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## Fri.-Thurs, Oct. 16

• Movie at the Highlands Playhouse. "Walking with the Enemy." 1, 5 & 8p. No movies on Tuesday or Wednesday.

## Fri. & Sat., Oct. 19 & 11

• At The Bascom, Figure Painting with Chad Awalt. 10a to 5p. For more information call 828-787-2281

## Fri., Oct. 10

• At the Center for Plastic Surgery, Dr. Buchanan's office on the hospital campus, Obagi Open House 10a to 4p.

## Sat., Oct. 11

• Artist Robert Tino at the Greenleaf Gallery on Main Street from noon to 4p.

• At The Hen House, Stonewall Kitchen tastings of new products from 10:30a to 4p.

• Highlands Own Craft Show 9a to 5p in the Rec Park and the Town's HomeTown Day in Kelsey Hutchinson Park 11a to 3p.

• Shakespeare and Company will host an autographing of Ran Shaffner's new book, "The Father of Virginia Military Institute: A Biography of Colonel J.T.L. Preston, CSA," from 1-3p. Shaffner will read selections from the book for comment and discussion.

• The MET Opera's production of Macbeth will be presented at the Highlands PAC on Saturday, at 12:55pm. A pre-opera discussion lead by Beverly Pittman will begin at 12:30pm. Tickets are available online: highlandspac.org or by calling 828.526.9047

## Sun., Oct. 12

• Highlands Empty Bowls event in Coleman Hall in First Presbyterian Church. 11:45a-1:45p. Tickets are \$10. Call 526-0690.

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## Donors purchase more land for K-H Park

*Art & Angela Williams join forces with anonymous donor*

### Submitted

With construction poised to start on Kelsey-Hutchinson Park in a matter of days, the Founders Park Coalition announced this

week that it has purchased an adjacent tract of property that will eventually be added to the park, approximately doubling its size.

Coalition Chairman Nick Ba-

zan said the coalition has acquired the property that was formerly the law offices of Creighton W. Sossoman. That site adjoins the

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Pictured with Director and CEO of Macon Bank on the NASDAQ floor are members of the Macon Bank board of directors.

## Macon Bank goes public; rings NASDAQ bell

### By Brittany Raby

It's not often a "small town" business goes public and puts its community on the map, but that's what happened last Friday when Macon Bank went public.

Roger Plemens, Director and CEO of Macon Bank, his board

of directors and several employees traveled to New York City last Friday to ring the closing bell on the NASDAQ in celebration of the financial company's first day of trading as a public company.

"We had a great time," said Plemens. "It was one of those

once-in-a lifetime opportunities. I think it has been tremendously successful."

The holding company for Macon Bank, Entegra Financial Corp., announced last week the completion of the company's

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## Board of Ed District 2 and 4 candidates face off

### By Brittany Raby

The only incumbent in the school board race, Thomas Cabe first ran for school board 12 years ago after seeing that he had the time and desire to be a full time Board Member. Cabe is running to keep his seat as a representative for District II for the board of education. While serving on the school board, Cabe has served as both chairman, and vice-chairman.

"I feel that I have not only all the children of Macon County, but all our employees, parents and guardians to answer to," said Cabe of his reason for seeking re-election. "I am not afraid to disagree on a subject if I feel strongly about the issue. I want

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that at the regular Board of Commissioners' meeting of February 20, 2014, the Town Board voted to list all Town of Highlands Delinquent Accounts in the newspaper every 6 months. The following accounts are over 60 days past due.

### Delinquent Utility Accounts

Larry Chadwell	\$846.58	Due 08/15/11	Bob Stephenson	\$560.07	Due 11/15/12
Larry Chadwell	\$245.29	Due 08/15/11	Suzi's on Spring	\$45.02	Due 12/15/12
Greg Ewald	\$285.71	Due 04/15/12	Claudia Thompson	\$1,818.12	Due 12/15/12
Carla Gates	\$1,129.36	Due 01/15/12	To the Nine's	\$2,109.34	Due 01/15/13
Gate's Nursery	\$6,056.02	Due 06/15/12	Valentine's		
Gate's Nursery	\$1,267.26	Due 06/15/12	Photo Studio	\$125.96	Due 02/15/13
Aaron Goldstein	\$547.78	Due 03/15/12	Ellen Agee	\$289.69	Due 06/16/14
Jess Munger	\$33.83	Due 04/15/12	Thomas Batson	\$85.54	Due 01/15/14
Jeremy Skipper	\$837.76	Due 06/15/12	Binder Biomedical	\$341.43	Due 05/15/14
C.Sossomon	\$12,944.05	Due 07/15/12	Khyle & Carolina		
Zeke Sossomon	\$2,463.85	Due 03/15/12	Bonczkowski	\$5.74	Due 09/15/13
Zeke Sossomon	\$1,205.20	Due 07/15/12	Elizabeth W. Buck	\$1,443.79	Due 03/17/14
Claudia Thompson	\$233.61	Due 10/15/11	Laurel Dinan	\$326.64	Due 02/17/14
Sampson Wilson	\$496.72	Due 08/15/11	Spencer Ford	\$394.29	Due 03/17/14
Elena Alcantar	\$42.04	Due 01/15/13	Dennis Franklin	\$650.33	Due 08/15/14
Jeff Andresen	\$673.51	Due 02/15/13	Melanie Griffin	\$421.67	Due 05/15/14
Carlton Barker	\$1,221.06	Due 10/15/12	Highlands		
Robert Carlton	\$626.24	Due 02/15/13	Quick Mart	\$2,507.55	Due 05/15/14
Kristina Crosby	\$111.83	Due 12/15/12	L K Partners	\$879.59	Due 05/15/13
Sarah Freeman	\$56.92	Due 10/15/12	John Mutter	\$39.30	Due 11/15/13
Randall Hawks	\$612.33	Due 11/15/12	Randall Peterson	\$257.02	Due 12/15/13
William Horne	\$4,996.65	Due 01/15/13	Robert Shambaugh	\$212.77	Due 03/15/13
Robert Moreno	\$233.35	Due 11/15/12	Connie Smith	\$80.61	Due 01/15/14
Elisa Espinosa Parra	\$713.98	Due 07/15/13	Cory Allen Talbot	\$767.16	Due 06/16/14
Andrew Quintero &			Stuart Thompson	\$179.92	Due 03/15/13
Fiorella Moscoso	\$679.55	Due 01/15/13	Timothy Vos	\$427.78	Due 08/15/14
Krysti Rogers	\$330.25	Due 11/15/13	Charles Weatherly	\$562.60	Due 05/15/14
Nikki Smolarsky	\$775.60	Due 07/15/13	Charles Weatherly	\$195.45	Due 05/15/14

### Delinquent Sewer Connection Agreement Accounts

Melba Egan	Mirror Lake Sewer Project	\$2,500	Due 03/31/2013
Peggy Hopes	Mirror Lake Sewer Project	\$2,500	Due 03/31/2013
Aliaksandr Kikoin	Harris Lake Sewer Project	\$2,500	Due 12/31/2011
Williams & Williams Inc.	Harris Lake Sewer Project	\$2,500	Due 12/31/2011

### Delinquent Accounts Receivable Accounts

Bates Septic Tank & Concrete Product	Sludge	\$385	Due 12/31/2013
Halpern & Associates	False Alarm	\$300	Due 09/01/2014
Mountain Septic Service	Sludge	\$1,295	Due 12/31/2013

### Delinquent Business License Accounts for License Year 2013/14

Jose' Munoz Orozco	\$10.	Due 5/30/2013
Matthews Electrical Cont.	\$50.	Due 5/30/2013
Movie Stop	\$25	Due 5/30/2013
Suzette's Boutique	\$35	Due 5/30/2013
The Brick Oven	\$85	Due 5/30/2013

Payments may be made to: Town of Highlands, PO Box 460, Highlands, NC 28741 to bring accounts to a current status to avoid further collection processes.

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Town of Highlands



### Shooting in Ingles Parking lot under investigation

Mid-morning, Wednesday, Oct. 8, the Jackson County Sheriff's Office and Jackson County Public Safety responded to a shooting in the Ingles parking lot in Cashiers, NC, where allegedly a Caucasian man was shot in the upper left area of his body by another Caucasian man. The victim was airlifted by MAMA from the site. The incident is currently under investigation. The Sheriff's office could not comment further by press time.

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## • OBITUARY •

### Iva Donna Finn

Iva Donna Finn, 85, of Highlands, NC, died at home on Thursday, Sept. 25, 2014.

She was born Iva Donna Laschanky, in Grafton, NE, the middle child of five children. She was married for 57 years to Donald Finn and had four children.

Following the death of her husband in 2006, she made her home with her youngest daughter and son-in-law, Jerry and Sharon Tay-



lor of Highlands, NC.

She was a loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

Surviving are her four children: Michael Finn (Shelley) of HI, Patricia Smith of GA, Nancy Burpo (Gary) of IL, Sharon Taylor (Jerry) of NC, 13 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren. She will be deeply missed.

A memorial service is planned for the spring.

## • MEMORIAL •

### A Farewell to Mike Cavender

A memorial service was held on Sunday, October 5th for Michael Cavender. He was a beloved resident of Highlands for many years,

Mike died on June 22 in Durham, NC. The cause was sarcoma cancer.

A committed environmentalist he was instrumental in raising money to buy land for the Highlands Land Trust so that special places could remain undeveloped forever.

Mike was the director and president of the Land Trust in the 1990s and 2000s. Under his leadership much of Highlands was saved from development. He fought destruction of forests and wildlife with great zeal. Thanks to Mike, money was raised, donation of property was encouraged, and much of our natural environment was bought and preserved.

Mike, as a child, spent time with his grandparents the Farnsworths in their home next to what is the present library. He and his sister spent many happy hours



at the nature center enjoying the native animals and plants there. He had a shop in several places in Highlands and taught fly fishing. Fly fishing was a passion of his along with being with his wife Paulette Webb.

The memorial service for Mike was held at the Highlands Nature Center because it was a place which had meant so much to Mike throughout his life. Gathering there were family and friends from Highlands and Washington DC. Many of these who loved Mike reminisced, played music, recited poetry and shared pictures and stories from Mike's life.

Much of his interest is reflected in a book he wrote, *Revenge on the Fly*. Mike's method for preserving a primeval forest is reflected in this interesting book.

Mike will be greatly missed. His wit and kindness will be remembered by all who knew him.

## LETTERS-TO-THE EDITOR-POLICY

We reserve the right to reject or edit submissions.

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west end of the existing park fronting on Pine Street. The half million dollars needed to acquire the property came from two major donors, he said.

"We are extremely pleased to be able to acquire this property, thanks to the extraordinary generosity of donors who recognized the importance this tract could play for the park in the years to come," said Bazan. "We don't have any specific plans for how the new section of the park will be developed, but we do hope to move forward with cleaning up the property as soon as possible. The purchase of the property will not affect the design or construction schedule for the existing park. That is going ahead as scheduled next month."

Half the purchase price of the property has been provided by a donor who wishes to remain anonymous, he said, and that amount was matched by Art and Angela Williams, owners of the Old Edwards Inn and Spa.

The Williams earlier donated \$390,000 toward the current round of improvements to the existing park. The coalition broke ground on that construction only two weeks ago.

"While developing and completing the existing park has been our primary focus from the beginning, the coalition has been working behind the scenes for nearly a year now to explore the possibility of adding this new tract to the park. It will nearly double the size of the main park and it will make a huge difference to the feel of the overall experience of the park. We are very appreciative of the foresight and commitment that Art and Angela Williams have shown to the entire park project, and to the anonymous donor who shares the vision of creating a community park that will preserve the values and feel of our community for generations to come," said Bazan.

The coalition hopes to eventually donate the newly

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stock offering and the conversion of Macon Bancorp from a mutual holding company to a publicly traded company.

"Going public gives Macon Bank a great opportunity for expansion possibilities into other markets, as well as the chance to offer our customers additional products and services," said Plemens.

According to Plemens, the day-to-day operations for the bank will stay the same and banking customers will not see any difference in operations or service.

Macon Bank's stock began trading on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol ENFC for \$5 a share on Wednesday. After just two days of trading, the stock climbed by more than 30 percent ranging from \$12.60 to \$13.32. On the stock's opening day, just over 2.6 million shares changed hands. As of Friday morning, the stock was trading at \$13.16.

Among those who joined Plemens in New York to ring the bell were Chuck Edwards, an Entegra director from Hendersonville, NC. Edwards owns C. Edwards Groups, which operates McDonald's franchises in Henderson, Transylvania and Buncombe counties. Also with the group was Macon County Commissioner Ronnie Beale. Beale is a long-serving member of the Macon Bank Board of Directors.

Plemens touted the success of going public by noting that Macon Bank was able to raise \$65.5 million in capital. About Entegra Financial Corp. (Nasdaq: ENFC):

Entegra Financial Corp., is the parent holding company of Macon Bank (the "Bank") and is headquartered in Franklin, North Carolina. The Bank currently operates 11 branch locations throughout the western North Carolina counties of Cherokee, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Polk and Transylvania, which is considered the Bank's primary

market area. The Bank's business consists primarily of accepting deposits from individuals and small businesses and investing those deposits, together with funds generated from operations and borrowings, primarily in loans secured by real estate, including commercial real estate loans, one-to four-family residential loans, construction loans, home equity loans and lines of credit. The Bank offers a variety of deposit accounts, including savings accounts, certificates of deposit, money market accounts, commercial and regular checking accounts, and individual retirement accounts.

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acquired property to the Town of Highlands, Bazan said, and it intends to work closely with the town as that section of the park is developed. For the moment, the land will be held by the Highlands-Cashiers Land Trust.

While the coalition had the funding needed to purchase the additional property, Bazan said it does not yet have the money to make any improvements on what will now become a second phase of the park.

The money raised so far for development of the main section of the park has all been pledged for that construction, which is slated to begin later this month. Bids for that portion of the project are currently being sought.

The coalition raised approximately \$430,000 for the existing park and the town approved up to \$165,000 toward construction of new public restrooms to be located

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## Where were you?



**Fred Wooldridge**

Most of us old-timers remember exactly what we were doing and where we were the day President Kennedy was assassinated. I was booking a prisoner at the third floor jail of our old police building on Miami Beach. And, after retirement, I remember being glued to the TV to watch in astonishment and disbelief as the World Trade Center buildings collapsed.

Among the many memorable moments of my life, my first day as a police officer was also unforgettable. Little did I know then it was the beginning of an awesome and wild career.

Assigned to the afternoon shift, the li'l missus helped me decorate my shirt with all the emblems and other paraphernalia, finally making sure my black tie was straight. Thank God Miami Beach had just dumped the light blue stripes down the side of our pants that made us look like bell hops.

I had completed the department's short course on how to be a cop and was ready (Ha!) to hit the streets. Walking out the front door of our home, I headed to my car parked in the driveway. Opening my car door, I heard someone shout, "Help.... officer....help!" A man rushed up and said there was a loose dog down the street who was assaulting people walking by. Oh crap, I thought as my blood pressure maxed out. This was not part of my almost non-existent training. What to do? Finally I blurted, "I'm an off duty Beach cop headed for work. Since you're not injured, why don't you call the county cops and report the incident?" I could tell the guy didn't like my answer but I didn't care. I was not going to be late for roll call on my first day.

Roll call was in the PD's smelly locker room. We lined the room with our backs to the lockers. The duty Sergeant entered and sat at a table to start roll call. "Wallrich... where's Wallrich?" he called out, looking up from his clipboard. I raised my hand. "Okay, Wallrich, you're with Ducharme tonight. Okay everyone, Wallrich is new so be nice," he added as he finished roll call and left the room. I stood there thinking Officer Ducharme would approach and introduce himself. This never happened so since I was the only guy left in the locker room, I walked out to hunt for my partner.

Finding Officer Ducharme in the back lot motor-pool, I offered a handshake

and said, "Sir, my name is Wooldridge and not Wallrich, and I think I'm your partner tonight." When he didn't reach to shake my hand, I slowly lowered mine. Without looking up from the car's trunk where he was checking a first aid kit, he blurted. "Don't call me sir. Get in the car and don't speak unless I say it's okay." To this

day, Pete and I have never shaken hands but he did warm up to me later that evening as we talked.

"Car 13....car 13....shots fired on the South Beach jetties," our dispatcher, called out. Without lifting the microphone from its cradle, Pete pressed the mike's button and shouted, "QSL" meaning we received the message.

Sure enough, we spotted a guy standing at the very end of the jetties firing a pistol into the ocean. We slowly and methodically started our walk of one hundred yards, hopping from boulder to boulder toward the armed man. The guy never looked back to see us and continued firing his weapon into the ocean as we approached. When we were within a hundred feet, Pete ordered me to draw my weapon and continue our journey. Less than fifty feet away, Pete shouted, "Police officers! Lay down your weapon and put your hands over your head."

The guy was stunned to see police officers so close without him noticing. He did as ordered. As it turns out, the guy was a local merchant who had just purchased the gun, thinking the jetties would be a great place to test fire it. We confiscated the pistol, telling the merchant he could retrieve it tomorrow if he could prove the gun was his. He was then released which shocked me that there would be no arrest.

Sitting back in our patrol car, Pete smiled, looking at me and said, "We got cops with over 10 years service that have never drawn their firearm on someone. You had to pull yours in the first three hours. Ya done good out there. I think we'll be fine as partners, Wallrich."

That was the last time I ever had Ducharme as my partner. I couldn't wait to get home to tell my li'l missus of my experience and my most unusual partner. Little did I realize then that it was just the beginning of a wild and absolutely crazy life's journey that awaited me.

Note: Ya gotta read Fred's books, Deceived and I'm Moving Back to Mars.

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at the park.

"At this point, the coalition needs additional funding to begin cleaning up the property," said Skip Taylor, vice chairman of the coalition. "In the near future we plan to embark on a second major fund drive to raise the money needed to develop the new section of the park, but for now the immediate need is for funds to remove downed trees, clean up the area, take down the building and grass over the area."

Taylor and Bazan said the coalition hopes to accomplish some of that work

with volunteers.

While there are no plans for what role the new tract may play in the expanded park, Bazan and Taylor said planners will have much more flexibility in regard to the uses and features to be developed. Unlike the existing park, planners will not have to be concerned with working around, or over, a surface water treatment system. The town installed that system beneath the existing park several years ago to help control flooding on Fifth Street and im-

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# • HS SPORTS •

## Middle School Soccer



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## This week in sports

### JV Volleyball

The Lady Highlanders hosted Cherokee on Tuesday, Sept. 30. Highlands came out to take the first game 25-23 with Madison Dalton serving the winning point. Cherokee took the second game 25-13. Lady Highlanders fought hard to come back in the 3rd game but Cherokee took it with a 25-21 victory.

### Varsity Volleyball

In a 3 out of 5 game match, Cherokee took the first game with a score of 25-17. The Lady Highlanders rallied back in the second game to take it with a 25-14 score. Unfortunately, Cherokee came back to take the next two games with a 25-20 and 25-16 win.

On Wednesday, Oct. 1, both JV and Varsity travelled to Robbinsville but both came back with a loss.

On Friday, Oct. 3, the Lady Highlanders traveled to Blue Ridge. JV lost the first game 25-15 but rallied back to take the second game 25-21. In a very exciting third game, the Lady Highlanders took it with a score of 30-28 and won the series.

The varsity Girls came out fighting hard. However, they lost the first game 25 to 23. They came back to take the second game 25 to 17. But came up short in the third and fourth game losing 26 to 24 and 25 to 20, respectively.

### Boys Varsity Soccer

On Wednesday, Oct. 1, Varsity travelled to Swain for a 3 to 0 victory.

Thursday, Oct. 2, Highlands hosted Blue Ridge and won 4 to 1.

On Saturday, Oct. 4, the team was scheduled to play Providence Academy but had to cancel due to several injuries.

On Monday, Oct. 6, the team was scheduled to play Rabun Gap but the game was postponed due to weather.

Details of rescheduled games and games played after deadline will be in next week's paper.

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# • HIGHLANDS AREA EVENTS •

## **Mondays**

• Shortoff Baptist Church hosts a non-denominational Men's Meeting the first Monday night of each month at 7 pm and all men are invited to attend.

## **Tuesdays**

• Free Community Table Dinner at the Community Bldg. at 6p.

## **Tues. & Thurs.**

• Aerobics at the Rec Park with Tina Rogers 5:15. \$5.

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

• Aerobics with Tina Rogers 8-9a.

## **Tues., Wed., Fri**

• Zumba at the Rec Park at 9:05a. \$5

## **Mon.-Sat.**

• Nantahala Tennis Club meets 9a-12 noon, at Highlands Civic Center, tennis courts. \$2 per person, and all visitors are welcome!

## **Wednesdays**

• First Baptist Church is happy to present a new season of X-treme Games at the Highlands Rec. Park. The games will be held Wednesday nights from 6 to 7:15 pm, starting September 10th. For more information or to pre-register your k - 6th grade child, please

call 526-4153.

## **1st Wednesdays**

• Family Movies at the Hudson Library at 3:30pm. Call 828-526-3031 for titles.

## **3rd Wednesdays**

• General Audience Movies at Hudson Library at 2pm. Call 828-526-3031 for titles.

## **1st & 3rd Thursdays**

• Free local ongoing support group for caregivers. Are you involved with the care of a loved one who is physically or mentally facing challenges? Sponsored by The Counseling and Psychotherapy Center of Highlands and the Highlands United Methodist Church, this group meets at 4PM at Room 203 at the Peggy Crosby Center. Facilitated by Bonnie Gramlich, a licensed professional. Drop in or call for further info, 828.342.0546.

## **Thursdays**

• Storytimes with Miss Carol at Hudson Library 10:40am. Open to the public.

• Highlands Writer's Group meets every Thursday from 1-3:30 pm at Hudson Library. Writers of all genres welcome. For info call 526-8009 or 526-2295.

• Weight Watchers support group meets every Thursday at 6pm

at the Cashiers Community Center. Questions? Call Lisa 828-506-3555 Last Fri. of each month.

• Free wine tastings from 5-7p at MountainTop Wine Shoppe.

• NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) offers a peer support group for individuals that are dealing with depression, anxiety, PTSD, bipolar, schizophrenia, etc. and the family members or friends of loved ones dealing with these challenges. Join us in a safe, confidential environment to share concerns and gain insight. Join us for our Weekly Support Group from 7 - 8:15 pm @ 14 West Palmer Street in Franklin NC, email dcwithnami@yahoo.com, Donita (828) 526-9510.

## **2nd Thursdays**

• Sapphire Valley Needlepoint Guild meets at the Highlands Rec Park at 10 a.m. Newcomers welcomed.

## **Fri.-Sun.**

• Hal Phillips on the piano at Skyline Lodge during dinner and Sunday brunch.

## **Fri. & Sat.**

• The Historical Society Museum is open.

## **Saturdays**

• Cashiers Local Farmers tailgate market through October at the

Anglican Church Parking Lot Hwy 64 E next to Macon Bank.

• Free wine tastings at MountainTop Wine Shoppe from 1-3p.

## **Sundays**

• At Highlands Inn, Sequoyah Room at 4:30 pm. Multi-denominational, Interactive Bible Study and Fellowship. Open to all.

## **Thurs., Oct. 9**

• The League of Women Voters will host an election forum for Macon County Commission candidates. There are two seats available in District 2 and four candidates, Ronnie Beale(D), incumbent; Ron Haven (R), incumbent; Gary Shields (R); and John Martin (L) are vying for these seats. One seat is available in District 1 and incumbent James Tate (R) and Michael Rogers (D) are running for that seat. The event will begin at noon in Tartan Hall and last approximately an hour. This is an educational forum rather than a rally; no signs are allowed in the hall or on church property. Attendees will have the opportunity to submit questions. Attendees are welcome to bring a bag lunch.

• The Macon County Cancer Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 pm in the cafeteria of Angel Medical Center. In honor of Breast Cancer Awareness month, Carrie Hahn, registered nurse and breast cancer survivor will be the guest speaker. A \$50 door prize will be given away. Light refreshments will be served.

• The October meeting of The Western North Carolina Woodturners, Inc. will meet at 6 PM at the Blue Ridge School, in Glensville, N.C. Located at 95 Bobcat Drive, Cashiers, N.C. Drive to the back of the school to the woodworking shop. Visitors are always welcomed. The club meets every second Thursday at 6 P.M., March through November.

• Macon Co. Public Health and Macon Co. Senior Services will partner to host Diabetes and Chronic Disease Self-Management Trainings. Diabetes trainings will take place on Wednesday from 1-5 pm. The workshops are for people with diabetes ages 14 and up and the program is certified by the American Diabetes Association(r) and facilitated by a registered dietitian. Chronic Disease Self-Management trainings will follow for 6 weeks, meeting on Thursdays

## 'Dr. Fritz...' coming up fast



Cast of Dr. Fritz: Or The Forces of Light" Laura Zepeda, Lance Trudel

Photo by Cynthia Strain

Highlands Cashiers Players is breaking out of the box under the directorship of Bonnie Earman. "An Evening with David Ives" is a black box production, meaning all the attention is devoted to the writing and acting. Sets and props are kept to a minimum so audiences can focus on the action on stage.

"Dr. Fritz: Or The Forces of Light," by David Ives is one of the scenes from the upcoming play, which opens Thursday, October 16th. Taking place in an unidentified tourist trap, we find Tom (Trudel) desperate for medical attention.

Entering the office of "Dr. Fritz, he is greeted by Maria, the receptionist played by Zepeda. A bit of vaudeville ensues and Zepeda becomes Dr. Fritz, the German doctor who leads Tom to the light.

The Highlands Cashiers Players production of "An Evening with David Ives" opens October 16th at Highlands PAC on Chestnut Street and will run weekends through October 26th. Evening shows begin at 7:30 and Sunday matinees are at 2:30. Tickets may be purchased by calling the Highlands Cashiers Players box office at 828-526-8084.

## This week at CLE

The Center for Life Enrichment has announced its international travel experience for 2015. Led by Dan and

Sandra Mackey, the September 24 through October 4 itinerary includes Moscow, the Golden Ring, which is the famed cradle of Russian culture, and St. Petersburg. Travel between Moscow and St. Petersburg is by train giving travelers a view of the Russian countryside.

Extraordinary experiences await on private tours of the backstage of the Bolshoi Theater, the dome of Christ the Redeemer, the Amber Room workshops of the Catherine Palace, an early entry to the Hermitage where one of the curators will conduct the group through the collection as well as the Storage



Chamber which is off limits to visitors. Of special note is the new Faberge Museum that contains the world's largest collection of the famed jeweler's works. Perhaps the most extraordinary opportunity afforded this group is a rare visit to the ancient Terem inside the Grand Kremlin Palace which was constructed in the 15th century by Ivan the Terrible and served as the home of the Romanovs. The post-Soviet government spent \$300 million dollars on restoration and Vladimir Putin currently uses it to host heads of states.

For further information on this trip go to [www.clehighlands.com](http://www.clehighlands.com) or call the office at 526-8811.



# • HIGHLANDS AREA EVENTS •

from 5-7 pm. Light refreshments provided. For information on registration requirements or fees, call 349-2086.

- NC HOUSE 119 debate at 7p at SCC between Rep. Joe Sam Queen and challenger Mike Clampitt in the Burrell Conference Center.

- There will be a Tailgate Party for families at Macon County Republican Headquarters 5- 6:30 PM, featuring a chili cook-off, live music, games and face painting. Area candidates will be in attendance, including Congressman Mark Meadows. 555 Depot St., Franklin. 828-524-2014.

- **Fri., Oct. 10**  
• At the Center for Plastic Surgery, Dr. Buchanan's office on the hospital campus, Obagi Open House 10a to 4p.

- Tailgate party for voters of Macon and Jackson counties. Festivities will be at 6p 'till game time

(7:30p) before the annual football game between rivals, Franklin and Smoky Mountain High Schools. Join us for hot dogs, fixin's and drinks, plus meet with our special guest, Democratic candidate for NC Senate, Jane Hipps. Our Macon Co. Democratic candidates will also be there to talk with you about issues and goals so important to us all here in NC. Look for our signs and banners directly across the street from the Franklin High School parking lot entrance on Porter Street. Join us around the bonfire for food, music and share your thoughts.

- **Sat., Oct. 11**  
• Artist Robert Tino at the Greenleaf Gallery on Main Street from noon to 4p.

- At The Hen House, Stonewall Kitchen tastings of new products from 10:30a to 4p.

- Highlands Own Craft Show 9a to 5p in the Rec Park and the town's HomeTown Day in Kelsey

Hutchinson Park 11a to 3p.

- Shakespeare and Company will host an autographing of Ran Shaffner's new book, "The Father of Virginia Military Institute: A Biography of Colonel J.T.L. Preston, CSA," from 1-3p. Shaffner will read selections from the book for comment and discussion.

- **Sun., Oct. 12**  
• Highlands Empty Bowl event in Coleman Hall in First Presbyterian Church. 11:45a-1:45p. Tickets are \$10. Call 526-0690.

- **Mon., Oct. 13**  
• The Battle of Sugartown Chapter of the North Carolina Society, Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), will hold its monthly luncheon meeting at 11:30 in the Boiler Room Restaurant at

## 'Macbeth' at PAC on Saturday



The MET Opera's production of Macbeth will be presented at the Highlands PAC on Saturday, October 11 at 12:55pm. A pre-opera discussion lead by Beverly Pittman will begin at 12:30pm. Star soprano Anna Netrebko delivers her searing portrayal of Lady Macbeth, the mad and murderous mate of Željko Lučić's doomed Macbeth, for the first time at the Met. Adrian Noble's chilling production of Verdi's masterful adaptation of Shakespeare's tragedy also stars Joseph Calleja as the noble Macduff and René Pape as Banquo. Fabio Luisi conducts. Tickets are available online: [highlandspac.org](http://highlandspac.org) or by calling 828.526.9047

1024 Georgia Road in Franklin. All DAR members and prospective members are welcome. For further information, please contact 369-3136 or 524-2673.

- **Thurs., Oct. 16**  
• Taize at Holy Family Lutheran Church at 5:30p

- **Fri. & Sat., Oct. 17 & 18**  
• Fall Colors Fine Art Show at the Rec Park. Noon to 6 on Friday and 10 to 5 on Saturday. Sponsored by the Art League of Highlands-Cashiers.

- **Thurs-Sun., Oct. 16 - 19**  
• HCP presents "An Evening with David Ives at PAC on Chestnut Street. For ticket information, call the Highlands Cashiers Players box office at 828-526-8084.

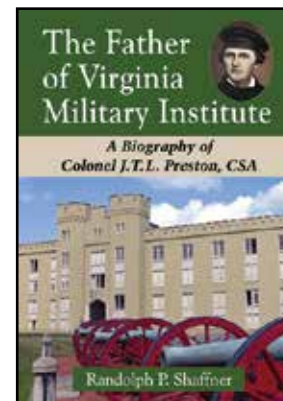
- **Thurs., Oct. 16**  
• At ...on the Verandah, Well Strung in the lounge.  
• At Smitten, corner of Foreman and US 64, 3rd Thursday Event at 6:30. Evening of Art, Food and Wine to welcome featured artist Trish Salmon. RSVP 828-526-9300.

## Shaffner booksigning is Saturday

On Saturday afternoon, Oct. 11th, from 1-3p, Shakespeare and Company will host an autographing in Highlands for Ran Shaffner's new book, The Father of Virginia Military Institute: A Biography of Colonel J.T.L. Preston, CSA. Early in the book signing Shaffner will read selections from the book for comment and discussion.

Shaffner became interested in the school when, unbeknownst to him and his wife, their fourth son, Tom, applied and received his appointment to VMI. During the next four years of visits to Lexington, Virginia, he discovered that VMI had many founders so that few knew who first conceived of the school. Attempting to answer that question, he spent six years researching and writing a biography of the teacher, soldier, husband, and father who first defined the school as it exists today.

Apart from fathering VMI, J.T.L. Preston served Stonewall Jackson as his first adjutant general. He married the Poetess of the Confederacy. And he sired a family whose members bore the stamp of their father's character. Shaffner reveals Preston as a man of faith who



suffered "anguish beyond remedy" under "the bloody, remorseless hand of war," which "tore from his heart what, to him, was more precious than liberty, home, or anything but heaven."

Although the book deals

with the issues of secession and slavery, it is not so much about the conflict between North and South as it is a depiction of the heart-rending loss and destruction of war. It also depicts the school that Preston fathered as unique since it graduated as many citizens as soldiers. Its primary focus was on preparing its students for useful and responsible roles as civilians who, when necessary, could assume duty as military officers in a citizen army.

Unlike Shaffner's Heart of the Blue Ridge, this book has nothing to do with Highlands and everything to do with what Lincoln called "that pesky little military school in Virginia, which kept turning out officers and fighters as fast as we could kill them off." Shakespeare and Company is hosting the book signing, and the public is invited.

## Flu Clinic Scheduled at Highlands-Cashiers Hospital

Highlands-Cashiers Hospital will hold its annual complimentary influenza vaccination clinic for our area residents on Friday, October 24. The drive-thru flu clinic will be held at the Jane Woodruff Building located on the hospital campus from 10 am to 1 pm on the 24th. Area residents are encouraged to take advantage of these complimentary flu shots.

Vaccines are available on a first come, first serve basis to residents of the Highlands, Cashiers, Glenville, Sapphire, and Scaly Mountain areas. You must pre-register by calling (828) 526-1498. Pre-registration is required due to limited availability of the flu vaccine.

"The flu vaccination is safe and effective. It is not a live virus which means you cannot get the flu from the vaccine" states Kathy Crist, RN, Director of Patient Care Services at Highlands-Cashiers Hospital. "The best protection against the flu still remains the vaccine," said Crist. "We are encouraging everyone to get a flu shot this year. It's important to remember that flu vaccinations need to be given each year as the flu virus can change each flu season," Crist added. The sooner one is vaccinated the better. The Centers for Disease Control says that it can take 10 to 14 days for someone to develop immunity with the flu vaccination.

In addition to the flu vaccine, there are additional proven ways to reduce and avoid infection. These include avoiding anyone who is sick, staying at home if you are sick, and if you have a fever, staying at home until no fever has reoccurred 24 hours after the last fever reducing medication has been taken. In addition, frequent handwashing with soap and water, using alcohol-based hand sanitizers, and practicing respiratory etiquette (covering your mouth when you cough and disposing of used tissues in trashcans) are also very helpful.

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what is best for all students."

As a Macon County native, Cabe is proud to be a product of the Macon County School system. "I have an Associate Degree in business from SCC and I owned Cabe Surveying for almost 40 years until retiring six years ago."

Cabe has lived in Macon County all of his life with the exception of the 10 years he spent serving in the Naval Submarine Service. He and his wife have three children, one stepson and five grandchildren, all educated in the Macon County Schools system.

As a veteran member of the board, Cabe is all too familiar with the balance it takes to equally address concerns at all schools within Macon County.

"The greatest issue facing Highlands area is just as it has always been," said Cabe. "Having Highlands and Nantahala being two of the only three remaining K-12 schools in North Carolina, it costs more to staff those schools. However, the students in those areas deserve and receive the same opportunities for an education as any other student in Macon County."

Recognizing the funding constraints of operating a unique school like Highlands, Cabe said if re-elected, he plans to continue working to ensure all schools are treated fairly. "As a school board member, I will continue to support Highlands and Nantahala as we have always done in the past," said Cabe. "We have a commitment

to serve Highlands and Nantahala area schools just as we serve Franklin area schools."

Cabe's opponent, newcomer Bill Taylor noted that he too believes proper funding is the main issue facing the Highlands school district. "In my opinion, the lack of a proper level of funding is the greatest challenge facing not only Highlands School but all schools in Macon County," said Taylor. "Not a single area of the school system is immune to this. Most just think of teachers, but you have an extensive number of bus drivers, custodians, and maintenance personnel who are also affected by the reduction in the school budget. As I have I have stated in the past, I believe that we need to invest in maintaining our existing schools. Highlands school in particular needs to have its energy efficiency level brought up to date. This is especially needed in the high school wing of Highlands School. As a strong advocate of vocational education, I would like to see the schools be able to offer students a broader assortment of classes that can benefit them after high school. I feel that some students who have an interest in these fields are not being adequately encouraged to explore them to the best of their abilities."

Taylor, a fourth generation Maconian, graduated from Franklin High School in 1988 before serving in the United States

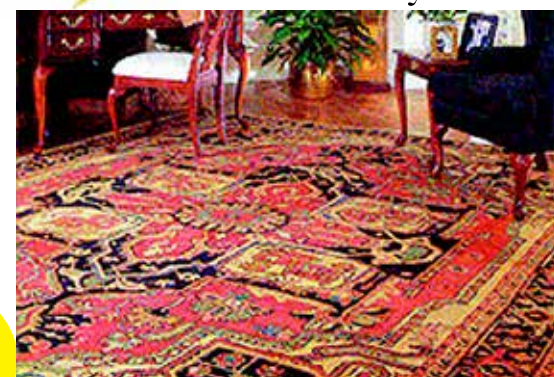
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Marine Corps until 1993. After returning home from the military, Taylor began working in the building materials industry and has been employed by Reeves Hardware in Highlands since 2000.

If elected to office, Taylor vows to ensure that regardless of location, all students receive the best education possible. "As a school board member, I would ensure that no matter where you live in the county everyone would have the same access to a quality education, as well as a safe and secure school," said Taylor.

"The most important thing to remember is that we are all citizens of Macon County. Having worked in Highlands for the past 15 years, I would bring a unique perspective to the school board as I have not only watched the children of Franklin grow up, but have watched those of Highlands as well. To me it doesn't matter whether it's Nantahala, Highlands or Mountain View Intermediate; all schools will be treated the same as I carry out the duties of school board member."

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With board member Gary Shields running for county commissioner, the District IV seat was left up for grabs. Both candidates for District IV of the board of education view Highlands as an asset for Macon County.

"The greatest issue facing the Highlands School is two-fold," said Fred Goldsmith, a long-time teacher and coach seeking office because of his passion for the next generation. "The first issue is the completion of the school's renovation by doing the High School wing. Proceeding to do as the elementary project was done, stripping everything and installing new power outlets, AC, windows, ceilings, floor tiles, etc. And the second issue, this will go along with the high level of Academic effort by the administration and

faculty to meet the needs of every student. The school has to do this to meet the level of competition faced from the private sector schools. Highlands per capita has the largest challenge of all Macon County schools in giving its students the same benefits educationally that are promised to them by those private competitors."

Goldsmith first fell in love with Macon County in the 60s after meeting his wife Pam, a Franklin High School graduate. He spent 14 years teaching and coaching on the high school level and then another 31 years coaching at the collegiate level.

If elected, Goldsmith plans to work closely with Highlands' administrators to ensure the school is running smoothly. "I believe that the Macon County Board of Education has been and will be dedicated to totally provide the same high quality education everywhere," said Goldsmith. "I would seek the input of the local board members Stephanie

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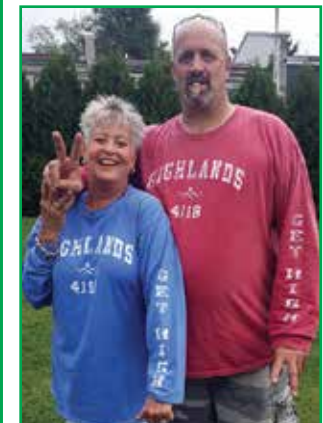
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Residential	68	37,657,283	91	61,994,600	23	24,337,317	33.82	64.63
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Commercial	3	523,800	2	465,500	-1	-58,300	-33.33	-11.13
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>45,243,083</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>73,729,808</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>29,476,725</b>	<b>29.70</b>	<b>65.15</b>



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Great cabin off Turtle Pond Road. 2BD/2BA, fireplace. Beautiful cook's kitchen! Large lot with outbuilding and slab for a garage or carport. Offered at \$625,000. mls #77288



**HIGHLANDS MOUNTAIN CLUB.** Recently remodeled 2BD/2BA on a gentle section of Highlands Mountain Club. Additional front deck for outdoor living. Open and airy. Offered fully furnished at \$225,000. mls #79834



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This 3BD/2BA plus a guest apartment over the garage. This wonderful home is located on popular Big Bear Pen Mountain and has a spectacular views in this area Offered at \$865,000. mls #76888



**THE COTSWOLDS.** On a gated 2-1/2 acre lot, this 3BR/ 3.5 BA home has a 180 view. Rustic interior includes old beams, reclaimed cypress, hardwood floors and 2 fireplaces. 2 fireplaces 2 car garage. Offered at \$1,995,000. mls #75644



**SAGEE WOODS.** One level living, 3BD/3BA, 2 car garage with bonus room and bath over garage. Lower level has a walk out basement. On 1.5 acre lot with second lot. Offered at \$1,250,000. mls #79298 Broker/ Owner



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Highlands Falls Country Club. Great viewing from the screened and open porches. 3BD/2BA on the main level. 2 car garage. Lower level has large family room with fireplace and office. Main level features a huge great room with fireplace, custom kitchen and split bedroom plan. \$695,000. mls #78918



**Big Bear Pen.** Light and spacious, with 2 fireplaces and loads of glass. Covered porch. Master suite on main level with large bath. Upstairs level has 2 guest bedrooms with baths. One bedroom guesthouse. View of Whiteside. Offered at \$1,425,000. mls #77730



15 acre kingdom complete with log home, barn, pond, meadow, views of Shortoff and the mountain vistas. Backs up to USFS lands. 3BD/1 1/2BA. The barn has RV hookup and a balcony. Great location! Offered at \$1,200,000. MLS #65910



Largest improved tract of land available in the area. Mature fruit trees, gardens with fencing and gaes. Home needs TLC. Guest quarters connected by covered walkway. Offered at \$1,795,000. mls #78539



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McCall of Highlands and Melissa Evans of Nantahala. I would also be responsive and seek the input of the Principals Brian Jetter and James Bryan and their faculty members. I would hope their responses would also include the input that parents and other concerned citizens would be voicing regarding their community's school."

Carroll Poindexter, Goldsmith's opponent, says if elected, he wants to work to ensure that all districts in Macon County, Nantahala, Highlands and Franklin, are treated equally.

"Let me clarify something: there is no outer school or inner school, they one school systems which is K through 12 which is made up of Highlands, Nantahala, and the Franklin area," said Poindexter, who is seeking office to improve the system he has watched his children grow up in. "These three areas make up the Macon County School District. Each student, teacher and employee at any one of these systems is as important as the other. Highlands was recognized at the last School Board meeting as having a large percent of students being in the average and above on the five point grading scale, to this I tip my hat. I know the School Board is dealing with many issues but if I am elected to the School Board I would like to recommend at the least a five year vision of where we would like to see all three school systems be in five years."

Poindexter, who graduated from Franklin High School in 1977, grew up in the Cowee Community of Macon County. With a business degree from Southwestern Community College and a small construction company, Poindexter plans to take a solid, business minded approach to the school board.

When asked what the biggest issue facing Highlands was, Poindexter explained that the question was complex. "This question could be a difficult



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## ...BOARD of ED continued from page 21

one for three of the candidates because we are on the outside looking in," he said. "Two items have been brought to my attention. The first one is that it looks like Highlands School is losing most of its funding for support of coaches and sports programs, as well as the lack of vocational programs. Music, arts, sports, and vocational classes are very important for a well-rounded education. Also in the near future the old wing of the school will have to be upgraded."

All candidates agree that regardless of what school or what area of the county a student comes from, school board members should work for the whole of the district and ensure that each and every student receives a top notch education.

Voters will take to the polls

on November 4 to cast their votes in not only the Board of Education election, but other elections both locally and statewide.

With last week's federal court decision, voters will now be allowed to register to vote on the same day they cast their ballots. Previously, North Carolina law

eliminated same-day registration at the polls, but last week, a federal court overruled the state's decision, opening the doors once again to allow same-day registration in North Carolina.

However, there isn't a straight ticket option, so each candidate must be selected individually.

• Next week it's District Attorney candidates



Carroll Poindexter



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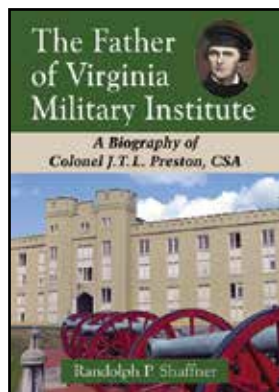
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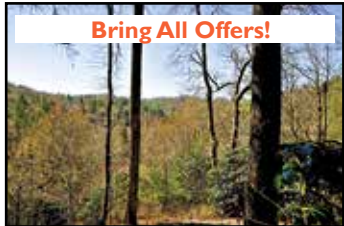
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## ...K-H PARK continued from page 8

prove the quality of the water that drains from nearby creeks and streams. The nature of the water collection system limited where structures can be placed in the main park.

Bazan said the coalition plans to seek ideas on what role the new section of the park might play from many sources. "I plan to start with going to the various member organizations of the coalition and getting the input of their membership, since they represent approximately 500 people. And of course, we want the town's input, as well as ideas from the general public," he added.

The coalition is composed of both Rotary Clubs, the Laurel Garden Club, the Mountain Garden Club, the Highlands-Cashiers Land Trust, the Highlands Plateau Greenway, the Highlands Plateau Audubon Society, the Highlands Historical Society, the Highlands Chamber of Commerce and the Highlands Biological Station.

"Now that the purchase of the property has been tied down, we are going to take our time identifying the best use of this tract within the framework of the overall park. The only immediate concern is cleaning up the property and probably taking down the building and grassing over the area," he said.

Anyone wishing to make a donation toward that clean-up effort may do so by making a check payable to Kelsey-Hutchinson Park and mailing it to P.O. Box 1703, Highlands, NC 28741. Park funds are processed through the Highlands-Cashiers Land Trust, a non-profit organization and member of the coalition, so donations are tax deductible. Anyone interested in donating time, equipment, or labor to the cleanup effort should call Nick Bazan at (828) 371-2653 or e-mail him at [nicholas.bazan@gmail.com](mailto:nicholas.bazan@gmail.com).



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# • POLICE & FIRE REPORTS •

**Highlands Police Log entries from Sept. 13. Only the names of persons arrested, issued a Class-3 misdemeanor or public officials have been used.**

## Sept 13

• A little past midnight officers responded to a one-vehicle accident on NC 106.

## Sept 18

• At noon, officers responded to a two-vehicle accident on US 64 near Third Street.

## Sept. 21

• At 10:08 a.m., Joseph Daniel Roulston, 28, of Highlands was arrested for assault by strangulation on a female and communicating threats at a residence on Upper Lake Road..

## Sept. 21

• At 10:02 a.m., Samantha Lee McCall, 28 of Highlands, was

arrested for simple physical assault and resisting arrest at a residence on Upper Lake Road.

## Sept. 22

• At 6:30 p.m., officers received a report about a restaurant possessing unfortified wine that was not located on an invoice of the business.

## Sept. 26

• At 9:50 a.m., officers responded to a two-vehicle accident on Oak Street.

• At 11 a.m., officers responded to a call at a residence on Oak Street where a person was coming on the property and threatening the inhabitants.

**The Highlands Fire & Rescue Dept. log entries from Sept. 28.**

## Sept. 28

• At 2:31 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence

on US 64 west.

## Sept. 29

• At 8:04 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Sawmill Road.

## Oct. 1

• At 8:04 a.m., the dept. provided public assistance to someone on Main Street.

• At 9:37 a.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence

on Netsi Place.

• At 10:19 a.m., the dept. responded to a fire alarm at a residence on the Cashiers Road.

• At 4:30 p.m., the dept. stood by for the MAMA helicopter at the hospital.

• At 8:29 p.m., the dept. searched for a hiker on the Bartram Trail.

• At 8:59 p.m., the dept. was

first-responders to a residence on Sawmill Road.

## Oct. 2

• At 5:10 a.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Sawmill Road.

• At 8:23 a.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Cheney Lane.

• At 7:46 p.m., the dept.

• See **POLICE & FIRE** page 27



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was first-responders to a residence on Spring Street.

### Oct. 3

• A little past midnight, the dept. stood by for the MAMA helicopter at the hospital.

• At 8:43 a.m., the dept. was first-responders to Main Street.

• At 9:09 a.m., the dept. responded to a motor vehicle accident on US 64 west.

• At 10:01 p.m., the dept. was first responders to a residence on Zachary Road.

### Oct. 4

• At 5:35 p.m., the dept. responded to miscellaneous fire at a residence on Flat Mountain Road.

### Oct. 5

• At 7:57 a.m., the dept. provided mutual aid to the Cashiers Fire Dept.

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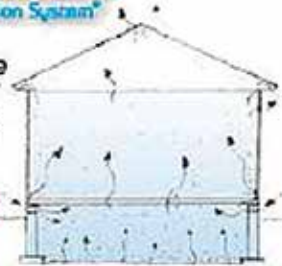
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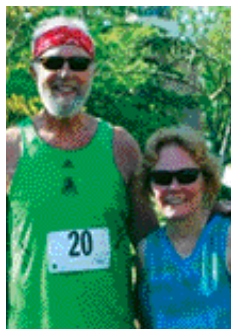
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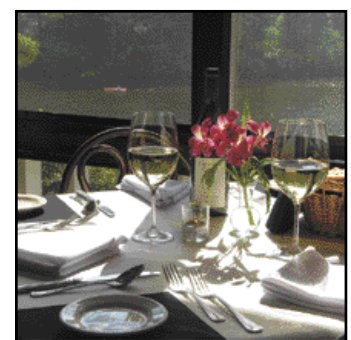
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