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Breaking new ground



The Foxfire Village Council shows they can sling dirt with the best of 'em at the October 1 groundbreaking for the Village Green municipal park. Nearly 100 residents joined Councilmen Wally Peckitt, George Erickson, Joe Harsany, Mayor Ed Phillips, and Councilman Carl Munro to inaugurate the project. (Please see story on page 2.)

Vote looks likely on SLLA Police

It appears that a referendum on Company Police will be on the agenda of the Thursday, October 20 work session of the Seven Lakes Landowners Association [SLLA] Board of Directors.

A key point that needs to be resolved is whether the board will agree to abide by the results of a vote of the membership on the Company Police issue.

Director Don Truesdell told *The Times* on Tuesday that he is developing a draft referendum cover letter and ballot, which he expected to have placed in Directors' mailboxes by Friday, October 14. His aim is to ask the board to approve the documents and commit to abide by the results of the referendum, to be held sometime in the next several weeks.

Director Jeff Herman, in a letter to members published in this edition of *The Times*, says he believes a vote on the issue is likely, and encourages landowners to actively seek out the facts before casting their vote.

While disagreeing with the tactics used to bring about a referendum, Herman says he "respects the right of the residents to speak if they are well informed." Herman indicates that the recent debate about Company Police has included a lot of misinformation so that "we [landowners] as a group are not well informed nor do we know of the options available to us."

Meanwhile, SLLA Community Manager Dalton Fulcher told

(See "Key question," p. 32)

Hearing Monday on contested development

"The Preserve," a 58-home development proposed for 180 acres off Beulah Hill Church Road, a few miles east of Seven Lakes, has neighbors concerned about its impact on a fragile ecosystem, a rare species of lily, the Moore County Land Use Plan, and their own water supply.

The county Board of Commissioners will hear from both those proposing the development and those opposed to it in a quasi-judicial public hearing scheduled to be held during the regular Monday, October 17 commissioners meeting. This issue of *The Times* carries letters from two opponents of the project, including Bob and Ruth Stolting, who share a three-quarter mile border with the property to be developed, and Marisa Back, a Seven Lakes Master Gardener who has first-hand knowledge of the property's terrain and plant life.

For the development to go forward, the county zoning on the acreage must be changed from its current Residential-Agricultural-5 [RA-5], which requires lots to be at least five acres in size, to Residential-Agricultural-2 [RA-2], which permits two-acre lots. The lots shown on a preliminary plat of The Preserve vary significantly in size, but average about two-and-three-quarters acres.

The property is owned by Dr. Eric Larsen and Blat-

co Corporation; the development is a project of Stafford Land Development Company of Southern Pines.

The proposed development has been reviewed by the planning staff and by the planning board in several lengthy public meetings. The planning board denied the original rezoning request in December of last

year, but Stafford brought back a much more detailed proposal in May. In July, in a split vote, the planning board ultimately voted to recommend the rezoning to RA-2.

Because the rezoning is a "conditional use" rezoning and involves a subdivision, the county Subdivision Review Board was also asked to look at the proposal and pass any concerns along to the commissioners. Moore County Planning Director Andrea Surratt will be covering those concerns in her presentation during Monday's public hearing.

Opponents of the plan point out several problems with the proposal.

Water. Residents in the sparsely populated area surrounding the Blatco/Larsen land — most of which consists of rural properties on large acreages, told the Planning Board that finding water in this area is very difficult. County water is not available, any many residents tell of having drilled multiple wells in order to find enough water to support a single household.

The Stoltings told *The Times* that they drilled six wells, of which only two produced water. Their wells included one 500-foot and one 700-foot well. An informal survey of twelve homes in the area found only one well that produced more than ten gallons per minute,

(See "Preserve," p. 33)



The Sandhills Lily — Some say a new development threatens this rare species and the Sandhills ecosystem that supports it.

Village breaks ground for new park

Close to 100 Foxfire Village residents gathered for the groundbreaking ceremony for the Village's first municipal park, The Village Green. It was a beautiful October morning for the event and the residents were very excited about this addition to the recreational amenities for the Village.

"This is the start of the Village Green becoming a reality for the Village," said Foxfire Village Mayor Ed Phillips, "a true partnership of the Village, the state of North Carolina, through the awarding of a Parks and Recreation Trust Fund (PARTF) Grant and the federal government through a grant from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) has made this possible."

Participating in the ceremony was State Senator Harris Blake who noted that "this is an example of a community looking forward to make sure that the beautiful Foxfire Village we have today will be able to have green spaces for the future and not be a victim of over-development as we see in so many places in

Moore County. The Village Council should be commended for making a priority of preserving the future for residents."

Participating in the groundbreaking were the Village Council of Wally Peckitt, Joe Harsany,

George Erickson, Carl Munro and Phillips.

The Foxfire Village Park Committee of Jack Olsen, Gene Petrie, Vic Koos, Helen Munro,

Beth Gregory, and Meg Husk also participated. A "hard hat" groundbreaking featured Lou Sadler, of the Hayter Firm, construction manager Gene Petrie, and project manager Susan Shuster.

The Village Green will be financed with approximately 30% local revenues, 50% PARTF revenues and 20% LWCF revenues. When completed the 50 acre park will feature walking/hiking trails, exercise

stations, picnic shelter, picnic tables and amenities, rest room facilities, lawn games area, children's recreation area, open spaces and play fields, in Phase I of the development schedule. Construction should commence in November and completion should take about 12 months.

Future phases will be developed when additional recreational facilities are needed for the community.

Time to update your EMS phone book info

Information gathering for the publication of the 2006 EMS Telephone Directory has begun.

Seven Lakes residents can help in the effort by filling out the tickets in the Seven Lakes Landowners Office or West Side Park Community Center.

All changes, additions, and

deletions to the White pages are needed.

All changes for the new edition for 2006 are due on Tuesday, November 1.

If you need more information contact, Doreen Smith, 673-0945.

The Times on vacation!

The Seven Lakes Times offices will be closed from Friday, October 14 through Wednesday, October 19. We will be back in the office on Thursday, October 20.

Our next issue will be published on Friday, October 28; the deadline for news and advertising reservations is 5:00 pm on Monday, October 24.

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Small Area Plan gets boost from board

Small Area Planning — a process that could give Seven Lakes and other Moore County communities more power to shape nearby development — got a much needed boost Thursday night, October 6, from the Moore County Planning Board.

After a presentation by Planning Director Andrea Surratt, the board voted unanimously to recommend to the Board of Commissioners that they initiate a Small Area Planning process for the area surrounding Seven Lakes and West End and follow with the area around Vass and Woodlake six months later.

If they act on the planning board's recommendation, the commissioners will have to define the areas to be covered by the plans, and appoint steering committees to do the actual work. Developing each small area plan could take two years.

The goal will be to gather information about each small area and then develop guidelines for development in the area. These guidelines will ultimately become one of the tools the planning staff and planning board utilize when considering requests for rezonings, conditional use permits, and so on.

The planning staff envisions ultimately developing small area plans for seven separate areas that together comprise the whole of the unincorporated area of the county.

Though the commissioners approved the Small Area Planning concept in their 2005-2006 budget, they have thus far taken a cautious approach to actually beginning work on the process.

During the September 19 Board of Commissioners meeting, Virginia Saunders and other commissioners expressed concern that the Planning Board be brought up to speed on the concept, occasioning Surratt's presentation at the Thursday night meeting.

Surratt made it clear that both the planning board and planning staff had plenty of other tasks to keep them busy if Small Area Planning were to be put off until next year, but planning board members strongly endorsed starting the process right away.

"If we wait another year, another year is gone," Seven Lakes resident Dave Kinney told his fellow planning board members.

Kinney noted that various Seven Lakes groups — landowners associations, business guild, and civic group — were already talking about the concept. "They're hot to trot," he said.

"There are some issues out there that are important to our community," he continued, noting that Seven Lakes, though unincorporated, "is either equal in population to Aberdeen — or will be tomorrow."

"I think it's a real good idea to

go ahead and get it started," Ron Jackson said. He suggested putting two or three planning board members on each small area steering committee, so that there will always be a planning board representative on hand for the steering committee meetings.

"I think this is something that needs to be done," Aaron McNeill said. He noted that it would be vitally important in each small area to have a good presentation for the "RA" — rural agricultural — area on the steering committee — "because every RA district is different."

Board Chairman Harry Huberth suggested that the board put its recommendation in the form of a resolution, in order "to send a strong message of support to the commissioners."

Once the resolution was fine tuned, Surratt told board members that she and the planning staff

were more than ready to get moving on the process. "I'm sitting here hoping that you are willing to do this," she said. "We will give it 150% of our effort."

The process will need board of commissioners approval to get underway. They will need to decide whether to follow planning board wishes and begin with the West End/Seven Lakes area, and, if so, they will need to finalize the boundaries of that planning area. And, finally, they will need to determine the composition of the Small Area Plan Steering Committee and appoint members to serve on that com-

mittee.

As currently envisioned by the planning staff, the Seven Lakes/West End planning area — "Area A" — is an 84 square mile, 54,000 acre chunk of the county that stretches from the county's western border to Beulah Hill Church Road and from Firetower Road in the North to Foxfire Village's extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction in the South. Area A is currently home to more than 6,800 people and is divided into more than 7,500 parcels. Properties in the area have total assessed tax value of \$810 million.



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Blue ribbon panel to look at animal control

Moore County commissioners will appoint a “blue-ribbon” panel to update the county animal control ordinance, they decided in an October 3 work session well-attended by the public.

The commissioners have heard for several months from advocates of an updated ordinance, including local veterinarians and animal welfare advocates, who attended commissioners meetings wearing yellow shirts and spoke during the public comment period. They spoke in support of amendments to the existing animal control ordinance developed by a subcommittee of the Moore County Board of Health in a process that stretches back more than five years.

During the both September meetings of the board of commissioners, opponents of the proposed amendments voiced their

concerns about the amendments.

Members of both groups were on hand for the Monday, October 3 work session — and took advantage of an opportunity to comment at the conclusion of the meeting.

Moore County Health Director Robert Wittman, who was coincidentally recognized for 20 years of service to the county later in the day, presented the Board of Health’s recommendations, making clear that what the board had sent the commissioners were recommendations, not polished amendments.

Though the document produced by the Board of Health took the form of a revision to the existing animal control ordinance, Wittmann said, “This is not intended to be the ordinance itself. It is a set of suggestions. There has been no serious

attempt to wordsmith this document.”

Wittman said the Board of Health recommended the changes to the ordinance in order to accomplish four things:

- To better protect animals from cruelty and mistreatment,
- To significantly reduce the number of unwanted animals born in the county,
- To make it easier to identify lost pets, and
- To help prevent the spread of rabies.

Any revision of the ordinance that would accomplish these goals would meet with the approval of the Board of Health, Wittman said. “They would be amenable to any language or modifications that would accomplish the intent of the board,” he added.

He paged through the amended ordinance with the commis-

sioners, highlighting the Board of Health’s intent in each suggested change.

Once Wittman’s presentation was finished, Commissioner Virginia Saunders asked several questions about public participation in developing the recommended changes to the ordinance.

Wittman explained that two veterinarian members of the Board of Health had chaired the

revision committee and involved a number of interested parties outside the board. However, no effort had been made to involve the public at large and no public hearings were held, Wittman said.

Wittman noted that the Board of Health had unanimously approved the draft forwarded to the commissioners.

Chairman David Cummings

(See “Panel,” p. 31)



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Landmark Homes and Realty at Seven Lakes has just opened its new office at the intersection of Seven Lakes Drive and NC Highway 211. Among the realtors aiming to make the new firm a success are Jack Eubanks and Frank Giudice, anchors of GS Communities Beacon Ridge sales effort in Seven Lakes West.

Broker in charge Richard Lewis told *The Times* he was pleased to be able to team up with Eubanks and Giudice in opening Landmark's new office, which will be focused on marketing Seven Lakes real estate.

Other members of the Seven Lakes team include Seven Lakes North resident and Associate Broker Ed Gosslein, Buyers Agent Danny Stone, Land and acreage Specialist Moses Snipes, and Office Manager Beverly Davis.

Landmark Homes & Realty is a sister company of Landmark Homes, one of the top five builders in the county — and a company with a number of projects underway in Seven Lakes, Lewis told *The Times*.

"We have something for every buyer," Lewis said. "We have homes that range in price from \$209,000 to \$1.6 million, and homesites from one-half acre to 25 acres."

The focus of the new office will be squarely on Seven lakes, he noted, "We are lucky to have

an experienced team that knows this market — this new office is strictly to market and sell property in Seven Lakes."

Eubanks signed on with a marketing contract to handle sales in Seven Lakes West when GS Communities took over as

developer in 1997. Giudice was a part of the team Eubanks assembled to get the job done.

Noting that he had served as the developer's representative on the Seven Lakes West Architectural Review Committee, Eubanks said, "I have walked

every inch of this property; for the last eight years I have sold nothing but Seven Lakes West."

Eubanks, a resident of the West Side, has a 41 year track record in real estate development, marketing projects up and down the East Coast — from Stratton Mountain, VT, to Palmetto Dunes in Hilton Head, SC. He handled marketing duties at both Pinewild and Talamore in Moore County.

Giudice entered the real estate business after retiring from the presidency of a New York Stock Exchange-listed distribution company. He has also served as a

principal in a advertising agency.

Lewis came to Moore County to start Landmark, after getting his hands-on education in the real estate business with the Harrelson Group in Myrtle Beach, which is among the top one percent of real estate first in the nation.

Lewis, Eubanks, and Stone are all residents of Seven Lakes West; Gosslein lives in Seven Lakes North.

Landmark Homes and Realty is located at 4347-A NC Highway 211, right by the traffic light in Seven Lakes. The phone number is 673-4663.

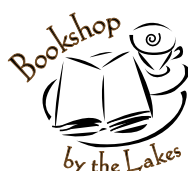


Landmark Homes & Realty of Seven Lakes — Seven Lakes West veterans Frank Giudice and Jack Eubanks [seated] join forces with Danny Stone, Richard Lewis, Beverly Davis, Ed Gosslein, and Moses Snipes [not pictured] in a new real estate firm focused on Seven Lakes.

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Village creates fund to track park project

The Foxfire Village Council has created a capital project fund that will allow expenses associated with the Village Green municipal park project to be kept separate from general fund expenditures.

Finance Director Wally Peckitt asked for and received council approval of the ordinance creating the fund during the regular Tuesday, October 11 meeting of the council.

Like the village's general fund and water fund, the capital fund must be managed with a budget that balances revenues and expenses.

The appropriation for the project totaled \$492,366, including \$252,500 for land acquisition, \$206,405 in construction costs, \$20,641 for administration, \$2,500 for appraisals and surveys, and a \$1,230 allowance for contingencies.

Revenues covering those costs will come from a North Carolina Parks and Recreation Trust Fund [PARTF] grant for \$246,183, a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant for \$95,632, and a loan from BB&T to cover the \$150,551 balance.

The village actually borrowed \$300,000 from BB&T in order to purchase the land for the park before the PARTF grant came through, but will return nearly half of that amount to BB&T once the project is concluded.

Finance. In other financial matters, Councilman Peckitt asked for and received council approval of a budget amendment that covers the \$8,500 cost of a generator that will provide power to the Village Hall so that it can serve as a command center in case of emergency like an ice storm, hurricane, tornado, etc.

Public safety. Councilman Carl Munro explained later in the meeting that acquiring the generator is part of a broader effort to significantly update and upgrade the village's Hazard Mitigation Plan, an emergency preparedness assessment and operational plan required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Work is underway on the plan, which included a survey of some 200 village residents. Munro said he hopes to have a completed plan ready for council approval

by mid-January, if not sooner.

In other public safety matters, Munro said he will begin to work on lot cleanup as soon as the

However, Munro said he expects to have to contact the owners of only ten or fifteen lots, a fraction of the eighty lots that needed to be cleaned up last year.

Appointments. The board voted to appoint Councilman George Erickson to the board of Partners for Children and Family, a Moore County organization that is part of the state's Smart Start initiative.

Meeting change. Because November 8, the date of the

next regularly scheduled council meeting, is Election Day, Mayor Phillips recommended and the council approved moving the council meeting to Wednesday, November 9, at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall.

Other items. Phillips told the council that the Parks Committee expects to have a major

presentation on plans for Village Green ready for that November council meeting.

Planning and Zoning Committee Chairman Nick Xander reported that his committee is exploring the adequacy of current regulations regarding screen-

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leaves fall, making it possible to get a good view of undeveloped lots around the village.

No contest in village election?

At press time, the Moore County Board of Elections was reporting that only three candidates had filed to run for election to one of three seats coming open on the Foxfire Village council. Council members serve four-year terms.

The candidates who had filed as of Wednesday were the incumbents Joe Harsany, Wally Peckitt, and Ed Phillips.

The last day to file as a candidate and the last day to register to vote in the election is Friday, October 14.

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Kiwanis celebrate the year's achievements

by Dot Seufert

The Seven Lakes Kiwanis Club held their Annual Installation Dinner to honor the fine

leadership provided by John Shaughnessy and committee members. Outgoing directors Bob King and Gerry Buelow

were thanked for a job well done. Kiwanian of the year awards were presented to Kenny Sparke and Fred Seufert for outstanding work throughout the year.

The Hyatt Fellowship award honored Jay Stemmer for 50 years in Kiwanis. Stemmer was the founder of the Seven Lakes Kiwanis Club in 1983.

Dave Johnson, Lt. Governor for District 10 Kiwanis installed the officers for the coming year.

2005-2006 officers are President, Ginny Richmond; President Elect, Gerry Buelow; Secretary, Ruth Sullivan; and Treasurer, Major Coxhill.

New Board Members are Dot Seufert, Bill Roberson and Ken Jenkins.

The Seven Lakes Kiwanis Club participates in many activities throughout the year.

In 2005, their list of activities in the community includes:

- Co-sponsors with the Aktion Club. This Club is a community service organization for adults living with disabilities.
- Sponsor and support the North Moore High School Key Club.
- Sponsor and serve the Red Cross Bloodmobile five times a year. (371 pints of blood donated this year).
- Operate a woodworking program for kindergarten children at West End Elementary School.

- Awarded ten \$50 and twelve \$100 savings bonds to outstanding students at West End Elementary and West Pine Middle School respectively.
- Participated in Moore Regional Hospital Health and Teddy Bear Fair, Shots for Tots and Moore Hospital Day.
- Raised over \$1000 dollars for the Salvation Army at Christmas bell ringing.
- Provided financial support to Seven Lakes Beautification Fund, Friend-to-Friend, First Health Hospice, American Red Cross, Chapel Christmas Fund, Moore Buddies, Coalition for Human Care, Food Bank, West End Gym, Girl Scouts (Troop 641) West End Children's Obesity Fund.
- Sponsor Terrific Kids program

at West End Elementary.

- Donated funds to Boys and Girls Home of North Carolina.
- Presented Human and Spiritual Values Awards to Ginny Richmond and Frank Hayes.
- Present Christmas decoration awards to three Seven Lakes residents.
- Provide personal care items to

(See "Kiwanis," p. 9)



Seven Lakes Kiwanis President Ginny Richmond is installed by District 10 Lt. Governor Dave Johnson.

Foxfire council

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ing and fencing in order to determine whether any modifications to the ordinances are advisable.

Public Comment. Wes Husk complimented Mayor Phillips on the progress that had been made in the village during his term in office.

Mayor Phillips replied that credit rightly belongs to "a large number of people on this side of

the table and that side of the table," noting the strong support residents have given recent village initiatives like the Village Green project. He noted that 90 people attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the park on October 1.

"That's all part of a nice feeling that the village is getting," Phillips said, "a sense of community that the village is developing."

West End Elementary School Fall Festival is Friday, October 21

The Fall Festival at West End Elementary will be held on Friday, October 21, 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm.

There will new games along with some returning favorites. Some of the new games will be SpongeBob Toss, The Limbo, Spider Go Fish, Heel to Toe Race, and Spooky Treasure Chest. There will be a Dunking Booth, Bungee Run and Bouncing Castle which were favorites from last year.

Many local businesses have donated prizes for the Silent Auction and Bingo Game. Among the prizes are a foursome on Pinehurst No. 8 donated by Pinehurst Resort and Country Club and a number of 5-by-8 rugs donated by Gulistan Carpets.

Be sure to bring your cash for the Silent Auction!

Food will be for sale in the Food Court as well as sweets from the Candy Store.

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Companion Animal Clinic of the Sandhills board members: Marie Schwindl, Controller for Peacock Farm Incorporated; Dr. Tom Daniel of Southern Pines Equine Associates and Deborah Wilson, Professor at Sandhills Community College.

Low-cost spay/neuter clinic planned for county

Plans are underway to locate a mobile Spay/Neuter Clinic for dogs and cats to be called Companion Animal Clinic (CAC) of the Sandhills at the Veterinary Equine Research Center (VERC) on US # 1 in Southern Pines, North Carolina.

The College of Veterinary Medicine at North Carolina State (of which VERC is a part), is partnering with Companion Animal Clinic of the Sandhills (CAC) to supply space for the mobile clinic. The Veterinary Equine Research Center will not be involved in ownership or manage-

ment of the Clinic.

Companion Animal Clinic (CAC) is a non-profit corporation dedicated to eliminating pet overpopulation in the Sandhills.

Long time animal advocate, Deborah B. Wilson, a Professor at Sandhills Community Col-

lege made the announcement in conjunction with Dr. Warwick Arden, Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine at North Carolina State at a gathering of local veterinarians and community leaders, on Wednesday, October 5.

Kiwanis

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- residents of Diversi-Care Assisted Living.
- Support the Adopt-a-Highway by cleaning Seven Lakes Drive weekly.
- Contributed \$1000 to Kiwanis International Disaster and Relief Fund for Children following hurricane Katrina.
- Contributed funds to Carolina District Foundation.
- Supported West End Elemen-

tary fund for pre-school playground equipment.

- Donated more than \$1000 of Happy Dollars to First Health's Children Care Fund ("Kids in Crisis").
- And the Kiwanis Club of Seven Lakes was designated "A Distinguished Club" by Kiwanis International.

The Kiwanis of Seven Lakes thanks the community for all of their support.

Sadie Hawkins Day Golf, 10/16

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by Sandra Schroder

Fall is in the air — finally! The Women's Auxiliary of Seven Lakes held their October 6 meeting in a festive, colorful setting of black and orange. Tricks were not necessary but the treats were delicious and enjoyed by all present.

Guest speaker for the occasion was Lynn Moore, a professional actress and make-up artist. She is presently a consultant at the Merle Norman Studio in Seven Lakes.

Ms. Moore spoke of the history of the cosmetic company and of it's skin care line for particular needs. She encouraged all to stop in and become familiar with the available products.

At the conclusion of the meeting two grab-bag prizes of cosmetics were awarded to Alice Ridenour and Pat Wortman. In addition, Southern Grace Flowers and Gifts generously provided a gorgeous fall plant as a door prize to lucky Fran Stark.

The November 3 meeting will have a program entitled "Identity Theft." Newcomers are always welcome.

The Women's Auxiliary would

like to remind everyone that The Sandhills Coalition for Human Care of Moore County welcomes donations of personal items such as soap, toothpaste and brushes, deodorant,

etc. for it's clients in need of temporary assistance.

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Lynn Moore and Teresa Brigman of Merle Norman Cosmetic Studio in Seven Lakes.



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Fall is time to plant trees

The rains last week were a welcomed relief, renewed gardening interests and have motivated many of us to get out and continue our fall work. Rapid growth is evident everywhere, thus prolonging our green and growing season.

Several questions occur every year asking why fall is the best time for planting trees, shrubs, and other perennials.

Basically, the reason is, planting in the fall after most plants become dormant, allow plants to receive the benefits of rains and other moisture during the winter, settle in, and largely become established when the growing season begins next year. As I have indicated several times, my favorite planting time for trees and shrubs is between Thanksgiving and December 31, because most plants are completely dormant during this period.

However, container grown plants can be planted anytime.

Now is the time for planting flowering annuals such as pansies, flowering cabbage, and kale. If you haven't done it, plant perennials like chrysanthemums (mums) and dianthus as soon as possible.

Pansies come in various colors. They are hardy annuals, can be planted now, bloom throughout the fall, winter, and spring, and will also remain beautiful until hot weather next year.

Flowering cabbage and kale are semi-hardy annuals. The foliage of these plants remains beautiful until a hard freeze. The mum is a semi-hardy perennial that goes through its flowering cycle until the first killing frost.

Based on experience here in the Sandhills it is recommended planting spring flowering bulbs during late November and December, although favorable results have been observed by planting as late as March 1.

This might appear late for some bulb growers, but early planted bulbs often are more likely to be eaten by voles, will germinate early, and the tops are subject to be burnt back by cold weather. Another tip is to plant your bulbs shallower than recommended. One half to two inches below the soil line is deep enough.

Here are a few pointers and suggestions for planting trees and shrubs:

Always purchase high quality plants from a reliable nursery.

Select the proper site for your plantings, and be sure plants

are suitably adapted to the location.

Prepare the soil in the planting area by tilling or spading in an organic material such as well rotted bark, sawdust, compost, (See "Fall," p. 12)



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Fall is time to plant trees and shrubs

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etc.

Dig the hole at least twice the size of the container or root ball. Remove the plant from the container, work the roots loose, and spread them out in the hole. For balled and burlap (B&B) grown plants, loosen the string if tied and remove pins around the trunk. Do not roll back the burlap, it will rot. If the plant is balled in plastic, remove it.

Set the plant in the hole so that the top of the ball will be at ground level when the planting operation is completed. A major reason for plant loss is planting too deep. Fill the hole with water and allow it to settle. Fill the hole with a good soil mixture. Add some bone meal for root development and a handful of dolomitic limestone for pH adjustment. Pack the soil firmly around the plant so that the level of the plant and ground are the same. Mulch with about two inches of pine bark or straw. Water again to firm or settle the plant, and don't forget to water the plant thoroughly once a week.

You can move and relocate plants in your landscape during the months of November

and December. It is advisable to root prune and dig around the plants to be moved, now in order to condition them and help aid the shock.

October gardening reminders.

It is time to winterize your lawn and overseed your bermuda or zoysia grass with annual rye grass if you desire green winter growth. Mow your lawn to one inch in height and get rid of the undesirable broad leaf weeds. Use only a herbicide that is recommended to control weeds and grasses on bermuda and zoysia lawns. When overseeding with rye grass use no more than five pounds seed per one thousand square feet of lawn, because too heavy seed amount damages your stand and delays

next season's growth.

It might be a little late to think about planting winter vegetables, but due to the dry season and soil conditions in our area, early on time seeding of cole crops weren't very successful. Avid gardeners might want to try planting some radish, mustard, turnip seeds or onion sets. Don't expect roots from your turnip seeded this late, only greens. Asparagus beds may be established anytime now until March 15, 2006.

October is the time of year when nights become cooler, and day temperatures often vary from hot to cold. I have asked my wife, Mary, to offer a few suggestions regarding houseplants since the time is near

when they should be moved indoors.

Mary suggests:

Examine your houseplants you have taken outside during the summer.

Re-pot if needed.

Spray all plants before bringing them indoors. This should be

done preferably two times, with an insecticidal soap or malathion if needed.

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FRED is the 1999 International Barbershop Quartet champion of the Barbershop Harmony Society. The quartet also won the Dixie District Championship title in 1991.

FRED has been together since 1990 and has entertained extensively around the world. They have been featured on the Penn and Teller show, a PBS special and several other national events including Music Educator's presentations and corporate conventions. FRED's blend of traditional songs, expansive harmonies and contemporary humor has made it one of the most successful barbershop quartets in history.

Tickets for the concert are \$12 and are available from any Golf Capital Chorus member,

Seven Lakes Meet Your Neighbor Mixer

Come and meet your neighbors at the Third Annual B.Y.O.B. Mixer at the Seven Lakes North Club House on Sunday, November 13, 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm.

This popular get-together is sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary and chaired by Ginny Heerema and Ruth Joyner.

Tickets, which will be sold at all three mail houses, are only \$4 per person and include an array of sumptuous hors d'oeuvres. Sale dates for tickets are: afternoons of October 26, 27 & 28 and November 2, 3, 4.

Bring your favorite beverage, enjoy great food, great conversation and a chance to meet your neighbors. Singles welcome.

For more information, call Ginny Heerema at 673-5150 or Ruth Joyner at 673-5966.

Campbell House, or from Alan Langley – 215-0247. For more information about the Golf Capital Chorus, visit its website at www.thegolfcapitalchorus.org.



The Links are one of the Golf Capital Chorus Quartets that will be featured at the 2005 Concert. Links quartet members are (L to R): Juan Russ, tenor, Ron Sickenberger, lead, Wayne Fish, bass, Larry Harter, baritone.

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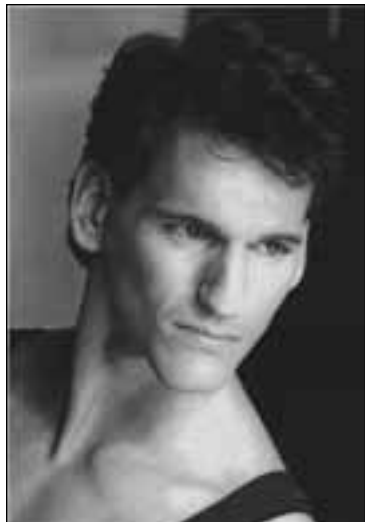
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New theatre company opens season

The right combination of talent, enthusiasm, experience and personalities is a good formula for a successful endeavor. That is just what has happened with the newest production company to come to the Sandhills, Moore OnStage.

Gary and Rita Taylor, formerly of Dance Theatre and Carolina Performing Arts Center, have produced some of the most fan-



Gary Taylor

tastic productions that have been seen in Moore County.

So when they approached Rod Harter of Pinecrest High School, and more recently having directed "Enchanted April," and "The Fantasticks," and Cinny Beggs of Temple Theatre and Susanna Turner of "The Lost Colony," they knew that they were on their way to something big — Moore OnStage.

This company is unlike any other theatre company due to its diversity. Not only will Moore OnStage present plays and musicals at the Sunrise Theatre, but also it will present two fantastic productions at Owens Auditorium.

The season opener is "Cirque — Dreams and Illusions." It is the story of a boy's journey through a mystical life to realize reality and truth in the end. Gary Taylor is an award-winning choreographer and will tell the story of Kai through dance, music and incredible technical wizardry provided by the Hawthorne Design Group from New York.

The show will play on October 21, 22 at 7:30 pm and October 23 at 2:00 pm. The show is sponsored by Hair Biz at the Cottage and the Golf Welcome Center.

The second, third and fourth shows of the season will be played at the Sunrise Theatre and directed by Rod Harter. "Jake's Women," opens on November 4 and runs through November 13. This is a Neil Simon play that reflects some real insight into relationships through humor that no one other than Neil Simon can reveal. "Jake's Women" is sponsored by Wachovia Securities.

Get ready to swing when the February show puts dancers, singers and an eight piece "swing" band on the Sunrise stage for the Broadway musical "Swing!"

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Rita Taylor

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and tap your toes when "Swing" comes to the Sandhills. "Swing" is sponsored by Sandhills Children's Center.

The third show at the Sunrise, will open March 31. "Driving Miss Daisy" is the Pulitzer Prize winning classic about a relationship between Hoke, a black man and Miss Daisy, a southern white woman, in a time when whites and blacks didn't intermingle. A heartwarming story that will always stay in your mind as one of the most insightful plays about people.

Closing Moore OnStage's season will be a big ballyhoo back at Owens Auditorium, "Salute to Broadway."

Moore OnStage will bring some of the most animated char-



Cinny Beggs

acters of Broadway to the Sandhills stage. Costumes, lights, singing, dancing and even flying will be the order of the day when "Salute to Broadway" opens May 19, 2006.

The Taylors made no mistake when they recruited their team and now, you can enjoy the fruits of their expertise. Professionalism will prevail and none of these shows should be missed. Season tickets are currently on sale as well as individual tickets for "Cirque — Dream and Illusions."

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Presbyterian Youth need yard sale donations

by Teresa Copper
Director of Youth

West End Presbyterian Church

The West End Presbyterian Church Youth Group will have an indoor yard sale Friday and Saturday, November 4-5 beginning at 7:00 am each day to benefit their mission trip to Chetumal, Mexico in June.

Donations of gently used items for this sale will be accepted at

the West End Presbyterian Church Monday through Friday from 10:00 am 'til 5:00 pm until November 1.

Twenty mission team members plan to help complete the second story of the IXOYE Presbyterian Church which is being constructed as a sanctuary with Sunday school classrooms.

Chetumal is located on the Yucatan Peninsula, so the building will be used as a hurricane

shelter for residents of the neighborhood surrounding the church. Twenty-three members of the End Presbyterian Church youth group went to Chetumal in June of 2003.

While they were there they painted the interior of the first floor and built walls of cinder block on the second floor. The youth are looking forward to sharing their strength to help their sister church.

Intellectual discussion group forming

Interested men and women of Seven Lakes and Moore County are invited to attend an organizational meeting of a new group, tentatively named 'A Forum for Civil and Intellectual Discussion.'

The group, spearheaded by Don Welch and Bill Mamel, plans to meet monthly at the West Side Park Community Center.

The organizational meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 17, at 8:30 am, on the upper level of the Center. House-keeping and protocol items will be discussed, as well as the formation of a steering committee.

The committee, working in concert with Don and Bill, will be responsible for planning monthly meetings and selecting topics for discussion which have been submitted by Forum participants.

The organizers envision a wide range of potential topics from fields of knowledge that include, but are not limited to the sciences, philosophy, history, theology, literature, government, world and national affairs and local concerns.

Leadership and participation in the discussions will be encouraged and expected from all participants.

For further information, please call Don Welch at 673-6701 or Bill Mamel at 673-8970.



West End Presbyterian Youth on their 2003 Chetumal trip shared time with youth of the IXOYE Presbyterian Church.

Westside Tennis Courts Grand Opening is this Sunday, 10/16

The West Side has two brand new beautiful tennis courts which are ready and waiting for eager participants.

The West Side Tennis Committee is inviting anyone who can hit a tennis ball to come and be an important part of the new tennis program.

The Grand Opening of the Tennis Courts will be Sunday, October 16, 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

The entire afternoon will be devoted to tennis, so bring your partners, opponents, tennis racquets, and smiles. Join your friends for a fun-filled afternoon. Observers are welcome.

The Tennis Committee's goal for the Grand Opening is to provide an opportunity for fun, competitive play, and to allow participants the chance to meet other players of similar abilities.

Contact Betty Milligan at 673-1462 if you have any questions.



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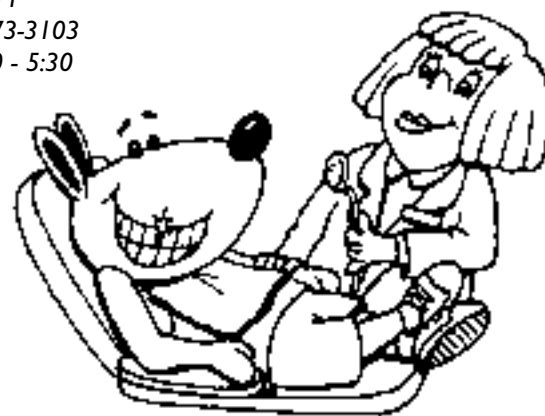
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Agility trials offer fast-paced entertainment

by: Nona Burrell

Moore County Kennel Club presents their All Breed Agility Trial on Saturday, October 29 and Sunday, October 30. Show hours are 7:00 am to 7:00 pm, at Mile Away Farm located in Kaylor Field, at 2205 N. May Street, in Southern Pines. Judge Glair Kelly of Odenton, MD will

begin promptly at 8:00 am both days.

Agility is one of the most popular of all the competitive activities for our canine friends. Dogs and their handlers run around the field and seem to be having the time of their lives. There are a series of jumps and obstacles to maneuver around, over, and

through for the dogs. Meanwhile, the owner runs beside the obstacles while shouting out commands to their feisty canine. Mile Away Farm, Kaylor Field is an ideal venue to hold such an event.

There is a limited entry of 330 runs per day; the final closing date for entries is Wednesday, October 12, at 6:00 pm. Entries should be sent to the Cindy Hartman, Trial Secretary, 121 Mill Creek Dr., Fuquay Varina, NC 27526, (919) 557-4620. Entry fees are (per day) \$20.00 first entry of dog (includes \$3.00 AKC recording fee), \$10.00 second entry of same dog.

A Microchip Clinic will be available on Sunday, October 30 from noon to 4:00 pm. Local veterinarian Dr. James Watson, of Pinetree Animal Hospital, will be in charge of the microchips.

Assisting Dr. Watson will be Vet Tech Students from Central Carolina Community College Vet School. The cost of the microchip will be a substantial savings at \$20.00 that includes registration with a national microchip registry.

Bob Forsyth, club president, was quoted as saying that "Microchips, as a form of identification are most important for all your pets. Moore County Ken-

nel Club is pleased to offer such a service to the community."

Any questions on the Sunday Microchip Clinic, please contact Nona Burrell at 295-3909.

Food will be available on the grounds. There is no entrance fee to the event.

The trial and microchip clinic are open to the entire community and spectators are welcome to come and see what all the fun about at those Agility Events.



Agility trials provide fun and excitement for participants and spectators.

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Cost: Free – Each Clinic is limited to 15 participants.

Clinics will be targeted to beginning golfers. If you have never played, are thinking about taking up the game or have played in the past we hope to see you there!

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Understanding the new Medicare benefits

by Trey Waters, Pharm.D., RPh

So the end of the year is approaching rapidly and that can mean lots of different things. For many of us, it brings about anxiety from the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, from Christmas shopping and gift wrapping, to candy making, and New Year's Eve commitments.

Speaking of commitments, the government is committed to Medicare Part D beginning January 1, 2006.

The purpose of this article is to showcase Medicare Part D.

The Medicare Modernization Act was signed into law December 8, 2003. This act established a voluntary outpatient prescription drug benefit for seniors and qualified disabled persons.

To review, Part A covers inpatient care. Part B covers outpatient care such as medical visits, durable medical equipment, and only a few prescription drugs. Part C covers managed care. And now Part D covers a new voluntary prescription drug benefit.

Each person entitled to Medicare Part A or enrolled in Part B qualifies for coverage. Most eligible Part D beneficiaries can choose a Part D plan starting November 15, 2005.

This is where the card gets tricky. There are two special groups to consider: Dual Eligibles and Limited Income Beneficiaries.

A dual eligible is a person who is Medicare beneficiary who is currently also receiving state MediCAID benefits. This group will be auto-enrolled into a random Medicare Part D plan starting October 2005. If the person does not like the drug plan that is automatically assigned to them that person can switch out of their auto assigned plan before January 1, 2006 and every 30 days afterwards. MediCAID drug coverage for this group will be terminated on December 31, 2005.

A Limited Income Beneficiary has a two step enrollment process including a pre-screening income and asset application from the Social Security Administration (SSA) and after approval from SSA the beneficiary must choose a Part D plan after November 15, 2005. If the Limited Income Beneficiary does not chose a plan by May 15, 2006 then that person will be

auto-enrolled into a random Part D plan.

Beneficiaries can enroll into a Part D plan starting November 15, 2005.



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The penalty for late enrollment is incurred over time. For example, a beneficiary will incur a late penalty fee of an additional 1% premium per month for every month without credible coverage. This additional fee will be reflected in a higher monthly premium for the beneficiary's lifetime. *If a Medicare beneficiary has credible coverage equivalent or better than Part D, this penalty does not apply. E.g. a retirement plan or employer's plan.

The monthly premium is approximately \$32 per month and will vary among different plans. The annual deductible is \$250. After the deductible, the

beneficiary will be responsible for approximately 25% of drug costs until they reach \$2,250 in drug spending (not including the monthly pre-

mium). Then there is a coverage gap, otherwise known as a donut hole, in which the beneficiary will be responsible for 100% of the drug costs until they reach \$3,600. After \$3,600 is reached, the beneficiary will be responsible for 5% of drug costs.

It is imperative that the beneficiary review the formulary of covered medications specific to each plan before making a selection. The formulary with each plan will vary and therefore the beneficiary should select the

plan that best fits their drug regimen most closely.

Please note that the pharmacists at Seven Lakes Prescription Shoppe are happy to help with any questions pertaining to Medicare Part D and any

other healthcare related question. Please also note, the law will not allow the Prescription Shoppe to fill out forms for the beneficiary. The law is very specific regarding our recommendation of any specific plan.

Annual Chapel in the Pines Rummage Sale is Saturday, Oct. 22

Make plans to shop at the Annual Rummage Sale of Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines in the Old West End School on Highway 211. Doreen Smith and Jean Keating are the co-chairpersons. All proceeds are marked for the Community Christmas Fund and will be used to purchase gifts for needy families in Moore County, as well as for food vouchers at Christmas, Thanksgiving and Easter.

The church needs donations for the sale. All donations for the sale must be clean, sized and delivered in a box. If you have questions about donating items or would like to volunteer contact Doreen Smith at 673-0945 or Jean Keating at 673-2778. Trucks will be available to deliver large items. Please deliver all your items to the Old West End Gym on Friday, October 21.

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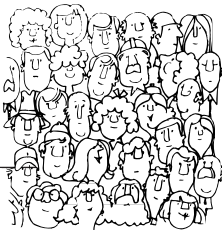
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14

- **Sandhills Animal Rescue League – October 14 – October 31** – Sandhills Animal Rescue League will have cats and kittens for adoption in the Cat Center at PetsMart in Southern Pines. If anyone would like help or you need more information, call Lou Atkins at 974-4468.
- **Our Savior Lutheran Church**— annual benefit bazaar and yard sale, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm and Saturday, October 15 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Big yard sale, cafe w/breakfast & lunch, handmade crafts and bake sale. All proceeds are donated to local programs that aid the needy in Moore County. 1517 Luther Way, Southern Pines.
- **Salon 7** – 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm, Girls Night Out —at the salon. Arbonne, Just Jewelry, and Pampered Chef products on display and on sale. Drop by and check out the merchandise. Seven Lakes Plaza, Suite F.
- **Contradance** – at West End Gym. 137 Old West End School Road off HWY 211. Lessons at 7:30 pm, dance from 8:00 to 11:00 pm. Band - Bill & Libby Hicks. Caller - Jody Harvey.

Beginners welcome. No partner necessary. Admission - \$6 for members, \$8 for non-members, \$5 for students 16 and over, children free. For information, call 910.690.1098.

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

- **27th Holly Arts & Crafts Festival** – 10:00 – 3:00 pm, in Village of Pinehurst. The festival will be held rain or shine.
- **Medleyanna's and West End Antiques** – 11:00 am – 5:00. Customer Appreciation Day at the shop. Door prizes, refreshments. Big Sale! At the West End stop light.

- **Paper Recycling Drive** – Keep Moore County Beautiful, Inc. & the Moore County League of Women Voters are holding a Mixed Paper Recycling Drive, from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, at the BP Station in the Fresh Market Shopping Center, Southern Pines. For additional information, contact Joan Neal, Executive Director, Keep Moore County Beautiful, Inc. at 947-3478

- **Sandhills Interfaith Hospitality 2005 Benefit Concert** – "Songs and Laughter in the Sandhills" is the theme. 7:00 – 8:30 pm,

Pinecrest High School auditorium. \$10 for adults, \$5 for children, and tickets will be available at the door or they can be purchased in advance at the Day Center, 303 Peach Avenue. Call 944-7149.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

- **West Side Community Center** – Grand Opening of Tennis Courts, 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Bring your partners, opponents, tennis racquets, and smiles. Join your friends for a fun-filled afternoon. Observers are

welcome. Contact Betty Milligan at 673-1462.

- **Sadie Hawkins Day Golf** – Grab your partner for a fun day at the annual Sadie Hawkins Day Golf Tournament at SLCC. Golf and Dinner. T-Times available. Sign up in the Pro Shop.
- **Weymouth Center** – 3:00 pm, Biographer Scott Donaldson will speak. Donaldson is one of the country's leading literary biographers.
- **Gospel Singing at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church** – 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. God's Love in Action Deliverance Ministry will provide the music. Come and sing-a-long with the congregation. Dress is casual. Just bring your voice. Light refreshments will be served. St. Mary's is located on Seven Lakes Drive.
- **Pinehurst United Methodist Church** –

celebrate its 10th Anniversary. A special worship service held at 8:30 am and 11:00 am with a fellowship reception at 10:00 am. After the worship services, a celebration luncheon will be held at Pine Needles Reception Center. Advance reservations are required for the luncheon. Call Pinehurst United Methodist Church at 910-215-4559 for details.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18

- **League of Women Voters** – 11:30 am, Steve Tableman just returned from Afghanistan, and will speak about his experiences at a luncheon of the League of Women Voters. At the Paddock Restaurant, Longleaf Country Club, 2001 Midland Road, Southern Pines. Tickets are \$12 per person; contact Norma Sullins for reservations at 673-3980.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

- **Sandhills Lions Club** – 6:00 pm, dinner meeting at the Seven Lakes North Clubhouse. The guest speaker will be Greg Hankins, Editor of the Seven Lakes Times.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

- **West End Elementary School Fall Festival** – 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm. New games along with some returning favorites. Plan on having a night of fun and games with your kids. Support the Fall Festival and West End Elementary.
- **West End United Methodist Church** – Ham and Turkey dinner – 6:00 pm. Tickets \$8 adults, \$4 children. Take out is available. For tickets call Kitty Slazas at 673-3827 or Trudie Vaughn at 673-2681. No tickets will be sold at the door. All proceeds benefit mission projects.
- **Cirque – Dreams and Illusions** – 7:30 pm. Presented by Moore OnStage. Enter the world of magic & mystery as dance journeys to a new and exciting place where dreams become reality. Sandhills Community College, Owens Auditorium. 910-255-0667.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

- **Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines Rummage Sale** – 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. at Old West End School Gym. on Highway 211. Contact Doreen Smith at 673-0945 or Jean Keating if you would like to donate items to be sold.
- **Merle Norman of Seven Lakes** – 10 am – 4 pm. Workshop - Skin care do's and Don'ts. Drop in for your free consultation. 673-3236.
- **Seven Lakes Massage and Body Therapies** – 3:00 - 5:00 pm. Pilates for Osteoporosis Workshop. Combat Osteoporosis safely and effectively. Call 673-2000 to register.
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

- **Cirque – Dreams and Illusions** – 2:00 pm. Presented by Moore OnStage. Sandhills Community College, Owens Auditorium. 910-255-0667.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

- **Sandhills Natural History Society** – 7:00 pm, monthly meeting at Weymouth Woods Nature Preserve. "Ghost Stories & Storytelling" will be presented. Visitors and prospective members are always welcome! Call 692-2167.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

- **Wacky Wednesday** – 11:30 – 1:00 pm. \$3/person. Sponsored by Home Choice Network. The program will feature Charlie Ross from Down Memory Lane Collectibles. A "Antique Roadshow" for everyone to enjoy. Home Choice can provide companions or transportation to the luncheon for those in need. Call 944-1116.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

- **Fall for Paws to benefit Sandhills Animal Rescue League** – in the Courtyard of the Belvedere Hotel. 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. Face painting, free goody bags for children, and a Cat Pinata in the Courtyard. Howl-oween Dog Parade at 1:00 pm. Dress up your canine (and your kids) and join in the fun. Prizes. \$2 entry fee. Bring proof of rabies vaccine & appropriate restraint.

- **Adult Halloween Party** – 7:00 to 10:00 pm, West Side Community Center. Heavy hors d'oeuvres, Soda or BYOB. Music by Glen Davis.

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SLLA Security & Police Report: 9/25–10/8

September 25 & 26

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September 27

A resident on Pleasantview Lane reported a three-foot long snake in the front yard. Security captured the snake and relocated it to woods between Seven Lakes and McLendon Hills.

A resident on Amberwood Court reported a DHL delivery truck speeding. She had followed the truck long enough to clock its speed at 50 miles per hour.

A resident reported and identified a roaming dog on Sandspur. Security contacted the dog's owner to retrieve the animal.

September 28

Security was asked by a man in Michigan to check on a Seven Lakes resident who had supposedly left on a trip to Michigan on Monday and had still not arrived on Thursday Morning. Seven Lakes Company Police Chief Dennis Lombard checked the home and found no one at home.

Patrol found a sign knocked down at the Big Juniper picnic shelter.

A resident on Glen Oak called security to report skateboarders using the picnic shelters in Longleaf Park and moving picnic tables. Security patrol responded and found the skateboarders. Security Supervisor Keith Edwards informed the complainant that Assistant Community Manager Chad Beane had allowed the skateboarders to use the shelter, as long as they put the picnic tables back afterwards. The complainant said he would follow up with Beane.

September 29

Chief Lombard was dispatched to an address on Edgewater Drive on a report of someone ringing a doorbell.

September 30

Patrol found a broken or shattered glass sliding door at a home on Sandham Court. The resident was out of town. Security contacted the keyholder for the residence, who contacted the resident's son,

A resident on Firetree reported and identified a roaming Jack Russell terrier. Security contact-

ed the dog's owner to pick up the animal.

Chief Lombard asked security to call a residence on Overlook to inform the occupants that their neighbors were complaining of dogs barking. Making the call, security learned that the dogs in question were inside the residence and had been barking. Patrolling on Overlook, Lombard reported that he heard no barking dogs.

Chief Lombard investigated a reported motor vehicle accident.

October 1

A resident on Cambridge reported that the rear door of a neighbor's home was unlocked. Security and company police secured the home.

October 2

A resident on Sunset reported barking dogs. Security found the dogs in a pen at a residence on Overlook where no one was at home.

A resident on Pine Needles Drive reported a roaming dog. Security was able to apprehend and identify the dog. Its owner

was notified and picked up the dog.

October 3

A resident of Atwater reported that she sees the same car speeding every morning during her 7:30 am walk. Security suggested she contact Chief Lombard, who was scheduled to be on duty the next day.

October 4

A resident on Essex complained of a barking dog — "All night every night" — in a neighbor's back yard. She asked that security contact the owners about the problem. Security spoke with the owner who said her dog apparently barks when deer or other animals are in the back yard, but stops barking when she turns on her back porch light. Security suggested she try leaving the back light on all night to see if it helps.

October 5, 6, & 7

No report.

October 8

At 12:52 pm, a resident on Pineneedle reported and identified a roaming Jack Russell terrier. Security contacted the owner to pick up the dog.

At 4:12 pm, a resident on Firetree reported the same Jack Russell roaming. Security took the dog to its owner.

October 9

A resident on Fox Run reported a broken back screen door on a vacant residence. Security was able to identify and contact the owner of the home, who informed them that previous tenants had broken the screen and it had yet to be repaired.

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Arrest on bad check charge

On October 7 the Moore County Sheriff's Office received a complaint from Pizza Cafe in Seven Lakes that, on September 4, a subject passed two worthless checks.

On October 11, 2005, Sheriff's investigators arrested Kimberly Dawn Teeter, 38 years of age, of 306 McDougall Drive, Seven Lakes for passing the bad checks. Teeter was charged with two counts of felony obtaining property by false pretenses. She was released on a \$1,000 unsecured bond pending a court date on October 27, 2005 in Moore County District Court.



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OPINION

Get the facts before you vote!

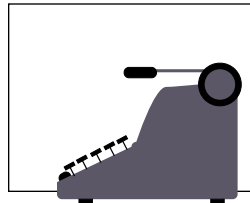
With all of the publicity regarding the Seven Lakes Company Police, I imagine that another Company Police article is the last thing that residents want to see. But I hope that this will be read and taken into consideration.

I sat down with a goal of trying to educate everyone on what I know about the Company Police situation. After reading what I had written, I decided to do everyone a favor and delete it. There is only

We have taken to heart what is being said by friends and at gatherings, and we trust that the opinions of our fellow landowners that we read in the paper are the truth. This is a mistake because no matter the source, most of this information it is second hand and a lot of it is untrue. I wish that I knew the best way to ensure that there is no misinformation before any vote is cast, but I do not. The only thing that I can do is invite discussion.

Please, call the landowners' office, present your questions in writing or

Jeff Herman
SLLA Board



Your Turn

so much talking at residents that we (on both sides of the company police issue) should do.

I have no doubt that there will be a vote in the near future on whether or not to retain the Company Police Department.

Although I disagree with the methods used to force this vote, I respect the right of the residents to speak if they are well informed and speak from fact rather than emotion or disdain for the Company Policeman.

After speaking with a large number of citizens, it is my opinion that we as a group are not well informed, nor do we know of the options available to us.

by email. I will arrive early and remain until all questions are answered at the October 26 open meeting of the Seven Lakes Landowners Association.

If there is interest, I would be happy to gather all of the information that I can and talk with residents one on one in a public setting. Even if you have made up your mind, reaffirm that what you know is true before casting a vote that not only affects you but all other residents as well.

Jeff Herman
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Martell captures memories of America's Christmas past

American Christmases: Firsthand Accounts of Holiday Happenings from Early Days to Modern Times.
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Ollie's
Thoughts
Oliver Gossard

In two months, we will be edging into the Christmas season with Christmas trees, Carols, icicles, holly, fruitcake, the wrapping of presents and all of the wonderful memories of Christmases past that we all have.

Joanne Martell has captured memories of past Christmas in a new book that she has compiled. She includes sections from Captain John Smith's description of his visit to a native village in 1608 to Major Carrie

Acree's letter from Iraq in 2004.

Included in this volume are letters, journals, memoirs, newspaper articles, poems, songs, and advertisements about Christmas. Writers include George Washington, Helen Keller, Daniel Boone, Edith Wharton, and many, many others.

This is a handsome book that I can see resting on coffee tables during the Christmas season. And I can see it in the hands of parents, or grandparents, as they read sections of the book to children on Christmas Eve. An elegant book.

Many of you will remember Joanne Martell, who lived in Seven Lakes for many years. Her husband Bob Martell was a columnist for this newspaper for several years.

Joanne Martell is also the author of *Millie-Christine: Fear-*

fully and Wonderfully Made.

Joanne will have a publication party for the new book at Belle Meade Retirement Community in Southern Pines on Saturday, October 22, at 3:00 pm. The event is open to the public and I encourage everyone to drop by and say hello.

I like this book, and I believe that you will, too.



Joanne Martell

Letter brings encouragement from Seven Lakes Community

Dear Editor:

Thanks so much for publishing my letter headlined "Altercation Prompts Decision to Leave" in the September 16 issue of the *Times*.

The publication had an effective impact on the neighborhood.

In addition, we would like to thank all of our caring neighbors who sent letters, made phone calls, or stopped by the shop to express their sincerest concerns and thoughts.

It is so nice to know that good people still exist.

We really do appreciate everything. Your support, your thoughts, and your empathy have been

very reassuring.
Thanks to all.

Mr. & Mrs. Adam Halstead
Seven Lakes North

Letters to the Editor



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It's never too late to begin a friendship again

I have asked Greg to reprint this, one of my earliest "notes." The request for a reprint comes from one of the first readers of my "notes."

This advice came to her at a time in her life when she had been isolated from her sister for twenty years. The breach had earlier occurred as a result of hurt feelings and misunderstandings. Years of separation were causing regret and a growing sense of loss. She swallowed her pride and approached her sister in a mood of forgiveness and reconciliation. Her sister was as happy as she to end the stalemate. I cannot express the joy I felt when I was joyfully introduced to the visiting sister.

Perhaps there is someone else who is ready to close an old wound, I sincerely hope so. God bless you both.

What to do when you feel that you have been mistreated or misjudged by a friend? It takes

some pretty serious contemplation. The first reaction is to feel angry but most of us don't want to live with the corrosive effects of anger eating away at us, any more than we want unpleasantness to destroy a relationship that



Nona's Notes

Nona Wiley

we may have cherished (or at any rate seriously cared about).

He who angers you controls you. After all, you are the one who gets all hot and bothered (or maybe worse). Anger is like acid eating away at you; whereas, loving concern heals many a hurt. While you are obsessing

about your unhappy attitude toward another, he either may not care nor possibly even be aware of your hurt,

If you can talk things over honestly and fairly most situations can be resolved, Honest communication is frequently all that's

needed to get things ironed out and to clear the air, but holding things in and nursing your g r u d g e s never helps.

Clearing the air can do wonders for a relationship, It's awfully nice to know just where you stand Also, what seem to be problems are often just misunderstandings that can be eliminated through a good heart to heart.

A serious consideration that most don't acknowledge is that

much anger is actually self-anger. We most dislike and fear in others what we dislike and fear most in ourselves. Sometimes I have to ask myself what is there about someone else's behavior that gets to me. Then I have to take a good long look into myself — and sometimes I don't like what I see. Another person's negative behavior should be his problem not mine.

For years, I have been intrigued by a poem written by William Blake (most of you will remember the poem The Tiger written by Blake) but his poem the *Poison Tree* kind of hangs around in the lower regions of my mind and pops up when I need reminding.

*I was angry with my friend:
I told my wrath, my wrath did end.
I was angry with my foe:
I told it not, my wrath did grow.*

*And I water'd it in fears,
Night & morning with my tears;
And I sunned it with smiles,
And with soft deceitful wiles.*

*And it grew both day and night,
Till it bore an apple bright.
And my foe beheld it shine,
And he knew that it was mine.*

*And into my garden stole
When the night had veil'd the
pole,
In the morning glad I see
My foe outstretch'd beneath the
tree.*

Believe me, the greatest gift you can give is that of forgiveness — not as much to others as to yourself. If someone else benefits from your forgiveness, that's great, but it will do more for you than for anyone else. It can bring you peace.

Another day to be alive

A farmer releases his cows to pasture.

A hawk soars above my lake as the sun's rays play on the water.

A squirrel bounds across the roof.

A youngster scurries around looking for her notebook as the school bus approaches.

The daily paper sits in the driveway, thoughtfully protected from the approaching rain.

Your friend calls to remind you to be ready for that ride to

the symphony.

A Thailanese father toils in his rice fields to help support his family.

Yes, another day. The earth rotates with predictability.

It's great to be alive, even with the multitude of problems in our world.

Still a chance to meet challenges anew.

Still the chance to never stop trying to bring out the best in ourselves and others, striving always for peace in all of its forms.



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Rezoning request could be first of many

Dear Editor:

The decision to approve or deny the Larsen/Blatco rezoning of 180-plus acres on Beulah Hill Church Road/Highway 73 will take place at the Board of Commissioners meeting in the

Carthage Courthouse on Monday, October 17 at 6:00 pm.

This is a landmark issue. Zoning is every landowner's protection. Why should five-acre lots be changed to two acre lots? Because of greed!

There are numerous concerns. Local concerns included water and septic problems, ranging from lack of water to pollution in a watershed area affecting both Carthage and Southern Pines water supplies. They also include

destruction of habitat to rare wildlife species due to homesites within wetland boundaries.

County-wide concerns include death knell to the Moore County Land-Use Plan. Goal 1 of the plan is to "preserve and protect

the rural agricultural nature of the county," and this rezoning sets a negative precedent. It does not meet three of five criteria for rezoning (per the Planning Board meeting of July 14).

(See "Rezoning," p. 25)

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Project threatens beautiful, sensitive area

Dear Editor:

I am very concerned about the Larsen/Blatco re-zoning proposal of the 180+ acres on Beulah Hill Church Road off NC Highway 73. The re-zoning request is to change from five acre plots to two acre plots, thus establishing a more densely populated area. The reason we should all be involved is because this can set a destructive precedent for the future of Moore County.

In 1999, the Moore County Land Use Plan was finalized with its #1 Goal to "preserve and protect the rural agricultural nature of the county." The landowners that live in the area zoned RA5, (rural/agricultural five acre lots) bought their land with the understanding it was zoned as five-acre lots. They have been good stewards of

the land. Several neighbors are bee-keepers and have an environmentally friendly concept in their land use. Now, a developer wants to build homes on two acre lots that will change the dynamics of the rural concept.

Where is our protection against the greed of developers? What protection do longtime landowners have against the changes that brings destruction to wetlands wildlife habitat and rural environment?

I've been privileged to walk the wetland trails under the power line easement on a property owned by a neighbor of the Larsen/Blatco property.

This wetland includes the headwaters of Nick's Creek that flows to Cartage for their drinking water. It is biologically sensitive, and the power company has been very cooperative with

their mowing and controlled burns. The floral diversity along the one and a half mile trail is spectacular!

Every season brings a new vista. This summer I saw wildflowers as far as the eye could see and that included the rare Sandhills Lily. Only 300 of the Sandhills lilies have been identified throughout its range, and at least five have been found growing under these power lines.

Among other flowers, I saw colonies of yellow fringed orchids, the Sandhills golden asters, sundews, pitcher plants, blue-curl's, blazing stars and unusu-

al meadow beauties.

Bruce Sorrie, a naturalist with the North Carolina Natural Heritage Program states "at least 200 different species of plants have been identified along that power line." The habitat cannot survive with the changes re-zoning to two acres plots will bring to the area.

I'm not opposed to homes being built. Keep the five acres that the zoning had established.

Let the Board of Commissioners know the proposal for re-zoning should not be approved. Stand up and be counted to protect present landowners; the fragile environment and protect

the rural character of the Eastwood area.

The Board of Commissions will meet in Carthage at the courthouse on Monday, October 17, at 6:00 pm. Plan to attend and let your voices be heard. These are our local representatives, let them know we want them to uphold the concept of the Land Use Plan that was established to protect the diversity of our county.

They are our elected officials and they should listen to the public outcry against greed.

Marisa Back
Seven Lakes West



Closeup of a yellow fringed orchid — Photographed by Marisa Back near the Blatco/Larsen property.

Rezoning a threat

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If this rezoning is permitted, other rezonings will line up right behind it, and the wonderful rural characters of the county will be changed forever. Increased density will lead to annexation.

Our elected County officials should understand that they must be held accountable for their actions. They should serve the people, protect the public

interests, and uphold the important programs that they fostered, such as the Moore County Land-Use Plan. They should not bow to big business.

Please attend this October 17 meeting. Show our elected officials that we care, and that they should, too.

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‘Talent Encore’ at 7 Lakes Country Club

by Rollin Tomberlin

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The success of the spring tal-

ent show has resulted in popular demand for a new “Talent Encore” presentation. Cocktail service begins at 5:30 pm with dinner at 6:00 pm and the show shortly thereafter.

In keeping with the Thanksgiv-

ing season, the menu features sausage stuffed turkey breast with oven-baked new potatoes. The meal includes a tossed garden salad, a vegetable blend, and will be topped-off by pumpkin cheese-cake. The all-inclusive cost for members is \$18.50. Non-member charges are

\$23.50.

Members may make reservations in person at the restaurant on Monday, October 17 at 10:30 am. After 11:00 am, phone reservations at 673-1100 will be accepted.

Non-members may ask for reservations commencing on

Monday, October 24.

This “Talent Encore” will include performances by Don Welch, our local dance ensemble, and many of our “usual suspects” for these endeavors.

Make your reservations early since these shows typically sell out quickly.

Pumpkin Patch

The community is invited to visit the pumpkin display at the Pusser Home on Sunday, October 30 and Monday, October 31.

Pumpkins skillfully carved by Todd Pusser will come alive from dark until 11:00 pm each night.

There is no charge, but the Pusser Family will be having a food drive for the local food

bank. Any canned goods or money donated will be given to the Food Bank.

The Pusser home is located off Highway 211 between Eagle Springs and Jackson Springs. Turn onto Flowers Road (same road as Blue’s Mulch Business), go approximately 2 miles and look for the pumpkin display on the right.



Larry & Dayle Pusser with some of Todd’s pumpkins.

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Gardeners visit winery

by Beth Schettler

A large group of men and women from the Foxfire Garden Club traveled to Wagram, NC on Monday, October 10 for their monthly meeting. Dan and Tina Smith, owners of the beautiful and historic Cypress Bend Vineyards and Winery, greeted them. Dan Smith took the group on a tour of their youngest vineyard, where he explained in detail the many steps in the planting, care, and harvesting of grapes.

The group moved on through the area where the grapes are

pressed, and then into the filtering and bottling areas. All along the way, Smith answered questions from his very interested visitors. In the Tasting Room and Gift Shop, they enjoyed a wine-and-cheese party, where all five wines produced at Cypress Bend were sampled.

Before the group headed back to Foxfire Village, Tina Smith led them on a drive around the lovely farm, where members of the Smith family have lived since 1807. Then they drove to the main house, which sits on the

shore of the Lumber River. At this extremely beautiful and serene setting, they saw the Flat Top Cypress tree from which Cypress Bend Winery takes its logo.

The Foxfire Garden Club meets the second Monday of each month, at 2:30 pm in the Town Hall.

New members are always welcome, especially men and women who have recently arrived in Foxfire Village. Sharon Thingstad is Chair; and Diane Scales is Co-Chair.

New Year's Eve at SLCC

Seven Lakes Country Club announces plans for welcoming 2006 at their annual New Year's Eve Celebration. This year's party, featuring an international cruise ship theme, welcomes guests aboard the "SS Seven Lakes."

The evening begins at 7:00 pm Saturday December 31 at the Club with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, followed by dinner at 8:00 pm.

The menu is Gourmet Green Salad w/Balsamic Vinaigrette, 5 Ounce Filet w/Crab Cake, Roasted Red Potatoes w/Herbed Sour Cream, Haricot Verts and a Viennese Dessert Table.

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Semi-Formal. Dance music will be provided by Bob Bennett and vocalist Lynn Nelson from 9:00 pm to 12:30 am.

The Viennese Dessert Table featuring an assortment of pastries, fruit, chocolates, cheese and other treats will be provided at 10:00. There will be a champagne toast at midnight when the lighted ball drops in Seven Lakes and Times Square.

The evening will include entertainment, a few surprises as well as free door prizes provided by local merchants.

Club members and non members are invited to ring in the New Year 2006 on the "SS Seven Lakes" when the lighted ball falls at midnight.

Price (inclusive): Members is \$44.00 and Non Members \$49.00 with a Cash Bar.

Members may sign up for themselves and out-of-town houseguest: Monday October 24 at 10:30 am or by phone after 11:00 am 673-1100. Non-members are welcome to make reservations starting November 7.

Hosts for the evening are Nancy Sabo & Charlie Peterson and Judy & Ken Collins

50 places to play golf before you die

Chris Santella, author of *Fifty Places to Fly Fish Before You Die*, will discuss his new book, *Fifty Places to Play Golf Before You Die*, at The Country Bookshop in downtown Southern Pines on Tuesday, October 18, at 7:00 pm. Pinehurst #1 was included in Santella's book on the recommendation of James Diaz, writer for "Golf Digest" and "Golf World" magazines.

He describes the course as "our version of St. Andrews."

Santella, who currently lives in Portland, Oregon, said it was while thinking about his own dream list of where he would like

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Sandhills Interfaith Hospitality Benefit Concert

"Songs and Laughter in the Sandhills" is the theme of the 2005 Sandhills Interfaith Hospitality Network (SIHN) Benefit Concert scheduled for Saturday, October 15 at 7:00 – 8:30 pm at Pinecrest High School auditorium. Proceeds from the concert will go to support the work of SIHN, a nonprofit agency dedicated to alleviating homelessness in Moore County.

2005 Festival of Trees

Sandhills Children's Center will be hosting the 2005 Festival of Trees, Thursday November 17 – Sunday November 20, at Pine Needles Lodge and Golf Club's Reception Center, located in charming Southern Pines. Admission \$4.00, Senior Citizens: \$3, children under 12 admitted free. For additional information please contact Lisa Massei or Kathy Desmond by calling (910) 692- 3323 or email at fot-children@earthlink.net.

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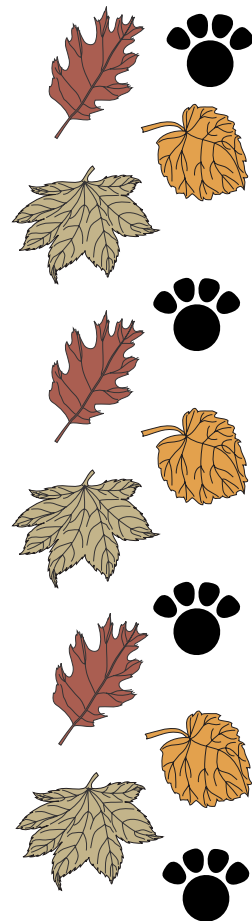
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Methodists pitch in to help Katrina victims

Approximately 25 members of the West End United Methodist Church recently participated in a project to provide health care kits for the survivors of Hurricane Katrina.

Immediately after the hurricane struck, a request was sent out by the Marion Edwards Recovery Center Initiatives (MERC) for flood buckets, health-care kits, and layette kits or volunteers to assemble them at their facility in Goldsboro, NC.

An offering was taken at the next Sunday service and through the generous giving of church members it was possible to assemble 600 health kits at the West End United Methodist Church on Highway 73 in West

End.

Each health kit contains a towel, wash cloth, bar of soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, comb, nail file or clipper, and 6 band aids all wrapped up in a zip lock bag.

The health kits were delivered to the MERC Center in Goldsboro on Friday, September 16. From there the kits will be forwarded through the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) to an appropriate location in the gulf states for distribution.

Future plans for hurricane relief by the church members includes sending rehabilitation teams to assist with tearing down the old and rebuilding new. The relief effort will begin in after November after initial assessment teams can formulate

plans for deployment of volunteers. Anyone in the community willing to donate a week or two of their time and talents can call the church office at 673-1371, Monday – Friday, from 9:00 am – noon. (Volunteers are not limited to church members.)

Girl Scouts gather blankets

During the week of October 16 – 22 the Girls Scouts of Moore County are collecting blankets to benefit local shelters, the Sandhills Coalition for Human Care, Bethany House, Bethesda, Friend to Friend and other community organizations helping people.

If you would like to gather some of your extra blankets and drop them off at any of the following collection sites throughout the county, the Girls will deliver them to those in need.

In the Seven Lakes/West End area, Brownie Troop 641 is hosting the drop off site at Seven Lakes Prescription Shoppe.

If you are unable to drop off blankets at the Prescription Shoppe, Troop Leader, Amanda Keller at 673-3892 will be glad to arrange pick-up for your blankets.

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Ladies Nine-Holers host Member-Guest

On September 21, the Ladies 9-holers of Seven Lakes Country Club hosted their annual Member/Guest Tournament. Guests were from Beacon Ridge, Foxfire, Midland and 18-holers of Seven Lakes.

It was a festive event with 18 winners of special prizes and 24 door prizes, courtesy of local businesses and members.

The format was Team Play, the 2 best balls of each foursome.

First place winners were Nancy Blythe, Mary Snead, Jo Bennett, and Marion Haney; Second place winners were Ellen Smith, Nancy Burgoon, Elsie Hunter, and Ginnye Powers; Third place winners were Barb Gerhardt, Jan Mitchell, Xay Houlihan, and Jo

Messina. Scoring Low Gross were Nancy Blythe and Nancy Burgoon; Closest to Line on #18 were Jane Sundheim and Marion Haney; Longest Putt on #18 were Maureen Malone and Donna Fellows.

Everyone agreed that it was a most successful affair and look forward to participating again next year.



Seven Lakes 9-Hole Member -Guest First Place Winners
Nancy Blythe, Mary Snead, Jo Bennett, and Marion Haney.

McEntee chairs East-West

by Elizabeth Schettler

Tom McEntee served as General Chairman of Foxfire Village's East-West Tournament, a major golf event which pits Foxfire's East Side residents against

those from the West Side in a hard-fought three-day battle each October.

Captains organized their troops according to where they reside. Elly Harsany was Captain of

Nine-hole East and West women; Dick Rose led East and West Nine-hole men; George Galloway headed West Eighteen-hole men; Mary Spotts captained West Eighteen-hole women; Bill Facey led East eighteen-hole men; and Rhea Boelter was Captain of East Eighteen-hole women.

Golf Pro Bill Baker arranged the tournament, and Pat Ogren prepared all the score-cards. Monday the battle was the West Course; Tuesday and Wednesday the action was on the East.

Peace was restored after the final day's contest, when residents from East and West gathered in harmony at the Beach for a picnic supper prepared by Pete and Sharon Thingstad.

Chefs at the grill were Wayne Arnold, Mark Young, Pete Thingstad, and Ray Dickerson. A large chart on the picnic shelter wall proclaimed that once again West Foxfire was the tournament winner, with fifteen points to East's thirteen.

Foxfire Ladies host Whispering Pines

On Wednesday, September 21 Foxfire Ladies hosted the women of Whispering Pines in the second annual "Mingling Tournament," which was arranged by Jean Brown and Judy Dickerson.

Divided into Red Team and Blue Team, players were mixed up according to handicaps.

In a 9:00 am shotgun, they teed off on Foxfire's East Course, playing Captain's Choice for the first nine holes, and Alternate Shot for the second.

Scoring was one point for each nine holes, one-half point for a tie.

Members of the Blue Team won by a score of 15 points to 11, and were awarded Foxfire logo golf balls given by General Manager Howard Cannon.

The golfers enjoyed a delicious salad luncheon, prepared by Foxfire's Chef Al Washington. The ladies of Whispering Pines will host the Mingling Tournament next summer.

Recycle your mixed paper this Saturday

Keep Moore County Beautiful, Inc. and the Moore County League of Women Voters are holding a Mixed Paper Recycling Drive on Saturday, October 15, from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, at the BP Station in the Fresh Market Shopping Center, Southern Pines.

Acceptable items include: telephone books, junk mail, magazines, catalogs, flattened corrugated cardboard, office paper, and newspapers. Also, Inkjet, Laser, and Toner Cartridge Recycling Receptacles will be set up on site. Please bring your cartridges for recycling in order to keep these items out of the landfill.

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Fun & Fashion benefits hospital hospitality

The message was simple but sincere: "I bumped into Jesus many times on that trip," it said. "God will surely bless you many times over in this life and the next."

Although intended for the staff of the Pastoral Care Department at FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital, the note could just have easily been sent to the nurses in Robins ICU or to a Care-Net volunteer or to the committee that oversees the Cancer CARE Fund of Moore Regional Hospital Foundation.

It could have come from the family of a ventilated patient who took advantage of discounted rates offered by a nearby motel to get some much-needed rest ... Or from a mother who was able to focus on her cancer treatments after learning that each of her five school-age children would get a new back-to-school outfit ... Or the out-of-town parents of any number of tiny Neonatal Intensive Care Unit patients ... The elderly patient who had wrestled with too many sleepless nights until provided with a special egg-crate mattress ... Or the young breast cancer patient who got the prosthesis she needed after her mastectomy.

The stories are as numerous and as different as the people they involve. They always center on patients at Moore Regional Hospital and their families. They invariably involve some simple but immediate need beyond that of inpatient or outpatient hospital care.

When there is such a need, FirstHealth's Hospitality Services program steps in, providing help with accommodations at local hotels, with wigs or prostheses, with transportation, clothing or food vouchers. Proceeds from an annual fund-raising event called "Fun & Fashion" help offset some of the costs that Hospitality Services absorbs.

The 2005 "Fun & Fashion" fund-raiser, the fourth annual such event, will be held Friday, Nov. 4, in the ballroom of the Country Club of North Carolina. The cocktail party/fashion show will last from 6:30 until 8 p.m., giving guests plenty of time to enjoy cocktails and hors d'oeuvres while mingling with models wearing fashions from Razook's and

The Gentlemen's Corner and listening to music provided by the Miller Jazz Trio.

Tickets are \$30 each. According to Steering Committee Co-Chair Julie Moore, the evening will also include a brief message about Hospitality Services and what the program does for patients at Moore Regional.

"It's not only a fund-raiser, but also a time for awareness for people who may not know about Hospitality Services," Moore says. "It's a great opportunity to get the word out about what this service offers, not only for patients but for their families."

The many roles of Hospitality Services

As assistant director of 2 Neuro and the Robins Intensive Care Unit at Moore Regional, Joy Martin, R.N., gets plenty of opportunities to see what Hospitality Services can do. Many of the patients in her nursing units have suffered strokes or other brain injuries and face long hospitalizations or worse.

"Their families want to be as close as possible, but they really need to take care of themselves, too," Martin says.

Because of Hospitality Services, members of Martin's staff can offer vouchers that allow

family members to have a meal in the hospital cafeteria or they can tell them about the discounted rates at area motels.

The Rev. Beverly Jessup, director of the hospital's Pastoral Care Department, and his assistant, Brenda Blakely, see the need for the same kind of family support daily.

"Usually, they are from out of town and have come a good driving distance," Jessup says. "We try to support that kind of care."

According to Rebecca Ainslie, director of Hospitality Services, the program provides a wide range of support — from the meals and lodging assistance for families to specific and sometimes long-term needs of patients,

such as prostheses, wigs, transportation and medications.

Most of the recommendations for assistance come from nurses or case managers dealing with direct patient care. "Our goal is to empower the clinicians to understand how funding can be made available to them and what it can be used for," Ainslie says.

Because Moore Regional is a regional referral center that provides a variety of medical specialties, half of its patients come from outside Moore County, she points out.

Ultimately, Hospitality Services will be housed in a Hospitality House on the FirstVillage

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Louise Lucas (left) and Julie Moore serve as chairs of the 2005 Fun & Fashion fund-raiser for FirstHealth Hospitality Services.

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campus that is now being developed across the street from the hospital. Planning for the facility is well under way, and groundbreaking may occur as soon as late fall 2006.

If that schedule goes as planned, the Hospitality House could be up and running by

2008. A variety of services now provided in several different locations will be housed there, one of them the Care-Net program that matches specific volunteers with specific patients.

When first introduced, Care-Net paired cancer patients with volunteers with first-hand knowledge of the disease, either

because they, too, had had cancer or because a relative or friend had. The program has recently been expanded to include patients with other chronic conditions, such as stroke, COPD, diabetes and congestive heart failure.

"With Care-Net expanding into other clinical specialties, Care-

Net will be housed in the Hospitality House," says Ainslie, whose vision for the Hospitality House also includes programs and services that will expand on an anticipated "open-arms ambiance."

She expects to see a place with a garden, art and music areas, and space for meditation and

reflection, as well as such practical amenities as a kitchen and dining and laundry rooms. She hopes that various volunteer groups will take on activities related to their organizations — a group of dedicated gardeners who would design, install and help maintain an adjacent healing garden, for example, or art or performance groups that would instruct or perform.

Most of all, Ainslie envisions a spot where patients and families can for a time get away from the clinical realities of a hospital. It will, she says, "provide emotional support in a healing environment."

For more information on "Fun & Fashion" or on Hospitality Services, please call 695-7507.

Panel will ponder animal ordinance

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said he recognized in the audience a number of folks who keep animals, among them hunters and breeders. Cummings said it was important that representatives of these groups be involved in any revision of the animal control ordinance.

"I would like to see a finished document that everyone has signed off on," Cummings said. "I'm not going to support something that doesn't have the support of all."

At that point, Wittman noted that the original county animal control ordinance had been developed by a blue-ribbon panel that included representatives of various groups — "Those who had a vested interest in the ordinance."

Commissioner Tim Lea suggested that public forums held in various parts of the county might be useful in developing a draft ordinance. He also suggested that any new blue ribbon panel include representatives from each of the five commissioner districts.

The revised ordinance seems to have languished in limbo between the Board of Health and the Board of Commissioners

for a number of years. Commissioner Michael Holden noted, "This has been sent back to you for about five years and you were told that the board of commissioners don't want to see this — because we knew it wasn't going to play well," Holden told Wittman. He asked whether the Board of Health could not simply enact the new rules on its own authority.

Wittman said an opinion for the Institute of Government in Raleigh indicates that the commissioner must enact the changes if they are to be valid in Moore County municipalities as well as in the unincorporated areas of the county.

Commissioner McKenzie read from a newspaper article about a puppy mill in Robeson Coun-

ty and referred to a similar situation recently uncovered in Lee County. He suggested the county needed to act to prevent that sort of operation in Moore County.

Members of the public — those both for and against the amendments to the ordinance proposed by the Board of Health — who spoke at the end of the work session generally thanked the commissioners for deciding to assemble a blue ribbon panel to take up the issue.

County manager Steve Wyatt told *The Times* on Wednesday that the response to the idea of creating a blue ribbon panel had been "substantial," with many Moore Countians calling the county to volunteer to serve on the committee.

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Key question: Will board accept police vote?

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The Times that the association has so far received no formal request for a special meeting, a mechanism described in the by-laws as an option for holding a special vote of the membership.

The by-laws indicate that a special meeting "may be called the President, any two Board members, or by members having one-twentieth of the votes entitled to be cast at such meeting."

Truesdell announced in a work session earlier this year that the Concerned Citizens Council would call for a special meeting, and the board passed a resolution requiring that the group calling any special meeting be required to bear the expense of that meeting, which would include the cost of mailing a meeting notification and any ballot.

Truesdell told *The Times* that he has signed petitions at ready to call for the meeting. However, before triggering that option, he wants the board to commit to abide by its outcome.

"We don't want to go to the trouble and expense of a referendum, if the board isn't going to abide by the results," Truesdell told *The Times*.

The by-laws in fact are silent on the force of any vote taken in connection with a special meeting. Though perhaps difficult to imagine, it appears to be possible that the board could ignore or reverse a vote of the membership.

The board was scheduled to have a work session after the general meeting of the SLLA on Wednesday, September 28, but board members left the North

Clubhouse immediately after that somewhat raucous meeting.

Truesdell told *The Times* that he decided to prepare a draft ballot and cover letter for board members after an impromptu meeting with Herman on Monday at the landowners office.

Confirming the meeting, Herman said he had asked Truesdell, "Once a vote is taken, are you going to leave it alone?"

Once the people have voted, are you willing to accept their decision? Don said that he would accept the results of a vote."

Herman said he would also accept the results of a vote of the membership. "I respect the right of the majority of the citizens to make the decision," Herman told *The Times*. He did note that he spoke only for himself and not for other members of the board

on this subject.

In his letter to landowners that appears elsewhere in this issue, Herman encourages residents to ask questions and get the facts before casting any vote in a referendum on Company Police. He encourages residents to submit questions in writing, by email, or by calling the landowners office.

"I will arrive early and remain

until all questions are answered at the October 26 public meeting," Herman writes.

From Herman's perspective, whether a referendum takes place will depend on action by the Concerned Citizens' Council. "It's in the CCC's hands," Herman told *The Times*.

CCC has police poll audited

In response to questions raised about the tabulation of results of their poll on Seven Lakes Company Police, the Concerned Citizens Council had a Whispering Pines accountant confirm their count.

The CCC provided *The Times* with an October 7 letter signed by accountant John P. Thomas that reads as follows:

"We have audited the ballots presented by the Concerned Citizens Council and report the following totals:

- There were a total of 599 ballots cast (485 Seven Lakes residents and 114 non-resident).
- There were a total of 534 ballots in favor of disbanding the company police department (434 Seven Lakes residents and 100 non-residents).
- There were a total of 65 bal-

lots in favor of maintaining the company police department (51 Seven Lakes residents and 14 non-residents).

In our opinion, these results are a true, accurate, and unbiased tally of the ballots presented."

Questions were raised about the counting of ballots during the September open meeting of the Seven Lakes Landowners Association [SLLA] by both landowners and board members. Copies of Thomas' letter were reportedly provided to members of the SLLA Board of Directors.

Thomas's tally sheets, which were made available to *The Times*, show that each SLLA member property was allowed one vote, the same procedure that is used for elections to the board or votes on dues increas-

es.

Thomas' report dealt only with the tally of the marked ballots returned to the CCC; he delivered no opinion on the content of the poll questionnaire itself.

That content, and the wording of the choices offered to those filling out the poll, has been criticized as biased by a range of speakers in public meetings and letters to the editor since the poll appeared.



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The Stoltings said.

Neighbors are concerned that the 58 homes proposed for The Preserve will negatively impact their own wells. Among the conditions Stafford has imposed on itself in the rezoning application is a commitment to serve the first 19 homes developed — Phase 1 of the project — with water from a central water system. If county water is not available in the area when the second phase is developed, a central water system may be used to serve the entire Preserve community.

When the Subdivision Review Board, looked at the project, board member Fred Whitesell said identifying an adequate source of water should be identified before the area is developed.

Septic Problems. According to folks who live in the area, it can be difficult to get land in the area to perk well enough to site a septic system. On one 17-acre parcel that is part of their farm, the Stoltings found no location at all that would perk. They argue that the tract to be developed includes extensive wetlands that form the headwaters of Nick's Creek, which serves as a primary source of water for Carthage.

This point, and the related issue of the ecological sensitivity of the area became a duel of experts during planning board meetings on the issue — a duel that may well be repeated in Monday's public hearing.

Stafford's soil scientist, Hal Owens, argued that the amount of wetlands in the area is minimal and that he saw no reasons to believe the soils would present a problem.

One of Owen's professors when Owen was a student at North Carolina State University, Dr. James Gregory, presented a report which argues that "relatively steep slopes, extensive wetland systems in valley bottoms, and certain soil areas that are questionable in terms of suitability for onsite wastewater treatment systems present significant challenges to standard residential platting for The Preserve." Gregory's report is a part of the packet sent to the commissioners by the Subdivision Review Board.

Apart from potential septic problems, Gregory also urged careful study of stormwater runoff issues, noting that the entire 180 acre area drains into a small stream that runs across the Stolting property.

Rare species. Opponents of The Preserve say that both the rare Sandhills lilly, of which only 300 are known to exist, and the pine barrens tree frog are present on the property and threatened by the proposed development. That point was backed up during the planning board meetings on the development by Bruce A. Storrie, a naturalist with the state's Natural Heritage Program.

While Stafford has offered to work with conservation groups to protect these species during and after development, the preliminary plat divides the wetlands on which they thrive among the individual lots of the development. Planning Board member — and now chairman — Huberth expressed doubt that each of those individual landowners would be willing to do their part to preserve wetland areas — or that a conservations organization could be found willing to work in such an environment.

Land Use Plan. The Preserve lies in a decidedly rural area of the county comprised of large acreages and widely spaced housing. Current residents of the area point out that the Moore County Land Use Plan, adopted in 1999 after extensive public input, has as the first point in its vision statement the goal of preserving such rural and agricultural areas.

The plan aims to encourage "growth inside areas that wish to host it" and to encourage "farm, forest, and recreational uses outside the boundaries of these areas."

The map associated with the

Land Use Plan delineates certain "Urban Services Boundaries," in which higher density growth should be expected. The Blatco/Larsen parcel does not fall in one of those areas.

The planning staff's initial May presentation on the Blatco/Larsen proposal stated that "RA-2 and RA-5 retain low density development conditions while continuing to support agriculturally-related activities." Speaking with *The Times* on Monday, Planning Director Andrea Surratt could not clarify whether two-acre lots sizes qualify as "rural," in the sense intended in the Land Use Plan.

Ruth Stolting calls this rezoning request a "landmark case" that is a substantial test of the Land Use Plan. If the rezoning is approved, she told *The Times*, "other rezonings will line up right behind it, and the Land Use plan will be powerless to stop them."

Public Hearing. The public hearing on the Blatco/Larsen conditional use rezoning request will be held Monday, October 17 at 6:00 pm in the Historic Courthouse in Carthage. Because this is a conditional use rezoning, the hearing will be of the "quasi-judicial" type.

Anyone may speak at the hearing, but those who would like to speak must be sworn in and can only testify to that of which they have firsthand knowledge. Hearsay evidence is not allowed. A sign-up sheet for those who would like to speak is usually provided outside the commissioners meeting room a half-hour or so before the meeting begins.

After the hearing, the commissioners may approve or reject the rezoning request. If it is approved, the subdivision plat for The Preserve will still have to win approval from the Subdivision Review Board.

Steve Tableman to speak to League of Women Voters

Westsider Steve Tableman just returned from Afghanistan, and will speak about his experiences at a luncheon of the League of Women Voters.

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