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## NC mayors sign proclamation against Floyd murder and systemic racism

*Mayors Pat Taylor, Highlands and Bob Scott, Franklin speak out*

As mayors of cities in North Carolina, we have come together to express our abhorrence of the

horrific murder of George Floyd, an act of unspeakable violence, cold inhumanity and racism.

The photographic evidence of this act speaks for itself. Mr. • See MAYORS page 7

## 2018 Scaly Mtn. 'death by vehicle' case decided

A man driving drunk who crashed his pickup truck into a Sylva woman's car, killing her a short time after she completed her work shift at a Dollar General in Scaly Mountain, is headed to state prison.

District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch said Oscar Heriberto Rios Ruiz, 22, pleaded guilty to felony death by vehicle Thursday in Macon County Superior Court.

The Scaly Mountain resident will spend a minimum of 56 months and a maximum of 80 months behind bars, with 598 days pre-trial credit.

Rene Waller, 29, died in the Oct. 13, 2018, wreck on N.C. 106, at about 11 p.m. near Buck Knob Road. The crash impact of Ruiz's Ford F-150 spun around Waller's southbound car, repositioning

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## Hungry bears are back



This mama, who brought along her three cubs (one is off camera), visited a home on Skyline Lodge Road last week. They comfortably meandered across all the decks and even stood up to peak through the window in the front door.

– Submitted

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## A heart-felt thanks from HS Principal Jetter

*Since children were home 24/7 since March 16, for parents and for students, too, it felt like summer without all the fun. But for teachers the last day of school for the "none ever like it" 19'-20's school year was technically June 5. With that, Principal Brian Jetter offered words of thanks.*

**By Brian Jetter**  
**Highlands School Principal**

This year has been different than any we have seen in our world, in our lives, and in education. I can remember as we approached March 13 how many of us were almost at a loss as to how

we would carry on instruction to students with them at home and teachers at home.

The angst was palpable. The worry showed.

Yet, all of you found your way in the following weeks and

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## Highlands to get \$60,000 in COVID relief funds

**By Brittney Lofthouse**

Macon County Commissioners discussed plans to spend \$833,000 in federal relief money during Tuesday night's monthly meeting at the Macon County Courthouse. The funding, which is part of the \$85.4 million in federal funds provided for COVID-19 relief to counties that Governor Roy Cooper announced, will be disbursed.

"Everyone is working hard to make ends meet, including county governments as they finalize their budgets," Governor Cooper said. "These funds will help communities respond to the COVID-19 crisis with testing, personal protective equipment and more."

Though the federal government did not require that the state share any of the \$3.56 billion in

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# • THE PLATEAU'S POSITION •

## • MAYOR ON DUTY •

### Preservation vs. growth

I was perusing the June/July issue of Fly Fisherman when I came across this statement by Takaknotire, a Kayapo Tribal Elder and Warrior living on the Amazon River. He declares, "Our river does not have a price, the fish we eat do not have a price, and the happiness of our grandchildren does not have a price."

That statement made me pause and reflect about my vision concerning preservation and progress. I have viewed these concepts as not mutually exclusive. Since its founding, Highlands has sought progress initiatives while at the same time embracing a strong commitment to preservation of our beautiful, natural environment. Over the decades there have been voices calling for the preservation of this unique ecological system. The Highlands Improvement Association began around the founding of the town and evolved over a century ago into the Highlands Cashiers Land Trust. The Highlands Biological Station was founded in the 1930s. Scientist like Harbinson, Zahner, to name a few, have conducted botanical and zoological research on our remote, unique plateau. All these



Highlands Mayor  
Patrick Taylor

organizations and voices have spoken for preservation.

I find it ironic, and also, I have a level of guilt, that I am here. I want all the amenities of life, while at the same time I am an advocate for preserving natural resources of the plateau. I assume a somewhat arrogant attitude that us folks on the plateau are more sensitive to the environment than those people in the cities and suburbs. But, save for the

national forest, much of our land is like in other areas, "suburbanized."

On the other hand, I realize we need a thriving business community where people can make a living. It was not that long ago that local residents had to leave Highlands in the winter to find work in those same cities and suburbs. We certainly do not want to bring back "the good old days" of financial stress once visitors leave. With the onset of the pandemic, we have many businesses and workers in a tremendously stressful situation. We should all hope our reopening will bring back the prosperity of recent times.

I don't have all the answers to these issues. I'm only one voice, although I have a leadership role to play, which I accept. I also believe we need many voices of the community to set a new direction and plan for Highlands. That is why I am enthusiastic about Highlands developing a new comprehensive plan in the coming months.

Several firms, specialists in comprehensive planning, have expressed an interest in guiding the town through the process. The planning board will take the lead in developing the comprehensive plan, but organizations throughout the community will participate.

Major community issues will be addressed. For instance, how does Highlands preserve our natural assets while at the same time promote economic prosperity? How much should we grow, if at all? How many more people can we accommodate, provide services, and maintain social and infrastructure support systems?

This census year will be a good time to start this process. What price will we put on preservation? What price will be put on progress? What value will we place on that special happiness of living in Highlands for generations to come?

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the CRF to North Carolina local governments, Governor Cooper's COVID-19 budget proposal recommended \$300 million be allocated to counties and municipalities. Ultimately, the unanimously approved and bipartisan budget that Governor Cooper signed included \$150 million for counties which have the flexibility to share monies with their municipalities as county commissioners deem appropriate.

North Carolina Representative Kevin Corbin met with county officials as well as Highlands Town Manager Josh Ward to explain how the funds can be spent to help local governments.

"These funds can be spent anywhere that local governments incurred costs that can be directly attributed to COVID19," said Rep. Corbin. "Like in Highlands, where the police force had overtime costs when manning information stations during their local State of Emergency."

According to Ward, that is exactly how Highlands plans to spend the \$60,000 County Manager Derek Roland announced will be distributed to both Franklin and Highlands.

"Highlands portion of the CRF will include reimbursement for overtime for the police department and the fire department incurred during the Stay-at-Home period

when road checks were being performed," said Ward. "Also, PPE reimbursement and new PPE purchases that will be required in the upcoming months. The public works department, especially Sanitation, will continue to need items like gloves for protection."





Roland noted that in addition to the \$120,000 (\$60,000 each) that will be given to municipalities, additional funding will largely be spent on payroll costs associated with COVID19 operations. Roland's budget proposal includes \$370,000 for payroll expenses which would cover the extra costs of staffing at the health department and other county departments who have accrued overtime as a result of working during the pandemic.

Funding will also be spent to ensure departments such as the Department of Social Services can continue to work remotely during the pandemic, which requires some technology needs.

The funding will also provide \$150,000 to cover the costs of the Emergency Sick Leave for county employees who missed work as a result of COVID19 – whether that be due to being sick, or because they had to care for their children while schools were closed or for an elderly relative.

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## • WEATHER •

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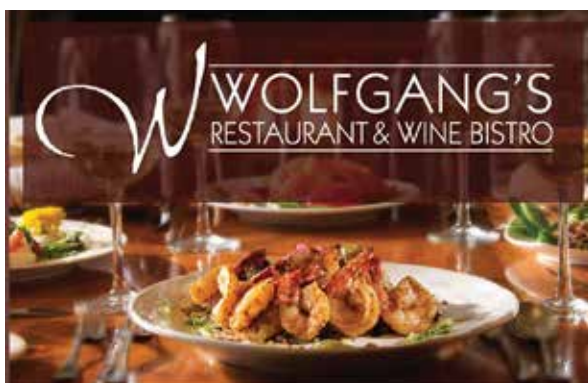
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The county will be responsible for ensuring both the town of Highlands and Franklin spend the money as permitted by law. To ensure that occurs, both municipalities will need to submit paperwork to the county by October as to how the funds were spent. All monies allocated to Macon County have to be spent by the year's end.

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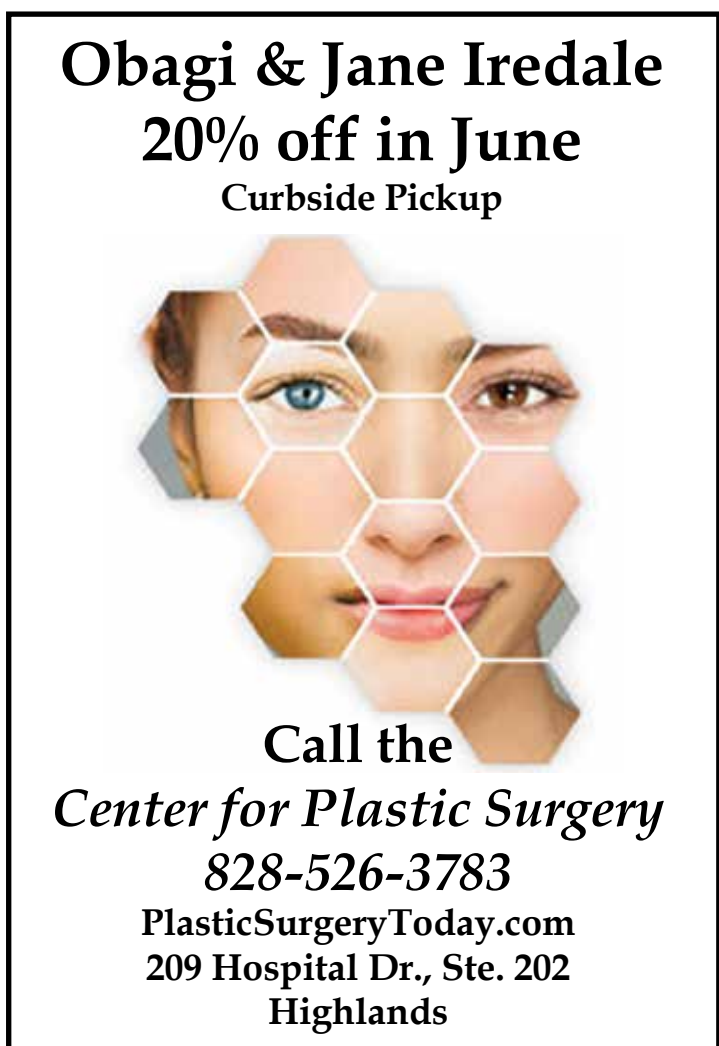
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# • LETTER •

## The Unconventional Conventions

Dear Editor,

In this time of the risk of people gathering in large numbers (more than 10), there has been discussion concerning both major parties' upcoming political conventions.

The idea of delegates, media reporters, and even protesters coming together in one city for several days should be a matter of grave (pur intended) concern for the residents of the city and state hosting such a convention.

My personal preference is that such a gathering should be located as far away as possible from Highlands and North Carolina.

My concern is the possibility of many of the attendees bringing the virus, knowingly or not.

I have a suggestion that may help minimize the risk to the hapless people near an in-person convention.

Since the cruise industry at this time is "dead in the water," there may be vacant ships available for lease in which either convention could be held.

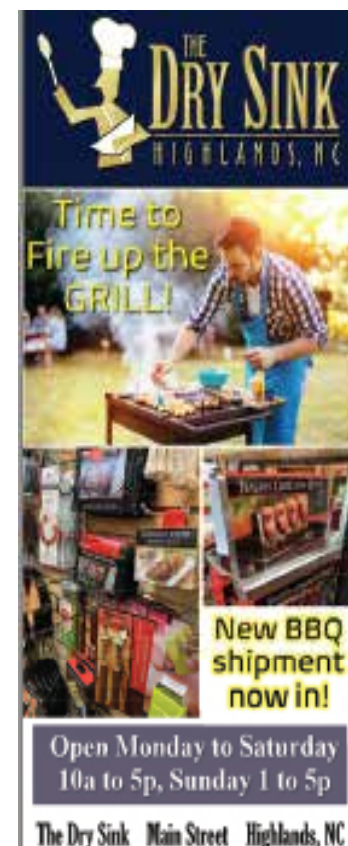
Keeping the ship(s) within territorial waters may make the political action taken 'legitimate' – if that is possible.

With a convention being held a few miles beyond the high tide line, the number of protestors may be rather limited and much easier to control.

When the convention is finished, any still alive survivors could be tested for the virus before being allowed to disembark and the ship(s) fumigated.

Dear reader, does this put any wind in your sails?

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Floyd was suffocated to death by a Minneapolis police officer while pleading for his life as three other officers knelt or stood by and did nothing to help him, even as he called out, "I can't breathe."

As a society, we cannot tolerate this kind of police violence rooted in systemic racism. As mayors, we work closely with the police leadership in our cities, and we know that they also will not tolerate this kind of police violence and racism within their forces.

Such acts not only harm innocent people, but they also deeply erode trust in our police forces, despite the good work of so many officers every day—officers who themselves abhor the racism and violence so evident in the death of George Floyd. Our hearts go out to Mr. Floyd and his family.

We support Mayor Jacob Frey of Minneapolis in his call for justice and accountability. We expect a full and fair trial of the police officers involved. We also support the rights of those who are peacefully protesting and honoring the memory of George Floyd and countless others that have been victims of systemic racism and police violence.

Let's work together to ensure that protests remain peaceful and stay focused on building equitable and just cities for all in North Carolina. And we pledge to make every effort within our power to fight systemic racism within our police forces, cities and this nation.

"It, to me, is not just about the death of Floyd. It is about the horrible inequities in American society now. It has been simmering for years and now it has exploded," said Franklin Mayor Bob Scott. "It has exposed the widening gap between the haves and the have nots and a justice system that is unequal – depending on ones race and socio-economic standing."

Scott said this hold true particularly for the number of Americans who have no voice because they cannot afford to buy influence from our elected officials."

Highlands mayor Pat Taylor added, "As a nation we must believe in law and order. That belief starts with trusting those who have taken a scared oath to impartially enforce the law and uphold the constitution," he said. "When that trust is broken, as evidenced by what happened to George Floyd, public officials have to step forward and condemn such heinous actions."

*Signed:*  
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This is especially true in these mountains. The face masks we see sometimes mask what's really happening. People visit for the weekend, and end up staying for a lifetime. "All Lives Matter" (including ours) is their banner.

You can sense there's this migration. Escaping the virus hot spots and protests that turn violent is creating a wholesale shift in where and how Americans live.

Joel Kotkin who studies how and why people move says it this way. "there's an impact and acceleration of a process that was already starting. The work-at-home trend was already building, the small towns are becoming more cosmopolitan, with better coffee, restaurants, and the big cities are becoming prohibitively expensive."

Nobody is predicting that cities will empty out. However, many companies are re-ordering the way they work.

One of our clients is with Coca-Cola's Global Finance Division, and has been told not to come back to his office until sometime next year. He's working remotely from his beautiful cottage near Harris Lake. Companies are rethinking work-from-home policies and whether they need all that pricey downtown office space. Working produc-



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tively from Highlands and being within two hours from two major airports. That's not a bad life!

Just this week, our firm has been working with buyers from Cincinnati, OH, Phoenix, AZ and Austin, TX. "Escaping the heat" has been joined by words like "peace," "safety," "more open spaces," and "uncrowded trail heads."

One of them commented, "with a compromised immune system, I just feel better up here."

The signs all over town advise us to WEAR a face mask, WAIT six feet apart, and WASH your hands often.

I'll make a few suggestions in support of minimizing infection rates.

#1, Go near the forest alone at night, take off your mask, and breathe in the mountain air as you witness a light show of fireflies.

#2, Go fly fishing on one of our trophy trout streams where you're guaranteed to be 600 feet from anybody.

#3, After you catch and release a few fish, wash and sanitize your hands in the 51-degree water of the river.

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months of the school year.

I saw teachers that never dreamed of going on Youtube – going on Youtube! In pajamas – with funny looking hats as you read stories to your students.

I saw teachers learn new online platforms that allowed them to continue the kind of “face to face” instruction of elevated math, science, and English at which those teachers are really, really good.

I saw teachers worrying when they didn't hear from their students. So, they emailed them, or their parents, to find out why some of their students hadn't checked in – and, got them working.

I saw teachers of our youngest ones prepare packet after packet after packet after – well you get the idea – that taught those little ones about insects and octopus and “crocodiles and watermelon seeds” – bet you didn't think about putting those two together!

I saw teachers commenting on the pictures students had taken of the meals they had cooked for their families.

I saw lessons on measuring and framing and doorways through which to walk, and great machine mistakes.

I saw teachers show great care, greater concern, and such a focused work ethic

during this almost three months. You got ideas from each other. The teachers who knew online platforms taught the teachers that did not. You did the hard work of teaching and learning to better continue better instruction. I saw some of you learning along the way and gaining the confidence of teaching online along the way.

I saw parents working hard to keep their children on task with school assignments and keeping teachers informed.

I saw custodians disinfecting the already disinfected areas of school to keep our students and staff safe.

I saw cafeteria workers prepare and deliver over 5,000 meals to students and parents.

I saw parades to honor student academic and athletic achievement filled with students and teachers and parents and honkin' and hollerin' and music.

All of this work by all of you has not gone unnoticed. I have had so many parents tell me how incredibly thankful they are for our teachers' and custodians' and cafeteria workers' and TA's efforts at reaching out; at explaining; at learning and setting up online tutorials and student connections; at going to the hard work of WRITING all of the instructions and explanations that is so much

harder and more time consuming than simply telling those things to students.

And, I've followed email threads from parents asking how to help their children as they both learned to multiply fractions...

It was fun for me to follow those threads of emails and watch students gain the moment of understanding and watch teachers show their pride in their own moment of understanding at having understood a new program; or learned how to fix their own mistakes in using a new program.

I think this dual learning, both students and teachers bridging the social gaps of seeing each other struggling and overcoming, created some great bonds between and in both groups.

Regardless of what next year looks like, this year went from astonishment at the sudden speed of closing to the astonishment of how quickly you (students and teachers and parents) adapted and adjusted to a new reality.

And, you all did it through the hard work of learning something new.

Let this year be a lesson to us all that we can adapt; we can adjust; we can grow. That we old dogs...er...well...this old Gator in my case CAN learn something new.

Well done to you all. Well done to us all. Think of how far we can go if we have

to do it, again!

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# • SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING •

## Possible Pandemic Purpose?

By Fr. Jim Murphy  
Christ Anglican Church, Cashiers

A Chicago politician, who shall go unnamed, was fond of saying something to the effect that we should, “Never let a good crisis go to waste.” If I understand him correctly, he is saying that there is always something to be gleaned, or an advantage to be found – even in bad times. It matters not whether we’re talking about wars, pestilences, riots, pandemics or such. There are always beneficial silver linings of some sort if we find and develop them properly.

I agree with the thrust of his assertion. He is restating the time-tested truth that we can learn from our experiences. We can benefit from not repeating hurtful, damaging, life-de-meaning mistakes. Mining the information from any crisis has the potential of helping us make better choices in the future.

Biblically speaking, plagues, pestilences and battles always had a purpose. They were, in a manner of speaking, crisis that should not go to waste. Oftentimes that purpose is overtly stated. At other times the reason is more subtle. Regardless, that purpose was always the same, even though it may have been couched in differing terms. That purpose was in each instance to reveal the character of God, the Creator of the universe, the Lover of souls, the only Person who has our best interest in mind. El Shaddai, God Almighty, desires that every person come to know him for who he is in all of his glorious majesty – for our benefit.

In the beginning of Exodus 5, the Egyptian Pharaoh refuses the request of Moses and Aaron to allow God’s people to go from their servitude to worship him. In verse 2 Pharaoh says, “Who is the Lord that I should obey his voice to let Israel go. I do not know the Lord.” But God is undeterred, he wants both Pharaoh and his people to grasp his identity. In Exodus 6:6-7 the Lord wants to make sure that his chosen people appreciate the reason for them being burdened with oppression and slavery. “...I am the Lord, I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, I will rescue you... then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.” He wants them to be absolutely certain of who he is. And not only them.

At the start of Exodus 7, God tells team Moses and Aaron that there is a process about to unfold, where his “...signs and his wonders” will be made manifest in Egypt. Why? Exodus 7:5, “And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord.” Our heavenly Father wants everyone to know who he is and what he is like unto his children. Pharaoh and all Egyptians were to come to an understanding of the God of gods. In that reality, whether the truth is accepted or not, the Almighty is unfailingly Love to his people. Therefore, it is to everyone’s benefit to recognize him for who he is and accept his love.

The ultimate revelation of God-self was at the Incarnation, the Nativity, in Jesus’ birth. The Father gave his all to show us who he is and what he’s like. Talk about violence and riots! The world should still be protesting the illegitimate prosecution and pre-meditated murder of the only totally innocent Man to ever live. But no, God wanted to show the world who he is, what love looks like, laying down his life for us. Bearing the burden for the pandemic of sin.

How might we pray that the Lord God would open human hearts and minds afresh, to see who he is? That he is unfailingly Love to his children. That he alone who has the power to deliver from war and pestilence, might use the very same to deliver many.

## Proverbs 3:5

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# • POLICE & FIRE REPORTS •

**Highlands Police entries from May 12. Only the names of persons arrested, issued a Class-3 misdemeanor or public officials have been used.**

## May 12

• At 10:25 a.m., officers received a report of an elderly woman being taken to a bank to get payment for services.

## May 26

• At 2 p.m., officers received a report of a boyfriend and girlfriend arguing and yelling at each other on S. 4th Street.

## June 1

• At 5:12 p.m., officers received a report of an assault on a female who was punched in the face at a residence on Laurel Street.

• At 9:04 p.m., Alejandro Zamora Vazquez 29, of Highlands, was arrested for driving under the influence on N. 4th Street. He was issued a \$1,500 unsecured bond. His trial date is July 13.

## June 2

• At 10 a.m., officers received a report of someone possessing an ille-

gal narcotic with the intent to manufacture and deliver at a residence on Laurel Street. The incident was unfounded.

• At 1:35 a.m., officers received a report of a woman threatening to kill another woman and her child on the social media.

## June 3

• At 8:25 p.m., officers responded to a 2-vehicle accident at the Farmers Market.

**The Highlands Fire & Rescue log from June 4.**

## June 4

• At 1:30 p.m., the dept. conducted a search in the Turtle Pond area.

• At 4:29, the dept. provided mutual aid to the Cashiers FD.

## June 5

• At 11:23 a.m., the dept. provided mutual aid to the Cashiers FD.

• At 1:45 p.m., the dept. responded to a Co2 alarm at a location on Church Street.

• At 6:15 p.m., the dept. responded to a possible structure fire on Cherokee

Drive. It was out when they arrived.

## June 6

• At 2:38 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Pine Street.

• At 8:44 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Simon Speed

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## June 7

• At 8:08 p.m., the dept. conducted a search on Bull Pen Road.

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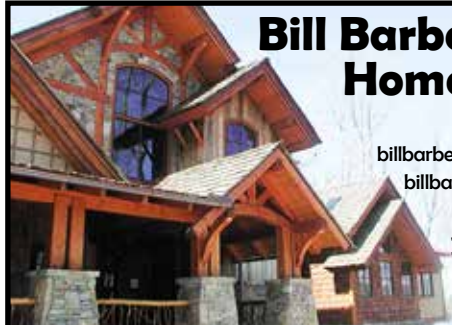
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Ruiz's breathalyzer test, conducted about four hours after the wreck, measured .11. The legal limit is .08.

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