

Inside:

Relay for Life	pg. 5
Wooldridge	pg. 4
HS NEWS	pg. 14-15
Movie Pix	pg. 6
Sports Picks	pg. 8
Book Review	pg. 17
Police & Fire	pg. 20

FREE

Highlands' Newspaper

Volume 2, Number 34

Locally Owned & Operated

Friday, Aug. 27, 2004

The week of Aug. 26-Sept. 3

- Highlands School students are now selling Sally Foster giftwrap and related accessories. Call 526-2147.

- The music of Regis at the piano at Cafe of the Arts, until 9 p.m. nightly.

- This Week at Highlands Wine and Cheese -- • Wine Flights Thurs-Sat: 4:30 until 6:30. Thurs & Fri: Spanish wines. Sat: Special Guest Jenny Rutter, featuring a few unique wines of California. Wines by the glass and cheese plates available Wed-Sun: 1:30-4:30. Complimentary Tastings Sat and Sun: 1 until 4:30.

- At Wolfgang's on Main - Get Uncorked **THURS-SUN**. 4-6:30 p.m.: Wine and Appetizer Pairings, Flights of Wine, Wine by the glass or bottle/Appetizers; **SUNDAYS**: Dinner and Jazz 6:30-9:30 p.m. Call 526-3807 for reservations. **MONDAYS**: Fine Art, Fine Wine and Fine Dining, 6 pm -Passed Appetizers. 6:30 pm - Dinner.. Call 526-3807.

- Zorki playing acoustical guitar at Paoletti's Late Night at 10:30 p.m.

Through Sept. 5

- The 7th annual Cashiers Designer Showhouse will feature small private enclave overlooking Lake Glenville. Open 10 - 4 daily and noon - 4 on Sundays. For tickets call 743-7710.

Aug. 25-28

- Highlands first International Film Festival begins at 2 p.m. with "Chaplin" at PAC and culminates with "Bobby Jones-Stroke of Genius," at 6 p.m. 14 films in all. Call 526-9047 for ticket info.

Aug. 27-28

- Mountain Top Relay for Life on the Green at Cashiers. 6 p.m. until?

Aug. 28

- The Scaly Mountain Women's Club is serving a complete seated pancake breakfast from 7-10 a.m. at the Scaly Mtn. Ski Lodge. \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children.

Aug. 31

- Math Night and Open House for Highlands middle school. Parents and students are invited to attend class 6-6:30 pm & Math Night from 6:30-7.

Sept. 1

- ...on the Verandah features the wines of the Charles Krug Winery and piano entertainment by Chad Reed at 6:30 p.m. For reservations call 526 2338.

Court case blocks paving of back part of Bowery

By Kim Lewicki

It looks like the state won't be improving or paving the back part of Bowery Road — at least not until the fight brewing in the courts over the first seven-tenths is put to rest.

At the Aug. 18 Town Board meeting, Mayor Buck Trott told the board the news. "They want to wait for the final court decision to do the entire road at one time," he said.

Back in November the Town

Board conveyed its rights-of-way along the back 2 1/2 miles of the road to the N.C. Department of Transportation so the state could assume maintenance of the road.

▪See BOWERY page 12

Highlands School Soccer going strong



Photo by Kathryn Coppage

Matthew Chenoweth clears past the Panthers and towards the goal for an offensive attack. See more about Highlands School Varsity soccer team on page 14.

False alarms cost money and time

By Kim Lewicki

Fortunately in most cases alarm activations — whether fire or entry alarms — end up being false alarms in Highlands.

Unfortunately, the inspection of the alarm activations cost the 38-man, volunteer Highlands Fire & Rescue Dept. and the Highlands Police

▪See ALARMS page 12

Officer Tippet back in action at Highlands PD

By Nancy Welch
Contributor

Highlands Police Officer David Tippet has been with the department for quite a while, but he's only been here to serve the public full time for three months. That's because he serves as a military policeman with the National Guard Reserve out of Clyde, N.C., and has been called to active duty to serve his country three times.

Twice he ended up hospitalized.

"I first served in Desert Storm before I was with the department here," he said. He was called up to serve in Afghanistan December 26, 2001. He left to serve there in February and in September became ill.

"I didn't feel well at first, but didn't think too much about it," he said. "Then on a flight taking detainees back to the villages, I passed out."

He said he was taken to the military hospital in Bagram, an old Russian Air Base, where he was hospitalized and had surgery.

"They took 1/2 pound of flesh and muscle out of my left buttock," he said. "I don't remember much of anything after I passed out. I just remember my pilot and crew chief asking me if I was all right. Then the ER nurse and surgeon were talking to me. I don't remember going to the

▪See TIPPETT page 2

40 - 65% OFF ⁵⁰
85% OFF RED TAG ITEMS



ORIENTAL RUG GALLERY

HAND CLEANING ~ REPAIRING - APPRAISALS

For the past 19 years, Shiraz has had prominence in the Highlands, N.C. area as the ultimate resource for genuine, hand-knotted Oriental rugs. Shiraz has built a reputation that is second to none.

WE GUARANTEE OUR QUALITY AND YOUR SATISFACTION.

(828) 526-5759

◆ MAIN STREET ◆ OAK SQUARE ◆ HIGHLANDS
 Naples, FL ~ Tampa, FL ~ Sarasota, FL ~ Orlando, FL

Little Bear Pen Home with view & extra lot



You can enjoy these spectacular views from every room including the covered outdoor entertainment area. This two-bedroom, two-bath home is located in one of Highlands' most desirable neighborhoods within a short walk to town. The great room has hardwood floors and a woodburning fireplace that complete the charm of this cozy mountain retreat. Offered at \$595,000. MLS# 52601.

(828) 526-4983

Fax: (828) 526-2453

www.jcrealty.com

223 N. Fourth Street



Highlands' Newspaper

Highlands' only locally owned & operated newspaper.

FREE every Friday; circulation 5,000;

more than 100 distribution points

Adobe PDF version at
 www.highlandsinfo.com

P.O. Box 2703,

Highlands, N.C. , 28741

(828) 526-0782

email: highlandseditor@aol.com

Publisher/Editor – Kim Lewicki

Copy Editor/Proofreader

Tom Merchant

Production – Darlene Melcher

Circulation & Tech. Support –

Jim Lewicki

All Rights Reserved. No articles, photos, illustrations, advertisements or design elements may be used without permission from the publisher.

Printed by the Asheville Citizen-Times, Asheville, N.C.

... TIPPETT continued from 1

hospital." Turns out he had been bitten by a brown recluse spider.

Once the surgery was done, Tippet was transferred to Landstuhl Army Hospital in Germany where he had minor surgery to clean up the area and try to minimize scarring.

"Not that I plan for anyone to see it," he said, smiling.

He spent a week at Landstuhl and then was sent to Ft. Bragg, N.C. where he stayed until he was released in October. He came home to Franklin — his home town. Every two weeks, he said, he had to make the six-hour drive to Ft. Bragg for follow-up care until he was released on November 26.

"On the 2nd of January I was redeployed," Tippet said. "I think we all knew it was coming."

Tippet went to Kuwait, where he suffered a ruptured disc.

"I was there one month when it happened. The doctors gave me muscle relaxers at first and put me on light duty," he said. "They initially thought it was a muscle problem."

When his unit was deployed to Iraq, he was left behind.

"Then I got to where I couldn't put weight on my right leg, I really couldn't function," he said.

What caused his problem, which turned out to be a ruptured disc?

"Well, our packs weighed 70 pounds, then we had to carry huge

water bladders," he said. "Then add to that any special security clothing, well, it was a lot of weight."

The doctors took X-rays and Tippet was sent to Eisenhower Medical Center at Ft. Gordon in Augusta, Ga., for treatment.

But the hospital there was overburdened, so he was sent to Ft. Dix in New Jersey where he had surgery and convalesced.

For most, being so far from home and in poor health would be

depressing, but Tippet said he was very fortunate. Not only did he see many of the men he had served with overseas, he also made new friends.

"I had three physical therapists and they and their families became my good friends," he said. "One family even rented me a small apartment, so I was able to move off the post."

Tippet said he is glad to be back home and on duty at the Highlands Police



Photo by Nancy Welch

Officer David Tippet

Department.

"My unit will probably be deployed again, but I'm putting in my retirement papers, so, hopefully, I won't have to go," he said.

Highlands Police Chief Jerry Cook said he is glad to have Tippet back.

"I've basically been short one man and it's been tough," he said. "It's good to have him back."

Tippet offers another view of Iraq in story on page 13.

VIP program open for afterschool care

The Macon County Schools VIP After-School Program begins the first day of school and ends the last full day of the school year.

The program provides a safe, inviting environment, opportunities for learning and enrichment, and lots of fun for children in grades K-5 (ages 5-11) who need care during after-school hours while parents are working.

Program activities include the following: physical activity; arts and

crafts; independent and group activities; quiet time for homework, reading, writing, drawing, coloring, painting, and enrichment.

Macon County Schools is accepting applications for a VIP After-School Assistant at Highlands School for the 2004-05 school year. Applications will be accepted at the Macon County Board of Education Administrative Office until position is filled. Macon County Schools is an EOE.

• LETTERS TO THE EDITOR •

Positive sides to stem cell research

Dear Editor:

Stem cells can divide indefinitely and have the potential to develop into many types of tissue.

Research on these cells is essential to one of the most intriguing medical frontiers, regenerative medicine. The fact that stem cells may be derived from aborted fetuses has the religious right rekindling the protest over the Roe vs. Wade decision which legalized abortion.

While I understand their desire to have this decision overturned, the fact remains that all of these currently aborted fetuses could be placed in the stem cell research program rather than simply discarded in the trash.

If any cures come from this research, the positives should help offset the negatives. Until the law is overturned, there is no reason not to pursue this approach. In fact, it is ethically desirable. And, if the individuals who still believe the good does not outweigh the bad, they need not accept any of the benefits from the research.

**Jim Hartje
Otto**

Community made tour a success

Dear Editor,

On August 14, The Highlands Historical Society sponsored a very successful tour of historical homes on Satulah Mountain. Many thanks to all of you who participated in this delightful event. You have helped us in reaching our goal of establishing a historical site at the Prince House.

Special thanks go to the owners who opened their beautiful homes for this tour. They are James Green (Hemlock Hill), Nina and Frank Burke (The Hedges), Tommy Thompson (Clearmont), and Julia and Bill Grumbles (Faraway). Thank all of you so much. Your homes are just spectacular! Wish you could have heard all the rave reviews from those who made the tour.

Of course we could not have accomplished this wonderful event without the help of all of our hard working volunteers. Louis Doggett headed up the entire project with help from Jim Whitehurst and Wiley Sloan. Gladys McDowell and Margie Melvin organized and served refreshments and thanks to all of those who baked those tasty treats: Isabel Chambers, Margie Melvin, Wiley Sloan, Virginia Nix, Ann Turner, Mary Thompson, Ann Tate, Kriston Edwards, Gladys McDowell, Linda Edwards, Mildred Wilson, Geri Crowe, and Cindy Batson.

Our hardworking docents at each of the homes were indispensable and performed their duties flawlessly. They were Jane Mitchell, Pat Boyd, Sarah Mann, Beverly Howell, J. Jay Joannides, Helen Moore, Carol Avinger, Norman Avinger, Rachel Hamilton, Wilma Gordon, Richard Melvin, Linda Edwards, Ruth Layton, Paulette Webb, Margo Franklin, Julian Franklin, Jo Ann Scott, Joyce Hetzel, Sue Potts, Dale Wallin, Sarah Marshall, Sue Schulte, Jim Schulte, Martha Lamb, Glenda Bell, Griffin Bell, and Rachel Jenks. Mary Berry did a wonderful job of organizing the docent part of the event.

Thanks to all of the shuttle drivers: Slocum Howland, Tony Potts, Lewis Doggett, Jim Whitehurst, Isabel Chambers, and a special thanks to Lew Batson who organized the shuttles. Additionally, Geri Crowe and LaDonna Keener loaned us their vans. The loan of the Recreation Center van by Selwyn Chalker is also appreciated.

The ticket counter at the Recreation Center was very efficiently handled by Elaine Whitehurst, Geri Crowe, and Sarah Sloan. Thanks ladies and thanks to LaDonna Keener for making all the tickets. We also appreciate Cyrano's and The Chambers Agency Realtors selling tickets for us. We also wish to express our appreciation to the Highlands' Newspaper and the Laurel magazine for all the excellent publicity.

This was one of our more successful events and we will definitely plan on having another one next year.

**Luther Turner
Highlands Historical Society**

... ON THE VERANDAH RESTAURANT

Overlooking Lake Sequoyah

**Evening of Food, Wine & Entertainment
with Charles Krug Winery**

Wednesday, Sept. 1 – 6:30 P.M.

\$90 per person, plus 7% tax and 20% gratuity

\$40 non-refundable deposit requested with reservation

Highway 64 West

828-526-2338

otvl@ontheverandah.com

- Smoked Applewood Bacon & Shrimp Empanadas;
Spicy Southeast Asian Nuoc Cham Sauce
'02 Sauvignon Blanc, Napa Valley
- Coconut Chile Marinated Chicken Satay; Spicy Peanut Sauce
'01 Chardonnay, Napa Valley
- Roasted Black Cod Over Fennel and Roasted Pepper Relish
'01 Pinot Noir, Carneros
- Pecan-Cinnamon Seared Hanging Tenderloin Towers;
Tomato-Cumin Pool, Sweet Potato Waffle
'00 Merlot, Napa Valley
- A Selection of Fine Blue Cheeses
'01 Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley
Plus a Special Selection of Reserve Wines

Highlands Vacation Rentals

Use our years of experience to find your home.
Good vacation rental homes make great investments.

Let us target the best producing homes for you.
If you are buying a home & plan to rent seasonally,

**You Need Our Services
Buyers' Representation
Is Our Specialty**



For Sale \$750,000

**Vacation Rental
\$3,000. week**

Located In Mt. Fresh Shopping Center On Main St.
Jim Lewicki - Owner/Broker - 828-787-2002

• Sea Salt Spa
• Pedicure & Manicure
• Gel Nails
• Solar Nails
• Diamond Nails

Pro NAILS 526-8777

Now offering full waxing services
NEW HOURS
Mon. - Sat. • 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. • Sun. 1-6 p.m.

48 Appointments & Walk-ins Welcome • Corner of 5th & Main

82 **HIGHLANDS WINE & CHEESE**

10% off any one item with this ad.
Limit one per customer

Wines by the glass and cheese plates

Wine Flights - Thurs., Fri., & Sat.
4:30-6:30 p.m. Prices Vary.
Complimentary Wine Tastings
Every Saturday 1-4:30 p.m.
Falls on Main
828-526-5210

Dr. Kit Barker
L.A.C., F.D., Ph.D.

Pain Therapy
Eastern Philosophy meets Western Technology

» Microcurrent (non-needle) acupuncture
» Hot Stone Massage
» Swedish Massage

5 Cottage Row, 64 E. ~ Highlands
828-526-1566

GOLDEN CHINA of Highlands **37**

Now Serving Wine, Plum Wine & Sake
Open 7 days a week - menu available
Lunch Buffet M ~ F \$6.95

Highlands Plaza - 828-526-5525

• SPECIALTY FOODS & CATERING •

ROSEWOOD MARKET

Catering all your event & dinner party needs.
(Next to D&J Express Mart)

Tues. thru Sat.
11-6

526-0383 **63**

DUSTY'S **34**
RHODES SUPERETTE

"Celebrating 53 years in Highlands"

Prepared ready to serve & bake hors d'oeuvres, breads, pastas, cookies & entrees

"We cut the BEST steaks in town!"

Mon-Sat
493 Dillard Rd.
526-2762

COLONEL MUSTARD'S

In Town Square on Main Street
Between TJ Bailey's & Rosenthal's

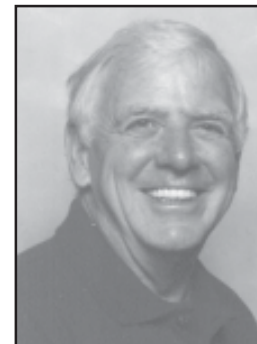
828-526-8697 **74**

Specially Foods
...from around the world!

• LAUGHING AT LIFE •

Don't mess with my three-legged tree rat (A squirrely tail from long ago)

We were just sitting down to dinner when we heard a loud "bang" in the back yard. The house darkened, giving our three children the opportunity to quickly bury their broccoli under their napkins. "Don't anyone move, I'll check it out," I commanded.



Fred Wooldridge

him under the couch, I called for backup and the kids closed in. You cannot believe how fast a three legged tree rat can run when not wanting to be caught.

For the next half hour the four of us dashed from one piece of furniture to the next, missing every time with

our towels. Finally, exhausted from running, Stubby made a wrong turn and we nailed him.

Once I presented a couple of Polaroid pictures of our captive safely back in his cage with a twenty pound cinder block on top, the little missus descended from her perch.

Entering the living room, she shrieked in horror. Our new beige carpet was covered with tiny blood marks from Stubby's missing leg wound. While I cleaned the carpet, I pondered my decision to help this little varmint.

I think I was on blood dot 217 when my daughter announced, "Dad, promise you won't get mad." With that one statement, the little missus headed for her post on top of the bed. "Stubby was soooooo thirsty, I gave him water but he jumped out instead." I ran to seal off the porch from the house.

"Man your posts again" I angrily growled. The towels were still in the washer, so each of us took a weapon. A yard rake, a broom and the porch squeegee would have to suffice. For the next hour we hunted and found nothing.

"Take a break" I announced and made a few phone calls to several animal shelters. "Excuse me, I hate to bother you at this hour, but we have a three legged tree rat loose in our house and can't find it. Do you think.....hello. ... hello."

"I am not sleeping in this house. We'll check into a hotel" my wife demanded. "How about the

There, lying at the base of our power pole in the backyard, was a dead tree rat wearing his designer outfit. He had short circuited our transformer, blowing off a hind leg in the process. Then, in an instant, as if God himself had said, "Return to life, little three legged tree rat and make this family miserable," the critter began to breathe.

By this time, all three kids, disobeying my command to stay put, were leaning over me for a better look. "Quick, get that old aquarium from your closet." They were back in a flash and I lifted the limp body and laid it carefully in the bottom of the cage. It was so cute, so tiny, so helpless. Covering the top with a heavy wooden board, I carried the cage to our enclosed porch and sat it on the bar. "All right, everyone back to the table. I'll call the power company..... and get your broccoli out from under your napkins."

It was not until the lights came on that we realized that Stubby (that's what we named him during dinner) was missing from his cage. Our screened porch opened into the house and he could be anywhere. "Everyone, man your posts." I barked. We already had a plan formulated from when our seven foot black snake escaped last month. Each child grabbed a bath towel and stood at their pre-assigned post while the little missus took up her position on top of our bed.

I was the reconnaissance guy who would roam the house and flush out Stubby. After locating

It's time to start walking – Relay for Life starts Friday

The fourth edition of the Mountain Top Relay for Life – a big party to renew the fight against cancer is coming up Friday night. Everyone is invited to the party.

The award-winning Mountain Top Relay will begin at 6:00 p.m. and will continue until 7 a.m. on Saturday. The Relay alternates between Highlands and Cashiers. This year's event will be on The Village Green in Cashiers.

The campaign to raise funds for the American Cancer Society's research projects actually began about six months ago. Scores of teams were organized, using many activities to get contributions for the ACS: car washes, raffles, auctions, bake sales, golf scrambles, and even dog washes.

The Friday night Celebration of Life is a night filled with emotions, ranging from the very highest joy to the heartwarming sorrow.

The first event will be the Survivors' Walk, when cancer patients and those who have defeated cancer will make a single lap around the quarter-mile track. On the second lap, caregivers will join the survivors.

There will be entertainment throughout the night.

It's very rewarding to see the huge crowds that turn out for the Relay," said Co-Chairs Buck Trott, Mayor of Highlands, and Bud Smith of Cashiers. "This community has been extremely supportive of our efforts. The people are quick to show their determination to honor the survivors and to help find a cure for cancer."

The Mountain Top Relay for Life was recognized by the ACS last year for having the highest per-capita donations of any American city in its population category. Relay officials are hoping to win the title again this year.

In fact, the local effort has exceeded expectations every year. The first Relay, in 2001, had a goal of \$15,000. Collections that year

MountainTop Relay for Life Village Green, Cashiers August 27 & 28

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

6 p.m. — Kick-off with MC Chuck Cooper
Invocation with Pastor Virginia Monroe of the Church of the Good Shepherd
Welcome by co-chairs Bud Smith and Buck Trott
6:30 p.m. – Survivor Walk
(survivors once around the track then with family once around the track)
7 p.m. – MC makes Team Introductions
7:15 p.m. – MC introduces High Mountain Squares (square dance team) and then W.C. Field's Haircut
7:40 p.m. – Hurricane Creek Band.
9 p.m. – Joshua Bulla, harpist
9:20 p.m. – MC introduces Luminary Ceremony and Silent Walk begins.
9:45 p.m. – High Mountain Squares
10 p.m. – Cashiers Music Company
11:25 p.m. – Stolen Horse
12:06 p.m. – Tom Smith, electric keyboard
1:30-4:30 a.m. – Left of Center
5 a.m. – Lee Knight Folk Music
6:20 a.m. – CD played by CBC Sound
7 a.m. – Closing Ceremony

were \$102,000. In 2002, the target was \$110,000 and raised \$166,000. Last year's goal was \$170,000, and the Relay brought in \$238,000.

On Friday night, The Village Green will be alive with music and food booths. There will be entertainment all night long. Last year, the food ranged from hot dogs and popcorn to beignets and crab claws.

A major source of funds is the sale of luminaries, which can be purchased for \$10 or more. A luminary is a white paper bag with sand in the bottom. A candle is placed in the sand. The luminaries are designated in prayer for, in celebration of, or in memory of a cancer victim or survivor. At the

Relay, the luminaries will line the quarter-mile track. Last year, more than 3,000 luminaries were sold.

The locally popular Hurricane Creek Band will start out the entertainment, shortly after 7:30 p.m. Other entertainment will be provided by Harpist Josh Bulla, the High Mountain Squares (a square dance group), the Cashiers Music Company, the Stolen Horse Band, electric keyboardist Tom Smith, and another band, Left of Center.

As last year, Lee Knight will entertain with folk music from 5 a.m. until 6:20 a.m. on Saturday.

The closing ceremony for the Relay will be at 7 a.m.

Riddle: You can watch all the free entertainment you wish – all night long – but the more you spend, the better you'll feel.

Answer: the Mountain Top Relay For Life, set for 6 p.m. on Friday at The Village Green in Cashiers.

This is the fourth annual Relay for the communities of Cashiers and Highlands and it's a production you won't want to miss.

It's a celebration of life to raise funds for the American Cancer Society, which has channeled more than \$2 billion into cancer research since its inception in the mid-1940s. Last year, the Mountain Top Relay for Life was recognized by ACS for having the highest per-capita contribution in the U.S. in its population group.

"We keep hearing rumors that a cure for cancer is just around the bend," said co-chair Bud Smith of Cashiers and Buck Trott of Highlands. "It would really be great to know that the money collected here at the Mountain Top Relay put the research over the top."

The Relay features a quarter-mile track which will meander in and around the Village Green. Participants walk the course. Along the way, they'll encounter cancer survivors, children and others who are there for the exercise or for the experience. They'll also pass by food stations.

A luminary is a small white bag with sand in the bottom. A lighted candle is placed inside the bag. On the outside, the bag will have the name of a cancer patient, a cancer survivor, or a cancer victim.

The Mountain Top Relay for Life has exceeded expectations every year. The first time, in 2001, organizers didn't know what to expect when they established a goal of \$15,000. That year, collections surpassed \$102,000. In 2002, the goal was \$110,000 and the campaign raised \$166,000. Last year's goal was \$170,000 and the Relay brought in \$236,000. That brings the total collected in Cashiers and Highlands for cancer research to \$500,000.

This year's Relay should be just as heart-warming and just as much fun as the last one.

King Mountain Club

A Private Gated Community
"Former Residence of Burt Reynolds"

A community with million dollar homes and all of the benefits of country club living but NO membership fee and low annual dues.



For sale by owner



Open House this Sat. & Sun 12-4
Quick Sale Priced at \$595,000

Rustic but modern mountain home. Excellent condition. 3,500 sq. ft., 3 or 5 bedrooms, 3 full baths, extra large Great room, game room. Downstairs could be a separate apartment. Club house, swimming pool, fishing, on property. Golf & skiing near by. The unique furnishings are negotiable.

Call 828-526-9096

<http://usa.realestatemate.com/12419>

Cashiers Designer Showhouse

THE SEVENTH ANNUAL

Cashiers Designer Showhouse

"The Point at Lake Glenville"

AUGUST 21-SEPTEMBER 5

GENERAL ADMISSION – \$20

Hours: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Daily and 12 noon - 4 p.m. Sunday.
Tickets and information available by calling (828) 743-7710
Free Parking and Shuttle Buses at Cashiers Community Center
Highway 64, 3/10 mile east of Cashiers Crossroads

SPECIAL SPEAKERS

August 21 – Barry Dixon and August 28 – Charles Faudree
10 to 11:30 a.m. at Church of the Good Shepherd
Cost: \$50 Includes and entry to Showhouse

Benefiting The Cashier Historical Society &
Cashiers Vally Community Center

• MOVIE PIX •

Batman

The 1998 action/adventure (was it supposed to be a comedy, too?), starring Michael Keaton, Kim Basinger, and Jack Nicholson, who absolutely steals the show as (what else?) the creepy bad guy in the role as the Joker. Directed by Tim Burton, written by Sam Hamm and



Stuart Armor

Warren Skaaren, based on characters originally created by Bob Kane and DC Comics.

The Storyline: Gotham City is a dark and dangerous place, even the street thugs are afraid to go out. And of late, another odd character has been spotted, a huge bat that prowls the city at night, striking fear in the hearts of evil doers everywhere, and not surprisingly, putting a little fear in every one else's heart as well. I mean we are talking about a 7-foot-tall bat after all.

But for those of us familiar with some of the other versions of this story, we know that this particular bat uses his powers only in the causes of good, never for ill. Although this Batman IS a bit different from previous incarnations, darker and creepier than, let's say, Adam West.

So anyway, here's your story, You got your 7-foot-tall bat (well-played by Keaton), a love interest (Basinger, not much of a role for her, but what there is, she does a good job), and what kind of a story would this be if there wasn't a very evil bad guy with a very big and evil plan?

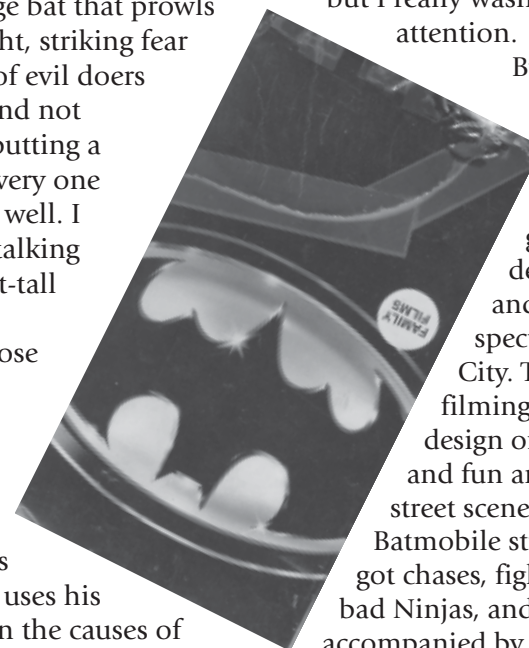
Nicholson as the Joker both looks and sounds funny, scary, creepy and larger than life. There

are, I think, some details that involve taking over the city for some unknown reason, a scheme to contaminate make-up, and I don't know, there might be more, but I really wasn't paying attention.

But the story is not the point here, this is about sets and scenery, cool gadgets and toys, dead pan humor, and an absolutely spectacular Gotham City. The filming, animation, and design of the city is dark and fun and amazing, the street scenes and the Batmobile stunning, you've got chases, fight scenes, really bad Ninjas, and acrobatics, accompanied by really cool music (Danny Elfman and Prince). Director Tim Burton is a master of visual effects, and he really gets a chance to show off here. Don't take this one seriously, but do give it a look, it's a lot of fun.

Other comic book to movie stories are Hulk, Dick Tracy, Spiderman, Popeye, and The Crow. More by Burton, one of my favorite directors, are Edward Scissorhands, James and The Giant Peach, Mars Attacks, and Big Fish.

These and more are available at Movie Stop, give them a look.



... LOOKING from pg 4

pop-up? We'll sleep in the pop-up," I countered. I knew her silence meant OK. It took me an hour to set up the camper because it rained on me twice, soaking me each time. As I carried bedding into the camper I spotted something small sitting right in the middle of the back yard.

I trained my flashlight on the object and spotted a small, red, three legged tree rat staring back. It was Stubby and I sensed he was laughing at me. Later that evening, we found a small exit hole chewed in the porch screen.

The next morning I put signs up in the neighborhood. "WARNING: DANGEROUS THREE LEGGED TREE RAT, WEARING DESIGNER OUTFIT, ROAMING THIS AREA. IF SPOTTED, RUN"

RUBY CINEMA

in Franklin, N.C.
524-2076

Evening Shows (After 5 p.m.)
Adult - \$6; Child - \$4
Matinee (Before 5 p.m.)
Adult - \$5; Child - \$4
Seniors get \$1 off
all regular evening shows

Beginning Fri., Aug. 27

OPEN WATER
rated R
7:10 & 9:05 Nightly
4:05 Daily Matinee
2:10 & 4:05 Sat & Sun Matinees

COLLATERAL
rated R
7:05 & 9:15 Nightly
4:15 Daily Matinee
2:05 & 4:15 Sat & Sun Matinees

THE NOTEBOOK
rated PG-13
7 Nightly
4:10 Daily Matinee
2:00 & 4:10 Sat & Sun Matinees

ALIEN VS PREDATOR
rated PG-13
9:20 Nightly

THE PRINCESS DIARIES 2:
ROYAL ENGAGEMENT rated G
7 & 9 Nightly
4 Daily Matinee
2 & 4 Sat & Sun Matinees

• FINE DINING & DINING WITH A VIEW •

Café of the Arts

LUNCH MENU SAMPLING

Omelette du jour
Smoked Salmon De Luxe
Creamed seafood in French loaf
Quiche of the day
Country Style Pate
Jumbo Lump Crab Cake

SANDWICHES

Double Deck Corned Beef and Pastrami
L'Immigrant
Chicken Salad in a Croissant
Chicago Style Burger

HOUSE SPECIALTIES

De Luxe Salad Champs
Elysee
Salade Cote d'Azure
Crabmeat Salad on Artichoke
Dali's Salad
Chicken Salad Plate
Caesar Salad

DINNER MENU SAMPLING

HOMEMADE SOUPS

Lobster Bisque
Chilled Vichyssoise
Onion Soup Au Gratin

SALADS

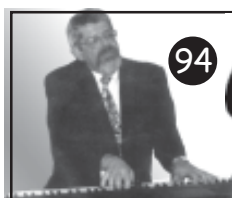
Cotes de'Azur
Caesar
Crabmeat salad in Artichoke

HORS D'OEUVRES

Gravlax
Pate du Chef
Crab Cakes
Escargots de Bourgogne
Calamari a la Costa Brava

CLASSICO ENTREES

Filet Mignon
Dover Sole Meuniere
Sauteed Veal
Rack of Lamb Dijonaise
Crispy Duck
Chicken of the Arts
Grilled Grouper Nicoise
Shrimp and Scallop



Featuring Regis
at the piano
nightly.

94

Café of the Arts

Open Tues.-Sun.

Lunch 11:30-3

Dinner 5:30-9

Excellence in hospitality & cuisine!

Main St. or Oak St. • 526-5166

~ Elegant indoor
dining overlooking
Main St.

~ Casual outdoor
dining on Oak St.
covered deck

Hand-Cut & Grilled to Order
"Sterling Silver" Meats –
Fresh Seafood – Wild Game
Pasta – Chicken

"Family-owned &
operated since 1995"

Behind Hampton Inn off Hwy 106

The LOG CABIN

Open Nightly - 5:30 - until...

(828) 526-3380

FIRESIDE DINING

"As Seen in Southern Living Magazine"
Brown Bagging Permitted

21



Extensive
Wine List

Nick's

22

N.C. 28 & Satulah Rd.

828-526-2706

Brown-bagging permitted

*Fine Food For
Particular People*

Prime Rib daily • Fish • Pasta
• Hand-cut Veal & Steaks
• Full Wine List

Lunch 11-2:30; Dinner from 5:30

Closed Wednesday

Now serving healthy
fresh food in two
locations –

Helen's Barn

70 526-4188

Lunch Tues - Sat 11:30-3:30

Dinner Tues. - Sat 5pm until..

Village Square

526-8847

71



The Highlight of Highlands

Fabulous Breakfast Buffet
Open to the public
Wed. through Sun.
8:30 to 10:30 a.m.



A Great Place to Stay. A Great Place for Breakfast

19

20

Ristorante Paoletti

Open for its 21st season

Fine Italian dining since 1953

Serving Dinner from 5:30 Monday - Saturday

Reservations recommended

Call 526-4906

440 Main Street

Wine Spectator's "Best of Award of Excellence"



Flat Mountain Rd.

Call 526-2121

for reservations

highlands Mountain Top Dining with a View
Dinner 5:30 p.m. until
Zorki playing acoustical guitar on the deck
Fridays 7-10 p.m.

• HIGHLANDS EATERIES •

Don Leon's Sample menu

FRESH SALADS

- Greek
- Caesar
- Shrimp

GREEK PITA

- Gyro
- Veggie
- Shrimp

HOMEMADE SOUPS

- Cajun Chicken & Andouille Gumbo
- Cajun Shrimp & Andouille Gumbo
- Southern Brunswick Stew
- New England Clam Chowder

EUROPEAN HOAGIES

- Dusty Burger
- Rueben
- Pork BBQ
- Philly Steak

PLATTERS

- Cajun Jambalaya
- Cajun Red Beans & Rice
- Cajun Fried Seafood
- Grilled Chicken Breast

EATING LITE

- Fajita Caesar Platter
– beef, chicken, shrimp
- Dusty's Sirloin Burger Platter with salad
- Grilled Bocca Burger Platter with salad
- Stir Fry Platter
– beef, chicken, shrimp
- Wheat Tortilla Wraps
– chicken, turkey breast, stir-fry vegetables

Wine by the bottle
Coffee & Tea always FREE

Don Leon's

526-1600

Dillard Road next to Farmer's Market

Cajun & European specialties

Sandwiches & more

Hours: Tues. - Sun. 11 - 6:30

Pescado's

526-9313

Fourth Street "on the Hill"

Fresh Mexican

"The fastest food in town"

Lunch 7 days: 11-3;

Dinner: Tues.-Sat. 5-8:30

The Rib Shack

526-2626 • 461 Spring Street

Slow-cooked BBQ

& Southern favorites -

Lunch: 11-2 & Dinner 5:30-?

Open 7 days - Eat-in or carry-out

Brick Oven Pizza

526-4121

Mtn. Brook Center by Movie Stop

Made-to-order pizza, calzones, salads

Open for lunch & dinner year-round.

Pizza Place

526-5660

Pizza, specialty sandwiches & salads

Eat in or carry out.

Open for lunch & dinner

Buck's Coffee Cafe

384 Main Street

"Staying Open Later"

Sun.: 7:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Mon.- Thurs: 7:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Fri. & Sat. 7:30 a.m. - 11 p.m.

with live music

Highlands Hill Deli

526-9632

Made-to-order sandwiches, green &

fruit salads, breakfast biscuits. Open 7

days a week 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Sports Page

526-3555

Made-to-order specialty sandwiches,

salads, soups & desserts.

Open for lunch Mon.-Sat. 11-4

Hill Top Grill

Fourth & Spring • 526-5916

"Quick Service Not Fast Food"

Grilled sandwiches, healthy salads &

the best burger in town.

Mon.-Fri. 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

• SPORTS PICKS •

American basketball at the Olympics

After watching the United States lose another Olympic basketball game to Lithuania last Saturday, I have come to the following conclusions.

1. Larry Brown could possibly be tanking this on purpose. This is the only logical explanation for him having Lamar

Odom and Stephon Marbury on the floor at the same time in the 4th quarter on Saturday. Brown has proven his worth as a coach, and has made his reputation by winning consistently no matter what his talent level-therefore I can only conclude that Brown is tanking the Olympics for reasons unknown to me.

2. If we were to trade Richard Jefferson, Lamar Odom and Shawn Marion for Fred Hoiberg, Wally Szczerbiak and JJ Redick then the US would be well on its way to a gold by now. The lack of a pure shooter has been killing the US team, who have faced zone after zone during these Olympics and are powerless to attack.

3. Lebron James needs to play the point-the US must have a pass first player at the helm and Lebron is unselfish enough to play that role-if given the opportunity. The lack of a PG has killed the US against Puerto Rico and Lithuania-both who have fantastic point guards who can both pass and score. The Lithuanian PG put on an unbelievable fourth quarter performance and was Reggie Miller-



Ryan Potts

esque in his clutch display of 3 point shooting. Stephon Marbury was biddy league-esque in his performance throughout the game...and people wonder why we are losing.

4. Stop all this talk about the US losing its grip on basketball-the

only thing that the US is losing grip on is fundamentals. The NBA has discovered that athleticism begat dunks which begat fans which begat lots of money which begat rich people which begat annoying drivers. (sorry, a little Numbers action there for ya) Foreign players are actually concentrating on shooting, passing and dribbling-and thus can beat a bunch of athletes thrown together for Olympic purposes. However, if we throw Shaq out there with Tracy McGrady, Tim Duncan and Jason Kidd then it becomes a totally different Olympic experience, despite the US lack of fundamentals.

5. The only good thing about these Olympics is that I am actually interested in watching the US team play-it is kinda fun to be the underdog again...except for the fact that instead of rooting for some Hoosier type players I will be rooting for a bunch of spoiled Prima Donnas who can't read a pick and roll to save their lives. Actually, I will be rooting for Tim Duncan and Dwayne Wade-who deserve better than this.

2 HOMES FOR SALE BY OWNER



- TURTLE POND HIDDEN PARADISE -

Creekside, lots of glass, decks, vaulted ceilings;
French doors; wood floors; fireplace, 2-car garage;
Lovely landscaping, bordering USFS hiking trails.

Secluded, yet only 5 miles from town.

APPOINTMENT 828 526 2759 or 526 2338

marbago@earthlink.net

Appearance Commission ties up loose strings

By Nancy Welch
Contributor

The Highlands Appearance Commission Monday night approved a Special Use Permit for Cospers Flowers, owned by Dennis and Nancy Ostema. This ended a weeks-long discussion of the addition of a pole shed to the side of the flower shop in Highlands Plaza. The commission also approved the shop's landscape plan.

The Zoning Board suggested Cospers go through the SUP permitting process to make the pole shed attached to their building legal.

"This meets all the building codes," said Larry Gantenbein town planner and zoning administrator. "As a matter of fact, they can come back at a later point and turn that lattice into a real wall." He said technically the lattice addition is a permanent structure and as such can include electricity.

"But they will have to come back to us and jump through the same hoops once again," he said

Gantenbein reported on the workings of the streetscape committee explaining the committee, now composed of Dennis DeWolf, Hank Ross, Gantenbein and Lamar Nix, has found a trash can suitable for Highlands. The cost of the bear proof cans, he said, would be about \$541 each. The town is ordering one and is considering having them custom-made.

"We think we have found someone who can build the same thing for less," he said.

Commissioner member Ginger Slaughter asked if the committee had also found benches for the town.

"We haven't got any yet, but I think we will end up standardizing," Gantenbein said. "We may end up bringing the issue back to you guys." He said the town needs 50 benches, 30 for the village area and 20 spread elsewhere.

Once the sample bench and the trash can come in, they will be placed in front of town hall for everyone to see.

The status of the old Post Office building on Pine Street was also discussed.

"I want it gone, but it's in legal limbo," Gantenbein said. He said the county could condemn it, "but as long as it is roped off and locked up, the building can stand," he said.

WHOLESALE DOWN COMFORTERS & MORE!

The Place to shop for:

- Luxury Linens -
- Down Comforters -
- Down Blankets - Sheets Sets -
- And Much More!

Always
something new!

We ship for your
convenience

Mon - Sat 10 ~ 5pm

828-526-4905

Located behind Wachovia Bank on the Franklin Rd.

Proud members of Highlands Chamber of Commerce

91

Wolfgang's
ON MAIN

RESTAURANT

Aug. 30, 6 p.m.

"Fine Art, Fine Wine,
Fine Dining"

Featuring Art by Kevin Saunders ;
Wines by Rodney Strong; Music -
Paul Scott & Kyle Wiggins-Rowan.

526-3807 for reservations

**Advertise in
Highlands'
Newspaper...
People READ it!**

• HIGHLANDS LODGING •

Tucked away on a quiet street in the heart of Highlands, North Carolina, the 4-1/2 Street Inn is the perfect getaway.

Complete serenity in peaceful surroundings. This delightful Bed & Breakfast Inn will take you far away from everyday life.

Whether you choose to settle in with a good book, relax by the fire or ride our bicycles into Highlands' captivating downtown, our 4-1/2 Street Inn offers comfort, charm and convenience.

We are just a short walk from many of Highlands' unique and varied restaurants. The village offers a full plate of cultural delights, including Chamber Music, Theater, and Gallery exhibits.

Innkeepers Rick and Helene Siegel do everything possible to ensure that your stay with them is memorable.

Graciously welcoming you as if they were entertaining guests in their own home, the couple makes guests feel immediately comfortable.

Helene's exuberance and warmth permeate the 4-1/2 Street Inn. She is always available to respond to guests' needs, answer questions and make suggestions for dining and activities in the Highlands area.

A romantic B&B

4 1/2 Street Inn

walking distance to town

Comfort, Charm & Convenience.

- Full Gourmet Breakfast • Outdoor Hot Tub
- Fireplaces • Ten Cozy Rooms w/ Private Baths



Toll Free 888-799-4464
www.4andahalfstinn.com



**Mitchell's Lodge 8
& Cottages**

- New Cedar Lodge • Fireplaces • Kitchens
- Jacuzzis • Decks Overlooking streams
- Easy walking distance to town

www.mitchellslodge.com 1-800-522-9874 • 526-2267

OLD CREEK LODGE Open Year 'Round !



All 19 cabins have Fireplaces
& Jacuzzi tubs

Upscale Continental Breakfast & Evening
hors d'oeuvres and cocktails

- Some pet friendly rooms
- Indoor heated pool & outdoor hottub

1-800-895-6343 or take a virtual tour www.oldcreeklodge.com

The Chandler Inn

52 The world's most
romantic country inn.

~ 5 min. walk to Main St.

Surrounded by woods ~ Fireplace Suites

828-526-5992 or 1-888-378-6300

www.thechandlerinn.com



Documentary Film Festival Thursday, September 2

12:30 p.m. – Fahrenheit 9/11
3 p.m. – OutFoxed
4:30 p.m. – Uncovered
5:30 p.m. – Fahrenheit 9/11
8 p.m. – Fahrenheit 9/11

at
Highlands Performing Arts Center
on Chestnut Street
Free Admission
All Showings
Limited Seating Available

Presented by UNTIE/UNITE Members of MoveOn.org Democracy in Action

Macon County Democrats turn out for rally



On Saturday, Aug. 21, Macon County Democrats assembled for an old-fashioned cook-out and rally at Cliffside Park.

On hand were the two non-partisan candidates running for District Court Judge – incumbent Monica Leslie and Sybil Mann (represented by her husband); Patsy Keever, (above) who is running for U.S. Congress from the 11th Congressional District against incumbent Charles Taylor; and Senate candidate Judge John Snow (below with his son and Mayor Buck Trott) who is trying to unseat Senator Bob Carpenter.

The message: "It's time for a change. Get out and vote on Nov. 2 and vote Democrat."



Photos by Jim Lewicki

You Deserve More!



Special Offer now available for customers 62 years and older



- ▶ Receive all your local news, sports & weather
- ▶ Enjoy all your favorite programs on every set in your home
- ▶ Emergency Alert System (EAS) for your safety
- ▶ No annual agreement to sign
- ▶ Prompt, professional, local service

NOW AVAILABLE
DELUXE CABLE PACKAGE
only \$39⁹⁹/mo*

*For customers 62 and older. Taxes and Installation fees not included. Expires 1/31/05. Current Deluxe customers must contact the local office to receive the discount. Some restrictions may apply.



Call for details. 828-526-5675 or 864-882-0002

• LIFE UNDER CONSTRUCTION •

Brake for Spontaneity

I'm starting to take the long way home. I'm just as busy but slowing down anyway. Stealing an hour here or there for a walk, leisurely reading a book, or listening to jazz with friends. I am even scheduling some open-ended time. Time to do whatever I want, without needing to be anywhere or do anything at that moment. Whether it is an hour or an afternoon, it's precious time.

I am once again creating my own rituals. What about you? Are you looking for special things you can do on a regular basis? Stuff that you look forward to and makes you smile.

If you are working too hard or moving too fast maybe you aren't taking time to incorporate some personalized moments into your day.

Are you laughing enough? I mean *really* laughing. I'm guessing one day we might even have to hire therapist to deliver laughing therapy. Okay maybe that's a stretch or maybe not? Seriously, do you need to increase your laughing quotient?

And what about having fun? Sure there has been a lot of rain lately but have you tried walking in the puddles? You might be thinking that I am losing it. Nah, I am just taking time for childlike activities in a busy adult life.

Actually, this morning, I am taking more time for myself and for me that means another cup of coffee; for you, that means a shorter column.

"Life is not a stress rehearsal".
"The greatest gift that you can give yourself is a little bit of your own



Dr. Maryellen Lipinski

attention." - Anthony J. D'Angelo

Warning! Be prepared to look for the lighter side of Mel in the near future. Starting right now!

GOOD NEWS! When I attended my real estate brokers class in spring, I met a delightful gal named Debbie. She told me that she was going to open a coffee shop and as

you can imagine, she had me on the edge of my chair. Mel and coffee just go together. I'm thrilled to announce that I just had a delicious cup of java at *Four Sisters Farm*. They roast the beans daily and are you ready for this, they are open Sundays. But wait, there is more. She tells me they will be open ALL winter. How good can it get? At the Cashiers Crossroads, just follow 107 north for about 1.8 miles and it's on your right, just before North Norton road. This winter is looking better all the time.

Need a cup of delicious coffee and one of Maryellen's books? STOP by Four Sisters Farm! Dr. Maryellen Lipinski is a psychologist by profession and an international professional speaker by design. If you are looking to buy a home/property or sell, call me at Village Realty of Sapphire Valley, 743-5122 www.ilovemountainrealestate.com. www.maryellenlipinski.com; melspeaks@aol.com.

Highlands Outdoor Tool

Sales & Service in:
Chain saws & Trimmers



(828) 526-4925

2330 Cashiers Road
Highlands, NC 28741



Our 29th Season in Highlands

24 352 Main Street
Highlands, N.C. 28741
828 526-4111

OPEN DAILY
(EXCEPT SUNDAYS)
10AM-3PM

AUCTIONS NIGHTLY
8:00 PM

DOORS OPEN AT 7:30 P.M.

On the web at:
www.scuddersgalleries.net
NC Company License 966
F.A.Scudder License 992

• SHOPS 'ON 4TH ST. ...ON THE HILL' •

Look beyond the construction!

Highlands Whole Life Supply, a small but powerful health food store boasts a history of over 20 years in the same location. Customers are often surprised at the wide selection of products available. Organic foods, breads, juices, gifts, body care products, natural pet products, books and nutritional supplements await your purchase. Highlands Whole Life Supply specializes in meeting the nutritional needs of people with special dietary concerns.

Highlands Whole Life Supply carries Burt's Bees, Kiss My Face, and JR Liggett products. If you're looking for cosmetics, you can sample the Gabriel Cosmetics line and discover for yourself the luxury of using make-up made by nature.

Come by and enjoy the innovative sounds of Putumayo World Music while you shop at one of Highlands' most unique stores. Call Highlands Whole Life Supply at 828-526-5999.



Your one stop in **84**
Highlands for
supplements, whole foods,
natural body care products,
gifts, and pet supplies.

Mon. ~ Fri. 10 - 5:30 Sat 10-2
223 S. 4th St. 526-5999



83 Highlands' Original Christmas Shop
526-3687



86 11-5 Daily
211 S. 4th St. 526-1924

Twigs
HIGHLANDS, NC

“Everything for your nest.”

828-526-5551

Everyday 9-6

Hwy 64 across from Little Bear Pen. Rd.



... BOWERY continued from page 1

Maintenance includes grading and potentially improving the road by widening it in areas and paving it.

Brian Burch with NC DOT said the state would improve the road to minimum state standards of 45 feet to accommodate a 20-foot paved road. The road would be designed for 20 mph traffic.

The state had allocated \$2 million in small urban funds to improve roads in 10 counties – allocating \$250,000 per year; 17

projects in various municipalities were vying for the funds.

In the end, Bowery Road was passed by for the 2004 cycle.

“They claim they are still planning to do it, but not this year,” said Trott.

Now, since Bowery Road is technically a state road, the town isn’t responsible for grading or maintaining the dirt road.

“We should have residents call the state whenever they want it

graded,” said Commissioner Amy Patterson. “That would put some pressure on them.”

Meanwhile, the next time the Supreme Court might consider hearing the Bowery Road case, is Oct. 8.

Residents along the first seven-tenths of Bowery Road have filed a petition for discretionary review in the North Carolina Supreme Court. They want a recent court decision which gave the town the right to condemn property along the first seven-tenths for the purpose of improving by widening and paving to be appealed.

... ALARMS from pg 1

Dept. precious time.

“From January 1 to July 31 of this year we had 40 false alarm calls,” said Bobby Houston fire & rescue dept. administrator. “That accounts for 30 percent of fire and rescue calls.”

To cut down on false alarm calls, the dept. charges \$250 after the first false alarm. “We allow one false alarm with no charge,” said Houston. “Then it costs residents and business owners \$250 for each additional false alarm we get that year.”

The Highlands Police Dept. has a similar policy – one free false alarm and then \$25 for each false alarm thereafter during that year.

“We used to get 24-30 false alarm calls a month,” said Police Chief Jerry Cook. “Since we started charging, it’s dropped to about 14.”

What’s the answer?

“Have your system checked regularly,” said Chief Cook. “In particular, maintain the battery back-up unit because when the power goes out or lightning strikes and the unit kicks on, if it’s not in working order, the alarm goes off.”

• REMODELING & DESIGN •

HIGHLANDS HARDWARE



We use World Gutter System, featuring 20 ounce copper for our 1/2 Round 6-inch gutter (which is deeper) and 4-inch seamless round downspout.

The joints are brazed for continuous copper strength. Heavy duty hangers and brackets provide maximum strength and durability.

Our workmanship is the Highest Quality. Standing seam copper roofing is also our specialty.

Stop by and compare our samples, or let us show you some of our jobs.

330 Dillard Road
Upper Level of
Highlands Decorating
Center
Phone: 828-526-3719

HIGHLANDS HARDWARE

330 Dillard Road
Upper Level of Highlands Decorating
Phone: 828-526-3719



25

Remodeling & Decorating Services 26

HIGHLANDS
CABINET
COMPANY

828-526-8364

828-526-8494 Fax

In the “Craig Building”
On the Hill on S. 4th Street

Hunter Douglas
window fashions
at

Highlands Custom Coverings

Carpets, Blinds, Shutters & Flooring 27

Mark Harris
271 Spring Street
Ph: 828-526-4226
Fax: 828-526-4255



HDC
HIGHLANDS
DECORATING
CENTER

Derek Taylor

330 Dillard RD
Highlands
828-526-3571

25

Benjamin Moore Paints
Custom Area Rugs
Fabrics
Floor Coverings
Tile
Wall Coverings
Window Treatments

High Point Furniture Buying Trips BY REBECCA CLARY

OF HIGHLANDS FURNITURE, INC.

31 YEARS OF DESIGN EXPERIENCE.

CUSTOM WINDOW TREATMENTS • DESIGN SERVICES

CALL (828) 526-2973 FOR INFORMATION

THE OLD RED HOUSE PROPERTY UNDER CONTRACT SALE!

Drastic Discounts!

Many undercost

25%-75% off 95

Vintage Linens & Quilts

4 blocks from downtown

Highlands on the Dillard Rd

828-526-9201

Tippett talks about overseas

By Nancy Welch
Contributor

Highlands Police Officer David Tippett has been deployed three times to the Middle East and says the soldiers there are doing well and know they have the support of American citizens.

"They're faring well," the National Guardsman Reserve Staff Sergeant said. "They are pretty much in touch because they have cell phones and the internet over there."

"What gripes me," he said, "is the twist the media puts on the war, particularly during an election year. There is more being done than will ever be told here. It's all become so political."

Tippett believes sincerely the United States military should be in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"If people could see the torture chambers Saddam Hussein had, the prisons and the mass graves, they would have no doubt we had to get Saddam out," he said."

Tippett feels the U.S. made a mistake not "finishing the job" when they entered Desert Storm.

"We stopped too soon," he said. "I hope this time the U.S. will stay and finish the job."

He said Americans would be shocked to see what real life is like in the Middle East.

"It's like stepping back into Biblical times," Tippett said. "People live in mud huts with thatched roofs. There is no electricity. The Bedouins move around the desert with their camels. Everyone is very poor."

He said people at home see pictures of Baghdad and think that is what Iraq is like.

"They don't understand," he said. "Baghdad was built by Hussein strictly to give him and his top followers a place to stay. Ordinary Iraqi citizens don't live like that at all. You get out of Baghdad and it's like a time warp backwards."

But Afghanistan seems to be the place that left the biggest impression on SSG Tippett.

"They've been at war since the '70s and there's just nothing left. The entire country is ravaged," he said.

Now in our 32nd year of serving the Highlands-Cashiers area, The Dry Sink on Main Street continues to offer distinctive gifts and merchandise, specializing in Gourmet Kitchen and Table-top items. The Dry Sink is Highlands' exclusive Hallmark dealer, offering the best of Hallmark cards and giftwrap. Those who enjoy finding the interesting and unusual, will delight in visiting The Dry Sink.

We offer a wide variety of merchandise, from kitchen cookware, gadgets and small appliances, to a huge selection of candles, glassware, frames and other gifts. The Hallmark card selection is extensive, as are the offerings of partyware and seasonal items. And, to make things easier, we offer full service packing and shipping, using UPS shipping services.

Store manager, Susan Jones, heads up a staff that includes 20+ year veteran and Hallmark expert, Rosemary Seacott, Highlands own Shirley Wilson, Janice Talley, Nancy Gallagher, Leslie Wilson and Alan Snyder.

As it has been for the last quarter of a century, The Dry Sink is dedicated to providing goods of the highest quality at reasonable, competitive prices. Whether you are a part-time resident of this beautiful community, a full-time citizen, or a visitor from beyond these hills, we invite you to stop in and say hello whenever you are in Highlands. We are committed to making The Dry Sink your personal shopping discovery!

• HOME DECOR & FIXTURES •

Gourmet Kitchenware

Dinner Settings

Charming Accessories



Open 10-5 Mon-Sat
450 Main St. - 526-5226

30

The Custom House

Lighting ~ Lampshades
Pottery ~ Mirrors

Meridith's Custom Painting

Creative ~ Colorful ~ Classic

Carolina Way ~ Highlands, NC
828-526-2665

32

Berkleys

A unique gift, fine furniture and accessories boutique

Daily 10 am to 5 pm
828-787-1160
2251 Cashiers Road ~ Highlands, NC

33

Bed & Bath
DESIGNS

Everything for your mountain home
All at great prices!

Highlands Plaza
828-526-5222

31

Peak Experience

The Most Diverse Inventory in Highlands

Antiques • Estate Jewelry • High Design,
Handmade Purses • Wholesale European Ceramics
Quality Handcrafted Jewelry • Home Accessories

Mon - Sat 10-5 Sun 1-4
828-526-0229

2820 Dillard Rd
3 miles from Main St

73

DUTCHMAN'S
DESIGNS

Flowers - Furniture
Weddings

338 Main Street
828-526-8864

29

Boys varsity soccer kicks off the season

Story & photo by
Kathryn Coppage

Highlander boys' soccer team had their first game of the season Aug. 16 followed by a second game on Aug. 18. They were challenged by the 3-A Franklin Panthers and 3-A Hendersonville Bearcats, respectively. The 1-A Highlands team held its own against the opposing larger teams.

The Highlanders started physical training and practices several weeks ago to prepare themselves for this year under the leadership of new coach David Parrish.

"Their effort was everything I expected, and I hope that they will put in the same amount for our next game, and hopefully that will earn us our first win for this year's season," said Coach David Parrish.

The Highlanders had an incredible start in the first half of the game with a great deal of help from exchange student Lucio Trazzi. Trazzi, an addition from Brazil, scored two goals for the team within four minutes of one another. Highlands' offense continued to play through balls giving the Panthers' defense a difficult time. The first half ended 2-0 in favor of the Highlanders.

When the second half rolled back around, the Panthers made a comeback with a drive to win. Their two major strengths in the comeback were Gus Wilde and Edgar Olvera. Wilde was playing the entire field and keeping a strong mid-field together that could not be broken.

Olvera continued to take shots on goal, scoring the Panthers' first goal. Within 55 seconds of the new play, Olvera's second goal gave the Panthers a 2-2 tie at the blow of the second whistle. Franklin's communication and passes were decisive factors in their comeback.

With two 10-minute half overtimes, the Highlanders gave a very strong effort that allowed them to shoot on goal again, but their one major weakness was finishing through with their shots. Several

opportunities were lost by the end of the overtime. In the second half overtime, Olvera scored again, earning him a hat trick and giving the Panthers a 3-2 lead for the game.

The Highlanders' first half remained strong, but the lapse in the second half cost them the win. Despite their loss, the Highlanders put in a great deal of effort and perseverance that created an intense

game for the fans.

The Highlanders' soccer team continued to impress the Highlands community with their talent and team work in their game against the Hendersonville Bearcats. Both teams tied 1-1.

The Bearcats scored quickly within the first half, which put pressure on the Highlanders. Later in the half, Lucio Trazzi scored for the Highlanders to intensify the game.

During the second half, both teams put forth tremendous effort. Pushing to win, Hendersonville and the Highlanders became aggressive. Neither team scored in the second half, but the Highlanders were proud to go home with a tie score against a 3-A team.

Senior soccer captains are Andrew Kerhoulas, Matthew Keener, and Allen Shearl. Junior teammates are Buddy Boy Parrish, Ryan Perkins, Matthew Chenoweth, Tyler Wavra, Lucio Trazzi, Garrett Holt, Alex Johnston and Ryan Bears. Sophomores include Alec Schmitt, Adam Crook, Nick Kerhoulas, Arthur Reynolds, Jason Aspinwall and Gray Alexander. Newcomers to the high school soccer team are freshmen Jake Heffington, Greg Porter and Billy Ray Converse.



Lucio Trazzi, Highlands new exchange student from Brazil, was the lone scorer with two goals for the Highlanders' first game against the Franklin Panthers August 16.

Highlands Varsity Soccer - 2004

<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Sept. 8</i>	<i>5 p.m.</i>	<i>Away</i>	<i>Polk County</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Sept. 10</i>	<i>5 p.m.</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>Madison County</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Sept. 13</i>	<i>4 p.m.</i>	<i>Away</i>	<i>Hiwassee Dam</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Sept 15</i>	<i>6:30 p.m.</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>Hayesville</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Sept. 20</i>	<i>6:30 p.m.</i>	<i>Away</i>	<i>Andrews</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Sept 22</i>	<i>6:30 p.m.</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>Murphy</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Sept. 27</i>	<i>6:30 p.m.</i>	<i>Away</i>	<i>Cherokee</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Sept 29</i>	<i>4 p.m.</i>	<i>Away</i>	<i>Blue Ridge</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Sept. 30</i>	<i>6:30 p.m.</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>Polk County</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Oct. 4</i>	<i>6:30 p.m.</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>Swain</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Oct. 6</i>	<i>6:30 p.m.</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>Hiwassee Dam</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Oct. 11</i>	<i>4 p.m.</i>	<i>Away</i>	<i>Hayesville</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Oct. 13</i>	<i>6:30 p.m.</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>Andrews</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Oct. 18</i>	<i>6:30 p.m.</i>	<i>Away</i>	<i>Murphy</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Oct. 20</i>	<i>6:30 p.m.</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>Cherokee</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Oct. 25</i>	<i>6:30 p.m.</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>Blue Ridge</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Oct. 27</i>	<i>6:30 p.m.</i>	<i>Away</i>	<i>Swain</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Oct. 28</i>	<i>5 p.m.</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>Rabun Gap</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Nov. 3</i>	<i>TBA</i>		<i>First Round State</i>

Art Run 5K to Benefit Highlands School

By Susie deVille-Schiffli

Contributor

This year, the PTO 5K Run will be held in conjunction with the annual Highlands Art Walk scheduled for September 18.

The race, entitled The Art Run 5K, will start promptly at 8:30 a.m. near the gazebo on Pine Street close to Town Hall. Parking and restrooms are available next to Town Hall. Split time will be called at miles one and two. Powerade, water, and fruit will be provided at the finish line.

The male and female with the fastest time will receive an original piece of pottery created by Highlands artist, Patrick Taylor. Awards for the top three finishers in each of the 13 age divisions will be pottery pieces created by Highlands School art students under the direction of art teacher, Sallie Taylor.

Age divisions are: 14 and under, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, and 70+.

Pat Hedden, PTO President said, "We are thrilled that PTO and the Highlands Chamber of Commerce are partnering on this great fundraiser for Highlands School. We are very grateful to the Highlands Chamber as well as race organizer Rick Rawlins."

Participants are encouraged to pre-register by completing and returning the accompanying Entry Form. The entry fee is \$15 if received by Sept. 14; the fee increases to \$20 after the Sept. 14.

Those pre-registered will receive a T-shirt from the race. Race day registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. at the gazebo on Pine Street. Race packets will be available at that time. For further details on the race, contact Rick Rawlins at 526-0454.

"The race is a wonderful new addition to the Art Walk weekend, and we hope that it is going to be a tremendous success," said Bill Bassham, executive director of the Highlands Chamber of Commerce. "It is a great way to kick off the festivities scheduled for that day."

The Art Walk is an exhibition of over 40 artists displaying their creations at various locations throughout the town. Art Walk will begin with an opening ceremony accompanied by bagpipers at 9:30 a.m. on Main Street. Throughout the day, a variety of music will be performed at various locations on Main Street. Youngsters can enjoy doing arts and crafts at the Highlands Nature Center from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Festivities will conclude at 5 p.m. For more information on Art Walk, call the Highlands Chamber of Commerce at 526-2112.

You may support Highlands School with a direct donation payable to Highlands School PTO. Please mail your donation to: Diane Sackman, Highlands School PTO Treasurer, Highlands School, P.O. Box 940, Highlands, NC 28741.

Math Night and Open House Tuesday, August 31, for Highlands middle school. Parents and students are invited to attend class visitations from 6-6:30 pm and Math Night with teacher Elizabeth Woods from 6:30-7 pm.

HIGHLANDS



SCHOOL

**P. O. Box 940
Highlands, NC 28741**

**(828) 526-2147
FAX (828) 526-0615**

Employees spotlighted; projects updated at August board meeting

By Barbara Lawrence

Contributor

At the Macon County Board of Education meeting on Monday, Aug. 23, the board spotlighted people and programs associated with Macon County Schools.

The Macon County Schools Maintenance department was recognized for their superior work in constructing the storage warehouse, and installing the walk-in freezer; they were awarded certificates for their outstanding work, and Dr. Rodney Shotwell promised them a special dinner.

Dr. Shotwell said \$20,000 had been saved by having the maintenance dept do this work. "The inspection officer said this was one of the cleanest jobs he had seen in 25 years in the business," said Shotwell. The new energy efficient windows recently installed in the boardroom by the maintenance department had also saved Macon County Schools more than \$12,000.

Board member Donnie Edwards gave a Highlands Gym project update. He said the project is progressing well and according to plan. Other business included the approval of Highlands' school 7th and 8th grade citrus sale along with the school's car-wash fundraiser.

Jennifer Jones, Macon County Schools co-coordinator, showed a power-point presentation from the Summer Adventure Camp program showing activities at the camp. Jones said the summer camp received very positive comments. "Parents completing a survey gave the camp an 'A' grade, finding it to be well organized and interesting," she said.

Close to 200 children from 137 Macon County families attended the program, which included a sports clinic, karate, pottery lessons, computer classes and horse-riding. Jones said the children went through eight- and a-half gallons of sunscreen at the summer camp.

Sally Foster giftwrap & more fundraiser begins

Highlands School's first major fundraiser for the 2004-2005 school year has been scheduled, officials announced last week.

Students began selling Sally Foster giftwrap, gifts, and candies last week and will continue through Sept. 7. Sales packets with catalogs are available at the Highlands School main office and at Highlands Pharmacy. Make all checks for orders payable to Highlands School PTO.

Highlands School will receive 50 percent of the proceeds from every purchase. Products include giftwrap and related accessories, candles, cards, stationery, picture frames, ornaments, kid's gifts and premium Harry London chocolates.

"Sally Foster sales account for our second largest PTO fundraiser for the entire year," said Susie deVille

Schiffli, PTO vice president. "We cannot overstate how important it is for Highlands School for this sale to be successful."

To entice healthy sales competition among classrooms, the PTO is offering a special reward to the elementary, middle and high school homeroom class that has the highest sales. "The winning class in each grade level will be treated to a catered lunch in their classroom," she said.

On-line purchasing can be done at www.SallyFoster.com. Enter the Highlands School account number - 605265. To give a particular student credit for the sale, simply enter his or her name where indicated. Orders will go home with students on Thursday, Oct. 7 or can be picked up at the school office that day.

• SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING •

New Anglican Church in Highlands



Father C.W. "Chip" Angell, left and Bishop Walter Grundorf during their recent visit to Christ Anglican Church.

By Bud Darden

Contributor

On a recent weekend Fater C.W. "Chip" Angell and Bishop Walter Grundorf visited Christ Anglican Church.

Gahter Angell is the priest in charge of the church and Bishop Grundorf is the presiding bishop of the Anglican Province of America.

Christ Anglican Church was organized in September 2003 by a group of orthodox, traditional Episcopalians who had become deeply disturbed by what they feel is the liberal, secular path the Episcopal Church has taken since the 1970s, particularly the ordaining of practicing homosexuals into the priesthood.

Christ Anglican Church is Bible-based, liturgical and traditional, meaning that it does not allow the current winds of public and societal opinion to alter that faith received from our forefathers as contained in The Holy Bible, the writings, of the early church and the 1928 Book of Common Prayer.

For those that are not familiar with the Anglican Church, it was the church that was brought to this country by the English who were the first to permanently settle here. The Anglican Church was established as the Church of England."

In the 1500s, Anglicans believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the word of God and to contain all things necessary for salvation.

Christ Anglican Church is holding services on Sundays at 4 p.m. at Community Bible Church on U.S. 64 east. Holy Communion is served.

For questions, or information call 743-3319.

• PLACES OF WORSHIP ON THE PLATEAU •

Blue Valley Baptist Church

Rev. Oliver Rice, Pastor (706) 782-3965

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

Sunday night services every second and fourth Sunday at 7 p.m.

Wednesdays: Mid-week prayer meeting – 7 p.m.

Buck Creek Baptist Church

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

First Saturday: Singing at 7:30 p.m.

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

NC 28 N. and Pine Ridge Rd., (828) 369-8329

Rai Cammack, Branch President, (828) 369-1627

Sundays: Worship – 10 a.m.; school & primary

classes – 11 a.m.; Women's & Men's Org. – noon

Tues: Women's Org. – 6:30 p.m.; Library – 6-8 p.m.

Wednesdays: Boy Scouts of America mtg. – 6:30 p.m.; Young women's activities – 6:30 p.m.

Christ Anglican Church

743-3319

"A Bible-based liturgical church"

Services: Sundays at 4 p.m. at the

Community Bible Church in Highlands

Holy Communion at most services.

Christian Scientist Church

526-2830

Corner of Spring and Third Streets

Come hear the healing message of the Christ

Sunday morning at 11 a.m.

Wednesday evening at 7 p.m.

Study Room Open Tues. and Fri.: 2-4 p.m.

Clear Creek Baptist Church

Pastor Everett Wilson, (828) 743-3379

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

Prayer – 6:30 p.m.

Evening Service – 7 p.m.

Community Bible Church

(Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Steven E. Kerhoulas, Pastor, 526-4685

3645 U.S. 64 east

Sundays: School – 9:30 a.m.; Worship – 10:45;

Youth "The Rock" meeting.

Tuesdays: Women's Bible Study – 9:45

Wed: Supper – 6 p.m.; Bible Study – 6:45 p.m.

Episcopal Church of the Incarnation

Interim Priest: Stephen Hines, 526-2968

Sundays: Choir – 9 a.m.; Bible Study & Book Study

classes – 9:15 a.m.; Holy Eucharist – 10:30 a.m.;

Children's Chapel – 10:30 a.m.

Women's Cursillo Group (Library) – 4

Tuesdays: Men's Cursillo in Jones Hall – 8

Thursdays: Holy Eucharist – 10 a.m.

The Sunday Service is telecast on cable channel 14

First Baptist Church

Dr. Daniel D. Robinson, 526-4153

Sun.: Worship – 8:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 6:30 p.m.;

School – 9:30 a.m.; Youth – 6:30 p.m.; Choir – 7:15

Wednesdays: Dinner – 5:30 p.m.; Team Kids – 6

p.m.; Prayer – 6:15 p.m., Choir – 7:30 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church

Rev. J. Hunter Coleman, Pastor, 526-3175

Sun.: Worship – 11 a.m. ;School – 9:30 & 9:45.

Wednesdays: Children's Devotions – 9:30 a.m.;

Supper – 6 p.m.; Choir – 7 p.m.

Thursdays: Bible Study – 10 a.m.

Sat: Adventistas del Septimo Dia – 10 a.m.& 5

Highlands Assembly of God

Rev. Scott Holland, 524-6026, Sixth Street

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

Wednesdays: Prayer & Bible Study – 7

Highlands 7th-Day Adventist Church

Wednesday evening prayer & Bible Study

Call Lloyd Kidder at 526-9474

Highlands United Methodist Church

Pastors Eddie & Kim Ingram, 526-3376

Sundays: School –9:30 & 9:45 a.m.; Worship –8:30 & 11 a.m.

Wednesdays: Supper – 5:30 p.m.; Bible Study & activities – 6 p.m.

Lutheran Church of the Holy Family – ELCA

Rev. Pam Mitcham, Pastor,

2152 Dillard Road – 526-9741

Sundays: Worship/Communion – 10:30

Macedonia Baptist Church

8 miles south of Highlands on N.C. 28 S in Satolah

Pastor Rusty Wolfrey, (706) 782-8130

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

Choir – 6 p.m.

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

Mountain Synagogue

St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church, Franklin 369-6871

Friday: Sept. 12 Sabbath Eve Services at 7

For more information, call

(706)-745-1842.

Our Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church

Rev. William M Evans, Priest

Parish office, 526-2418

Wednesdays & Fridays: Mass – 9 a.m.

Saturday Vigil Mass – 4 p.m.

Sundays: Mass – 11 a.m.

Scaly Mountain Baptist Church

Rev. Clifford Willis

Sundays: School –10 a.m.; Worship –11 a.m. & 7

Wednesdays: Prayer Mtg. – 7 p.m.

Scaly Mountain Church of God

290 Buck Knob Road; Pastor Alfred Sizemore

Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 10:45 a.m.;

Evening Worship – 6 p.m.

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

For more information call 526-3212.

Shortoff Baptist Church

Pastor Rev. Wayne Price

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

Wednesdays: Prayer & Bible Study – 7

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

526-9769

Rev. Maureen Killoran (part-time)

Sundays: Worship – 11 a.m.

Westside Baptist Church

Interim Pastor, Terry Dixon

Services in the basement of the Peggy Crosby

Sundays: Fellowship & Worship – 11

Whiteside Presbyterian Church

Cashiers, Rev. Sam Forrester, 743-2122

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

• BOOK REVIEW WITH KATIE BRUGGER •

***Crime and Punishment*, Fyodor Dostoyevsky, Penguin Classics (F Dostoyevsky)**

This wonderfully huge novel is a powerful psychological drama. The protagonist Raskolnikov is a poor ex-student in 1860s Russia. He has quit his studies for lack of funds and is living in desperate poverty. He has pawned a couple of items with a widow who acts as a pawnbroker and he hatches a scheme to murder and rob her so that he can resume his studies and have a career. The great bulk of the book depicts the time between the murder and his confession to the police. Most of the action takes place within the mind of Raskolnikov. It is so intense that one night after reading a good chunk of the book I dreamed that I, like Raskolnikov, had murdered an old woman. I woke sweating and disturbed, just as he did many, many times.

The book raises many questions. What makes something a crime? Raskolnikov is an intellectual who admires Napoleon, and he has published an essay that claims that the defining characteristic of all great men is that they committed crimes. It is akin to the adage: behind every great fortune there is a crime. Raskolnikov claims that someone like Napoleon murders people and breaks countless rules of society and gets away with it precisely because he is a great man. The little people stepped on by a great man are inconsequential. Thus it is acceptable for Raskolnikov, because he believes that he is a future great man, to murder someone to obtain the funds he

needs to get ahead in society.

Of course no one, including himself, buys his argument as a justification for his deed, but that doesn't remove the question. His essay does have a point: the victors are the ones who write history. In the recent movie "The Fog of War," Robert McNamara claims that during WWII he watched bombers taking off for Japan with a general who said (I'm paraphrasing), "If we don't win this thing we will be guilty of war crimes."

The firebombing of Japanese and German civilian populations was not a crime because we won.

Another question the book raises is what is the nature of punishment? We commonly think of the punishment for a crime being the sentence imposed by the state and the time served in jail. But Raskolnikov's punishment—mental torment—starts within hours of his crime (indeed, you could make a case that it started *before* the crime) and continues unabated through the beginning of his eight-year prison sentence.

Dostoyevsky also asks: can a person be moral without the need of religion? This is a question that still has relevance today, and must have been quite daring at the time this book was written in 1866. Raskolnikov has rejected God and religion. He falls in love with a very religious woman who helps

him to confess to his crime, but he cannot find true repentance.

The answer to these last two questions contains the true brilliance of the book and is revealed in the last few pages. Raskolnikov's punishment continued as long as he was unrepentant for his crime. He may have confessed to it but he still believed in his rationale. One night, after being in prison for eighteen months, he had a dream. A strange new infectious disease

had appeared which caused people to instantly become insane. "But never, never had people considered themselves so intelligent and

in unswerving possession of the truth as did those who became infected. Never had they believed so unswervingly in the correctness of their judgments, their scientific deductions, their moral convictions and beliefs...All were in a state of anxiety and no one could understand anyone else, each person thought that he alone possessed the truth and suffered agony as he looked at the others." This plague led to worldwide chaos and wholesale death and destruction. What Raskolnikov saw was the logical extension of his belief: what if everyone on earth believed as he did?

This horrible nightmare was the direct impetus for his repentance. And it was through

logic, not religion. The dream could be seen as a description of the philosopher Immanuel Kant's guide to morality, his "categorical imperative": "Act only according to that maxim by which you can at the same time will that it should become a universal law."

Translation: to test whether an act is moral, consider what the world would be like if everyone did it. Imagine a world in which everyone stole from everyone else. It would be a nightmare, thus it is easy to see that stealing is immoral. Morality does not depend upon religion; it can be completely founded upon reason.

As if to stress this point, Dostoyevsky has Raskolnikov, after his moment of repentance, reach for a New Testament and then put it down again without reading it.

And then, on the last page, is the great message: nothing on earth can punish us if our minds are free. At the moment of repentance there were still seven years of his sentence to serve, and yet he thought "Seven years, *only* seven years! At certain moments during the initial period of their happiness they both viewed those seven years as if they have been seven days."

What is punishment? It is the lack of repentance. What is repentance? The honest acknowledgement of one's deeds with no justification—in a word: humility. Humility is freedom.

This same profound message is found in two other great novels:

▪ See BOOK REVIEW page 25

99

Highland Hiker

Clothing - Footwear - Outdoor Equipment - Fly Fishing

Highland Hiker
601 Main St.
Highlands

Highland Hiker
at the Crossroads
Cashiers

Highland Hiker Shoes
The Falls on Main
Highlands



Summer is here! Stay in shape and keep that summer body at Mountain Fitness We offer....



- Professional Personal Training
- Massage Therapy with a wide range of modalities
- Nutritional Counseling for diet needs.
- A variety of aerobic classes.



36

Come let us help you out with a complete overhaul from the inside out.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

CALL 526-9083 TODAY!

462 Carolina Way



Dubberly returns for Bel Canto

A Bel Canto favorite for 11 years, Stephen Dubberly, opera conductor and coach, returns to Highlands on Sunday, Sept. 5 to give inspired piano accompaniment to Joyce Guyer and Isaac Hurtado at the 12th annual vocal recital benefiting the permanent art collection of the Bascom-Louise Gallery.

Dr. Dubberly, director of Opera Theatre and professor of accompany-



Stephen Dubberly

ing and voice diction at North Texas University, will present a piano solo in addition to accompanying Ms. Guyer and Mr. Hurtado in arias and duets for soprano and tenor.

The program devoted to beautiful singing begins at 4 p.m. at the Martin-Lipscomb

Performing Arts Center and will be followed by a gala reception-buffet at the Highlands Country Club. For more information, call 526-5252.

Literacy Council in dire need of tutors

Do you have an hour or more a

week you could use to help someone learn to read, improve reading skills, or give help and encouragement with homework?

The Literacy Council of Highlands is seeking a few good volunteers. School is in session and many students need a little help.

If you would like to make an important contribution, this is your chance. Tutoring at the Literacy Council is the most satisfying volunteer activity many people have ever done. No experience is necessary and training is provided.

The Literacy Council of Highlands provides free and confidential instruction and skill improvement in reading, writing, math, language arts and English as a second language to all community residents.

A free informative session will be offered by the Council at the Peggy Crosby Center on Tuesday, Sept. 7 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. For more information, call Breta at 526-9938, ext. 240.



Student Olivia Dendy works with tutor Peggy Stumpf

• Day Trips & Family Excursions •

Family Float Trip Adventures

KID'S GO FOR \$10

Great Smoky Mt. River Fun
Tuckasegee Outfitters

1-800-539-5683

Hwy 441 at Barkers Creek

www.tuckfloat.com Dillsboro, N.C.



DILLSBORO RIVER COMPANY, LLC

Great Family Rafting!
Even kids as light as 40 lbs!
Located just across from historic downtown Dillsboro



Highway 441 Dillsboro, NC
(Toll Free) **1-866-586-3797**
828-506-3610

www.northcarolinarafting.com

Jackson Hole Trading Post

GEM MINE

FREE ADMISSION



- Gem Mine
 - Rock Shop
 - Gift Shop
- 10% discount on buckets with this ad**

828-524-5850

Fun for the entire family

Will design & custom-make jewelry

Open 7 days a week

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

9 miles from Highlands

9770 Highlands Road

66

Adventure Depot

Canoe & Kayak
Tours & Rentals

Hiking Trips

Llama Trekking

Pontoon Boat Tours

Fly Fishing Classes

1-800-903-4401

828-743-2052

www.adventuredepot.net



- Gold Panning
- Gem Mining
- Nature Trails
- Day & Night Tours / Overnight Lodging

Experience Historical Homestead living just like original settlers!

Family Fun! — 828-526-4511
(Toll free) 1-866-296-8687

www.wilsonenterprisesinc..net/paradise



Members of the 2004 mission trip to Bolivia help make bricks.

Fundraising begins for 2005 trip

By Dr. John Baumrucker
Contributor

Two years ago I had the opportunity to meet the U.S. consul to Santa Cruz, Bolivia, Rhea Borda. I felt the relationship might come in handy in case something were to happen to one of our mission group.

In November I was surprised to read about her daughter being murdered in a senseless car jacking crime. How many times do you read about such tragedies but have no knowledge of the person involved? But I knew this family.

This year, Joanna and I became good friends of the parents of this child, and found that they have set up a foundation in Jessica Borda's memory. At one of the visits to their home, I remarked about one of the paintings in their living room. It turned out that it had been painted by a friend who wanted to do something for the foundation which helps victims of crime. When I told

him of our auction, he painted five paintings to be sold for the foundation, and one for our mission.

These paintings and many more that were brought back from Bolivia, will be offered for sale at the Bolivian Auction to be held on Saturday, Sept. 18. They will be on display before the auction on Wednesday, Sept. 16 at the studio of Diane McPhail, and then at the Conference Center near the ball field on Thursday and Friday.

Several of the artifacts in leather, wood and knitted goods along with jewelry are already on display at the Hudson Library. Reservations for the auction can be made by calling the Highlands United Methodist Church at 526-3376 or by calling me at 526-3605. The cost of the dinner and auction is \$100 per person, which is totally tax deductible.

Invitations are available at the library, the church and at Ann Jacob's Gallery.

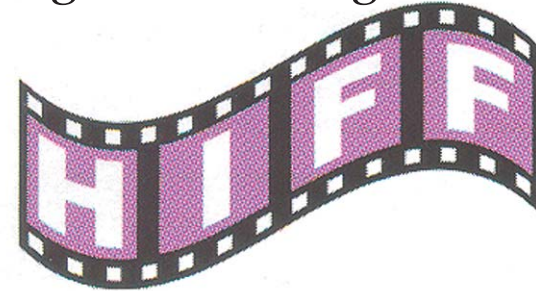
Tell the planning board your thoughts

The planning board and county commission are holding these meetings to discuss a proposed "high impact use ordinance" which would provide guidelines for such uses as chipmills, asphalt plants, vehicle graveyards, commercial incinerators and toxic waste dumps.

If one of these were to locate next door to you, what controls would you want? If you were the owner of the business, what would be fair?

Next meeting: Macon County Courthouse - Aug. 30 at 7 p.m.

Highlands International Film Festival "Bringing film to a higher elevation"



FREE FAMILY EVENT

Sponsored by HIFF & Peregrine Cinema Cafe

The **Highlands International Film Festival** is pleased to offer a special family event **Saturday, Aug. 28, 10 a.m.**, at the Performing Arts Center on Chestnut Street.

Moviegoers will enjoy "Spy Kids 3D - The Game is Over" with 3D glasses, followed by light refreshments including hot dogs and sodas provided by Peregrine Cinema Cafe.

This event is **FREE** to the community and promises to provide an exciting new dimension to entertainment in Highlands. Children 13 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Limited to the first 200 people. Box office opens at 9 a.m.

60

Acorns

THE SHOP AT OLD EDWARDS INN AND SPA

Featuring

European and American Antiques

Gifts and Home Accessories

Designer Jewelry, Shoes, and Handbags

465 Main Street, Highlands
(828) 787-1877
Monday through Saturday
www.acornsonline.com

We look forward to seeing you very soon!

© OWNED AND OPERATED BY OLD EDWARDS HOSPITALITY GROUP, LLC

10th Anniversary at Peggy Crosby



Photo by Kim Lewicki

On Saturday, Aug. 21, Clearwater Country provided the music for the 10th anniversary open house party held on the porch of the Peggy Crosby Center. Barbecue pork plates by Joe Geoghagan and the award-winning Blue Valley Bar B Que Team was underwritten by Nick Bazan with First Citizen's Bank. Pictured with Bazan and members of Clearwater County are Peggy Crosby Center board members William and Mary Ann Creswell and Helen Moore. Proceeds benefitted the center's programs.

• POLICE & FIRE REPORT •

The following are the Highlands Police Department log entries for the week of Aug. 18-25. The only names are of public officials and/or people who were arrested.

Aug. 18

- At 7:20 a.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 55 mph in a 35 mph.
- At 10:45 a.m., a merchant complained of receiving a bad check.
- At 4:30 p.m., officers responded to an accident on the Cashiers Road. There were no injuries.
- At 4 p.m., the Highlands Biological Station reported a sign missing.

Aug. 19

- At 9:14 a.m., officers responded to an alarm at the Computer Man in Highlands Plaza. All was secure.
- At 10:23 a.m., a resident on Biscuit Rock Road reported vandalism in his garden.
- At 7:20 p.m., officers responded to a car parked illegally on the Dillard Rd.
- At 6:10 p.m., a motorist at Fifth and Church streets was cited for having an expired tag and no insurance.

Aug. 20

- At 7 a.m., a motorist was cited for driving without a license.
- At 7:30 a.m., a motorist was cited for driving without license.
- At 7:15 a.m., a motorist on U.S. 64 west and Webbmont was cited for driving without a license.
- At 7:30 a.m., a motorist at U.S. 64 west and Webbmont was cited for driving without a license.
- At 7:50 a.m., a motorist at U.S. 64 west and Webbmont was cited for driving without a license.
- At 8:05 a.m., a motorist at U.S. 64 west and Webbmont was cited for driving without a license.

- At 7:45 a.m., a motorist was cited for driving with an expired registration at U.S. 64 west and Webbmont.

- At 8:10 a.m., a motorist was cited for driving without a license at U.S. 64 west and Webbmont.

- At 7:50 a.m., a motorist was cited for driving without a license at U.S. 64 west and Webbmont.

- At 7:55 a.m., a motorist was cited for driving without a license at U.S. 64 west and Webbmont.

- At 8:25 a.m., a motorist at U.S. 64 west and Webbmont was cited for driving left of center.

Aug. 21

- At 10 a.m., officers inspected an open door at the Stop and Shop. All was secure.

- At 2:15 p.m., a silver bracelet was found near the Methodist Church.

- At 3:45 p.m., officers responded to a noise complaint on Satulah Ridge.

Aug. 22

- A little past midnight officers responded to a fight at Trillium Place.

Aug. 23

- At 11:30 a.m., Matthews Electric reported tags stolen from their trucks.

- At 9:48 p.m., a motorist was cited for exceeding a safe speed on Satulah Road.

Aug. 24

- At 1:13 p.m., officers provided assistance to the Sheriff's Dept. at a residence on Lyman Zachary Road.

- At 2:50 p.m., officers assisted a motorist at Fourth and Main streets.

- At 10:20 p.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 53 in a 35 zone at U.S. 64

• See POLICE & FIRE page 24

• SHOPS AT VILLAGE SQUARE •

Nestled in the Shops at the Village Square, All Seasons Salon is more than just a hair salon.

Owner and stylist Barbara Green has created a shop reminiscent of European Salons, complete with eclectic artwork and furniture, beautiful music and an atmosphere conducive to chatter and laughter.

Barbara has been a hair stylist since the sixties and, she says "I have seen it all!"

The Illinois native came to Highlands in 1986 and she and her fellow stylist, Annette Moss, specialize in every aspect of hair styling from razor cuts and color to permanent waves and those special creations for a night out "on the town."

All Seasons is open Monday-Saturday. Appointments and walk-ins are welcome. Call for your special treatment at 526-0349. You won't just get a hair style, you'll get an experience.

Barbara and Annette constantly train to stay abreast of current styles and techniques.

Fifth & Oak Streets

All Seasons Salon
Open Mon - Sat

Signature Hair
Designs for
Men & Women

93

Barbara
Green

526-0349

Off the Alley Behind Wolfgang's

- Razor Cuts
- Color
- Perms

Mill Creek Gallery

Photography ~ Jewelry ~
Weavings
& More ~ by Local Artisans
Custom Framing
Photography Services
Open 12 to 5 Mon. thru Sat.

787-2021 81
Village Square at 5th & Oak

61 Needlepoint
of
Highlands

Barbara B. Cusachs

828-526-3901
1-800-526-3902

Shakespeare & Company Booksellers



USED & NEW BOOKS
FREE BOOK SEARCH
FAX/COPIES

NOTARY 92

828-526-3777

• UPCOMING EVENTS •

On-Going

- Highlands School students are now selling Sally Foster giftwrap and related accessories, candles, cards, stationery, picture frames, ornaments, kid's gifts, and premium Harry London chocolates. Sale runs through September 7th. Highlands School will receive 50% of the proceeds of every purchase made. Catalogs are available through Highlands School students, Highlands School main office and Highlands Pharmacy. Online purchases may be made at www.SallyFoster.com (enter Highlands School account number 605265).

- New Pool Schedule: Mon-Fri 3-5 p.m.; Sat & Sun 1-5 p.m. After Aug. 13 weekends only Sat & Sun 1-5 p.m. Lap Swim daily until Labor Day, Sept. 6.

- Heart Healthy Exercise Group Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8-9 a.m. at the Civic Center. Each session is divided into two parts – a brief warmup for 30 minutes of walking and cooldown exercises and mat exercise for 25 minutes. Cost is \$15 per month. Call Nancy Freese at 743-0135 or sign up at the Civic Center.

- The music of Regis at the piano at Cafe of the Arts, until 9 p.m. nightly.

- The Mountain View group of Alcoholics Anonymous now meets in the remodeled basement room of the Presbyterian Church sanctuary, in Highlands. Meeting times are Mondays at 8 p.m.; Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. (women only); Wednesdays and Fridays at noon. Call 524-7395.

- This Week at Highlands Wine and Cheese -- • Wine Flights Thursday, Friday, and Saturday: 4:30 until 6:30. Thursday and Friday: Spanish wines. Saturday: Special Guest Jenny Rutter, featuring a few unique wines of California. Wines by the Glass and Cheese Plates available Wednesday through Sunday: 1:30 until 4:30. Complimentary Tastings Saturday and Sunday: 1 until 4:30.

- At Wolfgang's on Main – Get Uncorked **THURS-SUN**. 4-6:30 p.m.: Wine and Appetizer Pairings, Flights of Wine, Wine by the glass or bottle/Appetizers; **SUNDAYS**: Dinner and Jazz 6:30-9:30 p.m. Call 526-3807 for reservations. **MONDAYS**: Fine Art, Fine Wine and Fine Dining, 6 pm – Passed Appetizers. 6:30 pm – Dinner. Reservations needed. Call 526-3807.

- Zorki playing acoustical guitar at Paoletti's Late Night at 10:30 p.m.

Through Sept. 5

- The 7th annual Cashiers Designer Showhouse will feature small private

enclave overlooking wildflower meadows, long mountain views and beautiful Lake Glenville. The Showhouse kicks off Friday, Aug. 20 with the Picnic at the Point Patron Party catered by Lee Epting. The Showhouse will be open Aug. 21-Sept. 5, 10 – 4 daily and noon – 4 on Sundays. For tickets call 743-7710.

Aug. 25-28

- Highlands first International Film Festival begins at 2 p.m. with "Chaplin" at PAC and culminates with "Bobby Jones-Stroke of Genius," at 6 p.m. 14 films in all. Call 526-9047 for ticket info.

Aug. 27-28

- Mountain Top Relay for Life on the Green at Cashiers. 6 p.m. until?

Aug. 25, 26, 27 & 28

- Quilting Workshop at Bascom-Louise Gallery. Develop several quilt designs from 20th century paintings. Both templated and "natural" or free form cutting techniques will be explained and participants can try both. Machine quilting & binding will also be covered. W, Th, F 10-4, Sat. 9-1 Cost: \$129. Instructor: Elizabeth Barton.

Aug. 27

- "Singin' on the Greenway," an old-time community songfest, will be held Friday at 7 pm, at Tasse Shelter on the Little Tennessee River Greenway. The free program will feature group singing of familiar songs from bygone days, including "In the Good Old Summertime," "Home On the Range," "You Are My Sunshine," and other favorites. Song sheets will be provided for audience participation, and watermelon will be served.

Aug. 28

- The Mud River Ramblers will provide Blue Grass music and Folklore at the Hambidge Center on Saturday at 5 p.m.. Barbara Duncan, the band's guitarist, has a PhD in Folklore and will speak about the music, instruments and stories of the Appalachian tradition. The Hambidge Center is located 3.5 miles down Betty's Creek Road in Rabun Gap, Georgia FREE.

- The Scaly Mountain Women's Club is serving a complete seated breakfast of homemade pancakes, sausage, coffee and juice from 7-10 a.m. at the Scaly Mtn. Ski Lodge. \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children. Proceeds go to area human service agencies and local scholarships. For more info 526-9079.

- FLEA MARKET – Annual summer

flea market of the Macon County Senior Games will be from 8 am to 2 pm. Saturday at the County Community Building Gym. Proceeds from renting \$20 flea market booths will help defray expenses for Macon County Senior Games/Silver Arts medal winners competing in the State Finals in Raleigh, Sept. 27-Oct. 3. For more information, call 349-2090.

Aug. 30

- Meetings for Cub Scout Group (Pack #207) begin the week of August 30. If you have any questions or would like to register, please call Cub Master Megan Potts at 526-8272.

Sept. 1

- ...on the Verandah will feature the wines of the Charles Krug Winery and piano entertainment by Chad Reed at 6:30 p.m. For reservations and information please call 828 526 2338 or email otv1@ontheverandah.com

- The popular Professor (and Actor), Terry Nienhuis, returns to Wednesday at 8 p.m. to the Rec Center as part of the CLE-WCU Lecture Series. He will look very closely at the famous John of Gaunt speech in Richard III ("This blessed plot, this earth, this realm, this England").

Sept. 3 – Sept. 25

- Interact / React Featuring artwork by artist Diane McPhail and reaction art by local artists, writers, poets & dancers..

Sept. 4

- Audubon bird walk at the Highlands Biological Station and Sunset Rock for early fall migrants. Meet at 7:30 a.m. at the Town Hall parking lot. For information call Brock Hutchins (787-1387) or Edwin Poole (526-2775).

Sept 5

- Bel Canto at PAC. Call 526-5252 for ticket information.

Sept 14

- A series of presentations addressing elder care issues: Financial & Legal issues – wills, legal, estate planning; DSS, medicare, medicaid, SNFs; Burial planning from 3-5 p.m. at Tartan Hall at First Presbyterian Church in Franklin.

Sept. 10

- Highlands 2004 Model A Hill Climb at Monkey Hill. Classes for all Model A Fords – bone stock, modified and speedsters. Race begins at 1 p.m.

Sept 10-11

- Nature as Inspiration Workshop at Bascom-Louise Gallery A stylistic analysis of several visual artists whose paintings range from very realistic to abstract renderings of nature Field Study for gathering information, sketches, material, etc. Exercises in

planning and execution of painting. Sept. 9, 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.; Sept. 10 & 11, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Cost: \$150

Sept. 10-12

- Landscaping and Gardening with Native Plants – The Highlands Biological Station presents the Fifth Annual Conference on Landscaping and Gardening with Native Plants at the PAC, 607 Chestnut Street. Enjoy field trips, garden tours, and speaker presentations Friday through Sunday. Registration required, \$100 fee. For more information call 828/526-2602.

Sept 15

- American Red Cross Adult CPR with AED and Infant/Child CPR course, 8:30 to 4:30 at the Macon County Public Health Center on Lakeside Drive in Franklin. Participants must pre-register and pre-pay before Sept. 13. Call Jennifer at 349-2439.

Sept. 16

Eugene Shuler, professional guide and owner of Smoky Mountain Fly Fishing will be the guest speaker at the Plateau Fly Fishing Club on Thursday. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. at the Albert-Carlton-Cashiers Library. A raffle featuring an Orvis 4 wt. rod and reel will follow the speaker. Everyone is welcome. Call 828-743-2078 for information.

Sept. 15-19

- Macon County Fair with the theme "Rural America – Important for your economy," at the Macon County fairgrounds in Franklin.

Sept 18

- BBQ, hamburger & hotdog dinner, bake sale, auction and entertainment at the Conference Center at 5 p.m. All proceeds to benefit the Yogi McCall Family who is having medical problems.

- Art Run 5K will be held on at 8:30 a.m. The race will begin near the gazebo on Pine Street. The entry fee is \$15 if received by September 14 and is \$20 after the Sept. 14. Those pre-registered will receive a T-shirt from the race. For further details and to request an entry form, call Rick Rawlins at 526-0454.

- Children's ArtWalk at the Nature Center 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Activities include arts & crafts, face painting, birdhouse painting, and magnet painting and there will be baked goods, lemonade, popcorn, and hot dogs.

Sept 21

- ...on the Verandah will feature the wines of the Domaine Serene Winery and piano entertainment by Chad

C M S

INC.

CASHIERS 18

MORTGAGE

SERVICES INC.

**40 years
combined
banking &
mortgage
experience**

• Cashiers Mortgage specializes in
the second home market of mortgages
up to \$4 million.



**Joe & Vickie Pearson will
work hard for you 24-7**

- Up to 100% financing
- Land & Construction loans
- Purchase & Refinancing loans
- 24-48 hour underwriting approval, most cases
- Superior personal service
- Competitive pricing

Serving Highlands and Cashiers
743-0075
cashiersmortgage@aol.com

Located on N.C. 107 in Cashiers opposite Zoller Hardware



Photo by Kate Henry

Blue Room (actually called the Upstairs Guest Room): George Oliver and Eddie Alvarez/ A Country Home Antiques/Highlands

Beauty on Lake Glenville star of 7th Cashiers Designer Showhouse

The seventh annual Cashiers Designer Showhouse will feature a rare opportunity to visit a private mountain

retreat. Overlooking wildflower meadows, long mountain views, native mountain laurels and beautiful Lake Glenville, the custom-designed, tree-framed home promises to be extraordinary.

Brevard architect Doug Harris of Harris Architects, Cashiers builder Mitchell Betty of Sweetwater Builders, land planners and landscape architects Scott Melrose & Associates of Asheville, and Cashiers owners-developers Roxanna Albury and Bill Chaiken are creating a one-of-a-kind home.

Sixteen designers from Cashiers, Highlands and Atlanta are creating rooms filled with antiques, exquisite fabrics, custom designs and fabulous accessories. The three-bedroom main house features rosewood flooring throughout. A large screened porch with fireplace adjoins the great room and features fabulous meadow and lake views. Perfect for gatherings of family and friends, the large country kitchen, including an oversized island and walk-in pantry, is complemented by an adjoining keeping room with fireplace and breakfast nook.

The on-site Showhouse Shop will be open throughout showhouse dates, and will offer special antiques, porcelains, art, fine gifts and hand-crafted jewelry for sale.

The Showhouse will be open Sat., Aug. 21 - Sun., Sept. 5, 10 - 4 daily and Noon - 4 on Sundays. Tickets can be purchased by calling 743-7710.

• BUILDERS & ARCHITECTS •

In life, we all have the desire for our home to be an extension of who we are. Extravagant and adventurous, or peaceful and pleasant. Each individual has unique taste.


We at Warth Construction have worked on the most impressive homes in the area but we have not forgotten our roots in economical building and efficiency.

Our homes are custom-tailored to fit your individual needs. Consider a gourmet kitchen, a glass-walled shower with a view, or a timber framed porch with an outside fireplace.

At Warth Construction we believe an educated customer is a satisfied customer. We encourage our clients to ask questions about the building process and we enjoy explaining the secrets of creating a quality product.

We are proud to have a reliable project management team. It ensures consistency in our work and that your concerns will always be addressed.

16



Warth
Construction, Inc.
HIGHLANDS, N.C.

Whether your property is on top of a cliff or lakeside, we have the experience to make your home a reality.

**230 S. 4th St. (on the hill)
Highlands, NC 28741
(828) 526-4929**

Visit us at
www.WarthConstruction.com



(828) 526-4953

www.koenighomebuilders.com

15



KOEINIG
HOMEBUILDERS

"YOUR CUSTOM
BUILDER OF CHOICE"

RAND
SOELLNER
ARCHITECT

www.randarch.com

Phone: 8 2 8 . 7 4 3 . 6 0 1 0
Cell: 828.269.9046 randsoellner@earthlink.net NC Lic.9266 FL Lic.AR9264

Mountain Architecture



17



Bassham with Southeastern Tourism Society of North Georgia representative.

Bassham earns designation

Highlands Chamber of Commerce Director Bill Bassham has finished his first year of Tourism Marketing College sponsored by the Southeastern Tourism Society at North Georgia College and State University.

This was the 13th year of the college which has graduated more than 250 students with a TMP (Tourism Marketing Professional) designation. It takes three years of study and participation to earn the TMP designation.

"TMP might not be quite the same as a Ph.D, but in the tourism industry it carries a lot of weight," said Bill Hardman, president of the Southeastern Tourism Society, an 11-state organization that promotes tourism throughout the Southeast.

The STS Marketing College was

begun to offer continuing education for tourism professionals. Tourism ranks as the first or second industry in each of the states represented by STS. Students come from sectors of the industry such as convention and visitors bureaus, chambers of commerce, attractions, and accommodations.

Course topics range from family vacation research and special events marketing to media relations and creative advertising.

"The curriculum is very practical," noted Bassham. "You bring back ideas that you can enact immediately. It gives you a network of other professionals throughout the region while building your own skills."

Doug Helms Joins Signature Properties

Signature Properties of Highlands announces that Doug Helms has joined their team as an Associate Broker. He is a North Carolina native and a graduate of Appalachian State University. Always the entrepreneur, Helms built and later sold a successful



Manufacturers Rep. organization in the Home Furnishings industry. As a veteran of the Highlands Real Estate scene, he has won numerous awards for sales and professionalism. Helms is based at Signature Properties' Main Office on Cashiers Road.

GOLF



BEST GOLF VALUE IN THE MOUNTAINS
18 championship holes in excellent condition
Half way between Dillard and Highlands

"Come play Sky Valley and I know you will fall in love with it."
--Tom Chillemi, PGA Golf Professional

SUMMER RATES

\$50 Mon - Thurs
\$55 Fri - Sun

Twilight Special
After 2 pm
\$40 Mon - Thurs
\$45 Fri- Sun

Rates include 18 holes and cart

INFORMATION AND TEE TIMES

1-706-746-5303* 1-800-437-2416 Tax not included

\$5 OFF with this coupon

For 18 Hole Green Fee and Cart. Good for up to 4 players.
Not valid with other discounts, twilights rates, or holiday periods.
Coupon must be presented. Expires 8/31/04

Highlands-Cashiers GYNECOLOGY

Willis Sherrer, MD

General Gynecology &
Gynecological Surgery



A Fellow of the American College of
Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Dr.

Sherrer is the former head of GYN services at Piedmont Hospital in Atlanta. He now provides complete general and surgical gynecology care to area women (excluding management of pregnancy issues) on a full-time basis.

With offices in Highlands and Clayton

For appointments:

Call 828-526-2817

Now welcoming new patients

● CLASSIFIEDS ●

Highlands-Cashiers Hospital & Fidelia Eckerd Living Center

E.O.E, Competitive Pay
Excellent benefit
package for full-time
positions.

Send resume to
Fax 828-526-1339 or
email

Mosmar@hchospital.org
Or call: Mary Osmar,
Human Resources,
828-526-1301

• Pre-employment substance screening •

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

CNA

Acute – Three 12-hour shifts; Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Cross-training career opportunities in Acute, Living Center and Hospice. Starting salary up to \$14.70/hour for weekend nights.

C.N.A.S/L.P.N/RN

Fidelia Eckerd Living Center Various shifts and days/nights available. Cross training career opportunities in Acute, Living Center, and Hospice. CNA starting salary up to \$14.70/hour for weekend nights; LPN Starting salary up to \$21.76/hour for weekend nights; RN starting salary up to \$29.95 for weekend nights.

R.N.s

Acute. Various days/shifts. RN starting salary up to \$29.95 for weekend nights.

DIETARY AIDE (1)

Part-time. Computer experience helpful.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (1)

Full time, Friday-Tuesday, 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m., high-school graduate or GED.

HOSPICE NURSES

Full or part-time, 2-6 hours per day. Visit hospice patients, take calls.

LPN

Dillard, GA clinic. 3 days/week, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

MAINTENANCE MECHANIC

General maintenance with emphasis on heating, ventilation, and a/c. Full time, Monday-Friday.

CLASSIFIEDS ADVERTISING PRICES

\$5 for first 20 words,
\$2 for each 10-word increment.

BY OWNER TERMS:

By Owner sales or rentals for
homes, merchandise or vehicles.

Email advertisement to:
highlandseditor@aol.com

slug: CLASSIFIEDS

OR Call: 526-0782.

OR Send check to
Highlands' Newspaper,
P.O. Box 2703, Highlands, N.C.

28741 OR put in

HIGHLANDS' NEWSPAPER

DROP BOX at

Highlands Vacation Rentals/CCP
office at Mountain Fresh Center

HELP WANTED

AVON – A fantastic way to earn and save money. A \$10 investment starts your own "home based business." Call 1-800-435-0829.

HILLTOP GRILL – needs one full time person. Call 526-5916 or stop by corner of Fourth and Spring streets.

OFFICE BUILDING CLEANING – Accepting bids for contract cleaning services for a new 45,000 square foot medical office building on the Highlands-Cashiers Hospital campus. For information, call Jim Lewis, 526-1415.

NICK'S RESTAURANT – Waitstaff lunch and dinner shifts available. Experienced only. To apply, call 526-2706.

BY OWNER

APPLIANCE – Maytag gas stove, 1 yr old. 30" super capacity plus w/glass oven door. \$350. Also like new dishwasher used 2 yrs. \$75. 526-4646

ANTIQU – Vintage 1920s LaSalle beige marble porcelain gas stove. 4-burner, oven, broiler, & 2 storage drawers. Mintcondition. \$225.526-4646

MOVING SALE – 267 Satulah Rd. One day only. Saturday, Aug 28. 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Furniture, lamps, art, bedding, lawn mower, clothes, and more.

WANTED – good foster home through December for 9-year-old Lab. He's quiet, loving and house-trained. Sleeps most of the time. Call for interview. (828) 787-1343. **OFFICE SPACE** for rent to qualified tenant. Below market rate for not-for-profit/community organizations. Peggy Crosby Center. 526-9938 ext 110.

GOLDEN RETRIEVER PUPPIES

– Male and female AKC registered. \$500. Check website at www.campwindinggap.com. 1-800-294-2267.

SALE – Household contents including antiques and art. Coxe Lane, one mile past HCC. 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. 526-0244.

VACATION RENTAL – on Buck Creek. Three Bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, stone fireplace, carport, laundry room. Beautifully furnished. \$750 per week or \$2,500 per month. Call 828-526-5550.

FOR SALE – Kayak, Old Town, Little Otter, red, one-person, paddle, vest – \$300. Call 828-526-9589.

ROR RENT – Convenient commercial space near town. New carpet, paint. Perfect for office, studio, personal care business. Approx. 450 square feet. 526-5558

FOR SALE – Ladies Yonex golf clubs with Datrex bag. Putter, pitching wedge, irons 3 through 10 and woods 1, 3 and 5. Call 526-9791. \$500.

HIDDEN PARADISE – Highlands at an unbelievable price! Overlooks stream, borders USFS hiking trails, private 2 acres, 4/2; new roof; fireplace, vaulted ceilings, lot of glass, French doors, decks, 2-car garage; laundry; workroom; professionally landscaped; 5 miles from town. 828-526-2759 or the Verandah, 526-2338 marbago@earthlink.net

VACATION RENTAL – Mirror Lake Area! Charming, One Level Cottage! 3 Bedrooms, 3 Private Baths, Garage, Wrap Around Deck w/Beautiful Sunny Morning View Of Woods & Mountains! Newly Furnished w/New Heat/AC! 2 Masters w/King beds & 1 Queen Bedroom, All With TVs. Family Room w/New 42" Flat Screen TV, Cable, DVD, VCR, & Stereo! Updated, Fully Equipped Kitchen w/Microwave, Dishwasher, & Second Refrigerator. Home Office w/Computer, DSL, Fax/Copy Machine! Baby Crib & Small Dog Crate. Walk To Lake! Easy 3 min Drive To Town & Restaurants! Cozy, Pretty & Just Like Home! \$1,200 Weekly. Call 404-281-6417.

VACATION RENTAL – Charming Highlands home. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, furnished. 4 1/2 Street location. Walk to Town. \$1,000/wk. \$3,000/mo. Call Ty (772) 215-5896.

FOR SALE. Beautiful heritage quilts by former MACO CRAFTS quiltmakers. Follow signs on the Highlands Road at Peaceful Cove. 524-0576 or 369-8643.

VACATION RENTAL – Highlands; New, Beautiful 3-3 with great room,

stone fireplace, wood floors, great kitchen, ponds & private wooded lot. Golf/Tennis for a fee. Monthly/yearly. 828-526-9430.

FOR SALE. Authentic schrank wall unit from Germany. H6'9" L11' W22" A beautiful piece. Contact Brad and Donna Nelson 524-9204.

RETAIL SPACES for rent on 4th Street and also in Highlands Plaza. Call 864-630-0808 or information.

SERVICES

TRAVEL: CALIFORNIA NEW

YEAR'S GETAWAY – Enjoy a 5-day package featuring reserved seats at the Tournament of Roses Parade, tickets to the amazing "Glory of Christmas Show" at the Crystal Cathedral and Gala New Year's Eve Party at the Westin Hotel in Long Beach, Calif., your home for 4 days. Includes airfare, land, meals and more. Call Highlands summer resident Mark Flom at (321) 626-1177 for brochure.

SHIPPING SERVICES – UPS, FedEx & furniture shipping. Stork's Wrap, Pack & Ship. Corner of Hwy 107 N. & Slab Town Rd. Cashiers – (828) 743-3222.

... POLICE & FIRE from page 20

west and Webbmont.

Aug. 25

• At 6:35 a.m., a motorist at U.S. 64 and Webbmont was cited for speeding 53 mph in a 35 zone.

• At 6:55 a.m., a motorist at U.S. 64 and Webbmont was cited for speeding 53 mph in a 35 zone.

• At 7:25 a.m., a motorist at U.S. 64 and Webbmont was cited for speeding 60 mph in a 35 zone.

The following are the Highlands Fire & Rescue log entries for the week of Aug. 18-25:

Aug. 19

• The dept. responded to an accident on U.S. 64 west. It was unfounded.

Aug. 20

• The dept. responded to an alarm at a home on Falls Drive West. It was false.

Aug. 21

• The dept. responded to a life-line call at a residence on Dillard Road. It was false.

Aug. 24

• The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call at a residence on Buck Creek Road. The victim was transported

• HIGHLANDS SERVICE DIRECTORY •

BEAR PROOFING R-US
 NC State Wildlife & City Approved
 bear-proof vendors
 Highlands, N.C • Gatlinburg, Tenn.
 Call: Alexander Kruk, owner
 865-430-8902 • akruk@bellsouth.net

 **John Koenig & Zac Koenig**
 "Building on a foundation of integrity"
 (828) 526-4953
 www.koenighomebuilders.com


Need Help Planning for Retirement?
 I have the experience to help you work toward achieving a comfortable retirement

 Steve Perry - Financial Consultant
 470 S. Street, Suite 2 (Across from Peggy Crosby Center)
 Highlands, N.C. 28741
 828-787-2323 • 888-489-2323
 steve.perry@agedwards.com
 Member SIPC • 2003 A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc.

The Computer Man!
 But you can call me James

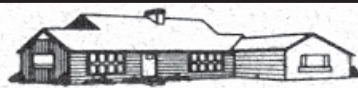
Computer Sales
 Mail Order Pricing
 New & Used

Computer Parts
 & Accessories
Tutoring Available

Computer Services
 Troubleshooting & Repairs
 Installations & Consulting

68 Highlands Plaza • 526-1796 FAX: 526-2936


Highlands Vacation Rentals
Upscale Designer Homes
 call 787-2002
 www.highlandinfo.com
 Reserve for Fall visits NOW

 **NBG BUILDERS, INC.**
 Custom Homes • Remodeling • Additions
 Unlimited License • Insured
 Bud Neidrauer 526-4780 • 349-9354

GREEN THUMB
 Lawn Care
 Weed-eating, mowing, & yard cleanup.
 Call Ryan at 371-2882 or 526-0853

Highlands Pets & Supply
 70 Highlands Plaza
 Highlands, NC 28741
 (828) 526-3987
 Everything your pet needs!

828-526-2579 828-526-9805

Tom James  **James**
 Wrecker Service Tire and Auto

Large, Small, and Flatbed Wreckers
 Local and Long Distance Towing
 U-HAUL Rentals 828-526-1926

Larry Holt
"The All 'Round Handyman"
 Cleaning Services • Yardwork
 • Caretaking • Security
 Call:
 526-4037 (home)
 or 828-371-1982 (cell)

Painting • Drywall • Rock Work • Ceramic Tile
Green's Home Care
 20 years of local, honest,
 dependable service.
 526-9870
 Brush clearing • Decks • Roofing • Undergrowing

RAND SOELLNER ARCHITECT
 Mountain Architecture

 828.743.6010 Phone 828.269.9046 Cell
 randsoellner@earthlink.net NC Lic.9266 FL Lic.AR9264

Marc Pittman Real Estate
Renovation, Inc.
 828-526-1840 ANYTIME

Edwards Electrical Service
 216 Keener Road
 Highlands, NC 28741
 (828) 526-5147

GRAND OPENING • SATURDAY!
WORLD OF OAK FURNITURE
 Custom Built Solid Oak Furniture
 Wall units • Entertainment Centers
 Computer Desks • Rockers
 Bedroom Suites • Dining Room Suites
 3048 GA Rd. Financing available-W.A.C. Mon-Sat
 369-6724 We build almost anything.. 9-5
GRAND OPENING • SATURDAY!

... BOOK REVIEW/ continued from pg 17

The Scarlet Letter and *An American Tragedy*. Don't watch the recent film of *The Scarlet Letter* because it changed the ending of the book (a crime from my point of view) in such a way that the great message of the book is lost.

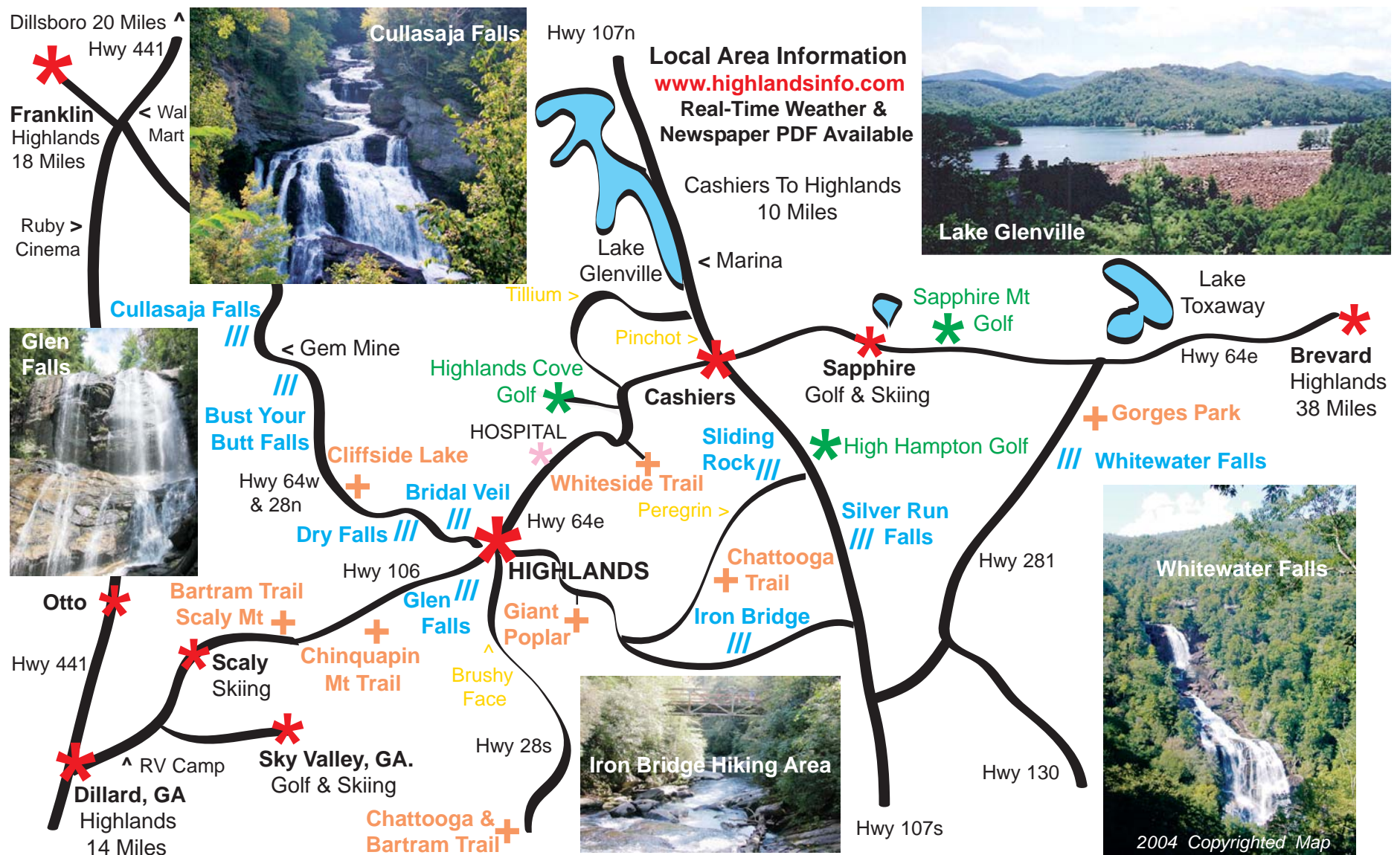
In this tale of Puritan America, two people commit a crime together. One is caught (because she cannot hide it) and the other hides his guilt. She is a figure of shame; he is a highly respected man of the community. And yet as the book unfolds they change places. She becomes sought after for her skills and

wisdom while he shrivels away in the torments of secret guilt and shame. She may still wear the scarlet letter of shame but it has turned into an emblem of her uniqueness. Her punishment comes to an end. Because his shame is hidden his punishment has no end, indeed it is ever-increasing until he almost goes insane from it. Even though he is a religious man no private religious ritual can expiate his guilt until he truly repents in a public manner.

I couldn't possibly even begin to talk about

An American Tragedy here. All I will say is that it is a psychological masterpiece as well that in addition to addressing the profound questions of crime and punishment, masterfully addresses the insanity of capital punishment.

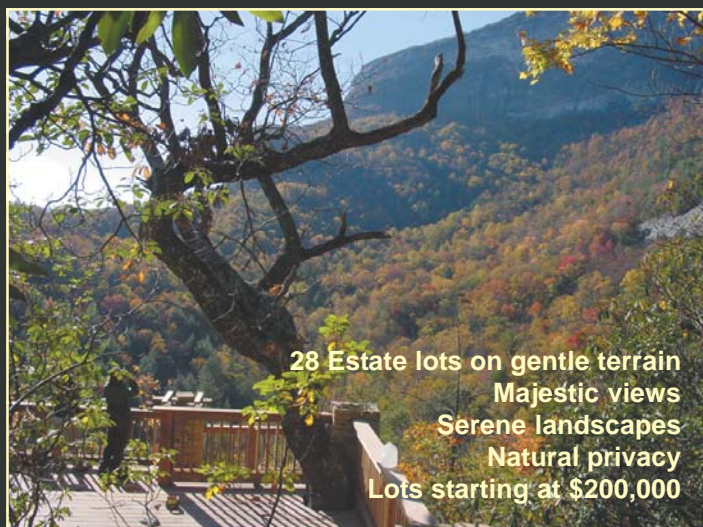
I've never understood why people are so put off by the classics. The writing may be a little difficult at times but the excellent storytelling and the deeply moving ideas make reading these books more than worth the trouble.



MEADOWS MOUNTAIN REALTY

PEREGRINE

The essence of Peregrine is the seamless merging of architecture with the natural beauty of unspoiled forest. Come share the experience!



View Visual tour at www.highlandsproperties.com Tour #157462



Lovely English Cottage Offers the Best in Mountain Living!



\$1,100,000

View Visual tour at www.highlandsproperties.com Tour #243043

828.526.1717 • 828.526.1711 fax • highlandsproperties.com



COUNTRY CLUB PROPERTIES

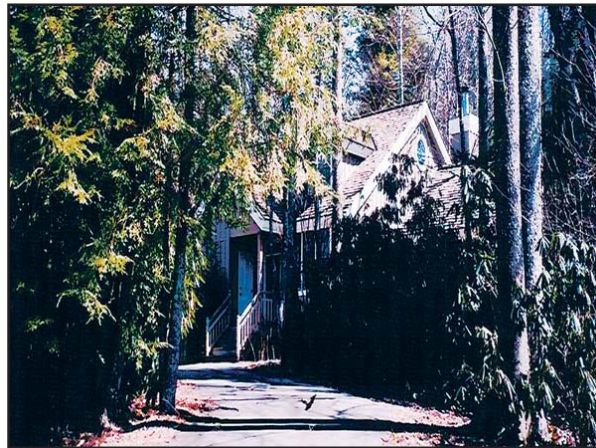
PROVIDING QUALITY SERVICE FROM THREE LOCATIONS

www.highlandsinfo.com/ccp.htm

Wright Square
(828) 526-2520
Main Street
(828) 526-5010
Mountain Fresh
(828) 787-2002



BEAUTIFUL GENTLE LOT – Custom kitchen with stainless steel appliances, granite countertops, wood floors. Large great room features beam ceiling, stone fireplace with gas starter, and large bar for entertaining. Family room has antique brick fireplace with French doors that open into large, covered porch. Three bedrooms, three baths. Two-garage. **Offered at \$949,000.**



CULLASAJA CLUB CABIN – Conveniently located to The yacht club and lake On a very quiet cul-de-sac. This cabin has 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, large open great room with fireplace and wood floors. Large screened in porch off of the living room for entertaining. Offered at \$485,000.



LOCATED ON WEBBMONT ROAD – This brand new home overlooks the glistening waters of Lake Sequoyah, lot extends into the lake so you can have your own dock for a canoe or small boat. Three bedrooms, two baths plus room for expansion in the lower level and spacious decks for outdoor enjoyment. Offered at \$360,000.



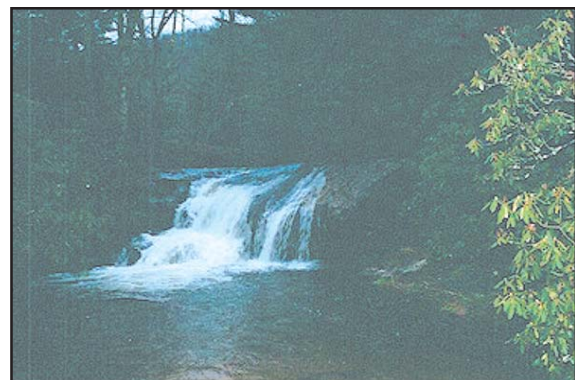
BUCK CREEK AREA – Panther ridge, very nice setting features over 2 acres bordering USFS land. Nice mountain view with mountain stream and small waterfall. Dwelling features 2 bedrooms and 2 baths plus a loft. Lovely screened porch and deck, large hot tub. Offered at \$299,500.



SHERWOOD FOREST – New Log home features 3 bedrooms 2 1/2 baths. Stone fireplace, custom kitchen with Corian tops, 2 car garage, lovely setting. One of the best new homes available. Offered at \$565,000.



GREAT MOUNTAIN GETAWAY – this unique property with multi level-living has lots of wormy chestnut wood, recently remodeled kitchen, fireplace, wonderful sleeping porch and more. This 2 bedroom, 2 bath home is located on a 1 +/- acre lot with a meadow feel off of Flat Mountain Road. Offered at \$385,000.



WATERFALL VIEW – This family home has room for guests or a large family. Living room has windows and a deck that overlooks the waterfall and a wood burning fireplace. Large kitchen with eat in area and picture window that floods light into the warm wood beamed interior. Pick from any of the 4 bedrooms, each with stone fireplace to enhance your mountain stay on 1.5 acres. **Offered at \$550,000**



YELLOW MOUNTAIN ROAD – three bedroom, two bath log home is perfect for year around or a weekend retreat. Two car garage, nice mountain view. Great porches and decks. Offered at \$350,000.



LARGE 4800 + SQUIRE FT. BUILDING – with commercial and residential possibilities. Located close to town on Hicks Road. Presently used as a construction office or could easily be converted to a private home. Offered at \$585,000.