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The week of July 15-22

July 8-18

• LIVE PERFORMANCE – "The Odd Couple" at the Highlands Playhouse. through Sunday. Call 526-2695 for tickets.

July 15-18

• **ABOUT WINE** – "Come Get Uncorked" Thursday through Sunday; 4 pm – 6:30 pm at Wolfgang's on Main.

July 16

• ON STAGE – "Acting Up" at Highlands Playhouse at 11 a.m. It's free and open to the public.

July 17

• **PANCAKE SUPPER** – At HUMC from 5-8 p.m. to benefit the Order of the Easter Star programs. \$5 for adults, \$3 for children under 10.

• **PICNIC** – Mirror Lake Improvement Assoc. is having an outing at 4 p.m. at the south pavilion at the Rec Park.

• DINNER & JAZZ – Wolfgang's On Main presents from 6:30 pm – 6:30 pm with Paul Scott on piano and Kyle Wiggins-Rowan singing. Call 526-3807 .• WINE FLIGHTS – Highlands Wine & Cheese presents The St. Marquis Philips wine label. Special wine flights 4:30-6:30

July 19

• ART, WINE & FOOD – at Wolfgang's On Main. Call for reservations 526-3807

July 16

• **STREET MUSIC** – Clearwater Country at the Gazebo from 7:30 - 9: p.m. and at the Rec Park if it rains.

July 17

• **MOUNTAIN DAY** – "Mountain Wildlife and Wilderness" on Saturday, at the Sapphire Valley Resort Community Center in Cashiers, from 9-3:30.

July 16, 17, 18

• **HISTORY** – Walk in the Park, featuring personalities from the past. Tickets are \$15.

July 18

• **MOVIE** – United and United will present "Out Foxed." Fair and Balanced? You Decide. Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Highlands Civic Center.

July 22

• LECTURE – Zahner Conservation Lecture Series at the Nature Center. "The 'Centipede's Tale': What a Recent Scientific Discovery Can Tell Us About the Planet's Biodiversity Crisis." 7 p.m. Free



Photo by Jim Lewicki

Ken Bolt, with Banyan Retirement Company address residents, visitors, hospital representatives and county and town officials at the Champagne Gala Tuesday, July 13 commemorating the reopening of Chestnut Hill of Highlands

Chestnut Hill 'rebirthed'

By Kim Lewicki

It's really happening. Chestnut Hill of Highlands is open and ready to start marketing and selling the premier accommodations it's offering seniors in Macon County.

At the July 13 gala Ken Bolt with Banyan Senior Living, which manages the community, thanked Chestnut Hill residents and employees for hanging in while Banyan and financial backers worked hard to remedy a situation gone awry.

"I appreciate the patience of our residents and I know this will be the beginning of a long and fruitful path of prosperity at Chestnut Hill," he said. "We are ready to make this the beautiful community it was planned to be years ago before it ran into financial difficulty." About two years ago, Banyan took over operations at Chestnut and two financiers – resident Arthur Howell and Al Balestiere – provided funds to keep the complex out of foreclosure. Howell's family corporation took over the Centura note on the cottages and Balestiere took over the note on the clubhouse, assisted living and apartments.

With solid financial backing coming from the Steven D. Bell Company, both Howell and Balestiere have been repaid and Chestnut Hill can once again move forward.

"The previous management took money from residents but forgot to pay the bills," said Howell.

> Chestnut Hill will offer various •See ZONE page 12

Cosper's lattice must go for now

By Kim Lewicki

Basically, Cosper's Flowers has two choices.

To comply with the zoning board's order to work out of a pole structure without lattice or to go through the Special Use Permit procedure to allow the latticed structure – or both, really.

At the July 14 Zoning Board meeting, board members instructed owners Dennis and Nancy Ostema to remove the lattice enclosing their pole structure in Highlands Plaza if they want to continue operating from Highlands Plaza.

At the June 9 zoning board meeting they were told to stop working until the board heard the case in July and they've been in limbo ever since.

Next, members said while they work without the lattice they can

See COSPER'S page 12

Primary – July 20

By Kim Lewicki

During the primary, local citizens are paying attention to two candidates for the District III seat on the Macon County Board of Commissioners.

Running are incumbent Charlie Leatherman and newcomer Jimmy Goodman.

Goodman is a member of the Macon County Planning Board and a regular attendee at monthly commissioner meetings.

His primary concern is bringing high-paying, technologically oriented jobs to Macon County. "Macon County is a good county and I want to do what I can to make it better," he said.

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• FORUM •

Highlands traffic congestion

I'm going to go out on a limb here to make a bold sugges tion. The time may have come for parking garages in Highlands.

The season has barely started and already Highlands Police and

Highlands Fire & Rescue depts. have been called to accidents either on Main Street or in the vicinity of Main more often than during any previous season.

Many times the accidents are between two vehicles and are just fender benders. Other times calls involve injury to

motorists or pedestrians. Either way, the calls add to the traffic snarl which has become Highlands.

The parking garage remedy isn't all that absurd. There are two vacant lots in the vicinity of Main Street – one at Oak and Maple and one at Third and Spring streets. Both spots are in the middle of the commercial district and easily accessible by sidewalks, Both would lend themselves well to tastefully designed parking garages that could blend with Highlands architecture.

Thanks to the geography of the area, one if not two levels could be below street grade so the structures wouldn't mar the scenery.

In addition, public bathrooms could be included in the design to forever end the question, "Is there a public bathroom nearby?" While we're at it, pay phones could be installed there, too. That's a call that needs answering.

We lived in the historic district of Charleston, S.C. for 16 years prior to moving to Highlands seven years ago. We lived through Charleston's growing pains as it evolved from a "hidden jewel" off the beaten track to a full-blown tourist destination. Suddenly, Charleston needed to deal with parking and traffic flow issues and yes, the call for public bathrooms.

In a matter of three years, three parking garages were built.

Everyone said what everyone always says. No one will use them." But guess what? People did and do -- locals and tourists alike.

Even though we lived in Charleston in the historic district and could (and did) walk to shops, dining and shows, with children always in

tow, the parking garages came in handy. And not just because of the parking. There was a bathroom in each one!

To those who say "If we build it, they will come" I have to say, "They're already here and more are coming." An upgraded road system linking Atlanta to Highlands, more and more families who have disposable income and successful marketing campaigns, are bringing more daytrippers and weekend visitors to Highlands.

Before anyone goes off on a tangent about whether daytrippers and weekend visitors are good or bad – money is money. It doesn't matter when or how the money is being spent in Highlands – it's being spent! In fact, income from sales and use tax was up in Highlands 2003-2004. Highlands budgeted for \$410,000 coming in from sales tax but \$503,000 came in. All indications are the trend is likely to continue.

Once visitors know they can park their cars all day and not worry, they'll head for the parking garages. That means there will be parking spots on the streets for daily errands by seasonal and year-round residents.

The opening of Old Edwards



Kim Lewicki/Publisher

• LETTER TO THE EDITOR •

Dear Editor:

Alice in Highlands

There once was a girl named Alice, whose land she thought was a palace, she guarded it well, vowed never to sell, and the State will get sued for malice.

> Fred Wooldridge Highlands

graduate of Auburn University and

the University of Alabama Law

School at Tuscaloosa, he and a col-

lege friend began a marketing busi-

ness while still in school. Fuller's business expertise and entrepreneur-

ial drive made him a millionaire at

age 29. But as the business prospered, his health, integrity and marriage suf-

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Fuller speaker at Boy Scout benefit

Millard Fuller, the founder and president of Habitat for Humanity International, is the guest of honor at "Good Turn for America Banquet" benefiting the Daniel Boone Council, Boy Scouts of America, Wednesday, July 21 at Highlands Country Club.

His life's work demonstrates the

spirit of Boy Scouts of America - to do for others. Fuller's leadership has helped forge Habitat into a worldwide Christian housing ministry.

As a demonstration of God's love, Habitat volunteers have built homes with more than 150,000 families in need in nearly 3,000 communities worldwide. Habitat is at work in 89 countries as of 2003, and has grown to be one of the top house builders in the United

States and the largest among nonprofits. More than 750,000 people now have safe, decent, affordable shelter because of Habitat's work around the world.

Fuller founded Habitat with his wife, Linda, in 1976. He travels and speaks worldwide and has earned international recognition for his work advocating decent, affordable housing for all.

From humble beginnings in Alabama, Millard Fuller rose to become a young, self-made millionaire. A

Millard Fuller

"I see life as both a gift and a

responsibility. My responsibility is to use what God has given me to help his people in need."

of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor. Clinton says Habitat is "...the most successful continuous community service project in the history of the United States. It has revolutionized the lives of thousands.... Millard Fuller has done as much to make the dream of homeownership a reality in our country and throughout the world as any living person."

Tickets for Wednesday's banquet are \$125 per person. For reservations call Rick Demetriou or Mayor Buck Trott at 526-9912.

fered. These crises prompted Fuller to re-evaluate his values and direction. His soul-searching led to reconciliation with his wife and to a renewal of his Christian commitment

HFHI is cited as an important leader in the battle against poverty housing in the United States and abroad. In September 1996, former President Bill Clinton awarded Fuller the Presidential Medal

Youth Acting class.

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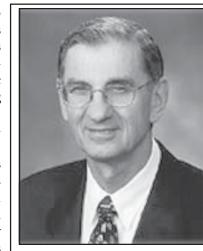
Acting up at Highlands Playhouse

On July 16 at 11 a.m., Acting Coach Ashlee Quinones and Vocal

Performers are Daniel Coach Katie McAllister will head a Widenhouse, Katelyn Smith, Jarrett performance marking the end of the Alley, Amelia Dornbush, Anna Highlands Playhouse Summer Whitehurst, Kelly Whitehurst, Matt Pierce, Keeli Milroy, Olen Schiffli Friday they will display their taland Bevan Schiffli. For more inforent and enthusiasm not for theater mation, call 526-2695. The perforbut also for music. The performance mance is free and open to the pubwill include songs from "Helpless lic.

lieve."







SPECIALTY FOODS & CATERING •



• LAUGHING AT LIFE • If you drive in Highlands, make sure you have a car

Thich is better, a Saturday afternoon drive down Main Street in Highlands or a stick in the eye? The answer to that question depends on where you are from. Folks who live in Highlands year round would never drive down Main Street on a

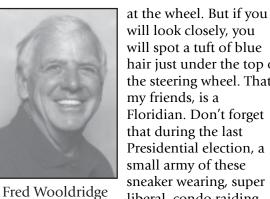
Saturday afternoon and would choose the eye doctor rather than face the perils of Main Street.

People from Florida, on the other hand, represent the vast majority of so called "Highlanders" in the summer and would most definitely choose the Main Street trek over the stick. Florida drivers are comfortable with stalled traffic, no parking spaces, breathing exhaust fumes and people backing out of parking spaces and ramming their cars. They also love to drive at crawl speed and Main Street offers them an opportunity to do just that. Here is why.

The rule for all people who live in the land of the "dangling chads" is this. The older you get, the bigger car you must buy. So, when you first start out driving, you buy a spiffy little four cylinder sports car that you can easily handle. Your vision is 20/20, reaction time is keen and your hearing is perfect. But as you grow older and trade cars in, you are required to buy a bigger and bigger car.

By the time you are 75, your vision is 40/100, you are hard of hearing and your reaction time is that of a snail. You are now required to own a giant, eight cylinder, 300 horsepower Lincoln Town car that is so big you can't see over the steering wheel because, since your original purchase of the spiffy little sports car, you have shrunk four inches in height.

The main reason Floridians drive so slow is that they can't see where they're going. This is also why you see lots of big cars on Main Street with no one apparently



will look closely, you will spot a tuft of blue hair just under the top of the steering wheel. That, Floridian. Don't forget Presidential election, a sneaker wearing, super

liberal, condo raiding, Town Car drivers accidentally voted for Pat Buchanan instead of Al Gore. Stay very far away from these scary people when you spot them driving.

In Miami, a 92-year-old gal backed her 10-year old Cadillac Seville over a traffic cop, knocking him to the ground in front of hundreds of witnesses. Fortunately no one was hurt but she wound up before the judge, who ordered her to get a full driving test. Today, (I swear, this is true.) she is back at the wheel of her Seville with her Florida license not only intact, but, renewed. You see, she took the driving test in her grandson's spiffy little sports car with the fourcylinder engine. Watch out for her on Main Street, especially when she is backing up.

Georgia drivers represent the next largest group that hang out here in the summer. Georgians represent a mixed bag of driving styles and therefore, choosing the stick over the trek down Main Street is difficult to predict.

For some, Main Street is a challenge and a chance to beat a Floridian out of a parking space, which they love to do. By the time an older Floridian spots a space to park, the Georgian has globbled it up

In Georgia, the rules are different. They're not required to buy a big car when they get old. Instead they employ the "plus 20, hold your breath" method of driving. That is why you see more Georgia plates on Main Street than





• MOVIE PIX •

The Truth About Cats And Dogs

The 1993, PG13, Romantic comedy, starring Janeane Garofalo, Uma Thurman, and Ben Chaplin, directed by Michael Lehmann, written by Audrey Wells.



Stuart Armor

bit different from regular Hollywood comedy, based loosely on Cyrano de Bergerac. Cute and clever, with dry humor, some neat twists on an old story.

The Storyline: Dr. Abby (Garofalo) is a smart, funny, successful radio talk show host, without much of a love life. When one of her callers, with Great Dane/ rollerskate problem, becomes intrigued with her and wit, he asks to

meet her. Since she is kind of A EBERT insecure, she does the logical thing and asks her attractive but brain dead girl friend Naomi (Thurman) to stand in. Twists and turns ensue as the three of them meet in different ways, by phone and in person. Boyfriend Brian (Chaplin), smitten by Abby's radio persona, is a bit bewildered by Naomi's double digit IQ. The story unfolds in a way that is funny and cute, albeit

predictable, even for those not familiar with Rostand's Cyrano (shame on you!).

While the Story is predictable, it really is a great performance by Garofalo, who delivers her lines with dry and

dark wit and selfeffacing humor. Everyone else does a good job, but it really is her show. Thurman does a good job with her material, but it's not much of a role for her. Chaplin works well as the Roxanne part, does come across a bit dense, but it works for this story. Solid performance by the dog on roller skates.

If you like this one, a few other offbeat romantic comedies are Don Juan Demarco, Roxanne, While You Were Sleeping, Moonstruck, Sliding Doors, and Cyrano de Bergerac. These and about 5000 other titles on VHS and DVD are available at Movie Stop Video, drop on by and give us a look.

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Florida plates. Floridians are just not quick enough to get one. Check on Spring Street to see Florida plates.

If Highlands would just pass a law that all vehicles bearing Florida and Georgia license plates be banned from Main Street, life would be grand. Well, almost grand. There are still those pesky Floridians and Georgians who own cars with North Carolina license plates. Watch out for these folks cause they're posing as North Carolinians.

Oh, I almost forgot, the Georgian "plus 20, hold your breath" method of driving means they always drive 20 miles per hour over the speed limit and hold their breath they don't get caught. That's OK. Now if we could only teach them to speak English.

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., July 16 I. ROBOT rated PG-13 7:05 & 9:15 Nightly 4:15 Daily Matinee 2:05 & 4:15 Sat. & Sun. Matinees **KING ARTHUR** rated PG-13 7 & 9:30 Nightly 4:30 Daily Matinee 2 & 4:30 Sat. & Sun. Matinees **SPIDER-MAN 2** rated PG-13 7 & 9:20 Nightly 4:20 Daily Matinee 2 & 4:20 Sat. & Sun. Matinees **TWO BROTHERS** rated PG 7:10 Nightly 4:10 Daily Matinee 2:10 & 4:10 Sat. & Sun. Matinees DODGEBALL: A TRUE UNDERDOG STORY rated PG-13 9:10 Nightly



• HIGHLANDS EATERIES •

Brick Oven Pizza Brick Oven Pizza Sample menu 526-4121

Menu Sampling

Salads Garden - small & large Lettuce, spinach, tomato, bell pepper, onion, broccoli Greek - small & large Lettuce, spinach, tomato, beets, onion, banana peppers, feta, olives, artichoke hearts & broccoli Spinach - small & large Lettuce, spinach, bacon, onion, black olives, sun-dried tomato & feta

Pizza & Calzone Toppings

Anchovies, artichoke hearts, bacon, banana peppers, bell peppers, black olives, broccoli, feta, garlic, green olives, ham, Italian sausage, jalapenos, meatballs, mushrooms, pepperoni, pineapple, red onions, spinach, sun-dried tomatoes

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• LIFE UNDER CONSTRUCTION •

Out on a limb

ast week I talked about the antiquated virtue of honesty and actually having some. Thanks Pat! Well, this week I

am going to talk about going out on a different limb. Simply a tree. Just to get a better view.

I strive to live life out loud and I'll admit it can be exhausting at times. It follows closely with creating your own experiences and accepting accountability for your life and your decisions. You create the results in your life. So what does that have to do with the fact that I was up climbing high in a tree last week and clinging to a limb just to get a glimpse of a future view. Just bear with me.

I've decided to buy some land and give serious thought to building again. Hopefully, I have not forgotten most of the lessons that were ingrained in my mind when I constructed last time. If so, I guess I'll just read my book, *Life Under Construction...a work in progress* again.

Now this parcel of property was not going to be just any chunk of ground, after all I am a Realtor. I've looked and searched and agonized to find this special mass of land that as you might have guessed had to have a stream and a view. Well, maybe a little waterfall as well. And to really get a clear glimpse of the view, I had to climb a tree. So, with the help of the shoulders of a friend, this 50+ year old gal awkwardly climbed for what seemed like a long journey to connect with the tree looming in front of her. Getting up was



Dr. Maryellen Lipinski

exciting and the mountain views stood proud in front of me. Standing on the V of the tree, I actually laughed out loud that my zest for life put me up in a tree.

In truth, I could have stayed up there for hours but it was

getting dark and I had to think about getting down. Of course, I had no choice but to ask for a helping hand and I closed my eyes and took the leap. Sound familiar? This brief encounter

performing something out of the ordinary was a wonderful reminder that we continually need to stretch and challenge the manner in which we build our lives. Maybe it's about NOT settling for less than we really want and simply continuing to strive to design the life that really fits us.

No one can tell you what your purpose in life is or how your dream will unfold for that matter and that is not my goal here. It's merely to ask you if you are living the life you really want to live.

Something happened to me during my ephemeral encounter with that tree. Recalling the shape of the tree, it was just possible that it had been employed before as a trail guide by those who walked this land before me because one of the branches bent almost to the ground as if marking a trail previously traveled.

I'm certain that this particular tree will soon have a makeshift ladder leaning on it and I will visit it often because it transported me into a world less traveled.

Need a cup of delicious coffee and one of Maryellen's books? STOP by the Schoolhouse in Cashiers! Email me for further information. melspeaks@aol.com. Dr. Maryellen Lipinski is a psychologist by profession and an international professional speaker by design. Currently, she coaches individuals to obtain their goals in life and works as a Realtor at Village Realty of Sapphire Valley. www.ilovemountainrealestate.com.! www.maryellenlipinski.com

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Inn is going to further change things.. It will churn business in Highlands and even more people will come. Highlands can accommodate the crowds and the cars with a little foresight and planning.

Since I've suggested parking garages, I might as well go all the way — how about a brick promenade down the center of Main Street dotted with benches, trees, trash receptacles, maybe even a few water fountains?

Over the years, Main Street in Highlands has evolved into a picturesque, inviting area. The land use committee is still tweaking Main Street and the entire commercial district as it contemplates the design and bear-proofing of trash receptacles, benches and lighting.

The trouble is, you can't see Main Street for the cars. The only time you can get a good look at the beauty of Main Street is at midnight when the streets are cleared of vehicles.

Not only would the promenade end vehicle congestion, it would provide a gathering place for events or just a spot to sit away from the fray.

Yes, an encroachment permit from N.C. DOT would be required. But, they've been issued before — especially when public safety is the reason.

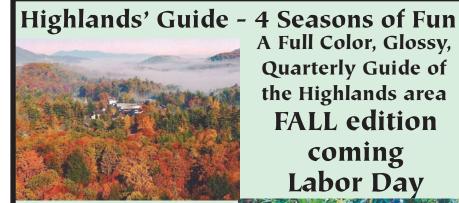
Parking at the curb on Main Street should stay, even parallel spots along one side of the promenade could be worked out, but by eliminating double-sided parking down the center of Main Street, the travel lane would be negotiable and it's likely fewer accidents would occur.

So there you have it — food for thought.

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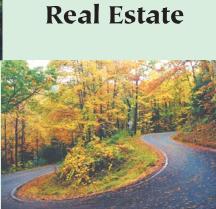
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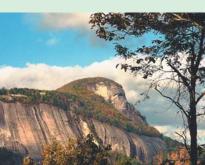
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– REVIEW –



Gwendolyn Pigeon, played by Highlander Ronnie Spilton, Felix Unger, played by Highlander Adrian Roberts and Cecily Pigeon played by Dina Shadwell of Atlanta on stage in the "The Odd Couple" at the Highlands Playhouse through Sunday.

'The Odd Couple' continues to charm

By Kim Lewicki

The neat thing about the Highlands Playhouse production "The Odd Couple" is that it's all at once familiar – not boring – but familiar.

Oscar Madison and Felix Unger portrayed by Frank Roberts and Adrian Roberts respectively, are immediately reminiscent of Walter Matthau and Jack Lemmon cast in the original movie in 1968 and even Jack Klugman and Tony Randall cast in the TV version in 1970.

Actors might not like to hear that - it's likely they want to portray the character their way - but with the "Odd Couple" on stage, the big screen and as a weekly sitcom on TV, it's only natural that people relate to what they've already seen.

Though slighter of build and jowlless, Frank Roberts manages to include gestures and idiosyncrasies reminiscent of Matthau. His posture is perfectly slumpy and he constantly works his mouth running his tongue along the inside of his cheeks and teeth.

Adrian Roberts though physically bigger than Lemmon, manages many of the same gestures, the stop-and-go movements and the "beaten up by life"

posture perfected by both Lemmon and Randall.

The cast works really well together the banter during the poker game episodes is effortless coming quickly an easily.

The contrast between Unger's neurotic personality and Madison's "get over it" attitude is well done. But beneath it all it's obvious both men care about the welfare of the other. Like ying and yang they do make a whole and prove that opposites can dwell together.

The Pigeon sisters Gwendolyn and Cecily, portrayed by Ronnie Spilton and Dina Shadwell are right on - silly, playful and shallow.

All in all the show is a "must see" - for those who have never heard of "The Odd Couple" or for those of us old enough to remember the Neil Simon play, the 1968 movie and the weekly sitcom.

Tickets are available at the Highlands Playhouse box office on Oak Street or by phone at 526-2695.

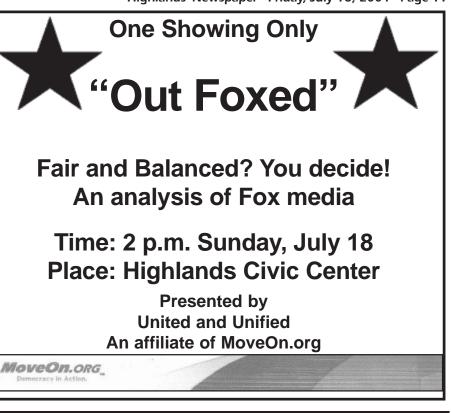
Next up is the musical "Honk" which opens July 22 and runs through Aug. 8.

Highlands Rotary Happenings



Rotary Club celebrates it's centennial with the theme "Celebrate Rotary." District Governor Jim Elfland and his wife Judi visited the Rotary Club of Highlands at their meeting on Tuesday. The club was awarded "Club of the Year" at the recent Rotary District Conference. From left are Steve Perry, Assistant Governor; Selwyn Chalker, President; Governor Jim Elfland and wife Judi.

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B-L Gallery Workshops

Call 526-4949 for more info. Young Artists Workshops

K – 4th and 5th – 12th grade students are invited to the art center for our Young Artists Workshops held on Wednesdays. Classes are scheduled for June and July and are only \$5 per class. The art classes offer a variety of craft and art projects taught by a certified art instructor. Beginning and Intermediate Art Classes are being offered for adults and teens. Classes are \$15 and \$10 and meet on Tuesdays.

Gallery Exhibit

Three Artists, Suzy Schultz, Peter O'Halleran and Nelson Nichols The exhibit will continue through July 22 and is free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Tuesday – Saturday from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Garden Tour Events July 16-17

The Bascom Louise Gallery sponsors an annual garden tour to help raise funds to support our community art center. The featured gardens this year are located in the Bowery Rd. area. Call 526-4949 for additional information and ticket sales. The Bascom – Louise Gallery, Highlands Visual Arts Center is a non – profit art center located in the Hudson Library Building at 554 Main Street It is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. and can be contacted at 526-4949 or bascomlouise@earthlink.net

• 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. With only 650 sq. ft. of floorspace 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. If you're looking for organic choices, you'll be surprised at just how many of these products are offered on the grocery shelves. If you have a taste for tea, they carry Tazo, Traditional Medicinals, Yogi and Celestial Seasonings in a variety of flavors.

More and more people are becoming concerned about not only what they put IN their bodies but ON their bodies. 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.

Located at 223 South 4th Street in the prime shopping area of Highlands on "the hill" the store offers easy access parking, and friendly helpful staff for a pleasant, peaceful shopping experience.

Call Highlands Whole Life Supply at 828-526-5999



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THE OLD RED HOUSEGOING OUT OFBUSINESS SALE!!aB

Vintage Linens & Quilts

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compile the documents necessary to apply for a Special Use Permit (SUP). Board members said a SUP would legalize the lattice-enclosed structure they ultimately want on the lot.

"In retrospect I should have required an SUP in the first place because what's been built isn't a temporary pole structure but an addition to a building," said Zoning Administrator Larry Gantenbein.

Special Use Permits are required for any addition to a commercial

building.

Gantenbein said initial plans for the temporary structure included the lattice, but he told the Ostemas not to attach it "or they would hear from the Zoning Board" because the lattice made the pole structure more permanent than temporary.

The Ostemas said they need the lattice to prevent theft and contend that since the lattice was on the plan and the plan was permitted, the lattice should be allowed.

• Remodeling & Design •

Rebecca Clary of Highlands Furniture

Rebecca brings 31 years of interior design experience to this new venture with Highlands Furniture.

Her exciting new plans include High Point furniture buying trips where she assists clients in selections of furnishings, rugs and accessories for their home at discounted prices.

Rebecca will continue to do window treatments specializing in Hunter Douglas products which include wooden blinds and shutters. She offers custom shutters at great prices. She will also continue to do inhome consultations.

You are invited to call Rebecca and experience a new face lift for your existing home or entirely furnish your new home.

She can be reached at 526-2973. She really looks forward to working with her clients and friends she has worked with through the years and meeting new ones.



"It doesn't matter what is on the plan," said Gantenbein. "What matters is what I told them they were allowed to do."

Applying for a SUP involves a detailed site plan and lot size in relation to its placement in Highlands Plaza, 800 sq. ft. of enclosed space, compliance with all setbacks, builtupons and parking requirements and approval by the appearance commission.

As it currently stands, the latticeenclosed structure and drive-through building equal 765 sq. ft. "They would only have to enclose a little more to meet the 800 sq. ft. requirement and that's easily done," said Gantenbein. "They comply with everything else. They just have to go before the appearance commission which will want to see a landscape plan."

But the Ostemas aren't sure which path to take at this time.

"We'd like some time to think about it," said Dennis.

The board has given them until Aug. 1 to decide and have ordered them to take the lattice down if they want to continue running Cosper's Flowers at Highlands Plaza.

Meanwhile confusion over just want constitutes a temporary structure prompted the Town Board to put a moratorium on such structures until particulars are worked out and the ordinance allowing temporary structures amended.

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accommodations. A premier 26-bed assisted living center – "a component we have a need for," said Jane Kimsey with Macon County Social Services.

The Lodge includes 20 one- and two- bedroom apartments ranging from \$2,425 to \$3,775 per month inclusive with amenities like weekly housekeeping, basic cable, trash removal, property insurance, emergency response system, one meal a day an much more.

And 84 one- and two-bedroom cottages with garages ranging from 1,100 sq. ft to 1,700 sq. ft and \$210,000 to \$332,000 not including the monthly service fee.

"This is good for Macon County and good for Highlands," said Macon County Commissioner Allan Bryson. "It is providing a much needed service in the area and jobs for locals."

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Due to it's inactivity over the past four years, Goodman proposes abolishing the Economic Development Commission. "It's met one time in four years," he said. "Let's put a full time person in that job to find out what the county has to offer industry and then market that idea."

He wants to continue to bring schools into the 21st century so they can supply the county with a workforce suited for high-tech, highpaying jobs.

"But I don't want to tell the people of the county what to do, I want to hear what they want," he said.

He's for lower taxes, and says he's seen too many people "taxed off their land."

Leatherman, owner of Leatherman Tax Service, has an eye on growth in Macon County and he wants the county to be prepared for what's coming down the pike.

"People are coming and with growth comes more demands on everything," he said. "That means more law enforcement, emergency and social services."

He said as the county grows, water and sewer will dictate where development goes.

With concerns about growth are concerns about land-use. Leatherman is a member of the Macon County Planning Board which is working on a land-use plan that will keep everyone happy.

"A land-use plan will lessen the impact of high-impact businesses on neighborhoods and maintain the quality of life for everyone," he said. "The land-use plan isn't about telling people they can't do a certain business, just that certain high-impact businesses should be located where they aren't offensive to other citizens."

He said the county must continue to improve its schools on the primary and secondary level. "We can't neglect the gains we've made," he said. "Our kids deserve good facilities and a good education. They really are our future."

He said businesses will be attracted to Macon County if they know there is an educated and trained workforce. "And we can keep our young people in Macon County if there are good jobs for them here."

The primary is July 20 – polls open at 7 a.m. at the Highlands Civic Center.





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 Tabletop 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 fulltime 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!





The SOAR auction committee would like to thank the following local merchants for their caring generosity. The Special Operations Warrior Foundation would not be able to exist without people like you. The funds raised in Highlands will be converted into 6 full years of higher education for children of Special Operations Soldiers who have made the ultimate sacrifice for all Americans.

Adventure Depot Lindy's All Season's Salon Little Flower Shop Ann Jacob Gallery Log Cabin Restaurant Back of the Bear Lucas Patton Design Bags on Main Main Street Inn **Bear Mountain Outfitters** Mica's Restaurant Mitchell's Lodge Bed & Bath Design Mountain Down Rappelling Berkley's Mountain Heritage Neal Petri/Casa Luna Bird Barn Nick's Restaurant **Bryant Art Glass** #1 Nails Buck's Cafe Old Creek Lodge **Colonel Mustard** On the Veranda Restaurant **Colonial Pines B&B** Paoletti Restaurant Christmas Cottage Peregrine's Restaurant & Bar Cullasaja Country Club Pro Nails **Cypress Restaurant** Rosenthal's **B&J** Express **Rosewood Market**

Don Leon's Deli Cafe **Royal Scots Antiques** Dry Sink Sapphire Mountain Golf Club Farzad Moteallah Scent.sations 41/2 Street Inn Shiraz Rugs Fresser's Restaurant Skyline Lodge Georgianna Ralston Steve Lucas **Gourmet Central** Steve Perrv Highlands Civic Center Sudi Manning **Highlands Country Club** Suzettes Boutique Highlands Cove Golf Club The Summer House **Highlands Estate Jewelry** Trillium Golf Club Highlands Falls Country Club Twigs **Highlands House** Wildcat Cliff Country Club Highland Wine & Cheese Wild Thyme Restaurant Hunter Coleman Wilson Gas **Images Unlimited** Wolfgang's Restaurant Jolie's Kelsey Hutchinson Lodge Lakeside Restaurant

Our patrons generosity is always greatly appreciated and a Thank You to all the hard-working volunteers.

The rebirthing of Chestnut Hill begins

The rebirthing began Tuesday, July 13 with a ribbon cutting, speeches and a sumptuous champagne gala to say "thank you" to Chestnut Hill residents who have waited patiently for affairs at Chestnut Hill to right themseves. Thanks went out also to financial backers who are responsible for new times ahead at Chestnut Hill.



Ken Bolt with Banyan Inc., which runs the Chestnut Hill facility, watches from the podium as Ed Harrington, president of Steven D. Bell Company, major financial backer, cuts the ribbon held by Al Balestiere and Arthur Howell whose companies helped keep Chestnut Hill running until longterm financial arrangments were made.



Above, hospital director Jack Calloway, center, talks with the Howells at the gala. Right, Mayor Buck Trott, Town Commissioner Alan Marsh, and Macon County Commissioners Charlie Leatherman and Allan Bryson were on hand for the Chestnut Hill Gala July 13 at **Chestnut Hill.**

Photos by Jim Lewicki



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Jean Trott with Erika Nickrenz, pianist, of the Eroica Trio that is changing the face of classical music across the world.



Adela Pena, violinist, (left) wowed the audience with her passion and vigor and charmed them with her easy banter.



Grace Mihi Bahng, (right) celloist, filled in for pregnant Sara Saint Ambrogio who was ordered to stay home in New York in bed.

Concerts in Highlands & Cashiers through Aug. 15. Call 526-9060

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You are cordially invited to Cocktails and Dinner Good Turn for America Banquet

Featuring Millard Fuller, founder of Habitat for Humanity International

Benefiting the Daniel Boone Council, Boy Scouts of America



Highlands Country Club Clubhouse Wednesday, July 21, 2004 at 6:30 pm

\$125 donation per person

Special Corporate Recognition Tables of 8 available Silver Level - \$1,500 ~ Gold Level - \$2,000

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Upcoming Chamber music events

Week two (July 16 through 19) of the Highlands Cashiers Chamber Music Festival opens with four of Japan's most talented young artists – Ryoko Tsuge piano; Tomoko Kobayashi, violin; Hirona Amamiya, violin and Aya Watanabe, cello with Will Ransom, Festival Artistic Director, on piano.

The four are "the best of the best" from the acclaimed Toho School of Music in Tokyo. They will play selections from Dutilleux, Beethoven

Week two (July 16 through 19) of
Highlands Cashiers Chamberand Brahms Friday at 8 p.m. in
Highlands at PAC and Saturday at 5
p.m. in Cashiers at The Church of the
Good Shepherd.

On Sunday and Monday the group will be joined by Norman Fischer on cello and Michiko Oshima on violin. The Sunday and Monday programs will highlight the composers Chopin, Yvon and Schubert. Sunday's performance will be in Highlands at 5 p.m. and Monday's performance will be at 8 p.m. in Cashiers. Page 16 - Highlands' Newspaper - Friday, July 16, 2004 • SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING •]

Reflections on the Good Samaritan



David HUMC Duke Divinity Intern

In every family there are stories that make up the pillars of clan identity. They are the stories that are told about the hardworking great grandfather who labored every day of his life from sun-up to sundown, or the kind grandmother who never failed to have a loving word and secret candy for her grandchildren.

These stories tell us who we are for generations and are unbelievably precious. The Christian family is no different. Those who follow Jesus share a common heritage and therefore have a common set of stories that are frequently retold to remind us who we are to be as members of the body of Christ. Just as in our earthly families, some of the Christian stories are so frequently told that we take for granted what these stories mean and cease to pay attention to the details. The parable of the "Good Samaritan" is exactly such a story. Like the story that universal uncle tells every holiday about the game the winning touch down he made as a high school football player, Christ's parable of the robbed man and his rescuer is often heard but rarely listened to.

The outline of the story is fairly commonly known. A man is making his way from Jerusalem to Jericho along a road that is plagued by bandits. Not surprisingly, the traveler is attacked by thieves, robbed, beaten and left for dead. A priest and a Levite (a person dedicated to the service of the temple), both see the wounded man but pass him by. Finally a third man, a Samaritan, sees the wounded traveler and stops to bind his wounds and take him to a nearby inn where he pays the innkeeper to see to his further needs.

The message that we most frequently derive from this story is that Christians shouldn't leave a stranger bleeding by the side of the road. Such behavior simply isn't nice. The truth is, that if all we gather from this story is the idea that we should care for strangers, all we have managed to do is grossly underestimate Jesus. For Christ, the stakes involved in a Samaritan coming to the aid of a Jew were considerably higher than mere human kindness.

Jesus tells the story of the "Good Samaritan"

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• 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. **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 Sundays: 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 Sundays: Worship - 11 a.m. (child care at 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

• HIKING THE HIGHLANDS PLATEAU •

Glen Falls or Chinquapin – the choice is yours

By Leah Ferree Contributor

The Glen Falls Scenic Area offers you two options for getting outside and exploring the mountain scenery. Most people know and have experienced the Glen Falls side of the trail, but many of you may not know that there is a very nice trail leading to several mountain top vistas called Chinquapin Mountain on the other side.

To get to the Glen Falls parking area, follow Highway 106 south from Highlands for two miles. Turn left at the sign for Glen Falls Scenic Area. The road will dip down a little bit and turn to gravel. Follow this road for about a mile to the end, where you will find the parking area.

You will see a National Forest Information sign by the trailhead. This is where you will begin for either hike. If you would like to experience the awesomeness of a multiple cascading waterfall, take the trail to your left, and if you would like to experience the peacefulness of a mountain top vista, take the trail to your right.

If you choose to take the left hand trail down to the falls, you will have the option of viewing the cascading waterfall from three different spurs off the main trail. The trail descends pretty quickly and actually starts at the top of the falls, allowing you to see one of the cascades or all three if you like. However, keep in mind that all of the descending that you are doing on the way down is going to become very steep on the way up. If you choose to go all the way down to the last cascade, it will be about two miles round trip.

If you opt for the mountain top views instead, this trail is going to be one and 1/2 miles one-way, but not nearly as steep as the trail to the falls. You will be gaining about 680 feet in elevation, occurring a little more gradually. Plus, if you go uphill on the way up, that means downhill on the way back. For the first portion of this trail, you will have to cross over the stream several times as you wind



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over and around it. Some of the crossings have logs laid for the path as others will just be stones or even stumps. Be careful and keep your balance. There will also be some larger sized roots in the trail; be sure to watch your footing. Once you cross over the stream approximately seven times, you will come to a point where you can take a hard right back over the stream and up through the woods, or you can continue on the same side of the stream and up. Do not cross the stream, stay straight.

There may be a small sign there that points to Glen Falls one way and Chinquapin Mountain the other, but it was torn down when I was there, so don't count on it. The other trail back over the stream is another way to reach Chinquapin Mountain that starts at a trailhead directly off of Highway 106.

Once you pass this point, you will lose the stream that you have been following and encounter some switchbacks. This is where you will begin to feel a slight elevation gain. You will come to another sign pointing out Little Scaly to the right and Chinquapin to the left. At this point, the two ways form a loop that is about a mile all the way around. On this loop, there is a series of about five vantage points where you are awarded with stunning views of Blue Valley (the area between Highlands and Dillard).

Lookout #5 (it will be marked) seems to be the clearest, but from some of the others you do not get such a direct view of V-Z Top (the huge condominiums poking off the mountain). Either trail, Glen Falls or Chinquapin Mountain is beautiful and frequently used, so you don't have to worry about getting lost. The Chinquapin Mountain trail may be a little less used, if you are looking for serenity.

Both trails are merely minutes from downtown.

• Day Trips & Family Excursions •





• SPORTS PICKS • What is it about games that attract people's interest?

Ryan Potts

It seems like there is not a soul in America that does not enjoy some kind of game or competition. Whether it is a round of golf, a game of hoops, a local bridge tournament or maybe just skipping rocks for distance-games are a part of our culture. Sports have the innate ability to spark discussion - whether it is a friendship based on mutual teams, rivalries, or a partner with whom you regularly play – sports can bring people together.

I have a lot of experience with this, as people often use sports to begin our conversations. My friends might say that "being gargantuan" isn't exactly a talent, but it sure gives people something to talk about.

The other day I met some real nice folks over at the East West jewelry store and sure enough, the lady there asked me if I was as tall as Yao Ming. While I am not as tall as Yao, nor nearly as rich, nor as good of a ballplayer (there's a pattern developing here) I was still grateful for the comparison.

I also had the opportunity to get to know a couple of nice people – all through a conversation that started with basketball. Through my work at the hotel and in my past worked at the Sports Page I obviously met many new people each day, but rarely did the conversation start without some mention of basketball, football, golf, etc. (Except for the time the lady asked me if "these mountains had always been here?" I was so floored I could only respond by explaining to her how we had brought in our mountains through a trade with Switzerland. The Swiss Miss, illegal bank accounts and neutrality for the Appalachian Mountains and a waterfall to be named later.)

In college one of the best ways to make friends in class was to spout out random comments like



Sports are as much an American pastime as

apple pie and clueless people and the culture of sports often reflects on the culture of the present day. It's a great time to be a sports fan in America – here's hoping that steroids, early entry and multimillion dollar deals don't ruin it any more than they already have.

THE BALLAD OF COACH K

- Come and listen to a story 'bout a Coach named K Polish pioneer he was in the hall of fame. Then one day he was losing prep dudes And out his filthy mouth came something real crude (%\$^# that is, Bob Knight, bleeped out)
- Well the next thing you know old K's losing hair Lake show said K move away from there Said California is the place you oughta be So they made him an offer to move to Beverly (Hills that is, plastic surgery, washed up movie stars)

Well K said goodbye to Kobe, Gary, Karl and 40 mil But he would like to thank you folks for kindly buying in You just can't beat all of this free publicity He'd like to thank ESPN and Buss's hospitality (The King of College Basketball, that's what they call him now Recruits come to Duke now, ya

hear?) •See SPORTS page 19

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These days, free publicity is worth its weight in gold, and that is exactly what K did. He used the Lakers and ESPN to put his face all over the TV for a solid week. Not only did K's decision reinforce the fact that he is the king of college basketball right now, it gave him leverage upon leverage with all involved.

At Duke he has shown the university who is boss - and procured himself a new practice facility to go along with his Ivory Tower office. But most importantly, K's decision to stay gives him the ultimate bargaining chip with recruits. He can now look straight in the face and say "I turned down 40 million, sunny LA, Laker Girls and easy work to coach you in the sweatbox known as Cameron

Indoor Stadium," and that my friends, goes a long way.

As an aside, how hilarious is the Carolina nation. After Mitch Kupchak (a UNC grad) offers the job to K he gets death threats from Carolina nation and has to do damage control by saying he offered the job to Roy first. Even more hilarious is Roy's supposed response of "I couldn't disappoint Coach Smith again."

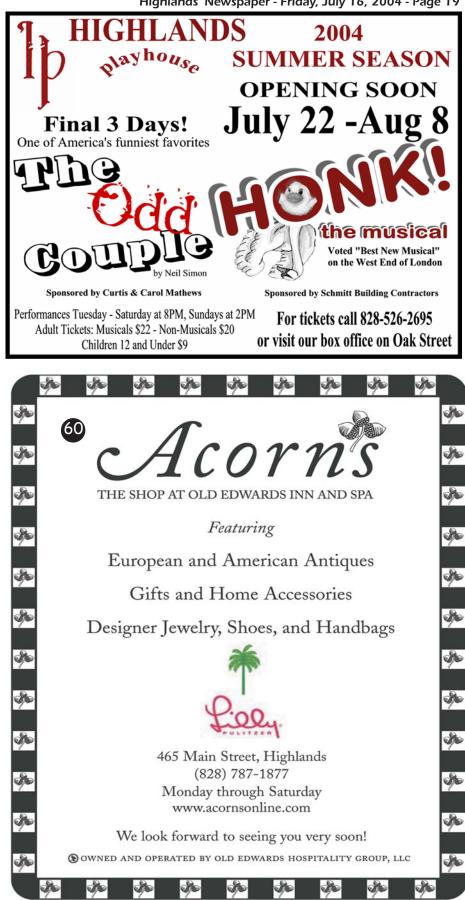
Can someone remind me again, just exactly who is the coach of the University of North Carolina? I guess that Dean may have been taking some tips from Tony Soprano on how to run his "family." P.S. All death threats from Carolina faithful can be sent to Ryan Potts, C/ O George Steinbrenner, New York, New York 11111.

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after he has been questioned by an expert in Jewish law on what is required to get into heaven. Out of this exchange what many of us know as the "Golden Rule" or the "Great Commandment" emerges as the answer; "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and love your neighbor as yourself." Well aware of the implications of loving his neighbor and of Jesus' tendency to associate with the undesirables of society, this lawyer begins to probe for a loophole in the commandment. He asks Jesus, "and who is my neighbor". The lawyer questioning Jesus has no desire to make neighbors out of the prostitutes and tax collectors that Christ calls friends. He is demanding that Jesus provide him with reasonable boundaries for the commandment to love. Unfortunately for the lawyer Christ provides him boundaries, but not the ones that he is so desperately looking for.

The hatred between Jews and Samaritans was long standing and deep. The Samaritans were allowed to inhabit land north of Jerusalem following the conquest of the Jews who had inhabited that territory. Adding insult to injury the Samaritans not only took the land and homes of the Jewish. people they adopted Jewish worship practices as their own and in a sense stole their God. From that time on the Samaritans would claim their Jewish ness when it was convenient and disavow the Hebrew people when it suited them. It is difficult to imagine two people who would have despised each other more than a Jew and a Samaritan. It is this intense hatred that Jesus uses to provide the boundaries of the commandment to love one's neighbor.

Rather than having the Priest or the Levite rescue their bleeding fellow countryman, it is the Samaritan who stops and offers aid to his enemy. What Christ tells the lawyer in this parable is that in order to love God one must extend love to those that we despise the most. Whether it is they are a segment of the population in our hometowns, a co-worker that we have always disliked, or a family member that we haven't spoken to in years, Christ commands us to actively seek to care for those people. The Gospel message encompasses far more than simply being nice or caring for strangers. The details of the story of the "Good Samaritan" must be listened to attentively no matter how many times we have heard the story, because it is in those details that Christ's answer to the lawyers' question is revealed. All people, but especially those for whom we harbor the greatest contempt are our neighbors.



Leadership Highlands looking for recruits

Leadership Highlands is seeking nominations for the class of 2004-2005. Application deadline is Wednesday, July 28th. Please nominate someone from your business or organization.

Our mission is to enhance development of emerging leaders from all segments of our community.

Please contact Bonnie Earman at the Highlands Visitor Center, 526-2112 or Ruth Buchanan at the Chamber of Commerce, 526-5841.

Literacy Council has open house



On July 13, the Literacy Council of Highlands held an open house to welcome new director Breta Stroud and thank donors and volunteers for money and time. From left are board members and volunteers - Marjorie Owens, Tom Merchant, Mary Heffington, Ray King, Breta Stroud, Linda Driver, Peggy Stumf and Lloyd Wagner.

• Police & Fire Report •

The following are the Highlands Police Department log entries for the week of July 7-14. The only names are of public officials and/or people who were arrested.

July 7

• A little past midnight officers responded to a call about gunshots fired in the vicinity of Memorial Park and U.S. 64 east. It was unfounded.

• At 6:30 a.m., a motorist at Main and Fourth streets was cited for driving without a license, an inspection sticker, insurance and with an expired registration.

July 8

• At 11:05 a.m., a visitor reported losing his wallet somewhere between Wildcat Cliffs Country Club and the Hampton Inn.

July 9

• At 7:25 a.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 50 mph in a 35 zone at Webbmont and U.S. 64 west.

• At 8:45 a.m., a resident on Holt Knob Road called police about a neighbor's dog. • At 6:40 p.m., officers responded to an alarm at Highlands Gem Shop on Fourth Street. All was secure.

July 10

• At 7:25 a.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 50 mph in a 35 zone at Webbmont and U.S. 64 west.

• At 9:30 a.m. officers were called to Highlands Suites Hotel to remove a disruptive subject.

• At 10 a.m., officers responded to an alarm at Great Things on N.C. 106. All was secure

• At 11:30 a.m. officers heard an animal complaint by a resident on Holt Knob Road.

• At 3:15 p.m., officers heard a complaint between an estranged couple and a new girlfriend. They were instructed to visit the magistrate. July 11

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• At 2 p.m., a visitor reported losing a Louis Vitton purse in the vicinity of Mountain Fresh.

July 12

• A little past midnight a motorist was issued a warning citation for driving without a headlight on N.C. 106.

• At 6:59 p.m., a motorist at Hickory and U.S. 64 east was cited for speeding 42 mph in a 25 zone.

• At 7:10 p.m., a motorist at Hickory and U.S. 64 east was cited for speeding 42 mph in a 25 zone.

• At 2:52 p.m., Highlands Quick Mart reported a gas drive-off.

July 13

• At 6:15 a.m., a motorist on Main Street was issued a warning citation for driving with out a tail light.

• At 6:55 a.m., officers responded to an alarm at Main Street Pharmacy. It was set off by an employee.

• At 9:45 a.m., proprietors at Back of the Bear reported the glass in the back door broken. But it didn't appear anything was missing from the shop.

• At 9:32 p.m. residents in the vicinity of Highlands School reported fireworks being shot off on the school grounds. It was visitors to Highlands unfamiliar with the town ordinance prohibiting fireworks.

• At 6:40 p.m. a motorist at U.S. 64 west and Mirror Lake was cited for driving without insurance or a current license tag.

The following are the Highlands Fire & Rescue log entries for the week of July 7-11

July 7 • The dept. responded to a fire alarm at Cullasaja Club Drive. It was a false. July 8

■See POLICE & FIRE page 25

• Shops at Village Square •



shop is the perpetuation of the dream of Silvia Beach, an American who operated a bookshop by the same name in Paris during the first half of the twentieth century. During the Nazi Occupation that store was forced to close but in 1963 another American, by the name of George Whitman, renamed his shop Shakespeare and Company and it is still in operation. Shakespeare and Company in Highlands seeks to keep the world's finest literature in circulation and promote good writing. This week it will be hosting a writer's workshop under the direction of Rosemary Daniell. As is the tradition of Shakespeare and Company, there is a writer's guesthouse where writers may come and work in Highlands. The shop is open from noon till 5 p.m., and closed on Sunday. The store sells predominately used books but this year is featuring a few new best sellers and books by regional authors. All books can be sold back to the shop for 50% of the sales price. Stop in when you have time to browse and if your lucky Katherine Willoughby, the owner,

might even fix you a cup of tea.

his is the sixth year that

UPCOMING EVENTS

On-Going

• The musical talents of Regis at the Piano at Cafe of the Arts, every night.

• Round Robin Tennis with the Nantahala Tennis Association at the Rec Park every day at 9 a.m. and Mondays at 6 p.m. Meet at the Memorial Bench and allow 15 minutes for other players to arrive. Sometimes we're slow at the beginning of the season.

• At ... on the Verandah – Happy Hour every Thursday at 4:30 p.m. \$20 per person.

• Workshops at the Bascom-Louise Gallery for young artists in grades K -5 and beginning and intermediate level adult/teen art classes are being offered now. Call for further information!

• The Mountain View group of Alcoholics Anonymous now meets in the remodeled basement meeting 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. For more info, call 524-7395.

• Parents or coaches interested in starting a Soccer Challenge Team, call Charissa Robinson at 526-9915.

July 8-18

• "The Odd Couple" at the Highlands Playhouse. Performances are Tuesday-Saturday at 8 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m. Adult tickets, \$20; Children 12 and under, \$9. Call 526-2695 for tickets or visit the box office.

July 15-18

 "Come Get Uncorked" Thursday through Sunday; 4 pm - 6:30 pm at Wolfgang's on Main. Wine and Appetizer Pairings, Flights of Wine, Wine by the glass or bottle/Appetizers.

July 16

• "Acting Up" at Highlands Playhouse at 11 a.m. Acing Coach Ashlee Quinones and Vocal Coach Katie McAllister and their summer acting students present Helpless DoorKnobs by Edward Gorey follwed by "When You Believe" from the Prince of Egypt. The oerformance is free and open to the public.

July 17

• Pancake supper HUMC from 5-8 p.m. to benefit the Order of the Easter Star programs. \$5 for adults, \$3 for children under 10.• Mirror Lake Improvement Assoc. will have an outing at 4 p.m. at the South pavilion at the Rec Park.

• Wolfgang's On Main presents "Dinner and Jazz" from 6:30 pm – 6:30 pm with Paul Scott on piano and Kyle

Wiggins-Rowan singing. Call 526-3807 for reservations.

• Highlands Wine & Cheese presents The St. Marquis Philips wine label. Special wine flights 4:30-6:30 p.m. July 19

• Wolfgang's On Main and Sum-

nity Center in Cashiers, from 9-3:30 p.m.

• The Nantahala Hiking Club will take a 3.5 moderate hike on the Chattooga River Trail from the Bull Pen road bridge to Split Rock Cascade. Some scrambling over rocky terrain is

Scaly Mountain Marketplace



Getting the word out about the Mountain Market Place to be held at the Scaly Ski Lodge July 30-Aug. 1 are members of the Scaly Mountain Women's Club Betty Bandy (left) and Maralyn Christoffersen. The 3-day benefit includes a preview party, live auction, flea market and bake sale. A weekend of browsing and buying to benefit the scholarship fund and human service agencies that serve residents of Scaly Mountain is planned for July 30-Aug. 1 at the Scaly Ski Lodge. The public is invited to a free preview party (Friday) July 30 from 6-8 p.m. at the lodge. Included in the festivities are complimentary refreshments including wine and cheese along with an opportunity to bid on exciting live auction items.

mit One Gallery present "Fine Art, Fine Wine, Fine Dining, Fine Music" with art by Scott Upton, Wines by Banfi Italian Wines with Alida Hunter and music by Paul Scott on piano and Kyle Wiggins-Rowan singing. 6 pm - Passed Appetizers. 6:30 pm - Dinner. Reservations 526-3807

July 16

• The group for this Friday night is Clearwater Country featuring local talent Mike Wilson as solist and brother Robert and Bobby Jenkins. The concert is at the Gazebo from 7:30 - 9: p.m. and the rain location is the Civic Center Rec Park.

July 17

• The Western North Carolina Alliance and Sapphire Master Association are co-hosting a day of "Mountain Wildlife and Wilderness" on Saturday, at the Sapphire Valley Resort Communecessary. A swim in the river (at your own risk) is possible if you wish. Meet at the Highlands Bank of America at 9:30 a.m. a.m. Drive 30 miles round trip. Return 2-3 p.m. Bring a drink, lunch, rain gear and wear sturdy shoes. For a reservation or more information, call leader Mo Wheeler, 526-9561.

• Bascom-Louise Gallery will present speaker Harrison Giddens demonstrating floral arrangements at PAC, at 2 p.m. Tickets \$25 in advance at B-L Gallery or at the door.

July 16, 17, 18

• Walk in the Park, sponsored by the Highlands Historical Society featuring personalities from the past. Tickets are \$15 for adults, available at Cyrano's, D&J Express Mart, and the Old Rangoon.

July 18

"Out Foxed." Fair and Balanced? You Decide. Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Highlands Civic Center.

July 22

• Zahner Conservation Lecture Series at the Highlands Nature Center. Kefyn Catley, Assistant Professor of Science Education at Vanderbilt University, will give a talk entitled "The 'Centipede's Tale': What a Recent Scientific Discovery Can Tell Us About the Planet's Biodiversity Crisis." 7 p.m. Free to the public.

July 22 through Aug 8

• "Honk" at the Highlands Playhouse. Performances are Tuesday-Saturday at 8 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m. Adult tickets, \$22; Children 12 and under, \$9. Call 526-2695 for tickets or visit the box office on Oak Street.

July 19-23

• Macon County Soccer Camp. For more information or to sign up, call 524-1928.

July 19-24

• Zona Rosa Writers' Retreat with Rosemary Daniell with Katherine Willoughby and Shakespeare & Company at 8 Old Farm Road. Cost is \$425 or \$100 per day -- inclusive fee includes individual consultation. Mail synopsis of manuscripts of 6-12 pages to Rosemary Daniell, 125 Skidaway Road, Savannah, Ga., 31404 no later than July 9. For more information call 526-3777.

July 24

• The third in the summer series of pancake breakfasts sponsored by The Scaly Mountain Women's Club will be held at the Scaly Ski Lodge. A full seated meal including juice, coffee, homemade pancakes and sausage will be served from 7-10 a.m. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children.

 Macon County Public Library's evening of "Authors & Auctions" Saturday, at 7 pm. Features 100 volumes to be auctioned at the Friends of the Library. The auction, a benefit for the Macon County Public Library, will take place in the Franklin corporate headquarters of Macon Bank off the U.S. 441N bypass.

July 31

•A car show and a flea market are two summer fund-raising events for the 2004 Macon County Senior Games/Silver Arts. The car show is from 10 am to 2 pm at the County Community Building parking lot at 1288 Georgia Road (U.S. 441 South), Franklin. Registration fee for cars to be displayed is \$10 per vehicle and will be accepted from 10 • United and United will present am to noon the day of the show.



- RELAY FOR LIFE -



Barry Buchanan, Lorrie Holland, Stacey Owens, and Jessica Jenkins of First Citizens Bank sell Relay for Life stars for \$1 with all proceeds benefitting the cause. Not pictured is Kelly Woods. The relay is set for August 27-28 in Cashiers.

Cancer Facts

Cancer is the second leading cause of death in the U.S., exceeded only by heart disease.

In the U.S., cancer causes one of every four deaths.

 About 1,368,000 new cancer cases will be diagnosed in 2004. Since 1990, more than 18 million new cancer cases have been diagnosed.

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HIARPT Events

August 2

The Right Reverend John Shelby Spong, Bishop of the Diocese of Newark, Retired, will present the sixth public lecture in the Highlands Institute's Public Lecture/Seminar Series on Monday, August 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the Martin-Lipscomb Performing Arts Center. The topic of Bishop Spong's lecture is "Beyond Theism, But Not Beyond God."

August 3

The Right Reverend John Shelby Spong, Bishop of the Diocese of Newark, Retired, will lead a discussion/seminar for the Highlands Institute's Public Lecture/Seminar Series on August 23 at 10:00 a.m. in the Martin-Lipscomb Performing Arts Center. Bishop Spong will lead the discussion on his lecture on "Beyond Theism, But Not Beyond God."

Newton Smith returns to CLE

(CLE) takes pleasure in announcing looking up to the mountains, that Professor Newton Smith will be dreaming that one day I would live returning to give another one of his here," Smith said. He received the entertaining lectures on July 21 at the Civic Center at 8 p.m.

His subject will be: "Jack Tales from Appalachia." Videos, tapes and personal tale telling will be used to demonstrate the color of this culture.

Appalachian tales, often called Jack Tales, are part of what makes this culture so fascinating. Jack, as we know him, in the Appalachian region is from the ancient Celtic tradition. His character fits into

two categories – a trickster figure or a fairytale hero. He overcomes hardship by his wits and integrity. As a fairytale hero, he survives with the help of the natural world and using his innate "supernatural powers" or his relationship with the animals and plants. In Appalachia Jack Tales, the stories usually center on poverty, harsh working conditions and being "on their own."

Smith's interest in Appalachian literature grew out of his interests cerning the organization or its proin the local culture of the mountain

The Center for Life Enrichment region. "I grew up \in Greer, S.C., first grant offered by the Appalachian Consortium in 1972 that sent

pairs of students

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into homes in remote sections of Western Carolina they collected songs, stories, family history, and cultural practices. He has presented often at the Appalachian **Studies Association** Conferences and is the former chair of the Appalachian Writers' Association. The

Newton Smith

Wednesday Night lectures are free (although voluntary donations, which help defrav the costs of the program, are always appreciated). The Center for Life Enrichment [CLE] is a non-profit organization, which originated here in Highlands, and works to bring speakers and programs to the Highlands-Cashiers area that will enrich the lives of the attendees, both intellectually and culturally.

Anyone who has questions congrams may call the CLE at 526-9381. Highlands' Newspaper - Friday, July 16, 2004 - Page 23

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Grassroots arts grants available

County invites local non-profit agencies to apply for a Grassroots Arts Program grant to help fund a community arts program such as a concert, exhibit or workshop. Applications are judged on artistic merit, level of community involvement and need.

Special consideration will be given to new projects designed to reach people not normally served by

The Arts Council of Macon the arts. Awards generally range from \$200 to \$500.

> Grants are awarded on a fundsavailable basis and must be matched dollar-for-dollar by the applicant organization.

> The deadline for the summer/fall cycle is July 28. First-time applicants may request help in preparing their proposals. Call the Macon Arts Council 524-7683 at or arts4all@dnet.net

HIARPT gets 3-year matching grant of \$15,000

The Highlands Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought has received a \$15,000 three-year matching grant from the Metanexus Institute on Religion and Science, with special funding from the John Templeton Foundation.

The Metanexus Institute is dedicated to education, research and outreach on the constructive engagement of science and religion. Metanexus is part of a growing network of individuals and groups exploring the dynamic interface between cosmos, nature, and culture

in cities and campuses throughout the world. Metanexus sponsors public lectures, faculty training, workshops for congregations, ministerial and civic groups, research seminars, course development grants, Internet publications, and community educational events. The Highlands Institute is committed to raising \$15,000 of matching funds over the next three years.

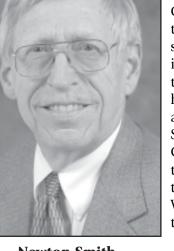
The Highlands Institute has a membership of approximately one hundred academics who have diverse theological and philosophical perspectives. HIARPT contributes to

philosophy through interpretative, critical, and constructive reflections whose principal focus is on distinctive American religious and political thought.

The grant will assist funding of HIARPT's annual summer Seminars and Conferences. The 2004 HIARPT's Members's Conference focused on of three members of HIARPT "Nature's Religion, Vol. 1"; Donald Lecture Series at 526-5037.

the academic study of religion and Crosby, Colorado State University, "A Religion of Nature"; and Karl E. Peters, Rollins College, "Dancing with the Sacred." Also two of the June Public Lecturers addressed directly science and religion: Langdon Gilkey, the University of Chicago Divinity School, and Wentzel van Huyssteen, Princeton Theological Seminary.

For information concerning the the dialogue between science, Highlands Institute for American religion, and philosophy. The works Religious and Philosophical Thought contact Dr. Creighton Peden, provided the particular focus: Robert President, at 526-4038 or Dr. Everett Corrington, Drew University, J. Tarbox, Jr., Director of the Public



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In loving memory of Truffy, our beloved 15-year-old poodle who died in an car accident on Thursday July 8. He was our best friend and companion and touched many lives with his sweet nature. He was a visitor at the Fidelia Eckerd Living Center where he gave comfort to the residents. We miss him and remember him with the deepest love. If Truffy has touched your heart. Donations to the Highlands Cashiers humane society will be appreciated and coupled with our own. God Bless

> Dick and Barbara Lawrence **Scaly Mountain**

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• HIGHLANDS SERVICE DIRECTORY •



• The dept. responded to an accident on U.S. 64 west where a jeep turned over. There was one injury. The victim was transported to Highlands-Cashiers Hospital. July 9

• The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with

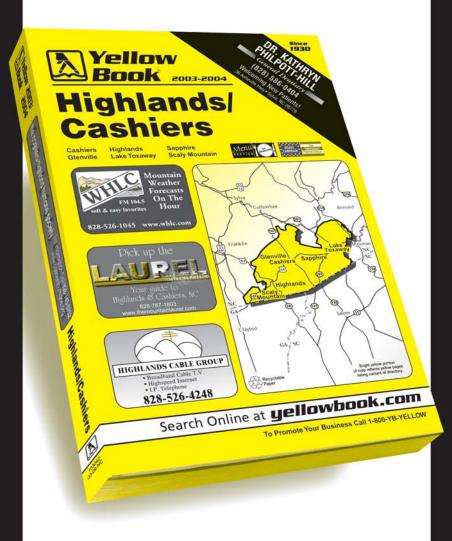
a hand injury at Mountain Fresh. The victim was transported to Highlands-Cashiers Hospital. July 10

• The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call at Mountain High Lodge. The victim was • The dept. responded to golf cart fire on Rhododendron Drive. It was out when the dept. arrived.

• The dept. provided mutual aid to the Cashiers Fire Dept. while it fought a structure fire.

• The dept. responded to a fire alarm at Twigs on U.S. 64 west. It was false.

Yellow Book. Not the other book.



The NEW Highlands-Cashiers Yellow Book can be picked up at the following locations:

Albert Carlton – Cashiers Community Library located opposite the post office in Cashiers.

Cashiers Area Chamber of Commerce, 202 Highway and Rt. 64 West, Cashiers

Highlands Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center, located above town hall, Oak St. and 4th St., Highlands

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The town jail, built in 1918, still stands on Maple Street. Bennie Rogers, town policeman from 1912-1945 will be portrayed by Charles Edwards.

'Walk in the Park' this weekend

This year's *Walk in the Park* presented by the Highlands Historical Society will acquaint Highlanders and its visitors with various aspects of Highlands' illustrious past.

It takes place today, tomorrow and Sunday with rain dates next weekend.

Walks will begin every 15 minutes at the Highlands Memorial Park on Friday and Saturday from 6 to 8 p.m. and Sunday from 4 to 6 p.m.

The town jail, built in 1918, still stands on Maple Street. It was frequently used to house earlier Highlanders who became rowdy after indulging in home-brewed "white lighning," with transportation provided by Ed "Bennie" Rogers, the town's policeman from 1912 to 1945.

Rogers will be portrayed in the *Walk* by attorney Charles Edwards.

Stockbroker Brian McClellan will portray one of Highlands' most popular people of the past, Robert "Bob" DuPree, Presbyterian minister, town recreational director, merchant and actor. Seven other historic persons will be portrayed.

Tickets to the *Walk in the Park* are available at \$15 for adults at Cyrano's, D & J Express Mart and The Old Rangoon, or at the Conference Center on any day of performance.Students will be admitted free.



Fifth Annual Highlands **WALK IN THE PARK** Friday, July 16 & Saturday, July 17 ~ 6-8 pm Sunday, July 18 ~ 4-6 pm Raindates: July 23, 24 & 25 Shuttle departs from Highlands Conference Center Adults \$15.00 / Students Free Idvance tickets available at Cyrano's, D & J Express Mart, The Old Range ORDER NOW! Get your copy of this full color beautiful poster designed by Rosemary Clark Stiefel

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