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## This Week in Highlands

### Through Saturday, July 11

• The Bascom's Annual Mountains in Bloom garden festival. call (828) 526-4949.

### Thurs., - Sun., July 9-19.

• At Highlands Playhouse, *Arsenic and Old Lace* 8 p.m. and 2 p.m. on Sundays. For tickets, call 526-2695.

### Thursday, July 9

• Bingo 6:30 - 8:30 at the Community Building \$1 per card per game, 15 games. Proceeds for Free Dental Clinic.

### Fri.-Sat., July 10-11

• Scaly Mtn. Women's Club Silent & Live Auction, 7 p.m. at the Scaly Mtn. Community Center, NC Hwy 106.

• At Vivace, Sue Blankenship Trunk Show 10-5 p.m. each day.

### Friday, July 10

• Randy Raby Woman's Softball Tournament at the town ball field 5 p.m. BBQ, T-Shirts, Raffle and prizes.

• Free Mountain Music Concert at Highlands School in old gym. The Dendy Family at 6:45 p.m.

• HCCMF picnic and concert at Pine Street Park at 5 p.m. \$10. Call 526-9060.

• At PAC, from 10-12 PAC, Felix Mendelssohn lecture and performance. Phone CLE office 526-8811.

### Saturday, July 11

• Studio Courtyard Sale at Summit One Gallery from 10-4. Free BBQ and lemonade.

• Randy Raby Men's Softball Tournament at the town ball field at 8 a.m. BBQ, T-Shirts, Raffle and prizes.

### Mon-Thurs, July 13-16

• Co-ed Basketball Camp at the Highlands School new gym. \$55 per child. Call 526-2147.

### Mon.-Fri., July 13-17

• Vacation Bible School at First Baptist Church. 9am-Noon. Call 526-4153.

### Monday, July 13

• The Highlands Audubon program at the Civic Center at 7 p.m. on "Bird Migration."

• At Wolfgang's Elton Sloan wine dinner at 6 p.m. Call 526-3807.

### Tuesday, July 14

• Health Lecture Series at 6 p.m. at The Hudson Library. Hip, knee and ankle health.

### Wednesday, July 15

• Folkmoot at PAC at 7:30 p.m. Adult \$15 children \$7.50. For tickets call 526-9047.

• Summer Interlude at the Episcopal Church, at 2 p.m. Robert Henry, piano.

## Merchant Assn. could build business

Talk of forming a Merchants Association in Highlands came up at the June 17 Town Board meeting while commissioners discussed the advantages of being part of the state's Small Town Main Street Program.

Every two years the organization — an offshoot of the Raleigh Department of Commerce — looks at three to five communities for which it will provide a revitalization program concerning all aspects of the business district. The

cost is simply mileage, hotel and meals.

At the meeting the commissioners signed a resolution to be considered for the program which kicks off Sept 3 of this year. Highlands is one of 30 towns with a population of under 7,500 vying to be picked.

The program revolves around a four-pronged approach to revitalizing the business district of a town through effective management and

leadership, making the business district a compelling place and strengthening the existing economic base by helping merchants keep abreast of the changing marketplace.

Part of the scenario could be the formation of a Merchants Association.

"I understand it was tried in the past, but now might be the time," said Town Planner Joe

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## Dr. 'B' to close office practice

Long-time Highlands family physician Dr. John F. Baumrucker has decided to retire again from office practice, but not from medicine.

He made the announcement last week, saying he will be giving up his office practice to focus on emergency medicine after July 10.

Dr. Baumrucker closed his full-time office practice back in the fall of 2003 after 33 years — though he still continued to work in the emergency room then as well. However, last November he reopened his office on a part-time basis because of the shortage of primary care physicians, when both Dr. Mark Heffington and Dr. Mark Wagner separately decided to leave the area.

"I knew it would be hard to work in both the ER and the office during the summer, when so many folks are here, and that has proven to be true," he said. "I decided to

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## Garden speaks of peace



The total renovation at First Presbyterian included a front garden that beckons reflection. The church is on the corner of Fifth and Main streets.  
Photo by Kim Lewicki

## Less revenue means no extras for Highlands

Though talk coming out of the county's budget worksessions suggested the possibility of money coming Highlands' way for special projects, in the end a tight budget made it impossible.

"This is the toughest budget to put together in a long time," said County Manager Jack Horton. "We've had to make adjustments on the expenditure side because revenues are down and it's hard to project what is going to happen."

He said particularly with sales tax revenues down while still coming in two months behind, it's hard to foresee any situation.

County Finance Director Evelyn Southard said at the ninth hour, just before the final adoption of the 2009-2010 budget the county learned that the state made a \$12,000 error in its favor which hit every county in North Carolina hard.

"Evidently, there was some  
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## • FORUM •

### We do not Twitter



**Kim Lewicki**  
Publisher

**T**his week several people informed us that they read Highlands' Newspaper blogs on Twitter.

Since our newspaper and Internet directory – [www.highlandsinfo.com](http://www.highlandsinfo.com) – are not members of Twitter, nor are subscribers of Twitter, this concerns us

If people are illegally using our newspaper's name on their personal blogs, we want to know about it.

Anyone with information about fictitious Highlands' Newspaper blogs on Twitter is requested to contact us with that information.

We are members of the NC Press Association and will be turning the information over to its legal department as well to the NC Attorney General's office. We have been advised that the blog originators can be tracked.

Impersonating a newspaper is not only inappropriate, but illegal and we will investigate and pursue the matter to the fullest extent of the law.

Any information concerning this matter would be appreciated and will be handled with the utmost confidentiality.

## • LETTERS •

### Who is Raleigh Crisp?

Dear Editor,

Upon leaving Highlands on NC28 South towards Walhalla, about 11.7 miles from the Post Office, and 0.5 miles from the turnoff to Clayton, one comes upon a concrete cross, about six feet tall, made of poured concrete. The inscription on the cross reads "In Memory of Raleigh Crisp." Does anyone remember Raleigh Crisp? Who was he? What did he do to inspire someone to install this cross? Anyone?

**Paul Thompson**  
Highlands  
526-3618

### USFS should do something about the hole in the river

Dear Editor,

The deep hole at Bust Your Butt (Quarry Falls) is obviously a death trap. Michael Grady managed to save his son but lost his life in the process. Reading the various accounts it seemed that the biggest problem, other than getting stuck in the thing, was the inability of rescuers to reach the victim—the hole was too narrow and too deep for another man to get down there.

I think the simplest solution would be to fill this treacherous pit with river rocks; get it sealed, or at least made shallow enough that it poses no further risk of getting stuck in it or impeding rescuers.

My wife Katie was filming this formation on Saturday when a young man slipped and almost fell in right above it (you can see it happen on the current episode of our show "Heart of the High Country," now playing on Northland Channel 14). Two main paths lead to the water just above this dangerous hole.

This is one of the most popular swimming spots in the area and there is one location now known to be deadly. It would seem to me that we could show Mr. Grady and his family some sincere respect (and gratitude for warning us) by making sure—immediately—that this threat is eliminated.

**Arthur Hancock**  
Highlands

### Calibre of care tops

Dear Editor,

We love Highlands. One very big reason why we love living here is our Veterinarian Amy Patterson. She personifies the magnificence and largess that comes with the people that settle here. She is a fine doctor, a true lover of nature, and a willing servant to the town as an insightful Commissioner.

She and her sister Cookie were true to their words "we are here for you every step of the way". Happy our beloved sweet wonderful girl (Standard Poodle) was able to go to sleep with us by her side, not being afraid. We are blessed to know they are with us in Highlands. Thank you Cookie & Dr. Amy.

**Ruth Neijna & Lennie Baer**  
Highlands

### Swanson's version of history is skewed

Dear Editor:

So often those who are uninformed about history will justify or glorify a current event by comparing it to some romantic notion the past. Don Swanson's column of July 2 is a perfect example.

After a Norman Rockwell recounting of this nation's birth, he concludes his column by equating the American invasion of Iraq in the Bush War to the French assistance finally given the newly declared United States of America. He earnestly asks, "Aren't we giving the Iraqis the same

chance we were given in our infancy?"

To believe the premise of this question and make a credible comparison, we would have to assume that the French invaded this British colony that became the U.S.A. in order to liberate it from a tyrant so the rebels could enjoy the blessings of liberty. Swanson would have us believe that a doomed French monarch soon to visit the guillotine thought, in some enlightened and prescient vision, that the democratic rebellion from a British monarch was a movement worthy of his support. Furthermore, we are invited to believe that the other European monarchies he mentions also were enraptured with democratic principles. Or, Don, could it have been their motives were more narrowly guided by doing anything they could to weaken a commercial trading rival that was, in their royal opinions, getting too big a slice of the world's wealth? So little was risked by them to gain so much.

Swanson's disingenuous question above also encourages the assumption the United States answered the call of a rebellious Arab minority struggling for enlightened democratic self-rule. The truth about America's invasion of Iraq is too thoroughly documented to further evaluate that portion of Swanson's unbalanced equation. The Iraqis didn't overthrow a tyrant during some democratic eruption. Please refrain from spreading fantasy unless you want to begin a new career as a fiction writer.

Our democratic principles, as expressed in all our legal documents from the constitution to the statutes that execute it, are the result of fortuitously enlightened men who hammered out the best course they could for a fledgling nation. That vision has evolved through bloody struggles, civil conflicts and legal battles to the nation we enjoy today, which is far more democratic than the founding fathers envisioned. Our democracy was earned from within, not imposed by some external force. The French army and navy didn't hang around until we finally got it right. And, by the way, they were paid for their effort.

While we celebrate our nation's history and birthday, we should be able to do so with clear eyes, not rose-colored glasses. We are not perfect, but we are a good and worthy nation.

**Mike Cavender**  
Washington, NC

### Steep slope laws not needed

Dear Editor,

What's this? "Steep Slope Committee meets on 6/25/09 to recommend possible new ordinance." Huh?

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### LETTERS-TO-THE EDITOR-POLICY

We reserve the right to reject or edit submissions. **NO ANONYMOUS LETTERS WILL BE ACCEPTED.** 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.

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## • MILE STONES •

### Judy Collins with Collin Wilcox-Paxton



Thinking of Judy Collins the other day, Collin Wilcox-Paxton took down her autographed copy of "Judy Collins Song Book" and out dropped the above photograph.

Judy was a guest star in four episodes of "Christy," as a character named Hattie McCabe. Judy and Collin spent time together on the set, and the photo taken of Judy and her was during the filming of a 1994 Thanksgiving special which aired November 24th. The episode was entitled "Sweetest Gift." Judy sang "Amazing Grace" in this episode and had all in tears.

Collin played the role of Swanee O'Teale, a back-woods, mountain herbalist. Judy's 1969, "The Judy Collins Song Book," had been a treasured song book in Collin's family for 25 years. Her children grew up on her music. Judy autographed her song book thusly:

"To the Farmhouse Family. I'm so glad you have enjoyed this book! It has so many memories for me, and I'm glad you share some of them! love, Judy Collins, Special love to Collin!" Judy Collins is performing at the Martin-Lipscomb Performing Arts Center, Thursday July 23, 7:30 p.m.

## • THANK YOU •

Gorgeous weather, festivities for everyone, patriotic music and families and friends celebrating our nation's birthday in Highlands - what could be better. From bottle rockets to Rotary barbeque to another magnificent fireworks display sponsored by the Highlands Chamber & Visitor Center and perfectly executed by Selwyn Chalker and his dedicated volunteers this July 4th will be one to remember. On behalf of the Highlands Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center a special thank you to everyone who contributed to this wonderful celebration and our heartfelt appreciation for those who have served and sacrificed of themselves to preserve our nation.

Bob Kieltyka  
Executive Director

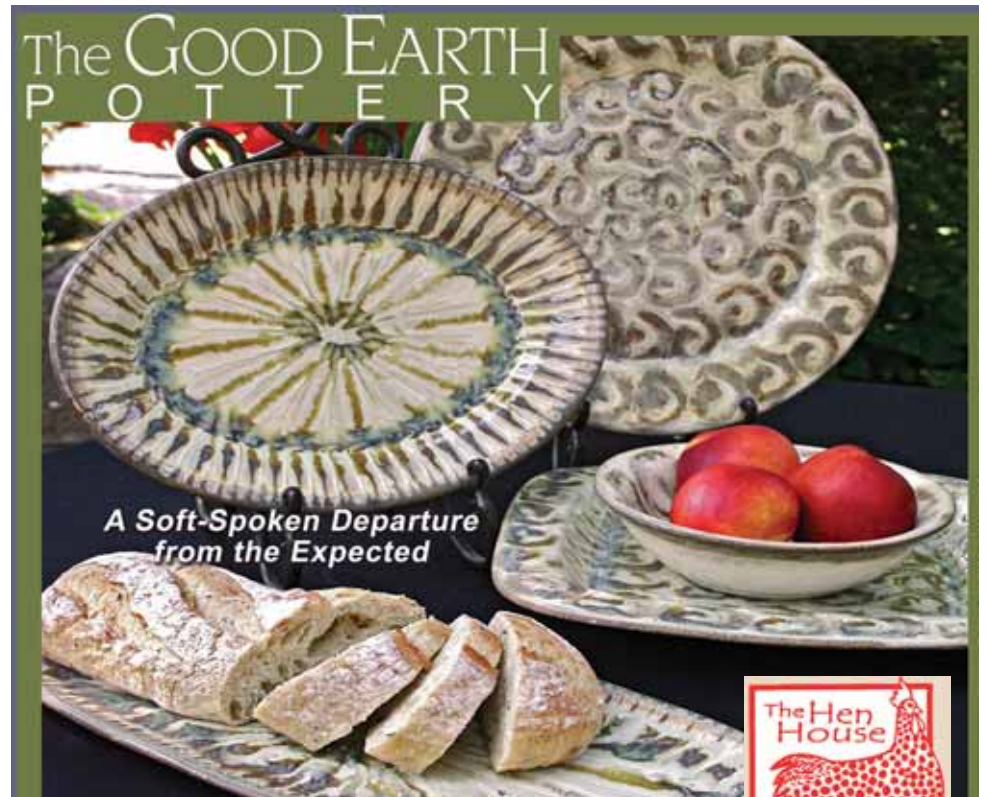
### Chamber Music Festival gives thanks

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Highlands-Cashiers Chamber Music Festival, I would like to sincerely thank three Highlands businesses for hosting fund-raising events for the Festival: Mindy and Wolfgang Green of Wolfgang's Restaurant and Wine Bistro,

John Collette and Barbara Guillaume of John Collette Fine Art, and Marty Rosenfield and Donna Woods of Lakeside Restaurant. Because of these generous Friends of the Festival, we are able to continue to bring exceptional music and extraordinary artists to the mountains.

Nancy Gould-Aaron  
Executive Director



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## • LAUGHING AT LIFE •

### I surrender. Take my pocket knife and yo-yo

If you're enraged over current talk about Congress banning pocket knives, allow me to fan your fury farther. Hey, fanning fury farther is what I do. Can you say “fanning fury farther” three times real fast? Isn't that fun?

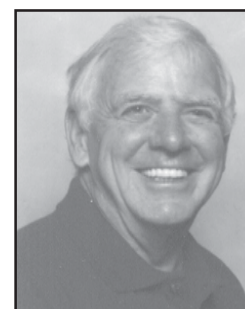
We already know our country is marching into an era of immense stupidity by printing gobs of money and giving it away to people, both living and dead. Soon, that money, and yours, will be as valuable as Monopoly currency. Even the far left Congress is becoming concerned. Yikes!

But now, a new chapter of stupidity is about to unfold. Congress is considering making pocket knives illegal. The pocket knife is as American as apple pie. But our government feels we'll be much safer without all those dastardly knives floating around in men's pockets. I'm inclined to agree.

I got my first pocket knife as a member of the Boy Scouts of America organization, a private, subversive group that teaches young boys terrorism by camping in the woods, firearm practice, survival techniques, etc. We even had a secret salute, using three fingers as opposed to the one finger salute currently used in New York and Miami. The official Boy Scouts of America pocket knife was my weapon of choice. We scouts also practiced tying knots, great for stringing up unsuspecting victims.

Also, during this same era, I was introduced to a new, deadly weapon called the yo-yo. A new yo-yo type had just hit the market which hesitated. That means you could let your yo-yo hesitate at the bottom of the string before ordering it to return to your hand. Unlike the old yo-yo's with cotton string, this new brand had unbreakable wire-like strength.

With my trusty Boy Scout knife in one pocket and yo-yo in the other, I was armed to kill. What, you think I'm kidding? The yo-yo can be more deadly than any stupid knife. Here's how it works. Just let your yo-yo roll out to the end of the string and, TA DA, you have a perfect garrote. Applied properly, the garrote cuts or collapses a person's windpipe, causing instant death. Come by the house for a demonstration. It's called “death by yo-yo.” Also, using a



Fred Wooldridge

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Boy Scout knife on a buddy could cause him to bleed for hours in your tree house. Not good...and messy. Our government should play it safe and ban pocket knives and yo-yo's.

And while I'm on the topic of deadly instruments, Congress should be taking a close look at dinner forks. As an officer, I once got a call to a home where a tiny, cute, seemingly harmless housewife stabbed her husband with a dinner fork. It was still protruding from

his chest when I arrived. (I'm not making this up.) The husband was apparently unaware his wife was going through a serious bout of PMS when he sat down to dinner and asked why they were eating macaroni and cheese for the second night in a row. We should definitely ban dinner forks. Are you feeling safer?

I know, I know, without pocket knives, yo-yo's and dinner forks, you're wondering what you'll use to protect yourself at home during these dangerous times of growing recession. I've already informed you that even if you own a gun, you probably won't hit anything. ...or maybe one of your kids. So now what?

Enter the steel pointed knitting needle. They come in pairs, 12 long inches of deadly steel and it's all legal. No, don't try to bring it on a plane unless you're a child, but other than that you can take this very dangerous weapon into public buildings, libraries, police departments, church and, well, just about everywhere.

Here's how it works. Buy some knitting yarn to accompany your new weapons. The yarn is your cover, making the whole thing look harmless. Knowing how to knit is not necessary to carry this instrument of death. Yarn and needles are all you need. Warning: Do not let Congress know about this.

Because they come in pairs, one for each hand, you're a scary sight as you charge your enemy with needles over your head. The li'l missus is currently knitting a needle sheath I will wear on my hip.

There are drawbacks. When a 200-pound bruiser like me shows up at a public place carrying my needles and yarn, the looks and comments are to be expected. The worst comment I've had to endure so far was, “Look at the nice pair of needles on that guy.”

## • THE VIEW FROM HERE •

### More thoughts on healthcare

**T**he difference between socialized medicine and the current private American system is much like the difference between bunking at Motel 6 and crashing at the Four Seasons.

Motel 6 and its economy cousins provide a safe clean room without a lot of frills. There is no concierge on the premises but there is usually a rack of brochures advertising local attractions. Parking is free, if open, and is often available right outside a patron's room. Cheap motels lack bellmen and valets in the belief that many travelers would rather park their own cars and carry their own bags than pay hundreds of dollars a night for a room.

I've found that luxury hotels typically charge extra for phone calls and computer

access, services typically free at less expensive hotels. The bellman and valet aren't exactly included with the room, but expect to be paid for parking cars and instructing patrons in the intricacies of turning on room lights, adjusting thermostats, and opening drapes.

Luxury hotels are great for people who can afford them, but I hate to think of families who can't, sleeping on the street. I think it is important in any health care restructuring to preserve the private option.

Those who want turn down service



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with a little chocolate on their pillows shouldn't be denied the right, any more than a BMW should be denied the driver who wants more frills than a Hyundai.

A private option should exist for our citizens who want the latest titanium total hip replacement, the newest, most expensive blood pressure medicine, or gourmet meals in the hospital.

I absolutely reject the idea that the government must provide the same level of care for all. Instead, the government should provide basic care for all and permit those

with the appetite and wherewithal to buy private care.

The truth is that American medicine is big business, not unlike big oil. When Stryker Orthopaedics hires Jack Nicholas to promote its hip joint or chooses to name and market its "Triathlon" total knee replacement, it is appealing directly to the patient to demand its products.

I have no problem with this approach as long as the public sector doesn't have to pay the difference between a perfectly functional generic joint and the gee whiz model. Many older drugs are just as effective as newer ones, but since anyone can make and sell them, their price is far

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## • REFLECTIONS FROM TURTLE POND •

### Overcoming prejudice

After I graduated from college I moved to San Francisco. That summer I had a toothache, and I didn't have any money so I went to the free clinic at the University of California. At first the male dentist treated me with condescension, as if I were a hysterical female with nothing better to do than visit clinics. He seemed certain there was nothing wrong with me. Then somehow in the conversation I told him I had just graduated from Northwestern and everything changed. All of a sudden I was taken seriously and lo and behold there was a reason for my toothache.

This was in 1980, and as recently as that prejudice towards women was common. I have always hated the idea that I should have any restrictions on what I could do just because I was born a female. I've tried to live my life breaking any barriers I find.

A new book, "Brain Surgeon" at the Hudson Library [616.99B] resonated with me, because it is the story of a black man my age who broke barriers much more difficult

than any I encountered. Keith Black is an absolutely exceptional human being. He was hanging around medical laboratories when he was barely in his teens; he published his first scientific paper at 17; he went through college and medical school in six years.

Yet when Dr. Black applied to the neurosurgery department at the University of Michigan, the chairman wasn't interested in any of his achievements or his obvious brilliance; the only thing that man saw was Black's race. But the chairman had a series of strokes and retired, so Dr. Black could become one of this nation's top neurosurgeons, performing 250 brain surgeries a year.

Dr. Black wrote, "I was brought up to



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believe that there was nothing that I could not do. My parents saw to it that there were no limits on my imagination, my education, or my ambition. As a child, it never occurred to me that my choice of career would be limited by the color of my skin — although that certainly occurred to others around me."

Just a few days before I started this book I watched a wonderful film entitled "A Man Called Pearl" that had the same inspiring story of overcoming prejudice. Pearl Fryar, a black man, the son of a sharecropper, moved to a small town in South Carolina and wanted to buy a house in a white neighborhood. He was not allowed to buy it; a typical comment by a resident was that they were sure a black man would not keep his yard up. Pearl ended up buying a house in another part of

town.

Bishopville had a garden club that awarded a "garden of the month" and Pearl decided that he was going to win that award, so, never having gardened before, he started working in his yard. He won that award, and kept on working.

Pearl began sculpting his shrubs, and has created a topiary garden that is amazing. Visiting horticulturists say that if they hadn't seen some of his creations for themselves, they would have said it was impossible to do what he has done. You can go to this website, [www.fryarstopiaries.com](http://www.fryarstopiaries.com), to see a few photos of the topiary, but I suggest you rent the film. Some of his geometric shapes are dazzling.

Bishopville was a dying town, but now Pearl Fryar has put it on the map. People travel from all over the country to see his work. He's been recognized as an artist, with some of his work in the permanent

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### Feasts of the Festival 2009

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## • FROM MY PERSPECTIVE •

### Events line up for this weekend

This past weekend was a joyous time of celebration for many of us. I know everyone had a great day on Saturday during the excitement of enjoying the birth of our country. Patriotic music and flags surrounded us as we enjoyed barbeque and fireworks. The Men's Chorus at the Presbyterian Church on the night of July 4<sup>th</sup> was attended by almost 500 people, both inside and outside the sanctuary, and has become a great tradition in our celebration. We indeed are all fortunate to live in a country with the freedoms we have and must maintain. And in doing so, keeping the less fortunate well in mind as we try to continue to make our country a place where all can enjoy equally and inclusively.

Last week there was a combined meeting of the Board of Commissioners and the Planning Board. The purpose of this meeting was to hear the presentation from Wilbur Smith Associates on a proposal regarding parking and traffic in the downtown Highlands area. On that Wednesday afternoon just before this meeting the public had a chance to also see and comment on the plan. There was good attendance and discussion at each meeting. No decision regarding acceptance or change of this concept was made at these meetings. They were purely for informational purposes. Any citizen can obtain copies of what was presented and I would encourage everyone who has an interest in the downtown area to do so.

Over the next few meetings of the Board of Commissioners will discuss the plan and begin to formulate a final plan and a time line for completion. It is imperative that we receive input from the public as we begin to finalize the plan and any changes which will be made because this will become a plan which will affect the downtown area for many years to come.

This past holiday weekend also marked the beginning of the Highlands Cashiers Chamber Music Festival in the opening night kickoff Sunday evening of the internationally acclaimed Eroica Trio at the Martin Lipscomb Performing Arts Center. Along with William Ranson at the piano, they were at their best. These events over the months of July and August have well known individuals and groups from all over the country coming to Highlands to give us incredible entertainment.

This coming Friday night will be a different kind of program which everyone should enjoy at the Kelsey Hutchinson



Mayor Don Mullen

Park. At that time the Festival will host an outdoor picnic and concert featuring the very popular Smoky Mountain Brass Quintet. This will be repeated on Saturday in Cashiers. So call the PAC for tickets and bring your own blanket and wine so you can come enjoy a great time of music and comradery.

The Presbyterian Church and the Episcopal Church of the Incarnation are sponsoring again this year a Musical Interlude series of concerts on each Wednesday at 2 PM. The first one was held yesterday at the Presbyterian Church and on alternate Wednesdays it will be at the Episcopal Church. Yesterday featured a 45 minute concert with harp, flute and piano given by outstandingly talented people. These concerts are free and have become very popular for eight weeks of the summer in Highlands on the summer Wednesday afternoons for your enjoyment. I hope everyone will come to enjoy this fine music.

I also highly recommend the lecture series being present this July by HIARPT (Highlands Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought). These lectures and discussions are for those of us with an intellectually challenging interest in religious matters and will feature nationally known theologians and will be held at the Episcopal Church. If you enjoy stretching yourselves in your religious beliefs and are not afraid to grow in your faith and understanding, join these stimulating lectures.

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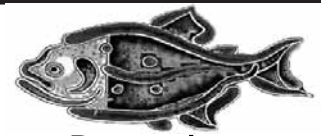
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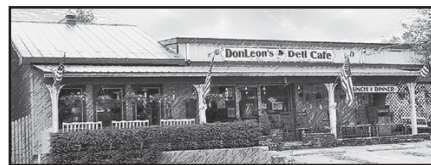
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CWO funds projects in the Highlands/Cashiers communities. Grants range from \$1,000 to \$5,000 and are awarded in September. CWP does not fund religious, political or capital campaigns.

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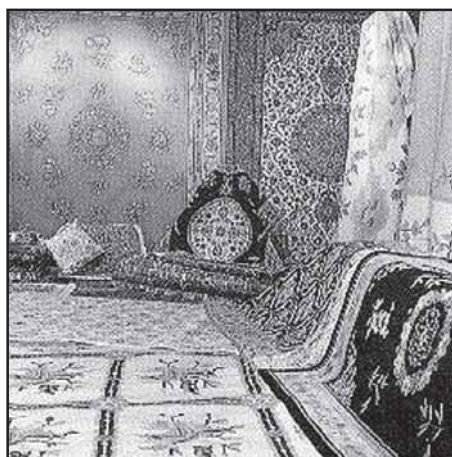
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### It's Over.... or is it?



**Don Swanson**  
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There have been several landmarks in my relatively conscious lifetime that reflected the decline of the American society. While I was just barely conscious,

there was something going on with the Bible and prayer in school. I didn't grasp the significance then but I surely do now. Anybody that can't see the relationship between the removal of God from the schoolhouse and the decline of scholastic results has blinders on and is a denier of the obvious.

Then came The Sixties. According to Wikipedia, "The Sixties is a term used by historians, journalists and other objective academics to describe the counter-culture and social revolution near the end of the decade; and pejoratively to describe the era as one of irresponsible excess and flamboyance. Rampant drug use has become inextricably associated with the counter-culture of the era. As Jefferson Airplane co-founder Paul Kantner mentions, 'if you can remember anything about the sixties, then you really weren't there.'" Not good for a society.

Roe vs. Wade was a serious blow to the American fabric. When the highest court in the land legalizes the killing of babies on the pretence that somehow a woman's privacy is invaded if she can't have her baby tossed in the waste can if she finds it inconvenient to mother the child, life becomes disposable. What a sad state of affairs it is when hundreds of thousands of dollars, perhaps millions are spent

defending the worst of our society from being put to death for their crimes, yet an innocent baby can be put to death without a second thought.

The emergence of state-run lotteries signaled the continuing degeneration of governments. First, the great Ponzi scheme, referred to as Social Security, takes your retirement money and spends it on who knows what. At some point in time, just as

Bernie Madoff found out, when the music stops, the party is over. The great Social Security party is winding down. Then, state governments decide, even though gambling is illegal, that public lotteries are great money making schemes. One by one, their legislatures were sold a bill of goods that education would benefit greatly by taking money from those who can least afford it. Our schools are getting bupkus.

So let's fast-forward and avoid the accumulated aggravation and contemplate the present travesty. Al Franken was recently seated as Junior Senator from Minnesota giving the Democrats a filibuster-proof majority. Minnesota is a strange place. My wife and I were born here (I'm writing this from Hibbing MN, visiting her relatives) and got out as soon as we could.

For those of you who are interested in political trivia, the Democrat-Farmer-Labor Party was conceived in Minnesota and produced such sterling liberals as Hubert Humphrey (actually pretty moderate by today's standards), Eugene McCarthy (way left by any standard) and Jesse Ventura, elected Governor of Minnesota after a stellar career as a pro wrestler. A solid background to run a state, don't you agree? The Communist Party of the United States was birthed about 15 miles from where I sit in Cherry, MN, by Gus Hall who ran for president a few times.

So now comes Al Franken, a not-so-successful comedian, a totally unsuccessful actor, a low-end talk show host on a liberal radio network (Air America) that nobody listens to, after a reasonably successful stint as a script writer for Saturday Night Live. Another fellow supremely qualified to be among the 100 chosen to help run our country. I have often been unkind in describing some of our liberal friends, but Franken is beyond imagination. He is the 60<sup>th</sup> Senator that will caucus with the Democrats giving Obama complete control of getting his twisted agenda made law, unless a blue-dog Dem or two sees the

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## HCCMF concert in the park this weekend followed by exciting lineup of events

Everyone in Highlands and Cashiers is invited to a pair of picnic concerts when the Highlands-Cashiers Chamber Music Festival "takes it outside."

The Smoky Mountain Brass Quintet will perform at 5 p.m. Friday, July 10, at Kelsey-Hutchinson Park in Highlands, and at 5 p.m. Saturday, July 11, at the historic Zachary-Tolbert House in Cashiers.

The quintet performs a wide variety of music ranging from Early Renaissance to Rock. Their virtuosity has earned them Quintet in Residence status at Western Carolina University, yet their performances are anything but stuffy. Included in the program are Paul Basler's "Four Hymn Tune Settings;" Michael Kallstrom's "White Water;" Richard Frazier's "American Heritage Rag;" and "Canadian Brass Rag."

The quintet's lively repartee, shaped by humor and their irresistible personalities, ensure that their concerts are suitable for the entire family. Tickets are \$10 for each event. Everyone is invited to bring a picnic, some refreshments and a blanket.

In case of rain, the Highlands concert will be performed at the Martin-Lipscomb Performing Arts Center on Chestnut Street, and the Cashiers event at the Albert Carlton-Cashiers Community Library.

The festival continues with "Wind in the Mountains," slated for 5 p.m. Sunday, July 12, at the Performing Arts Center in Highlands and 5 p.m. Monday, July 13th, at the Albert Carlton-Cashiers Community Library.

"Winds in the Mountains" features bassoonist Saxton Rose, oboist John Dee, clarinetist Laura Adran, and pianist William Ransom. They'll be performing Telemann's "Three Fantasias for Solo Bassoon," Britten's "Six Metamorphoses after Ovid for Solo Oboe," Gershwin's "Three Etudes for Solo Clarinet," "Trio for Oboe, Clarinet and Bassoon" by Villa-Lobos, and "Trio for Oboe and Bassoon and Piano" by Poulenc.

Rose is a full-time bassoon teacher at the North Carolina School of the Arts and the principal bassoonist of the Winston-Salem Symphony. He's performed with Yo Yo Ma, Rafael Fruhbeck de Burgos, Placido Domingo, Ben Hepner, Jane Eaglen and the Emerson String Quartet among others. He's premiered innumerable works for bassoon and is well-known for his impassioned performances.

Dee is the Nugent Professor of Music and Professor of Oboe at the University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana. As principal oboe of the Florida Philharmonic Orchestra, he's won critical acclaim for his solo performances of the Strauss and Mozart Concertos. His solo CD "Under A Near Sky" was released by Klavier Records and features the Mozart and Krommer Oboe Quartets, the Loeffler Trio Rhapsodie, Vaughan Williams, English folk songs and a world premiere written for Dee for oboe, guitar and string quartet. Over 50 pieces of music have been written for Dee to premier. Internationally, he's

performed in Beijing, Shanghai, Seoul, Buenos Aires, and Vancouver.

Ardan is a founding member of the Emory Chamber Music Society of Atlanta and teaches at Emory University. She was the youngest principal clarinetist to join a major symphony orchestra when she joined the Atlanta Symphony in 1982. She's been featured soloist with the orchestra in works by Mozart, Weber, Debussy, Finzi, Copeland, Shaw and Rossini. Prior to coming to Atlanta, she was the resident clarinetist and teaching artist for the Lincoln Center Institute, and she played in the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra. In addition to the Highlands-Cashiers Chamber Music Festival, she regularly appears at the Tanglewood, Marlboro, Rockport, Mostly Mozart, Grand Teton and Sewanee festivals.

Ransom is the artistic director for the festival. He's appeared in recital, as soloist with orchestras, and as a chamber musician in Europe, Japan, Korea, South America, Mexico and throughout the United States. His recording of Enoch Arden, by Richard Strauss, The Music of Alfredo Barili, and Chamber Music of Johannes Brahms, were released on the ACA label. Ransom has commissioned and premiered several major works by composer Stephen Paulus, and he was the featured pianist performing music by Dwight Andrews used in August Wilson's Pulitzer Prize-winning Broadway play, "The Piano Lesson," as well as the Hallmark Hall of Fame movie based on the same play. He's performed at numerous colleges around the country including Yale, Cornell, Duke, Tulane, Vanderbilt, MIT, and Stanford, where he has also given master classes.

The festival's Movies About Music program will offer "The Benny Goodman Story" at the Performing Arts Center at 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 14. Prior to the screening, pianist William Ransom will perform Gershwin's unforgettable "Rhapsody in Blue." Starring Steve Allen, "The Benny Goodman Story" is more of a series of musical highlights than a standard biopic. It includes Gene Krupa, Lionel Hampton, Teddy Wilson, Harry James and Sammy Davis Junior.

The festival's 2009 season stretches from July 5th to August 9th. Concerts are held at 6 p.m. Fridays and 5 p.m. Sundays at the Martin-Lipscomb Performing Arts Center at 507 Chestnut Street in Highlands; and at 5 p.m. Saturdays and Mondays at the Albert Carlton-Cashiers Community Library.

The dazzling season climaxes with the Final Gala Concert and Dinner Party, 5 p.m. Sunday, August 9, at the Performing Arts Center in Highlands. It'll feature The Eroica Trio playing trios of Cassado, Lalo, and Bernstein's "West Side Story Suite." The performance will be followed by a reception and dinner at Wildcat Cliffs Country Club in Highlands.

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"Support from our community is crucial if we are to provide these critically needed new facilities for the people of our area," he said last week. "We all want access to great

local physicians when we need medical care, and we must act now in order to meet the health care needs of our community in the future."

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### Seven generations of service

by John Armor

I was asked to write a brief history of the Church of the Incarnation, in Highlands. North Carolina, for a local magazine. The piece was intended to be about the building itself, which is on the National Register of Historic Places, and was built in 1896. But you cannot research the history of a church without also researching the history of the people who brought that church into being.

Of the dozen people who formed the congregation for this church, one was Sarah Whiteside Norton. She was the first non-native American child born in the Highlands area, the daughter of Barak Norton, who moved to Whiteside Cove in 1825. The town of Highlands itself, did not exist until its land was purchased and mapped by Kelsey & Hutchinson in 1879. But that's another story.

The priest for the tiny Episcopal community in Highlands was the Rec. Deal. On a starting salary of \$100 he traveled on horseback and on foot among four widely separated communities, holding the first service in Highlands in 1879. Shortly after, there was a meeting in the home of the Postmaster, David Norton, to petition the Bishop to create a mission in that area. That was the first step toward creating a church, David Norton was the grandson of Barak Norton.

One of the signers of that petition, Tudor Tucker Hall, donated the property for the church to come. Located at 5th Street and Main, its value was \$100. It is a sign of the times that no property on Main Street can be purchased today for less than hundreds of thousands of dollars.

David Norton's daughter Meta, a widow, married Tudor Tucker Hall. They had five children, most of whom were active in the church over the years. Their grandson, Overton (Tony) Chambers and his wife, Isabel, have served in many positions for the church over the decades.

They have three children who are active in the church today. They are grown and married, and the seventh generation in this family are now serving as acolytes, today.

So, that makes seven generations of this one family who have been involved with one church community, in this small



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corner of the Blue Ridge. When you see all the names, written in the back of a family Bible in a copper point hand, at least for the older entries, it may not seem like a lot. But it is when you reflect on the history they have lived through.

Barak Norton came to this area to settle on a farm and raise his family a generation before the Civil War. Yet, some of the young boys in their

white robes who serve as acolytes today, are directly connected to him.

There is another family whose connections to Incarnation extend many generations. Frank Hill moved to Horse Cove shortly before the church was built. He married the daughter of Dr. Frost, who had moved from New York and joined the church. Although Frank Hill remained a Methodist, he worked as a carpenter on Incarnation. It is said his name is carved on one of the beams of the church.

His daughter joined the church and was an active, lay leader. His great grandson, Luther Turner, is a leader of the church today. Luther also encouraged the author of this article both to join the church, and to take part in other civic organizations.

Or, consider this. The United States, whose birthday we celebrated last week, is only 12 generations old. That is using Thomas Jefferson's definition of a generation as 19 years. People married, started families, and entered professions several years younger in his day, than in ours. But make that our average of 22 years and it is still a dozen generations from then to now.

A year after Incarnation was consecrated, it had "11 families, 25 baptized." Due largely to the tireless efforts of generations of the families who built the church, today it has hundreds of families, and nearly a thousand baptized. As the Bible says, if you plant good seeds in fertile soil, they will grow. So they have, at Incarnation.

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return to my office practice because we lost two primary care doctors, but now with two additional doctors (Richard Matthews, MD, and Scott Baker, MD — both family practice), it's time again for me to focus on emergency care. It's not fair to my patients, or to me, to try to continue trying to have an office practice when the ER is so busy that I can't even get to the office some days."

"We very much appreciate John's willingness to reopen his office practice during a critical period when the area was without an adequate number of primary physicians," said hospital President and CEO Ken Shull. "It is indicative of the many years of dedication and service he's shown to the people of our communities, and to the hospital."

Shull said Dr. Baumrucker has also played a key role in staffing the ER since returning from his annual mission trip



**Dr. John Baumrucker**

to Bolivia. "John has carried the lion's share of the load in making sure we always had qualified medical coverage in the ER 24/7," said Shull. "The hospital is very fortunate to have such a loyal and dedicated person as part of its emergency department medical staff, and we are pleased that he is willing to continue working in that capacity."

Dr. Baumrucker began practicing in Highlands in 1971, and the decision to again close his office was difficult. "I love taking care of patients in the office and decision to give up that part of my practice has not been an easy one. Many patients have said that they were so

happy that I was back, and I hate to disappoint them, but I just can't do both the office and the ER. I hope everyone will understand," he said. "I also have complete confidence in Dr. Baker and Dr. Matthews, and I have really enjoyed working with both of them. I know my patients will be in good hands with either of them."

Dr. Baker (526-1700) returned to practice in Highlands last winter, and Dr. Matthews (526-4942) opened his practice in Highlands on June 1. Along with family physicians Dr. Patti Wheeler and Dr. Richard Olsen (526-4346) of Highlands Medical Associates, there are four family physicians who now practice in Highlands.

## ... LETTERS from page 2

Maybe nobody heard the news report done back in early May by: WLOS – Asheville. It reported that the steep slope legislation proposed by NC Rep. Ray Rapp has been "stymied/stalled" (whatever) not once but twice at the state level.

The current bill (HB#782) entitled "The Safe Artificial Slope Construction Act" did NOT pass but instead was referred to committee for further study.

To me that means they did not have enough information to pass or make any kind of rules, laws, ordinances etc. So why then is Macon County moving forward on this or even talking about it?

If the state had the wisdom to study it further doesn't it make sense to at least wait until the state finishes their study to see what they come up with? Locally, when it comes to creating and passing new ordinances we always hear "We better pass something quick before the state forces it on us". Well folks... that reasoning is dead in the water at the present time.

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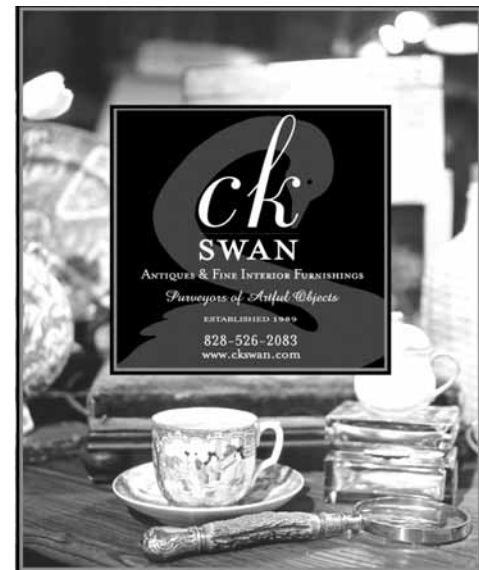


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collection of the South Carolina State Museum in Columbia, and he teaches art at a nearby college. He has inspired his neighbors to create topiary in their yards. Mr Fryar's energy and passion are inspirational in and of themselves.

The film regularly showed quotations, one that seemed to sum up the impact Pearl had made on the world was attributed to George Washington Carver: "When you do the common things in life in an uncommon way, you will command the attention of the world."

At this same time I saw another documentary, entitled "The Conscientious

Objector," by Terry Benedict (2004), about Desmond Doss, who, due to his religious beliefs refused to kill or even carry a gun, yet served in World War II as a medic.

Mr. Doss encountered extraordinary prejudice, abuse, and ridicule from his fellow soldiers and many officers who thought an unarmed medic would endanger himself and everyone in his group. Yet Doss felt strongly about serving his country and refused to take the deferments offered him.

He was sent to the Pacific, and immediately gained a reputation for courage in the face of battle — he would go

to the aid of every wounded soldier, no matter what danger it put him in. He ended up on Okinawa and after one horrible battle single-handedly saved 75 wounded men. Over a period of 12 hours he went out onto the battlefield to a wounded man, pulled him to a cliff while staying low to avoid Japanese bullets, then lowered the man down the cliff with ropes to the Americans below.

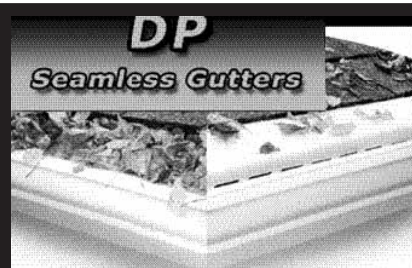
For this he was awarded the Medal of Honor, the first time a conscientious objector has received this award (only one other has received it). The film was made by a man who had read comics about Mr. Doss as a child and never outgrown the fascination. The filmmaker interviews not

just Mr. Doss, but many of the soldiers who served with him, many of whom were prejudiced against him when they first learned of his views. And it is very powerful to hear them recount how Doss's strong faith, integrity, and courage changed their minds, especially one whose life was saved by Mr. Doss.

Perhaps the best gift we can offer the world is to be true to ourselves, no matter what others think. These three men are inspiring examples of the good that one person can do in the world.

• All of Katie Brugger's columns are available on her website: [www.kathleenbrugger.com](http://www.kathleenbrugger.com)

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light.

In the incidental department, Franken is riding in the Eveleth, MN 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade as we speak. I sacrificed going over there to bask in his glory so I could report this important goings on. The Duluth News Tribune ran an interview with Franken today and it is frightening. I swear, 90% of the readers of this column over the age of nine could give more intelligent answers than Franken's. I would love to be a fly on the wall when Franken and John Kerry sit down for their first tete-a-tete. I can see the eyeballs rolling from here.

Does Franken's election over a competent incumbent signal the end of an age?

On the flip side, I participated in a TEA Party called FreedomFest last week and there were marvelous speakers, from

Raleigh, Asheville, Atlanta and right here at home. One of the speakers was a 14-year-old young man by the name of Jonathan Krohn. Jonathan spoke at CPAC and was a hit. He's been interviewed on CNN, Fox News and many network radio shows. He spoke for 15-20 minutes without notes making more sense than Franken has in his entire life cumulative-ly. We had the pleasure of having dinner with him and he went on for another 90 minutes, holding the table captive.

While Franken's rise to his ultimate level of incompetence is a definite downer, the emergence of young people of great intellect and knowledge like Jonathan gives hope that the worm may be turning. Maybe I'm clinging to a straw in the wind, but hope springs eternal. Keep the Faith.

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below the cost of newer patent protected medicines. The market for generics is a true market, unlike the market for protected drugs. An army of salesmen aggressively market the newest, most expensive products to America's doctors.

This is not to say that Motel 6 is perfect. Promising a bed for everyone in the face of limited resources implies that some folks are going to be evicted before they are ready to go.

Whether we relish the idea or not, whether politicians are willing to acknowledge it, the cost of caring for an aging population mandates that we ration care. We cannot afford to treat every infection with a patent protected medicine when an older generic provides comparable effectiveness.

More troubling to some is the reality that we can no longer afford to provide extraordinary care to hopelessly ill, dying patients. One quarter of Medicare expenditures cover care in the last year of life. Some of this care is unjustified even under the most generous interpretation. Long term ventilator care for a terminally ill patient with lung cancer, or for a comatose patient should precipitate relatively little debate.

My brother died early on July 4<sup>th</sup>. He suffered terminal multiple myeloma, drifted in and out of consciousness, was paralyzed, receiving dialysis, being fed by tube, and being given narcotic medicine to ease the pain of several spine metastases.

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Cooley. He said understandably, the Chamber of Commerce wants to be in on all discussions concerning such a move.

"Executive Director Bob Kieltyka suggested all the chamber members and its board meet with the consultants if Highlands is picked to participate in the program."

Along those lines, the town of Cashiers has recently formed the Greater Cashiers Area Merchants Association.

Plans began back in February 2009 with the organization becoming official this June.

President of the association, Judy Brown of Bound's Cave, said the state of the current economy initiated the move.

"We've all had a pretty good run for the last 10 years but need to do something else to address the current economy," she said. "The Cashiers area has never had a Merchants Association so we decided to start one."

Brown came to Cashiers from Jacksonville, FL where the Chamber of Commerce and the Merchants Association had different roles. She said the Merchants Association was very active in cultivating business for merchants and the chamber brought the people in. She likened Jacksonville's situation to Cashiers.

"In Cashiers, the Chamber is involved with getting people here and that's its purpose. It is supposed to be hospitable to visitors when they come to Cashiers, tell them about area businesses, do advertising and ensure visitors are informed about all businesses in the area," she said

Brown said the goal of the Merchants Association is to make sure people understand what everyone has in their stores while adding more charm and beauty to the Cashiers area.

"We want to enhance the area while improving the lines of communication between the various groups so everyone knows about, and backs up, the various projects and

activities being sponsored by these groups. This way, when people come to the area they will have a better idea about what's going on and what's available," she said.

Though only in existence since June, the association has planned several events and strategies to promote business and economic development in Cashiers.

Beginning, Thursday, July 9, there will be weekly concerts on the Green at the Crossroads called "Groovin' on the Green." These will continue through the season and begin again when the season starts in May next year.

Another event is Front Porch Markets which are geared to entice visitors and passers-by to stop and shop.

In addition, once a month the Merchants Association will hook on to another event scheduled in the area by someone else — like the Cashiers Designer Showhouse — to market businesses while offering another venue for merchants and potential shoppers.

"The Showcase theme this year is "green" so during the Showhouse run we will have a tent set up right next door on the same property full of "green" products from area shops. This will entice people to buy and potentially send them to the stores in the area associated with those products," she said.

Anxious to do all they could to drum up business, the merchants had something they wanted to see done and decided to form an association and get it done, said Brown.

"That will include festivals, concerts, events, tent sales and front porch sales," she said. "We have to do what we have to do."

Though such doings sound like typical Chamber of Commerce events, she said the Merchants Association is not in direct competition with the Chamber of Commerce in Cashiers.

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• The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call on Main Street where a woman was having a diabetic reaction.

• The dept. responded to an accident on Poplar Street where a truck ran into the side of a residence. No one was hurt.

### July 4

• The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call at a residence on Woodlawn Hill Drive. The victim was taken to the hospital.

• The dept. responded to a mutual aid call from Cashiers involving a structure fire on Tahanawa Lane. The house was fully engulfed and destroyed.

• The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call at a residence on Heatherwood Lane. The victim was taken to the hospital.

• The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call at a residence on Rock Creek Drive. The victim was taken to the hospital.

• The dept. responded to a vehicle accident on Skyline Lodge Road where the vehicle ran backwards down the driveway. No one was hurt.

### July 5

• The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call at a residence on Aspen Lane where a 29-year-old was complaining of chest pains.

• The dept. responded to a call of a possible suicide

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### July 7

• The dept. responded to an accident on U.S. 64 at the Briar Patch. The victim was taken to the hospital.

### July 8

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miscalculation in the distribution of sales tax so we all lost out," she said. "It looks like we're going to be \$1 million to \$1.2 million short on the revenue side overall this year."

At the June 23 county commission meeting, the board adopted the 2009-2010 budget ordinance with changes discussed at the final worksession. The vote was 4 to 1 with Commissioner Bob Simpson voting "no."

"There is some additional spending and since things might get real tough we could end up like other counties," said Simpson. "I think we could have cut some more or at least saved money until we know better about the future."

The other commissioners reminded Simpson that the county's budget is 10% less than last year's budget.

Down the line, almost every line item in the General Fund was decreased 5% to 10% from the requested amount.

At one worksession, Commissioner Brian McClellan had asked the board to consider funding the Hudson Library's renovation for \$150,000 and fund baseball field upgrades at the Highlands School for about \$17,000.

Occupancy tax proceeds are also down this year. Southard said the Highlands Chamber of Commerce will get about \$200,000 for 2008-2009.

As the year progresses, Chairman Ronnie Beale asked Southard to update the board every quarter as to sales tax revenue, property tax revenue and all other income strings so there won't be any surprises down the line.

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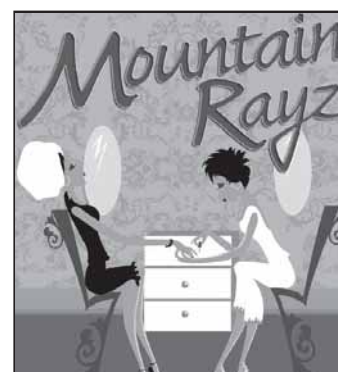
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## • UPCOMING EVENTS •

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### 'Arsenic and Old Lace' opens tonight at 8 p.m. at The Playhouse

In 1976 the Highlands Playhouse was slated to perform the play *Dulcy*, when the Artistic Director decided to change the performance to *Arsenic and Old Lace*. This season we reunite the original Brewster Sisters along with other members of the '76 season. Regina Ress (Abby Brewster) and Cheryl Chalmers (Martha Brewster) recreate their original roles from years ago. Jeffery Shonert will portray Dr. Einstein, a role originally played by Peter Lorre in the 1944 film. "I will be playing Peter Lorre for the rest of my life!" says Shonert. Jeff recently concluded a run of the stage production *The Maltese Falcon* in Los Angeles where he portrayed the Peter Lorre role.

Michael Meath is directing the 2009 production of *Arsenic and Old Lace*. In 1976, Michael was the Technical Director for the season and he also portrayed a police officer and a 'dead' body in *Arsenic*. Michael shared those roles in '76 with fellow technician Henry Johnson, who is now the General Manager of the Playhouse.

For the first time in many years, the Playhouse is using several members of the Actors Equity Association. This requires the Playhouse to hire an Equity Stage Manager. "The first name to come to mind was 'Shannon Graves'," says Johnson. "We were in school together and worked at the Williamstown Theatre Festival together." Shannon is a first rate Stage Manager and has years of experience from the New York theatre scene.

The cast also includes local favorites Curtis Rich and Stuart Armor, along with several performers from more recent seasons, as well as a couple of new faces. All in all, it is a very strong cast that brings the Brewster Family to life. Believe it or not, it is a dark comedy that the whole family will enjoy!

*Arsenic and Old Lace* is sponsored by John Lupoli and Lupoli Construction. The show opens July 9 at 8 p.m. There will be an Opening Night Reception catered by New Mountain Events immediately following the show. The production runs July 9-19. Performance times are Tuesday-Saturday at 8:00 PM with Sunday matinees at 2:00 PM. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$12 for children.

For more information about our season and to purchase tickets, please visit the 362 Oak Street location in downtown Highlands or call the Box Office at 828-526-2695.

#### Week Long

• YOGA - all levels all week, schedule posted Moonrise Yoga 464 Carolina Way. 828.526.8880  
www.highlandsyoga.com 7/16

• Nantahala Tennis Club at the Rec Park, six days a week at 9 a.m. Public invited.

• RBC Bank Highlands (225 Franklin Rd) is selling raffle tickets to win a Weber table portable gas grill. Tickets are \$5 and raffle is limited to 100 tickets only. Get 'em while they last! Also selling American Cancer Society "Fight Like A Girl" shirts in their lobby at 225 Franklin Rd. Highlands. 100% of proceeds donated to the American Cancer Society.

• Registration is now open for the 2009 summer nature day camps at the Highlands Nature Center. Five different camps are offered. Call 828-526-2623 or visit www.wcu.edu/

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• At Health Tracks at Highlands-Cashiers Hospital, various exercise classes. Call Jeanette Fisher at 828-526-1FIT.

#### Sundays

• Old-fashioned hymn-sing at the Little Church in the Wildwood 7-8 p.m. Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend. For more information call Kay Ward at 743-5009.

• Refuge Youth meets every Sun. night at 6:30 p.m. downstairs at Cullasaja Assembly of God. If you are in grades 6th-12th then this is the place to be! The church is located at 6201 Highlands Rd. next to Exxon. For more info call youth ministers Matt and Candace Woodroof at 828-369-7540 ext 203.

### Telluride Mountain Film Festival coming to Cashiers July 10 & 11

Two unique evenings of dining, music, and documentary films.

Telluride Mountain Film Festivals' national tour comes to Western North Carolina for the first time Friday July 10<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, July 11. The two evenings will feature delicious food from local restaurants and live music under the stars at Cashiers Village Hillside Park, up the hill behind Tommy's.

The festival will open Friday July 10<sup>th</sup> with a special presentation of The Village Heritage Award by Cashiers Historical Society. This will be followed by the flamenco/jazz/world music of



Asheville-based Cabo Verde. Dinner will then be served, courtesy of Cyprus International Cuisine of Highlands. There will be a Q & A with director Matt Morris after the screening of his film 'History Making Farming Author on the Move'. The evening features a selection of outdoor, adventure, human interest and environmental films from Telluride Mountain Film Festival.

Saturday, July 11, will be a casual evening enjoying the music of The Trainwrecks, voted Western North Carolina's number one Alternative-Country band by Mountain Xpress. Dinner will be the delicious appetizers, sandwiches, and pastas of Sapphire Mountain Brewing Company. Special guests from Drexel, NC featured in the film Pickin' & Trimmin' will play their down home bluegrass music prior to intermission. The evening features a selection of outdoor, adventure, human interest and environmental films from Telluride Mountain Film Festival (films are different Friday night and Sat-

urday).

Gates open at 6pm both nights. Arrive early to enjoy all the evening has to offer. Tickets are \$45 for one night, \$80 for a two night pass. Admission price includes dinner, two beverages, films, live music, and a lanyard with your Film Pass, flashlight and coupons to local businesses! The

gates open at 8pm for film-only ticket holders. WNC magazine will be offering prizes and giveaways. Proceeds will benefit Summit Charter School of Cashiers.

#### Music

starts around 6pm and dinner served at 7pm. The owner and winemaker from Westbend Vineyards in North Carolina will be serving four of their varieties of wine. The refreshing micro-brewed beers of Sapphire Mountain Brewing Company will also be offered. Two drinks (wine, beer or soda) are included with ticket and more can be purchased.

The Telluride Film Festival films begin at dusk both nights (around 9pm) and will conclude about 11pm. A different selection of films will be shown each night. You can purchase tickets on line at [www.mountainfilmcashiers.com](http://www.mountainfilmcashiers.com) and also see the line up and film clips. Sorry, no pets or outside food and drink are permitted. A limited number of \$10 tickets, good for film viewing only, will be available at the door. Gates open at 8pm for \$10 film-only ticket holders. No food or drink is included in this ticket, but beverages can be purchased.



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5-7 (Labor Day weekend)  
**Pat Conroy** *South of Broad*



## • UPCOMING EVENTS •

• Hal Phillips on piano at Skyline Lodge and Restaurant on Flat Mountain Road during the Champagne Brunch 12-2pm.

**Mon., Wed., & Thurs.**

• Yoga On The Mat. New location. The Episcopal Church of Incarnation on Main Street. Enter through single door facing Mountain Fresh. M/W @ 7:30 a.m.; Thurs. @10:45 a.m. Bring your mat. 828-482-2128 7/30

**Mon., Wed., Fri.**

• Step Aerobics with Tina Rogers at the Rec Park, 8-9 a.m. \$10 per class or \$50 a month.

**First Mondays**

• Participate in your hospital by joining the Auxiliary of the Highlands-Cashiers Hospital. Auxiliary meetings are held the first Monday of each month at 10 a.m. at the hospital.

**Mondays**

• Closed AA meeting, 8 p.m. at the Episcopal Church at Fifth and Main streets.

**Tuesdays**

• 5-week PAC Film Series at the center on Chestnut Street beginning at 7:30 p.m. Free. Donations appreciated. Upcoming movies: Hilary & Jackie, The Bennie Goodman Story, Fantasia, Unfaithfully Yours, Song of Norway.

Sponsored by Highlands-Casheirs Chamber Music Festival.

• Highlands Rotary Club meets at noon at the Highlands Conference Center.

• Closed AA Women's meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Episcopal Church at Fifth and Main streets.

**Wednesdays**

• Highlands MountainTop Rotary Club meets at the Highlands Conference Center at 7:30 a.m.

• Men's interdenominational Bible Study at 8:30 a.m. at First Baptist Church.

**Wednesdays & Fridays**

• Open AA meeting at noon at the Episcopal Church at Fifth and Main streets.

**Every 3rd Wednesday**

• Study sessions at the Universal Unitarian Fellowship Hall in Franklin. A \$5 soup-supper will be served at 5:30 p.m. Study sessions will begin at 6:30 p.m. For more information call 828-524-6777 or 706-746-9964.

**Thursdays**

• Friends of Panthertown work days, last Thursday of every month (time and location varies). Volunteers needed to maintain trails. For more information, contact Nina Elliott at

828-526-9938 (ext 258).

• The Zahner Lecture Series at the Nature Center at 7 p.m. Subjects vary.

• Al-Anon meeting, noon at the Episcopal Church on Main and Fifth streets.

• Summer Reading Program at the Hudson Library for kids. Every Thursday at 10 a.m. through July 30. More info: 526-3031

**Every 2nd Thursday**

• NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Appalachian South support group will meet once a month through the summer on the third Thursday of each month. The meetings will be held at 7 p.m. at the Children's Home for Family Restoration, 827 Wiley Brown Rd. in Franklin. NAMI is a grassroots organization providing support, advocacy and education for individuals with mental illness and their families. Membership is not required to attend meetings. For more information contact: Ann Nandrea 828 369-7385, Mary Ann Widenhouse 828 524-1355, Carole Light 828 226-6213

**2nd & 4th Fridays**

• Community Drum Circle at the Highlands Rec Park, from 6-7:30 p.m. For more information call 421-0551.

**Fridays & Saturdays**

• At Fressers Eatery, Cy Timmons live from 6 p.m.

• Hal Phillips on piano from 7- 9:30pm at Skyline Lodge and Restaurant on Flat Mountain Road.

• At Highlands Wine & Cheese, at Falls on Main, complimentary wine samplings during business hours.

**Fridays & Sundays**

• Highlands-Cashiers Music Festival Concerts every Friday at 6 p.m. and 5 p.m. on Sundays at PAC in Highlands through Aug. 9. For tickets or more information, call (828) 526-9060 or visit [www.h-cmusicfestival.org](http://www.h-cmusicfestival.org).

**Saturdays**

• At Cyprus International Restaurant, live music beginning at 9 p.m. No cover.

• At Highlands Wine & Cheese, Falls on Main, Wine Flights from 4-6:30 p.m. Five wines, artisan cheeses and specialty foods. \$19 per person.

• See **EVENTS** page 26

### 'Feasts' lineup to be sumptuous affairs

The Highlands-Cashiers Chamber Music Festival is a cherished institution on the twin towns' event calendar. It's an audacious schedule jammed into a few busy weeks, supported by ticket sales, fundraising dinners at Wolfgang's Restaurant & Wine Bistro and Lakeside Restaurant, and a benefit by John Collette Fine Art. But those just aren't enough to maintain the entire enterprise.

That's why the festival relies on the Feasts of the Festival. They're an opportunity to meet interesting people and enjoy wonderful food and drink in setting of some of the area's most beautiful private homes.

Hosts Katherine Haas and Stephen Suomi get things rolling with "Cena Espanol (Spanish Delight)," slated for 6: p.m. Saturday, July 11th. The menu features Tapas, Paella with Salad, Bollilos, and a Special Dessert Creation. Cost is \$125 per person.

Olivia and Robert Holt host "A Cajun Feast at Whiteside Mountain," 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 11th. The menu features Appetizers, Crawfish Etouffe' with Rice and Accompaniments. Cost is \$100 per person.

"The First Chamber Music Feast Revisited" will be hosted by Sandy Cohn and Ruth Gerson at the Jeannie Olive Home at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, July 25th. Cost is \$125 per person.

Minnie Bob and Michael Campbell's "An Italian Evening with Friends" will be offered at 7 p.m. Sunday, August 2nd. Its menu features Mushroom Risotto, Osso Bucco, Italian Cheeses, and Panacotta, paired with fine wines from the Campbell private stock. Cost is \$125 per person. "Mountain Fare" is the irresistible

theme presented by Jody and Wood Lovell at 6 p.m. Thursday, August 13th. The menu features Trout Beurre Blanc paired with Special Appetizers, Greens, and Potatoes. Cost is \$125 per person.

Nancy Rampell and David Blum will offer "Brunch with a View from Sweet Tater Top" at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, August 15th. There'll be Mimosas, Bloody Marys, Frittatas, Breakfast Meats and Special Breads. Cost is \$100 per person.

"Catch and Parchment" is hosted by Brenda and Stewart Manning at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, August 30th. The menu will be prepared and presented by Last Resort Grill of Athens, Georgia, paired with appropriate wines from the Manning collection. Cost is \$125 per person.

"An Umbrian Feast on Satulah" will be staged at 6 p.m. Saturday, September 12th, by Carter and Nancy Bruns. Antipasti, homemade pasta and a special surprise entrée are on the menu. Cost is \$125.

Christine Johnson Lucas and Martyn Lucas will host "Prosecco on the Patio" at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, September 13th. The menu offers Traditional Brunch Fare with a Flair. Cost is \$100 per person.

Ann Julian and Wright and Betsy Turner are offering "A Casual Fall Supper" at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, September 24th. The menu promises Barbecue with All the Fixings and Baked Apples. Cost is \$100 per person.

"Texas Barbecue," complete with brisket, ribs and fun sides will be served up by Peter and Valerie Whitcup at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, October 8th. Cost is \$125.

For reservations or more information, call (828) 526-9060.

### Final chance for Mountains in Bloom tickets

Garden lovers have one last chance to get tickets to what organizers are calling "the best landscape event of the year."

Set for July 7-11, the annual Mountains in Bloom garden festival features days of garden- and nature-themed activities, including:

• Tuesday, July 7, Margie Shambaugh lecture, "Flower Remedies: Take Two Roses and Call me in the Morning;" 5:30 p.m. at The Bascom; \$10

• Thursday, July 9, An English House & Garden Extravaganza featuring speakers Lady Henrietta Spencer-Churchill and Chip Callaway; including a book signing, lectures and refreshments at the Performing Arts Center; two sessions, 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. or 1 to 4 p.m.; \$100

• Friday, July 10, Giverny in Highlands Patrons Party at Frog Pond Farm, home of The Summer House owners Paula and Barry Jones; catered by Jerry Dilts & Associates of Atlanta; music by Jim Gibson; 6:30 p.m.; \$225+

• Friday and Saturday, July 10 and 11, Garden Tours of seven gardens, five in the Highlands Falls Country Club community; some homes also open for tour; shuttles depart from Highlands Civic Center; four sessions, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Friday, 1 to 4 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturday, 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday; \$80 includes lunch and free ticket to Flower Show

• Friday and Saturday, July 10 and 11, Flower Show and Photography Competition at the Highlands Civic Center; 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday; \$15 or free with Garden Tour ticket purchase

• Friday and Saturday, July 10 and 11,



Final tickets are on sale now for this week's annual Mountains in Bloom garden festival. For tickets, visit [www.mountainsinbloom.com](http://www.mountainsinbloom.com) or call (828) 526-4949.

Home & Garden Shop at the Highlands Civic Center; featuring the best in live plant material and unusual and distinctive items for the garden, porch, patio and home, plus free demonstrations; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days; free admission and open to the public

All proceeds benefit The Bascom, a nonprofit visual arts center. Corporate sponsors are Old Edwards Inn & Spa, WNC magazine, Franklin Ford/Moss Robertson Cadillac, The Highlander, The Laurel magazine, Lupoli Construction and The Outdoor Lights.

For tickets, visit [www.mountainsinbloom.com](http://www.mountainsinbloom.com) or call (828) 526-4949.



# • UPCOMING EVENTS •

• NA open meeting every Saturday at 7:30 p.m. of the ACC Satellite Group at the Graves Community Church, 242 Hwy 107 N. in Cashiers. Call 888-764-0365.

### Saturdays & Mondays

• Highlands-Cashiers Music Festival Concerts at 5 p.m. at the Albert Carlton-Cashiers Community Library. For tickets or more information, call (828) 526-9060 or visit [www.h-cmusicfestival.org](http://www.h-cmusicfestival.org).

### Through Saturday, Aug. 15

• Helen Frankenthaler and the Color Field Painters exhibition at The Bascom. Admission is free. For information, call (828) 526-4949 or visit [www.thebascom.org](http://www.thebascom.org).

### Through Saturday, July 11

• The Three Potters: Bringle, Hewitt and Stuempfle exhibition at The Bascom. Admission is free. A public opening reception will be June 13 from 5-7 p.m. For information, call (828) 526-4949 or visit [www.thebascom.org](http://www.thebascom.org).

• Annual Mountains in Bloom garden festival to benefit The Bascom visual arts center. Activities include elaborate garden tours, a flower show, a Giverny-themed Patrons Party, a home and garden shop, and lectures by Lady Henrietta Spencer-Churchill, Chip Callaway and Margie Shambaugh. For tickets, call (828) 526-4949 or visit [www.mountainsinbloom.com](http://www.mountainsinbloom.com).

### Thurs., - Sun., July 9-19.

• At Highlands Playhouse, *Arsenic and Old Lace*, opening July 9 at 8 p.m. with an Opening Night Reception catered by New Mountain Events. There will be a 'Preview Night' dress rehearsal of *Arsenic and Old Lace* on July 8 at 8 p.m. The dress rehearsal is open to the public and any donation made at the door is greatly appreciated! Regular performances Tuesday-Sunday are at 8 p.m. and 2 p.m. on Sundays. Call the Highlands Playhouse Box Office at 828-526-2695 or visit the 362 Oak Street location.

### Thursday, July 9

• An English House and Garden Extravaganza featuring Lady Henrietta Spencer-Churchill and Chip Callaway at Highlands Performing Arts Center as part of the Mountains in Bloom garden festival. Two sessions are available: 8:30 a.m. to noon or 1 to 4 p.m. To pre-register, call (828) 526-4949 or visit [www.thebascom.org/presentations](http://www.thebascom.org/presentations).

• *Tooth Fairy Bingo* is this coming, 6:30 – 8:30 at the Highlands Community Building – next to the ballpark at Hwy 64 and Poplar Street. The cost to play is \$1 per card per game and there will be 15 games with Game 15 being an extra money game. Play as many cards as you like - laugh and have a great time. All proceeds go the Free Dental Clinic.

• At Tartan Hall, First Presbyterian Church, Franklin. Planning Board Chair Lewis Penland and Macon County Planner Derik Roland will discuss the comprehensive plan, which the Planning Board is now beginning work on. They will explain the purposes of a comprehensive plan and elements that may be included, and seek input from members on what the plan should include.

• The July meeting of The Western North Carolina Woodturners Club at 7 p.m. at the Blue Ridge School, in Glensville. Drive to the back of the school to the woodworking shop. Visitors are always welcomed. The club meets every second Thursday at the Blue Ridge School at 6 p.m. September through March and 7 p.m. April on.

### Fri.-Sat., July 10-11

• Scaly Mountain Women's Club 2009 Silent and Live Auction, 7 p.m., Free at the Scaly Mountain Community Center, NC Hwy 106 & Buck Knob Road. An array of gift baskets, home décor items, travel and entertainment excursions, sports packages, fashions from area shops, merchandise certificates redeemable from local merchants, dining opportunities, antiques and collectibles. Plus, "Tree" will be doing carving demonstrations each night in front of the center. Proceeds fund scholarships for Highlands School

students. Call Faye Bellwood at 526-9079.

### Friday, July 10

• Randy Raby Woman's Softball Tournament at the town ball field 5 p.m. BBQ, T-Shirts, Raffle and prizes. All proceeds to benefit Raby family. Call Justyne at 828-226-0299.

• Free Mountain Music Concerts at Highlands School old gym, dancing begins at 6:45 p.m. and concerts begin at 7:30. Sponsored by Just for You Relay for Life team. The Dendy Family. High Mountain Squares/Marty Northrup, Caller.

• Highlands-Cashiers Music Festival will host an outdoor picnic and concert at Pine Street Park at 5 p.m. featuring the Smoky Mountain Brass Quintet. Tickets are \$10. For tickets or more information, call (828) 526-9060 or visit [www.h-cmusicfestival.org](http://www.h-cmusicfestival.org).

• At PAC, from 10-12 PAC, Felix Mendelssohn. Lecture and Performance. Celebrating Mendelssohn's 200th anniversary. Phone CLE Office 526-8811.

### Saturday, July 11

• Studio Courtyard Sale at Summit One Gallery from 10-4. Gallery artists are bringing work from their overflowing studios and are setting up in the courtyard. Free BBQ and lemonade.

• Randy Raby Men's Softball Tournament at the town ball field at 8 a.m. BBQ, T-Shirts, Raffle and prizes. All proceeds to benefit Raby family. Call Justyne at 828-226-0299.

• Mirror Lake Reflections Summer Outing 4 p.m. at the home of Liz and Bill Daughtrey, 267 Riverwalk Drive. For more information call Elaine at 526-9939.

• Highlands-Cashiers Music Festival will host outdoor picnic concert at the Zachary-Tolbert House in Cashiers at 5 p.m. featuring the Smoky Mountain Brass Quintet. Tickets are \$10. For tickets or more information, call (828) 526-9060 or visit [www.h-cmusicfestival.org](http://www.h-cmusicfestival.org).

### Mon-Thurs, July 13-16

• Co-ed Basketball Camp at the Highlands School new gym. Learn the game and develop skills. Rising K – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade: 9 – 12; Rising 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade: 1 – 4. Coaches: Brett Lamb and the Lady Highlanders Basketball Players. \$55 per child. Contact Coach Brett Lamb at 526-2147.

### Mon.-Fri., July 13-17

• Vacation Bible School at First Baptist Church of Highlands. BASIC training, July 13-17, 2009, 9am-Noon. Closing Program, Friday, July 17, 6:30 pm. For additional information please call 828-525-4153. Daily Themes include: Book of Books, *Close Encounters of the Bible Kind*, The Uniqueness of the Bible: Absolute Authority, *Lord of All Things*, The Authority of the Bible; Salvation Story, *Lost in Space*, The Gospel; Incredible Impact, *To Boldly Go Where No Book Has Gone Before*, The Impact of the Bible: Cadet Challenge, *May the Word Be with You*, Learn, Love, Live the Bible.

### Monday, July 13

• A lecture by artist Gail Russakov, "Fantasy and Magic," at 7 p.m. at The Bascom. Cost is \$15/\$10 Bascom members (free to Russakov's Bascom students). To pre-register, call (828) 526-4949 or visit [www.thebascom.org/presentations](http://www.thebascom.org/presentations).

• Basket-making class "Iris Mini Basket" by Peggie Wilcox, will be held at The Bascom from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for beginning to advanced students. Cost is \$150/\$125 Bascom members. To register, call (828) 526-4949 or visit [www.thebascom.org](http://www.thebascom.org).

• The Highlands Audubon Society will have a program at the Highlands Civic Center beginning with refreshments at 7 p.m. and the program at 7:30 p.m. The subject will be "Bird Migration" by Dr. John Kricher, Professor of Biology, Wheaton College, Norton, Maine. Call Brock Hutchins at 828-787-1387.

### Tuesday, July 14

• Art class "Magic Drawings," by Gail Russakov, will be held at The Bascom from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for beginning to advanced students. Cost is \$85/\$75 Bascom members. To register, call (828) 526-4949 or visit [www.thebascom.org](http://www.thebascom.org).

• The Macon County Soccer Club is accepting registrations for the Fall soccer season. The fee is \$60 for players and a \$5 discount is available for siblings. The registration fee covers uniform (jersey, shorts and socks), state registration and referee fees. All new players must provide a photocopy of their birth certificate. The deadline for registration for the Fall season is July 20th. Registrations received after July 20 will incur a \$10 late fee and players will be placed on a wait list. Register from 6pm - 8 pm at the Macon County Community Building and the Highlands Recreation Park.

• Take Charge of Your Health Lecture Series at 6 p.m. at The Hudson Library. The topic: Hip, knee and ankle health, Call 828-743-9070 or 828-526-3709.

• Highlands Nature Center hike to Whiteside Mountain with Joe Gatins. The hike is free and will be approximately 2 miles and moderate in difficulty; participants will return by lunchtime. Meet at the Nature Center at 9:30 a.m. Plan to bring your own water and snack and wear appropriate clothes and footwear. No dogs. Children welcome. Rain/thunderstorms or threat of thunderstorms cancels.

### Wednesday, July 15

• Folkmoot coming the the Performing Art center on 7:30 p.m. Gen Adult \$15 children \$7.50. For tickets call 526-9047. Also available at the door the evening of the performance.

• Summer Interlude at the Episcopal Church, at 2 p.m. Robert Henry on the piano. Free.

• Art class "ATC (Artist Trading Cards)," by Gail Russakov, will be held at The Bascom from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for beginning to advanced students. Cost is \$85/\$75 Bascom members. To register, call (828) 526-4949 or visit [www.thebascom.org](http://www.thebascom.org).

• Pottery class "What A Relief!" by Jessica Stewart, will be held at The Bascom from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for beginning to advanced students. Designed for the whole family. Students under 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult. Cost is \$95/\$80 Bascom members (includes basic materials and firing). To register, call (828) 526-4949 or visit [www.thebascom.org](http://www.thebascom.org).

### Thurs., July 16

• An American Red Cross Adult CPR/AED and First Aid Basics course will be conducted by the Macon County Public Health Center. The course will be held on Thursday, July 16, 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 pm at the Macon County Public Health Center at 1830 Lakeside Drive. Participants must pre-register and pre-pay at the MC Public Health Center before Monday, July 13, 2009. Call Jennifer at 349-2439.

### Thurs.-Sun., July 16-18

• Mountain Wildlife Days at the Sapphire Valley Resort Community Center located 3 miles east of Cashiers just off Highway 64 For more information, call John Edwards, 828-743-9648 or 864-934-1935.

### Thurs.-Fri., July 16-17

• Art workshop "Never Dull Mixed Media Collages," by Gail Russakov, will be held at The Bascom from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for beginning to advanced students. Cost is \$110/\$100 Bascom members. To register, call (828) 526-4949 or visit [www.thebascom.org](http://www.thebascom.org).

### Fri, Sat, Sun., July 17-19

• The Highlands Playhouse 2009 Showhouse, a luxurious mountain retreat by Lupoli Construction and decorated by Tony Raffa of Raffa Design Associates, in the Mirror Lake community. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are \$30 and available at the Highlands Playhouse Box Office at 828-526-2695 or visit the 362 Oak Street location.

### Fri. & Sat., July 17-18

• At the Hen House on 488 E. Main Street, Potter Ritchie Watts of Good Earth Pottery will have a signing from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

### Fri., July 17

• Free Mountain Music Concerts at Highlands School old gym, dancing begins at 6:45 P.M. and concerts begin at 7:30. Sponsored by Just for You Relay for Life team. Blue Ridge. High Mountain Squares/Jim Duncan, Caller.

### Sat, July 18-Sat., Aug. 29

• *Moulthrop's: Three Generations of Woodturners* exhibition at The Bascom. Admission is free. A public opening reception will be July 18 from 5-7 p.m. For information, call (828) 526-4949 or visit [www.thebascom.org](http://www.thebascom.org).

### Sat. & Sun., July 18-19.

• Art League of Highlands Summer Colors Fine Art Show. All original fine art: painting, hand-crafted jewelry, pottery, photography. Highlands Civic Center Rec Park, two blocks east of Main Street on Rte. 64, across from Sweettreats. Childrens' hands-on art room. 10-5. Gift certificate door prizes. Free admission. Pam Haddock 828-226-4268.

### Saturday, July 18

• Bob & Cathy Fisher are opening their garden for tours for Kids4Peace with 100% of the proceeds used to continue the Episcopal Church's mission project of building a school in Haiti. Tickets are one sale at the church for \$25. You can order tickets over the phone 828-526-2968 (we take

## Cut Glass Display at the Hudson Library



One of the best collections of American cut glass in the country is located here in Highlands, at the Museum of American Cut and Engraved Glass. At any given time more than 400 pieces are on display at the museum, many of them rare. During the month of July a selection of pieces from the museum's collection will be on display at the Hudson Library. The Museum is located at 472 Chestnut Street, and is open Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 1-4 PM.



# • UPCOMING EVENTS •

MasterCard or Visa) or you can come by the church on the corner of 5th and Main Street. You can select tours times of 10, 11, 12, or 1 and purchase tickets from the church office. Everyone must meet at the Macon Bank Gazebo to get a pass for the tour.

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## Mon., July 20

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## Tuesday, July 21

- Take Charge of Your Health Lecture Series at 6 p.m. at Chiropractic office in Cashiers. Topic: Arthritis and Joint Inflammation. Call 828-743-9070 or 828-526-3709.

## Wed., July 22

- Summer Interlude at First Presbyterian Church at 2 p.m. Stell Huie, baritone with Angie Jenkins on the piano. Free.

## Thurs., July 23

- At PAC, Judy Collins in Concert at 7:30 p.m. Folk-Pop icon, Judy Collins has thrilled audiences worldwide with her unique blend of folksongs and contemporary themes. A classical pianist early in her life, she soon learned to love the guitar. Highlands is indeed fortunate to host this one-night engagement of a songstress who creates music of hope and healing that lights up the world and speaks to the heart. Come hear one of the purist and most recognizable voices in the world in the acoustically acclaimed environment of the Performing Arts Center. Tickets: Dress Circle \$200, General Admission \$100

## Fri. and Sat., July 24 & 25

- The Jackson-Macon Conservation Alliance's (J-MCA) 2009 Green Living Fair in Highlands. The 2008 event, a first of its kind for the area, was a huge success with an attendance of over 300 people and host to 30+ participants. Unsure of what the first year would bring, J-MCA was conservative with booth space and speaker/discussion

sessions. Since then the response has been overwhelmingly positive and reason for the expansion of the number of eco-conscious participants and speakers able to take part in the 2009 event.

## Fri., July 24

- Free Mountain Music Concerts at Highlands School old gym, dancing begins at 6:45 P.M. and concerts begin at 7:30. Sponsored by Just for You Relay for Life team. Oliver Rice and Blue Ridge Mountain Band Macon Mountaineers of Franklin.

## Sat., July 25

- Bob & Cathy Fisher are opening their garden for tours for Kids4Peace with 100% of the proceeds used to continue the Episcopal Church's mission project of building a school in Haiti. Tickets are one sale at the church for \$25. You can order tickets over the phone 828-526-2968 (we take MasterCard or Visa) or you can come by the church on the corner of 5th and Main Street. You can select tours times of 10, 11, 12, or 1 and purchase tickets from the church office. Everyone must meet at the Macon Bank Gazebo to get a pass for the tour.

- Drake's Diamond Gallery Trunk Show 10-7pm, on Second Street. Featuring "Mia Katrin" Hors D'oeuvres & Cocktails.

## Sunday, July 26,

- The second Reading by the "Royal Scribblers" will be hosted by Buck's Coffee Cafe in Cashiers at the Crossroads. Beginning at 3:00 each writer will be allotted five minutes to present a family-friendly composition. There

is ample free parking behind the cafe. If you would like to share a writing of your own, please register by sending a note with contact information to: Cashiers Writers Group, P.O. B. 2145, Cashiers, NC 28717.

## Monday, July 27

- Bill Lea, wildlife photographer, will present an exciting program at the Art League of Highlands monthly meeting. It will be held at the Civic Center Rec Park in Highlands. Social half hour begins at 5:00 with the meeting and program to follow. Guests are most welcome. Call Caroline Cook for information at 828-526-2742.

## Wed., July 29

- Summer Interlude at the Episcopal Church at 2 p.m. Helen Kim on the violin. Free.

- At Buck's Café, the Highlands-Cashiers Music Festival presents The Vega String Quartet at 8 p.m. It's free.

## Thurs., July 30

- Just for You Relay for Life team is hosting a party bridge game 1-4:30 p.m. at the Rec Park for \$10 per person. Call Marge Meeter at 787-2174 if you want to keep the same partner all afternoon or call Gladys Calloway at 526-4021 if you want to change partners after the first round. Fun, snacks, prizes and help for the American Cancer Society.

## Fri., July 31

- Free Mountain Music Concerts at Highlands School old gym, dancing begins at 6:45 P.M. and concerts begin at 7:30. Sponsored by Just for You Relay for Life team. Mountaintop Bluegrass and Gospel. Rough Creek Cloggers of Waynesville.

## Highlands Playhouse 2009 Showhouse July 17-19



The Highlands Playhouse 2009 Showhouse, a luxurious mountain retreat by Lupoli Construction and decorated by Tony Raffa of Raffa Design Associates, in the Mirror Lake community. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are \$30 and will be available at the Highlands Playhouse Box Office soon. The ticket price includes a viewing of the home, transportation to and from the home from a central location in Highlands and light, poolside refreshments. No pets or strollers are allowed. To purchase tickets, call the Highlands Playhouse Box Office at 828-526-2695 or visit the 362 Oak Street location in downtown Highlands.

## Frankenthaler, Potters exhibitions continue at The Bascom



Two major exhibitions continue at The Bascom this week: *The Three Potters: Bringle, Hewitt and Stuempfle* through July 11, and *Helen Frankenthaler and the Color Field Painters* (pictured above) through Aug. 15. The Potters exhibition, in the Loft Gallery, features work by master ceramic artists Cynthia Bringle, Mark Hewitt and David Stuempfle. The Frankenthaler exhibition, in the Main Gallery, features work by the color field painters, spawned from the mid-20th-century American Abstract Expressionists, who were highly influenced by European modernism. Their work is characterized by large fields of flat color spread or stained onto canvas. Exhibitions are free and open to the public Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Bascom's new address is 323 Franklin Road, Highlands. For more information, visit [www.thebascom.org](http://www.thebascom.org) or call (828) 526-4949.



• SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING •

Things aren't  
always what  
they seem

Chaplain Margaret Howell  
Holy Family Lutheran  
Church



A man and his dog were walking along a road. The man was enjoying the scenery, when it suddenly occurred to him that he was dead.

He remembered dying, and that the dog walking beside him had been dead for years. He wondered where the road was leading them.

After a while, they came to a high, white stone wall along one side of the road. It looked like fine marble. At the top of a long hill, it was broken by a tall arch that glowed in the sunlight.

When he was standing before it he saw a magnificent gate in the arch that looked like mother-of-pearl, and the street that led to the gate looked like pure gold. He and the dog walked toward the gate, and as he got closer, he saw a man at a desk to one side.

When he was close enough, he called out, "Excuse me, where are we?"

"This is Heaven, sir," the man answered.

"Wow! Would you happen to have some water?" the man asked.

"Of course, sir. Come right in, and I'll have some ice water brought right up." The man gestured, and the gate began to open.

"Can my friend," gesturing toward his dog, "come in, too?" the traveler asked.

I'm sorry, sir, but we don't accept pets."

The man thought a moment and then turned back toward the road and continued the way he had been going with his dog.

After another long walk, and at the top of another long hill, he came to a dirt road leading through a farm gate that looked as if it had never been closed. There was no fence.

As he approached the gate, he saw a man inside, leaning against a tree and reading a book.

"Excuse me!" he called to the man. "Do you have any water?"

"Yeah, sure, there's a pump over there, come on in."

"How about my friend here?" the traveler gestured to the dog.

"There should be a bowl by the pump."

They went through the gate, and sure enough, there was an old-fashioned hand pump with a bowl beside it.

The traveler filled the water bowl and took a long drink himself, then he gave some to the dog.

When they were full, he and the dog walked back toward the man who was standing by the tree.

What do you call this place?" the traveler asked.

"This is Heaven," he answered.

"Well, that's confusing," the traveler said. "The man down the road said that was Heaven, too."

"Oh, you mean the place with the gold street and-pearly gates? Nope. That's hell."

"Doesn't it make you mad for them to use your name like that?"

"No, we're just happy that they screen out the folks who would leave their best friends behind."

• PLACES OF WORSHIP •

**BLUE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH**

Rev. Oliver Rice, Pastor (706) 782-3965  
Sundays: School – 10 a.m., Worship – 11  
Sunday night services every 2nd & 4th Sunday at 7  
Wednesdays: Mid-week prayer meeting – 7 p.m.

**BUCK CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 11  
**CHAPEL OF SKY VALLEY**

Sky Valley, Georgia  
The Right Rev. Dr. John S. Erbelding, Pastor  
Church: 706-746-2999

Pastor's residence: 706-746-5770

Sundays: 10 a.m. – Worship

Holy Communion 1st Sunday of the month  
Wednesdays: 9 a.m. Healing and Prayer with Holy  
Communion each service

**CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS**

NC 28 N. and Pine Ridge Rd., (828) 369-8329  
Rai Cammack, Branch President, (828) 369-1627

**CHRIST ANGLICAN CHURCH**

Father Jim Murphy: Office – 526-2320  
Sunday: Holy Communion – 11 a.m.  
(Highlands Community Center on U.S. 64 next to the  
ballfield in Highlands)

Monday: Evening Bible Study at 6 p.m.

Wednesday: Men's Bible study at 8 a.m.  
at First Baptist Church

Pot Luck Lunch last Sunday of each month.

**CLEAR CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH**

Pastor Everett Brewer  
Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 11  
Prayer – 6:30 p.m.

Evening Service – 1st & 3rd Sunday – 7 p.m.

**COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH**

www.cbchighlands.com • 526-4685  
Pastor Gary Hewins  
3645 U.S. 64 east, Highlands  
Sundays: 9:30am Sunday School for all ages; 10:45am  
Worship; 6pm High School Group

Tuesdays: 10am Women's Bible Study; 2nd, 4th, & 5th  
Tuesdays Young Moms Bible Study

Wed.: 5pm Dinner; 6pm AWANA, Youth Activities

**EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION**

The Rev. Brian Sullivan – Rector: 526-2968  
Sunday: Breakfast; 9 A.M. - Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

Sunday Service on Channel 14 at 10:30 A.M.

Monday: 4 p.m. Women's Cursillo Group

Tuesday: 8 a.m. Men's Cursillo Group

4:30 P.M. Education for Ministry

Wednesday: 6:30 P.M. Choir Practice

Thursday: 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
10:30 a.m. Daughters of the King

• Sunday Service on Channel 14 Sun. at 10:30 a.m.

**FIRST ALLIANCE CHURCH OF FRANKLIN**

Rev. Mitch Schultz, Pastor • 828-369-7977  
Sun. Worship 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.; 6 p.m.  
(nursery provided)

Sun. school for all ages 9:45 a.m.

Wed: dinner 5 p.m. followed by children's  
Pioneer Club 6 p.m.; Jr & Sr Youth Group 6:30 p.m.;

Adult Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.

Small groups available throughout the week.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

Dr. Daniel D. Robinson, 526-4153  
Sun.: Worship 10:45 a.m., 6:30 p.m.; School – 9:30  
a.m.; Youth – 6:30 p.m.; Choir – 7:15  
Wednesdays: Dinner – 5:30 p.m.; Team Kids – 6 p.m.;

Prayer – 6:15 p.m., Choir – 7:30 p.m.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Dr. Lee Bowman, Pastor  
Dr. Don Mullen, Parish Associate 526-3175  
Sun.: Worship – 11 a.m.; Sun. School – 9:30 & 9:45.  
Mondays: 8:30 a.m. – Men's Bible Discussion &  
Breakfast

Tuesdays: 10 a.m. – Seekers

Wednesdays – Choir – 7

**HIGHLANDS ASSEMBLY OF GOD**

Sixth Street

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

Wednesdays: Prayer & Bible Study – 7

**HIGHLANDS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Pastor Paul Christy  
526-3376

Sun.: school 9:45 a.m.; Worship 8:45 a.m., 11 a.m.;  
5 p.m. Youth Group

Wed: Supper; 6; 7:15 – children, youth, & adults  
studies; 6:15 – Adult choir

(nursery provided for Wed. p.m. activities)

Thurs: 12:30 – Women's Bible Study (nursery)

**HOLY FAMILY LUTHERAN CHURCH – ELCA**

Chaplain Margaret Howell  
2152 Dillard Road – 526-9741  
Sundays: Sunday School and Adult discussion group  
9:30 a.m.; Worship/Communion – 10:30  
HEALING SERVICE on the 5th Sunday of the month.

**LITTLE CHURCH IN THE WILDWOOD**

Kay Ward - 743-5009  
Sundays: 7-8 p.m. Memorial Day - Labor Day  
Old Fashioned Hymn-Sing

**MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH**

8 miles south of Highlands on N.C. 28 S in Satolah  
Pastor Matt Shuler, (828) 526-8425  
Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 11  
Choir – 6 p.m.

Wed: Bible Study and Youth Mtg. – 7 p.m.

**MOUNTAIN SYNAGOGUE**

St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church, Franklin  
828-369-9270 or 828-293-5197

**OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAIN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Rev. Dean Cesa, pastor  
Parish office, 526-2418

Sundays: Mass – 11 a.m.

**SCALY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CHURCH**

Rev. Clifford Willis  
Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 11 a.m. & 7  
Wednesdays: Prayer Mtg. – 7 p.m.

**SCALY MOUNTAIN CHURCH OF GOD**

290 Buck Knob Road; Pastor Alfred Sizemore  
Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 10:45 a.m.;  
Evening Worship – 6 p.m.

Wed: Adult Bible Study & Youth – 7 p.m.

For more information call 526-3212.

**SHORTOFF BAPTIST CHURCH**

Pastor Rev. Andy Cloer.  
Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 11

Wednesdays: Prayer & Bible Study – 7

**UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP**

85 Sierra Drive • 828-524-6777  
Sunday Worship - 11 a.m.  
Child Care - 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Religious Education - 11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.  
Youth from 8th - 12th grades meet the second Sunday  
of each month from 5 - 7:30 p.m.

**WHITESIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Cashiers, Rev. Sam Forrester, 743-2122  
Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 11



# • POLICE & FIRE •

The following are the Highlands Police Dept. log entries from June 29. Only the names of persons arrested, issued a Class-3 misdemeanor, or public officials have been used.

June 29

• At 6:40 p.m., officers responded to an accident at U.S. 64 and Hickory Street.

June 30

• At 10:25 p.m., officers responded to a call of suspicious activity at Loafers Bench on Main Street. Youths were hiding in brush beside the Stone Lantern and police reminded them that it was not safe to climb on rooftops.

• At 5 p.m. officers responded to a 9-1-1 hang up at a residence on Bowery Road.

• At 11:05 p.m., Elaine Young, 63, of Tiger, GA, was arrested for passing worthless checks. Her bond was set at \$500.

• At 1:05 a.m, officers assisted another agency on N. 4th Street.

• Officers responded to an accident at U.S. 64.

• At 1 p.m., officers responded to an accident on Satulah Street.

July 1

• At 8:30 a.m., officers responded to an accident at U.S. 64 and N. 1st Street.

• At 9:45 a.m., officers responded to a call of shoplifting at Radio Shack where a \$49.95 Samsung phone was taken from a shelf.

• At 11:30 a.m., a citizens brought demolition detonators valued at \$100 to the police station. He said he found them on the side of the road.

July 2

• At 6:45 p.m., officers responded to an accident at Main and U.S. 64.

• At 3:30 p.m., officers responded to a call of a suspicious vehicle.

• At 3:32 p.m., officers responded to a call of a suspicious vehicle parked on Spring Street..

July 3

• At little past midnight, officers responded to a call of a suspicious vehicle parked on U.S. 64 west.

• At 11:10 a.m., officers responded to an accident at Poplar and U.S. 64 where a truck ran into a residence.

July 4

• At 9:13 a.m., officers responded to a call of a suspicious vehicle parked on River's Edge Road.

• At 12:57 p.m., officers were called to assist another agency at a residence on Heatherwood Drive.

• At 5:20 p.m., a citizen took an ATM card he found in the Wachovia ATM to the police station. Officers called Wachovia.

July 5

• At 9:40 p.m., Hugh Donnett Harper, 62, of Highlands, was arrested for DWI and traffic violations at Highlands Plaza. His bond was set at \$1,000.

• At 11:16 p.m., officers responded to a call of an attempted suicide at a residence on Hicks Road where the subject reportedly "100 pills."

July 6

• At 9:20 p.m., Jeannette Kistner, 45, of Highlands, was arrested for having a suspended license after she was stopped for having a tail light out. Her bond was set at \$500.

During the week, officers responded to 8 alarms and issued 50 citations.

The following are the Highlands Fire & Rescue Dept. log entries from July 1:

July 1

• The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call at a residence on Hemlock Way where a 63-year-old woman had fallen and possibly broken her arm. She was taken to the hospital.

July 2

• The dept. responded to a caller claiming "the smell of propane" at a residence on Wildwood Drive but a propane leak was not found.

• The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call at a residence on Dog Mountain Road. The victim was taken to the hospital.

• The dept. responded to an accident at U.S. 64 and N.C. 106. There were no injuries.

• See POLICE & FIRE page 19

# • FUN & GAMES •

## Hex-a-Ku<sup>©</sup> 2009 by Pete Sarjeant and Don Cook

### OBJECT:

A mystery word or phrase using all different letters is designated by circled squares (other short words will appear when solving, for which a list of meanings is provided). Every puzzle has a different mystery word or phrase (no spaces). Assign different letters to each square of each column and row. In addition, 3x2 cells in the puzzle layout have the same different letters. (This is similar to Sudoku but uses letters instead of numbers.)

### How to Solve:

Determine the different letters among those given. Write in the mystery word using the clue and these letters. Other small words will appear in the puzzle. As in conventional crossword puzzles, a list of meanings for these Across/Down words is given and number positions shown. Doing them will speed up your solution to the puzzle. Using your powers of induction, inference and insight, place missing letters in blank squares according to the rules noted above. Focus your attention where the least number of letters are needed to complete a row, column or cell.

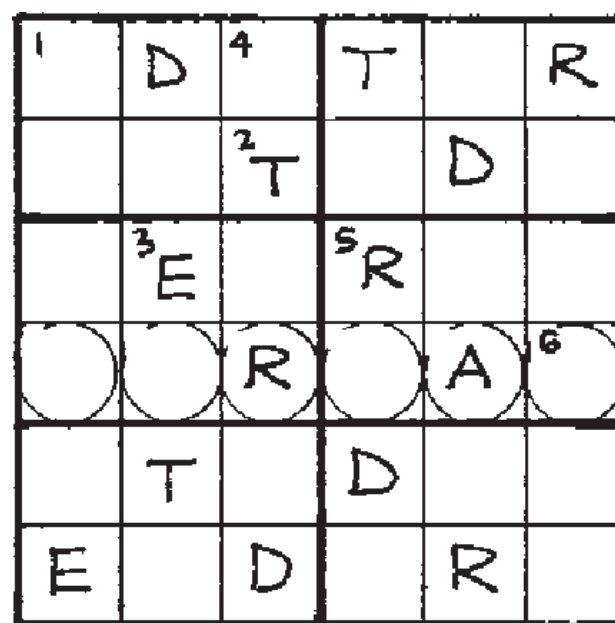
### Mystery Word: Sewing String

### Across

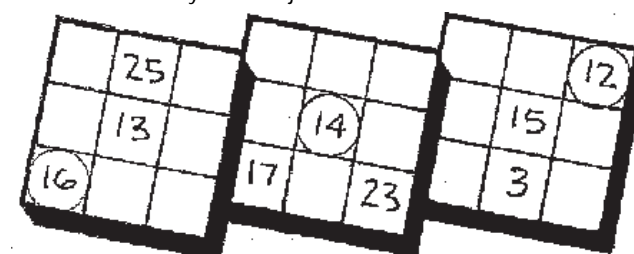
1. Summertime drink (suff.) (3)
2. Small Amount (3)
3. Third planet from the sun (5)

### Down

4. Estimated Time of Arrival (abbr.) (3)
5. First rainbow color (3)
6. Dis and \_\_\_ (slang) (3)



## PseudoCube<sup>©</sup> by Pete Sarjeant and Don Cook



### #AZ2A Level of Difficulty - Easy

### THE SETUP:

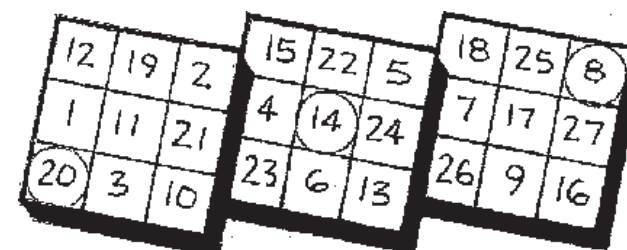
The cube has 27 consecutive numbers in it, arranged in three layers with 9 numbers each. These numbers are arranged in a special pattern: For each layer, the sum of the three numbers in each row, column or diagonal, is 3 times its center number. Eight diagonals connect all 3 layers by running through the center number of the middle layer. Each diagonal contains 3 numbers equalling the total of the three center numbers. One of the diagonals is shown with circles.

### THE CHALLENGE:

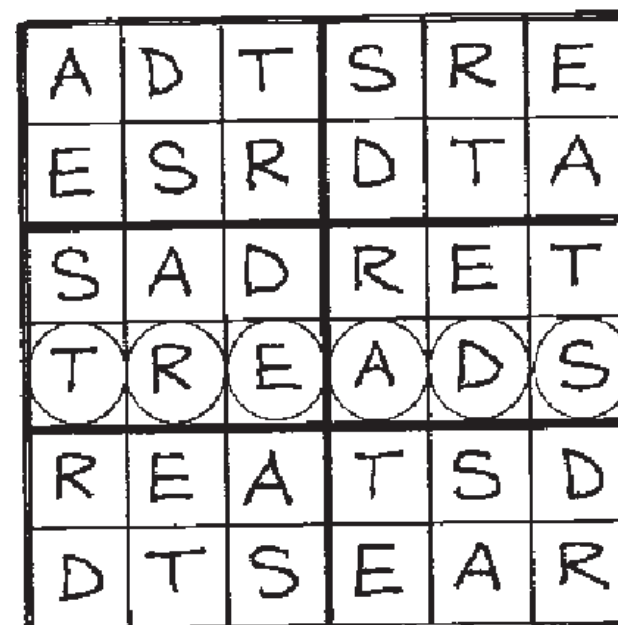
Start with the three center numbers for each layer and the other numbers given. Now pour a cup of coffee, pick up a pencil and eraser and try to figure out where the other numbers belong. Good Luck!

Email: [pseudocube8@aol.com](mailto:pseudocube8@aol.com).

### Solution to #DZ1A in July 2 issue



### Solution to July 2 Hex-a-Ku





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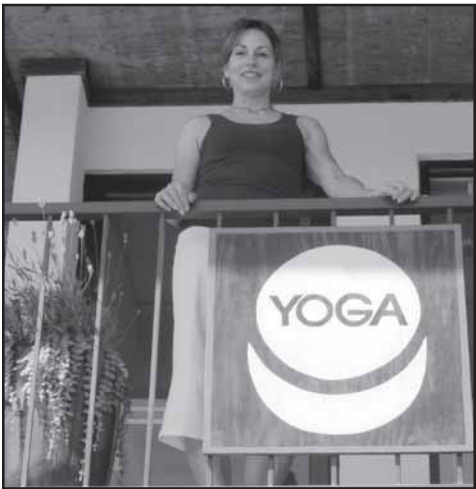
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Over the Fourth of July weekend, folks flocked to the The Bistro at the Main Street Inn at Main and Third streets which features light fare breakfast, lunch and dinner and dining al fresco in the afternoons and evenings. It also features a full bar and live entertainment on the weekends.

New Yoga teacher at Moonrise Yoga



Ashby Underwood Garner and Chad Garner welcome Diane Levine to Moonrise Yoga. The primary services and classes at Moonrise offer qualified Yoga Instruction in a safe, relaxing, and professional environment. "Diane is a radiant person on a healthful path. We are thrilled about her enthusiasm and her previous experience in the medical field provides efficacy to yoga instruction," say the Garners. When asked about teaching, Diane said, "When I first became aware of the benefits through practice, the calming of my thoughts, changes in my body and the centered awareness, I knew I had to teach and share with others."



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### Community Care Clinic honors 'friends' at recent party



Griffin Bell, Vice Chair of the Community Care Clinic Board, and his wife Glenda with guests, Gerry and Avery Doubleday, at a recent party honoring friends of the Clinic. The Community Care Clinic provides free health care to low-income uninsured individuals on Thursday evenings from 5 to 9 pm. For more information call the Clinic Director, Jerry Hermanson, at 526-1991

### Humane Society seeks financial help for dog's medical expenses

The Cashiers-Highlands Humane Society has set up a fund to help defray some or all of the vet costs incurred by Maddie, a beautiful dog adopted from the shelter just before Christmas last year who was shot a couple of weekends ago in Cashiers. Bills for Maddie's care and treatment is over \$3,000 now, so we hope to raise at least that amount and have some surplus for the future and other animals. You can send donations to CHHS, Maddie Emergency Fund, PO Box 638, Cashiers, NC 28717; drop them off at the shelter; or call 828-743-5752 with credit card details.

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