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## This Week in Highlands

### Thursday, May 27

- Taize at 5:30 PM. at Episcopal Church.
- At the Nature Center, photographer and author, James Valentine presents "Southern Appalachian Celebration: Save our Mountains." at 7 p.m. Free.

### Fri. & Sat. May 28-29

- Live Music at The Downhill Grill at Scaly Mountain Outdoor Center 7-9 p.m.. BYOB.

- A CLE Membership Drive. Free ice cream cone at SweetTreats with 2010 CLE Membership.

### Fri., May 28

- HCP's production of Parallel Lives at PAC. 7:30 pm. Call 526-9047 for tickets..

### Sat., May 29

- Pancake Breakfast in the Scaly Community Bldg. 7:30-10:30 pm. \$5.50 for adults and \$3.50 for children.

- 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.

- Car Wash at RBC Bank, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. to raise funds for The Girls' Clubhouse end of year trip.

- 7th Annual "Salamander Meander" at the Highlands Nature Center. 9 pm. Bring rain gear and a flashlight. Call 526-2623,

### Sat. & Sun., May 29 & 30

- Art and Craft Show at Highlands Rec Park, 10 to 5. Music and food. Free admission.

- Highlands Prominence Committee's Super Fab Sale, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Craig Building on S. 4th St. Proceeds benefit local charities.

### Monday, May 31

- The Macon County Humane Society pet adoption at Whiskers on Main Street between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

### Tuesday, June 1

- The Mountain High Republican Women's Club June luncheon at the Wildcat Cliffs Country Club. Call 828-200-0437.

- Bookworm 1/2 off sale beginning June 1. Open Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 526-9938 ext. 300.

### Wed., June 2

- Hospital Tours at 7:30 a.m. Call 526-1435 as space is limited.

## Board OKs new plans for K-H Park

As last week's Town Board meeting was coming to an end, a proposal for the Kelsey-Hutchinson Park sparked discussion that ended in a 3 to 2 vote.

King Young, a member of the original Pine Street Park Committee, which began a fundraising campaign to purchase the property and solicited ideas from the pub-

lic for the park's purpose and design, said the Highlands-Cashiers Land Trust, the entity that eventually purchased the property before giving it to the town, has \$30,000 leftover to spend.

With the stormwater mitigation work in the park coming to an end, the Land Trust is now ready to make the park into something

citizens envisioned at no cost to the town.

"The primary purpose is to beautify the park with more grass and less asphalt and to promote safety for people trying to cross the street from one section of the park to the other from between parked cars," said Young.

•See K-H PARK page 28

## County to own Hudson Library building

With both the Macon County Library Board and the Hudson Library Board behind the idea, the county could own the Hudson Library building in Highlands.

"The purpose of entering into negotiations concerning the transfer of property is to ensure the renovation and future expansion of the building meets the needs for library services in Highlands, per recent needs assessment study," said president of the Hudson Library Board, Robert E. Smith at Monday's Macon County Commission meeting.

He said instead of the Hudson Library operating as a separate facility it just makes more sense for it to be part o the Fontana/Macon County system.

The library has operated as part of the Fontana Library system for years, but the facility was not owned by the system or the county.

"The purpose is to have this relationship on paper in a resolution, so future boards have guidelines so the relationship between the Hud-

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## Highlands School 'Fans of the Year'



At Tuesday night's Athletic Banquet, Sam and Lisa Osteen, parents of freshman Taylor Osteen, were named "Fans of the Year" for their consistent attendance at Highlands School sports events. Coach Chris Green was named "Coach of the Year."

Photo by Stephanie McCall

## Man dies in cycle accident

On Monday, May 24, a man who sustained injuries due to a motorcycle accident on U.S. 64 west near Bust Your Butt Falls died at Mission Hospital in Asheville.

At 11:25 a.m., Highlands Fire & Rescue and Macon County EMS responded to the accident where eyewitnesses say the driver of the cycle "came around the curve, lost control, slid out and wrecked."

The Pennsylvania man, esti-

mated to be in his late 30s, was riding in a pack of five or six cyclists who had come from Deals Gap - home of the six-mile stretch of curves known as Tail of the Dragon in Graham County, NC.

EMS transported the man to the Cullasaja Church of God field in Franklin where he was picked up in the MAMA helicopter and flown to Mission Hospital where he later died.

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## Stakeholder surveys positive

Results are in from the 2010 Macon County School System Stakeholders Survey.

In the survey, hundreds of questions were asked of staff, students, parents and the community to gauge the school system's performance over the year.

Though the number of survey responses were up in 2009 from 2008 returns, the number of responses 2009 to 2010 were down.

Participants were asked what concerned them about the school system and what they felt was positive about the system

The top five questions that indicated concern for the 266 staff members who participated in the survey were: there is sufficient space is available for future student growth at my school, the school system receives adequate financial resources, the system employees receive competitive salaries, and my school's lunch program promotes healthy diets

The top five positive feedback responses regarded: I feel comfortable offering suggestions an sharing

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# • THE PLATEAU'S POSITION •

## • LETTER •

### Monetary compensation can't undue the wrong

Dear Editor,

The last thing I want to do is to resurrect the controversy over the Bowery road debacle, so I transfer the honor to you, by virtue of your recent articles in your newspaper. You made several statements that, for the record, I take issue with.

First, you wrote the cases involve "12 property owners along the first 7/10s of Bowery Road most affected by the widening and paving of the road." "Most affected" is not only an understatement but is, with all due respect, ridiculous. These 12 property owners were the only property owners affected. Drive the full length of the Bowery Road, compare those first 7/10s with the rest of it and see for yourself. You will note that the property owners on the rest of it lost none of their property, none of their large, old trees, none of their small, young trees, none of their rhododendron and laurel, none of their shade and, dare I say it, none of the "charm" of the old original road and none of the value that that charm gives to their property.

Second, you wrote "Typically, the property rises in value due to a 'better' road, but 'better' is in the eye of the beholder." It certainly is. There are many lovely properties along the Bowery Road and, were I in the market to buy one, I would narrow my choices to those on the shady, tree-lined "charming" road and would eliminate from consideration any of the lovely properties available on a denuded, hot, weedy, sterile, and, dare I say it, ugly road. Not only is 'better' in the eye of the beholder, but so is value.

Third, you wrote "For some along Bowery Road, 'compensation' amounted to a wider, paved road versus the rutted, dirt and gravel road, but for several property owners, compensation could only come with money." Here I will try to restrain myself, but I hardly know how or where to begin. Money is no compensation at all for the forcible loss of property, for the loss of the beautiful and plentiful old trees, the loss of abundant rhododendron and laurel that would be in full bloom all along the road right now, the loss of great charm (that silly, emotional concept, I know, but one which psychologists suggest or insinuate quality of life) that these things provided, and to suggest or insinuate as much is an insult. Those who lost these things will be "compensated" with money because it is the law. It is not something they

wanted, asked for nor solicited. They would rather not have it. They would rather have their old, historic road. And as for the other property owners, you say "compensation amounted to a wider,

paved road ..." What do you mean? This makes no sense. What were they being compensated for? What was forcibly taken from them? What did they lose? The only

thing they lost, they cannot get back, and I am not referring to a beautiful old road. You figure it out.

Alice Monroe Nelson  
Highlands

## • THANKS •

### The Bascom's Collective Spirits fundraiser surpassed all marks

As the final gavel rang down last Saturday evening on the 4th annual Collective Spirits wine festival to benefit The Bascom, it culminated in, what nearly everyone in attendance to whom we spoke told Harriet and me, was one of the most exciting, energizing benefits they have ever attended. It is not an understatement to say the patio of The Bascom was full of electricity and the results, to the credit of our benevolent residents and guests of the Highlands Plateau, were phenomenal. Last year's event was a success but this year our results nearly tripled that! As someone mentioned to me afterward, and our participating wine distributors and vintners agreed, Collective Spirits has now arrived on the national scene. Quite a feat

for a 4-year-old event and due to the tireless coordinated efforts of so many.

The Vision for this growing fundraiser was provided by many but delivered through the efforts of Board member, Paul Jones, in securing Dick Grace, an international inspirational speaker and owner of Grace Family Vineyards, the first of the so-called "cult" vintners (low production, private mailing list distribution only) of California's Napa Valley. Dick Grace reminded us that it is the duty of all to support the Bascom's outreach with one's "time, talent, and treasure; but, most important, with one's love." And that love poured forth all evening!

The beneficiaries of these funds will be the residents, especially the children and schools, who will be provided an expanded

array of year-round activities and programs at little or no cost to participants. With these new funds the Bascom Board yesterday passed a resolution to form a new committee to identify, promote and implement this programming on an ever expanded scale. More to come on this in the near future!

We kicked-off the weekend with a series of 4 private wine dinners for our sponsors and benefactors. The Highlands Plateau homes of the Butler's, Fisher's, Jones' and LeCraw's set the tone for the weekend; all were magnificent and gracious hosts of catered gourmet meals paired with vintage wines.

Wilmington Trust was our Presenting corporate sponsor. Silver sponsors included: Air Tran, BNY Mellon Wealth Management, Chubb/Lanigan Insurance, and Hennessy Automobile Companies, many participating for the first time. Bronze sponsors included: Harry Norman Realtors (Bert Mobley & Pat Allen, brokers) and Franklin Ford/Moss Robertson Cadillac. Media bronze sponsors included: *Highlands Newspaper*, *Laurel Magazine*, *WNC Magazine* and *Wines Down South* online magazine. Our sponsors over doubled their contributions from last year! These businesses and all of the attending benefactors and individual ticket purchasers represent the bedrock of our event and we can't thank them enough.

This year we additionally retained the outside services of event planner, Elizabeth Fletcher, of I Do Events Atlanta, and auctioneer, Greg Quiroga, of the noted San Francisco auction firm of Reynolds & Buckley. They were the active, creative geniuses behind our success. This 3-day event had so many volunteers and was led by Laney Capron and Laura Rogers. A "Virtual Wine Group" was formed to assist with vintners and distributors to assure the finest range of value and vintage wines. John Rymer and Bert Mobley of Highlands led this group with hands-on assistance

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## • OBITUARY •

### Lillie Mae McCall



Lillie Mae McCall, age 95, of Highlands, NC, died Thursday, May 20, 2010 in a Ducktown, Tennessee nursing home. She was a native of Mountain Rest, SC, the daughter of the late Frank and Rosa Nix McCall. She was married to the late Tolliver E. McCall. She had worked for the Episcopal Church of the Incarnation in Highlands, NC and for Highlands Biological Station. She was a member of Clear Creek Baptist Church for over 50 years, where she was a former Sunday School Teacher and Bible School Teacher.

She is survived by two sons, Carter McCall of Epworth, GA and Leon McCall and his wife Earlene of Gainesville, GA; a sister, Lassie Norton of Acworth, GA and a half-sister, Judy Goorey of Franklin, NC; a brother, Elmer McCall of Franklin, NC; three grandchildren, Nancy Souther and husband, Scotty, Diane Klin and Keith McCall; seven great-grandchildren also survive.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by three sisters, Pauline McConnell, Gladys Dendy and Margie McKinney; two brothers Carl McCall and Hoyt McCall and also two infant brothers Herbert and Harvey McCall; one grandson, Kenneth McCall; one great-granddaughter; two daughters-in-law, Joan McCall and Sue McCall.

Funeral services will be held Sunday, May 23rd at 3 pm in the Chapel of Bryant-Grant Funeral Home in Franklin, with Dr. Tom Jordan and Rev. Roy Lowe officiating. Burial will be at Scaly Mountain United Methodist Church Cemetery. Pallbearers will be grandsons, Keith McCall and Matthew McCall and nephews. The family will receive friends from 1-3 pm, two hours prior to the service at Bryant-Grant Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to American Diabetes Association, Greenville-Spartanburg NC-SC Office, 16-A Brozzini Court, Greenville, SC 29615.

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## • LAUGHING AT LIFE •

### Porking Miss Piggy Can you top this?

No, this is not another of my tacky children's stories I'm sure you've been reading to your little ones. Warning: Do not read this to children or members of the Highlands Police Department.

**Fred Wooldridge**

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OK, first the disclaimer. This cruel story has nothing...I repeat, nothing to do with the current hubbub going on at the Highlands police department so don't send me a subpoena 'cause I know nothing, saw nothing and did nothing. But as that unfortunate scandal unfolds and the "he said, she said" denials begin, my memory, what's left of it, has been dusted off to the days when I was a cop.

I am not making this up. I was working narcotics at the time when one of my detectives burst into my office and said, "Captain, you gotta go over to Criminal Records and look at the rookie class; they're getting their police ID's." When I arrived and looked over the class, I was floored.

There, standing before me was a live, breathing female replica of Miss Piggy from the Muppets fame. She even had a Miss Piggy hairstyle. Instantly, I felt sorry for her. You see, cops, including myself, sometimes act like kindergarten children and are cruel to each other. This rookie didn't know it yet, but she was in for one helluva ride.

I liked Miss Piggy because she was a good cop, except her 180 lb., 5'2" frame made her ill equipped to chase bad guys. But we were entering that era where most cops were fat and no longer chased bad guys on foot. As time passed, life started to get uglier and uglier for Miss Piggy. Worse, the Muppet Show was peaking on TV.

Each time Miss Piggy would use her microphone to broadcast anything over her radio, it was followed by a solid 30 seconds of oinks and snorting. Each day at work, her cubbyhole mail box had a new Miss Piggy treasure. The stores were full of inexpensive Miss Piggy stuff and she had been given them all. It was getting cruel. Someone glued her face from a photograph on an oversized Miss Piggy doll, then hung it from a hangmen's noose in the squad room. Then, one afternoon she went to the motor pool and found a three foot Miss

Piggy doll super-glued to the hood of her police car. The paint was ruined.

Wait, it gets worse. One morning, the chief ordered all unit leaders to his office for a meeting. I arrived late and found his office full of police brass. In the corner, sat Miss Piggy with tears dried on her cheeks. The room grew quiet. Then the chief spoke. "Alright, I've had enough. The harassment of this young lady must stop and I mean right now. If I find out who did this, they're fired." Then the chief opened his desk drawer and pulled out a bloody rag containing a cut off pig's foot. "This was in her mailbox," the chief said sternly.

The chief assured Miss Piggy that a special person would be assigned to investigate the pig's foot caper. Funny, there was only one cop on our department who owned a pig farm so I guess I'd start there. Anyway, when Miss Piggy left the office, the chief burst out in laughter, pointing to the bloody pig's foot and said, "Is that the funniest thing you've ever seen? Who's the dumbest Lieutenant we have I can assign this investigation to?"

Once the not too bright Lieutenant was given his assignment and word went out, he was handed forty-seven signed letters of confession from officers claiming they put the pig's foot in her mailbox.

Now the tacky part; Miss Piggy couldn't file an EEOC complaint 'cause she was getting porked by a high ranking police official who shall remain nameless. A little circus music, please!

But things have a way of working themselves out, especially for Miss Piggy. The chief died in his swimming pool from a massive heart attack at the age of thirty seven. After making a spectacle of herself by throwing her body on the casket at the funeral home, she quit her job, kissed her high ranking police official goodbye and filed an EEOC complaint, raking in a small fortune. The EEOC board was not impressed that Miss Piggy was sleeping with a police official but they were impressed with the Miss Piggy doll dangling from a hangman's noose. It cost the city a fortune.

Have you read Fred's book, *I'm Moving Back to Mars?*



# • THE VIEW FROM HERE •

## The 'trappings' of civilization

Several years ago, I took a raft trip through the Grand Canyon. The raft had a plywood deck that might have measured 18'x24', so it shouldn't be confused with a kayak. The flat deck was mounted on six inflatable Army surplus pontoons. There was ample room for several passengers and a small mountain of supplies. The supplies rode along to guarantee that our every need and wish might be satisfied. On the fifth and final day of the trip our guides served, in addition to pork chops and eggs, grapefruit halves topped with a Maraschino cherries. It was a tough trip. I'd been to Disney World, so I knew rapids.

One of the things that sold me on the trip was the idea of sipping a cold beer at dusk, after a long day of shooting rapids, resting in the maw of the Grand Canyon, looking up at a cloudless sky. To do that required both beer and a refrigerant. We bought the beer shortly before starting down river. One of the guys, who seemed to be a veteran, told us we could chill the beer in the cold river water. He suggested a bag and stout rope. We hung the bag over the stern and headed down river. Somewhere between Glen Canyon Dam and our



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camp site, we lost our sack to the river. But this is not a sad story

The presence of the Mason Couch family from Chicago, or maybe it was Minneapolis, guaranteed an extraordinary experience. Mason was a real estate developer, and proud of it. His wife, whose name I don't remember was an appendage, and smugly comfortable as a trophy. When Mason asked a fellow camper if he'd ever

heard of Mattel Toys, the answer didn't really matter. It was simply a way for Mason to announce that he'd brokered the deal. Mason and "What's her name" were pretty people, and they had two lovely children. Really they had one lovely child, a tall, tanned muscular Adonis type, with a perfectly shaped nose. The second kid was definitely the second kid. He was fat and freckled. He lacked the smooth manner with which his older brother dealt with the much older fellow travelers. He seemed at best an inconvenience to his parents, at worst an embarrassment. They seemed puzzled that he had sprung from their patrician seed.

It was an unwritten rule that the passengers helped unload the gear when we

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## • COACH'S CORNER •

### It's been awhile, but how about some random thoughts?

Czech Republic 4, USA 2 in a little friendly tune up for the World Cup. Our defense was putrid and Oguchi Onyewu looked like he had rushed back from injury. That kind of defense will get the US on the wrong end of a blowout in the opener against England.

Speaking of US vs. England, we definitely need a catchy name for this game. The whole "Tea Party" thing has been ruined by the recent protestors who have adopted the name, and I'm not sure that "Revolution; Part Two" has the right ring to it. We are coming up on the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the War of 1812 in just a few years, but I'm not sure how we can tie that in either.



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One more note on the World Cup. Fernando Torres cut his hair, so now he looks slightly more manly despite being the best soccer player in the world. (Lionel Messi, Wayne Rooney and Ronaldo would beg to differ with the previous statement)

Phoenix has tied up their series with the Lakers by taking a page straight out of the Men's League handbook. If

you are facing a team that has a superstar or two, play zone and force the other guys to beat you. Kobe has been spectacular in the last two games, but the other Lakers have been unable to step up and Phoenix now has all the momentum after a game 4 victory that saw their bench score 54 points.

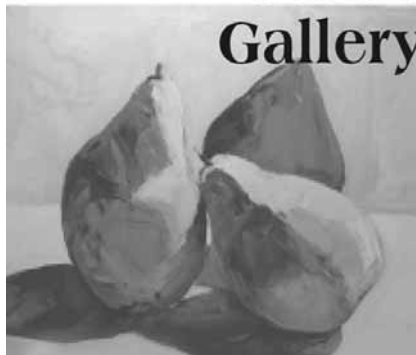
Meanwhile, Orlando salvaged their season on Monday night, but faced elimination last night at home. How did the game turn out? While I cannot predict the future, I can without a doubt say that Orlando must get more production out of \$16 million dollar men Vince Carter and Rashard Lewis. Both have been absolutely (Bill Walton voice) hooorrible in this series and forced Stan Van Gundy to go to a crunch time lineup of Jameer Nelson, JJ Redick, Matt Barnes, Brandon Bass and Dwight Howard.

Speaking of Vince Carter, has there ever been a superstar who folded under pressure worse than Vince? Alex Rodriguez used to be the gold standard for superstar chokers, but he snapped out of that in the World Series last year. The artist formerly known as Vinsanity... well when the lights shine he hides like a dog at bathtime. It's almost sad in a way, that a guy with those physical gifts lacks such mental focus and intensity. (who says God doesn't have a sense of humor)

While I was sad to see the Montreal Canadiens fall just short of the Stanley Cup, I will not miss their ugly brand of hockey. It seems that every year we have a team that plays that junky zone trap make the finals, and Montreal would have been that team this year. I guess that while zone trapping makes for a more exciting NBA game, it makes hockey a lot less exciting.

And finally, whoever told Kevin Harlan he needed to change his announcing catchphrase to "BANG" should probably be put into an asylum. I could handle "right between the eyes" because it didn't happen all that often... but this new one is absolutely absurd.

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## • HIS & HERS •

### 'I Was in the First Wave'

by John Armor

I was at breakfast on Sunday morning at the Sheraton National, in Arlington, Virginia. I was attending a conference elsewhere, but could only find space in Virginia. Also at my hotel were the members of the Iwo Jima Association.

That Association was for survivors of that battle, and for the families of those who did not survive.

At the table next to me were two, older gentlemen. The younger man was in his 60's. He mentioned at one point where his father was buried at Arlington Cemetery, just a few blocks away. Then the older man, somewhere in his 90's said a simple statement that will follow me to the end of my days.

"I was in the first wave," he said in a soft voice with little hint of any emotion. As he continued, he described how they were taking fire from enemy who were hidden in holes at all points of the compass.

I have seen many war movies. The first one to come to grips with the reality — which I got from books, and from talking to people who were there — was "Saving Private Ryan." That movie showed what this elderly man, sitting a few feet away, experienced, 65 years ago this month.

And I sat back and began to think. Has there ever been a time in my life, any time for any reason, that I have been in the first wave? Is there anything I value in my life enough to put my life on the line for its (or their) preservation?

I've never fought in a war. I have deliberately risked my life just once, in a tragi-comic dust-em-up with the local Mafia in Baltimore. But on the other hand, there is one subject, one goal, that has occupied the center of my life since I was teenager. It is the Constitution of the United States.

After 45 years of working with that document I am now certain that the essence of the Constitution is under attack. It is being attacked by people who are ignorant (mostly) or malicious (some) and if they have their way the Constitution will die in our generation.

The actual document will survive, to be sure, in its argon-filled cases at National Archives. But the political, legal and economic results of the document will be lost. It will become only an interesting talisman to be referred to, like the carved heads on the Easter Islands.

Wars fought with ideas have no clear beginning, no clear end. There are major battles in which the ground shifts. Though the nature and the outcomes of those battles may not be known until generations later. Most of the participants may be dead and gone before the results are known.

So be it.



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I have fought long and hard in state and federal courts, up to the US Supreme Court. I've written, I've taught, I've spent hours, weeks and months talking with citizens, candidates, and strangers on buses, about the danger to the Constitution.

It has cost me a huge amount of money, since constitutional lawyers do not get paid at anything approaching the pay

scales of lawyers who specialize in the legal problems of the well-to-do. It has cost me much of my personal time, since fighting for the Constitution does not end at the close of business, nor does it take time off for week-ends and federal holidays.

The said thing is that the worst of the enemies are those who ought to know better. Judges, especially federal judges, most particularly Justices of the Supreme Court, are grossly incompetent if they do not understand that the Constitution is a multifaceted limitation on the powers of the federal government. Judges who do not understand that are unfit to put on a robe and step onto a bench at any level.

The other category of the enemies who ought to know better, are elected office-holders. Everyone in public office takes an oath (or makes an affirmation) to respect and protect the Constitution of the United States. Anyone who hasn't read it, or acts like he hasn't read it, does not belong in any public office at any level.

I hope live long enough to see this war won. But if I don't, I hope someone can justly say of me on the occasion of my Irish wake, that "I was in the first wave for the Constitution."

And in time, I hope they begin again teaching in civics class, this statement by Thomas Jefferson, "Put not your faith in man, but bind him down with the chains of the Constitution." And mind you, that does not mean that the Constitution never changes. It changes through the Amendment Article, which George Washington called "the authentic act of the whole people." A majority of the House and Senate, a majority of the Supreme Court, plus the President, do not amount to "the authentic act of the whole people."

I do not compare what I have done to the sacrifices of that man, and his companion's father, 65 years ago. I do say that it is healthy for all of us to have causes larger and outside of ourselves. And if we are fortunate, we may be found in the forefront of those worthwhile intellectual and moral battles.

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made camp for the night. While many hands were making light work, Mr. and Mrs. Couch were preparing for the evening, which included changing to elegant canyon casual attire and setting up the back gammon board. For him that meant slacks and a brilliantly white Lacoste polo shirt. She looked stunning, if slightly out of place in a silk blouse, the top two buttons carelessly left unbuttoned. They never became part of the group. But

they were royalty.

On the fateful morning, three days downstream, we were running a bone-jarring rapid. Depending on one's thirst for adventure, he could be dangling his feet over the bow or clinging to the cargo netting. Adonis was sitting on a crate when the raft bucked, driving the back of Bill's head into Adonis' nose. "My God, it's broken. Can we get a helicopter down here? Is there a good plastic surgeon in Las Vegas, or should we go to L.A.?" She said it all without hesitation or pause, a fully developed emergency plan. It seemed as if she'd been preparing for this moment her entire life. There were two doctors on board; me, an anesthesiologist, and Bill, whose head was theoretically responsible for the injury, an ophthalmologist from Duluth, Minnesota. Everybody agreed that, in the absence of an ENT, Bill who treated eyes was a better choice than an anesthesiologist, who dealt in sleep. Mr. and Mrs. Couch blamed Dr. Bill for the tragedy and were not particularly eager to ask for his help. Realizing that none of her other questions mattered, she repeated, "Is it broken?" Bill might have smiled and answered, "It's straight as an arrow, and if it's straight, nothing else matters. For God's sake, plastic surgeons intentionally break a patient's nose. Why? To straighten it!" The Couch family would have been happy, giddy in their good fortune. Bill would have been invited for cocktails and back gammon. There surely would have been less tension on board.

Instead, he answered, "Can't be sure without an x-ray. Best thing is to keep it iced for the next two days, when we'll be able to get out of the canyon."

That's when we realized that Western River Expeditions, which had tried to guarantee a perfect adventure without inconvenience or discomfort had loaded a thousand pounds of gear, but not one bag of ice.

## ... THANKS continued from page 2

from David Reddick, along with food & wine guru, Jim Fenner, both from Cashiers. Bascom Chair Willis Willey and Chair Emeritus Bob Fisher contributed their time and advice throughout. The Bascom staff, led by Executive Director Linda Steigleder, were all behind the scenes every step of the way to assure utmost support and service to our volunteers, patrons and sponsors.

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## • CONSERVATIVE POV •

### Let the party begin...

While I nervously await the results of today's elections, I thought I'd explore the net and take the temperature of the blogosphere regarding Tea Parties. We all remember that the Tea Party strongly influenced Scott Brown's winning "Ted Kennedy's Seat" in the Massachusetts special election. Chris Christie of New Jersey and Bob McDonnell of Virginia owe their election in some part to the participation of Tea party activists.

BREAKING NEWS – I am seeing, in disbelief, the President of Mexico, speaking in the well in the floor of the House, and chastising the State of Arizona, its people, its legislature and its Governor, for passing legislation to deal with illegals (mostly from his country). As if this wasn't sickening enough, the Democrat side of the House rose to applaud his remarks. I've been raging about the damage the Dems could do six months before the elections, but his is over the top.

Here is a foreigner, who sends his unemployed to us to GIVE healthcare, education, food, housing and benefits beyond anything that we give our own, and he is telling us how we should defend our sovereignty. That's bad enough, but to be encouraged by OUR elected officials is sedition. It's too bad nobody asked him if he had read the law as were our marvelous Attorney General Holder and the vapid and vacant Janet "Big Sis" Napolitano, Secretary of the Alleged Department of Homeland Security, neither of which had. The only pleasant part of this whole disgusting episode was watching these idiots, after slamming Arizona's effort to protect itself, stuttering and stammering as they had to admit they hadn't read it. Reading 17 pages seems to be too much to ask of these first-level bureaucrats. It's much easier to read the morning party line than to know the facts.

If the electorate wasn't incensed enough with business as unusual, if this doesn't fan the flames of discontent, nothing will. I'm afraid we right-wing radicals are the only ones seeing this horror story unfold and the Tea Party people must inform those who watch network news that the soul of their country is being outsourced, largely due to the efforts of the President. I heard no purpose being served by Mexico's President Calderon's visit here other than to give Obama another chance to apologize for the "racially motivated" Arizona legislation and to give the foreigner the chance to agree with him.



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To some of you, Tea Party is a vague concept. Some think it is an actual political party, such as the Republicans and Democrats. Not so. Tea Party is a philosophical movement that believes that we are Taxed Enough Already. It consists of many separate organizations, whose members are unified in the thought that spending is out of control, federal debt is mounting into unsustainable territory and government is growing far too intrusive in

our lives.

In previous columns, I've explained how, in February 2009, a TV reporter from the Chicago Board of Trade ranted about the injustice of the government bailing out homeowners who can't pay their mortgages and doing so with your money. He suggested a Chicago Tea Party in July 2009, but listeners and hundreds of thousands of others couldn't wait and organized hundreds of Tea Parties on April 15<sup>th</sup>.

Liberals viewed this outpouring of citizen unrest in many curious and various ways. Some chose to ignore it, others dismissed it as a flash-in-the-pan. Still others described the participants as ignorant, genetically flawed, led around by the nose by talk show hosts, etc. Even when a million or two of their fellow Americans paid their own way (in contrast to the mobs that were enlisted in the Obama campaign) to converge on Washington, bureaucrats and the mainstream media pretended it never happened. Sort of reminiscent of the Holocaust deniers, isn't it?

You could have knocked me over with a feather when a friend and trusted information resource said he had a copy of the New York Times I needed to see. I'd rather gargle with Drano than read the NYT, so I was amazed when the April 15<sup>th</sup> issue, the lead article, front-page above the fold, contained the results of a NYT/CBS poll exploring the demographics of the Tea Party. Remarkably, the lengthy story was mostly fair and accurate, and listed, among other data, the following results: "Supporters Are Better Educated, Wealthier and More Conservative, Poll Finds." Gee, do you think they may know something others don't?

I am a proud part of the Conservative movement and will do everything in my power to expose those who applauded Calderon and who constantly tear or country apart. The day of reckoning is November 2, 2010.

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### Vacation-rental home rules to live by

**R**ealtors hear it all the time. "We want to buy a house to rent to pay the expenses." Can it be done? Well, yes and no – with a heavy emphasis on "No."

Since we've been managing rentals, I've only heard one owner say rental income paid his expenses. From here on, I'll refer to him as Billy Buyer. First of all, he didn't count his mortgage as rental house expenses. He was referring to property taxes, insurance, utilities, repairs, maintenance, property management fees and commissions. How did he do it? In a market where some homes rent sporadically, some not at all? How is it that some homes rent better? In his case, Billy bought a lot with the intention of placing a rental home on it – a home in which he and his wife would retire, or at least spend a major portion of their years.

Rule # 1: Make sure your rental home is one you want in an area you want. You may be able to find a "great deal" for a house, but if that house only appeals to a small percentage of buyers, the same rule applies to renters. That may sound like a simple rule, but the "location, location, location" statement didn't get it's notoriety for nothing.

Rule #2: When considering a home to buy for rental purposes, look at it as if you yourself were coming to stay in a vacation rental. Things that you like about a home for sale will be some of the same things rental prospects will look for as well -- view, walk to town, water features, good and clean ceilings, walls and floors, updated kitchens/baths, fireplaces, outdoor activities, etc.

Billy Buyer bought and built on his lot, which was close to town, and had some quality custom features -- vaulted ceilings, wood floors, nice stone fireplace, larger than normal bedrooms, etc., and then furnished the home with calm modern colors, an eclectic mixture of antiques and new, but comfortable furnishings.

Rule #3: Furnish it with "Like not Love." When looking at a home to buy that is being sold *unfurnished* don't fall in love with the furnishings unless you intend to pay *more* than the asking price.



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Instead, take notes and pictures and reinvent what's there.

Renters that pay vacation rental prices in Highlands are used to nice things and they will take care of them. (It's a misnomer that rental homes get trashed, or badly damaged from the use of multiple renters.) You probably don't want to put in an original Van Gogh, but fill it with items you "Like," items that are distinctive, but not irreplaceable.

There are many designers in our area that could show you how to best fill your nest. You could also pour over magazines and treasure hunt yourself. Your home makes a statement about you so fill it with unique belongings not generic "cookie cutter" things. Offer good quality linens and bedding and be ready to replace them when needed.

Rule #4: Decide who will manage and market your rental home. There are several management companies in Highlands, there are also websites geared to help homeowners rent their own homes with no management. If you go that route, you will be responsible for finding needed vendors (cleaners, plumbers, yard maintenance, etc. and paying the county and state taxes required).

Rule #5: Expect the smallest amount – especially the first couple of years. It takes time to get a new home "in the face" of renters. Don't despair. If you are considering renting your home for the first time (or buying a home to rent) contact offices that specialize in rentals. Compare what each company can do for you.

Questions you may feel the urge to ask, "How much will my house rent?" or "How much will I make?" The answer is "Nobody knows. We can only estimate and tell you what similar homes have rented for in the past."

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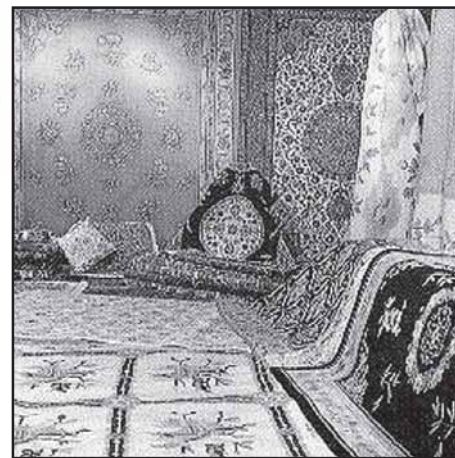
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## • HEALTH MATTERS •

*This week begins our weekly series on "Heath Matters." Each week area doctors from across the medical spectrum will write about their specialty. First up is Kim Bonsteel, who operates "Center for Acupunture & Healing Arts" in the Peggy Crosby Center. Contact him at [goinghomeagain@yahoo.com](mailto:goinghomeagain@yahoo.com)*

### Drawing from the past

In the early 1500s, Phillippus Aureolus Theophrastus Bombastus von Hohenheim, known as Paracelsus, was a Swiss-Austrian physician and botanist, alchemist and astrologer. His experiments eventually determined which doses of mercurials and arsenicals would produce a therapeutic effect without killing the patient. This was 120 years after Gutenberg invented a movable-type printing press; two hundred years earlier still, the Chinese, who had invented printing long ago, had already acquired a highly evolved pharmacology using plants, minerals, and other naturally-occurring substances, sometimes including animal parts.

By the year 1200 in China, thousands of medicinal materials had been catalogued and classified according to their taste (sour, bitter, sweet, acrid, salty, astringent), their temperature effect on the body (cold, cool, neutral, warm, hot), and which one or more of the twelve channels of acupuncture they entered: lung, large intestine, stomach, spleen, heart, small intestine, bladder, kidney, xin bao, san jiao — the latter two being terms it takes paragraphs to translate — gall bladder, liver. Each of the thousands of substances with its proper dosage, observable effects and side effects had been recorded. How to prepare each substance for best safety and efficacy, how each substance acted in combination with any of the others, and the method of combining a number of substances to achieve a well-balanced formula were all well understood.

Some commonly used formulas were already more than a thousand years old (and are still used today). This advanced system of pharmaceuticals existed alongside another major scientific tradition of medicine — acupuncture — sometimes in rivalry, sometimes in cooperation. All this medical knowledge was thoroughly documented in a literate, scientific tradition going back to the fifth century Before the Common Era. By the time Gutenberg invented movable type, more than 40,000 volumes on the science of medicine had been published in China.

In December of 1799, George Washington had a fever and throat infection, which turned into pneumonia; the pneumonia didn't kill him, but mercurial medicine gave him kidney failure, and after five pints of blood-letting, his doctors had done him in. In China of the same era, doctors all over the land had known for more than 1,500 years just how to safely treat pneumonia with a high success rate, and better

yet, how to prevent a fever and sore throat from progressing to pneumonia in the first place.

To see how this could be possible (and we not know about it), you have to understand that in all of Western history, there has never been a period of more than 3 or 400 years when social and political structures remained the same. There were centuries when scientific literature was lost, periods of regression instead of progress. But in China, when ruling dynasties changed, the social and political structures remained essentially the same for 2,500 years. Literacy and scholarship was encouraged throughout that time.

I don't know what American children learn in school these days, but when I took world history in high school, we had maybe one chapter on China. It was all about what the colonial powers did there, the Dutch East India Company, the British East India Company, wars after that, later the communist revolution, then China selling Migs to the North Koreans, China supplying the Vietnamese. There were reasons not to give us anything to admire about China.

But in 1954, at Cambridge, Joseph Needham published the first of 27 volumes of *Science and Civilisation in China*, and suddenly scholars discovered a society more advanced than the West in many aspects throughout most of its history, at least until the European invasions. China had invented gunpowder and fireworks a long time ago, even trying to land a man on the moon a few centuries before Dutch mariners came. (That's a funny story for some other time.) But the West learned to use gunpowder propulsion for superior long arms and cannons, forcing China to submit for a time to Western exploitation of trade, because the Europeans controlled the seas. Just as everywhere else the colonizers went, the conquered country found its level of prosperity reduced, poverty and melancholy on the rise. China developed an inferiority complex. It also developed what we now call "Stockholm syndrome," when hostages begin to sympathize with their captors. China began, slowly, to envy the West, wanted to be like the West.

Later, because of that inferiority complex and envy, China would adopt so much Westernization that the original Chinese medicine was almost lost. Happily, social, cultural, and economic forces brought us a resurgence of Chinese medicine today.

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One of the nicest 3/3 condos at The Views at Highlands Cove. Great mountain view, easy walk-in access. Lots of upgrades over the standard units. 2 fireplaces, screened porch, hardwoods, granite counters, crown moldings, 10ft ceilings, built-in wine cooler, 2 master suites and more. Breathtaking views and beautifully decorated. Priced at \$695,000. MLS# 69876



Wonderful useable lot with fantastic location features multiple golf holes including the 5th and 6th just off back deck and a great view of a lake and the mountains in the distance. Easy access and main level living; 3 bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths. Kitchen/dining room that opens onto a large screened porch that overlooks the 6th fairway and club lake. Two car garage with a private office, lower level has a hobby room, storage area and additional half bath. Additional potting shed/ golf cart storage round out this exceptional package. Offered at \$905,000. mls #70307



Cherokee Drive - Great Entry Level 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, charming cottage with wood floors, fireplace. Good storage. Large deck and great yard. Offered at \$329,000. mls #70204



Cherokee Drive - Very nice Home with old Highlands Charm has extensive landscaping, privacy, and a flat approach. 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Wood floors, updated kitchen and bathrooms. Offered at \$595,000. mls #70287



Sagee Woods. Excellent neighborhood and he most reasonable house in this area. 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, sunroom, fireplace, fresh paint, Low maintenance roof. Two car garage, large storage shed. Great privacy with possible additional building site. Offered at \$795,00. mls #69625 virtual tour



Sequoyah Lakefront - On the end of a peninsula and adjacent to a wooded park, this wonderful mountain contemporary features great privacy. 3 bedroom 3 bath home, plus a family room, den, 2 car garage, and workshop. Huge porch and open deck, with stairs that lead down to a boathouse with electric hoist. Loads of storage! Offered at \$1,395,000. mls #70123



COWEE RIDGE: Sweeping mountain range views. Large 3 acre lot, nicely landscaped grounds w/water features. Well-maintained 5BR/4Bath home. Built-in display, bookcase and entertainment cabinetry. Lower level has 2BR/1Bath w/small kitchen, and is Handicap Accessible. Art studio, workshop, wet bar. Priced to sell at \$850,000. MLS #70237



Great Mirror Lake Location on Chowan Drive! Almost new, this lovely 3 bedroom, 3 bath cabin sits high on a hill and is in immaculate condition! Large covered porch and open deck, spacious open living room with fireplace. If you are looking for a mountain home, this one is not to be missed. Basic designer furnishings may be purchased at additional cost. Offered at \$595,000, MLS#69266



# Ongoing and Upcoming Events



## Musical services in June at Christ Anglican

Christ Anglican Church will host a special musical service on June 6 at 9 a.m., featuring four professional instrumentalists and two accomplished vocalists who will augment the church's 1928 Book of Common Prayer liturgy with portions from J. S. Bach's Mass in G Major.

The four instrumentalists are violinist Monique Pinelli, who plays with the Asheville Lyric Opera; violinist and violist Elizabeth Terry of Asheville, who is orchestra director at East Henderson High School and Flat Rock Middle School; violist Matthew King of Hendersonville, former member of the Hendersonville and Asheville symphonies; and cellist Eric Scheider who performs regularly around western North Carolina and is conductor of the Jubilee! Community Summer Orchestra. Together

these four comprise the Café String Quartet.

The Quartet will be joined by mezzo-soprano Amanda Gardner-Porter, who began her singing career in Asheville and sings roles with Asheville Lyric Opera, and by soprano Amada Horton who has sung with the Asheville Lyric Opera and the Asheville Symphony.

The members of Christ Anglican Church and their rector Jim Murphy invite the communities and surrounding areas of Highlands and Cashiers to hear these six talented musicians and participate in this worshipful musical and liturgical service.

Christ Anglican Church meets in the facilities of Whiteside Presbyterian Church, Highway 64, Cashiers. For more information, call Christ Anglican at 828-743-1701.



Violinist Monique Pinelli, violist and violinist Elizabeth Terry, violist Matthew King, and cellist Eric Scheider.

### Ongoing

• Join us for lunch at Highlands-Cashiers Hospital, where from May through October, you can enjoy an hour long *Lunch and Learn* educational seminar, on a variety of health topics, followed by a question and answer session. Lunch will be provided and seating is limited, so please call (828) 526-1313 or (828) 526-1250 today to make your reservation.

• Highlands Playhouse Theatre Lovers Tour XIII — there are a few spaces available for this year's theatre tour to the Irish Republic. The tour leaves Atlanta on Nov. 4-18. The price of the tour includes the non-stop air fare and all transportation costs in Ireland. The tour will visit many sites near Dublin with the hotel, breakfast and all tips included in the price of \$2,925. A single room supplement is \$525. For more information or a brochure, please call Joanna Baumrucker, your guide, at 526-3605 or call the Highlands Playhouse box office at 526-2695 and leave a message. The Playhouse season and more information about the trip is available on our website, [www.highlandisplayhouse.org](http://www.highlandisplayhouse.org)

• Registration is now open for the 2010 summer nature day camps at the Highlands Nature Center. Five different camps are offered: "WOW! — a World of Wonder" (ages 4-6), "Amazing Animals" (ages 7-10), "NatureWorks" (ages 8-11), "Mountain Explorers" (ages 10-13), and "Junior Ecologists" (ages 11-14). Some camps are offered more than once during the summer. Sessions run from Tuesday to Friday each week. For complete schedules, costs, and other information, please call 828-526-2623 or visit [www.wcu.edu/hbs](http://www.wcu.edu/hbs).

• At Health Tracks at Highlands-Cashiers Hospital, various exercise classes all week long. Call 828-

526-1FIT.

### All Week

• YOGA — at Moonrise Yoga Studio, 464 Carolina Way. Mon., 10 a.m. & 5 p.m.; Tues., 8 a.m.; Wed., 8 a.m. & 10 a.m.; Sat., 9:30 a.m. All Levels. Mats provided. 526-8880. More info at [www.yogahighlands.com](http://www.yogahighlands.com) (6/24)

### Through June

• Bookworm ½ off sale beginning June 1. Books, CDs, DVDs and cut rate prices. Proceeds go toward Hudson Library. Bookworm is open Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 526-9938 ext. 300.

### Sundays in June

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## HCP's Parallel Lives at PAC • May 28



Bretha Stroud and Ronnie Spilton in the vignette, "Shakespeare", part of the HCP's **Parallel Lives** Small Stages production being performed at PAC on Friday, May 28th. Small Stages will feature cabaret style seating and ambience. Call PAC for tickets: 828.526.9047. **Parallel Lives** will continue through the first two weekends in June. **Parallel Lives** contains adult language.





# Ongoing and Upcoming Events

meets at Whiteside Presbyterian Church, highway 64, Cashiers. For further information, call 828-743-1701.

## Through June 16

• Applications are now being accepted by the Highlands Historical Society for membership in this year's class of Kelsey Kids. Membership is limited to 12 students, ages 9, 10 and 11 who are residents of Highlands. They may be students at any school or may be home-schooled. Kelsey Kids is named in honor of Highlands founder, Samuel Kelsey, who founded the Town in 1875. The "Kids" will meet once weekly from June 16 through mid-August. The program, made possible by a grant from the Eckerd Family Foundation, teaches Highlands history by means of field trips and demonstrations. For further information or to request an application form, telephone the Historical Society at (828) 787-1050.

## Through Aug. 13

• Mountain Fresh Foods has Relay for Life Star Cards for sale.

• "Healing Hands Team" Of Highlands/Cashiers Hospital Relay for Life, will begin their annual raffle for "Specialty Themed Baskets", Starting may 14th. Raffle tickets will available for purchase at the Acute Nurses Station on the hospital campus. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. This year's basket themes include: "HCH Physical Therapy and Health Tracks Services", "Coffee Break", "Picnic & Camping" and "Dinner for Two." Please contact Callie Calloway for more information: 828-526-1313 or [cutz@hchospital.org](mailto:cutz@hchospital.org)

## Sundays

• Aftershock Youth meets every Sunday Night at 6:30 p.m. downstairs at Cullasaja Assembly of God at 6201 Highlands Road, Franklin, NC. Contact youth ministers Seth & Sarha Henegar at 828 369-7540 ext 203.

• Old Fashioned Hymn-Sing at the Little Church of the Wildwood in Horse Cove. 7-9 p.m. Sundays through Labor Day. Kay Ward – 743-5009

## Mon. & Wed.

• Pilates Classes at the Jane Woodruff Clinic, 1st floor, at H-C Hospital taught by Sandie Trevathan at 4 p.m. A mat class for all levels. For info call 526-5852. (7/29)

## Mon., Wed., & Thurs.

• On the Mat Yoga at the Episcopal Church of the Incarnation on Main Street. Enter through single door facing Mountain Fresh. Upper Level Jones Hall. Monday & Wednesday at 7:30 a.m. and Thursday at 10:4. Bring your mat. 828-482-2128. \$10/hour. (4/29)

## Mon., Wed., Fri.

• Heart Healthy Exercise Class at the Rec Park. 8:30-9:30 a.m. \$20/month.

• 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, 5:30 p.m. at the Episcopal Church at Fifth and Main streets.

## Tuesdays

• Tuesday After School Classes for grades K-6 are held weekly at The Bascom in Highlands. To register or for more information, visit [www.thebascom.org](http://www.thebascom.org) or call (828) 526-4949 ext. 100.

• 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.

## Tuesdays & Thursdays

• Kettlebell Class at the Rec Park with Ginger Baldwin at 5:15 p.m. Fast moving free weight kinetic chain movement for 30-40 minutes. \$8 per class. Call 526-3556 or 526-4959 to reserve a spot.

## Wednesdays

• Wednesday Preschool Creativity Classes for Parent and Child (ages 2 1/2-5) are held weekly at The Bascom in Highlands. To register or for more information, visit [www.thebascom.org](http://www.thebascom.org) or call (828)

## Food Pantry Bingo – Thursday, June 3



On Thursday, June 3, the Rotary Club of Highlands and Highlands United Methodist Church will be partners again this year for an evening of Bingo to directly benefit Highlands Food Pantry. The Highlands Food Pantry located behind the Methodist Church provides grocery food items to over eighty families a week in the Highlands area.

Half of all money paid to play Bingo will be paid as prizes to game winners and the other half goes to Highlands Food Pantry.

Food Pantry Bingo is 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 and don't be afraid to laugh and have a great time.

*Absolutely just can't make it* – drop a check or cash by the Community Bldg. Thursday night or any time at the Civic Center or Methodist Church – just say it's for Rotary Food Pantry Bingo and every penny will go to the Food Pantry. Food Pantry Bingo is a family-style event that offers fun, a lot of humor, free refreshments, the chance to win Bingo cash – and help a number of families in our community.

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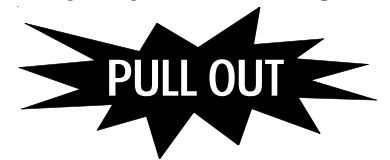
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- A FREE After School Program at Highlands United Methodist Church. Children are picked up at school, taken to the church, have a snack, helped with homework time and supervised playing on the playground and participate in a music program. Children are dismissed at 5:30 pm in time for dinner in the fellowship hall. For information, call 526-3376.

- The Highlands Mountaintop Rotary meets at 7:30 a.m. The new meeting place will be in the dining room at the Highlands-Cashiers Hospital. Enter the hospital in the main or emergency entrance and follow the signs downstairs. Visitors are welcome. Come learn about Rotary and enjoy fellowship while listening to an interesting speaker. Meetings end at 8:30 am.

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

- The Homegrown Buds, a homeschool 4-H club, meets at noon at the Macon County Library on Siler Road in Franklin at 1 p.m.

## 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

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

- Zahner Conservation Lecture Series every Thursday at 7 pm at the Highlands Nature Center May 13 through Aug. 5 It's free.

## 1st & 3rd Thursdays

- If you are suffering from a mental illness or have a relative with a diagnosis such as schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, depression, anxiety, PTSD, etc, you are not alone.

NAMI Appalachian South (National Alliance on Mental Illness) support group meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 486 W. Palmer St, Franklin

at 7p.m. Join us in this safe, confidential environment to share concerns, gain insight, understanding and hope. Next meeting: May 20. For more information call: Ann Nandrea 369-7385 or Carole Light 526-9769

## Friday & Saturdays

- Live Music at The Downhill Grill at Scaly Mountain Outdoor Center 7-9 p.m.. BYOB.

## Every Third Saturday

- The Highlands Memorial Post #370 of the American Legion meets at the Shortoff Baptist Church. Break-

fast is at 9 am. Meeting is at 10 a.m. All veterans are invited to attend.

## Every Fourth Saturday

- Friends of Panthertown work days, are the fourth Saturday of each month. (Time and location varies). Volunteers needed to maintain trails. For more information, contact Nina Elliott at 828-526-9938 (ext 258).

- The Scaly Mountain Women's Club will begin its monthly Pancake Breakfast this Memorial week-

end on Saturday, May 29. Breakfast will be served in the remodeled historical school house from 7:30-10:30 pm. Blueberry pancakes, sausage, orange juice and coffee is \$5.50 for adults and \$3.50 for children. Funds raised at the Pancake Breakfasts go toward the club's Scholarship program and other charities in the community. After Memorial week-end the pancake breakfasts will be held every 4th Saturday through October. Call Susan Bankston 526-9952 or email

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# Ongoing and Upcoming Events

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## Saturdays

• Saturday Art School for grades K-8 is held weekly at The Bascom in Highlands. To register or for more information, visit [www.thebascom.org](http://www.thebascom.org) or call (828) 526-4949 ext. 100.

• 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.

## Thursday, May 27

• Taize in Highlands is every Thursdays at 5:30 PM. at Episcopal Church of the Incarnation.. Taize is a nondenominational service of prayer, meditation, scripture and simple, beautiful music. No offerings are taken—these services are a free gift to the community.

• The Zahner Conservation Lecture Series at the Nature Center presents world renowned nature photographer and author, James Valentine will delight and inspire with his presentation "Southern Ap-

palachian Celebration: Save our Mountains." Don't miss Valentine's fantastic images of the oldest mountains in the world seen through the lens of a veteran artist. Program starts at 7 p.m., 930 Horse Cove Road. Free.

• A dance at the MC Community Center on Hwy. 441 S. in Franklin, NC, (across from Whistle Stop Mall) from 6:30 to 9 pm with music by "Swingtime Band" for more information call (828) 369-9155 or (586) 586-6373.

## Fri., May 28

• PAC's Small Stages will present HCP's production of Parallel Lives. Parallel Lives originated as stand-up comedy skits performed by the writers. Similar in structure to "Saturday Night Live," it parodies life as we know it, which is why audiences are expected to identify with many of the characters and situations. All performances will begin at 7:30pm. Call the Performing Arts Center for tickets: 828.526.9047.

• At 10 a.m., join hike leaders Glenda Zahner and James Valentine for a fun and

educational hike to the top of Satulah Mountain, one of the oldest mountains in the world. For more information, call 526-2602.

## Fri. & Sat., May 28-29

• A Center of Life Enrichment Membership Drive. Free "Sweet Treats" Ice Cream Cone with 2010 CLE Membership of \$30 Single \$50 Family. Come by and chat with a board member and share a cone.

## Sat. & Sun., May 29 & 30

• Village Square Art and Craft Show at Highlands Rec Park from 10 to 5. 62 regional painters, potters, jewelers, blacksmiths, furniture makers etc. plus music and food. Free admission. 828-787-2021 for info.

• Highlands Prominence Committee's Super Fab Sale from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Craig Building on the hill in Highlands. Annual garage sale will have furniture, exercise equipment, electronics, jewelry and more. Proceeds benefit local charities.

## Saturday, May 29

• Car Wash at RBC Bank from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. to raise funds for The Girls' Clubhouse end of year trip.

• 7th Annual "Salamander Meander" at the Highlands Nature Center. 9 pm, ages 7 - adult. Join herpetologists on a night

search to observe some of the area's magnificent salamanders in the wild. Bring rain gear and a flashlight. Call 526-2623 or visit [www.wcu.edu/hbs](http://www.wcu.edu/hbs) for more information.

• The Nantahala Hiking Club will take a 4-mile, moderate to strenuous work hike with the ATC Konnarock trail crew in the vicinity of Tellico Gap. Meet at Westgate Plaza in Franklin (opposite Burger King) at 8 a.m. Drive 60 miles round trip. Bring water, lunch; wear sturdy shoes. Call leader Bill Van Horn, 369-1983, for reservations. No pets please.

• Friends of Panthertown Trail Work Day. Meet at the Cold Mountain parking lot by the bulletin board at 9:30 am. For more information, go to [www.j-mca.org](http://www.j-mca.org) or contact us at 828-526-9938 (ext 258) or [friends.of.panthertown@gmail.com](mailto:friends.of.panthertown@gmail.com).

• The Scaly Mountain Women's Club will begin its monthly Pancake Breakfast this Memorial week-end on Saturday. Breakfast will be served in the remodeled historical school house from 7:30-10:30 pm. Blueberry pancakes, sausage, orange juice and coffee is \$5.50 for adults and \$3.50 for children. Funds raised at the Pancake Breakfasts go toward the club's Scholarship program and other charities in the community. After Memorial week-end

the pancake breakfasts will be held every 4th Saturday through October. Call Susan Bankston 526-9952 or email [sfbankston@gmail.com](mailto:sfbankston@gmail.com).

• The North Georgia Children's Chorus will present a concert on Saturday a 3 p.m. at Highlands United Methodist Church, 315 Main St. The concert is free. This talented group of choristers ranges in age from six to sixteen and is directed by Ruth Purcell.

## Sun., May 30

• The Nantahala Hiking Club will take an easy-to-moderate two-mile hike on Lake Chatuge trails at Jack Rabbit Mtn. near Hiawassee GA. Meet at Westgate Plaza in Franklin (opposite Burger King) at 2 p.m. Drive 55 miles round trip. Bring water, a snack if you wish, and wear sturdy shoes. Call Leader Kay Coriell, 369-6820 please.

## Monday, May 31

• The Macon County Humane Society will hold a pet adoption at Whiskers on Main Street between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

## Tuesday, June 1

• The Mountain High Republican Women's Club June luncheon will be held on Tuesday at the Wildcat Cliffs Country Club. Registration is at 11:30 a.m.; the lunch with speaker and the meeting begin at noon.

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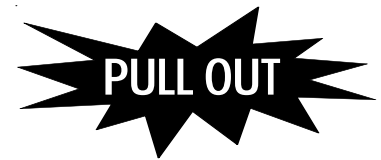
## Annual Mem Day Weekend arts & crafts show at Rec Park



Folk artist Nancy Moore paints on just about any old thing she can find. See her work and more folk art, fine art and crafts at the Village Square Art & Craft Show this Saturday and Sunday at the Highlands Rec Park/Civic Center from 10 to 5. Live music, face painting, food by Fressers, and an ATM. Fun for the whole family.



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The group's monthly luncheons and meetings are held on the 1st Tuesday of each month April through September. For additional information, a membership application and luncheon reservations, please call 828-200-0437 or email [mtnrepublicanwomen@yahoo.com](mailto:mtnrepublicanwomen@yahoo.com). Inquiries may also be mailed to MHRWA, P.O. Box 126, Cashiers, NC 28717.

## Tues. - Sat., June 1-5

• Patchwork Folk & Fabric Festival *Traditional Folk Demonstrating Traditional Skills* in Cullowhee, NC at the Jackson County Recreation Center at 88 Cullowhee Mountain Road. Classes and festival. For more information, call 828-293-3053.

## Beginning June 2

• Hospital Tours: "Grand Rounds" at Highlands-Cashiers Hospital will be providing small group tours to interested area residents. Tours will be held periodically each month, May through October. Tours begin at 7:30 a.m. and will include breakfast with HCH's doctors and a meet and greet with the new CEO, Craig James. Each Grand Rounds tour will provide area and seasonal community members "beside the scenes" insight into the everyday operations at HCH. Separate tours of the Fidelia Eckerd Living Center are also available by appointment. Those interested in attending the first tour June 2<sup>nd</sup> or the June 11<sup>th</sup> tour, should call the Foundation Office at 526-1435 as space is limited. Or RVSP by email at [info@hchospital.org](mailto:info@hchospital.org).

• The Rotary Club of Highlands and Highlands United Methodist Church will be partners again this year for an evening of Bingo to directly benefit Highlands Food Pantry. Food Pantry Bingo will be Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 and don't be afraid to laugh and have a great time.

• June member meeting of the Greater Cashier's Area Merchant's Association will be held on 8:30 AM at the Albert Carlton Library in Cashiers. The agenda will include a report on the slate of directors to be considered for election in July, information about the GCAMA June 5th First Saturday Market Day and the trolley shuttle planned for that day. For additional information call 828 743-1630 or email [greatercashiersmerchantsassoc@yahoo.com](mailto:greatercashiersmerchantsassoc@yahoo.com)

## Thursday, June 3

• Taize in Highlands is every Thursday at 5:30 PM. at Holy Family Lutheran Church. Taize is a non-denominational service of prayer, meditation, scripture and simple, beautiful music. No offerings are taken—these services are a free gift to the community.

• Conservation-minded businesses in Highlands and Cashiers will show their support for the land

preservation efforts of Highlands-Cashiers Land Trust by taking part in the fourth local celebration of Land Trust Day. This year, several local businesses will display information about Highlands-Cashiers Land Trust and donate a percentage of their sales on this day or will become Conservation Business Partners, in an effort to recognize how their customers value the open spaces, hiking trails, scenic views and other outdoor recreation areas that land trusts protect. To learn more visit [www.hicashlt.org](http://www.hicashlt.org) or call HCLT at 526.1111 to find out how your business can become a Conservation Business Partner.

• The Greater Cashiers Area Merchants Association First Saturday Market and the Association has added an exciting new feature to enhance the day. A shopper's trolley will shuttle shoppers throughout the village for easy access to member merchants throughout the Village. Shop customers will find numerous special sales, featured products, refreshments and even some in-store special happenings for this First Saturday event and those to come which are scheduled now for each month from June through October. For additional information call 828 743-1630 or email [greatercashiersmerchantsassoc@yahoo.com](mailto:greatercashiersmerchantsassoc@yahoo.com)

## Fri.-Sun., June 4-6

• PAC's Small Stages will present HCP's production of *Parallel Lives*. *Parallel Lives* originated as stand-up comedy skits performed by the writers. Similar in structure to "Saturday Night Live," it parodies life as we know it, which is why audiences are expected to identify with many of the characters and situations. All performances will begin at 7:30pm. Call the Performing Arts Center for tickets: 828.526.9047.

## Sat., June 5

• The Nantahala Hiking Club will take a moderate-to-strenuous two-mile hike to the waterfalls of upper Middlecreek in the Scaly Mtn. area. The primitive trail descends perhaps 300 feet to the three falls. Meet at the Scaly Mtn. post office on Hwy. 106 at 10 a.m. Bring water, lunch, a hiking stick and wear sturdy shoes. Drive four miles round trip. The hike is limited to 12 hikers. Call Virginia Talbot, 526-4904, for reservations. Visitors welcome, but no pet please.

• The Nantahala Hiking Club will take a four-mile, moderate to strenuous work hike with the ATC Konnarock trail crew in the vicinity of Tellico Gap. Meet at Westgate Plaza in Franklin (opposite Burger King) at 8 a.m. Drive 60 miles round trip. Bring water, lunch; wear sturdy shoes. Call leader Bill Van Horn, 369-1983, for reservations. No pets please.

• Highlands-Cashiers Land Trust Day. Shop at Highlands and Cashiers residents can show their support by patronizing these local businesses on June 5<sup>th</sup> and beyond: Fressers Eatery, Highland Hiker, Susie deVillie Schiffli, Broker, Harry Norman, Realtors, Tate Landscaping, The Chinquapin Company, The Kitchen Carry Away & Catering, The Orchard,

Victoria's Closet & V.C. for Men and Whole Life Market. Additionally, Lakeside Restaurant will donate a percentage of sales to HCLT on Wednesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> when diners mention they are there to support the land trust. It has never been easier to support community conservation efforts.

## Sun., June 6

• Christ Anglican Church will host a special music service at its 9 a.m. service. Four professional instrumentalists and two accomplished vocalists will augment the church's 1928 Book of Common Prayer with portions from J.S. Bach's Mass in G Major. The community is invited to come. Christ Anglican Church meets at Whiteside Presbyterian Church, on U.S. 64 in Cashiers. For more information, call 743-1701.

• The Nantahala Hiking Club will take an easy 2.5 mile hike on the Kimsey Creek Trail in the Standing

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## Buy local & protect our natural heritage on Land Trust Day

On Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, conservation-minded businesses in Highlands and Cashiers will show their support for the land preservation efforts of Highlands-Cashiers Land Trust by taking part in the fourth lo-



cal celebration of Land Trust Day. In 1992, the first Saturday of every June was named "Land Trust Day" to coincide with National Trails Day. This year, several local businesses will display information about Highlands-Cashiers Land Trust and donate a percentage of their sales on this day or will become Conservation Business Partners, in an effort to recognize how their customers value the open spaces, hiking trails, scenic views and other outdoor recreation areas that land trusts protect.

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The mission of HCLT is to protect valuable land resources for all generations. Working with landowners through donation, purchase or conservation easement, HCLT is active in protecting our rich natural heritage. To learn more visit [www.hicashlt.org](http://www.hicashlt.org) or call HCLT at 526.1111 to find out how your business can become a Conservation Business Partner.

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Indian area. Meet at Westgate Plaza in Franklin (opposite Burger King) at 2 p.m. Drive 30 miles round trip. Bring water, a snack if you wish, and wear sturdy shoes. Call Leader Kay Coriell, 369-6820, for reservations. Visitors and children ten and over are welcome but no pets please.

• Christ Anglican Church will host a special music service at its 9 am service on Sunday. Four professional instrumentalists and two accomplished vocalists will augment the church's 1928 Book of Common Prayer with portions from J. S. Bach's Mass in G Major. The community is invited to come. Christ Anglican Church meets at Whiteside Presbyterian Church, highway 64, Cashiers. For further information, call 828-743-1701. Mon.-Wed., June 7-9

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Macon County School Nurses will be offering this vaccination FREE to all current 5<sup>th</sup> graders during June 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>. Permission slips were sent home last week through the school system. If you would like your child to receive this vaccination FREE, please complete the form and return it to school as soon as possible. If you need another form, contact your school nurse.

#### Monday, June 7

• Special Operations Warrior Foundation's Annual Golf tournament at Burlingame CC, Sapphire.

• A Storytelling Circle will be held at the Macon County Library, Monday at 7 pm. All ages are welcome. Come tell a story, or come listen to a story. Call Nancy for details, 369-1927.

#### Friday, July 9

• The Scaly Mountain Women's Club is holding its annual Auction to benefit their Scholarship Fund. The silent auction is at 7 pm including entertainment and the live auction (art, clothing, decorator items and great bargains) at Scaly Mountain Community Center.

#### Thursday, June 10

• State Employees Credit Union Blood Drive (245 Cunningham Road, Franklin) 10 am to 2:30 pm. Please call 369-3536 for more information or to schedule an appointment. For more information or to schedule an appointment to donate at a nearby donor center, call 1-800-RED CROSS (733-2767) or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org).

Wed.-Sat., June 9-12

## A sale you just can't miss



Mountain Garden Club has a long history of successful plant sales, as illustrated in this photograph of members preparing for a sale in the 1980s. May 29 marks the date of the 28<sup>th</sup> annual Mountain Garden Club plant sale, which will be held at the ball field on Highway 64 from 9-1 (rain date Sunday).

Come early for the best selection of locally grown hostas, dahlias, ferns and other nostalgic pass-along plants. Spice up your kitchen with herbs and heirloom tomatoes. Proceeds support college scholarships and local public gardens.

Mountain Garden Club is offering several thousand beautiful plants at great prices. This is a sale you can't afford to miss!

• PAC's Small Stages will present HCP's production of Parallel Lives. Parallel Lives originated as stand-up comedy skits performed by the writers. Similar in structure to "Saturday Night Live," it parodies life as we know it, which is why audiences are expected to identify with many of the characters and situations. All performances will begin at 7:30pm. Call the Performing Arts Center for tickets: 828.526.9047.

#### Thursday, June 10

• Taize in Highlands is every Thursday at 5:30 PM. at Highlands United Methodist Church. Taize is a nondenominational service of prayer, meditation, scripture and simple, beautiful music. No offerings are taken—these services are a free gift to the community.

• Special Operations Warrior Foundation's Annual Silent/Live Auction at Highlands Community Building. Food donated by Cyprus Restaurant, Chef Nicholas Figel.

#### Friday, June 11

• "Know Your Frogs" workshop at the Highlands Nature Center. 8:30 – 9:30 pm, ages 6 – adult. Learn about frog biology and how to identify regional species visually and by their calls. Bring a flashlight to search for frogs in the wild. Call 526-2623 or visit [www.wcu.edu/hbs](http://www.wcu.edu/hbs) for more information.

#### Saturday, June 12

• Special Operations Warrior Foundation's Annual Special Operations Adventure Race.

• The Nantahala Hiking Club will take a five-mile moderate hike to the lower falls on Whitewater River from the Bad Creek Reservoir parking area, with a

side trip to a natural area of virgin forest with huge trees. Meet at the Cashiers Wachovia Bank (in back) at 10 a.m. Drive 22 miles round trip. Bring water, lunch; wear sturdy shoes. Call leaders Mike and Susan Kettles, 743-1079, for reservations. Visitors are welcome but no pets please.

• The Literacy Council of Highlands "Family Literacy Fair" continues from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Peggy Crosby Center. The first in a series of three workshops, families of children ages four through eight will learn fun and easy strategies to help promote literacy in the home. The workshop will have a Dr. Seuss-theme and end with an ice cream social. The workshop is the second in a three-part series. For more information, contact Bessie Goggins at [highlandsliteracy@live.com](mailto:highlandsliteracy@live.com) or 828-526-9938.

#### Sun. & Mon., June 13-14

• Auditions for HCP's Production of *Dearly Departed* are Sunday from 3-5pm and Monday from 5:30-6:30pm. Scripts are available for reading at the libraries in Highlands and Cashiers, Performance dates are: August 18-22 and August 24-27. Call Virginia Talbot, director, for more information: 526-4904.

#### Monday, June 14

• At Highlands-Cashiers Hospital, noon -1 pm. "Colon Cancer" by Dr. Richard Carter, MD, FACP, Board Certified Gastroenterologist. Learn how regular screening and early detection is one of the most important aspects of preventing colon cancer. Find out when to have a colonoscopy screening and why they are so critical one's health. These and other aspects of

## Historical Society's Walk in the Park is June 24-27



Marsha Shmalo, seen here at the former home of Corinne Froneberger where she operated a private school (now the home of Steve and Beth Ham), is one of the seven actresses who will appear in this year's "Walk in the Park," sponsored by the Highlands Historical Society. This year's "Walk" will take place June 25 and 26 at Highlands' Memorial Park with shuttles leaving the Community Building every 15 minutes from 6-7:30 p.m. On June 27 the show will be staged at the Performing Arts Center on Chestnut Street beginning at 4:00 p.m. Adult admission is \$15; students are admitted free. Tickets will be available at Cyrano's Book Shop on Main St. as well as at the Community Building on the day of the event.

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Dr. Carter's Lunch and Learn presentation will be followed by a question and answer session. Suite 103, in the Jane Woodruff Clinic, at Highlands-Cashiers Hospital.

## Tuesday, June 15

- "Owl Pellets," a special family nature activity at the Highlands Nature Center. 3 – 4 pm. Learn what owls eat by examining the skulls and bones of prey animals contained within an owl pellet. Call 526-2623 or visit [www.wcu.edu/hbs](http://www.wcu.edu/hbs) for more information.

## Sunday, June 16

- "Owl Prowl" at the Highlands Nature Center. 8 pm, all ages. In collaboration with the Highlands Plateau Audubon Society. Come to our amphitheater for a presentation by the Carolina Raptor Center featuring live owls, then stay for a night hike to look for owls in the wild. Bring your flashlight. Free, but contributions to CRC are appreciated. Call 526-2623 or visit [www.wcu.edu/hbs](http://www.wcu.edu/hbs) for more information.

## June 17-July 3

- At Highlands Playhouse, "Smokey Joe's Cafe," a musical, theater revue, featuring 40 of the greatest songs. For tickets call 828-526-2695 or go to [www.highlandspkayhouse.org](http://www.highlandspkayhouse.org).

## Thursday, June 17

- Taize in Highlands is every Thursday at 5:30 PM. at Our Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church.. Taize is a nondenominational service of prayer, meditation, scripture and simple, beautiful music. No offerings are taken—these services are a free gift to the community.

## Tuesday, June 18

- Relay for Life Cashiers hosting a Survivors Celebrate Life celebration. Call 828-254-6931 to register.

## Sat., June 19

- The Nantahala Hiking Club will take a strenuous 15 mile hike with an elevation change of 3300 feet on

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## Highlands Playhouse opens season with 'Smokey Joe's Cafe – June 17-July 3

### By Joseph Litsch

Back in the 1950s music business insiders who first saw and heard a handsome, hip-shaking singer from Tupelo, MS, just knew he was headed for stardom. Everything, it seemed that he touched — or in his case, sang — turned gold.

Such was the case with a little song, written by a couple of struggling New York songwriters Jerry Leiber and Mike Stoller, whose works are celebrated in a season-opening musical revue at the Highlands Playhouse, "Smokey Joe's Cafe." Under the direction of Sam Dunaway, it opens June 17 and runs through July 3, Tuesday-Sunday.

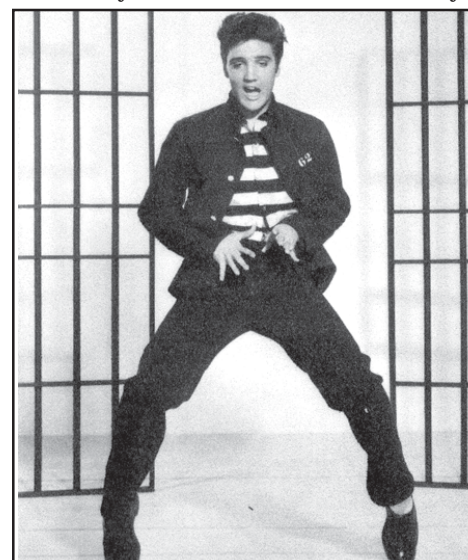
Libber and Stoller, both Jewish, leaned heavily toward rhythm 'n' blues, gospel and blues, and they were keenly aware of a new musical sprout called rock 'n' roll. Trying to find, or rather, make their place in the musical world, they shied away from nothing. Their subject matter was unbelievably varied. Take that little song, for example: "Hound Dog" recorded by Big Mama Thornton, a blues belter with deep-

rooted gospel influences. Big Mama's "Hound Dog" was a moderate hit in some circles and Leiber and Stoller were happy.

But, three years later, 1956, when Elvis Presley literally put his twist on "Hound Dog".....well, BOOM! Through the roof. And the names Leiber and Stoller were forever linked with Presley. They went on to write many songs for Presley helping his ascent to the throne of King of Rock 'n' Roll. Remember "Love Me," "Don't," "Loving You," and "Jailhouse Rock"? And the names Jerry Leiber and Mike Stoller were carved in stone — or in this case, rock 'n' roll.

Presley was the most notable singer to record Leiber-Stoller works, but there also were the Coasters, the Shangri-Las. The Dixie Cups and others who introduced their works. In fact, the Coasters recorded 24 Leiber-Stoller songs that made the top 40 charts. Best known from that double dozen are "Yakety Yak," "Seatchin'," "Charlie Brown," "Poison Ivy," "Along Came Jones," and "Little Egypt." They're all being served up in "Smokey Joe's Cafe."

These songwriters are generally regarded as the cornerstone of rock 'n' roll music, and they were huge influences on those who followed in their footsteps, such as Carole King, John Lennon and Paul McCartney and all those at Motown. Many



listeners who know only their music are surprised to learn that Leiber and Stoller are white.

They were also quite innovative in their instrumentation. Take the song, "Their Goes My Baby," recorded by the Drifters back in 1959.

For the first time, string instruments were used the same way saxophones had been used until then, playing solo riffs and adding a major production value. And the range of songs this duo wrote is staggering; everything from hardcore rock 'n' roll to ballads to R & B to rousing gospel numbers. Just try to sit still during "Saved," which closes the first act. In all, there are 39 selections from the Leiber-Stoller songbook. And...no talking, just singing — often some pure old-fashioned "singing." Leiber and Stoller have been recognized by virtually ever award available to songwriters. They even have a star on Hollywood's Walk of Fame. And, in 1988 Elvis Presley's recording of Leiber and Stoller's "Hound Dog" was chosen for the Grammy Hall of Fame.





# Ongoing and Upcoming Events

the Gregory Bald loop trail from 20 Mile Ranger Station. Meet at the Bi-Lo parking lot in Franklin at 7 a.m. Drive 100 miles round trip. Call leader Don O'Neal, 586-5723, for reservations.

• The annual Reese reunion from 10 to 2 at Highlands Rec Park. For more information call Ann Wilson at 864-888-1111.

## Sun., June 20

• The Nantahala Hiking Club will take a moderate 3-mile hike on the Cliffside Vista Trail with a steep ascent to a viewpoint, then descending to loop around Cliffside Lake. Meet in the Bi-Lo parking lot in Franklin at 2 p.m. Drive 30 miles round trip. Call leader Kay Coriell, 369-6820, for reservations or alternate meeting locations. Visitors are welcome but no pets please.

## Monday, June 21

• Town of Highlands Scholarship Fund Golf Class at Wildcat Cliffs Country Club. Practice begins at 7:30

a.m. and lunch buffet, cocktails and award recognition begins at 1:30 p.m. Sign up by June 9. Call Town Hall at 526-2118.

## Tuesday, June 22

• Lowe's of Franklin Blood Drive (Georgia Highway, Franklin). 11:30 am to 4 pm. Please call 349-4654 for more information or to schedule an appointment. For more information or to schedule an appointment to donate at a nearby donor center, call 1-800-RED CROSS (733-2767) or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org).

## Wednesday, June 23

• The Village Nature Series features "Wonders of Wildlife" with wildlife photographer, Bill Lea. Children and kids at heart will be sure to learn something new while getting a chance to discover more about these creatures up close and personal with Highlands Nature Center Director, Patrick Brannon. The program will be followed by an ice cream social and is free to

everyone in the community. No reservations are required. For more information contact HCLT at 828.526.1111.

## Thursday, June 24

• Taize in Highlands is every Thursday at 5:30 PM. at the Episcopal Church of the Incarnation. Taize is a nondenominational service of prayer, meditation, scripture and simple, beautiful music. No offerings are taken—these services are a free gift to the community.

• 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 from 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 Macon County Public Health Center before Monday, June 21, 2010. For more information on class fees, please call Jennifer at 349-2439.

## RELAY, What You Need To Know . . .

There are purple ribbons all around town, do you have one? People are saving 11 pennies a day to donate to Relay, how about you? You can buy a "Sun Card" for a \$1 donation at Mountain Fresh Grocery. These are just a few of the signs that Relay For Life of Highlands is gearing up for a summer filled with fun as we prepare for the main event on Friday, August 13th at the Highlands recreation Park. Seventeen teams and counting (where's yours?) are planning creative fund raising events leading up to the 2010 RELAY. For more information about Relay For Life of Highlands, go to [www.relayforlife.org/highlands](http://www.relayforlife.org/highlands)

### Two Upcoming Events Include:

The "Kids Mini Relay Walk", scheduled at the Highlands Child Development Center on Friday, June 4 at 5:39PM.

Relay Team "Kids 4 Kure," is sponsoring this walk to encourage participation in Relay. The Child Development Center children will meet in the upper parking lot and walk around the track to experience a Mini Relay. After the walk there will be a hot dog dinner available for a donation to Relay For Life of Highlands. For more information please contact Pamela Chastain at: 828-482-2196 or 828-526-8013 or [pamelachastain57@yahoo.com](mailto:pamelachastain57@yahoo.com)

### GOT DOGS? Then this event is for you!

Let's "Take a Bite Out of Cancer". Your dog is invited to "team" up and walk on July 24 at the Highlands Recreation Park. Of course, you can join in the fun, as our canine friends walk a mile in the "Bark for Life" event. Registration begins at 8 am with the actual walk starting at 9 am. This fun-filled dog walk is part of the fund raising efforts of the Relay for Life for Highlands' Meadows Mountain Realty Team.

Volunteers and sponsors are needed for this event. If you would like to volunteer to help with the event, please contact Tricia Cox, by June 7th, at [tricia@meadowsmtnrealty.com](mailto:tricia@meadowsmtnrealty.com) or call 828-526-1717. Sponsor names will be placed on the back of a special Bark for Life t-shirt that will be sold at the event. Contact Tricia by June 18th if you are interested in sponsorship of Bark for Life. Tricia also has more information about vendor tables available for sale at this event.

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## 'Officer Memorial Day' in Franklin



Highlands Police Chief Bill Harrell with Franklin Police Chief Terry Bradley at the courthouse.

Highlands Police Chief Bill Harrell and Franklin Police Chief Terry Bradley participated in the Officer Memorial Day in Franklin, Friday, May 14, at noon, hosted by the Macon-Jackson Fraternal Order of Police Lodge No. 81. It was the annual ceremony at

which Harrell and Bradley have always placed the wreath in honor of Fallen Officers in the line of duty. Michaela Layman Blanton, wife of slain Trooper David Shawn Blanton, who died June 17, 2008, was the special guest speaker at the memorial.

## Police & Fire Report

The following are the Highlands Police Dept. log entries from May 18. Only the names of persons arrested, issued a Class-3 misdemeanor, or public officials have been used.

### May 18

- At 4:30 p.m., officers responded to an accident on NC 28 and Cook Road where a vehicle went over the bank when the driver swerved to miss a bear.

### May 19

- At 1:11 p.m., officers responded to a two-vehicle accident in the Mountain Fresh parking lot.
- At 1:35 p.m., officers responded to a call about a suspicious vehicle at RBC Bank. The owner was told to park elsewhere.

### May 20

- At 9 a.m., the larceny of five wooden pallets was reported at Bryson's Food Store.
- At 9 a.m., the theft of jewelry valued at \$100 was reported at Juliana's on Main Street.

### May 25

- A citizen received a civil citation when his dog was disturbing pedestrians and for not picking up fecal matter left by the dog.
- At 2 p.m., officers responded to a call of a suspicious person sitting outside the Farmer's Market. He was resting before walking to Franklin.

- During the week, police officers responded to 6 alarms and issued 8 citations.

The following are the Highlands Fire & Rescue Dept. log entries from May 22:

### May 22

- At 1:33 p.m., the dept. responded to a motorcycle accident on N. 4th St. and Carolina Way. There were no injuries.

### May 23

- At 1:39 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call at a residence on Clubhouse Trail. The victim was taken to the hospital.

### May 24

- At 11:25 a.m., the dept. responded to an motorcycle accident near Bust Your Butt Falls on US 64 west. MAMA flew the victim to Asheville where he later died.
- At 3:07 p.m., the dept. was asked to search for missing hikers on The Bartram Trail. They were found OK.
- At 4:52 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call at the Cullasaja Club where a man had been hit by a golf ball. He was taken to the hospital.

### May 25

- At 11:07 a.m., the dept. responded to a Life Line alarm at Chestnut Hill. It was false.
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## • SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING •

### How do you stand for something?



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The Episcopal Church of the Incarnation

Many of you may know I do some of my best pastoral work at Buck's coffee shop. I call it a ministry of "intentional loitering." One particular afternoon I began a conversation about the Middle East with some wonderful women. It was not your typical afternoon coffee hour discussion. There were two very atypical things that happened. The first is that it was a conversation, not a monologue or sermon or diatribe. It was an honest to goodness exchange of ideas. The other strange occurrence was the level of respect each of us had for each other. There was no name calling, demonizing, categorizing, and not even one raised voice. What was normal is that we all had different opinions (some very strong) about the things we were discussing.

At one point, I was asked an interesting question. I had just described my role as the director of Kids4Peace, as someone who "sits in the fire." A shorter definition would be peacemaker. The question was raised, "How do you stand 'for' something, especially as a Christian, if you are a peacemaker?" Like a good rabbi, I turned the question back on the person. But upon reflection, my answer has everything to do with my religious DNA. You may be familiar with these words in your own religious DNA:

"Love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

In allowing these words to take action, I am aware it is a far cry from sitting on the fence or waiting to see what will happen. Instead it takes action. In order to love your neighbor, you must be able to "walk a mile in their shoes." This is very different than tolerating differences. It is very different than sitting on the fence. This kind of love starts with respect, which leads us down a very dangerous road to a place called compassion. I say "dangerous" because to have this level of compassion puts you in some very familiar shoes (or sandals, in this case). It was Jesus who walked in our shoes, "even unto death." How did he do it? "He was oppressed and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth." In other words, he listened, respected and had compassion on everyone he came across. Through these actions, he came up with a new way – a way which was more truthful and gave more life than any previous

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## • PLACES OF WORSHIP •

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Thursday: Women's Prayer Group - 10:30 a.m., members; homes

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Wed.: 5 pm: Dinner. 6:00pm: Children's Program, Adult Teaching.

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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

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religious precepts.

As 21<sup>st</sup> century Disciples of Christ, now more than ever, we must take a stand and follow the way, the truth and the life. We are in the midst of very contentious times both politically and theologically. So I invite everyone to come sit in the fire.

This week when someone says something that seems so unbearable to understand, open not your mouth. Do more than tolerate him or her. Try to understand the person, not the words. See what happens when you lower your anxiety in the face of a "hard-nosed conservative diatribe" or "bleeding heart liberal sermon." And see if there is not something within that person that resembles the person we all seek. Because if you try to match barb with barb, you have given up an incredible opportunity to take a stand for what Jesus stood for – bringing light into the darkness. Or as another theologian once said, "Where there is no love, put love, and you will find it."

As followers of the Risen Christ, our battle cry is not "chose a side and stick to it", or "stand up, stand up and declare you're either with me or against me." Our battle cry is Alleluia, Alleluia – Christ is Risen! But be careful. This stand may lead you into an incredibly hot fire, but it may also enable you to catch a glimpse of Christ - standing right before your eyes in the face of someone you least expect. Suddenly, you may find yourself on a new path, a new way, and living a new life.

## • MILESTONES •

### Hicks graduates with honors

Congratulations to April Dawn Hicks of Highlands who graduated Magna Cum Laude from Western Carolina University's Honors College on Saturday May 8<sup>th</sup>.

In addition to earning Dean's list honors for the fall semester 2009, April was recently included among a group of students recognized at the WCU College of Education and Allied Professions' Honors and Awards Ceremony as an Outstanding Prospective Teacher (OPT).

Students designated by WCU as OPT receive the highest award bestowed on the university's future teachers and they possess the qualities most evident in outstanding teachers everywhere. To receive this honor, seniors must have earned a minimum GPA of 3.25 and received the endorsement of their major department, university supervisor and cooperating teacher during student teaching.

Additionally, they have demonstrated superior teaching skills, outstanding oral and

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April is a North Carolina Teaching Fellow who hopes to begin her teaching career in Western North Carolina.



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# • H-C HOSPITAL NEWS •

## Hospital's board of directors hold BBQ cookout for employees during 'National Hospital Week'

To show appreciation for all the dedicated staff at HCH, the Board of Directors hosted and served an outside BBQ Cookout last Wednesday. Staff and volunteers were invited to join the festivities in celebration of National Hospital Week. Members from HCH Board of Directors dished up burgers, hotdogs, and ice cold beverages.

National Hospital Week, serves as a special week for the public to thank and show gratitude to their community healthcare professionals. Throughout National Hospital Week, individuals and organizations come together to promote and increase awareness of the individuals who make our healthcare industry successful.

"Each and every staff member plays a

vital role, and we give our upmost thanks to all," said Charlie Sheehan, Hospital Board of Directors Chairman. "Our Board of Directors, like most hospital boards, can tend to get wrapped up in the issues we deal with on a daily basis. We need to keep in mind that the quality health care services delivered to the communities we serve are delivered not by the Board but by our extraordinary, talented group of physicians, nurses and staff. Last week's cookout was a great opportunity for us to interact with many of them and to express our appreciation for all the tremendous work they do. We are indebted to Francis Oakley who was the driving force behind the affair," said Sheehan.



From left board members Dr. James "Jim" Rothermel and William "Bill" Nellis.

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## Hospital hosts noted cardiologists

Highlands-Cashiers Hospital hosted the annual Cardiology Conference/Highlands Panel Discussion, presented by Asheville Cardiology Associates and MAHEC (Mountain Area Health Education Center), last Thursday for all medical staff members.

Guest speakers at the conference included cardiologists, Dr. Brian H. Asbill, Dr. William T. Maddox, and Dr. William W. Wharton, III, all of whom are members of the consulting medical staff at Highlands-Cashiers Hospital. The panel discussion topics included Lipid and Cholesterol Management, Anticoagulation Management, Atrial Fibrillation, Chest Pain, and Coronary Intervention. "This was a very informative round table discussion of the cardiac issues we frequently encounter in the community hospital setting. The end result was very effective in helping us manage our patients in an emergency situation. It was also reaffirming to hear that they too feel that many of the non-emergent problems are best handled in the community hospital setting," said Dr. David Wheeler, Chief of the Medical Staff.

The education session met the criteria to qualify for one hour of certified medical education toward physicians' requirements to maintain their board certification. The North Carolina Medical Board requires on average 50 hours of continuing educational credits each year, depending on specialty.

The sixteen physicians who attended the session expressed appreciation to Asheville Cardiology and MAHEC for this convenient learning opportunity to keep current and up to date on the latest techniques and treatments as well as the time to share professional knowledge and interact with

each other.

"Conferences such as this one help our physicians keep pace with current healthcare demands and those demands benefit all patients. The training has not only increased trust with employees and staff but also with the patients. We value the high caliber of our medical staff as we strive daily to provide the best quality healthcare to our community," said Frank Leslie, VP of Operations.

About Highlands-Cashiers Hospital

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son Library and the county's board of commission can continue," said Commissioner Brian McClellan. "We want to work together because the library issue is a county issue."

He said the partnership between the Hudson Library and the county mirrors the relationships between the Fontana Library system and Swain and Jackson counties and it just makes sense.

Since the Hudson Library couldn't financially do the complete expansion as planned – eventually 25,000 sq. ft. — the county agreed to have county employees do the renovation work that will double the existing library space within the current walls of the library building.

However, that step initiated the need for the county to eventually own the facility.

The resolution was accepted unanimously saying "... the board is authorized to negotiate with Macon County for the transfer or conveyance of ownership of the building to

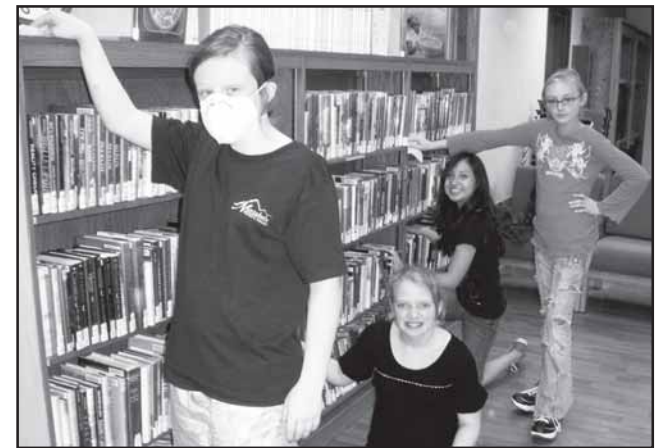
the county in return for the county's agreement to renovate and expand the building ..."

The renovation is nearing completion and will dovetail perfectly should county funding become available for the future expansion of the building as originally planned. But due to the current economy and the tight 2010-12 county budget, County Manager Jack Horton said there's no way to know when that will happen.

Avary Doubleday, of Highlands, who sits on the Macon County Library Board, said that advisory board passed a resolution in favor of Hudson Library's new relationship with the county – that of a tenant – and urged the county to take the next step in funding a full blown expansion.

"To reach the level of service needed at this end of the county, they will need more space than just what the current renovation gives them," she said.

– Kim Lewicki



The Girls Clubhouse helps eliminate the dust that accumulates daily at the library due to ongoing construction.  
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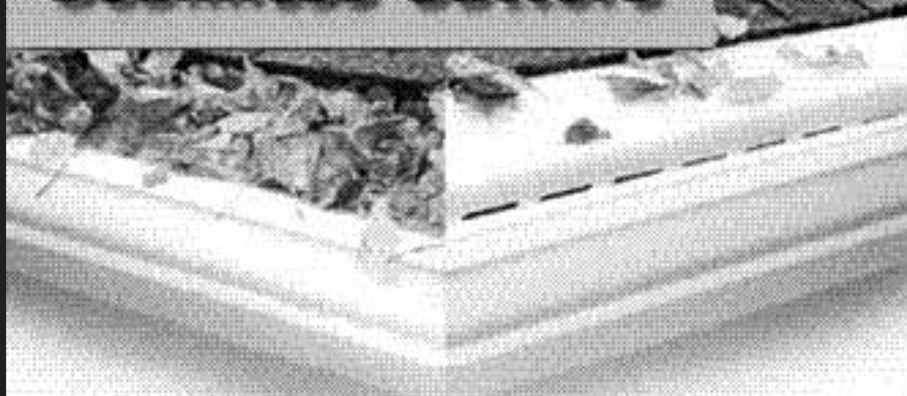
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Jessica Dryman, HS Class of 2008, graduated with honors from Gardner Webb University on May 17, 2010, where she earned her Associates Degree in Nursing. She is the daughter of Dean Dryman, of Scaly and Teresa Holbrooks of Scaly.

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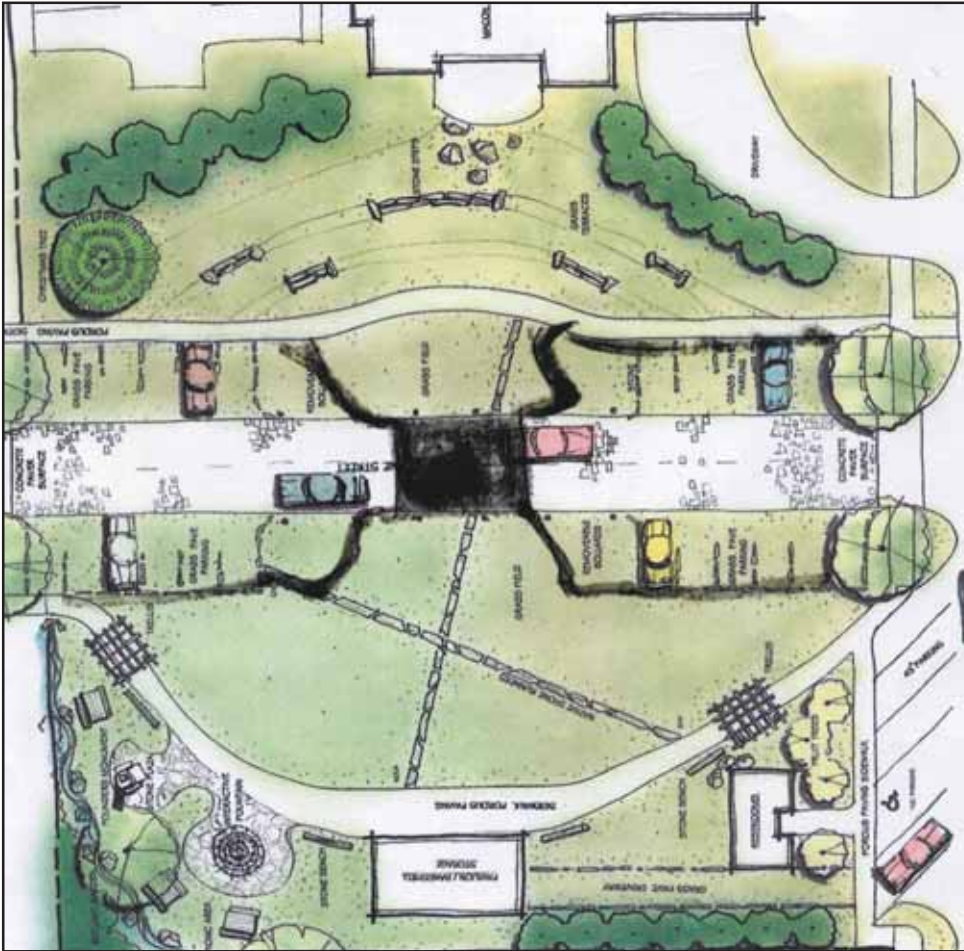
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In this very rough design, the raised, stone-paved, crosswalk and areas designated for diagonal grass parking are outlined in black. The parking spaces defined by cars in the rendition would be diagonal not straight.

## ... K-H PARK continued from page 1

The plan is two-fold – to construct as many diagonal, grass parking spaces as possible with the money – about eight for now, says Young – rather than asphalt spaces and to construct a raised crosswalk in the middle of the street to visually and physically connect one side of the park with the other while slowing down traffic on the street which bisects the park.

The wide, raised, stone-paved pedestrian walkway will be at curb level for handicapped access and traffic speed control with a three-foot ramp on either side for vehicles.

Four to six parking spaces will be eliminated on Pine Street where the crosswalk meets the curb but six new spaces are planned for Fifth Street along the park perimeter so the number of spaces in the immediate area will remain the same, said Young.

Young said the Land Trust would like to see all the parking spaces adjoining the crosswalk on both sides of Pine Street converted from asphalt to grass as money becomes available. It will take the \$30,000 to build eight spaces but Young suggested a fundraising campaign for the rest of them.

He said the plan is to move the existing gazebo across the street to sit in the future pavilion area since plans to build a pavilion are on hold for now.

Mayor David Wilkes and Commissioners Buz Dotson and Gary Drake were not for the idea. Commissioner Dotson said it ap-

pears this is just a way to make the park bigger, calling it “grass creep.”

“You want to slow down traffic on a street through a park that was never big enough to be a park to start with,” said Dotson. “Plus, the vast majority of time we would need to watch for pedestrians due to events in the park, the street will be closed anyway. So we’re putting a bump in the road for what?”

The three also voiced concern over snow removal and questioned whether plows would be able to work properly with the crosswalk in the way.

But Commissioner Larry Rogers said the plows wouldn’t have a problem and Town Engineer Lamar Nix agreed.

Commissioner Dennis DeWolf made the motion to accept three points of the Land Trust proposal which will not cost the town anything. Commissioners Amy Patterson and Larry Rogers agreed. Commissioners Dotson and Drake voted no.

The fourth point – to reduce the future pavilion footprint from 16 x 32 feet (512 sq. ft.) to 16 x 24 feet (384 sq. ft.) was eliminated from the vote.

“We can discuss that at another time,” said DeWolf.

The Land Trust will begin work as soon as the stormwater mitigation project is finished. Nix said the group has one month and two days to engineer plans.

– Kim Lewicki

## ... SURVEYS continued from page 1

concerns with district-level leadership, my school has a qualified instructional staff, I respect my school’s teachers, my school has high expectations for students performance, teachers show respect for students at my school, and My school effectively addresses student academic needs in the area of reading.

The top five questions that indicated concern for the 2,101 students who participated in the survey were: my school is free of tobacco, my school lunches are healthy, my school is free of drugs, at my school students show respect for other students, and my school has enough supplies and materials.

The top five positive feedback responses from students regarded: I respect my school’s principal, my school effectively addresses student academic needs in the area of science, I respect my teachers, my school is preparing students to be physically fit, and my teachers are knowledgeable about the classes they teach.

The top five questions that indicated concern for the 148 parents who participated in the survey were: the school system receives adequate financial resources, sufficient space is available for future student growth at my child’s school, the system employees receive competitive salaries, my child’s school lunch program promotes healthy diets, and I feel comfortable offering suggestions and sharing concerns with district-level leadership.

The top five positive feedback responses regarded: I respect my child’s teachers, I feel welcome in my child’s school, my child’s teachers are dedicated and enthusiastic, my child’s school effectively addresses student academic needs in the area of reading, and I respect my child’s principal.

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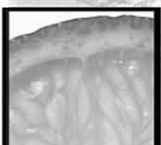
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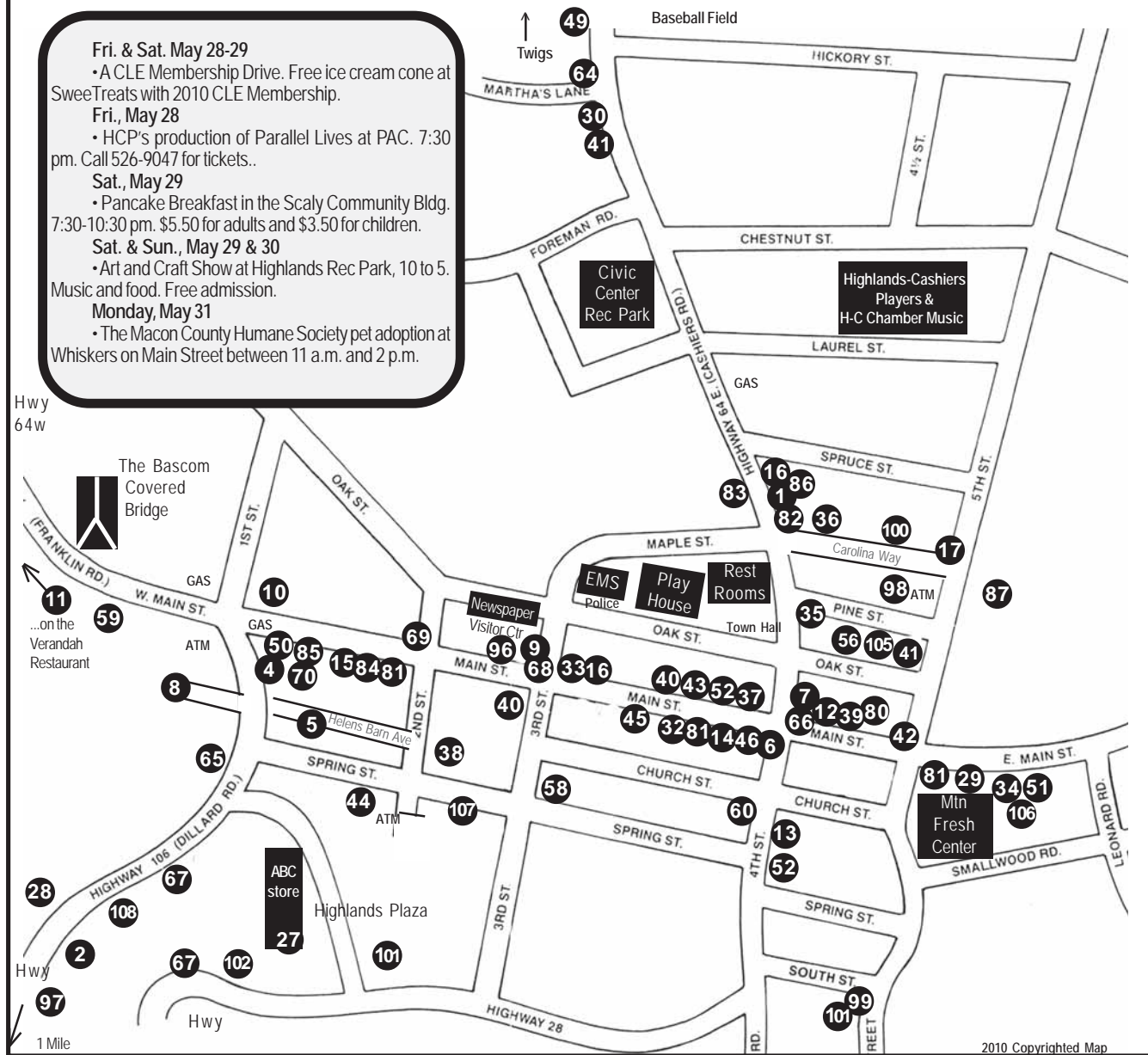
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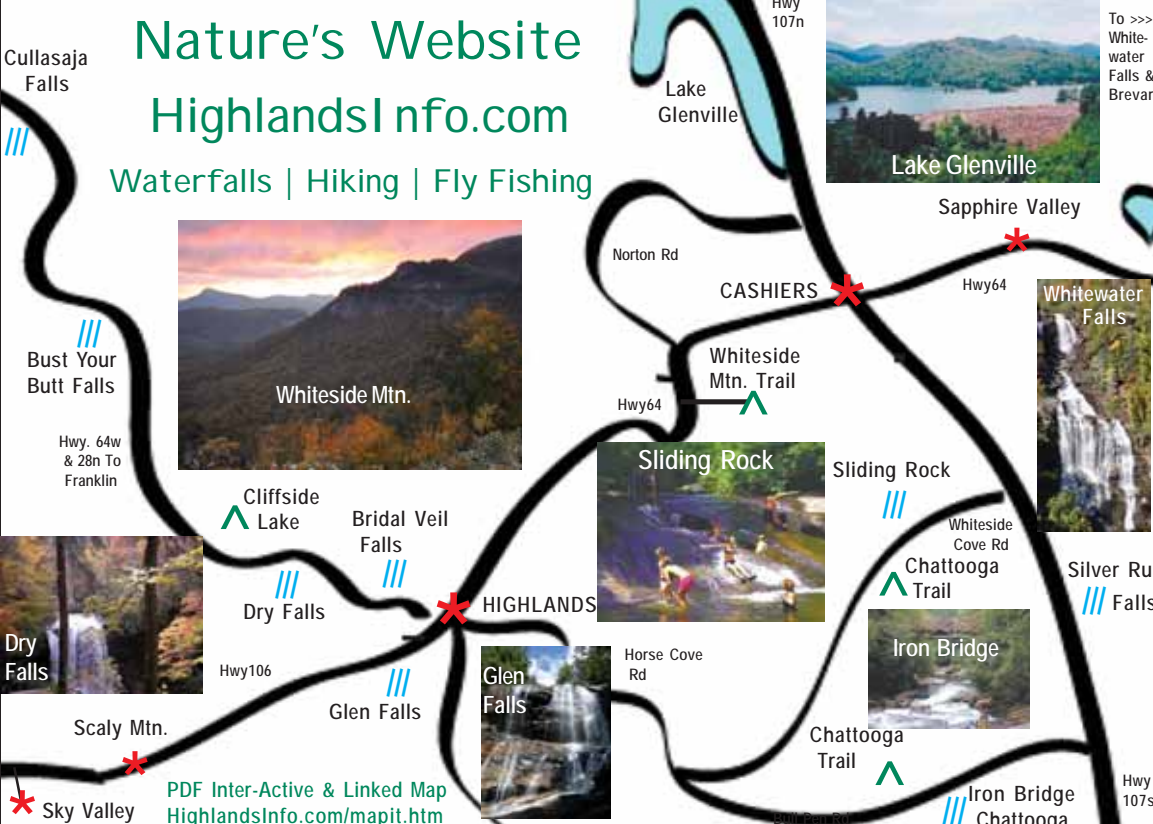



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