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· Zorki on guitar and Todd Mueller on the drums at Cyprus Restaurant at 9:30 p.m.

Sept. 30-Oct. 1

• Fine Art Center/Bascom Louise Gallery Art& Wine Auction. For tickets, call 526-4949.

Sept. 30-Oct. 2

 Highlands Antique Show in the new Highlands School gym. Fri. and Sat. 10 a.m. -7 p.m. Sun., noon to 5 p.m. Admission \$10. Admission proceeds benefit the Playhouse and the School.

Oct. 1

- Debbie Thornton, co-author of "Any Blonde Can Cook Two Hundred 69 Ways to a Man's Heart," signing copies at the Speckled Hen at The Falls On Main, Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Yard Sale Satulah Club at First Citizens Bank, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Featuring baked goods, dried flower and more
- Rabies Clinic at Highlands Conference Center from 1-2:30 p.m. and at Scaly Mountain Post Office from 3-4 p.m. both with Dr. Amy Patterson. \$5 per pet. Cash only.

 • The Macon County Art Association art show
- and sale at the Catholic Church on 5th Street, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

 The hospital auxiliary will meets at 10 a.m. at the hospital to finalize plans for the upcoming Highlands Craft Fair.

Oct. 4

• Pack 207, Highlands Cub Scout Pack, Tuesday, from 6-7p.m. in the chool cafeteria.

Oct. 5 & 6

• SAT prep class for either the SAT or pre-SAT, 6 p.m. at the Literacy Council in the Peggy Crosby Center, Call 536-9938, ext. 240.

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'River Walk' plans reviewed

By Kim & Jim Lewicki

A final plat for a 33-acre subdivision along the Cullasaja River has planning board members a little concerned.

At the Sept. 26 Planning Board meeting, Tom Turrentine, developer of The River Walk Subdivision, requested approval of his plans and requested a road variance

for the proposed cluster development which will include 66 homes between 2,200-2,400 sq. ft. starting at \$695,000.

"It will look very much like the current Village Walk subdivision on Chestnut Street," he said.

> But since the project involves so many • See RIVER WALK page 9

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Class ranking system under fire at school

By Jim Lewicki

It seems the race for valedictorian and salutatorian has gotten out of hand at Highlands School.

At the Sept. 26 School Board meeting, Principal Monica Bomengen asked board members to consider abolishing the class ranking system at the school.

She said there have been numerous attempts by both students and parents to get information from the school about other students' grades, performances on tests and courses.

"I have never seen such unhealthy competition," she said. "I believe it stems from the quest for valedictorian and salutatorian positions upon graduation."

Bomengen said daily requests made of the Guidance Department by students and parents about other students' performance is hindering the department's ability to do its job.

A question was asked of the board concerning the legality of the administration, teachers and guidance counselors discussing students' performance with others.

"That is indeed illegal," said Chairman of the Board Kevin Corbin. "And any parents or students requesting information about others should be told so."

He said parents and students requesting information about other students should be discouraged from engaging in that sort of activity.

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Club begins its 9th year of service



Photo by Kim Lewicki

Friday, Sept. 23, The Girls' Clubhouse community service group started its ninth year with a project for Highlands School. The girls spread mulch in the lily garden behind the old gym, pulled weeds and cleaned the parking lot area around a mountain of mulch. This year, The Girls' Clubhouse welcomes seniors Claire Frederick and Megan Lewicki as chaperones, advisors and helpers. They spent three years in the club as sixth, seventh and eighth-graders. Also returning to the club this year are seventh-graders Amy Fogle, Setephanie Puchacz, Amanda Barnes, and Paige Baty. Incoming sixth-graders are Jenny Coram, Kimberly Machuca and Shelby Houston. There's still room for more. The club meets every Friday in the school library from 3-4:30 p.m.

n on commercial development considered

By Kim Lewicki

The number of items slated for the public hearing Oct. 12 at Town Hall are increasing.

Originally it was set to just hear the public's opinion on the town evoking Extra Territorial Jurisdiction a mile from the current town limit.

Now comments will be heard on

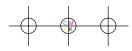
adoption of the town's watershed ordinance in the ETJ'd area, an amendment to the 12-month limitation on rezoning petitions and a moratorium on commercial development for 120 days (February 16, 2006) in the ETJ'd area.

The purpose of the moratorium is to prevent commercial development in the ETJ — should the Town decide to exercise

its ETJ — while zoning regulations are being drafted," said Town Administrator Richard Betz. "That could take two or three months this fall and winter."

The Town Board will vote on evoking ETJ and the issues surrounding it at the Oct. 19 Town Board meeting.

> "If the Board votes to extend its ETJ • See MORATORIUM page 9





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'Bobby Jones' nets \$100,000 for hospital



Bob Jones Invitational Golf Tournament Chairman, Jimmy Watts (fifth from left) presents a check to Jack Calloway, president of the Highlands-Cashiers Hospital Foundation, (sixth from left), for the proceeds of this years event. This summers tournament, held at Highlands Country Club, netted a total of \$100,000 for Highlands-Cashiers Hospital. Over its history, the tournament has raised over \$2.5 million for the hospital. Joining Watts and Calloway in the photo are from left: tournament committee members, Dr. Martin Teem, Anne Bailey, Martha Betz, club administrator and tournament secretary; Watts, Calloway, and Allen Hardin. Committee members not present for the photo included Wayne Beckner, Bill Gaston and Walter Wattles, chairman emeritus. First Citizens Bank and The Coca-Cola Company were major sponsors for this years event.

Paoletti's raises \$3,500 and counting

If you want to help the hurricane victims while buying a chance to some top-of-the-line items, now is your chance.

The folks at Ristorante Paoletti are conducting a raffle with lots of fundraising potential for the victims of Hurricane Katrina.

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piece (\$3,500 value); Bordeaux Mixed Pack (\$1,000 value) from Paoletti's; a Gift Certificate for Paoletti's (\$500 value); or a Handmade Grapevine Moose Head from Crystal & Bark & The Little Flower Shop (\$500 value).

All proceeds will go directly to the New Orleans Humane Society, the New Orleans Habitat for Humanity and toward Thanksgiving dinners for all the parishes affected by the hurricane.

Raffle tickets are available at Ristorante Paoletti, or by calling, 526-4906.

So far, \$3,500 has been raised.

• LETTERS TO THE EDITOR •

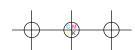
Many Thanks to Mayor Buck Trott!

Dear Editor,

At a recent PTO meeting and then again at the Middle School open house we learned that, halfway through the first quarter of school, there were several classes/students without textbooks. It was suggested we call Dr. Shotwell for help. But, he had already been contacted and we were still without the needed materials. Since it was felt that Dr. Shotwell's hands were also tied I called Mayor Trott to see if he had any suggestions on who we could call at the State level. Buck took it upon himself to make the calls and get books to our school! We had the majority of what was needed within two (2) days!! We are still waiting for third grade readers and one group of science kits for the fourth grade. What we needed was math books for grades 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8; Science books for grades 4, 6, 7 and 8 and Biology books for 10th grade. Thank you, Mayor Trott, for really caring and taking the action needed for our students and teachers!

Karen Dunn Highlands

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Real live 'Karate Kid'

Will Araujo, fifth-grader at Highlands School, stands beside one of the many trophies he has won this year in karate tournaments held across the U.S.

He is currently ranked second in the nation in his age and belt classification by the North America Sport Karate Association.



• OBITUARIES •

Rose-Mary Bumby Barry

Rose-Mary Bumby Barry, 91, of Highlands and Florida, died September 16, 2005. She was the widow of the late Dr. Edward J. Barry, an Orlando, Fla., osteopathic physician pioneer. She was the daughter of Leonard John and Susanna M. Jenkins Bumby family of Winter Park, Fla., members of the pioneer Bumby family of Orlando, Fla.

She was a devoted wife, mothers, mother-in-law, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and daughter.

She is survived by one son, Edward Joseph Barry IV (Brenda) of Winter Park, Fla.; four grandchildren, Rose-Mary Ann Lopez (Carlos) of Yorktown Heights, N.Y., Edward Joseph Barry V (Melissa) of Casselberry, Fla., Katherine Elizabeth Goulet (Morgan) of Palm Harbor, Fla., and Anna Marie Phillips (Eric) of Wesley Chapel, Fla.; six great-grandchildren, Emily and Sean Lopez, Maddison and Emma Barry, and Hunter and Ashley Goulet.

A funeral mass was held at St. Margaret Mart Catholic Academy and internment was at Woodlawn Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please make contributions to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, Central Florida Chapter, 3319 Maguire Blvd., Suite #101, Orlando, Fla., 32803, or to a charity of your choice.

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Many thanks to all

Dear Editor,

The family of Donna Munger Henry wishes to express their deepest gratitude for the love shown to Donna and family during her illness.

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The Family of Donna Munger Henry

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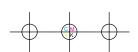
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LAUGHING AT LIFE

N.C. DOT gorges itself on the 'Peter Principle'

Unless you have been living on Pluto, (Don't ever go there) you probably already know about the "Peter Principle." Just in case you don't, the "Peter Principle," a book by Laurence J. Peter, says an employee rises up within an organization until he reaches a level of incompetence where he or she remains for the



Fred Wooldridge

remainder of their career. I know you could give me hundreds of examples of the Peter Principle in action.

I believe the North Carolina Department of Transportation is a shining example of the Peter Principle working at its very best. If you disagree, I have two words for you. "Bowery Road."

The best way to tell if the "Peter Principle" is at work within an organization is to monitor hierarchies' fear of leaving the office. Once leaders reach their final level of incompetency, they surround themselves with like kind and life is good. Leaving the office complicates matters because someone just may find out how incompetent

Many years ago, I and several other concerned Highlanders went on a letter writing campaign in an attempt to get DOT leaders to prevent 18-wheeler trucks from traveling through the

I took a different approach with DOT than my fellow letter writers. I

made the mistake of appealing to their common sense. Warning: Never do

My letter said that simple engineering math, using "duh" calculations, would reveal it is physically impossible for an 18wheeler tractor trailer to drive through the gorge without crossing the double yellow lines. Since crossing the lines is against North Carolina law, DOT, by allowing this, are giving them permission to break the law. TA DA. Simple, huh?

This, of course, is also discriminatory because the rest of us non-truckers will get a ticket if caught •See WOOLDRIDGE page 8

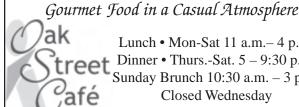


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• Another View •

Katrina's aftermath not all Bush's fault

It is tempting to blame the Bush administration for the Katrina failures, but as many have already said, there is plenty of blame to go around. Gross incompetence has surfaced not only at FEMA, where a bunch of the president's political cronies occupied the top positions, but at the state and local levels as well.

What was exposed in the floodwaters of New Orleans, apart from inefficiency and dead bodies, is something much more basic and detestable about America than government malfeasance. We all knew about it, we all accepted it as given, but seeing it on television day after day, it probably penetrated our defenses in a new and startling way.

What I am talking about, of course, is the interweaving of class and race in America. Seventy percent of the population of New Orleans was black, but something like 95 percent or more of the people in the Super Bowl were. A similar racial proportion undoubtedly was still trapped in the fetid, noxious waters or drowned in them.

What was wrong with these people, I heard some Americans ask. Why didn't they get out of town? Well, as has been amply documented, they were the ones who had no way out of the city when a mandatory evacuation was announced. They didn't own cars, or their cars were junkers. Their ghettoes and their lives were threatened by a handful of armed thugs and thieves, so it made sense for them to cling desperately to what little they had.

Some thus stayed in ruined, waterlogged homes, waiting to be rescued. Others were taken to what passed for a shelter, the Super Bowl, devoid of food or drinking water.

What was wrong with these people was that they were *poor*. I don't believe, as some left-wing critics have charged, that they were deliberately ignored by rescuers because they were poor or because they were black. But I believe with all my heart that had they been white and middle or upper middle class, the bungling of the federal government would have elicited an even more enormous furor, a scandal with much greater political reverberations

We whites don't like to think much about race anymore. The civil



Dr. Alex Redmountain

rights movement is an ancient memory. Affirmative action is perceived by some white people as unfair and unnecessary competition. Special set-asides for blackowned businesses, at times arguably riddled with corruption, are extremely unpopular. Threats from groups like the Black Panthers and the Black Muslims, as well as individuals like Stokeley Carmichael and Malcolm X, have

been silenced. So it is easier to convince oneself that it is only a matter of time before the race issue disappears altogether.

Furthermore, no one, and I mean no one except a few radicals and academics, likes to think about class. Ever since Marxism was equated with Soviet-style Communism, discussions of class warfare have been very muted here. The vast majority of Americans, whatever their actual and concrete situation, like to think they belong to the middle class. Poor people usually know that they don't. The better-off like to pretend that they are middle class in order to ward off envy or the wrath of a God who looks askance at greed and crude materialism.

In the rest of the First World, class consciousness is a living reality with a lengthy historical record. In the United States, on the other hand, class has a spotty history, stoked in its salad days primarily by immigrants from Eastern Europe and Scandinavia. During the twentieth century, there have been several instances of class unrest, notably in the 1920s and 1930s. The earlier ones were quelled by red-baiting and "prosperity," the latter by the New Deal and World War II.

Today the idea of a working-class movement seems quaint and remote. Unions, many of them defiled by corruption, are battered and crumbling. State laws make it difficult to organize within a particular industry or across industries. Corporations find it in their interest to discourage employees from efforts to associate (e.g., Wal-Mart).

Many American workers still hold on to the fantasy that they can strike it rich some day. Whether via lottery or by way of the casino, they piddle away their meager earnings, or they drink and drug themselves into a fanciful state of denial. Notions of self-suffi-

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The race for Town Board

Every week prior to the Nov. 5 election, candidates have agreed to answer questions.

Question #5

Due to demanding schedules, it is becoming increasingly hard to enlist volunteers at the Highlands Fire & Rescue Department. As Highlands grows, calls to the department increase. Through the fire tax levied by Macon County, expenses are met for upgrading equipment, training and vehicles, but not salaries. Do you think it is time for a paid fire and rescue force, or at least a handful of paid employees and why? If not, how long do you think the department can operate on a volunteer basis?



Mayoral Candidate Mayor Buck Trott

Over the years, our town has been extremely fortunate to have an absolutely outstanding voluntary fire department.

The North Carolina Insurance Commission sets the standards and requirements for fire departments throughout our state. Highlands Fire Department has earned a 5 rating which is higher than Franklin's which reportedly has some paid firemen.

In my opinion, morale, training, equipment and facilities rank far above that of other fire departments. Repeatedly, I have been told about the superior status of our fire fighting and rescue capability.

As recent as last week, a new town employee who has worked with fire departments in the eastern part of our state praised the quality of equipment and facilities in the fire department. Response to calls is outstanding. My major concern is that often motorists do not yield to firemen going to the fire station. They have red lights in their private vehicles and must be granted the right of way.

Going to a paid department would require a tremendous increase in our tax rate without assurance of a significant increase in effectiveness.

Highlands is unique because many of our structures are isolated and not occupied all the time. Many houses are already engulfed in flames prior to the 911call.

The primary focus of fire departments is on saving life and property. There is an unbelievable amount of required training that requires numerous classroom hours and testing. Some training is only available many miles away, thereby cutting into a volunteer's time.

I definitely feel that Highlanders owe fire and rescue personnel a sincere and grateful thanks for the job they do. THANKS!



Mayoral Candidate Zeke Sossomon

I really don't know much about volunteer fire departments, except that we all should be grateful that we have a very good one. The members perform one of the higher forms of community service here.

I do know that we have a district fire tax which is added by Macon County to a property owner's annual tax bill. The rate of tax is presently 1.6 cents per hundred dollars valuation. The tax rate is set by the County based solely on the budget submitted by the fire department. The tax rate can be higher if the budget request requires it. Some areas of Macon County already have full time employees in fire departments and are taxed as high as 8 cents per hundred. It all depends on what the department requests.

I also know that paid employees at the fire department could improve fire insurance ratings and thus save some money to homeowners.

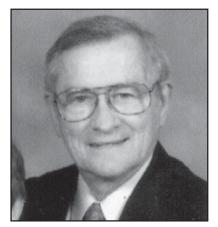
So, the decision is the fire department's. If they feel that paid employees are necessary, ask for it. As I understand it, the County doesn't question the budget request so long as it is within legal limits. Personally, it probably would be a good idea, not just to get additional firemen, but also from increased protection.

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Prizes include: \$100 groceries from Bryson's Food Store; \$100 gas from D&J Express Mart; \$100 savings bond from RBC Centura; and \$100 gift certificate from Reeves Hardware. The drawing will be held at the Fall Festival, Saturday, Oct. 22. Available at Highlands Newspaper.



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Mayoral Candidate Don Mullen

Highlands has had a fine volunteer Fire and Rescue Department which has performed admirably for a long time.

However, with the growth of the town, the expansion of building projects, and the steadily increasing population and tax base, the time has come for creating at least two new full time positions in the Department.

The volunteers now are paid only \$10 per call and this must be increased or we will begin to lose the volunteers we have. We live in one of the highest "lightening strike" areas in our country and every year several homes are destroyed by lightning fires.

It is important that we expand our ability to handle such situations with both well trained full time and volunteer individuals who continue to have the finest equipment available to carry out their jobs.



Commissioner Candidate Amy Patterson

I have to admit that I am not intimately familiar with the problems of volunteer fire departments in general nor the Highlands district department, specifically.

Most, if not all, of the small fire departments in North Carolina are volunteer. Our fire department volunteers do a good job of serving our fire district in what is an essential but thankless job.

As the plateau population increases and the number of calls rise, there may come a time when an all volunteer force is not sufficient. When the leaders of our fire department advise the town that they are reaching the point when they can no longer meet the demand for service, then the town, in conjunction with the county, will need to address the problem.

Until then and until I have studied the problem and possible solutions, any answer to the question is simple speculation.

Chamber seeks award nominees

The Highlands Chamber of Commerce is accepting applications for two community awards that will be presented at their Fall Finale on Monday, November 7 at the Highlands Conference Center.

The first award is the Robert B. Dupree Award for Outstanding Community Service. Last year's recipient was Mary Thompson. "This award recognizes a Highlands resident for a lifetime of achievements for our community," said Membership Services Chair Michelle Hubbell. "We have so many people that give to Highlands, and this is the Chamber's way of saying thank you."

A new award this year is the Duke Power Citizenship and Service Award. "This award will recognize individuals or groups who make a difference in their community or place of work by using their time, talents, and compassion to positively impact the lives of others," said Hubbell. "While the Dupree Award is for lifetime contributions, the Duke Power Citizenship and Service Award is designed to recognize outstanding volunteer service and civic participation over a twelve month period."

Please submit your entries to these awards to the Chamber office no later than Friday, October 7. It can be mailed to P.O. Box 62 or e-mailed to highlandscofc@smnet.net.

"We are looking forward to some great entries. If you have submitted someone in the past, please resubmit their nomination," commented Hubbell. "This is the highlight of our year."

Cub Scout meetings to begin Oct. 4

On Oct. 4, Pack 207, Highlands own Cub Scout Pack, will be signing up returning and new cub scouts on Tuesday, from 6-7p.m. at the Highlands School Cafeteria. Boys in 1st through 5th grade are eligible to participate. Please stop by on Tuesday to learn more about our local Cub Scout Pack and register your boy for a fun, fulfilling year of activities! If you have any questions or want to sign up but cannot attend on Tuesday, please contact Phil Potts at 526-3719 or Mike Murphy at 526-1841. Also, Hurricane Katrina evacuees are encouraged to participate as well, if you leave us during the school year, your scout membership will transfer to your next pack!

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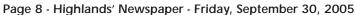
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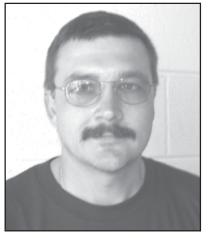


Commissioner Candidate Hank Ross

Although the Highlands Fire & Rescue is a department of the Town of Highlands, they get operating funds from a variety of sources. Because of this funding diversity, management within their department is given more latitude concerning decisions.

In my opinion, the current management structure serves the town and county very well. I do feel, however, that every organization should periodically review its structure for potential improvements.

If the Highlands Fire & Rescue Department proposes to add full time employees, I would support this change if it improves the department's operation or



Commissioner Candidate James Manley

I think the Fire and Rescue Department is doing an outstanding job. The response time for the Department is

Bob Houston is our administrative Assistant who does our paperwork, ordering and bill paying.

The Department has 29 volunteer members and four applications in for membership.

The volunteers are doing an excellent job. Thank you, guys!

Fall Festival tickets on sale at Highlands School

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over the line. I suggested they either change the law to allow everyone to cross the yellow line, which is ridiculous, or kick the trucks off the highway. I held my breath, hoping they would not say it's OK for everyone to cross the line.

DOT could not grasp the concept. This part is really scary. They wrote back and said maybe signs would help. What would the signs say? "DOT allows trucks to break the law by crossing over the lines so watch out because you might die."

Like a Shih Tzu attacking an elephant, I wrote again, only this time I used the fantasy approach, writing words like culpable negligence, liability and seven-figure lawsuits, stuff like that. I described a horrified mother and her three small children plunging into the gorge after being run off the road by a semi-truck. It was the tackiest letter I ever wrote, but it worked. Remember, "CYA" is the main goal of all DOT executives and the only thing that will get them out of their towers, if only

I can't remember the name of the cone head they finally sent over here, so let's just call him Peter. Peter came; Peter saw the gorge; Peter freaked out; Peter went back, vowing he would take action. Guess what? We got signs warning truckers about the dangerous

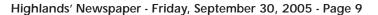
road ahead. Tourists, eat cake. The signs should have said, "Warning, trucks are required to drive on your side of the road."

Today, there are a lot less semitrailers driving through the gorge because of an alternate "64 Truck Route," but some are still coming and it only takes one to kill you. Just remember, about 25 percent of the time that trucker is driving through the gorge, his rig is on your side of the road and with DOT's permission. Don't get mad at the trucker because he can't help it. Get mad at DOT for allowing it

Finally, here's another fun thing DOT likes to do to make your trip through the gorge more exciting. Whenever a repair is made where they recap a portion of the road, tiny gravel is spread all over the repaired area once the job is completed, making it as slippery as snot. (Ugh!) Your wheels hit the gravel and you are out of control. Hopefully a big rig is not bearing down on you.

If I were really brave, I would round up a bunch of concerned Highlanders and march right into DOT headquarters and demand to see those guys up in their ivory towers My problem is I am afraid to leave my





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Bomengen said she thought the situation was affecting the students' overall education.

"Students may take a course based upon its course weight instead of one they are truly interested in," she said.

Superintendent Dr. Rodney Shotwell said he had been through similar situations in his career.

"This is not a problem special to Highlands," he said. "When I was a principal and now as superintendent, the class-ranking for valedictorian and salutatorian has always been a issue."

The board agreed to table the request until members could poll other school districts to see how the issue is handled elsewhere.

"We don't want to be the only school system to do away with it," said Vice Chairman Donnie Edwards. "We should also find out what the University of North Carolina system thinks about class rankings."

Bomengen said there are plenty of scholarships out there for students. "Scholarships and colleges put emphasis on many factors other than just class ranking," she said.

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on October 19, it could — should it choose — impose a moratorium at the same time while it is working on the zoning districts and regulations in the ETJ area," said Betz.

A new statute clarifies that a moratorium of this kind can only be imposed pursuant to an Ordinance which addresses several points — why it's being done, what it covers, how long it will last, and

what the governing body is doing in the meantime. "All pursuant to a public hearing and notice which must be published in the paper," said Betz.

A special Town Board meeting was called Monday, Sept. 26 so the notice could be published within the legal timeframe prior to the public hearing Oct. 12.

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issues and could have a major impact on Highlands, the board tabled the request until Oct. 5.

"I don't understand the rush on this, especially since we are deciding on what may be the largest subdivision in Highlands," said board member Griffin Bell. "I feel we all need more time to study the plans."

The developer said he misunderstood the time of last month's meeting and got behind schedule. "I have some financial deadlines to meet coming up October 15." He said he is at risk of losing his \$800,000 earnest money.

Plans call for the re-combination of the acreage which consists of one-quarter-acre non-conforming lots and some hitherto un-subdivided lots at the current density of one-half acre and clustering them together. "It looks to me like it would comply," said Town Administrator Richard Betz.

The property is located between the Highlands cemetery and the Cullasaja River – part inside the town and part outside the town – and includes the old Laurel Terrace subdivision whose quarter-acre lots are grandfathered.

"Part of the project is outside of Town and at the October 5 Town Board meeting they are on the agenda requesting annexation," said Betz. Though neither the Town Board nor the Planning Board knew of the project, Turrentine said it has been in the works for some time.

During a walk through the property Tuesday morning, he told the planning board he moved ahead with the plan based on a preliminary OK by letter from Zoning Administrator Larry Gantenbein. "He said if I complied with the ordinances it should be OK," he said.

At the continued October 5 meeting, the planning board will consider its recommendation to the Town Board which meets later that night. "This is a big subdivision, after all," members said.

The other problem is that Town Engineer Lamar Nix has not had time to review the infrastructure. "In his preliminary review he found several things wrong," said Betz. However project engineer Bronce Pesterfield said those issues had been corrected on the final plat. "But Lamar has not had time to sign off on the project," said Betz.

"I would really feel better if Lamar looks at this," said board member Ginger Slaughter.

Turrentine said he hired Hank Ross as the lead landscape architect on the project. "We are very concerned with the appearance and plan to save as many trees as possible," he said.

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An antiqu-er's delight

By Joe Litsch

he bookshelves in Greg Davis' At lanta home look a little bare now. He's packed and ready to travel to Highlands for the First Annual Antiques Show, which debuts at the Highlands School Gym, Friday, Sept. 30.

"I'll be bringing about 500 — maybe 600 — volumes," Davis said. He stores them in his home to assure all books are kept in a climate controlled area, unaffected by moisture and Georgia heat.

Davis is one of the cross-section of antique dealers assembled by Michael and Nancy Weaver for this show. "We have tried to offer a wide variety of antiques and collectibles," said Weaver, a silver specialist who has been organizing and promoting antiques shows since 1997.

There will be fine English furniture and accessories, vintage linens, silver pieces, rustic furniture, antique clocks, porcelains, China and more. And, of course, there will be some surprises. "We've tried to offer a lot of choices to cover as many tastes and likes as possible," said Weaver.

Davis not only collects rare books, he can trace the history of printing in Europe and the States. "Literary collections (one of Davis' specialties) really became popular after the Industrial Revolution when printing was improved. Literary sets were very common for gentlemen's libraries (think Prof. Henry Higgins in "My Fair Lady" or the library at Biltmore House in Asheville)," said Davis.

And most of the books were leatherbound with the titles embossed in real gold. "Those are the REAL collectibles," said Davis. "The new theater editions are not real leather. They do look nice but they are not the same as the hand-tooled bindings."

Through the years, Davis has seen some really valuable books pass through is hands. "Probably the most valuable was a McKinney and Hall folio of Indians...circa 1837," said Davis. And he has had quite a number of first edition books. In fact, there will be many first editions in his booth at Highlands.

Out of curiosity, how much would a first edition of Margaret Mitchell's "Gone With the Wind" command. "Well, with the dust jacket — you definitely want the dust jacket.....that's 85% of the value — anywhere from \$3,000 to \$8,000 depending on the condition of the book. And, if it is signed by Margaret Mitchell...well, that's definitely a bonus."

Because Davis has been in the rare book business so long, he rarely goes scouting for books. "I buy from a number of places....privately...occasional estate sales, but that has become very difficult," he said. "I do have 'pickers' in different parts of the country."

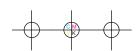
Davis' portable library will be set up in the Highlands School Gym, ready for curious peruses, adjacent to furniture, china, silver — all dealers ready to describe and explain their wares.

This antiques show, the realization of a two-year-old dream, is a benefit for both the Highlands School and the Highlands Playhouse. The show opens Friday and continues through Sunday.

New wheels set the tone



They've put a "new face" on at the Highlands Police Department. With the Town Boards OK, the department purchased six used Crown Victorias so each officer now has a take-home car. Cars are the newest aspect of the departments employee package. Town officials hope take-home cars will not only entice officers to come to work for Highlands but to stay a good long while. New decals advertise the departments motto – "Serving our community." Photo by Kim Lewicki



'Treehouse' tour to aid victims



Starting October 7-23, Highlands Treehouse Showhouse on Laurelwood Lane will be open to the public for view, Mon-Sat 11-4 and Sunday 1-4. Tickets are \$10 available at the door. All proceeds to benefit hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita victims. For more information, call Rebecca Clary at 526-2973 or 200-9238.

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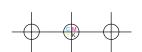
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Varsity VB team on winning streak

By Claire Young

JV Volleyball Coach

The Lady Highlanders had a tough schedule last week with three games against Cherokee (9/19), Rabun Gap (9/21) and Nantahala (9/22). But, the team brought home three victories, finishing out the week with a 5-game winning streak.

In the home game against Cherokee on Monday, Callie Rawlins, Toni Schmitt, and Rebecca Wyatt were all 100% from the serving line. In addition to their serving streaks, all three had strong defensive games with 5 and 7 digs from Toni and Becca, respectively, and three blocks from Callie. Anna Trine served and hit consistently with 5 aces and 10 kills, helping the team beat the Lady Braves in 3 straight games (25-10, 25-13, 25-12).

Toni Schmitt continues to be a leader at the serving line with 6 aces out of her 27 serves against Rabun Gap, a record for the team this season. Becca Wyatt led the team defensively all week with 7 digs against Cherokee, 14 against Rabun Gap (a team season high), and 12 at Nantahala. Anna Trine led the team offensively with double-digit kills all week, including a season high of 16 at Nantahala.

The JV team, though losing to Cher-

okee in the first half of the season, has greatly improved and went undefeated this week. They won the Monday match in two straight games. Strong serving performances from the entire team was a major factor in the wins, especially from Jessica Dryman, Angela Sanchez, Danielle Puchacz, and Amanda Parmelee who did not miss a serve in either the Cherokee match, or the match against Rabun Gap on Wed. JV Co-Captain Allison Winn played extremely well at the net against Cherokee by securing 9 kills.

The varsity is still undefeated in the conference, with an overall record of 8 and 3. The team's last home game will be against Swain on Thursday, October 6. Please come out to the new gym and support the team. Middle School will play at 4 p.m., followed by the JV game at 5 p.m. and the Varsity game at 6 p.m.

Teachers win international award

Jane Cahler, Great Beginnings teacher, gave a demonstration of her award winning flipchart using the ACTIVboard cessed at any time."

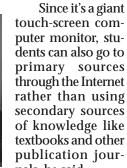
at the Sept. 26 School Board meeting.

Chalker was first-place winner in the Promethean-Activation Achievement Awards. She and Technology Facilitator Dea Cox are going to England Teachers Jane Chalker and Dea Cox. nals, he said. next week on an

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Boys varsity soccer team playing hard and winning

The Fighting Highlanders are quickly pulling ahead of their past losses with the latest Conference Game win against Andrews, Sept. 19.

The score was Highlands 10,

Buddy Parrish had 3 goals and made 3 assists; Matt Chenoweth had one assist; Nick Kerhoulas scored 1 goal and made 1 assist; Alec Schmitt scored 5 goals and made 1 assist; Grey Alexander made 1 goal, and 2 assists.

So far the overall record is 4-7 with two conference game wins.

The next games are away against Swain Co, Oct. 3; away against Hiawasee Dam, Oct. 5; and away against Polk County, Oct. 6.

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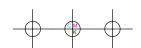
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Mountainview Alcoholics Anonymous meets in the remodeled basement room of the Presbyterian Church sanctuary, Mondays at 8 p.m.; Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. (women only); Wednesdays and Fridays at noon.

• An exhibit of Highlands landscape photography by Mark Hutchison will be showing at Mill Creek Gallery & Framing in Village Square at Oak and Fifth streets. An artist's reception will be held on Friday Sept. 30 from 5 to 7 p.m.

Sept. 30

• Żorki and Todd Mueller on the drums at Cyprus Restaurant 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Sept. 30-Oct. 1

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Sept. 30-Oct. 2

 Highlands Antique Show in the new Highlands School gym. Fri. and Sat. 10 a.m. 7 p.m. Sun., noon to 5 p.m. Admission \$10. Admission proceeds benefit the Playhouse and the School. Call 526-2695.

Barker's Creek Grist Mill, Rabun Gap will be open to the public from noon to 4 p.m. For information contact Woody Malot at 706-746-6921.

Debbie Thornton, co-author of "Any Blonde Can Cook Two Hundred 69 Ways to a Man's Heart," will be signing copies at the Speckled Hen at The Falls On Main, Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

• Yard Sale – Satulah Club at First Citi-

zens Bank, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Featuring baked goods, dried flowers and much more.

• Rabies Clinic at Highlands Conference Center from 1-2:30 p.m. and at Scaly Mountain Post Office from 3-4 p.m. both with Dr. Amy Patterson. \$5 per pet. Cash only. Please keep pets in vehicles, on leashes or in carri-ers. All dogs, cats and ferrets over four months old must be vaccinated.

• The Macon County Art Association will hold a show and sale of art works from paintings to photographs on the grounds of Our Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church on 5th Street, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

• The hospital auxiliary will hold an Important meeting at 10 a.m. at the hospital to discuss and finalize plans for the upcoming Highlands Craft Fair.

 Pack 207, Highlands own Cub Scout Pack, will be signing up returning and new cub scouts on Tuesday, from 6-7p.m. at the Highlands School Cafeteria. Boys in 1st through 5th grade are eligible to participate. Please stop by on Tuesday to learn more about our local Cub Scout Pack and register your boy for a fun, fulfilling year of activities! If you have any questions or want to sign up but cannot attend on Tuesday, please contact Phil Potts at 526-3719 or Mike Murphy at 526-1841. Also, Hurricane Katrina evacuees are encouraged to participate as well, if you leave us during the school year, your scout membership will transfer to your next pack!

 The Literacy Council of Highlands is offering a SAT prep class for all students interested in preparing for either the SAT or pre-SAT, 6 p.m. at the Literacy Council in the Peggy Crosby Center. For more information, call Breta Stroud at 536-9938, ext. 240.

 DJ Baxter playing merango and salza at Cyprus Restaurant at 9:30 p.m.
Oct. 7-8

• Don't Count Your Chickens folk art show 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Highlands Confer-

ence Center. Featuring folk art and other fanciful items fo the home & garden, body & soul. Free admission and parking.

• Highlands Treehouse Showhouse on Laurelwood Lane will be open for view, Mon-Sat 11-4 and Sunday 1-4. Tickets are \$10. All proceeds to benefit Hurricane Katrina victims. Oct. 8

• Highlands Arts & Crafts Show 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Highlands Civic Center. Breakfast and lunch will be served. Free admission and free parking.

 Princeton University's Capella singing group, the Princeton Nassoons, will perform at PAC from 7:30-9 p.m. For tickets, call Kristy Budner at 404-888-3740.

Oct. 9

 At the request of friends and colleagues, Gibson McConnaughey will sign copies of her cookbook, "Two Centuries of Virginia Cooking," at Shakespeare & Company, 204 N. 5th Street, (Village Square) on Sunday at 4 p.m. Tea and samples of desserts from the book will be served.

Oct. 11

Author Pat Brady, who wrote the biography of "Martha Washington: An American will be autographing the book, Tuesday, 1-3 p.m. at Cyrano's Book Shop on Main.

• Healthy Carolinians of Macon County has scheduled their 3rd annual golf tournament for Friday, at The Ridges in Hayesville. Shotgun Start is 9 a.m. Registration Fee to play in the tournament costs \$75 per player, or \$300 for a team. Registration includes green fee, cart fee, and lunch buffet. Call at 828-349-2425.

Oct. 15

• Author Sandra Brown will be signing copies of here new thriller, "Chill Factor" at Cyrano's Book Shop on Main Street 1-3 p.m. Oct. 15-16

• Fall Colors Fine Art Show from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Recreation Park. All original art work in various media. Sunday, 1:30 "Faery Fantasy" performed by the Woopeteers inviting children to participate in the "production." Free admission.

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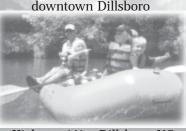




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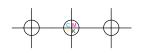
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Madeleine Davis - who will co-star with Max Vogler in The Instant Theatre Companys up-coming production of The Turn of the Screw.

Madeleine Davis co-stars in ITC's production of 'The Turn of the Screw'

Madeleine Davis will co-star with New York based actor Max Vogler, in The Instant Theatre Company's production of Henry James' famous novella The Turn of the Screw, adapted to the stage by Jeffrey Hatcher.

Ms. Davis received her Master of Fine Arts degree from the University of Alabama, where her most challenging roles included "Julie" in Strindberg's Miss Julie and "Adriana" in Shakespeare's Comedy of Errors. Subsequently she interned with Atlanta's Alliance Theatre Company. Moving to Highlands with her husband nine years ago she became involved with The Highlands Community Players, serving on its Board of Directors, and appearing most recently as "Shelby" in Steel Magnolias, and as "Catherine" in Proof. Ms. Davis has also appeared with the Artist's Resource Center and the Montford Park Players who produce Shakespeare-in-the-Park Company in Asheville, NC.

"The Instant Theatre Company wanted to present an incredible ghost-story for adults during the Halloween season," said ITC Artistic Director and director of the show, Collin Wilcox Paxton. "However, to be able to stage this particular type of multi-faced drama we had to have two wonderfully talented actors capable of tour de force performances. Madeleine Davis and Max Vogler are perfectly cast.

The Turn of the Screw is a provocative and suspenseful tale of horror that unfolds over six days in a remote part of Essex, England in June of 1872. A young governess travels to a lonely English manor to care for two recently orphaned children. The Star-Telegram critic, Perry Stewart wrote, "The audience has the sense of the most infernal imaginable evil and danger. The vision is gradually revealed to the audience in all its intensity and horror."

The Turn of the Screw will run for five performances, October 25-29 at 8 p.m. at the ITC's Studio on Main, 310 Oak Square, Highlands, NC. The ITC Box Office opens for advance reservations on October 3.

Tickets for adults are \$20, with reservations, and \$25 at the door. Tickets for students ages 13-17 are \$7 with reservations, and \$10 at the door. Early reservations are strongly suggested as seating for each performance is limited to 65. Call the ITC Box Office at (828) 342-9197 for reservations.

The ITC is very grateful to its Corporate Sponsors: Nellis Communities, Country Club Properties, and Signature Properties for their assistance in making this production possible. For more information about the Instant Theatre Company, please visit our web site: www.InstantTheatre.org or call (828) 526-1687.

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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 - 8:30 & 11 a.m.; Sunday School -9:30 & 9:45.

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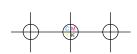
Pastor Rev. Wayne Price Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 11 Wednesdays: Prayer & Bible Study - 7

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP Rev. Maureen Killoran (part-time) 526-9769 Sundays: Worship - 11 a.m.

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Cashiers, Rev. Sam Forrester, 743-2122 Sundays: School – 10 a.m.; Worship – 11





Police & Fire

The following are the Highlands Police Dept. log entries for the week of Sept.

Sept. 21

 At 11:40 a.m., officers responded to a two-car accident on Spring Street. There were no injuries.

Sept. 23

•At 7:50 a.m., a motorist on Hicks Road was cited for driving without a license.

Sept. 24

- At 5:30 p.m., officers responded to a two-car accident on Main Street. There were
- At 11:35 a.m., a motorist at Main and Oak was cited for driving without a license.
- At 9:10 a.m., a motorist at Hicks and Billy Cabin Road was cited for driving without a license and making an unsafe movement with his vehicle.

Sept. 25

- At 6:30 a.m., a motorist at U.S. 64 west and Webbmont was cited for driving too closely considering road conditions.
- At 12:30 p.m., a motorist at U.S. 64 and Mirror Lake Road was cited for driving left of center without a license Sept. 26

 At 12:30 p.m., officers responded to a two-car accident in Highlands Plaza. There were no injuries.

Sept. 27

- An antique ash can was reported missing from the front yard of a home at First and Oak streets.
- At 6 p.m., a motorist was cited for driving unsafely and causing an accident at S. Fourth and Spring streets

The following are the Highlands Fire & Rescue Dept. log entries for the week of Sept 21-26.

Sept. 21

- The dept. provided mutual aid to Cashiers. The call was cancelled en route.
- The dept. responded to a one-vehicle accident at U.S. 64 east and Buck Creek Road. There were no injuries.

Sept. 22

- The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call at a residence on White Clover Lane. The victim was transported to the hospital
- The dept. was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call at a construction site on Peace Mountain Road. The victim fell from a ladder and was transported

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cient individualism oppose the idea of collective action. Despair is rampant. For the poorest of the poor, dubious dreams aside, the idea that change might happen is a hopeless yearning.

In the 2004 campaign, John Edwards spoke frequently of "Two Americas." Although some voters got the message, many seemed resigned to an ancient Roman formulation: "The poor will always be with us." We can continue to accept this statement as a matter of faith, or pledge ourselves as a nation to provide the education, job training, and compassion worthy of a great society.

If we fail in this endeavor, we will most certainly end up on the "ash-heap of history," as have many great empires which preceded us.

Sept. 23

- The dept. provided mutual aid to Cashiers. The call was cancelled en route. Sept. 24
- The dept. assisted Glenville-Cashiers Rescue Dept. rescuing a climber who fell 20 feet on Whiteside Mountain. He was car-
- The dept. responded to a fire alarm at the Rib Shack. The sprinkle system set it

Sept. 26

 The dept, was first-responders to assist EMS with a medical call at a residence on Cobb Road. The victim was transported to the hospital.

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BUSINESS NEWS

Cathy Garren, managing broker for Century 21 Mountain Life style's Cashiers office, received the Masters Emerald award for her production in 2004. She was also the Top Listing and Top Sales by volume agent for her office last year.





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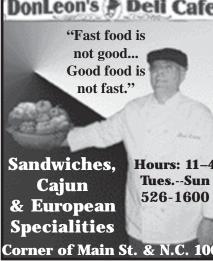
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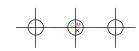
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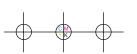
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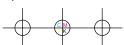
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Satulah Club Celebrates 71 Years

The 71st fundraiser for the Satulah be for sale. Club will be a White Elephant Yard Sale US 64 E. Old and new items, linen, baked

Many times as preparation is made Saturday Oct. 1 at First Citizens Bank on for the yearly fundraiser the question is asked, "What is the Satulah Club?" The good, dried flowers, and much more will Satulah Club organized on September

25, 1934 and is probably the oldest civic/social organization in Highlands.

The club had its roots in two organizations: The Highlands Improvement Society and the Highlands Community

The Highlands Improvement Society started in 1905 to promote the prosperity and progress of Highlands by the systematic efforts to guard its natural beauties, and to restores those that had perished and to guard and maintain its healthful climate. Activities over a number of years included marking trails to scenic places, planting maple trees along Fourth and Main streets.

The Highlands Community Club, organized in 1925, was interested in the welfare of the community. The club wanted to erect a building for recreational purposes. A tract of land was donated and during the next few years box suppers, benefit dances and other projects raised funds. The club also had sewing bees to make clothes for the needy infants and school children.

On September 25, 1934 the two organizations met for the purpose of merging the two clubs. Officers were elected and the name Satulah Club was chosen. Plans for a recreational building continued to be a major priority. Due to the uncertainty of whether enough funds were available the building was never begun. In 1939 a member of the club who was also a member of the Hudson Library asked permission to build an annex to the building. The annex was built in October of that year. It was used for a meeting place for a number of organizations. (This room had to be removed before the Old Library building could be moved to the Prince House Property by the Historical Society.)

So many organizations in the town promote the same ideals as the Satulah Club that the club now donates to organizations with the same goals as the club. The club contributes to the Highlands Historical Society, Highlands Fire Department, Highlands School, and other special projects such as Peeks Creek Disaster. One of our special projects was collecting bingo prizes for the residents of Fidelia Eckerd Living Center at Christmas and Easter, preparing refreshments for Open House at the Grand Opening of Highlands Historical Village, and serving refreshments at the PAC Country Music, Highlands Style.

Cookbook to help Society

An updated version of the famous Helen Major cookbook from the Highlands Inn's favorite recipes has been reprinted with foreword by Ran Shaffner, noted historian. The favorite recipes of Pat Benton and Sabrina Hawkins are also included.

Cookbook proceeds will help the society complete the restoration of the House-Trapier-Wright (commonly known as the Prince) house at the Historic Village.

Copies of the cookbook are \$15 at: Chambers Real Estate; Country Club Properties-Wright Square; Cyrano's Book Store; D&J Express Mart; Hampton Inn; Hanover House Antiques; Highlands Inn; The Elephant's Foot Antiques; and The Old Rangoon

Cookbooks may also be purchased by calling Wiley Sloan at 526-5938.



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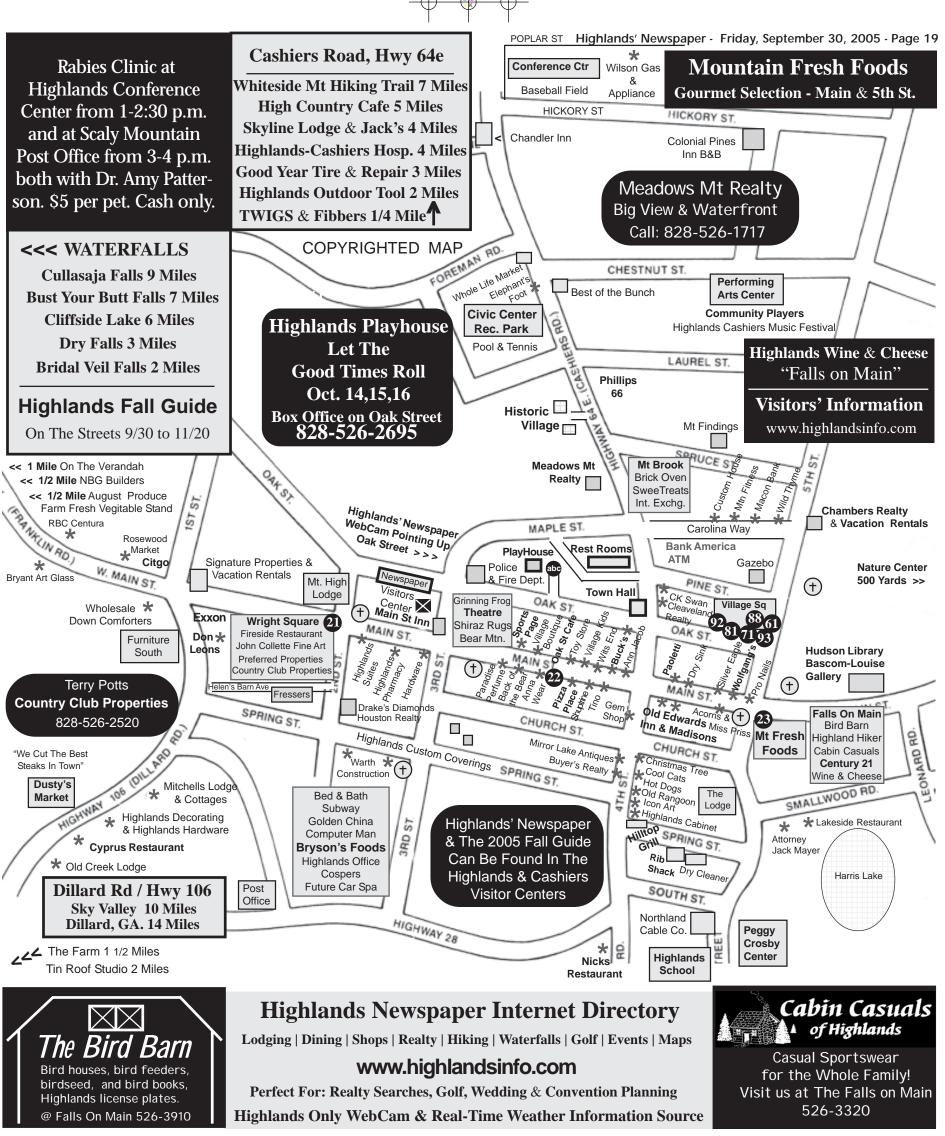


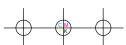
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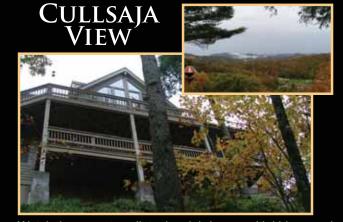






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CULLASAJA COTTAGE

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