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Thurs., Oct. 14

· At Hudson Library, Financial Management Lecture – at 5:30-6:30 pm. Presented by Sue Gorski of RBC Bank -Understanding Your Credit Score.

 MC Girls Basketball Signups 4-6 p.m. at the Highlands Rec Park. Call Justyne Reese at 828-342-2740.

Friday, Oct. 15
• The Highlands Community Foundation and the Highlands Cooperative will host a free workshop for Highlands area nonprofits from 10 a.m to 2 p.m. with lunch provided in Coleman Hall at the First Presbyterian Church. Call Wood Lovell at 526-4104 to register.

• "Travel for Peace Fundraiser for

Nicki Miglionico at Down Hill Grill in Scaly Mountain, featuring dinner and music at 7 pm. with Fiddlin' Mitch. Nicki is raising money for an educational trip to Istanbul, Turkey to visit the sister school of Fulton Science Academy.

Sat. & Sun., Oct. 16-17

 The Art League of Highlands Fall Colors Fine Art Show. 10-5. Civic Center Rec Park.Free admission. 828-743-

Saturday, Oct. 16
• The Highlands Memorial Post #370 of the American Legion meets at the Shortoff Baptist Church. Breakfast is at 9 am. Meeting is at 10 a.m. All veterans are invited to attend.

• The annual Highlands School PTO Fall Festival from 5-9. Fall Festival Raffle where tickets are \$1 each or 6 for

Tuesday, October 19

 At Hudson Library, Health Lectures by Dr. Sue Aery of Mountain Air Wellness Center. "Wheat free diet- why does it work?"

 CLE presents Darwin and Evangelicals 1809-2010 with Rev. Michael . Roberts, Anglican clergyman, geologist and Darwin scholar from 3-4:30 pm. at the Highlands Biological Station. It's

 Return to Margaritaville —The Philosophical Side of Jimmy Buffet at the Civic Center from 10-11:30 a.m.

Scaly Mountain dog death case closed

The death of numerous dogs late August through mid-September along Buck Knob Road in Scaly Mountain initiated an investigation by the Macon County Health Department as well as the Macon County Animal Control Depart-

One department was con-

Planners

Realtors'

request

will be a while in coming.

least until a new look is taken at

the Parking Study which includes

recommendation for way finding

signage. It was recently resurrect-

ed at the request of Town Board

Commissioners John Dotson and

discussed at the Oct. 20 Town

Board meeting, it will be re-dis-

tributed at that time so commis-

sioners can reacquaint themselves

to wait for signage recommenda-

tions that may come out of the find-

ings of the Main Street Project

which met for the second time

Thursday, Oct. 7 with a walk-

Reportedly, a look was taken

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In addition, members agreed

Though it's unlikely it will be

Amy Patterson.

with its content.

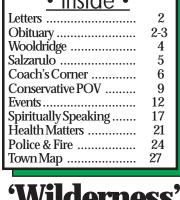
cerned about human health, the other about animal safety.

Tests of vomit retrieved from at least one dog verified what Vet Dr. Steve Arbitter of Rabun Animal Hospital initially reported - at least some dogs fell victim to ingesting the biochemical organophosphate - a compound found in common herbicides

and insecticides and used to control weeds and pests.

The vomitus sample was positive for the organophosphate Disulfoton," said Barry Patterson with the Macon County Health Department. "However, one positive sample for organophosphates does not

• See DOG DEALTH page 11



say 'yes' to Amending the entire sign ordinance - or even just the part requested by business owners lately At Monday's Planning Board meeting, members agreed to move slowly on the ordinance, at

Yarmolovych Yurievna drove her car into Big Creek early Monday Photo by Jim Lewicki

Motorist drives into Big Creek; crashes into water intake valve

They're calling her the Little Mermaid for two reasons.

One, she swam out of her submerged car through the sunroof, and two, Highlands Fire & Rescue diver Robbie Forrester found "The Little Mermaid" CD floating around inside the car.

Around 3:30 a.m., Monday morning, Yarmolovych Yurievna, 25, of Highlands, was driving on US 64 west toward Franklin when she missed the curve just before the

• See CRASHES page 11

'Wilderness' request tabled; low interest rate locked in

The Bob Zahner Wilderness Area proposal – previously OK'd by the Highlands Town Board but yet to be considered by the Federal legislators - was tabled by the Macon County Commission Monday

Though commissioners were OK with naming the Overflow Wilderness Study Area "The Bob Zahner Wilderness Area" - they had questions about allowed uses in a Wilderness Area" and what that new designation might mean to citizens in the future.

"We are concerned that the roads stay open to camping areas and that the camping areas remain open to citizens," said Commissioner Bob Simpson.

This includes having the roads and trails maintained for public access even if that means using a chainsaw and that hunting and fishing be continued to be allowed.

"Exactly what does a wilder-

• See WILDERNESS page 10

"We are all about birds!"





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THE PLATEAU'S POSITION

• LETTERS •

Democrats need to get past their 'religion'

Dear Editor,

Why do conservative Democrats vote for liberal politicians who clearly do not share their values? Why do Democrats have such a hard time voting for someone who has the same views, but is affiliated with a different party?

Part of it is that non-leftist Democrats hear mostly leftist interpretations in the major media which depict liberals as caring for the downtrodden and conservatives as mean spirited homophobic racist bigots. Neither is true!

Why would conservative Democrats vote for people who voted for the Cap & Trade legislation which almost everyone acknowledges will make US manufacturers uncompetitive in world markets and kill millions of jobs. Why don't they vote for the candidate who best represents their values and interests?

My wife, who grew up in a leftist family explained, "For Democrats, their party is their religion. To go against the Party is to sin. It is an emotional bond that cannot be broken without having to re-evaluate ones basic beliefs."

If there was ever a time for conservative Democrats to get past their Democrat religion, it is now. Forget about party and vote for the candidate who best mirrors your values. Our future as a prosperous nation depends on it.

James F. Davis Hayesville, NC

Salzarulo should not speak ill of Dillard

Dear Editor,

In December of '04 I was driving to Asheville. I was speeding. I got a ticket. It wasn't because the cop had a "quota" or was trying to fulfill any tax base. It wasn't because his father was unemployed or because he saw the "bill for his kid's braces." It was because I was speeding. Me! I TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR IT! It's called "personal responsibility", something you hear batted around by a certain group of politicians these days. It is to be used for anyone BUT them.

As a store owner in Dillard. I take exception to "The View from Here" which portrayed Dillard as a hick town in the

1950s.

We have an exceptional police force, one that I will put against Highlands' any day (because I know Highlands' is exceptional, also.)

I'll match the courtesy and consideration of the Dillard officers against force in the country. Our police force doesn't go after drivers who are driving through town; they go after drivers who are breaking the LAW.

Five paragraphs into his diatribe blaming everyone else for his troubles, Salzarulo finally admits, "I forgot" his inspection sticker was over a month out of date.

I'm dropping off his column to our officers to make sure they recognize him so they will give him special treatment the next time he comes through town, after all, a celebrity like him shouldn't be treated like us common folks. He should get the treatment a column like his deserves.

But if he does get stopped again, I wouldn't suggest he check out how "snug" and "comedic" the uniform is. He might smile and the officer might wonder...

Ben McInnes Dillard, Ga

Remembering Marie Reese

Dear Editor.

Highlands being a small town, I always knew who Marie Reese was, but I really got to know her when we started swimming together at the Rec Park Pool. One of the staff suggested I swim with Marie because she had recently taught herself to swim (in her 60s!) and needed a little "watching out for" to make sure she was alright. It seemed like a good idea at the time: help out Marie and try to pin down my exercise motivation.

Through the summers, Marie and I became swim buddies. We nailed down how our families knew each other two generations back. We shared stories of Highlands and stories of our families. We swam through illnesses, sorrows, and deaths of loved ones. I saw her determination to survive life's challenges, her joy with her husband Harold, her love of her children, and her stubborn determination to do the right thing.

Marie had character, a rare formidable strength of character that I was privileged to know.

Margaret Shaffner Highlands

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Obituary



Dr. Cornelius 'Patrick' Brogan

Dr. Cornelius Patrick Brogan, 78 died unexpectedly but peacefully, on Monday, Oct. 4, 2010 while traveling through Littleton, New Hampshire.

He leaves behind his beloved wife of 54 years and best friend, Pud, their four children: Jim (Kelly), Kelly (Robert), Amy (Marc) and Dr. Mike; their 10 grandchildren, Rory, Emily, Ali and Colin; Haley, Courtney and Robbie; Eva, James and Mia, and his sister Betty.

Patrick was an officer in the US Navy and served on board the destroyer, the USS Warrington and also in the Civil Engineering Corps. He had an insatiable thirst for learning which led to a civil engineering degree, a doctorate in dentistry and a master's in Periodontics. After practicing dentistry and raising their family in the North Palm Beach Florida area, Patrick and Pud retired to Highlands, NC where they immersed themselves in the community.

As a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Highlands, Patrick served on the session as an wlder, sang in the church choir, played in the hand bell choir and thoroughly enjoyed being part of the men's prayer group. A man with a compassionate, selfless spirit, Patrick was a Hospice volunteer, helping many in times of need. He was an incredible role model for all you knew him. He had a sense of humor that bridged generations. He was truly a man of love and faith.

Over the years, he thoroughly enjoyed sailing, playing tennis, the game of football, wood-working and loving his rescue dogs, Mystic and Louie. In recent years, Patrick had become an enthusiastic member of the Highlands Writers Group and had recently completed his first novel.

Most of all Patrick was the most giving person, wonderful husband, fabulous father, grandfather, brother, brother-in-law and friend anyone could ask for. He will be missed dearly by all who knew him.

A service will be held Monday, October 18 at 2:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Highlands.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Highlands-Cashiers Hospital, Highlands-Cashiers Hospice, Highlands-Cashiers Humane Society, or the charity of your choice.

Obituary •

Eileen Chastain

NC died Monday October 11, 2010 in a Sylva

hospital. Born in Transylvania County, she was the daughter of the late Neal and Margaret Fisher Prince. She was married to Robert Hampton Chastain who died in 1971. She was a member of **Highlands United Methodist** Church. She was employed by Cashiers Plastic as an assembly line worker; had worked as lunch lady for Highlands School and worked in various restaurants in town and as custodian at Highlands United Methodist Church.

She is survived by one daughter, Kathryn Forrester and husband Kenneth of Highlands, NC; two sons, Neal Robert Chastain of Highlands, and Jack H. Patterson and wife Carolyn of Greenville, SC. Eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren also survive. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two

Eileen Chastain, age 88, of Highlands, sons, Terry Ray Chastain and Charles Lee Chastain.

> Funeral services will be held Thursday, October 14, at 2 p.m. at Highlands United Methodist Church with Rev. Paul Christy and Rev. Walter Rice officiating. Burial will be in Highlands Memorial Park. Pallbearers will be Larry Chastain, Jeff Patterson, Robbie Forrester, Austin Forrester, Timothy Lee Chastain, Jack Patterson, Danny Chastain and Allen Chastain. The family will

receive friends Thursday from 1-2 p.m., one hour prior to the service, at the Church. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the Mission Fund of Highlands United Methodist Church, 315 Main Street, Highlands, NC 28741.

Bryant-Grant Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



Designers wanted for Highlands flag

The Highlands Flag Committee is now asking for entries from any and all budding artists over the next few months. Entries will be accepted until the end of March with the winning design to be announced in April.

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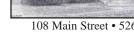
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Laughing at Life

Fun with Fred and Jane Thank God, the Final Act

f you'll recall, our last scene closed with many Lunanswered questions, the biggest being the building of a beautiful mosque with a gold dome on the hill at one of the busiest intersections in lucky spermer Jane's quaint mountain town. And has zany Fred, with one dollar of inheritance in his pocket, been fired from the paper? Has he been chased out of town?



Feedback is encouraged!

email: askfredanything@aol.com I've been told that others Six months have passed and our scene opens at a construction shack

on a hill at the busiest intersection in lucky spermer Jane's quaint mountain town. (Aren't you sick of reading that?) A car arrives at the construction shack

and zany Fred, with only one doll you know, gets out and walks to the construction shack to get out of the rain. Zany Fred: "Good morning, lucky

spermer Jane. How are you this beautiful morning?"

Lucky Spermer Jane: "I'm fine, thank you. And thanks for bringing the Cokes. Have you seen the latest changes in my emporium design?"

Lucky Spermer Jane rolls out a large architectural drawing and places it on a table, thumb tacking the corners.

Zany Fred: "I have not seen this drawing and that's why I came over this morning.

Zany Fred and Lucky Spermer Jane study the drawing together. Zany Fred opens two cokes and hands one to Jane. They clink bottle necks and take sips as if they had rehearsed it. (Actually, they have rehearsed it.)

Zany Fred: I think putting a card room in the basement of your combo Jewish deli/senior center/post office was a brilliant idea. Are you still having difficulty with the inspectors on the design of the indoor pool shaped like a giant soft drink bottle?'

Lucky Spermer Jane: "Ha, surely you jest. Mr. Ğotrocks spoke with the inspectors and now we are clear to build whatever we want whenever we want. Is this a great country, or what?

Zany Fred: "When is your meeting with all the town's pastors?"

Lucky Spermer Jane: "This afternoon and the rumor is they will approve my idea of adding a multi-cultural religious emporium with the large gold dome on the south side where all faiths can come together and pray in the same hall. We're even going to include those Catholic people; now that took some finagling,

especially with the Baptists.

Zany Fred: "You are an amazing woman and...."

Lucky Spermer Jane interrupts: "No, Zany Fred, Mr. Gotrocks is an amazing man. When he comes to town with his briefcase, doors open. I'm not sure, but I thought I heard heavenly singing in his presence yesterday. And inside the Oval Office

have heard this spiritual singing."

Zany Fred continues: "I'm so glad the newspaper fired me. Now I can work for you and devote all my attention to this emporium. Can you envision this? As you approach the busiest intersection of our quaint mountain town, you see the large flashing neon sign, 'Zany Jane's Emporium.' Is that brilliant, or what?"

Then you drop off your mail at the post office, walk over to the Jewish deli for breakfast, and then shoot a couple of rounds of pool at the senior center before taking a swim. Then check out the religious hall to see if any Muslims or Catholics are actually in there. Then head to the basement for an afternoon of bridge and fellowship. Oh, and your idea of offering free candy to everyone was brilliant. This emporium is going to rock and roll, don't ja think?"

Lucky Spermer Jane: "Don't say 'Don't ja think.' You sound like that Tea Party woman. And yes, none of this could have happened without your very sick mind working overtime.... and, oh, the magic of Mr. Gotrocks.'

Zany Fred: "I'm so glad I was able to talk you out of building a center for young people. All that would do is cause trouble. Let's face it, they don't use snail mail or eat Jewish food and they don't play bridge. Anyway, we need more really old people in our quaint mountain town and not a bunch of rowdy teenagers."

Mr. Gotrocks arrives and is offered a Coke. Than the three players hug while swaying back and forth, singing, 'Kumbaya' as the curtain slowly closes. The audience jumps to its feet with loud applause. They begin to chant "Zany Jane, Zany Jane, Zany Jane...." In the back of the theatre, The Kimster is spotted sipping a Dr. Pepper.

The End

· Read Fred's column on-line all winter.

• THE VIEW FROM HERE •

Boys will be boys, but...

t is a joy to watch boys as they scratch and scramble Ltheir path to manhood. Boys are warriors. Place a banana in the hands of an unarmed boy and, in his imaginative world, it becomes a pistol. A stick becomes a sword, unless it's stout, in which case it might better serve as a club or a mace.

Boys can wage war for hours, firing thousands of imaginary rounds at an enemy who'll later host a sleep over. When a boy grows older and gets his first B-B

gun, the stakes are raised. Every bird and furry rodent is fair game. Street signs are enemy cavalry and traffic reflectors the eyes of a raging

What boy has ever fired a bottle rocket without recognizing its military potential? A fire cracker taped to a rock is a handy grenade, or a depth charge to stuntiny fish to the surface. A soda can, warmed and vigorously shaken, produces a satisfying reaction when struck by a pellet. The world is his battle ground.

Unfortunately, the genetically predisposed and socially malleable adolescents are clay is the hands of ambitious leaders. We are grateful that our boys are willing to serve but regret comparable dedication on the part of our enemy's sons.



encouraged. email:

Feedback is

Most boys grow into men and put aside visions of military might, but not all. Some men keep the dream alive with paint ball battles. Grown men sit for hours killing Nazi zombies or Japanese soldiers in video games. Others armed with high powered rifles hunt bigger game than the squirrels and chipmunks of their childhood. As kids, we played cowboys and Indians and battled for the Allies **hsalzarulo@aol.com** from the banks of Clear Creek. We re-fought the Civil War, a

conflict in which I represented the Union, not by virtue of politics but because I was owned a Union cap. My brother's cap was grey. I envied his role. The Confederacy, it seemed to me, represented noble virtues of loyalty and sacrifice.

I admired the underdog role and resiliency in the face of adversity. Slavery just wasn't an aspect I considered. We didn't think of ourselves as "re-enactors" although I suppose in a sense, we were. We just knew we needed both the good guys and the bad to have a war. That's how we thought about it at the time; good versus evil. It's rarely as

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Today we just whine and prattle, before, they'd engage in an outright battle.
Wouldn't resemble today's kind of rally, more like "Parry, Charge, Sally!"
Sort of changes the meaning of when a politicians says they're taking a defensive position.
How offended we get if someone shouts "Liar!"
What about "ready, aim, Fire!"?
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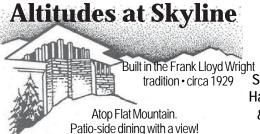
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• COACH'S CORNER •

The Mad Hatter-crazy like a tiger

Torida had no chance Saturday. I tried to tell the guys in the bar that, but they just refused to listen. Here was LSU down 29-26 with just a little over three minutes remaining and I tried to explain to my patrons at the Rib Shack that these were the moments in which Les Miles seems to hold all control over time and space.

Les Miles is absolutely crazy, and the best part about his craziness is that he embraces it. Most coaches like to outthink themselvesthey like to play it safe when people expect them to gamble and gamble when they are told to play it safe. Miles is of a different breed though-when the stakes call for him to be conservative, he throws caution to the wind and plays crazy. When the stakes call for him to gamble, he doesn't just gamble-he rides the wave of the absurd and sublime and always seems to come up roses.

35 seconds left, LSU lined up for a 52 yard field goal as the announcers warned repeatedly of a fake FG. Despite even the announcers being able to see the fake coming, LSU still managed to "execute" the fake, and by execute I mean have the ball bounce perfectly into the hands of Josh Jasper as he managed to outrun two linebackers with SEC speed because they ran into each other. Les Miles knew that would happen, because Les Miles knows these things. Les Miles won't outcoach you with "discipline" or "preparation." No, Les Miles will embarrass you because his..er..Lesticles are made of one hundred pound cannonballs.

Don't believe me? Think I am joking? Ask Derek Dooley, who thought that his Tennessee team had pulled the upset only to have Les Miles mind control 13 of his players onto the field for a penalty. How about the time that Les decided to have LSU beat North Carolina in Atlanta without playing any offense? If you were to play poker against Les Miles, he would beat your four of a kind by laying down straight onions-because Les Miles doesn't walk on water-water holds up Les Miles because it is afraid of him.

Sure, the LSU and game pretty much confirmed what the Alabama game showed to Florida fans. Florida is average this year, but Les Miles already knew that. Take heart Florida fans, your young team will continue to improve defensively, but the offense is a mess right now due to injuries and the not so steady hand of OC Steve Addazio. As for LSUthey are my sleeper pick to play for a BCS championship, mainly because of their defense and special teams but also because of the man that wears the hat. I can't imagine that there is anything worse than looking towards the LSU sideline at the opposing coach and realizing that not only is he crazy, but he embraces that crazy-and will use that method of crazy to rip your heart out.



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Highlanders remain at #7

After a week in which the Highlands Varsity Soccer team went 2-1, they remain ranked in the top 10 statewide.

Saturday, the Highlanders hosted the Rabun Gap Eagles looking to avenge an early season loss in Dillard. Things looked bleak early, as the Highlanders went down 2-0 in the first 67 seconds of play after a couple of defensive breakdowns.

Fortunately for Highlands, they were able to regroup and get back a goal from Samuel Wheeler in the second minute off of a long throw from Michael Shearl to only trail 2-1. Early in the second half, Highlands was able to equalize after Robbie Vanderbilt headed home a long throw, and Highlands took control of the momentum. Minutes later two Highlander scoring chances were denied as Samuel Wheeler hit the crossbar on a beautiful one-timer and a blast from Shearl was saved by the diving Eagle keeper.

Rabun Gap then regrouped and was able to regain the lead after a corner that was misplayed was squeaked inside the post. As the Eagles celebrated, one player was given a red card and sent off for poor sportsmanship after he taunted the crowd. With the Eagles a man down, Highlands was on the attack the remainder of the game, but was unable to equalize, giving Rabun Gap a 3-2 victory.

Monday the Highlanders traveled to Murphy to face the Bulldogs in a return to SMC play. Highlands scored early and often, getting 3 goals from Shearl and one goal each from Isaac Beavers, Jake Shelton, Luiggi Pacheco, Taylor Osteen, Clayton Creighton, Robbie Vanderbilt, Cody St. Germain and Samuel Wheeler. Shearl added 4 assists and Bryon Neumann had 2 assists. The Murphy game also clinched one of the teams preseason goals as every player on the roster now has a goal for the season.

Tuesday Highlands hosted Swain County in sloppy conditions. The soggy field did not seem to affect the home team, as they received two goals apiece from Shearl and Wheeler and a goal each from Ricky Reyes, Tucker Bates, Temba Lama and Clayton Creighton. Robbie Vanderbilt and Shearl each had two assists as well. Highlands improved to 14-3 overall on the season and have only given up one goal in conference play.

The Highlanders host archrival Franklin today at Highlands School, so please come out and add your voice in what will surely be a hard fought soccer match.

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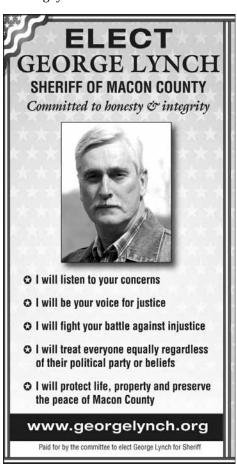
straightforward as that although the Allies against Nazi Germany came close.

This is why I wondered why Rich Iott, an Ohio's Ninth District Republican congressional candidate has, in recent years, always played the part of the German SS. He's been an enactor for years, battling different foes from different centuries, but in recent years has settled on the Nazis. Photos of the candidate wearing a Nazi uniform surfaced as the campaign approached its climax. His opponent, who may have been the source of the disclosure, expressed disbelief and disgust.

She didn't mention glee, which was undoubtedly the real sensation. He belonged to an outfit that always trained and fought as Germans. The unit's website, www.wiking.org, denies any connection with Aryan Brotherhood, KKK, or American Nazi Party, and repudiates any support for Hitler's atrocities. The site's creator obviously anticipated a reaction and the denial seems a little too urgent.

I'd like to believe that Mr. Iott was just an overgrown boy, playing "war" but I can't help feel there is more to it than that. My reaction may have been influenced by Mr. Iott's endorsement by the Tea Party. We are being treated to an assortment of unconventional candidates this year.

In this case, it stretches my imagination to believe the fellows in Rich's outfit are a bunch of tolerant, fun loving, non prejudiced overgrown boys who find inspiration in the lives of SS foot soldiers and enjoying playing the bad guy. A common creed seems a more likely bonding agent; that and the belief that whatever the world's judgment, they aren't the bad guys.



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Flags will also be available for purchase. In addition to the flag, a new Town of Highlands emblem will evolve from the chosen design.

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This guy has got it right

his article, which was written by a Russian columnist for Pravda, the Russian news source, has made the rounds of conservative email boxes for about a year. If you've seen it, read it again. If you haven't, it will give you an idea of what outsiders see happening to us in an objective way. It says what I think better than I

"It must be said, that like the breaking of a great dam, the American descent into Marxism is happening with breath-taking speed, against a backdrop of a passive, hapless sheeple, excuse me, dear reader, I meant people. True, the situation has been well prepared on and off for the past century, especially the past twenty years. The initial testing ground was conducted upon our Holy Russia and a bloody test it was. But we Russians would not just roll over and give up our freedoms and our souls.

These lessons were taken and used to properly prepare the American populace for the surrender of their freedoms and souls, to the whims of their elites and betters. First, the population was dumbed down through a politicized and substandard education system based on pop culture, rather than the classics. Americans know more about their favorite TV dramas than the drama in DC that directly affects their lives. They care more for their 'right' to choke down a McDonald's burger or a Burger King burger than their constitutional rights. Then they turn around and lecture us about our rights and about our 'democracy'. Pride blinds the foolish.

The final collapse has come with the election of Barack Obama. His speed in the past three months has been truly impressive. His spending and money printing has been record setting, not just in America's short history, but in the world. If this keeps up for more than another year, and there is no sign it will not, America will at best resemble the Weimar Republic and at worst, Zimbabwe.

The past two weeks have been the most breath-taking of all. First came the announcement of a planned redesign of the American Byzantine tax system by the very thieves who used it to bankroll their thefts, losses, and swindles of hundreds of billions of dollars. These make our Russian oligarchs look little more than ordinary street thugs, in comparison. Yes, the Americans have beaten our own thieves in



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the shear volumes.

These men, of course, are not an elected panel but made up of appointees picked from the very financial oligarchs and their henchmen who are now gorging themselves on trillions of American dollars, in one bailout after another. They are also usurping the rights, duties, and powers of the American congress. Again, congress has put up little more than a whimper to their masters.

Then came Barack Obama's command that GMs (General Motors) president step down from leadership of his company. That is correct, dear reader, in the land of 'pure' free markets, the American President now has the power to fire CEOs and we can assume other employees of private companies, at will. Come hither, go dither, the centurion commands his minions.

Prime Minister Putin, less than two months ago, warned Obama and UK's Blair not to follow the path to Marxism, it only leads to disaster. Apparently, even though we suffered 70 years of this Western sponsored horror show, we know nothing, as foolish, drunken Russians, so let our 'wise' Anglo-Saxon fools find out the folly of their own pride.

So, should it be any surprise to discover that the Democratically controlled Congress of America is working on passing a new regulation that would give the American Treasury department the power to set 'fair" maximum salaries, evaluate performance, and control how private companies give out pay raises and bonuses? Senator Barney Frank, a social pervert basking in his homosexuality and his Marxist enlightenment, has led this effort. He stresses that this only affects companies that receive government monies, but it is retroactive and taken to a logical extreme, this would include any company or industry that has ever received a tax break or incentive.

The proud American will go down into his slavery without a fight, beating his chest and proclaiming to the world how free he really is. The world will only snicker as they watch his great United States invaded from the South by a third world country."

The Obama administration has continued to impose its Marxist agenda on the sheeple, I mean people, it governs. Oct. 14th starts your turn to speak. Be thoughtful when you vote; the Country can't stand more of the same.

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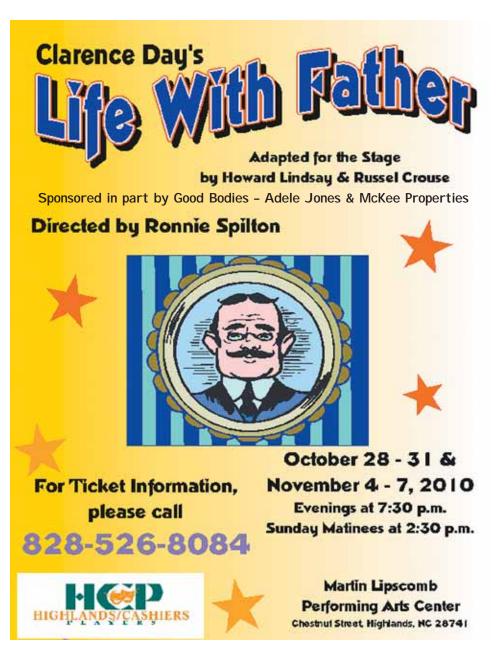


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at the visual continuity of the eastern part of Main Street – east of Third – by about 40 people – but again many business owners were missing from the equation.

Those meetings will take place the first Thursday of each month for the next two years.

Members of the Planning Board agreed that the reason for stipulations in the current sign ordinance grew out of signage problems from the past which it should consider.

"These items are in the ordinance for a reason – they were complaint-driven due to problems, and we need to look at them carefully," said Ricky Bryson.

The group talked about allowing "Open" flags if they fly over green space as they have at the Bird Barn at The Falls on Main but were concerned about the height of flags and encroachment into public rights-of-way on sidewalks.

No decisions were made concerning flags, signs in windows or moveable signs and banners.

However, signage requests made by the real estate community were discussed and the subsequent recommendation will be forwarded to the Town Board.

At the September Planning Board meeting, Pat Allen of Pat Allen Realty Group requested an amendment to the sign ordinance allowing real estate "Open House" signs as well as "Open House" directional signs along roadways in, out and around town.

In the end, the group agreed to allow Realtors to get a permit to use "Open House" signs from dawn to dusk the day of the event, as long as it is obtained 24 hours prior to the event either by fax or in person.

Directional signs noting the location and Realtor or homeowner's name are allowed at each major highway intersection and smaller directional signs with arrows may be used closer to vicinity of the property.

If Realtors or homeowners fail to pick up the signs by dusk of the day of the event, they will first get a verbal warning, followed by a fine in \$25 increments. The fine will increase each time a Realtor or homeowner fails to pick up the signs on time.

Town Planner Joe Cooley was asked to draft the amendment and present it to the Town Board – presumably at the Oct. 20 meeting.

— Kim Lewicki

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ness designation mean?" they asked.

Before the commission agreed to endorse the designation to "Wilderness Area," it wants to know exactly what the allowed uses are and they want them outlined in the resolution before it is signed.

"Come back with a proposed resolution outlining all allowed uses," they said.

Under the Wilderness Act all this can be changed, said one citizen.

Once an area is officially named a wilderness area, it's protected and technically trees can't even be cut down with a chainsaw.

"I want to make sure camping areas remain open for the citizens of Macon County," said Commissioner Simpson.

"What, if anything, are we giving up with this designation?" asked Commissioner Bobby Kuppers. "Are we giving up rights so that at a later date someone can come in and change the present day uses in a wilderness area so uses as we know them will not be able to continue?"

The proposed area is about 3,200 acres including Osage Overlook, part of the Bar-

tram Trail, to Overflow Creek, to Blue Valley, to the bottom of the Glen Falls Trail all the way to Hale Ridge Road in Scaly Mountain.

Typically, the intent of the Wilderness Act is to protect native species and plants, not necessarily to endorse the multi-recreational use of waterfall overlooks, hiking, camping, hunting and fishing.

The commissioners unanimously agreed they were against timber logging or commercial development of the area – uses already not allowed in the 3,200-acre tract as it stands now.

In other news, the board finalized the financing for the new K-4 School which means taxpayers will be paying rock-bottom prices for the work at a 0.044% interest rate. "The closest you get to a zero percent you'll get," said Commission Chair Ronnie Beale.

Macon County got the special funding package because it was shovel-ready when other less fiscally sound counties couldn't jump through all the hoops required to be eligible for the federal funding package.

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bridge at Hickory Hill Road and plowed into the arm of Big Creek — stopping when she hit the town's water intake valve.

Highlands Police Master Officer Thomas Parker said no alcohol was involved, but Yurievna was driving at an excessive speed "going too fast to make the curve" as evidenced by 94 feet and 10 inches of skid marks.

Despite the speed, she managed to maneuver the car between the end of the bridge guardrail and stop sign on one side and a tree on the other – only damaging the Hickory Hill Road sign and possibly the water intake valve upon impact.

Her 2006 gold Toyota Corolla was totaled, she was pretty shook up, said Parker, but she was physically unharmed. "She's a lucky girl," he said.

Officer Parker said Yurievna tried to escape the submerged car through a window but when that failed she stuck something into the sunroof and pushed it out.

friend's house — 6 a.m. Monday she went to the police station to report the accident.

The Highlands Fire & Rescue Department was called to retrieve the car. Diver Forrester tried to attach a cable to the rear of the car from a dry seat in a John boat, but eventually had to get into the water to attach the cable securely.

Fire Chief James Manley, who also owns

She swam to the shore and walked to a Manley Towing, pulled the vehicle out of the

Highlands Police Chief Bill Harrell said charges are pending; Town Engineer Lamar Nix said an engineering dive team will have to determine if the water intake valve was damaged during the collision.

To see a video of the extraction go to www.highlandsinfo.com/wx.htm.

– Kim Lewicki

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mean that all the recent dog deaths can be linked to organophosphate poisoning."

In addition, water samples collected in the creek along Miller Road off Buck Knob Road by the Department of Water Quality were negative for organophosphates.

Patterson said the initial investigation involved going door to door with a questionnaire looking for a common thread in the cases. Questions involved the when and where dogs were walked, in an effort to establish a timeline as well as pinpoint possible contamination locations.

Patterson said though his department is concerned and alarmed about what happened to the dogs in Scaly Mountain, the Health Department's first concern was for people.

"Our main concern is for the human population," he said. "Because if dogs and other animals can get into this stuff, people

Compounds containing organophosphate work on the nervous system and can kill dogs and cats if ingested or absorbed through the skin - even through their paws.

If exposed, the diagnosis is grim.

Almost immediately, dogs have seizures, have difficulty breathing, begin shaking, drooling, vomiting and having diarrhea. "It's known as Sludge Syndrome and basically their bodies just start shutting down," said

Doctors at Rabun Animal Hospital have successfully treated two dogs who have been exposed to the chemical with an antidote, fluids and heat application.

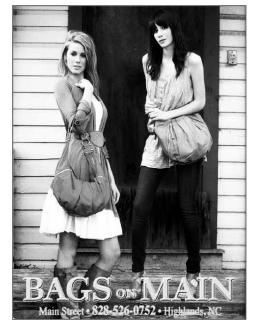
According to the MC Health Dept., there are no additional reports of animals that are sick or have died since early September. "Therefore, this does not appear to be an ongoing situation," said Patterson. "If there have been additional sick or dead animals, please notify the Macon County Public Health Center at 349-2490.

There have been no reports of any sick

"At this time, unless there are additional cases of sick animals or humans, we do not foresee this as having an impact on the public's health," said Patterson.

If there are additional complaints, they will be followed up by the appropriate agency — Macon County Animal Control or Macon County Public Health. The Macon County Sheriff's Office is fully aware of the situation and is willing to assist as needed.

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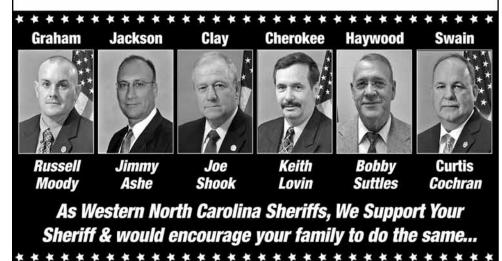
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Through 2010

• At The Bascom, Do Tell environmental sculpture: Patrick Dougherty. Admission is free. For information, call 828.526.4949 or visit www.thebascom.org. Galleries are open to the public, Tues.-Sat., 10 am-5 pm; Sun., noon-5 pm.

Through Dec. 18

• At The Bascom, American Craft Today, Juried Exhibition, Admission is free. For information, call 828.526.4949 or visit www.thebascom.org. Galleries are open to the public, Tues.-Sat., 10 am-5 pm; Sun., noon-5 pm.

Through Sat., Nov. 27

• At The Bascom, Recent Works: Aaron Yakim and Cynthia Taylor. Admission is free. For information, call 828.526.4949 or visit www.thebascom.org. Galleries are open to the public, Tues.-Sat., 10 am-5 pm; Sun., noon-5 pm

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- · At Health Tracks at Highlands-Cashiers Hospital, various exercise classes all week long. Call 828-
- Nantahala Tennis Club meets everyday at 9 a.m. at Highlands Recreation Park. \$2 per person; all visitors welcome. Call 526-3556.
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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
- The High Mountain Squares will be having a dance workshop get-together on Sundays. This will include main/stream and plus levels. The caller will be Jim Roper from Cornelia. GA. The dances will be held at the Environmental Resource Center, Lakeside Drive, Franklin, from 3 to 5 p.m. Come in casual clothes and dance with us. Now is the time to come if you have not danced in a while and you would like to get started again. This is good exercise and a lot of fun. The cost is \$3 per person. For information, call 828 349-0905, 828 369-8334, 706 782-0943.

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First Mondays

• Participate in your hospital by joining the Auxiliary of the Highlands-Cashiers Hospital 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

- Highlands Rotary Club meets at noon at the Highlands Conference Center at noon.
- Closed AA Women's meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Episcopal Church at Fifth and Main streets.
- The Highlands Dialogue invites everyone to participate in our Tuesday discussions at the Civic Center from 10–11:30 a.m. While our name is new, the Highlands Dialogue intends to build on the Fall/Winter-Spring discussion series previously sponsored by HIARPT. Discussions range from current events and great books to extreme whimsy. The only membership requirements are that you come with an exploring mind and that you read a session's material before attending the discussion (we distribute readings either by e-mail or at previous sessions). Even if you are not able to attend all of the discussions, you are encour-

aged to come when you are available. If you would like information about the Highlands Dialogue or any of our upcoming discussions, please e-mail John Gaston johngaston@aol.com or Karen Hawk hwkncrw@earthlink.net. If you would like us to add your name to the Highlands Dialogue's e-mail list, please contact David Scheyer at scheyer08@frontier.com.

- Study Hall at the Literacy Council of Highlands in the Peggy Crosby Center from 3 to 5 p.m. Come do vour homework, projects use the resources on site and get help from a tutor. For more information, contact Faviola Oivera at (828) 526-0925 or by email at missolvera@yahoo.com.
- · 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

- \$2 off bar drinks at El Azteca. 70 Highlands Plaza across from Bryson's Food Store.
- The Highlands Mountaintop Rotary meets at 7:30 a.m. 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. 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 WednesdayStudy 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. 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.

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

Saturdays

- At Paoletti's Restaurant, intimate Wine Tasting at the bar at 1 pm. Great values in wines from around the world, available for retail sales daily. Cheese and Crackers are served. Cost: \$20 per person.
- At Cyprus International Restaurant, live music beginning at 9 p.m. No cover.

- Highlands Knitting & Needlepoint Guild meets to knit, crochet and needlepoint on the terrace at the Bascom, Questions? 526-1741.
- At The Bascom, Nov. 12, 19, Dec. 11 and 18 (no class on Thanksgiving Saturday or Christmas Parade day). Youth will learn about other cultures and make crafts that can hang on the tree or be given as gifts. Each class will cover the art and culture of two different countries. To register or for more information, visit www.thebascom.org or call 828.526.4949, ext.

Saturdays through Oct. 23

• At The Bascom, Workshop: Fayne Ansley, painting and drawing, Fall Fruits and Foliage - Botanical Watercolor, 2-4 pm. Tuition: Take one \$25 members/

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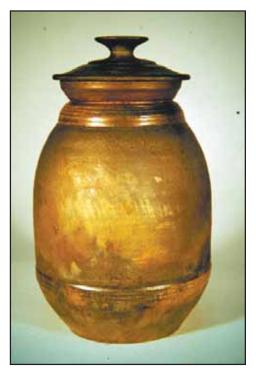
Spooky Raku, Woodturning and Photography headline upcoming programs at The Bascom

On Saturday, October 30 at 8 pm, the community is invited to The Bascom to celebrate a "Spooky" Raku pottery firing under the Halloween moon. People are encouraged to come in costume and enjoy this great new Highlands' tradition. The event is free and open to all ages. Taylor and Britt Ammann will teach a course on Raku firing on Monday and Tuesday, October 25 and 26 from 1-4 pm or 5-8:30 pm. Students will be given a bag of clay to create pottery pieces for the Raku firing and glaze preparation for these pieces will be from 2-5 pm on Saturday, October 30. Tuition for the course is \$100 Bascom members/\$125 non-members.

Other programs at The Bascom:

- Britt Ammann, "Play in the Clay," October 23 and November 20. Have you ever looked at someone effortlessly pull up a lovely pot from a hunk of clay and thought, "I'd like to try that!" This is a day for you. Britt Ammann will teach participants the basics of clay handling and wheel throwing. Tuition: \$40 members/\$45 nonmembers per class (all materials provided).
- Bill Rouda, book signing Saturday, October 23, 2 pm.. Join photographer Bill Rouda for a short slide lecture about

documentary art photography followed by a book signing of "Nashville's Lower Broad: The Street That Music Made", published my Smithsonian Books. Bill will also be the



instructor for "Improving the Photographic Eye" on Friday, November 5, 2-5 pm and Saturday, November 6, 9 am-4 pm.

 The outstanding works of Philip and Matt Moulthrop as well as the Highlands/ Cashiers Woodturners Club are at The Bascom! An exhibition of lathe-made bowls is on display in The Bascom's Atrium gallery through November 13.

Other exhibitions now at The Bascom: Fire and Heat by Three; Recent Works: Aaron Yakim and Cynthia Taylor; American Craft Today and Patrick Dougherty's Do Tell environmental.

Exhibitions at The Bascom are free and open to the public Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Workshop registration is going on now. Preregistration is required. For more information on The Bascom visit www.thebascom.org or call (828) 526-

Raku pieces like this one by Patrick Taylor will be publicly fired at The Bascom on Saturday, October 30. "Spooky" Raku is free and open to all ages. For more information, call (828) 526-4949 or visit www.thebascom.org.

\$30 non-members or all four \$90 members/\$100 non-members. For information or to register, call 828.526.4949 or visit www.thebascom.org.

Wed.-Fri, Oct 13-15

· At The Bascom, Workshop: Marilyn Brandenburger, pen and watercolor, More Journaling in Ink and Watercolor, 10 am-4 pm. Tuition: \$275 members/\$295 non-members. For information or to register, call 828.526.4949 or visit www.thebascom.org.

Thurs-Sat., Oct. 14-16

· At The Bascom, Workshop: Alice Ballard, ceramics, Finding Your Form Through Nature II, 10 am-4 pm Discover forms that attract and inspire us through the close observation of nature. Tuition: \$325 members/\$350 non-members. Call 828.526.4949 or visit www.thebascom.org.

Thurs. & Fri., Oct. 14 -15

 At The Bascom, Workshop: Carol Singletary, fiber, Yarn Dyeing in Luscious Colors, 10 am-4 pm. Tuition: \$275 members/\$300 non-members. For information or to register, call 828.526.4949 or visit www.thebascom.org.

Thurs., Oct. 14

• At Hudson Library, Financial Management Lecture – at 5:30-6:30 pm. Presented by Sue Gorski of RBC Bank — Understanding Your Credit Score.

• Macon County Girls Basketball Signups. 4-6 p.m. Pick up application forms and pay the entry fee anytime at the Highlands Rec Park front desk. 6-17 years old are eligible. Must be 6 before Nov. 1, 2010. \$35 per player, \$25 per player for parent/ coach volunteer. Sponsors are needed. Call Justyne Reese at 828-342-2740. Sponsor fee is \$150. Coaches are also needed.

• The October meeting of The Western North Carolina Woodturners Club is Thursday at 7 PM at the Blue Ridge School, in Glenville. Drive to the back of the school to the woodworking shop. Visitors are always welcomed. The club meets every second Thursday.

• Election Forums for Macon County Commissioners at Noon at Tartan Hall at the First Presbyterian Church, Franklin, Incumbents Ronnie Beale (D) and Bob Simpson (D) will face Charlie Leatherman (R), Ron Haven (R), and Vic Drummond (I) for the two District 2 seats. Incumbent Brian McClellan (R) will face Allan "Ricky" Bryson (D) for Highlands District 1 seat. The general election will take place on November 2. One-stop voting begins on October 14 and ends on October 30.

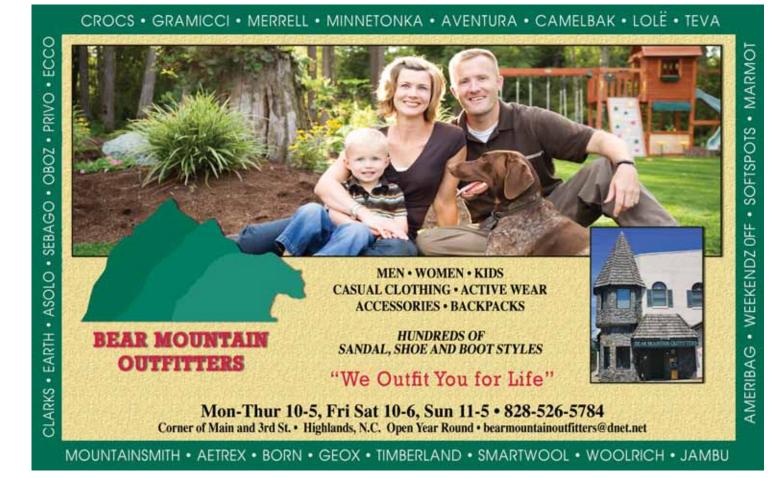
Fri. & Sat., Oct. 15 & 16

• Kountry Krafters Annual Fall Craft Show from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Coweeta Church Fellowship Hall in Franklin.

Friday, Oct. 15

- The Highlands Community Foundation and the Highlands Cooperative will host a free workshop for Highlands area nonprofits from 10 a.m to 2 p.m. with lunch provided in Coleman Hall at the First Presbyterian Church on Main Street. Registration deadline is Friday, Oct. 8. Call Wood Lovell at 828-526-4104 to register and David Moore at 828-332-1609 for more information.
- "Travel for Peace Fundraiser for Nicki Miglionico at Down Hill Grill in Scaly Mountain, featuring dinner and music at 7 pm. with Fiddlin' Mitch. Nicki is raising money for an educational trip to Istanbul, Turkey to visit the sister school of Fulton Science Academy

Sat. & Sun., Oct. 16-17



Ongoing and Upcoming Events



• The Art League of Highlands Fall Colors Fine Art Show. 10-5. Civic Center Rec Park, Highlands, North Carolina across from the Citco Station on Fourth Street. Gymnasium filled with original art and fine crafts. Children's Art Room open Saturday. Door prizes. Free admission. 828-743-7673.

Saturday, Oct. 16

- There will be a meeting of the Mountain Patriots Tea Party at 2 at the 441 Family Diner in Otto. Come early to make new friends & socialize. Guests and visitors are always welcome.
- The annual Highlands School PTO Fall Festival from 5-9. The festival has great food and many exciting activities for children and adults. Highlands Rotary Club sponsors our cash bingo where the winner takes half! There is the Chenoweth Cake Walk, and the senior class is preparing a thrilling haunted house in the middle school. There will be a 20' inflatable slide and bounce house, hay rides, face paint and hair spray, fish pond, pirate dig, soccer, basketball, football booths and balloon dart toss...not to mention the popcorn, cotton candy and many more exciting

activities! Each class has prepared a theme box filled with great items that will be available for our Great Silent Theme Box Auction. Mountain Fresh Fine Foods, Bryson's Food Store, Reeves Hardware and RBC Centura Bank have all donated \$100 in gift certificates for our traditional Fall Festival Raffle where tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

Sunday, Oct. 17

• The Nantahala Hiking Club will take an easy 1.5 mile hike with an elevation change of 100 feet to Pickens Nose for an outstanding view from the top. Meet at Westgate Plaza in Franklin, opposite Burger King, at 2 p.m. Drive 50 miles round trip. Bring water, a snack if you wish; wear sturdy shoes. Call leader Kay Coriell, 369-6820, for reservations. Visitors are welcome, but no pets please.

Monday, Oct. 18

• The Plateau Fly Fishing Club will hold its last meeting of the season on Monday, October 18. The meeting begins at 7 PM at the Albert Carlton-Cashiers library and features Jeff Curtis who will discuss fly fishing the Blue Ridge Parkway. Jeff is the co-founder of Curtis Wright Outfitters, camp director of Trout Unlimited's "Rivercourse" and local guide for the past 15 years. His family operates Sourwood Inn outside Asheville. An accomplished fly tyer, Jeff brings a wealth of fly fishing experience. Following the presentation, a raffle featuring an Orvis 9' 5 weight midflex rod and other fly fishing essentials will end the ninth season of the Plateau Fly Fishing Club. The rod will be awarded to the lucky ticket holder. Everyone is invited. Call 828-885-7130 for additional information.

Tuesday, October 19

- At Hudson Library, Health Lectures by Dr. Sue Aery of Mountain Air Wellness Center. "Wheat free diet- why does it work?"
- CLE presents Darwin and Evangelicals 1809-2010 with Rev. Michael Roberts, Anglican clergyman, geologist and Darwin scholar from 3-4:30 pm. at the Highlands Biological Station, Biodiversity Laboratory 265 N. Sixth Street, Highlands, NC 28741. There is no need to register. It's FREE. If you have any questions, please contact the Biological Station at 526-2602. Rev. Roberts is a professional geologist, but is currently a full time clergyman in the Church of England. He has a special interest in Darwin and the history of evolutionary biology, and has published several papers on Darwin's geological work, geologist-evangelicals of the 19th century such as Adam Sedgwick, and philosophical/ theological papers on topics relating to evolution, design, etc.
- Return to Margaritaville —The Philosophical Side of Jimmy Buffet. Coordinator: John Gaston is The Highlands Dialogue's Tuesday discussion at the Civic

Center from 10–11:30 a.m. For more information about the Highlands Dialogue or any of our upcoming discussions, please e-mail John Gaston johngaston@aol.com or Karen Hawk hwkncrw@earthlink.net. If you would like us to add your name to the Highlands Dialogue's e-mail list, please contact David Scheyer at scheyer08@frontier.com.

Thurs., October 21

• An American Red Cross Adult CPR/AED and First Aid Basics course will be conducted by the Macon County Public Health Center 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 prepay at the Macon County Public Health Center before Monday, October 18, 2010. For more information on class fees, please call Jennifer at 349-2439.

Friday, Oct. 22

• Live bird demonstration with Doris Mager, "The Eagle Lady" will give a program and demonstration with her live birds at the Civic Center beginning at 7:30 pm. Doris has made a lifetime career of caring for and educating the public about birds of prey. This program is sponsored by the Highlands Audubon Society and is free of charge.

Saturday, Oct. 23

- At The Hen House on Main Street, Ray Pottery signing from 10-5.
- The Nantahala Hiking Club will take a moderate 4-mile hike on the Appalachian Trail to see the new tower and shelter on Wayah Bald, returning via the

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"Life with Father' - A cast of thousands



Well, maybe not thousands but it probably seems like it in rehearsals. Dr. Ronnie Spilton, no stranger to directing large cast shows, is directing HCP's upcoming production of "Life With Father", an absolutely terrific stage adaptation of the collected essays of Clarence Day, in which he wrote about his large, loving, but somewhat chaotic, family.

And it must be almost as demanding to organize this cast as it was to run the Day household. It's a large, talented cast, with some new faces and some returning veterans (if you can call someone not quite old enough to drive a "veteran"). David Hoffman, who was in HCP's "How the Other Half Loves" returns to the stage as the title character, and he is well accompanied. Betsy Miller as "Clare's" patient wife, a crowd of red-headed sons, portrayed by Cai Roman, David Long,

Daniel Long, and Taj Roman, an ever changing troop of maids, played by Elizabeth Gordon, Kris Maree, Denise Dunn, Jeannette Brand and Vangie Rich, some charming visitors, played by Michelle Hott and Kaycee Carver, and an assortment of doctors and ministers, ably done by Wayne Coleman, Curtis Rich, and Jim Dunn (Whew, did I miss anybody?).

This cast, along with an equally large crew of light and sound technicians, make up artists, hair dressers, set designers and decorators, props specialists, costumers and more will be bringing you the second show in HCP's 15th season.

Really, a great, funny, touching piece of whole family entertainment, it will be staging Oct. 28-31 and Nov. 4-7 at the Martin-Lipscomb Performing Arts Center, you will not want to miss this talented cast and this wonderful material

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Bartram Trail. Meet at Westgate Plaza in Franklin, opposite Burger King, at 2 p.m. Drive 30 miles round trip. Bring water, lunch; wear sturdy shoes. Call leader Larry Jelley, 524-4200, for reservations. Visitors are welcome, but no pets please.

 Yard Sale Benefit for Colleen Fogle in Wright Square at the old John Collette space from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Donate items for sale up until Friday, Oct. 22 by calling Noel Atherton at 787-1515. Colleen is fighting breast cancer.

• At The Bascom, Book Signing and Artist Talk: Bill Rouda, photography, 2 pm. Admission is free. For information or to register, call 828.526.4949 or visit www.thebascom.org.

• Abenefit for Laura Mashburn at Cartoogechaye School in Franklin starting at 5 p.m. She is 17 and has a rare progressive neurological disorder called Rasmusssen Encephalitis which attacks one side of the brain. There is no cure. There will be a hot dog, hamburger supper, games, a cake walk, face painting, singing, hair cuts an auction and music by The Patton String Band, Bobby Dills and Josh Cochran. There will be a raffle for a: 7M Ruger Rifle; 50/50 cash pot; 22M Ruger rifle; and \$200 in gas. Tickets may be purchased at \$1 each or 6 for \$5 by calling 828/342-

· Auction at Scudder's Gallery featuring ivory figurine valued at \$10,000 with proceeds to benefit Highlands-Cashiers Hospital Foundation.

Mon. & Tues. Oct. 25-26

· At The Bascom Spooky Raku class and Halloween Firing, Composition, instructors Pat Taylor and Britt Ammann, 1-4 pm or 5-8:30 pm. Create your choice of pottery pieces for a spooky Raku firing under the Halloween moon.

Wed., Oct. 27

• The Rotary Club of Highlands is holding its second coats and cans collection at the Highlands Rec Park from 9am -2pm. Coats of ANY kind, and any non perishable food that will directly benefit the Highlands United Methodist Church's Food Pantry.

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rom the beginning of the Bible to its end the theme of dependent of the holiness is so tightly woven into scripture's fabric that one (the Bible) without the other (holiness) would render both unintelligible. God is holy. We are called to be holy. Holiness is implicit if not explicit in every passage of holy writ.

To be holy, in the biblical sense, is to be dedicated to God and pure. When one is dedicated they are devoted to our heavenly Father. Purity has to do with sinfulness or lack thereof. When we are devoted to Jesus without sin, we are holy. It's that simple. It's that difficult.

In this season of Thanksgiving, for those of us who count ourselves as Christians, we owe our Lord more than lip service of thanks, we owe Him our holiness. This is because when our lives are seen to be dedicated and pure we not only fulfill His call to holiness but we also fulfill His great commission. As those outside of the church take note of our dedication and sinlessness we lay witness to the gospel of Christ. This then is the most sincere form of Thanksgiving.

Yes, it's easier said than done. However, if we are to believe the Good News, all things are possible with God. To be devoted means that we have to rid our lives of everything that stands between God and us. Anything that has a higher priority or in which we place greater trust has to be put in it's place behind God. To be pure means that we have to repent of our sins and receive His forgivenessrepeatedly. Tuff stuff to do but possible with His grace.

The rich young ruler (cf. Mark 10) went away with his head hung low because he was unwilling to be holy. His particular idol, the thing that stood between him and God, was money. His sin was trusting in or coveting his riches more than the almighty God who provided them. Here is an instance of someone who because of his station in life should have been gushing with thanksgiving and holiness. Instead we remember him as one who does damage to both the gospel, his life and his salvation.

What inhibits your holiness? What is your idol? What is your sin? Is it jealously guarded time? Perhaps family? Or maybe riches? Some immoral practice? Even another activity, not sinful in itself, that takes precedence in some way? All of these must be overcome and put in the proper perspective of God's holiness if we truly desire to express our Thanksgiving and to "...be holy I am holy." (Lev 11:44, 1 Peter 1:16)

May we, with great conviction, work toward personal and corporate holiness as the most sincere expression of Thanksgiving to our heavenly Father in this season of Thanks.

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BLUE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Oliver Rice, Pastor (706) 782-3965 Sundays: School - 10 a.m., Worship - 11 Sunday night services every 2nd & 4th Sunday at 7 Wednesdays: Mid-week prayer meeting – 7 p.m.
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Wednesday: Men's Bible Study -8:30 a.m., First Baptist Church

Thursday: Women's Prayer Group - 10 a.m., Whiteside Presbyterian Church; Healing Service at noon

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Sundays: School - 10 a.m.; Worship - 11 Prayer - 6:30 p.m.

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School Student Ministries. Tues.: 9:30 am: Women's Bible Study. Wed.: 5 pm: Dinner. 6pm: Children's Program **EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION**

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Dr. Lee Bowman, Pastor

Dr. Don Mullen, Parish Associate 526-3175 Sun.: Worship – 11 a.m.; Sun. School – 9:30 Mondays: 8 a.m. – Men's Prayer Group & Breakfast Wednesdays - Čhoir - 7

HIGHLANDS ASSEMBLY OF GOD

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Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 11 Wednesdays: Prayer & Bible Study – 7
HIGHLANDS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Pastor Paul Christy 526-3376 Sun.: school 9:45 a.m.; Worship 8:30 & 11 a.m.; 5

p.m. Youth Wed: Supper; 6; 7:15 - children, youth, & adults

studies; 6:15 - Adult choir (nursery provided for Wed. p.m. activities) Thurs:12:30 – Womens Bible Study (nursery)

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Allan "Ricky" Bryson

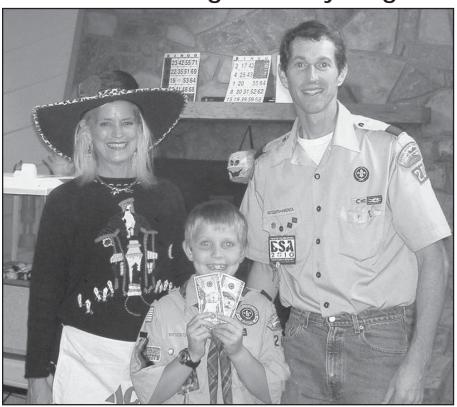
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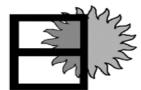


The Rotary Club of Highlands partnered with Highlands Cub Scout Pack 207 to offer Cub Scout Bingo on Thursday, October 7th. The Super Bingo Winner was Cub Scout Cole Satterwhite pictured with Bingo volunteer Caroline Cook and Cub Scout leader Tay Bronaugh, a member of Highlands Rotary

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3 bed, 4½ baths, this home looks like it was built last month. A custom home built by a great builder with great detail to everything. It has large screened porches to the great open kitchen and see-through fireplace. Offered at \$795,000. MLS #71720



Dogwood Drive. Fully renovated cabin is loaded with features: Cathedral ceiling in the living room with fireplace opens on to a great screened porch with a mountain view, custom kitchen with stainless appliances and hardwood floors,. Offered at \$445,000. MLS #66120



This nice home at Highlands Falls has 3 bedrooms, each with a private bath; 1 powder room; an open kitchen, living room and dining area with stone faced fireplace; a screened porch and lots of decks. Membership is available upon acceptance and applicable fees. Offered fully furnished including a golf cart for \$695,000. MLS #71830



Great location is convenient to both Highlands and Cashiers. Level access with a 2 car garage. Large open great room plan with split bedrooms on the main level and upper loft bedroom with bath. A spectacular view for the price. Offered at \$1,275,000. MLS#60517



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Quality construction with 6 walls and Anderson windows, 2 fireplaces, wood floors and lots of wormy chestnut paneling. Custom master bath with stacked stone and wainscoat, 2 car garage on main level and a one car garage on patio level. Large private lot. Offered at \$925,000. MLS# 71823. Owner/Agent.



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Cullasaja Headwaters at Wildcat Cliffs – Lot #3 Whiteside Club. Deck with outside fireplace. Subject to Wildcat Cliffs Country Club Membership approval. Buyer must purchase membership at time of closing. Offered at \$695,000. MLS# 60514



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Cullasaja Club Fairway Cottage. Located on the 10th tee. This brand new cottage is loaded with upgrades. Stone fireplaces in great room and on the spacious screened porch. Huge master bedroom. Guest bedroom and bath on main level with a loft bedroom and bath that closes off for privacy. Offered at \$899,000. MLS #65523



Located at The Cotswolds, this 4 bedroom, 4 1/2 bath has an exceptional floor plan, loads of glass, French doors, 2 car garage and a great covered porch are just a few of the features of this new home under construction. Offered at \$1,495,000. MLS #60668



Harbison Woods in nestled under the cliffs of Satulah Mountain and the last remaining property of Highlands' early botanist and professor, T.G. Harbison. It offers an extraordinary view of Satulah Mountain, Blue Valley and beyond. A park-like setting is created by the old growth timber overstory. Bound on the East by USFS and on the North by Highlands-Cashiers Land Trust. Offered at \$2,995,900. MLS#68845



This charming house, nestled in the woods at the end of a long drive, features a large great room and dining area that opens onto a spacious deck with a spectacular view of Whiteside Mountain. A real buy! Offered at \$1,500,000 MLS#64142



Sagee Mountain. Lovely 4 bedroom, 4 bath features a flat lot with exceptional gardens and large garage. A huge screened porch.ffered at \$1,040,000 MLS#59410



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Wildwood Subdivision. Spacious and has a view! This 4 bedroom, 3 bath has clean contemporary lines with wood floors in the main living area. Garage and workshop/storage on the terrace level. Offered at \$557,400 MLS#65908



Perched on the side of roaring Buck Creek Falls. This family home has room for guests or a large family. Living room has windows and deck that overlooks the Waterfall and a wood burning fireplace. Large kitchen with eat in area and picture window You will need to provide the finishing touches. Situated on 1.5+/- acres. Offered at \$495,000. MLS #54731



Situated on nearly 2 acres in a quiet setting on a small pond with dock, this custom built home was completed in 2007. Features rustic finishes, granite countertops, stainless appliances, Jacuzzi tub in master, volume ceilings and more. Offered at \$435,000 MLS#65563

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ment, which is also the easi-

est, involves the use of ibuprofen or naproxen sodium. Ibuprofen is sold over-the-counter as Advil or Motrin and is a very good antiinflammatory agent and pain reliever. This should be taken with food. Naprosyn sodium is marketed under the name, Aleve, another excellent anti-inflammatory agent and pain reliever. These two drugs work by reducing inflammation and taken for over 5-7 days will produce an anti-inflammatory effect in the articular cartilage of every joint.

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gist. Some patient's occasionally have fibromyalgia or polymyalgia rheumatica which typically is caused by not only arthritic pain, but pain and discomfort in the muscles as well as the joints. Typically, in these two disorders the pain moves from one site to another routinely and can be debil-

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 - 5. Dental implants help keep your re-

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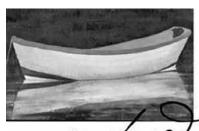
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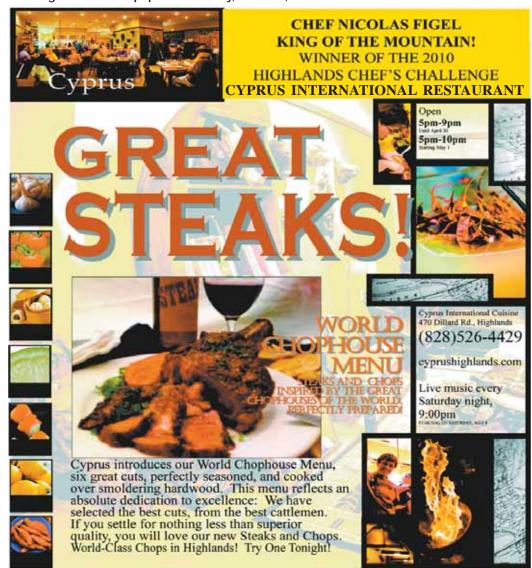
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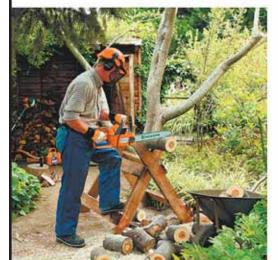
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Highlands Police & Fire Reports

Highlands PD log entries from Oct. 6 Only the names of persons arrested, issued a Class-3 misdemeanor, or public officials have been used.

Öct. 6

 At noon, officers responded to a two-vehicle accident at Poplar and the Town Shed.

Oct 7

- •At 3 p.m., a burglary without forced entry was reported at a home on Sagee Drive where several silver goblets valued at \$1,200 were reported missing.
- •At 5:43 p.m, officers responded to a call of a missing four-year-old child. The child was found at the home.

Oct. 8

- At 3:42 p.m, officers responded to a two-vehicle accident at NC 28 and Sweetwater Circle.
- At 7:10 p.m, offices assisted EMS with a women on Wahoo Trail who had fallen.

Oct. 9

- •At 1 a.m., a suspicious unoccupied vehicle with its tail lights on was reported at August Produce.
- At 1:30 p.m., officers responded to a call of an intoxicated man staggering on Main Street. His friends helped him home.
- •At 9 p.m., officers assisted a tractortrailer driver who was attempting to travel US 64 west.

Oct. 11

- •At 3:30 a.m., an accident at Hickory Hill Road and the arm of Big Creek occurred when the driver missed the curve in the road and went into the creek hitting the town's water intake valve. The car was submerged but the driver got out through the sunroof.
- During the week, police officers responded to 8 alarms and issued 14 cita-

tions.

Highlands F& R Dept. log entries from Oct. 6:

Oct. 6

- At 1:15 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to S. 4th Street where some had an allergic reaction. The victim was taken to the hospital.
- At 7:13 p.m., the dept. provided mutual aid to Cashiers Fire Dept. The call was cancelled en route.

Oct. 7

• At 2:46 a.m., there was a fire alarm activation on Main Street. It was cancelled by the alarm company.

Oct 8

- At 6:46 a.m., the dept. provided mutual aid the Cashiers Fire Department. The call was cancelled en route.
- •At 6:22 p.m. the dept. responded to an vehicle accident on the Cashiers Road. There were no injuries.

Oct. 9

- •At 2:07 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to Clubhouse Trail. The victim was taken to the hospital.
- At 10:10 p.m., the dept. was called to Country Club Drive due to a water flow alarm. It was cancelled.

Oct. 10

•At 11:58 a.m., the dept. responded to an vehicle accident on NC 106. There were no injuries.

Oct 12

- The dept. responded to a head-on collision involving a tractor-trailer and vehicle on US 64 west near Bridal Veil Falls. The drivers of the car were taken to the hospital
- •At 1:06 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to Main Street where a woman had fallen in the fountain at OEI. There were no injuries.

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and cancers (breast, ovarian, skin, etc) as well as educating them on how to live a healthier life. The state-of-the-art technology and equipment on our hospital's campus allows patients to undergo all necessary screenings such a digital mammography's and colonoscopy's, keeping them in good health and disease free."

"Reducing one's risk of developing life threatening cancers is as simple as early detection," said Dr. Smallwood. Regular visits to your gynecologists and/or family doctor discussing both family history and any new symptoms or changes in your body, having age appropriate screening exams to detect the early stages of breast, cervical and colorectal cancer, exercising, and kicking the tobacco habit if a current smoker, can all increase your chances of beating cancer."

Many attendees wanted to know the latest information regarding hormone treatment and therapies. In answer, Dr. Smallwood said 'Hormones are now being individually dosed to better match each patient's needs. Before beginning any patient on hormone treatment, benefits as well as risks are thoroughly discussed. There is much research concerning the correlation between hormone therapy and cancer, but not in all cases do the risks eliminate the good that treatment can bring. Also, recent studies show that women over the age of 60 are generally not in need of hormone replacements/supple-

Dr. Smallwood closed by stressing that all women age 40 and over have a yearly mammogram. "Breast cancer is the most common

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cancer in women aside from skin cancer. 28 percent of all cancers found in women are breast cancers with over 270,000 diagnosed each year. Because of the advances in preventive screenings, the cancer related deaths decrease 1-2 percent every year.

In support of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month (NBCAM), Highlands-Cashiers Hospital will host a special "Pink Power" luncheon for all individuals who have their annual mammogram schedule between October 1st and the 29th. Board Certified Physicians Dr. Billy Noell, General Surgeon, Dr. James Smallwood, Gynecologist and Dr. Rodney Stinnett, Radiologist will be available during the event for questions. In addition, participants will be entered in a raffle drawing for a "Longaberger Mammography" basket.

"Preventive screening and early detection are the best methods of defense fighting this serious disease," said Presi-

dent and CEO, Craig James. "We feel it's our mission to help educate the community on important issues such as this and we continuously urge all women to have the life saving screening each year."

Please call 526-1437 to schedule your yearly mammogram. When making your appointment, please arrange to make previous mammography films available to the radiologist for comparison. If you have had a mammogram within the past 12 months, you may not be medically eligible for another mammogram. Please check with our appointment scheduler or your insurance plan.

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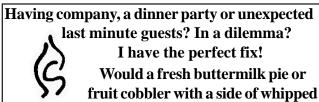
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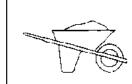
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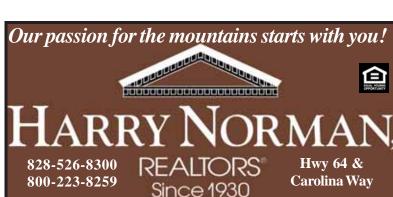


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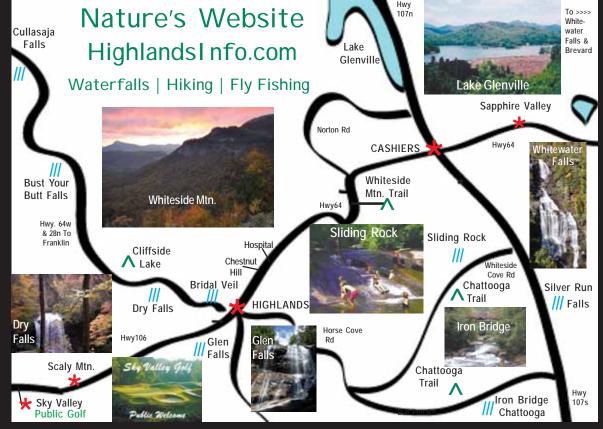
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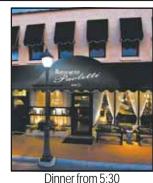
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