memories they have always felt worthless and useless, so much dirt under other peoples' feet. They see themselves as filthy and live that way. They would never dare go anywhere that promises anything different for them. Baptism is a holy sign and seal of God's cleansing grace. God and God alone cleanses. Whether or not those baptized too feel cherished, redeemed, and purified by the soul cleansing love of the lamb, depends in no small part on whether or not believers around them are God's cool clean water.

As God's people, we are to be God's cleansing waters, God's spring welling up into eternal life. The power of Jesus' merciful and gracious Spirit in and through us generates a flow of mercy and compassion towards each other, that will, if anything will, wash clean.

Mattie and Wesley are two principal characters in Clyde Edgerton's *Walk Across Egypt*. Mattie, who loves her church, is an elderly women living alone. Wesley, a teenager who has escaped a youth detention center, has never been inside a church. Mattie, unknown to her family and friends, has taken Wesley in to try and help him. On a Saturday night she is contemplating what it might mean for him to go to church with her the following day:

"Mattie saw before her a pale boy who needed the cool cleansing water of hymns sung to God, of kind people speaking to him, asking him how things were going, the cool water of clean people clean children.

"The cool water of young and old sitting together and to care about each other and to read and sing and talk together about God and Jesus and the bible. Their cool clean water would bring color to his cheeks, a robustness to his bearing. It would do it."

What about the Wesleys of the world, those treated like so much dirt underfoot? Shall we treat them like they are used to be treated, shall we treat them like they expect to be treated, or, remembering how we are cherished, redeemed, and purified with all our own faults and fears, misgivings & imperfections,treat them accordingly?

The prophet Amos says if God's people aren't like cool, clean water, aren't justice rolling down like waters and righteousness, like an ever flowing stream, are helping the unclean feel clean, then, no matter how beautiful the sanctuary, how grand the music, how great the offering, they will be an offense to God.

God's people are to be God's cool, clean water. This explains why one of the prominent pieces of furniture in God's house is the baptismal font. Font, of course, is short for fountain. Children love to sing a song about God's fountain of cleansing love because of the hand motions that accompany its singing: "Deep and wide. Deep and wide. There's a fountain flowing deep and wide."

We are God's cool clean water. All of us are needed if there is to be a rolling down, ever flowing stream. How about you? Had your bath? Have you bathed in the cool, clean water? Do you feel cherished, redeemed, purified? Those who would let these cool clean words cascade over you.

"Have mercy on me, O God
According to your steadfast love
and abundant mercy
Blot out my transgressions
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity

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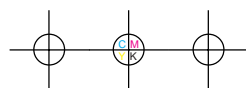
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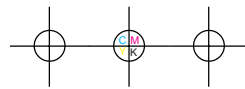
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Flights Saturday from 4:30-6:30.

June 22-25

• Delra Kay Jewelry Trunk Show, Thursday through Saturday at Acorn's on Main Street.

June 22-July 9

• "Fiddler on the Roof" at the Highlands Playhouse. Performances are Tues.-Sat. at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Call 526-2695 for tickets.

June 22

• Highlands Male Chorus at PAC. Tickets are \$15. Directed by Orville Wike and accompanied by Angie Jenkins.

• Zahner Conservation Lecture Series. Charlie Williams presents "Michaux and the Lost Shortia." 7 p.m. at the Highlands Nature Center. Admission is free.

• The next meeting of the Gem City Toastmasters Club will be Thursday evening at 5:30 at the Prudential Realtors Building, 144 Porter St., Franklin. Guests are welcome. Call Jean Logan at: 369.3022.

June 23

• Mountain Music Concert featuring Frazzled Edge in the HS old gym, 6:45-9 p.m. It's free.

June 24

• Jazz at the PAC returns for the fourth year on Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at 507 Chestnut Street, Highlands. This year's jazz artists include Joseph Hundertmark (Guitar) and Nathan Scott (bass) from Winston-Salem, North Carolina, both graduates of the North Carolina School of the Arts. Tickets for the event are

available by calling the PAC office at 526-9047. Tickets are \$15 per person.

• Open House at the Highlands Historical Village next to the Rec Park, 3-6 p.m. For anyone who has not yet had the chance to see what's on display and what's in the archives at the Highlands Museum, the Historical Society is sponsoring an open house this Saturday afternoon. The public is invited to enjoy homemade refreshments, mountain music played on Appalachian instruments, and an introduction to the growing collection at the archives.

• Songwriter Jon Zachary brings his applauded Songwriters-in-the-Round Series back to the Studio on Main Saturday night. Jon assembles some of the most amazing singer songwriters in the new folk movement for this intimate gathering. Hear these performers sing their own music. \$15 for Adults and \$5 for 17 & under.

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June 25-28

• Summer Bible Conference at First Baptist Church. Sunday, June 25, 10:45 a.m., and 6:30 p.m., Worship; Monday, June 26, noon, Lunch and Bible Study and 7 p.m., Worship; Tuesday, June 27, 7 p.m., Worship; Wednesday, June 28, 6 p.m., Supper and 7

p.m., Worship. For information call 526-4153.

June 25

• A photography workshop led by local photographer Cynthia Strain from 2 to 5 p.m. at Mill Creek Gallery will help digital and film photographers better understand their camera controls and will teach participants how to take better pictures. Cost is \$35. Call 787-2021.

June 26

• At HIARPT lecture is at 7 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center. Ronald Stone, PhD., will be our Langdon Gilkey Lecturer for 2006.

June 29

• Zahner Conservation Lecture Series. Dr. Jim Costa presents "The Social Lives of Insects." 7 p.m. at the Highlands Nature Center. Admission is free.

• Music Fest and dinner Thursday at the Highlands Civic Center at 6 p.m. The Cashiers Music Company and friends will play and a dance floor will be open for dancing and clogging. The event is part of JMCA's Earth Rally, a fundraiser which also includes an Eco-Treasure Hunt and Orienteering Hunt the same day. The suggested donation for the dinner and evening activities is \$10 or more (\$5 for children and treasure hunt participants).

June 30 and July 1

• At Cool Cats Hot Dogs at 256 S. 4th Street on the hill, a Trunk Show of Dorian Webb's 2006 collec-

tion. On Friday from 5-7 p.m., it's a reception with wine and hors d'oeuvres. On Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., it's a continental breakfast followed by a day-long trunk show. Call 526-9990 for info.

• It's Christmas at Mountain Findings from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. New Christmas ornaments donated by The Christmas Tree Shop will be on sale on Friday and Saturday. Priced at one-half of the original marked price, you will not want to miss this chance to get ahead of the holiday rush while at the same time helping the community of Highlands. All sales proceeds go back to our community through the annual donations made by Mountain Findings.

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June 30

• Mountain Music Concert featuring Upward Bound in the HS old gym, 6:45-9 p.m. It's free.

July 2

• The Atlanta Sacred Chorale will perform in Highlands. **• See EVENTS pg 19**

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July 4

- US Flag Retirement Ceremony by Highlands Cub Scout Pack 207, 7:15 p.m. at Steve Potts Park, Harris Lake. Drop unserviceable US Flags that need retiring at Highlands Hardware, 330 Dillard Road Upper Level. If you have any questions or wish to participate please call Phil Potts at 526-3719 or 200-9753.

July 7-9

- Walk in the Park presented by the Highlands Historical Society. 6-7:30 p.m. July 7 & 8 and 4-5:30 p.m. on July 9. Tickets are \$15 available at D&J Express Mart, The Old Rangoon or at the Conference Center the day of the walk. Students admitted free.

July 7

- Mountain Music Concert featuring Grass Roots Revue in the HS old gym, 6:45-9 p.m. It's free.

July 8

- At On the Verandah Trio Lococo playing four dates of jazz, soul, R&B and rock and roll in the piano bar, 9 p.m. until midnight.

July 9

- Fred Wooldridge announces the signing of his new book, "I'm Moving Back to Mars" on Sunday at 4 p.m. at Shakespeare & Company book store, 462 Oak St. in Highland's Village Square. Fred will read his favorite short story and all are welcome. Come and meet the author.

July 10

- Cajun dance lessons with Morris and Anita Williams of Carolina Cajun Dance Monday at the Highlands Recreation Park. For more information call 526-9713.

July 11

- At Jacob's Well Christian Book Store on the Cashiers road a book signing with author/artist Janet Carpenter a contributing author of "God Allows U-Turns for Women: The Choices We Make Change the Story of Our Life," at 1 p.m., Tuesday. During the book signing, there will also be a mini art show of several of her paintings including her most recent 30" x 40" oil of "Jesus with Our Children" depicting the love languages of her four oldest grandchildren. Gary Chapman's book, "The Five Love Languages of Children" will also be available.

July 12

- Highlands-Cashiers Chamber Music Festival, Wednesday, at 8 p.m. at Camp Merriwoode. Call 526-9060 for ticket information.

July 13

- Cajun dance lessons with Morris and Anita Williams of Carolina Cajun Dance Thursday at the Highlands Recreation Park. Call 526-9713.

- Zahner Conservation Lecture Series. Bill Le Fevre will give a talk entitled "Botanical Explorations of the Bartrams in the South." 7 p.m. at the Highlands Nature Center. Admission is free.

- Highlands-Cashiers Chamber Music Festival, Thursday at 7 p.m. at Wolfgang's, Mozart @ Wolfgang's. Call 526-9060 for ticket information.

July 13-23

- "Noises Off" at the Highlands Playhouse. Performances are Tues.-Sat. at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Call 526-2695 for tickets.

July 14

- Mountain Music Concert featuring The Dendy Family with Southern Gospel in the HS old gym, 6:45-9 p.m. It's free.

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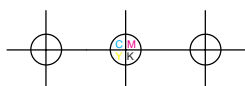
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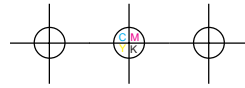
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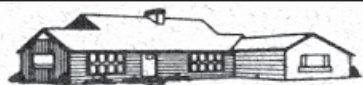
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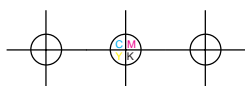
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had the answers I needed to hear.

The next night things had worsened. No longer would we be making trips to the bathroom. No longer was his mind sharp. It seems he had accomplished all that he needed to and was now ready to slip away from us. We made it through that night without speaking. The next day, Pat had arranged for Dad to get a bath. They have a special one there for people that cannot take one on their own. I arrived to find daddy calm and relaxed from the bathing. Daddy had said his goodbyes to everyone and no longer wanted visitors. It was me and Pat now for the most part. daddy's time was very near; Patty knew it more than I. I still had that small part of me that refused to think this could be happening to him. We settled in for the night.

I had been bringing a book with me for the last few days as daddy mostly slept now. I think I had read every book the hospice had to offer so now I was adding to their selection. It was sometime after 8 p.m. and daddy's breathing became labored. I called the family caregiver (I am sure that is not the right term, but they do so much for people it fits much more than nurse), he did not have to say it was time – I knew it. I

held Daddy's hand for the last time and told him that I loved him and that it was OK. Everything was done and he need not worry any more. Even though I said it, it was more like he was talking to me, trying to make me understand. I did understand. He gripped my hand and with that took one more breath and was gone.

I called home to tell Pat and she came right away. Strangely, I did not cry. I thought I would. I had calmness about me. I had not yet understood the gift my father had given me over the past two weeks. Now I simply felt at peace with him. I think about that time now often. Every day something from it inspires me to do better. I am so thankful to have had the privilege of spending that time with my father. More than watching him die, I watched him live until the very end. With his last breath he gave me one last answer – everything is OK.

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• 0501394, 75 PRIMROSE LN, DOMINGOS KARL KIRK III, 6/14/2006, \$700,000, WALKER OLDSMOBILE CO INC, \$552,160

• 0502060, EDWARDS CREEK RD, PELTIER, 6/12/2006, \$67,500, APA JACQUELINE M, \$59,190

• 0536575, DILLARD RD LOT 15 TWIN FALLS, DITRAGLIA DENNIS, 6/9/2006, \$148,500, PATTERSON WILLIAM A, \$125,000

FLATS TOWNSHIP SCALY MTN.

• 0600246, HWY 106 LOT 5 FOUR STATES SUBD, FUTRAL WILLIAM J, 6/12/2006, \$45,000, SWICK ROBERT HODGE, \$40,750

• POLICE & FIRE DEPTS. REPORTS •

The following are the Highlands Police Dept. log entries for the week of June 14-21. Only the names of persons arrested or public officials are used.

June 14

• At 4:30 p.m., Denise Marie Cook, 50, of Scaly Mtn., was arrested for driving without insurance, a license or registration and for the possession of marijuana. She was held on a \$500 secured bond.

• At 3:46 p.m. a motorist was cited for obstructing traffic on Carolina Way.

• At 11 a.m., \$2,400 worth of arts, antiques and collectibles was reported missing from a residence on Cobb Road.

• Officers responded to a call of a fight with gun shots at a residence in the Mirror Lake area.

• At 1 p.m., officers responded to a two-vehicle accident at Spring and Fourth streets. There were no injuries.

• At 10:46 p.m., officers investigated a suspicious vehicle at a residence on Horse Cove Road.

June 15

• At 4:10 a.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 42 mph in a 25 zone on Horse Cove Road.

• At 8 a.m., a motorist was cited for driving with an expired registration at U.S. 64 west and Webbmont.

June 19

• At 2 p.m., a motorist was cited for leaving the scene of an accident on Leonard Road.

• At 2:30 p.m., officers conducted a residence check on Foreman Road and found bushes missing.

• At 2 p.m., officers responded to a two-car accident at Smallwood and Leonard roads.

• At 11:11 p.m., officers on patrol found an open door at a business on Main Street.

June 20

• A motorist was cited for speeding 41 in a 25 zone at N. Fourth and Poplar streets.

The following are the Highlands Fire & Rescue Dept. log entries for the week of June 14-21.

June 14

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

June 15

• The dept. responded to a one-vehicle accident on U.S. 64 east. There were no injuries.

• The dept. responded to a vehicle fire on N.C. 28 at Cherokee.

June 17

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

• The dept. responded to a one-car accident on N.C. 28. There were no injuries.

• The dept. responded to a report of a fire in the Highlands Country Club area but it was false.

June 20

• The dept. responded to a brush fire on U.S. 64 west near Bridal Veil Falls. The USFS put it out.

• The dept. responded to an alarm at a residence on Rock Gap Road. It was false.

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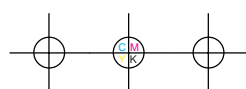
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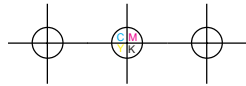
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Cynthia Strain

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Chamber Music Festival

LAUREL ST.

Highlands Wine & Cheese
Stop By For A Glass
Falls On Main

SPRUCE ST.

Historic Village

Meadows Mountain Realty

Mt Brook SweetTreats

Brick Oven MovieStop

31 9

DelWolf Custom House

38

Keller Williams

32

Carolina Way

ATM

PINE ST.

122

Village Sq

57

56

85

OAK ST.

Wine Spectator

28

69

42

115

82

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87

Old Edwards Inn & Spa

17

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Presbyterian

CHURCH ST.

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Everything You Need

50

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Bird Barn

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Radio Shack

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Wine & Cheese

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HARRIS LAKE

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4TH ST.

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ATM

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WRIGHT SQUARE

#1 NAILS

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98

84

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Nicks

Future

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Schiffli Realty

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Methodist

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Oak St Cafe

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Oak Sq

Instant Theatre

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ABC

PlayHouse

Police

Rest Rooms

Town Hall

Maple St.

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Whole Health Market

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Civic Center

Pool & Tennis

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First Citizens Bank

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Community Players

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Phillips

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Fibbers

Mt Findings

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Chambers Realty & Vacation Rentals

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