

Shootings shock Seven Lakes

Seven Lakes West — a quiet community in which violent crime is extremely rare — was shocked last week to learn of a shooting inside its gates — and doubly surprised to learn of another on the fringes of the community a few days later.

Jose Uribe Ramirez, 44, owner and resident of a home at 104 Fawnwood Drive was shot in the face, arm, and chest by unidentified assailants as he pulled into his driveway at just before 11:00 pm on Thursday, September 7, according to the incident report filed by Moore County Sheriff's Deputy Jonathan B. Beck, who responded to a call from the Ramirez residence.

The report notes that Tony Uribe Garcia, 17, was with Ramirez when officers arrived. Officers found Ramirez sitting at

his dining room table with a towel covering his face. He was described as "conscious and alert."

Moore County First Deputy Neil Godfrey told *The Times* that Ramirez was lucky to be alive, explaining that at least two of the bullets — thought to be from a medium-calibre handgun — passed through the door of the vehicle before striking the victim.

Ramirez was transported to FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital by Moore County EMS.

His assailants, which Godfrey described as four Hispanic males, are still at large. It is not known how they gained entrance into the community. Sheriff's officers reviewed video collect-

(See "Shootings," p. 33)

Easements hold up new water line

The plans are done, the permits are in place, the bids are in, the money is in the budget — but the construction of a new water main that will provide a more direct link between Seven lakes and Pinehurst faces another hurdle before construction can begin.

The county must obtain utility easements from the owners of sixteen parcels of land along Highway 211 before the new 12-inch water line can be built.

Moore County Public Works Director Marcus Jones reported on the new line during the Tuesday, September 5 meeting of the Moore County Board of Commissioners. The com-

missioners allocated \$589,520 for the project back in March 2005, with hopes that the line could be in place before this past summer's dry season.

Jones told commissioners that construction bids on the project were opened on August 1, and Sanford Contractors is the apparent low bidder. Their price is good for 90 days.

But first, the county must obtain easements from a number of property owners along the route.

The new line will follow NC Highway 211, from near Olmsted Village to just west of the main Pinewild entrance — a length of a little more than two-and-one-half miles, County Engi-

(See "Water line," p. 33)

Afghanistan Update



The Seven Lakes Forum will hear a firsthand account of the progress in Afghanistan from Lt. Colonel Steve Tableman (in glasses), shown here in Gardez, Pakita Province. The Forum will meet on Thursday, September 21 at 9:00 am in the Great Room of the West Side Park Community Center. All Seven Lakers and their guests are welcome to attend.

Foxfire Village toughens animal control ordinance

The Foxfire Village stiffened its leash law and animal cruelty regulations with a new Animal Control ordinance adopted during the regular Tuesday, September 12, meeting of the Village Council.

Councilman Carl Munro said the ordinance amendments had been developed by an ad hoc committee that included John Hunter, Vic Koos, Julie Andress, Village Police Chief Rick Rhyne, and Munro.

The village recently lost a court case involving animal control because of technical problems with the old ordinance. In addition, a large number of villagers signed a petition asking the council to protect white china geese that live on ponds on the golf course.

"Protect" is a difficult word," Munro said, explaining that proactively protecting the geese could require fencing them or providing them with 'round-the-

clock police protection. The council could very easily declare the village a bird sanctuary, he said, but it is unclear whether that would actually accomplish the goal of protecting the geese from harm.

Instead, the ad hoc committee, included in its proposed ordinance a section on "cruelty to animals" that makes clear the village "will charge violations involving Cruelty to Animals by citing such violations under the provisions of State Law 14-360 and 14.361." A copy of those general statutes was

(See "Foxfire," p. 32)

Foxfire Council Meeting
9/12

New gallery spotlights Seven Lakes talent

It's coming! It's coming to Seven Lakes! The longtime artists' wishes and dreams will come true. Walls for showing works of art!

Through the generosity of the St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church the walls are being provided as an ongoing outreach project encouraging artists from Seven Lakes, West End and McLendon Hills to show, and provide for sale through the artist, paintings in all mediums.

The initial show spotlights the Monday Art Group, after which local artists may submit applications to display.

Future plans include "theme exhibits." Next up: "Holiday Hang Ups" – Autumn, Thanksgiving, December holidays and Winter works, beginning early November.

For 2007, plans call for "Wet and Dry," (landscape, seascape, still life), "Animals," "Vacation Vistas."

Everyone's support is needed to keep this venture moving forward. Information concerning entry into the shows may be found at the gallery.

The Grand opening date is Wednesday, September 27, 1–4 pm with gallery days being Wednesdays, 2-5 pm, Saturdays 1-4 pm, and one Sunday per month beginning October 8, with hours to be announced.

An artist will usually be in attendance to discuss painting techniques or answer questions and may even be working on the next master piece.

The community is cordially invited to the opening of The Village Gallery of Seven Lakes at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church. Paintings, punch and pastries all afternoon. Give the newest attraction in Seven Lakes a big welcome.

Fire Dept. Open House is Thursday

Join the Seven Lakes Volunteer Department at the fire station on Thursday, September 21, 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

All area residents are invited to attend this informative and fun event.

There will be 16 organizations set up at the station for everyone to visit. Various demonstrations and displays will be available.

Some of the organizations that will be on hand to visit are:

Moore County Public Safety, N.C. Forestry Service, Seven Lakes E.M.S, Moore County Sheriff's Department, Duke Life Flight, Homeland Security and others will be on hand.

There will be activities for adults and children to enjoy, as well as free refreshments, and a chance for you to meet the members of your volunteer fire department. Mark your calendar and enjoy the evening.

Understanding Village Business Zoning

A Zoning Ordinance meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 20 at 4:00 pm in the Seven Lakes Landowner's conference room in the office building. It's important that all Village Tomorrow committee members attend this educational and informative meeting.

Before recommending any changes (text amendments) in the Zoning Ordinance for the Village Business District, it's important to understand what's in place today.

Kathy Liles of the Moore County Planning & Community Development Department will meet with the Village Tomorrow committees to continue explaining today's ordinances and answer any questions.

If you have a copy of the Zoning Ordinance, be sure to bring it to the meeting. If you don't, there will be copies available at the meeting, or you can get one from Dave Kinney (139 Hastings, 673-6700).

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County approves \$16,300 for spay/neuter

Back in February, the Moore County Commissioners attempting to diffuse a battle brewing among the pet rescue, animal welfare, dog breeding, and hunting communities by creating a Citizen's Pet Responsibility Committee that threw a blanket over all those interest groups and challenged them with coming up with creative ways to deal with pet overpopulation.

During their Tuesday, September 5 regular meeting, the commissioners put up \$16,500 to support the committee's first big project.

Committee Chairperson Angela Zumwalt detailed the group's progress and plans, including a major effort to educate the public and spay or neuter pets, focusing on the town of Robbins as a pilot project.

The eighteen-member Citizen's Pet Responsibility Committee has already developed educational materials to be used in Moore County classrooms, developed reading list for libraries, gotten coverage on local television channels, sponsored pet adoption events, and encouraged new, more convenient hours at the Moore County Animal Center.

But even the most successful

adoption event placed only 66 animals, Zumwalt said, while Moore County euthanizes nearly 60 every week.

The solution to the problem of pet over-population is spaying and neutering pets, Zumwalt said. And offering these procedures at low cost is essential in order to enable lower-income residents to have their animals spayed and neutered.

The committee plans a major push in this direction in Robbins, beginning in October of this year and culminating with a "Pet Responsibility Day" in the community on April 21, 2007.

The plan will include:

- A mobile spay/neuter unit visit to Robbins one day per month from October through March.
- A five-day spay/neuter blitz for "owned" pets in April.
- More visits by the mobile unit one day per month in May and June.
- A visit by a mobile unit to spay and neuter feral cats from one day in November and two days in April.
- Vaccinations will be included as part of the spay neuter service for pets and a separate vaccination clinic will be offered for already-neutered pets.

Zumwalt told commissioners that the committee had negotiated a discounted price of \$90 per dog and \$60 per cat for the spay/neuter procedures working with a mobile clinic from Raleigh.

She asked that the county pay a portion of these fees in order to bring the cost to the pet owner down to \$45 per dog and \$40 per cat. Zumwalt said these are the prices that the non-profit Companion Animal Clinic expects to be able to offer once its clinic is opened next year.

Zumwalt provided data that showed the county last year spent over \$617,000 to capture, adopt out, and euthanize animals. The Animal Center accepted 4,628 cats and dogs, making the cost per animal \$133.32.

By contrast, she said, the \$16,300 the Pet Responsibility Committee was requesting would cover procedures on 480 animals, a cost of \$34 per animal.

Commissioner Michael Holden, who is the board's representative on the Pet Responsibility Committee, said he was impressed with what the group had accomplished already. Zumwalt is "one hard-working woman," he said, asking his fel-

low commissioners to support the request for funds.

The request was approved unanimously.

Candidates Night planned for Seven Lakes

The Seven Lakes Candidate's Forum, sponsored by the League of Women Voters, Seven Lakes Civic Group, and NAACP is scheduled for Tuesday, October 10, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, at the WestSide Park Community Center. Candidates expected to attend include: US Congress, District 6: Rory Blake and Howard Coble; NC House, District 52: Joe Boyland, Gerald Galloway, Manilla [Bud] Shaver; County Commissioner, District 1: Teresa Cameron Marquez and Jimmy Melton; and District Court Judge: Kristian Allen and Scott Etheridge

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Planning Board asks for Area A appointment

The Moore County Planning Board attempted to give the Board of Commissioners a little nudge with a resolution passed at the end of its Thursday, September 7 regular meeting.

The resolution calls on the Board of Commissioners to appoint a Chairperson to the Area A Small Area Plan Steering Committee — and, in fact, to appoint “the recommendation of the Moore County Planning Board,” namely, Dave Kinney

of Seven Lakes South.

Commissioners appointed members, a chairman, and a vice chairman to the Area A committee at their August 7 meeting, though they selected Watts Auman of West End as chairman, rather than Kinney, as the planning board had suggested. Auman turned the job down, and the commissioners have not chosen to appoint a replacement during two subsequent meetings.

After the August 21 commissioners meeting, Chairman David Cummings told *The Times* that, because of a miscommunication, the commissioners were not aware that the Planning Board had recommended that both Kinney and the recommended Vice Chairman, Paul Hodges, serve as non-voting members of the panel. Both Kinney and Hodges are members of the Planning Board.

Cummings said that he had

heard from members of the public who were concerned that having a planning board member lead the committee would make it less open to public input. Others were concerned about having it led by someone who resides in a gated community, Cummings told *The Times*.

The Planning Board’s resolution, noting that October is National Community Planning Month, asks the commissioners “to embrace the importance

of community planning by appointing as Chairperson of the Steering Committee the recommendation of the Moore County Planning Board to lead this important local land use planning process referred to as Small Area Plan for Area ‘A.’”

The Board also asked the commissioners to designate October 2006 as Community Planning Month in the County.

Contacted Wednesday night, Cummings told *The Times* that he had not had any official word of the Planning Board request. The appointment of an Area A chairperson is not on the agenda for the commissioners meeting on September 18, Cummings said, “but we can always add an additional agenda item in the meeting if we need to.”

Auction will benefit spay/neuter clinic

Companion Animal Clinic (CAC) of the Sandhills, the innovative new organization which is establishing a low-cost spay/neuter clinic in our community, is seeking items for a gala silent auction and dinner dance to be held October 6, at the Fair Barn in Pinehurst.

Titled “De-sex in the City” (a take off on the very popular HBO series “Sex in the City”) the event is a fund-raiser to help enable the Companion Animal Clinic to raise \$595,000 to outfit its new facility in the former Pinehurst Golf Club on US 1 North in Vass and begin operations.

A spectacular array of items has been collected for this wonderful event, which will feature a dinner buffet and music by

the popular McKenzie Brothers Band as well as the silent auction. Some of the auction items already donated include cooking lessons for four courtesy of Elliott’s on Linden, an all terrain vehicle and Harley-Davidson jacket and helmet from Sandhill Harley-Davidson, a hot air balloon ride for two from Aberdeen Coca-Cola Bottling Company, jewelry from the Framers Cottage, and a gift certificate from Chef Warren’s. But more items are needed.

Businesses and individuals wishing to donate items or become sponsors of the auction should call Elena Strom at 910 315 3788.

Tickets for the gala event are \$50.00 per person (for unreserved seating) or \$500 for a

reserved table for ten. Your ticket includes entry into the event, the dinner buffet and wine, beer or soft drinks. Tickets are available in Southern Pines from Eve Avery’s, 131 NE Broad Street and Opulence, 280 NW Broad Street.

Tickets may also be purchased by phone with a credit card by calling Elena Strom at 910 315 3788 or Tricia Greenleaf at 910 724 9351. Tickets will also be sold at the door the night of the event if space remains available.

Doors will open at 6:00 pm with the silent auction begin-

ning at 6:30 pm. The buffet dinner will follow at 8:00 pm.

Companion Animal Clinic

(See “Auction,” p. 7)

(See “Planning,” p. 31)



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The entertaining McKenzie Brothers Band will be on hand to entertain. Local businesses will be represented, door prizes,

raffles and give-a-ways.

Come to the Village and see all the businesses that are in Seven Lakes to serve the community. You may find a few surprises and some old friends.

This event is open to all area businesses. Anyone who would like to have booth should contact Darrell Marks at Phoenix Fashions 673-5998.

Village Tomorrow committees named

by Phil Cook, President,
Seven Lakes Business Guild

The chairmen of the three committees charged with identifying the specific tasks necessary to make Village Tomorrow come true have announced the members of their committees. They are:

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Signage

Fred Seufert – chairman, Gerhard Hergenbahn, Angel Terry, and Harriet Wicker.

Building Standards

Les Murray – chairman, Cliff Baldwin, John Garner, Terry Hunt, Emily (Pud) Kent and DeWitt Petterson.

It is expected there will be lively discussions before each committee reaches a consensus. The group invites everyone in the community to attend all meetings and make a contribution.

To those volunteers who weren't chosen to a specific committee, thank you for your interest.

Stand by, there may be opportunities to work with the committees on special tasks.

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Edward T. Hourigan, 95, of Foxfire, died Aug. 1, at his home.

A memorial service was on Thursday, September 14, at Boles Funeral Home in Pinehurst.

Mr. Hourigan was born in New York City, NY, to the late Edward Hourigan and Sophie Vollet Hourigan. He was the husband of the late Laura Ann Hourigan.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and a retired stockbroker.

Survivors include his cousins, Marilyn Kinzel and Betty Bukaukas.

Richard "Dick" C. Newsham, V.M.D., 88, of Seven Lakes, died Tuesday, September 5, at his home. A memorial service was held on Tuesday, September 12 at Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines. The Rev. Don Welch officiated.

Dr. Newsham was born in Atlantic City, NJ and spent his early life in Audubon, NJ. He attended Duke University, Class of 1942, and spent four years in the U.S. Army Coast Artillery, where he attained a captaincy during World War II.

He received his veterinary degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1950 and practiced general veterinary medicine in Gettysburg, PA for 29 years. There he became Rotary president, a member of the school board and president of the Gettysburg Little League and Midget Football League. He was a trustee in the Gettysburg Presbyterian Church. He enjoyed golf at the Gettysburg Country Club.

Dr. Newsham retired in 1980 and moved to Seven Lakes. He was a member of the Seven Lakes Country Club and active in the Golf Capital Chorus, Seven Lakes Men's Bowling Group and the Chapel in the Pines Choir.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Robert Newsham.

Survivors include his wife, Lois Newsham; a brother, Arthur Newsham of Deltona, FL; a daughter, Carol Schreiber of Westlake Village, CA; two sons, Richard C. Newsham II of Ventura, CA, Kent E. Newsham of Woodlands, TX; and two grand-

daughters.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Moore County Habitat for Humanity, 2268 NC 5, Aberdeen, NC 28315 or to the Sandhills Coalition for Human Care, 1117 W. Pennsylvania Ave., Southern Pines, NC 28387.

Boles Funeral Home of Seven Lakes assisted the family.

Terry L. Collins, 70, of Seven Lakes, died at his home on Tuesday, September 5.

Mr. Collins was born in Belleville, ILL to the late James G. and Dorothy H. Collins. He retired from Spalding Sports Worldwide, Chicopee, MA, where he was Director of Finance, Customer and Distribution Serv-

ices.

Mr. Collins enjoyed playing golf at Seven Lakes Country Club and with his buddies in the "Drifters" golf group.

He was preceded in death by granddaughter, Michelle A. Collins.

He and his wife moved to Seven Lakes in 1996.

Survivors include his wife of 50 years, Barbara Collins; sons: Scott D. Collins, Brad G. Collins; a daughter, Tammy L. Phillips and seven grandchildren and one great-grandson.

A private family memorial will be held at a later date.

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Boles Funeral Home and Crematory of Seven Lakes assisted the family.

Lydia Mary Clark, age 84 of Southern Pines, formerly of Seven Lakes died on Saturday, September 9 at FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital. She was a resident of St. Joseph of the Pines in Southern Pines.

Mrs. Clark was born in Alpine, NJ the daughter of Kolacia and Mary Sebastia Kolacia. She was a homemaker and enjoyed sewing and crafts.

A memorial service was held on Wednesday, September 13 at Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines. The Rev. Larry Booth officiated.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Joseph Clark, and son Jeffrey Joseph Clark.

Survivors include one son, John Craig Clark of Collierville, TN; four daughters, Joanne Eileen Santangelo of West Milford, NJ, Nancy Elizabeth Markwardt of Palm Springs, CA, Linda Susan Booth of Satellite Beach, FL, and Deborah Agnes Marano of Camden, NJ. Twelve grandchildren and ten great grandchildren also survive.

Auction

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(CAC) of the Sandhills is dedicated to eliminating the problem of pet overpopulation in our community by providing low cost spay/neuter services—and hopes that everyone will help advance its mission by supporting this wonderful event.

Friends of CAC may also send their tax-deductible donations directly to Companion Animal Clinic of the Sandhills, Post Office Box 148, Southern Pines, NC, 28388.

In addition to the gala on October 6th, CAC will celebrate the dedication of its new facility on US 1 North in Vass on October 15, 2006 from 1-3 pm.

The public is warmly welcomed to attend.

Memorial contributions may be made in the memory of Mrs. Clark to Pinetree Enterprises, PO Box 21, West End, NC 27376.

Boles Funeral Home and Crematory of Seven Lakes served the family.

Jean W. McEntee, 82, of Foxfire Village, died Saturday, Sept. 9, at FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital in Pinehurst.

A memorial will be held from 4 to 6 p.m., Friday, September 15, at Foxfire Country Club.

Mrs. McEntee is survived by her husband of 59 years, Dr. Thomas J. McEntee; two brothers, Bradford Low of Aberdeen, and Alfred Low of Ft. Myers, FL.; two daughters, Emily McEntee of Foxfire Village and Linda

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Seven Lakes Baptist adds second service

Pastor Kenneth Hankins announced recently that Seven Lakes Baptist Church is prepared to take the next step of faith for growth. In fact, the church hopes to double attendance with the addition of a second morning worship service. The announcement comes just one year after the grand opening of Seven Lakes Baptist Church's Family Life Center, which includes a full gymnasium as well as meeting rooms.

The Family Life Center was one of the first steps in the doubling effort, taking the church's meeting facility space from the original 12,500 square feet to a current capacity of 25,500 square

feet. With the infrastructure firmly established, the church is ready for two morning services.

The new 8:30 am service will provide not only an alternative time to the local congregation, but

will also double the seating capacity during the church's worship services. Seven Lakes

Baptist is a church that believes it is very important to be an active member of the local community, providing a place to belong and a place to become the people that God intends them to be. Seven Lakes Baptist Church has ministries to meet everyone's needs, whatever a person's stage of life may be.

The new service schedule will begin on Sunday, September 17, just one week after their 18th Anniversary.

The schedule is as follows:
8:30 am – First Worship Service
9:45 am – Church Wide Bible Fellowship Groups
10:15 am – Second Worship Service

Seven Lakes Baptist invites everyone to come and grow with the church as it expands.

'Dust & Ashes' is highlight of unique Chapel service

by Rollin Tomberlin

Chapel in the Pines held a unique service on Sunday, August 27, led by Reverend Tom Page and assisted by his wife, Mary Lou Troutman, a duo professionally known as "Dust & Ashes."

The service departed from its traditional format, and became a musical salute celebrating God's love and power.

From the opening hymn, "Morning Has Broken," the congregation's enthusiasm was displayed. Page, a guitarist, and Troutman, who plays the digital electronic key board, are extremely talented singers/songwriters who have taken their ministry all over the world. Their

Sunday service included spiritual readings interspersed with their well-harmonized music.

They featured songs based on scripture, songs based on their personal lifetime experiences, and songs based on their interpretation of how God created the world and wanted it to be. Many of these were their own tunes.

Page preached a sermonette regarding the prodigal son which included songs: "Make Your Way Home to Me," "Why Me, Lord," "If They Saw Me First," and "I Have Felt The Hand of God." At the close of the service, when the congregation sang the final hymn, "Amazing Grace,"

the rafters of the chapel were truly ringing with the exuberance of the worshipers.

The Chapel in the Pines, will soon celebrate its 30th Anniversary, has again demonstrated its internal flexibility and dynamic leadership by incorporating this most highly innovative worship service.

Seven Lakes is truly blessed to have such a remarkable non-denominational church.

Patty Duke to speak at SCC

Academy Award winning actress Patty Duke will discuss "A Brilliant Madness: Living with Manic-Depressive Illness" on Saturday, September 30 in the Owens Auditorium on the Sandhills Community College in Pinehurst.

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The lecture, sponsored by the National Alliance on Mental Illness, will be at 7:30 pm and is free and open to the public with no tickets required.

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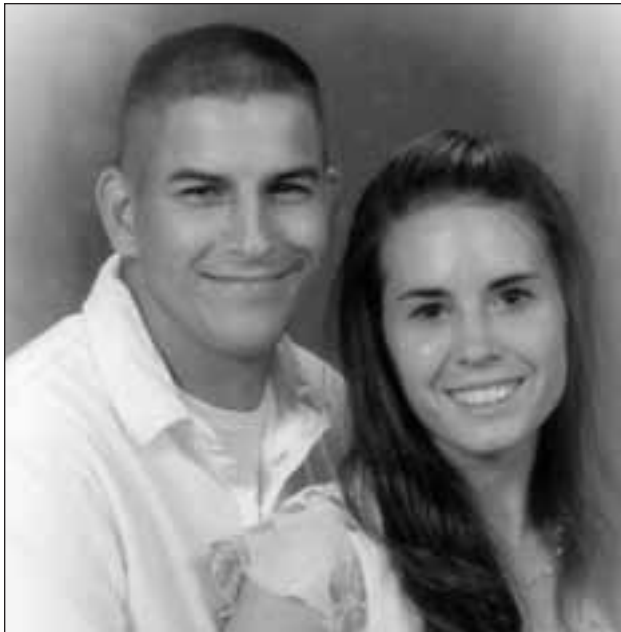
of their daughter, Jill Marie Valenta to Timothy Ryan Kristek. The groom is the son

of Joe and Shirley Kristek of Seven Lakes West.

Miss Valenta graduated from Vestal High School, Broome Community College, and State University of New York at Cortland. She is currently attending the University of Phoenix, and is a Second Grade teacher with Onslow County Schools, Swansboro, NC.

Kristek graduated from Owego Free Academy. He is currently a Staff Sergeant with the United States Marine Corps.

A November 25, 2006 wedding is planned.



Timothy Ryan Kristek & Jill Marie Valenta

Bill & Kristek

David and Denise Bill of Vestal, announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessica Marie Bill to Michael Steven Kristek.

The future groom is the son of Joseph and Shirley Kristek of Seven Lakes West.

Miss Bill graduated from Vestal High School, Vestal, NY in 1996, and attended Broome Community College. She is a Pharmacist Technician with The Pharmacy, Johnson City, NY.

Kristek graduated from Owego Free Academy, Owego, NY in 1993, and

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Joralemon hunted subs in the Aleutians

by Mason Gould

When Jack Joralemon was a youngster growing up in New Jersey, little did he realize that some day he would be flying a

Navy seaplane and dropping depth charges into the Bering Sea off the Aleutian Islands of Alaska with the presence of Japanese submarines an immi-

nent threat while World War II progressed.

There was a hint of what might take place later in his life when he was "stricken" by the wonders

of model planes and with the idea of some soaring in the sky, especially in the Navy. Even at Lehigh University, where he was majoring in industrial engineering, that idea didn't signal imminence.

But war broke out and Joralemon enlisted in the Naval Air Force Program, receiving preflight training at UNC-Chapel Hill. He was sent to Hutchinson, KS for primary flight training, and to the Corpus Christi, TX Air Base

for scout observation training in Kingfisher seaplanes. After being commissioned, he was assigned to the air base at Astoria, OR where he was engaged in anti-sub scouting duties off the Pacific coast.

Of his three years of Naval service, Joralemon spent a year and half in the Aleutians where he flew land-based Douglas scout bombers on anti-sub duty.

He can still remember a cou-

(See "Joralemon," p. 12)



Jack Joralemon

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Ernesto couldn't dampen Foxfire Days fun

by Beth Schettler

Foxfire Villagers spent the three-day Labor Day weekend celebrating "Foxfire Days" with events for residents of all ages. With John and Carole Hunter as Chairmen, the committee had met regularly throughout the entire year, planning a wide range of activities for all age groups.

"Ernesto" moved out before the opening game of Bocce Ball on Saturday morning, September second. The contestants gathered on the courts which had been laid out on the front lawn of the Town Hall.

At the end of the hard-fought contest, Chairmen Jon and Sue Bachelder announced the winning teams: Chamm and Joe Crnko, Don and Pepper Bahr, Pat Ogren and Mac MacNichol, and Adam and Paula Davis.

Joralemon

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ple of mishaps during his flying days (pilot and passenger). In one case, he was forced to eject his depth chargers at sea before making a "dead stick" (without power) landing.

After his Navy career ended, he was a passenger in a four engine Stratocruiser on a pleasure trip to Nassau in the Bahamas in bad weather when two of the engines malfunctioned, necessitating return to a closed field in New York. It was a bit dicey, but he admired how adeptly the pilot managed, especially since the lost two engines were on the same side.

Still unscratched after all his service as a Navy pilot, Joralemon began a business career that stretched over 35 years, involving various responsibilities in marketing with Caterpillar Tractor and Chevrolet Division dealerships in New Jersey.

In his retirement in Seven Lakes, he has enjoyed golf and his favorite hobby: woodworking. He has also put in a number of years with the Seven Lakes Lions Club and did the same with the Rotary Club while living in New Jersey.

And, oh yes, keeping up with every development in the field of aviation.

Saturday afternoon's action was at the beach of Lake McKenzie, where over 150 residents enjoyed a picnic supper catered by Talbert's, and a dazzling array of desserts prepared by Foxfire's famous cooks. Fifty-three new residents were honored and welcomed by Mayor George Erickson. During the cocktail hour, picnickers competed in chipping golf balls into a kiddie

pool anchored out in the lake. Chipping Chair Joe Harsany announced the winning chippers: Mac MacNichol, Pat Ogren, and Derrick Strand. Diane Scales was chairwoman of the luau, which featured decorations carrying out the "Blue Hawaii" theme chosen by the committee.

Sunday afternoon the Town Hall was the scene of a bridge

tournament, chaired by Betty Dresher. Bridge winners were Pepper Bahr, Dick Christman, and Bertha Christman in Contract Bridge; and Cora and Wally Peckitt, Mary Spotts, Marge Galloway, Katy Mullins, and Ellie Harsany in Duplicate Bridge.

Labor Day morning nine and eighteen-hole golfers teed off on the West Course in Captain's Choice tournaments

arranged by Dale and Julie Andress, and scored by Director of Golf Bill Baker. Eighteen-hole winning teams were Ray Dickerson, Phyllis Bottoms, Mac MacNichol, and Karl Zaengle, 61; Alan Hall, Rock Davis, Judy Smith, and Barbara Gentles, 62; Joe Crnko, Matt Shuster, Jim Gentles, and Betsy Wands, 63; Dale Andress, Dick Christ-

(See "Foxfire Days," p. 13)

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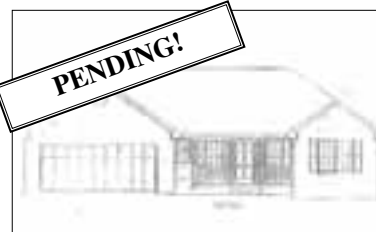
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Sports Club plans Concord Mills spree

by Kathy Kirst

It's back! After thousands of requests, the Lake Auman Sports Club is again offering its famous bus trip to Concord Mills. This event will be held Wednesday, October 11, leaving the West Side Community Center at 7:30 am, in time to arrive at Concord Mills (north of Charlotte) when it opens at 10 am.

Chat with friends and plan

your shopping expedition while enjoying an air-conditioned ride on a comfortable tour bus. No hassles of driving, getting directions, parking and paying for gas. All of this for only \$25.00.

This trip is for everyone – not just the ladies. The men can enjoy wandering around Bass Pro Shops Outdoor World, thinking about the big bass they'll get in the next tournament on Lake

Auman. Or they might visit the Black and Decker Factory Store, Circuit City, or Bose Factory Outlet to see the latest gadgets.

If they need a "wardrobe adjustment" they can visit Brooks Brothers Factory Store or Eddie Bauer Outlet or Haggar Clothing Company, just to name a few. But maybe they want to do holiday shopping early, for a change.

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Because this a Lake Auman Sports Club sponsored event, reservations for the 36 seats will be limited to Sports Club members and spouses until September 15.

After September 15 reserva-

tions are open to all. The club will begin taking reservations from everyone immediately and creating the "stand by" list for non-Sport Club members/spouses.

Reservations must be accompanied by a check made payable to the Lake Auman Sports Club to guarantee your place on the bus. Contact Patti Cleary at 673-1822 (eltpac@nc.rr.com) or Kathy Kirst at 673-8998 (kkirst@nc.rr.com).

Foxfire Days

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man, Kim Spaulding, and Pam Koos, 64; and Danny Kirby, Brian Manley, Ruth Seevers, and Anne Walsh, tied at 65 with Bobby Williamson, Pat Bryan, Ron Schermerhorn, and Joe Barrett. Closest to the pin on No. 5, Ginny Siedler; No.8 Ray Dickerson; No. 13, Ray Dickerson, and No. 17, Joe Crnko. Closest to the line on No. 16, (and all three were ON the line), Jaunita McCleney, Barbara Price, and Joe Cardelle. The nine-hole winning team, with 39, were Al Daniels, Julie Andress, Shirley Kirschner, and Bernadine Olsen. Helen Munro was closest to the pin on No. 13.

On Labor Day evening, with soft Hawaiian music playing in the background, nearly one hundred Foxfire Days celebrants, greeted with leis, entered the Beacon Ridge Country Club dining room, which had been transformed into a beautiful

Hawaiian garden by Karen Ramey and Karen Strand. A delicious dinner followed cocktail hour. Chairman John Hunter introduced a surprise soloist, photographer, Al Daniels, who had spent many hours photographing the Foxfire Days activities. After Al's beautiful singing, an Elvis Presley impersonator was introduced, and entertained the group with many of the songs made famous by Elvis.

Other members of John and Carole Hunter's committee who made the Foxfire Days weekend such a success were Assistant Chair, Sue and Jon Bachelder, who will be the 2007 Co-Chairmen; Past Chairmen, Ron and Elsa Schermerhorn; Printed Flyers and Programs, Helen Munro; Kids' Fishing Derby on August 26th, Police Chief Rick Rhyne; Promotional Items, Pat Ogren; Publicity, Beth Schettler; and Treasurer, Wayne and Barbara Arnold.

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7 Lakes Women host Friend to Friend

by Sondra Schroeder

On Thursday, September 7, the Women of Seven Lakes held their first meeting of the 2006 - 2007 season. The guest speaker was Carol Wallace, Assistant Director of Friend to Friend, a domestic violence and sexual assault agency located in Carthage.

Ms. Wallace explained that Friend to Friend is a nonprofit organization that offers help to all persons affected by domestic violence and sexual abuse. The goal is to help ease the immediate pain of abuse and to facilitate emotional healing for the victim. Seventy percent of the organization's funding comes from federal, state and city government. Thirty percent is received from the community through churches, organizations and private citizens. Donations are always needed and welcomed!

Ms. Wallace reported that from July, 2005, to June, 2006, the organization handled over 2,000 emergency calls. Statistically, 1 out of every 4 women

is likely to experience domestic violence. In addition, every 15 seconds a woman is beaten. There have been eight deaths in North Carolina this year due to domestic violence. Fourteen of those victims were men.

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shelters over 100 women and children, serves an average of 6,000 meals, helps with approximately 120 restraining orders, provides over 1,000 counseling sessions to victims and educates over 1,500 students through the Child Assault Prevention

Program.

The agency also operates a Thrift Shop in Carthage. It provides clothing and household items needed by victims of abuse. The items are free to those who are trying to establish a safe life for themselves and their children.

Friend to Friend is located at 111 McNeil Street in Carthage and can be reached by phone at (910)947-3333.

The meeting concluded with a

50 - 50 drawing. The happy winner of \$36 was Carmela Chase. Deanna Petrie was the proud recipient of the door prize, a lovely vase donated by Southern Grace Flowers and Gifts.

The next meeting of Women of Seven Lakes will be October 5. Attendees are asked to donate paper or household products or school supplies which will be given to support Friend to Friend.



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O'Neal School celebrates 35th birthday

Over 500 people attended The O'Neal School Annual Fall Picnic on Thursday, September 7, held on the school grounds. An annual event put on by the school's Parent Association; this year's program was extra special . . . for three reasons.

Founded in 1971, the O'Neal School is celebrating its 35th birthday. Birthday cake was served to all who attended. Third and fourth grade students sang "Happy Birthday" and celebrated by throwing confetti in the air.

Starting out as a day school consisting of 4 mobile units and 4 teachers and a combination of 36 - 4th, 5th, and 6th graders; the school has grown to serve over 470 students from Pre-K through 12th grade.

In 1995, The O'Neal School became a Core Knowledge School and was recognized as a National Core Knowledge Visitation Site in 2004. Core Knowledge is a unique curriculum used in the classroom and is considered a gifted program for all students in grades Pre-K through 8. The O'Neal School is a college preparatory school and is noted for having 100% of its graduates accepted to colleges and universities across the nation.

As part of the celebration, a ground-breaking ceremony was held for the construction of the



Eighth grader Heather Dyer applies an O'Neal Falcon tattoo to eighth grader Seth Edmonds.

new lower school. After a welcome from the headmaster, John Neiswender and a few words from Southern Pines Mayor Frank Quis; O'Neal Board Chairman, Chip Hasty announced the launch of the "Complete the Vision" capital campaign. Shovel holders were, John Neiswender, Headmaster; Jim Miles, Lower School Director; Chip Hasty, Board Chairman; William Trexler, Fourth Grade O'Neal Student and son of an O'Neal alumni. "Of the thirty-four years I have been at O'Neal School, this is the most exciting time," states Lower School Director, Jim Miles.

Thirty-five years ago, the founders of The O'Neal School developed a strategic plan. Modifications were made to the plan and a Master Plan was unveiled in 1996. Designed in Phases, The O'Neal school has successfully completed Phase I and Phase II. The ground breaking ceremony marks the beginning of Phase III whereby; in addition to the new

lower school, a new theatre and gymnasium will be constructed at a future date.

The official unveiling of the Timberlake Foundation Mobile also took place. Attendees were able to admire the mobile in the McMurray Library in Bradshaw Hall.

Three years ago, The O'Neal

(See "Birthday," p. 16)

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Even small fry get to celebrate at O'Neal



Pre-K and Kindergarten students were invited to an ice cream social at The O'Neal School on Sunday, August 20. As a creative way to get the students comfortable with their surroundings, many different activities were planned, including – making your own sundae!

At left, older siblings join in with the Pre-K students to have fun with color, texture, and movement as they toss the scarves. Among the celebrants: Jodie Baillie, Kristina Hoy, Joshua

Hooper, Megan Baillie, and Niasha Kodzai.

West End Ballfield Renovation

If anyone is interested in adding their business advertisement to a sign at the West End Elementary Baseball Field or giving a donation to our field, please contact Sandi Burrell at 673-0901.

The goals this year are to get a new scoreboard, get the field reseeded, and have the irrigation system at the field and landscaping working.

Make donation checks payable to WEE Ballfield and send them to: Sandi Burrell, 1217 Seven Lakes North, West End, NC 27376 or leave donations at the school office, to the attention of Sandi Burrell.

Birthday

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School was the recipient of a Bob Timberlake grant. Mr. and Mrs. Timberlake donated seed money and pieces of art from North Carolina artists to start a permanent collection of North Carolina art at the school. A student committee was assigned to work on the project. Enough funds have been accumulated for the first purchase of a copper wind mobile crafted by Holly Springs artist, Paul Penney.

"The parents, students, faculty and staff of The O'Neal School have much to be proud of. Together with our Board of Directors and the community in which we are a part; all of us have

contributed to the success of this school. I'm looking forward to its future growth, not only of its campus, but also of its student population and academic opportunities," states John Neiswender, Headmaster.

An independent, college preparatory school for pre-kindergarten thru grade 12, The O'Neal School is celebrating 35 years of dedication to the development of academic excellence, strength of character, and physical well-being of its students. For more information about the O'Neal School, contact Alice Droppers, Director of Admissions at (910) 692-6920 or hop onto www.OnealSchool.org.



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Mums and pansies for Fall color

The weather thus far in September has been ideal. The showers before and during Tropical Storm Ernesto greatly improved soil moisture conditions and lake levels. According to my rainfall gauge measurements we received some three inches total.

Someone said they didn't recall the foliage on trees, shrubs, lawns and other plants as green and turgid, also some late summer flowers were really beautiful during the Labor Day weekend.

It's fine weather for all outdoor activities including gardening, walking, picnicking, attending football games and many more of your favorite out of door events. The hotter days are seemingly becoming less frequent, and the nights are somewhat cooler. Occasionally we feel a tinge of Fall in the air.

Questions are asked each year about what flowering plants can be planted in late September and early October to give Fall and Winter colors.

Perennial chrysanthemum and annual pansies continue to be the most hardy, adaptable, and popular plants. Mum beds when planted outside in the landscape will bloom until the first frost or freeze. In order for mums to survive and become established permanently, good planting and maintenance practices must be followed.

Pansies are very adapted to our Sandhills soils and growing conditions will be superb if planted, limed and fertilized in a well prepared seed bed and properly maintained. The plants will flower all Fall, Winter, and Spring and some will continue to bloom until early Summer at the onset of hot weather.

September has been publicized as the most desirable time for planting shrubs and trees. Container grown cultivars of shrubs, trees, and other plants can be planted during September, and other months throughout the year. Although experience has shown that the best time to plant deciduous ones is after leaf shedding during dormancy and when evergreen plants reach semi-dormancy. My preference for optimum planting time is between Thanksgiving and New Year. Basically, planting

after dormancy allows time for the soil to settle around the transplants which lets the plant absorb the Winter rains and other moisture; thereby allowing early Spring growth.

Here are my suggested gardening chores to be accomplished during the month of Sep-

tember.

Control those troublesome late Summer and Fall grasses and weeds before seeding to help eliminate them from coming back and presenting future problems next season.

Remove and destroy the mature disease and clean veg-

etable garden plants by pulling, plowing, or tilling them out. This practice will aid in preventing and



Gardening in the Sandhills

Jim Caudill

(See "Gardening," p. 20)



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- **Sandhills Theatre Company's** presents *The Music Man*, September 15, 16, 17 and on September 22, 23 and 24 at Sandhills Community College in the Owens Auditorium. To purchase your tickets for the performance, call 910-281-0661.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

- **Contra Dance-Teacher Appreciation Night** – at the Old West End Gym. 106 Old West End School Road off HWY 211 just north of the traffic light. Lessons at 7:00 pm, dance from 7:30 to 10:30 pm. Caller - Shawn Brennenman, Band - House Red. Beginners welcome. No partner necessary. Admission - half price for school employees and one guest - \$8 for adult non-members, \$6 for adult members, \$6 for student nonmembers 13 - 22, \$5 for student members. Please bring in a clean pair of shoes to protect the floor. Sponsored by Garner & Hayes, Attorneys at Law, PLLC. Hosted by the Sandhills Contra Dance Society, a nonprofit educational organization dedicated to the preservation, study, teaching, enjoyment and continuing evolution of traditional dance, music and song.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

- **League of Women Voters of Moore County** – 11:30 am, luncheon at the Paddock Restaurant at the Club on Longleaf. The public is invited to attend. Cost of the luncheon is \$12. The guest speaker will be Glenda Clendenin, Director of the Moore County Board of Elections, who will talk about new voting machines and election issues in Moore County. Hope to see you there! For reservations,

contact Charlotte Gallagher at 944-9611 or Linda Tableman at 673-2059.

- **Meet the Merchants Night** – 5:30-8:30 pm. The event and will feature free food, drinks, and entertainment for all that



attend. This event is open to all area businesses. Anyone who would like to have booth should contact Darrell Marks at 673-5998.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

- **Red Cross Bloodmobile** – 1:00 to 6:00 pm at the Seven Lakes North Clubhouse. If you are in good health, over 17 and 110 pounds, your donation will be very important during this summer shortage. Please bring your donor card or photo ID. By calling 673-4931 for a preferred donation time, you will reduce waiting and improve operation efficiency.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

- **Seven Lakes Forum** – Refreshments will be available at 9:00 am, with the formal session beginning at 9:15 am.

At the West Side Park Community Center. Colonel Steve Tableman (US

Army), a resident of Seven Lakes, will present the topic Progress in Afghanistan. Contact Don Welch (673-6701) or Bill Mamel (673-8970).

- **Investment Seminar** – 10:00 am and also at 7:00 pm. Hosted by Geoff Gower, Investment Advisor. West Side Community

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- **Seven Lakes Volunteer Fire Department Open House** – 6:30 to 8:30 pm. All area residents are invited and encouraged to attend this fun event. 16 organizations will be at the fire station for questions and demonstrations.
- **Bookshop by the Lakes** – 7:00 pm. Join the Book-Group for a lively discussion of *The Tender Bar* by J.R. Moehringer at the Coffee

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- **Rosh Hashanah**
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

- **Banned Books Week**

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

- **Shred-a-Thont** – sponsored by First Bank of Seven Lakes, 10:00 am until noon in the parking lot near First Bank. The Civic Group will be at the event accepting donations to support the village roads testing project.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

- **Ruth Pauley Lecture Series Presents Patty Duke at Sandhills Community College** – 7:30 pm, Owens Auditorium, Actress and Author of “A Brilliant Madness: Living with Manic-depressive Illness” Co-sponsored by Sandhills Community College Foundation. Free – open to the Public.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

- **Patty Duke book-signing** – Pinehurst Village Assembly Hall, 1:30 pm. – 2:30 pm. Free and open to the public. Pinehurst Village Assembly Hall. “Celebration of Courage” – a commemorative display of Vincent Van Gogh “Irises” available for viewing all day. Free and open to the public. Village of Pinehurst Assembly Hall. At 3:00 pm. Registration for “Pathway to Awareness” Walk begins. Walk starts at 4:00 pm. Team and individual walkers are invited. Contact Patty Laughlin, 295-2337 or NAMI Moore County, 295-1053. Free.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2

- **Yom Kippur**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

- **Women of Seven Lakes** – 2:00 pm, at the West Side Park Community Center. Col. Stephen Tableman will speak on “The Good News on Afghanistan.” All are invited. Please bring any of the following items to be donated to “Friend to Friend”: paper towels, toilet tissue, light bulbs, kitchen size trash bags, dishwasher detergent, dishwashing liquid or school supplies.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

- **Fall Smorgasbord Dinner** – sponsored by The West End United Methodist Church Women at 6:00 pm. Tickets are on sale now. The cost – \$8 adults, \$4 for children 12 and under. For tickets, contact Kitty Slazas 673-3827 or Trudie Vaughn at 255-6158. Tickets will not be available at the door. Proceeds will go to mission projects.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9

- **Columbus Day**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13

- **Quilting in the Pines II** (10:00 am - 5:00 p.) – co-sponsored by The Sandhills Quilters Guild and the Village of Pinehurst Parks and Recreation Department at the Pinehurst Fair Barn, Route 5. Quilt Exhibit, boutique, silent auction, demonstrations, appraisals (by appointment), vendors, and raffles. Admission \$5. 910-295-4017 .lizmur20@aol.com).

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

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has a special way with animals and she is on the Board of Directors of Animal Advocates of Moore County (AAMC).

Socializing and finding homes for cats and dogs is one of the many services provided by this organization.

Other services provided by AAMC are low cost spay/neuter-

ing, heart worm treatments, rabies clinics, locating lost animals and reuniting them with their owners, foster care and adoption for rescued pets, assisting residents with emergency surgeries, trapping feral cats for Pinehurst, Southern Pines, Aberdeen, Carthage, Robbins, Vass, Cameron, and Whispering

Pines and AAMC has the only feral cat station on the east coast.

To fund these efforts the organization is holding the third “Annual Paws and Claws Gala” on Friday, October 27, 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm at Weymouth Center, 555 E. Connecticut Avenue, in Southern Pines.

The gala includes heavy hors’doeuvres and dessert with complimentary wine, beer, and soft drinks.

There will be live and silent auctions and entertainment by Randy Hughes and Roger Levesque.

The master of ceremonies will be Al Mangum of 103.1 Radio.

Money raised through ticket prices and auctions will fund the various projects undertaken by AAMC.

The organization will gladly accept donations for the auctions and are in need of event sponsors.

Call Kelly Stevens at 255-6280 if you are interested in sponsoring or donating to the event.

Tickets are now on sale at the Faded Rose and Midland Crafters in Pinehurst, Isarose and Cared for Canine in Southern Pines and at the AAMC office in Aberdeen.

The cost is \$50 in advance, \$60 at the door and couples \$100.

For additional information call 944-5098.

Gardening

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perhaps breaking the cycle for future diseases, insects, and nematodes. After clean up many of us like to seed our gardening spot in rye grass or small grain as a cover crop.

If you haven’t done so, it isn’t too late to fertilize your established Bermuda, Zoysia, or Centipede lawn. In the absence of a soil testing analysis report as a general recommendation for Bermuda and Zoysia types, use 3 to 5 pounds of 8-0-24 slow release, 2 to 4 pounds premium slow release 15-0-14, or 2 to 4 pounds premium slow release 10-10-10, or 3 pounds premium slow release, 16-4-8, per 1000 square feet of lawn.

Established Centipede grass should receive very little or no nitrogen, but generally small amounts of phosphorus, and a medium to high amount of potassium; also trace amounts of iron, magnesium and sulfur for

maintenance protection. The surest method for correct method for fertilization needs is a soil test and an analysis report. In the absence of the test, for a Centipede lawn use a premium special 5-5-15, with iron, slow release. One bag will cover 5 to 8 thousand square feet. Cardinal Chemical in Aberdeen has this plant food. Our local garden center no doubt has a similar product.

Late September or early October is also the time for applying the first application of fertilization to your established Fescue lawn. Use a premium slow release plant food at the rate of 5 to 6 pounds per 1000 square feet. 8-0-24, 10-10-10, or 12-12-12, 15-0-14, or you may substitute another analysis. A second application will be needed in late February or early March. Proper care and maintenance is the key to a beautiful year round

Fescue lawn. Some key factors are a part to full shady area, abundant water usually from an irrigation system, a schedule for aeration, and reseeding when necessary.

It is a good time for testing your lawn for grub worms and if present in large numbers control is almost mandatory. Deal with them while they are small and now close to the soil surface. The fact that you have moles may or not be an adequate reason to assure you have grub worms, and treating them will not necessarily get rid of moles. Testing for grubs can be performed by

cutting and digging under your sod. Sevin is the only chemical control recommended for homeowners.

Check your landscape plants for insects, diseases, weeds and grasses and use recommended control measures.

Check your houseplants, repot and spray any that need it. Cleaning them up now will give them time to grow before they are moved indoors for the Winter.

Planting recommendations for September are: onion sets or plants, kale, lettuce, mustard, spinach, and other leafy green vegetables.

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ets may be purchased upon registering.

The Jackson Springs Post Office will be selling a special cancellation commemorating the Homecoming. Shirts and caps featuring the Jackson Springs logo will be available for pur-

chase and an original painting of the town during its heyday will be auctioned. Artifacts will be on display and entertainment will be

provided. Bring a chair and plan to spend the day! Hope to see you then!

Judy Boroughs, President,

Jackson Springs Historical Preservation Foundation, Inc. at 910-673-5963 or by email at jboroughs@carolina.net.

Margaritaville comes to SL West

by Lori Copper

The Seven Lakes West Landowners Association Recreation Committee is sponsoring a Margaritaville Island party Saturday, September 23 from 7-11pm at the West side Community Center Pool.

Widely popular and highly recommended DJ Peter Carpenter will provide the musical entertainment. Light snacks, margarita mix, and of course a

tropical island flair will be provided.

BYOB — Please remember glass containers will not be allowed in the pool area. Tickets are only \$10 each and can be purchased at the Community Center or by calling Laura Hamilton at 673-2745.

A limited number of tickets will be available.

In the event of inclement weather, the party will be held in the Community Center.

So mon, put on your island gear, fill up de cooler and come to Margaritaville — we all have a good time, mon!

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Alyson Corin Stites

Chad and Shannon Stites of Seven Lakes announce the birth of their daughter Alyson Corin Stites born August 10, 2006 at Moore Regional Hospital, weighing 7 lbs, 14 oz, and 20.5 inches long. Her brother, Will, loves his new sister!

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OPINION

Golf, computers, roses, goats . . .

Everyone has a hobby or a pastime. What's yours?

Most of you, I think, would list golf, fishing, gardening, reading, or computer operating. There are other activities.

My friend Jean Schmidt is an avid quilter and belongs to two quilting clubs.

I love my

computer and use it for extensive emailing. Several years ago I attended one meeting of the

Seven Lakes Computer Club. Man, those brainy people communicated in a computer language that I didn't understand. Not one word.

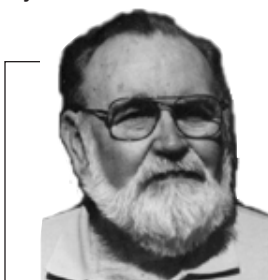
Before moving down here twenty some years ago, I was an avid rose gardener in Ohio. I looked after my more than fifty hybrid teas roses with care. Some of my favorites were Mr. Lincoln, a beautiful dark red, John F. Kennedy, a good white, and Helen Traubel, a very nice pink.

Do any of you remember Helen Traubel, the substantial (I mean big) Wagnerian

soprano with a powerful, gorgeous voice?

My favorite artificial rose food was Milorganite. Remember that? It was a product of the Milwaukee sewer system, carefully steamed and otherwise processed.

My favorite mulch was a bag or two of cocoa beans



Ollie's Thoughts
Oliver Gossard

hulls from Hershey, PA. After spreading those hulls around my roses, the first light rain would produce the delightful aroma of fudge brownies for the neighborhood.

Alas, my gardening days are over.

My hobby these days is feeding carrots to the delightful mother and daughter donkeys. Rose and Petal, at Watts Auman's farm every morning. I have a friend who exclaimed that carrots are expensive.

Hey, compare the cost of carrots and golf balls!

Incorporation not an option for Seven Lakes

At the special open meeting hosted by Steve Hudson on Tuesday, July 11, 2006, incorporation of Seven Lakes was offered as an option to pay for the State mandated repair to Echo Dam and to shift the burden of the maintenance of our infrastructure to the State.

On Thursday, August 10, 2006, I traveled to Chapel Hill to meet with Professors Fleming Bell and Kara Millonzi at the University of North Carolina School of Government.

I need to state that I am not in favor of incorporation nor do I think it is a viable option for Seven Lakes.

It is against North Carolina State Law for the State to invest public money in a restricted access community such as Seven Lakes.

Therefore in order for Seven Lakes to receive State money we would have to abandon our gates.

For that reason alone incorporation is not a viable option.

Professors Bell and Millonzi explained that there is no combination of events that Seven Lakes could utilize to incorporate, maintain our gates and receive State money for use of the exclusive benefit of the infrastructure located within our gates.

One of the other items mentioned at this meeting was the implementation of an ad valorem (progressive)

property tax as opposed to the flat rate dues structure we now have.

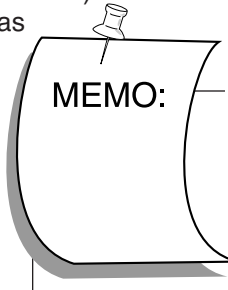
According to the Moore County tax assessor

Seven Lakes North and South have properties assessed at \$204,000,000.

Our budget for the current fiscal year ending April 30, 2007, estimates that we will earn \$1,077,000 in dues income.

To generate the same income from an ad valorem property tax the rate would have to be \$0.528, per \$100.00 of assessed valuation.

The breakeven point would be a house assessed at \$151,600. A house with an assessed value of \$151,600



Board Notes

Don Truesdell
Seven Lakes
Landowners Board

would pay \$800.49 based on a rate of \$0.528, per \$100.

The current dues for a house is \$800.00, per year.

There are 1200 houses in Seven Lakes. The average value is \$170,000.

If you have any questions concerning this issue please feel free to contact me at 673-1509 or e-mail dtruesdell@nc.rr.com.

'Last Splash' was a great success

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the Landowners' Association Recreation Committee, I would like to offer our very sincere thanks and appreciation to all of the Seven Lakes families that attended and participated in the "Last Splash" Labor Day Poolside Grill Party.

The attendance by these families and the excellent grill entrees served by members of the Country Club Staff combined to make this what I hope will become a

Standard Event.

Unfortunately, the announcements advising of this event did not point out that it was jointly sponsored by the Landowners' Association and the Seven Lakes Country Club.

I would like to express the thanks and appreciation of our committee to the members and employees for the contribution of their efforts and talents.

Thanks to all!

Jack Fathauer, Chairman
SLLA Recreation

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Value of homework depends on the grade

Currently, there are a number of books available concerning the use of homework as a teaching tool. Two of the most recent are *The Case Against Homework* by Sarah Bonnet & Nancy Calash and *The Homework Myth* by Alfa Kohn.

I have not yet read either of the books, but I'm not reluctant to voice my opinion regarding the subject.

I can see no reason for assigning take-home homework to elementary students. I would so much rather see "kids" go home from school and out to play. Indeed, I wish there could be a way of guaranteeing that physical out of doors play would be a part of every child's day.

The rising rate of childhood obesity is alarming to me. Such play is far more beneficial to young children than the mental stress of unnecessary schoolwork to be done after school hours.

It is better to expend physical energy than to become weary and stressed by work that should be completed within the school day.

I recall one stressful evening trying to help my fourth grader do math problems that she did not understand. I could get proper answers by using my "old fashioned methods," but I couldn't figure out her new math.

Had this work been started in the classroom, the teacher would have been able to help her

off to a proper start. Doing a whole page of work improperly is far worse than doing none at all. The whole math situation causes another major complaint of mine.

Why assign a whole page of problems when five (or at the most ten) will indicate a student's proficiency or lack there of?

Starting with junior high, I can see the efficacy of short, well-planned assignments based on encouraging thought or creativity. At this age, students will often become engrossed in projects which they can work at for several days and use their normal imaginations.

Please let this be the "kids" own effort not that of the whole family. Don't misunderstand I think it's great when everyone shows interest and encouragement.

The situation changes a bit on the high school level but, please, don't get into long "busy-work" assignments.

As a teacher of English, I strongly dislike the assignment of a long list of vocabulary words to be looked up and memorized. One approach that we all enjoyed was the assigning of a word a day (from a word a day calendar).

Each student was to write one sentence per day using the word properly and with no errors in sentence structure, spelling nor capitalization. To encourage fun

and creativity, each correct sentence earned ten points, but the most creative sentence each day earned bonus points.

had fun with it. Actually, you can teach far more than vocabulary by requiring a perfect sentence a day.

There's no reason why most assignments can't be short and definitely pertinent. I'd rather see one well thought out response than a lot of mumbo jumbo.

There really is no sense in assigning work that cannot be carefully evaluated. Then it really does become busy work.

Teachers who assign a lot of

homework would do well to think of the time they could give to creating really good preparations rather than to the assessment of homework.

No teen should have to spend hours laboring over homework and being unable to participate in family time nor should they be stuffing themselves with empty calories in an attempt to "take the curse off."

I have extremely strong feelings about a good solid liberal education but our education system really needs to look for creative and interesting solutions to our problems.



Nona's Notes

Nona Wiley

Students were encouraged to use a thesaurus for more interesting words. The competition became fierce and we all



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The public is invited to attend at 11:30 am, and cost of the luncheon is \$12.

The guest speaker will be Glenda Clendenin, Director of the Moore County Board of Elections, who will talk about new voting machines and election issues in Moore County. We hope to see you there! For reservations, contact Charlotte Gallagher at 944-9611 or Linda Tableman at 673-2059.

Harry sez:

 Act Responsibly

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Waiting for happiness . . .

Aren't we all, in some ways, the same?

With the same basic urges, hopes, fears, though in differing forms, degrees, depth and emphasis?

Life is, in a sense, the greatest of all mysteries. Most of us are pulled along, often by unobservable influences, but manage to offset setbacks with our emotional resources and can, in the long run, maintain a pretty even keel.

Perhaps one of the wisest decisions we can make is to not

set happiness as a goal with a special framework, by simply let it evolve though helped along by spiritually uplifting events in our lives.

Life is something like a scale: sensitive to weight put up it, but with the elasticity to return to a normal position.

What a gift life is! And how grateful we should be that life gives us the opportunity to achieve and maintain the happiness that should be at the core of our very existence.

Our thanks should be overflowing.



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Wennberg would love to fill a big horse trailer to take to be shipped. Please include a note in your shoe box gifts, telling them you are thinking of them. Bill and Sandi Carl of Seven Lakes West are assisting Wennberg with the project.

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Club promotes responsible pet ownership

Nona M. Burrell

Moore County Kennel Club and its Membership do not take Responsible Dog Ownership lightly and would like to take this opportunity to spread the RDO message.

America Kennel Club has proclaimed September 16 as Responsible Dog Ownership Day. What this means to the club is the continuance of its various projects that promote and encourage pet responsibility.

The club has held Micro Chip Clinics, to encourage owners to identify their pets, for several years and last year had a Rabies Clinic at their annual show.

Through the years the members of the club have gone to schools promoting proper dog ownership and currently members Audrey and Ed Mantel spent time this summer at the O'Neal School Day Camp with Mutz, a 7 year-old German Shepherd Dog.

The Mantel's showed the campers a short film about raising Seeing Eye Puppies. Through a series of exercises, the children experienced first hand how blind people must compensate for the loss of vision by relying on their ears and fingers. Seeing Eye Dogs are a big step in helping the blind person lead a more normal existence.

The campers were shown, thanks to Mutz, how Seeing Eye Puppies are trained to ignore distractions and to lead a blind person through crowds, and around obstacles, etc. Mutz has a CDX Title (Companion Dog Excellent).

The dogs get these titles after much hard work and competition in Obedience Trials like MCKC holds every year. The Mantels and Mutz will return to O'Neal when school re-opens and meet with the entire student body. Equine Veterinarian Dr. Barbara Siegel is the proud owner of Mutz.

MCKC member Ursula Walsh has two Norwich Terriers who are Therapy Dogs that both actively work at the Pinehurst Rehabilitation and Nursing Center. Sophie, who is 7 years old, and Harry, aged 2 both have their TDI (Therapy Dog International) and CGC (Canine Good Citizenship)

Titles. Dogs must go through training and testing to receive these titles, simply put it takes work on behalf of both canine and human. They must learn not to be distracted by wheel chairs, dropped items on the floor, walkers, unusual noises, and to obey the normal sit, stay, etc. commands.

Ursula says that each dog has their own way of communicating with the rehab folks. Sophie prefers to lie down on the bed with a patient while they stroke her easing their days, as only dogs can.

Harry who is very outgoing is the "greeter". He meets and greets and is then on to the next person making their lives happy for a moment as he does some tricks, etc. They bring joy to all as they strut down the halls with their happy faces and wagging tails doing their jobs as Therapy Dogs.

The Norwich Terriers have Agility Titles, Harry has his Novice Agility and Sophie has her Open Preferred and AJP (Excellent A title). Agility Trials are also held each year by MCKC promoting healthy, active and well-behaved dogs.

Susan Buckley, also a MCKC member, raises and rescues Siberian Huskies. Susan said because of the popularity of the movie "Eight Below" Siberian rescue groups across the US have seen a huge increase in young Siberians being given up because the family couldn't handle the breed.

This always happens when there is a movie, Lady and the Tramp, 101 Dalmatians, etc. for example that show these cute puppies, which no one can resist.

The problem is that every breed is not meant for every person and or family.

Susan and the club suggest that you research thoroughly the specific breed you are interested in before you purchase that adorable puppy. Susan works specifically with Siberian rescue, but is mindful of the abundance of all breeds of dogs who are abandoned each and every day. If you are interested in a Siberian rescue you may go to her website: <http://redwoodsiberians.com/redwoodsiberiansrescue/id13.html>.

Joey Rasmus, a young man

who is a MCKC member, is helping to found the North Carolina Junior Kennel Club. The club will consist of young Junior Handlers who are young people involved in the care and showing of dogs.

As you can see the Moore County Kennel Club and its members are trying in a variety of ways to promote Responsible Pet Ownership.

To quote the American Kennel Club newsletter: "It's important to remind your friends and neigh-

bors of their responsibilities as dog owners all year-round, but September offers hundreds of special opportunities as AKC RDO Day is celebrated across the country."

If everyone practiced Responsible Pet Ownership everyday in everyday, we would all be living in a happier place populated by responsible people and their canines.

Nona Burrell lives in Pinehurst with her two cocker spaniels

and considers herself a Responsible Dog Owner.

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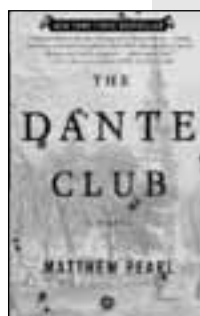
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Pauley Lectures announces 20th season

The Ruth Pauley Lecture Series celebrates its 20th anniversary with six lectures dealing with history, religion, mental health, and the world of animals.

Mary Skutt

Biographer Mary Skutt will speak on "General George C. Marshall: The Man behind the Plan" on September 21. Skutt has published three books: *George C. Marshall: Growing Up, By George: 1880-1901*, *George C. Marshall, Reporting for Duty: 1902-1945*, and *George C. Marshall: The Man behind the Plan: 1945-1959*.

Patty Duke

Patty Duke, Academy Award winning actress will discuss "A Brilliant Madness: Living with Manic-Depressive Illness" on September 30. Duke has published two books dealing with the problems of manic-depression. This lecture is sponsored by the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI).

Jack Hanna

Jack Hanna, host of the nationally syndicated television program Jack Hanna's Animal Adventures, will present "Jack Hanna's Into the Wild" on October 4. Hanna is the Director Emeritus of the Columbus (Ohio) Zoo and Aquarium.

Jeb Magruder

Jeb Magruder, President Richard Nixon's Deputy Campaign Director will discuss "Ethics in a Secular Society" on November 7. A high official in the Committee for the Re-Election of the President (CREEP), Magruder is author of *An American Life: One Man's Road to Watergate*.

Fred Morsell

Actor Fred Morsell will present a one-man show "Presenting Mr. Frederick Douglass: His Life and Times" on February 7, 2007. Morsell's acting career spans 34 years including both on and off Broadway plays, musicals, and he has an extensive background in the film and television industries. Morsell was featured as Frederick Douglass in "Bill Moyer's Journal."

Bishop John Shelby Spong

Bishop John Shelby Spong will speak on "Jesus for the Non-Religious" on March 22nd. Spong served as Bishop for the Episcopal Diocese of Newark, New Jersey. He has authored

numerous books including *The Hebrew Lord*, *Dialogue: In Search of Jewish-Christian Understanding*, *Rescuing the Bible from Fundamentalism*, and *Living in Sin*.

Dodson headlines Literary Luncheon

The Annual Literary Luncheon, hosted by the Friends of Given Memorial Library and Tufts Archives, will be held at noon on September 30, in the St. Andrews Room, Pinehurst County Club.

The public is welcomed to this community event. This year's speaker is Jim Dodson, nationally recognized author, journalist, and humorist.

He joins a prestigious list of best selling authors who headline this annual Library fundraiser. Dodson has entertained the area since before the '05 Open, with his witty and poignant stories of his Southern upbringing.

His best seller, *Final Rounds*, required reading for lifetime

golfers, depicts a journey to the Royal and Ancient St. Andrews in Scotland with his Dad. It is unforgettable, grabbing our hearts and souls with the deeper meaning of the game of golf.

In addition to his many golf books, a delightful gardening book *Beautiful Madness*, will be available. Mr. Dodson will have a book signing immediately following the luncheon.

Tickets are \$25, available at the following locations: Given Memorial Library; The Given Book Shop; and the Country Book Shop in Southern Pines. Come early for a wine bar prior to the scrumptious lunch. Valet parking will be available as usual.

All Ruth Pauley Lectures will be in Owens Auditorium on the Sandhills Community College campus in Pinehurst except the presentation by Jack Hanna. Hanna's lecture will take place at the R.E. Lee Auditorium on the Pinecrest High School campus in Southern Pines. Lectures begin at 7:30 PM and are open to the public. The lectures are free and no tickets are required.

The Ruth Pauley Lecture series is sponsored by Sandhills Com-

munity College, the Moore County League of Women Voters, the American Association of University Woman, and the Moore County Schools. The series objective is to bring speakers to the Sandhills to give insights on important issues to our community. Previous speakers have included Sandra Day O'Connor, Stephen Ambrose, George McGovern, Ossie Davis, and Newt Gingrich. For more information call 245-3132.



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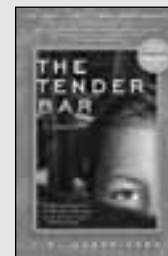


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Sour kraut salad is Fall treat

Sour Kraut Salad

This is a good salad to serve especially with pork. It keeps almost forever, at least two weeks.

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- 1 jar, 1 bag or 2 cans of sour kraut
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1 cup chopped red pepper or medium jar of pimentos
- 1 chopped green pepper (medium)
- 1 cup chopped celery

Directions:

Mix well. Mix 1/2 cup sugar or Splenda, 1/2 cup white vinegar, 1/2 cup canola or olive



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oil, 1/2 tablespoon salt, and 1 teaspoon celery seed. Bring to boil and pour over kraut. Store in refrigerator.

Church Women United have busy year planned

Church Women United Moore County Chapter, held its first meeting of the 2006-2007 year. Many projects are planned for this year! This Fall, needed school supplies were donated to the Sandhills Interfaith Hospitality House. They were greatly appreciated.

The women are eagerly looking forward to their Fall celebration "World Community Day" on November 3 at 10:00 am at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, East Massachusetts Avenue, Southern Pines. The theme for the celebration is "Signs of Healing" – Peace, Unity and Understanding between people of different faiths, beliefs and ethnic groups. The group will endeavor to have representatives from different faiths to tell everyone about their faith.

Plans to start a new chapter of

Church Women United for young women of ages 20-35 have begun.

If anyone is interested, please call Jacque Klimack, President, at 281-0129.

The next monthly meeting will be held at the Emmanuel Episcopal Church on October 6 at 10:00 am. Women of all churches and ages are invited to join our group.

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This intriguing show centers around the character of Sidney Bruhl, a desperate middle-aged playwright who is having a bit of a dry spell. He needs a killer idea, which he finds in the captivating script of his student Clifford Anderson.

Sidney, recognizing the thriller as a potential Broadway hit, launches a deadly plan to claim this work as his own, thereby re-launching his career and catapulting him to fame. The plot seems simple enough, but the twists and turns that ensue will no doubt leave audiences enthralled.

Temple favorites Quinn Hawkesworth (*Lettice and Lovage, Fair and Tender Ladies*), John Murphy (*Over the River and Through the Woods, Sunshine Boys*), Tom Dalton (*The Diary of Anne Frank, Frankenstein*), and Cassandra Vallery (*My Way, Some Enchanted Evening*) return to the stage and are directed by Temple newcomer Adam Traylor.

The production is supported by a team of talented designers including Patrick Rizzotti (Set Designer), David Casteneda (Lighting Designer), and Mary

McKeithen (Costume Design).

Deathtrap, sponsored by Pentair Pool, Water, and Spa and Goldkist Inc., will be presented September 28th – October 15th.

Opening night is Friday, September 29th and the audience is invited to meet the performers and designers after the show while enjoying a complimentary champagne toast.

Tickets are on sale now, \$20 for adults, \$10 for students and children, \$16 for groups, \$16 for active military personnel, and \$16 for Lee County educators.

During the run of *Deathtrap* only, Temple Theatre is offering discounted tickets to our repeat customers. If customers return to the theatre to see the show with guests and bring their original ticket stub, they will receive a discounted rate of \$10 for their ticket. Guests will pay normal ticket prices.

Tickets may be obtained through the Temple Theatre Box Office located at 120 Carthage Street in downtown Sanford. Box Office hours are Monday through Friday 2:00-6:00 pm and one hour prior to show time.

Tickets may also be purchased by calling the box office at (919) 774-4155, and online ticketing is currently available by visiting the theatre website at www.templeshows.com.

College students, active military personnel, and Lee County educators must present a valid ID for discount tickets.

Temple Theatre is equipped with an Assisted Listening System and is accessible to people with disabilities.

Upcoming productions include:

The Sound of Music (October 27-November 19), *The Christmas Spectacular* (November 30-December 17), *The Fantasticks* (January 25-February 11), *See How They Run* (March 8-March 25), *A Dash of Rosemary: A Tribute to Rosemary Clooney* (April 19-May 13) and *Beehive: The 60's Musical Sensation* (May 31-June 24).

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Planning Board

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The text of the Planning Board's resolution asking the commissioner to move forward with the appointment of an Area A Chairman reads as follows:

Resolution Of The Moore County Planning Board In Support Of Activities Needed To Begin The Small Area Plan (Area 'A') Long Range Planning Process In Tandem With The Recognition Of October 2006 As Community Planning Month In Moore County In Conjunction With Counties Across The United States Who Are Also Participating In National Community Planning Month:

Whereas, the Moore County Planning Board, at the direction of the Board of Commissioners given on March 20, 2006, proceeded with the application process for the Small Area Plan Steering Committee;

Whereas, the Moore County Planning Board, at the request of the Board of Commissioners, conducted community informational meetings in May and June in four locations in Area 'A' to ascertain public interest in and participation in the Small Area Planning process resulting in over 205 attendees at the meetings and over 50 applicants for the Steering Committee;

Whereas, the Moore County Planning Board, at the direction of the Board of Commissioners, incorporated changes to create a Revised Boundary Map for Small Area Plan Area 'A' July 17, 2006;

Whereas, the Moore County Planning Board, at the direction of the Board of Commis-

sioners, recommended a list of applicants at the August 7, 2006 meeting to serve on the Small Area Plan Area 'A' Steering Committee;

Whereas, the recommendation to the Board of Commissioners on August 7, 2006 also included recommendations of a Chairman and Vice-Chairman that would act primarily as facilitators of the process and in a non-voting capacity and who are now members of the Moore County Planning Board;

Whereas, the Moore County Board of Commissioners appointed members to the Small Area Plan Area 'A' Steering Committee at its meeting on August 7, 2006;

Whereas, the Moore County

Board of Commissioners has not finalized the decision of a Steering Committee Chairman;

Whereas, the Moore County Planning Board strongly encourages the Board of Commissioners to identify a Steering Committee Chairman willing to serve in such a capacity and enable this important long range planning process for the western area of Moore County to move forward;

Whereas, the month of October is National Community Planning Month and counties are encouraged to highlight important planning projects within their jurisdictions; and

Whereas, enabling the Small Area Planning process to get started in full during the month

of October, 2006 would demonstrate Moore County's support for community-based planning initiatives;

Whereas, the full benefits of planning requires public officials and citizens who understand, support, and demand excellence in planning and plan implementation; and

Whereas, Moore County is positioned to experience significant growth and change in the coming decade and would benefit from a small area planning process that would guide future land use decisions;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, on the basis of the foregoing findings and conclusions, that the month of October 2006 is hereby designated as Com-

munity Planning Month in the State of North Carolina in the County of Moore in conjunction with the inaugural celebration of National Community Planning Month and;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Moore County Planning Board through adoption of this resolution does strongly encourage the Moore County Board of Commissioners to embrace the importance of community planning by appointing as Chairperson of the Steering Committee the recommendation of the Moore County Planning Board to lead this important local land use planning process referred to as a Small Area Plan for Area 'A'.

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Foxfire

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made part of the village ordinance.

State law defines two levels of animal cruelty, one as a Class I misdemeanor and the other as a Class I felony. Either charge, prosecuted successfully, could result in substantial fines or jail time.

In addition to the section on Animal Cruelty, Foxfire's new ordinance requires the dogs and cats be identified either by means of a tag on the collar or an implanted microchip. Aside from "identifiable cats" no animal is allowed to run at large — that is — off-lease off the property of its owner, and animals may not be permitted to create a public nuisance — chasing or barking a pedestrians, tearing up landscaping, barking excessively, or defecating on property other than that of the owner.

Owners may be fined \$50 for the first violation of any of these provisions and \$100 for any subsequent violation.

A member of the public complained about the numbers of wild Canada Geese that have recently infested the golf course and asked whether anything could be done about them. Munro said he had recently learned that some of the federal protections of the animals had been lifted.

"I expect the club is going to implement some procedures to get rid of them," Munro said.

Construction noise. Munro also asked for and received Council approval of an amendment to village Noise Ordinances restricts construction activity in the village to the hours of 7:00 am to 6:00 pm, Monday through Saturday. Construction is prohibited on Sundays, Christmas Day, and Easter, unless the builder has an emergency permit from the Zoning Administrator.

The changes to the Noise Ordinance will need to be supported by a parallel change in the Zoning Ordinance, Munro said, but that will have to go through a public hearing process before the council can adopt it.

Katrina Lessons. Munro said law enforcement officials from a number of southeastern states had met recently in Charleston to evaluate lessons that could be learned from the response to Hurricane Katrina.

"I gained a lot of satisfaction from this report being prepared,"

Munro said, noting that the village has developed its own hazard mitigation plan.

Munro compared a few of the report's recommendations to Foxfire's readiness:

- The report advocated having a comprehensive disaster plan, which Foxfire has.
- The report suggested having preplanned lines of command and knowing how to request help both in-state and out-of-state agencies. Foxfire is prepared in both regards, Munro said.
- The report called for multiple communications systems. Munro said the village has three levels of emergency communications planned — including "walking around the village and talking to people personally," if necessary.
- The report said supplies of batteries, radios, chainsaws, and generators are critical. Munro said the village has plenty of chainsaws and generators at ready.
- The report said availability of medical and psychological care is important. Munro said a training program will be starting in November that will train and certify at least a dozen villagers to offer this

type of emergency care.

- Finally, the report cautioned against depending on outside help that may or may not arrive. "Our whole plan is based on us doing the job," Munro said. "We in the village will do what is necessary at least through the first stages of recovery."

"I think we have an excellent plan," Munro concluded. "The real issue will be one of implementation, and we will continue to work on making sure that we can implement the plan when the time comes."

Zoning. Zoning Administrator Frank Holloway reported that plans for four new homes had been approved in the past month and two certificates of occupancy had been granted. Forty-one homes are currently under construction in the village.

Holloway said that 33 new homes had been started in the past six months and construction had been completed on 18 homes.

Noting that he had just sent Foxfire population estimates to the US Census Bureau in preparation for a 2008 trial run of the 2010 census, Councilman Carl Munro said the number of homes in the village had grown from 364

in the year 2000 to an expected 440 at the end of September 2006.

Village Clerk Janice Thomas said the village had seen 21 property transfers in August.

Parks Survey. Mayor Erickson said members of the Parks Committee have been hand-delivering a recreation survey to village residents.

The village recently lost its bid for a second grant from the North Carolina Parks and Recreation Trust Fund [NCPARTF], which would have allowed the refurbishment of the pool and tennis courts. Among the criticisms of Foxfire's grant application, Erickson says, was that its assessment of public recreation needs was based on a study conducted in 2003.

The new survey replicates that research, so that more current data will be available if the village chooses to pursue the NCPARTF grant next year. Residents who have not received a survey may obtain one from the village office.

Finance. Councilman Peckitt

reported that the village has spent \$117,000 thus far in the current fiscal year but has collected only \$25,000 in taxes. The water department, by contrast, has collected \$32,000 and spent \$25,000.

The village has \$735,000 on hand in 14 different accounts. The assessed value of real property in the village is in excess of \$68 million.

Peckitt said the village staff could use the help of an experienced retirees interested in some part time work.

Water. Noting that everything is going well in the water department, Councilman Joe Harsany said the village, if growth continues, would eventually look beyond its own boundaries in order to supply enough water to meet resident's needs. A new well will likely be brought on line later this year, but the Council has begun to compare the cost of drilling more wells to the cost of developing an interconnection to a neighboring water system —

(See "Foxfire," p. 33)

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Water line

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neer Lex Kelly told *The Times*. The objective is to move water from Pinehurst to Seven Lakes without having to shunt it through the Pinewild water system.

Normally, the county would simply follow the course of the state highway and not have to bother with procuring easements from neighboring property owners. But this section of NC Highway 211 is destined for widening to four lanes in the next several years, and the path of the roadway will both widen and shift as a result of that project.

The county needs the new water main now and cannot wait for the North Carolina Department of Transportation to obtain all the right-of-way it will need for the

widening of NC 211.

As a result, Jones told the Commissioners, the county is forced to contact property owners along the route and obtain easements for the water project.

Jones said the project is scheduled for completion in April 2007, "prior to the next period of peak demand."

"We wanted to bring this to your attention," Jones told the commissioners, "because we are about to go out and contact residents about this."

Kelly told *The Times* that the county needs easements on 16 parcels scattered all along the route. The county has retained an attorney to oversee the process of obtaining those easements and Kelly said on Tues-

day that he believed letters had already been sent to the affected property owners.

The line will improve the hydraulics of water transfer from Pinehurst to Seven Lakes, Jones told *The Times* in an earlier interview. The Pinewild water system was not designed to serve as a conduit for the 800,000

gallons of water a day that must be pumped to Seven Lakes to meet peak demand.

But the new water main in itself won't add any more water to the system as a whole, and hot, dry weather this summer taxed the water supply in Pinehurst just as badly as in Seven Lakes.

The successful completion of a second project — the drilling of a new well in Pinehurst — is needed to increase the supply of water available for both communities. That project is also getting underway and the county hopes to have the new well in service before next summer's dry season.

Foxfire

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that of Moore County Public Utilities, Richmond County, or Montgomery County.

Harsany said he suspected Richmond County may ultimately prove to be the best source for additional water for the village.

Later in the meetings, a resident asked whether the council had considered taking steps to slow the growth of households in the village until an additional source of water could be found. Council members indicated that such measures are not necessary at this time because the village has adequate water to meet its growing needs over the next few years. The study of possible interconnects with other systems is aimed at longer term water needs.

Park Construction. Councilman Gene Petrie reported that some of the courts at Village Green had been infested with army worms. The contractor sprayed and apparently killed the pests. Petrie said the grass will green up by spring.

The foundations for the restroom has been poured and the plumbing roughed in; the facility should be completed in four to five weeks.

A misunderstanding with the contractor for the picnic shelter has delayed that part of the project, though Petrie said he will continue to push to get it finished before cold weather.

Petrie said he and other coun-

cil members often hear requests from residents for projects — like additional road signage in certain areas. He explained that the Council establishes a budget once a year and, aside from emergencies, tries to live within that budget. However, suggestions from residents can be incorporated in the next year's budget process.

Public Hearing. Mayor George Erickson said the council will hold a public hearing at 7:00 pm, prior to the regular Tuesday, October 10 council meeting on four ordinance amendments recommended by the Planning and Zoning Committee.

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ed by cameras at the Seven Lakes West gates, but found nothing useful, Community Manager Tony Robertson told *The Times*.

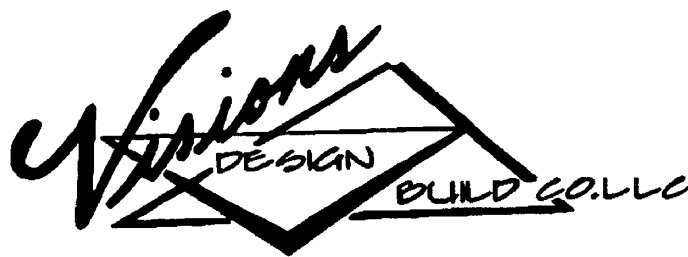
The house at 104 Fawnwood is just off Longleaf Drive and very close to the outside perimeter of the community. It is possible the assailants could have parked outside the community and walked in.

Interviewed on Tuesday, Moore County Sheriff Lane Carter said that Ramirez's injuries had prevented detectives from conducting an extensive interview that might shed more light on the crime or its perpetrators. Officers were scheduled to meet with Ramirez on Wednesday, Carter said.

The victim of the second shooting, this one at 501 Lucas Road, was pronounced dead at the scene Monday night, September 11.

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northwest corner of Seven Lakes West.

An incident report filed by Sheriff's Deputy Davis J. Medlin said officers called to 501 Lucas Road at just before 4:30 on Monday afternoon found Gregg Matthew Furr, 43, dead at the scene, apparently shot by his brother Larry Carson Furr, 48, who owned the home on Lucas Road.

The victims sister, Donna Reese, 46, of Star, called officers to the scene and told them that she heard gunfire after Gregg Furr entered the residence.

Sheriff Lane Carter told *The Times* that Gregg Furr had

allegedly been threatening his brother and his brother's wife in recent days, including during a phone call on Sunday night.

"On Monday, he showed up with a gun, intoxicated," Carter said.

Carter said the incident appeared to be a case of self-defense, but that all evidence collected by detectives would be turned over to the District Attorney, who would make any decision about charging Larry Furr in his brother's death.

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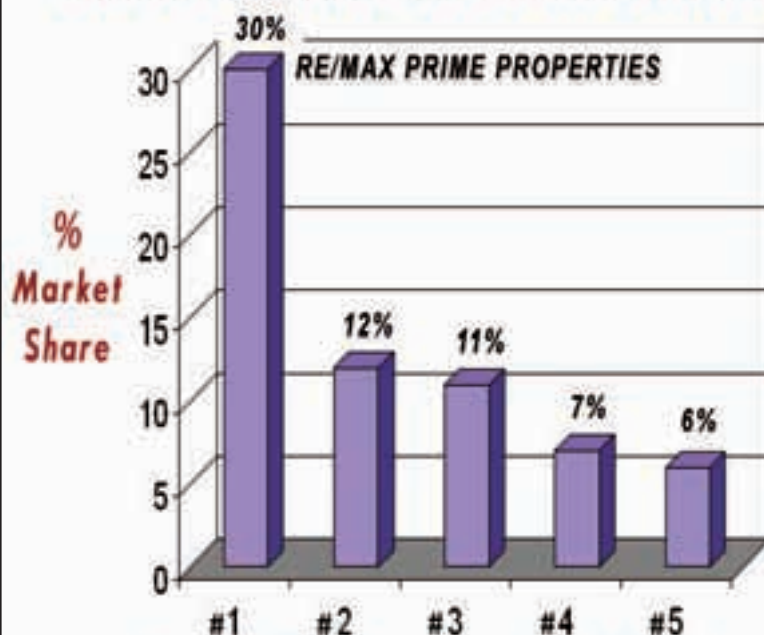


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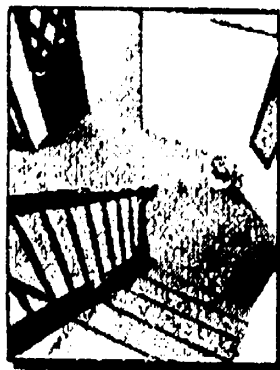
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