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Highlands' STR story is far from over

The status of the Shortterm Rental issue in Highlands is still not clear.

Since the Town Board voted 4-1 to pass the amended STR Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) language at its May Town Board meeting, a few things have transpired.

First, the amended ordinance passed at the May meeting, doesn't count because the required public hearing on the matter that took place Feb. 28 wasn't advertised, which means the amended ordinance has no standing.

Second, on June 17, Save

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HPD seeks info on shoplifter

Highlands Police are looking for a heavy-set white female approximately 5'5" to 5' 8" tall with sandy blonde hair and between 45 to 55 years of age. She was operating a silver/gray sedan with a sunroof that could be a Honda Accord or other similar model. This woman could also be traveling with a yellow Labrador retriever.

This shoplifter visited at least two businesses on June 16th and stole several hundred dollars of merchandise from each location.

On June 16th, a Highlands Police officer was approached by a local business owner who believed that a customer had stolen a very expensive piece of artwork. The next day, June 17th, officers were called to another business reporting a shoplifter from the previous day.

Video footage from both

• See SHOPLIFTER page 24

Highlands goes all out on July 4th!



Photo by Kim Lewicki

4TH OF JULY FAMILY FUN ACTIVITIES are at the Town Ballfield on Monday 9a to noon. Water rockets at 9am and traditional field games I Ia-noon (Tug a War, 3-legged sack race, water balloon toss and frozen T-Shirt contest). At noon the MAMA helicopter will land followed by the HFD ladder truck spray down. The Duck Derby is at 2 pm at the Bridge at Mill Creek. Live music in K-H Founders Park is from 6-8:30pm followed by fireworks which will start about dark.

The state of 'safety' in the Macon County School System

By Brittney Lofthouse

The N.C. House Committee on K-12 Education met in June to hear an update on school safety in the state.

The meeting comes amid a national conversation about gun violence and school safety after a shooting at an elementary school in Uvalde, TX left 19 fourth graders and two teachers dead.

The committee heard from Karen Fairley, director of the Center for Safer Schools at the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction who reported that there have been 431 reports of planned school attacks since August 2021 and that 254 of them were considered credible.

According to Fairley, the reports came through the Say Something Anonymous Reporting System, an app for students to anonymously report safety concerns or tips.

Macon County officials have focused on improving school safety measures in all schools in the district over the last several years.

Improvements include perimeter security improvements at various locations, student/staff ID badges, card swipes at all schools to gain access to the buildings, controlled access vestibules at each school to control public access and additional security cameras and upgrades to existing cameras throughout the district.

As part of every school's school improvement plan, a school safety plan is required, and according to Macon County Schools Superintendent Dr. Chris Baldwin, Macon County has reviewed safety plans at each school and have had them approved by the board of education.

There are additional im• See SAFETY page 7

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I still have hope our nation will continue to embrace the ideals expressed in America the Beautiful. Let's start by keeping Highlands beautiful and embracing the spirit of brother and sisterhood.

Happy 4th of July!



Highlands Mayor Patrick Taylor



A recent scene at the Rec Park recycle area.

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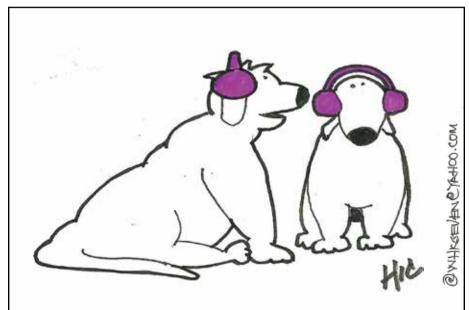
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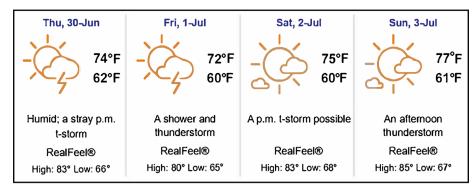
In preparation for the fireworks display, all Rec Park facilities will be closed Monday, July 4th

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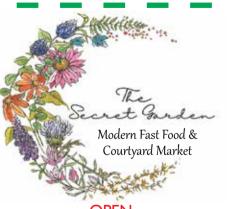
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Highlands emailed Town Attorney Jay Coward a Public Records Request for all correspondences in all forms from and to commissioners, Highlands Neighborhood Coalition and others.

Third, Craig Justus, the attorney the town hired to advise them on STRs but whose advice the town disregarded resigned the end of last week.

Fourth, a Special Closed Session was held Monday, June 27 whose purpose pursuant to NCGS §143-318.11(a) (3) was for attorney client privilege to advise on STR amendments and retaining substitute counsel for the Huff Case (Save Highlands).

Monday night, Mayor Pat Taylor said "no action was taken at the meeting and the town may or may not meet the schedule he outlined regarding STR steps forward."

Those "steps" previously outlined were setting a public hearing for July 28 to hear the Planning Board's STR recommendations to the UDO which the Planning Board is to discuss at its July 12 meeting.

However, the amendments the Planning Board is to consider are not the amendments it recommended to the Town Board in February which were discussed by the public during the "unadvertised" public hearing Feb. 28.

The amendments the Planning Board will likely consider are those the Town Board adopted at its May Town Board meeting – unless those change between now and July 12, which the Mayor alluded to in his statement – "The town may or may not meet the schedule I outlined."

On Tuesday, the mayor said "we may make changes." "We want to make sure if and what the board changes is in the best form possible and consistent throughout any new draft. The attorney advised that what we had previously passed [at the May Town Board meeting] was defensible in court. I will not elaborate further," he said.

Taylor said during the Closed Session, Attorney Bob Hagemann, one of the town's attorneys with Poyner Spruill, which the town hired in conjunction with Attorney Craig Justus, outlined legalities pertaining to STR amendments.

"We are currently represented by the Poyner and Spruill Law Firm. There is a formal legal process that has to be followed due to Craig Justus's resignation. Upon the advice of our attorney, we will follow the process of assigning a new attorney to the Huff case. One of the attorneys for Poyner and Spruill will be assigned as counsel to the Huff case," he said. "I appreciate all the work and legal advice that Craig Justus provided, and wish him all the best."

As to the Request for Public Records that was emailed to Town Attorney Jay Coward Friday, June 17 to which he replied on Monday, June 19 ... "We will process this," Taylor said the town will assemble and provide all pertinent documents.

- Kim Lewicki















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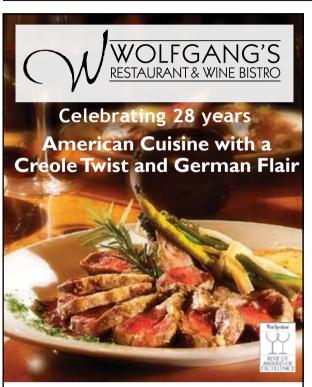
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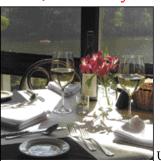
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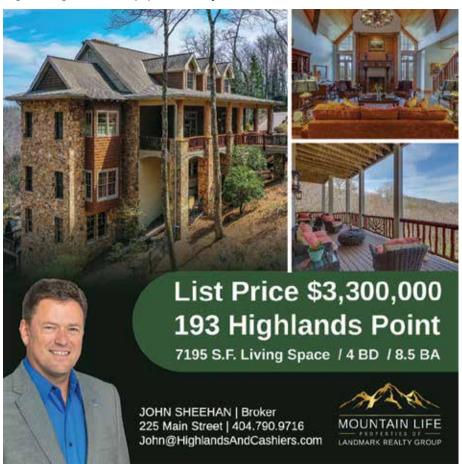
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provements coming to schools in the next calendar year including vape detectors at Franklin High School, removal of cafeteria storefront-like windows in the South Macon Elementary School cafeteria and ensuring ring-to-enter access at front doors at every school.

Macon County Schools have also prioritized the installation of panic buttons at front desks across the district as well as installing cameras inside every bus.

As an additional safety measure, Macon County Schools secured grant funding for a school resource officer, which provides \$66,000 in funding to the county — which aims to staff a SRO at every school in the county.



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•OBITUARIES•

Felecia Renaee McCall Hinshaw

Felecia Renaee McCall Hinshaw of Cashiers, NC passed away suddenly due to gastrointestinal hemorrhage June 19, 2022. Felecia was born March 18, 1971, in Jackson County, NC to Stella Moss McCall and the late Ottis McCall. Felecia lived in Knoxville, TN prior to moving back to Cashiers. She had worked for Progres-

sive Insurance for 19 years as litigation specialist. She had a heart of compassion for people and especially those in tragic situations. She shared her faith in Jesus Christ with the hurting. She had a gift for singing and music and imparted that love to her three children at a young age and now who are grown. They enjoyed singing in church and especially the long trips to NC to visit Pawpaw and Nana's, Aunt Cindy, and girls. The care and love that she had for people was endless, especially family and keeping up the home front going while dad and son did travel soccer. You could see the love she showed her children through the way,



they are now caring for others as Felecia did.

Felecia is survived by her mother, Stella McCall; two sons, Joey Hindshaw and Hayden Hinshaw; a daughter, Amber Hinshaw; two brothers, Tony McCall, and Michael McCall; three nieces, Page McCall, Tori Ferguson and Helee Ferguson; a nephew, Dylan Mc-

Call.

In addition to her father Ottis Mc-Call, Felecia is proceeded in death by her late husband, Jack Hinshaw and a brother, Jason McCall.

A Celebration of Life service was held Sunday, June 26, 2022, at Bryant Grant Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Todd Moss, Rev. Caleb Moss and Nathan Moss officiating.

Bryant Grant Funeral Home and Crematory served the Hinshaw family. Online condolences can be made at www. bryantgrantfuneralhome.com.

Ella Mae Keener Zoellner

Ella Mae Zoellner, 101, passed away Thursday June 23, 2022. She was born February 6, 1921 to the late Will L. Keener and Nettie Ray Keener of the Goldmine community. She was married to Richard Carl Zoellner who preceded her in 1994. She was also preceded by her son, Richard Carl Zoellner, Jr., two brothers, Lee Keener

and Len Ray Keener; her sister Roberta K. Tate Dendy.

Ella Mae was a home maker, worked as hostess at Highlands Country Club, and made jams and jellies for sale. She loved growing her dahlias and flowers.

She and her sister Roberta contributed to the war effort by working for the government at Oak Ridge, TN during WWII.

She was a long-time member of the First Baptist Church in Highlands. Her family and friends will remember her as a



very sweet and thoughtful person who will be greatly missed.

Survivors include two sons, Robert (Jodie) Zoellner and William Zoellner both of Highlands, NC; daughter in law, Patricia P. Zoellner; five grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. She is also survived by her baby sister, Bettie Dills

(Johhnie) of Payton, Co.

A Celebration of Life was held Sunday June 26, 2022 at the Goldmine Baptist Church with Rev. Jim Kinard officiating.

Memorials can be made to the Mt. Moriah Cemetery Fund, c/o Mary Owens, 21Pinecone Dr., Franklin, NC 28734

Bryant Grant Funeral Home served the Zoellner family. Online condolences can be made at www.bryantgrantfuneralhome.com



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Wilma Ruth Holt Billingsley

Wilma Ruth Holt Billingsley, 78, of Scaly Mountain, NC passed away on Friday, June 24, 2022.

Born on July 5, 1943, she is the daughter of the late Claude Wesley Holt and Mary Ethel Cantrell Holt. She was preceded by her husband of 54 years Homer Lee Billingsley.

Ruth was a faithful woman who loved to spend time with her family and

attended Flats of Middle Creek Baptist Church.

She is survived by four children, Sherry Holt (Keith), Carolyn Raby (Randy), Lynn Vinson (Scott) and Keith "Cricket" Billingsley (Gina); seven grandchildren, Garrett Holt, Christopher Raby, Keri Raby, Kassie Bradley (Trevor), Megan Vinson, Whitney Billingsley, and Jake Billingsley; two greatgrandchildren, Jaylin Raby and Jase Raby; two sisters, Marie Carver and Polly Norris;



and many nieces and nephews also survive.

In addition to her husband Homer, she is preceded by two sisters, Claudette Chastain and Frances Holt; and one brother Robert (Bob) Holt.

Funeral Services were held on Monday, June 27, at Flats of Middle Creek Baptist Church with Rev. Marty Kilby and Rev. Cale Stancil officiating.

Burial followed the service at the Flats of Middle Creek Baptist Church Cemetery. Pallbearers were Mac Kilby, Garrett Holt, Christopher Raby (Janice), Jake Billingsley, Zach Gragg, Neal Chastain, and Trevor Bradley.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Four Seasons Hospice, 571 S. Allen Rd. Flat Rock, NC 28731.

Hunter Funeral Home served the Billingsley family.

John Keay Keitt, Sr.

John Keay Keitt, Sr. Of Highlands N.C. passed away on January 24, 2022 in Hendersonville, TN.

He is survived by his wife Nancy M. Keitt, children John K. Keitt Jr., Virginia E.

Keitt, Pamela M. Keitt, and Reginald Keitt, four grandsons and one granddaughter.

A memorial service and funeral arrangements will be announced at a later date

James 'Jimmy' Michael Strahan III

James (Jimmy) Michael Strahan III, 68, of Highlands, NC passed away peacefully at home on June 26, 2022. He was born in Tampa, FL and he attended local schools including Mabry, Coleman, and Plant High School. After graduation, he attended Florida State University, the University of Florida and he went on to graduate from Western Carolina University.

After college, Jimmy lived in Highlands, then re-

located to Destin, FL where he and Susan raised their family, and ultimately returned to his beloved Highlands in 2006. He was a talented golfer and an avid sports fan, rooting for the Florida Gators and Tampa Bay Buccaneers. He was a long-time member of



Community Bible Church.

He was predeceased by his father James (Jim) Strahan, mother Edwena M. Haber, and brother Tommy Strahan. He is survived by his wife of 42 years Susan, a son Michael (Camille), a daughter Paige, a grandson Chris, his sister Patricia Strahan Thornton and numerous in-laws, cousins, nieces and nephews. The family would like to thank his caregivers Marc and Ja-

nis for their continuous love, support and friendship.

A visitation will be held at Community Bible Church in Highlands on Friday, July 1 at 3:30pm, with a service to follow at 4:30pm. Pastor Gary Hewins will officiate.

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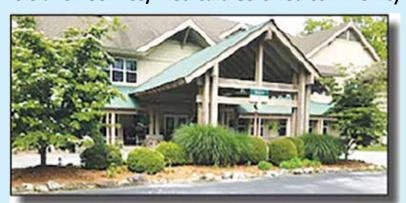


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Market Changes

The current real estate market brings to mind the Sam Cooke song "A Change is Gonna Come." For some time, I think we have all known that this unprecedented market wouldn't last forever. With inflation, rising interest rates and tumbling stock markets, things have slowed but to what extent? Let's look at several different pieces of information regarding single-family residential transactions on the plateau to see if that change has arrived.



Carl Romberg Landmark Realty

Looking first at the number of closings, that number of sales per quarter reached a high of 476 during the 3rd quarter of 2020. After that, the number dropped but hovered around 250 per quarter through 2021. Part of the reason for the drop at that time was the lack of inventory, as buyers were still very active. This year we have had about 160 closings per quarter, a great reduction from the high and closer to pre-covid levels.

The number of active listings dropped from over 800 during the peak season before covid to less than 100 in 2021. That number has now climbed to around 275 active listings, but still is historically low.

The average days on market reached a low of 109 DOM in the 3rd quarter of 2021. It is currently slightly higher at 114 DOM. That compares to around 250 DOM prior to the pandemic and it was over 300 DOM just a few years ago. Keep in mind that DOM includes any days that the property is under contract or pending.

The median sales price reached a record high of \$845,000 for the 2nd quarter this year as compared to around \$500,000 in 2019.

In addition to that record, the list to sales price ratio also reached a high of 98.75% for the 2nd quarter of this year as compared to about 90% in 2019.

One factor driving up the median price is that we are seeing more activity in the over \$2.5 million properties. Almost 25% of the current listings are \$2.5 million or more and 31 properties in that price range have closed so far this year.

Based on the numbers, the market

seems to be moderating after two record breaking years.

With the number of closings down and the number of listings increasing it appears that we have hit that tipping point.

Another indicator of a change is that within the past 30 days there have been more than 50 price reductions.

A number of the homes that are currently listed, sold within the past few years and have been listed

at prices way above what they previously sold for. Some sellers are just checking to see if a buyer is willing to pay an unrealistic amount. For a period of time this worked, but buyers have become less frantic about bidding up properties or overpaying for what they want.

One other indicator that the market has changed is the number of open houses that are now happening. When there were numerous showings and multiple offers on properties there were very few open houses occurring. Just recently there has been a flurry of open houses, which seem to be very well attended.

So, it appears that Sam Cooke was correct, even though he wasn't speaking of real estate.

The good news is that the real estate market is still quite healthy, with the overall volume this year running more than twice what it was in 2019, which was a recordbreaking year at the time. This isn't a correction like 2008, but appears to be more of a soft landing. Although interest rates have increased, they are still fairly moderate and as this is primarily a second home market, many of the transactions are with cash.

And as always, the key to selling a property is the correct pricing considering all the variables that impact what the property is actually worth.

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With a breathtaking view of Whiteside Mountain, his post and beam home features a grand main level bedroom suite. Also on the main level is the living room with a stone, wood burning fireplace, dining room area and large kitchen. Upstairs there are 2 large bedrooms and baths, a large entertaining area and office. Offered at \$1,995,000 mls #98322



Located in Mirror Lake, this 3-4 bedroom, 2 bath cottage is in move-in condition. Light and airy, cathedral in living room, fireplace, cooks kitchen, 3 bedrooms, I bath on the main level with a deck that overlooks the small pond. Lower level has a sitting room, laundry, bedroom, bath and one car garage. A great setting with water and privacy. Offered at \$799,000. mls #98454



Close to town with fenced yard and single garage. Two bedrooms, two bath cottage, with extra room, for office, den or extra sleeping. Kitchen has new tile floor all appliances and large laundry room. Whole house has been freshly painted inside, with dining room, living room, two nice bedrooms and two full baths. Covered front porch and open back deck. Fenced in back yard along with single garage, All for only \$689,000. mls #99025



Easy intown living with this one level contemporary ranch which features 4 bedrooms, 2 baths plus a study and large 2 car garage/workshop. Open spaces with soaring glass, screened porch that has a grill with vent and connects to a conversation deck with firepit. The living area and screen porch overlook the noisy water of Millcreek. Update to your personal tastes and live happily ever after! Offered at \$1,195,000. mls #98604



Less than 3 miles from Main Street with over 19 acres of usable land, this true log cabin was added to an existing farmhouse, barn, meadow, views. 4 bedrooms, stone fireplaces, retro kitchen, fantastic sleeping porch. Offered at \$3,575,000. mls #98048



Located on a gentle knoll of almost 3/4 of an acre this 3 bedroom 3 bath home is wrapped with a lovely covered porch. The main level has 3 bedrooms and 2 baths. Updated kitchen with all new appliances opens to the dining and living room with a beautiful stone wood burning fireplace. Upper level has a large bonus room with a full bath. Walking distance to Apple Lake with deeded access dock. Move In condition with nothing needed but your custom touches. Offered at \$850.000. mls #98680



Great view in town from this three bedroom, three and 1/2 bath home newly renovated. Open kitchen / living/dining room with gas fireplace, covered front porch with stone wood burning fireplace, and powder room. Main level suite has a full bath, walk-in closet and private deck to enjoy the view. Downstairs consist of two suites, one with a separate kitchenette. Covered parking space. Priced to sell at \$1.190.000, mls #98526



Great Family home has flat grassy spaces and lovely outdoor entertaining areas. View of Shortoff mountain from the historic outdoor fireplace. 3-4 bedrooms, 3 baths, office, 2-car garage and a 2-car carport. Offered at \$1,174,000. mls #97458



Front Face View of Whiteside Mountain in this three bedroom, 4 I/2 bath home, with bonus room close to town. Main floor suite has a gas fireplace, sitting area, and an incredible bath with a view. Lower level has two suites with full baths, bonus work out room or mother in law suite, wrap-around deck with Hot Tub and small fire pit. Covered carport for three cars and storage. Furnishings Negotiable. Close to town. \$3,900,000. mls#98524



Mirror Lake Lakefront Cabin. Old house charm with new house living. Main house has 2 bedrooms I bath, a real stone fireplace, wood floors and usable kitchen. Guest house has 2 bedrooms I I/2 baths with an enclosed outside shower. Offered at \$1,200.00 mls #97457



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Tom Graham, Rotary Club of Highlands president with Kaye McHan. executive director, Highlands Chamber of Commerce/Visit Highlands, NC. McHan recently shared insights with the Rotary Club of Highlands during her "Living in a travel and tourism economy" presentation.

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Highlands Hurricanes win swim meet in Sylva

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The Highlands Hurricanes Swim Team (HHST) traveled to Sylva on Thursday June 23 to swim against Cherokee County Aquatics Club (CCAC) and Jackson County Swim Team (JCST).

The Hurricanes won, HHST 453; ICST 221; CCAC 151. All 33 Hurricanes scored in the winning effort

The Hurricanes were led by Ir. Olympians Jack Sumner and Lilliana Jandera Chambless. and Ir. Olympic qualifier Blake Kenter, all who scored 22 pts. Jandera-Chambless won 3 events, while Sumner and Kenter each won two. Sumner broke a team record in the 100 Butterfly.

Ian Kittrell won 2 events and scored 21 pts. Jr. Olympian Aniah McKim won an event and scored 20 pts. Brother and sister

Ian and Bella Batista each brought home a blue ribbon and scored 19 pts. Brother and sister Chris and Elizabeth Burnette, Nikita Denisoff, Ir. Olympians Finneaus Garner, Chase Kenter and Corena Dearth all scored 18 pts.

Garner and Denisoff won 3 events, Dearth 2 and Kenter 1. Ir.

Olympian Conner Sadler won an event and brought home 17 pts. Ir. Olympic qualifiers Jasmine Abranyi and Justin Powell each scored 16 pts. Abranyi won 2 events, Powell 1.

Emma Denisoff scored 15 pts. Eli Highsmith won an event and scored 14 pts. Walker Kittrell, and brother and sister duo Paolo and Penelope McRae all scored 13

Paolo won an event and is qualified for Ir. Olympics.

Alex Petric-Sakoniic brought

home a blue ribbon and 11 pts. Sadie Bysura and Ir. Olympic qualifier Tate Wilson scored 10 pts. Margaret Cole, Javce Powell and Katherine Wise all scored 9 pts. Alex Lopez 6 pts. And Luke Highsmith 4. Asa Garner and Mason Johnson each scored 3 pts. William Burnette and Alyssa Atwood brought home 2 pts.

The Highlands Hurricanes Swim Team is a Highlands Recreation Park Team that practices in the evenings at the Highlands Recreation Park Pool.

The only requirement to join the team is that a prospective swimmer must be able to swim 25 yards (one length of the Recreation Park Pool) unassisted.New swimmers are welcome anytime.

For further information please call Head Coach Steve Hott at 828.421.4121.



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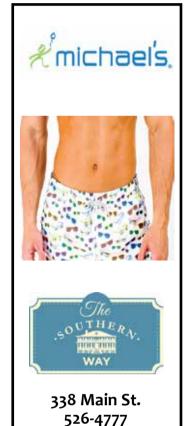
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4:30 – 5:00 p.m. Highlands Bagpipers First Presbyterian Church Lawn 6 - 8:30 p.m.

Outdoor Concert Series

The Swingin' Richards

Founders Park

MONDAY, JULY 4TH

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• Church in the Wildwood's hymn sing is at the Highlands United Methodist Church on Main Street in the Old Fellowship Hall instead of the Horsecove location. Come sing your favorite hymns from 7-8 pm. Enter from Main Street. Questions? Call Les Scott at 828-200-9532.

Mondays

· ESL classes are held at the Presbyterian Church in Highlands from 5:30-6:30pm. No registration required – just show up and participate. Questions? Visit www.maconncliteracy.org, call 828-526 – 0863 or email info@ maconncliteracy.org

Second Mondays

• The local chapter of PEO, an off-campus sorority founded in the 1800s that provides grants and loans to women with financial need who want to return to school or further their

education meets at 10 a.m. More meeting places call president Paula McDonald at 706-372-3004

Thursdays

- At Hudson Library, Family Storytime at 10:40a. For more information about any of these summer activities, contact Hudson Library at 828-526-3031.
- At Hudson Library, Kids Zone at 3:30 pm with a wide variety of STEAM, nature, and craft activities. For more information about any of these summer activities, contact Hudson Library at 828-526-3031.

Mon-Fri

 Water Aerobics 18 years plus 10:15-Ham.

Mon., Tues., Thurs.

 The Food Pantry behind the Methodist Church on Spring Street is open from 10a to 6p. Mon. & Wed.

- · Cardio Kickboxing with Crystal Corbin 5:30-6:30 p.m. A full body workout for every
 - · New Mobility Class with Anna Nor-

ton It's all about movement, 5:30-6:30pm and Wednesday 6:45-7:45. For more information, call Anna 267-825-0716.

Mon. Wed. Fri

- Heart Healthy Exercise Class 8:30-9:30am. \$25 a month, The class is led by Cathy Hodgson, Contact the Recreation Department at 828-526-3556 for more information.
 - Aerobics w/Tina Rogers 8-9a.

1st Tuesdays

• Indivisible Highlands from 5-6:30 pm at the Hudson Library.

Tuesdays

· Strength Training 8:15-9:15am. Aim for strong, lean muscles using light weights, body weight, and high repetition to shape and tone.

Tues, & Thurs.

- · Pilates-Strength and Stretch with Autumn Lucas
- New Zumba class with Gay Chalpin from 4:30-5:30p.
- Exercise Class with Michelle Lane at 5:30. A combination class with different types of ex-

ercise

Thursdays

 Kickboxing 8:15-9:15am, An exhilarating and fun mix of martial arts for a calorieburning workout.

Fridays

• Friday Night Live Concerts in Town Square on Main Street, 6-8:30 p.m. Bring chairs.

Saturdays

· Saturdays on Pine in K-H Founders Park on Pine Street, 6-8:30 p.m. Bring chairs. blankets and a picnic.

2nd Saturdays

• The Western North Carolina Woodturners Club meets in Highlands at The Bascom at 10 a.m. March thru November.

3rd Saturdays

• The American Legion Post 370 meets at the First Methodist Church at 315 Main Street in their Community Room/ 909 Chapel. We serve breakfast at 9AM and hold our monthly meeting at 10AM We invite ALL Veterans to attend. Contact Ed McCloskey, Commander



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The Ruffed Grouse

Breakfast

Mixed Fruit Smoothie....\$8

Griddled Banana Bread sorghum honey \$12

Avocado Toast smashed avocado, lemon, parsley, olive oil, whole grain toast.... \$10

> Acai Bowl granola, mixed fruit, honey ...\$12

Bananas Foster French Toast brioche, caramelized bananas, dark rum syrup mascarpone cream... \$16

Breakfast Street Tacos corn tortilla, egg, potato, queso fresco, salsa verde ...\$14 Benton's Bacon ...\$15 Chorizo...\$16

Farmers Breakfast Sandwich scrambled egg, Benton's Bacon, arugula, tomato, mozzarella, ciabatta... \$18

> Classic Omelet French omelet, parmesan, chives... \$16 vegetable ... \$16 Benton's Bacon and cheddar ... \$18

Highlander Breakfast 3 eggs, bacon, fried potatoes, cheesy grits, toast... \$22

Classic English Breakfast 2 sunny eggs*, proper bacon, pork sausage, blood pudding, griddled tomato, sautéed musbrooms, baked beans... \$28

Smoked Salmon Benedict 2 poached eggs*, arugula, english muffin, hollandaise... \$26



Menu items listed are subject to change based upon availability *Consuming rave or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish or eggs may increase your risk of food-borne illness.



The Ruffed Grouse

Lunch

Starters Today's Soup ask your server \$8

Devils On Horse Back bacon wrapped dates stuffed with blue cheese, dijon vinaigrette...\$8

Smoked Trout Dip Sunburst Farms trout, grilled sourdough....\$14

Appalachian Provisions Board
Hickory Nut Gap charcuterie, local artisanal cheeses, house pickles, chutney...\$18

Summer Garden fresh stranberries cucumbers fennel parmesan garlic vinaigrette...\$12

Grilled Peach

baby gem lettuces, pickled red onion, goal's milk cheese, pine nuts, peach vinaigrette....\$16 +grilled chicken...\$8

grilled steak ...\$14 tried outers \$16

Sandwiches*

Smoked Turkey & Avocado crispy bacon, whole grain toast, dukes mayo, lettuce, tomato....\$16

Greek Chicken Gyro

Grilled Steak

Pressed Capresse

- Gooth mozzarella, fresh basil... \$14

Grilled Chicken lettuce, tomato, house pickles, basil mayo, brioche bun.....\$18

+cheese...\$2

Crispy Buttermilk Chicken brioche bun, spicy pickles, herb aioli.... \$18

The Ruffed Grouse Double Cheeseburger brioche bun, American cheese, dill pickle, Vidalia onions,

*all sandwiches come with choice of a garden lettuce side salad, french fries

Plates

Harvest Platter roasted and grilled seasonal vegetables, salsa verde...\$22 Orecchiette

> Desserts Chef's selection, ask your server



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for any information @828-787-1660.

Thurs., lune 30

 Public Hearing for adoption of the Comprehensive Plan at 6 p.m. in the Community Building.

Tues., - Fri., June 28-July I

• At the Bascom, a class with Larry Moore Abstraction in Acrylics & Gouache. (Acrylic and gouache painting). For more information call 828.526.4949 or visit thebascom.org

Fri. & Sat., July 1 & 2

- HCCMF 2022 season launches with Three Concertmasters on Friday and Saturday. The regular Concert Series performances are held Fridays and Sundays at the Highlands Performing Arts Center - 507 Chestnut Street: Saturdays and Mondays at the Village Green Commons in Cashiers at 160 Frank Allen Road.
- At Half-Mile Farm, a hosted Event with Blair Hobbs & John T. Edge. Guests of Half-Mile Farm enjoy a weekend with author, tv show hosts, and artists Blair Hobbs & John

T. Edge. Friday Social Hour from 5-6 pm with complimentary hors d'oeuvres inspired by recipes from Blair and John T. and special cocktails available for purchase prepared by John T. in the I. Henry Farmhouse Tayern, Live music from 5-8 pm. Saturday at 4 pm in the Woodland View Room, Cheese Olive Balls and (New) Old Fashioneds with Blair and John T. ~ recipe and cocktail-making demo with samples Saturday Social Hour from 5-6 pm with complimentary hors d'oeuvres inspired by recipes from Blair and John T. and new twists on classic cocktails with John, Breakfast on Saturday will feature Father's Country sausage and Anson Mill's Pencil Cob grits and John T. will chat with guests about a recent article in Garden & Gun focused on this traditional Southern pairing. To attend these complimentary events at Half-Mile Farm from July 1-2, book your stay today.https://www.oldedwardshospitality.com/half-mile-farm#/booking/step-I

July 1-24

• The Mountain Theatre Company's pro-

duction of Jersey Boys, the story of Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons at The Playhouse on Oak Street, Wednesday - Saturday @ 7:30p and Saturday & Sunday @ 2p. For tickets go to www. mountaintheatre.com.

Fri., July 1

· At Acorns on S. 4th Street, Ali & Bird Jewelry Trunk Show 10a to 5p. Featuring Ali & Bird lewelry was founded by Ali Howell, an Atlanta resident, and Memphis native, in 2009. Ali brings her passion for bold color combinations and timeless design to the creation of each piece of Ali & Bird lewelry. (828) 787-1877.

Sat., July 2

· At the Bascom, Community Day, 11 am - 2 pm. A day filled with free art activities for the whole family. In addition to free popcorn. artist demonstrations, and things to make, this year there is a community day picnic. Bring your picnic, a blanket or lawn chairs and enjoy the beautiful Bascom campus, and a storytelling artist. For more information call 828.526.4949 or visit thebascom.or

- At Potpourri Evewear on Main Street. A Vuarnet Trunk Show from 1 lato 5p. 828-526-
- · At First Presbyterian Church Lawn. Highlands Bagpipers 4:30-5 p.m.

Sun. lulv 3

 HCCMF will celebrate Independence Day with American Salute on Sunday at the Highlands Performing Arts Center, This suite will feature selections about America and works by American composers. For more information or to purchase tickets for the season or for individual concerts, call (828) 526-9060, send an email to hccmfnc@gmail.com. or visit h-cmusicfestival.org.

Mon. July 4

 4TH OF IULY ACTIVITIES will be hosted at the Town Ballfield on Monday: Boy Scouts will be shooting off water rockets starting at 9am. At I I am the Rec Dept. will be hosting traditional field games until noon (Tug a War, 3-legged sack race, water balloon toss

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The Ruffed Grouse Dinner

Starters & Salads

Garden Lettuce Salad cucumbers, strawberries, fennel, parmesan, garlic vinaigrette...\$12

Gem Salad

ckled onion, pine nuts, goats cheese, grilled peaches, peach vinaigrette....\$14.

Fried Oysters

me ground grits, pickled fresno peppers, buttermilk caper remoulade...\$18

Reef TarTar

lemon, caper, shallot, champagne vinaigrette, quail egg, crostini....\$18

Devils on Horse Back

bacon wrapped dates stuffed with blue cheese, garlic vinaigrette...\$12

Plates

Vegetable Plate

roasted and grilled seasonal vegetables, herbs, grains, salsa verde...\$22

Roasted Rack Of Lamb

gigande beans, broccoli raab, mint chimichurri ...\$45

Seared Chicken Breast

airline chicken breast, asparagus, natural herb jus...\$20

Fillet of Sunburst Trout

wild rice, haricot verts, charred lemon, garlic herb sauce...\$34

Beef Filet... 802

garlic mash potatoes, asparagus, blue cheese butter...\$45

The Ruffed Grouse Double Cheeseburger* on brioche with american cheese, dill pickle, vidalia onions, and comeback sauce...\$20

Orecchiette Sausage Pasta

ound lamb sausage, heirloom tomatoes, calabrian chilies, parmesan, broccoli raab...\$32

• Desserts •

Chef's selection, ask your server

*Contains ingredients that are raw or undercooked. Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish, or eggs may increase your risk of food-borne illness.

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The Ruffed Grouse Brunch

Breakfast

Buttermilk Pancakes with berry compote & maple syrup\$16

Classic Omelet

french omelet with parmesan & chives, served with dressed greens\$16

Steak & Eggs

grilled steak & two sunny-side-up eggs....\$26

Eggs Benedict

boached eggs and ham topped with hollandaise . \$20

A 'la Carte

Cheesy Grits.... \$7 Fried Potatoes.... \$7

Bacon.... \$7

Fresh Fruit \$7 Yogurt & granola...\$7



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Salads

Garden Lettuce Salad in a garlic dressing with cucumbers, pickled fennel, and parmesan...\$12 add grilled chicken ...\$8 add steak...\$18

Kale Salad

with goats milk cheese, toasted walnuts, beets, and cranberry vinnaigrette....\$16

Sandwiches

Fried Egg Sandwich on a brioche bun with american cheese. bacon, and comeback sauce... \$15

BLT

on whole wheat bread... \$15

The Ruffed Grouse Double Cheeseburger on a brioche bun with american cheese, dill pickle, vidalia onions, and comeback sauce... \$18

> *all Sandwiches served with choice of french Fries or Fresh Fruit





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and frozen T-Shirt contest). At noon there will be a visit from MAMA helicopter. Once the helicopter leaves, the Highlands Fire Department will have the ladder truck for the annual spray down. At 2 p.m the duck derby is at the Bridge at Mill Creek, Also, Rotary will be serving food at Town Ball Field starting at 11am. The annual fireworks show will start about

Thurs., July 7

• At The Bascom, 4pm-5pm Talk and Reception: Ceramics Artists Instructors Takuro and Hitomi Shibata FREE.

Sat., July 9

- At Acorns on S. 4th Street. Theresa Forman Art Trunk Show 10a to 5p. Theresa greatly enjoys drawing inspiration from life where she can observe both the colors and subtle nuances in the landscape or in a still life. Working primarily in oils, she uses the Plein Air studies and photographic references to produce studio pieces that reveal the harmony found in nature. (828) 787-1877.
- · Low Country Shrimp Boil to benefit K-H Founders Park at the park. Doors open at 5p and Dinner is at 6p. Rain or Shine. \$70/person. Live music. Tickets are available at www. foundersparkhighlands.org and The Dry Sink on Main Street.

Sun.-Sun., July 10-17

• The Village Green 6th biennial Plein Air Festival. Featuring over 20 professional artists painting throughout the community. The art will be displayed in Lewis Hall and the gallery is open to the public (free admission) from Thurs., July 14 - Sun., July 17. A portion of the art sales benefits The Village Green. For a full schedule of events please visit the Easels on the Green website: www.easlesonthegreen.

Tues., July 13

• HCCMF presents, in collaboration with OEI, a special concert entitled Martinis & Mozart featuring the Ulysses String Quartet at

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5:30p at The Orchard House at Old Edwards Farm. An hors d'oeuvre reception will precede the performance with a cash bar available. Tickets are \$75 each, for reservations call (828) 526-9060 or emailing hccmfnc@gmail.

Fri., July 15

- · At The Bascom, Collector's Talk with Kirk Moore: Sense of Place. One Person's Travels Through the Southern Imaginary Landscape at 3p. FREE.
- In K-H Founders Park, a fundraiser for The Literacy & Learning Center 4-8 p.m., Live Music, Cash bar, Food Truck, All proceeds to benefit The Literacy & Learning Center.

Sat., July 16

· At Acorns on S. 4th Street, Carol Misner Art Trunk Show featuring Carol Misner's botanical paintings, 10a to 5p. Each piece is her unique interpretation of the flora, in monochromatic tones, reflecting the simple beauty. gracefulness, and fragility of the botanical it portrays. (828) 787-1877.

Thurs. July 21

- · Chapter BI is sponsoring a luncheon on at Highland Falls Country Club. All local and visiting PEO's are invited to attend. Please contact Paula McDonald 706-372-3004 for more information.
- · "Light in the Darkness" with Steverthen Holland at Discover Church in Franklin from 7-9 p.m. Info and registration at SmokeyPartners.com 828-349-3200

Sat. - Sun., July 23-24

 SUMMER COLORS FINE ART SHOW - A Rain or Shine Fine Art Event indoors at the Sapphire Valley Community Center, 207 Sapphire Valley Rd, Sapphire, NC, 10 am to 5

pm each day. Presented by the Art League of Highlands-Cashiers (ALHC).

Sat., July 23

· At Acorns, Carringer Farms and Marie's Custom Ornaments Trunk Show 10 am - 5 pm. Here's your opportunity to meet the creators behind Carringer Farms and Marie's Custom Ornaments.

Sun., July 24

· La Fete de Champagne. Go to OldEdwardsHospitality.com/chefdinners to reserve a spot.

Wed., July 27

 The Orchard Sessions with Erick Baker at The Farm at Old Edwards on Arnold Road from 6-8 p.m. Known for his aching intensity, passion, and unguarded emotional energy, Erick's live performances are a powerful example of what can be accomplished through song. The \$40 ticket includes light bites, and a cash bar is available, book online visit oldedwardshospitality.com/orchardsessons. Online ticket sales open to the public on July 13.

Fri., July 29

· At The Bascom, Three Potters Public Reception FREE Admission; works available for purchase. 5-6:30 pm.

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Sat., July 30

• At The Bascom, Three Potters Symposium (tickets available at TheBascom.org) 10 am – noon and 1-4 pm.

Aug. 12 - Sept. 4

• The Mountain Theatre Company presents Sentimental Journey, a WWII Music Revue at The Playhouse on Oak Street. Wednesday - Saturday @ 7:30p and Saturday & Sunday

@ 2p. For tickets go to www.mountaintheatre.

Sat.. Aug. 20

• Highlands Emergency Council Fundraiser from 12-3pm in KH Founders Park featuring the Lisa Boone Band. There will be faffles, and a silent auction. Hot Dogs with fixings for \$5 per plate.



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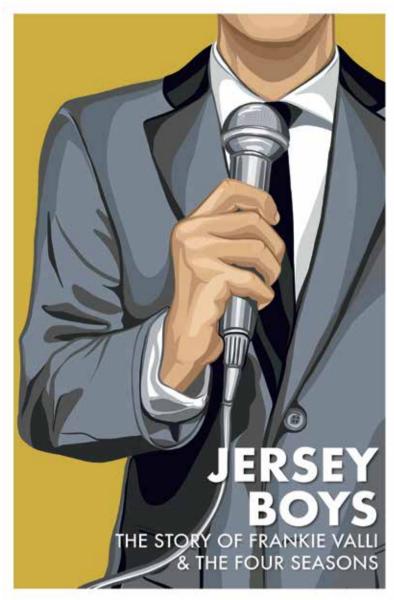


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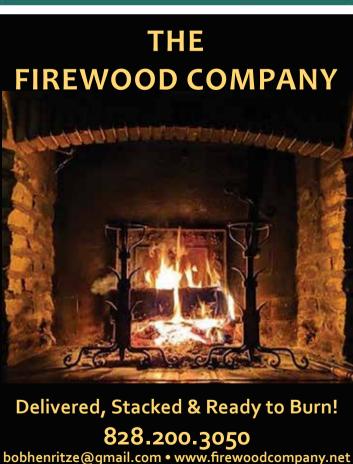
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stores shows the same woman.

On June 17th, the criminal returned to one of the stores. The business owner recognized the woman, locked the store, and attempted to call 911. The woman physically struggled and pushed the shop owner to leave the store.

Highlands Police Investigators are actively investigating these incidents and are asking the community for any information about the identity of this person. Anyone with information is asked to contact Detective Sgt. Tim Broughton at 828-482-2255 or Lt. Leah McCall at 828-482-2756. All callers will remain anonymous.

In preparation for the firework display, all Rec Park facilities will be closed on Monday, July 4th

Biz/Org News



Students at the Highlands Community Child Development Center recently had their annual tea party, complete with fancy hats and a formal table setting. Teachers Amanda Keith and Jeanna Owens with the 2 & 3 year old class ready for the event.



Above: HIghlands American Legion Post 370 had the installation of officers for the 2022 - 2023 term at their meeting on Saturday, June 18. District Commander Mike Shanahan administered the oath of office to the following. From left to right Greg Clarkson, Historian, Zach Claxton, Chaplain, Bob Trevathan, Sergeant at Arms, Ken Knight, Adjutant/Finance Officer, Paul Schowalter, Second Vice Commander, Bill Reese, First Vice Commander, Ed McCloskey, Commander Post 370, not pictured Chip Snyder, Public Information Officer. Photo by Keith Hall

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But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. Romans 6:17-18

reedom has always been at the heart of how we understand ourselves as Americans and I can think of few better places to spend the Fourth of July than here in Highlands, NC, surrounded by the beauty of God's good creation! What a wonderful place to celebrate, with family, fireworks, and great fanfare, all the good freedoms we as citizens of the United States of America are fortunate enough to share - our freedom from the taxation and tyranny of a distant crown; our freedom from a government which would seek to limit our speech or control our worship; and our freedom from many of the limits and constraints felt beyond the shores of this land.

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Throughout the sixth chapter of the Book of Romans, St. Paul does all he can to articulate his vision of a life made totally and completely free through God's gift of grace and love - a gift which has delivered us from the bondage of sin and freed us from the grip of death. As St. Paul observes, life in Christ sets us free from obligation under the law (Romans 6:14). But our understanding of God's grace and love would be short-sided if this is all we have to proclaim. Yes, we have been set from sin and the weight of the law, but set free for what? Why have we

We have been set free so that we might live for Christ. Set free from the fear of an unknown and distant God, with the hope of a higher commitment to Him through Christ our Lord. As Saint Paul says, God has liberated us from sin so that "we may become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which we are entrusted" (Romans 6:17).

We have been set free from the choices and habits that once controlled our lives so that we might be free for God. Indeed, we have been set free not just from something but for something - free to choose a life made whole and complete in and through our participation in God's own divine life.

No words or theological arguments could ever fully capture the grace-filled freedom offered in and through Christ. Rather, such a freedom is best expressed as it takes hold of real human lives. And so it is that we are called to be living witnesses of the grace found in Christ - the grace-

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Highlands Police entries from June 16. Only the names of persons arrested, issued a Class-3 misdemeanor or public officials have been used.

lune 16

- At 4:35 p.m., officers responded to a 2-vehicle accident on Oak and Maple streets.
- At 3:39 p.m., officers responded to a 2-vehicle accident in the Highlands Plaza parking lot.

June 2

• At 1:33 a.m., officers received a report of stalking at the victim's place of employment.

June 25

• At 4 p.m., officers received a report of shoplifting at Potpourri on Main Street where a bracelet valued at \$15 was

The Highlands Fire & Rescue log from June 20. lune 21

At 1:10 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Whiteside Mountain Road

June 22

At 1:05 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Hemlock Dr.

At 3:22 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to a location on NC 106.

June 23

At 2:30 a.m., the dept. responded to a call of smoke on

Dog Mountain Road.

At 1:36 p.m., the dept. provided public assistance to a residence on Laurel Street.

At 4 p.m., the dept. was first-responders and then stood by for MAMA at a residence on Historic Highlands, Dr.

lune 24

At 9:01 a.m., the dept. responded to a fire alarm at a location on Clubhouse Trail.

At 11:43 a.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Sassafrass Court.

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At 9:39 a.m., the dept. was first-responders to Laurel Street. At 8:10 p.m. the dept. responded to a fire alarm at a residence on Arnold Road

June 26

At 1:50 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Buckberry Road.

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At 1:59 p.m., the dept. was first-responders to a residence on Buck Creek Road.

At 3:47 p.m., the dept. responded to a call of an illegal burn on NC 106.

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filled freedom which has cut us loose from sin so that we might share in the liberty of God's own self-giving love.

Go then out into the world as disciples of Christ. Go out as messengers of freedom to the people and places

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Presenter: Andrew Weissman

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Tuesday, July 12, Time: 9a-1p

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Presenter: Joey Kyle

 Viruses and Vaccines: From Cowpox Virus to Modern mRNA Vaccines

Thursday, July 12, Time: 2-4p

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Presenter: Maria Gaine

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Wednesday, July 13, Time: 2-4p

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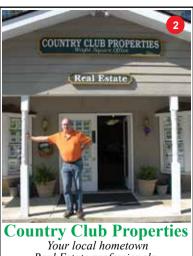
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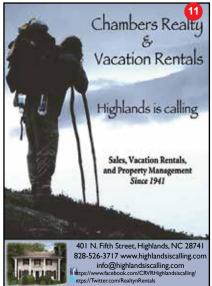
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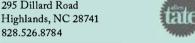
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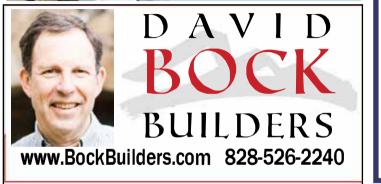


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