

Community/Calendar

Narcotics Anonymous

Mountain Folks Group meets every Friday night at 8:00 p.m. at New Hope Fellowship Church, 1299 Old Blue Ridge Hwy., next to Byers Well Drilling. All are welcome—don't lose hope because we can help. For information call (706) 835-2059. Leave a message if no answer.

TOPS- "Take Off Pounds Sensibly"

TOPS provides members with information, motivation and fellowship in attaining and maintaining weight-loss goals. There are no quick fixes at TOPS and no phony guarantees about weight loss. It is up to you to make a commitment to live a healthier lifestyle. If you bring

the desire, we can help.

TOPS meets every Tuesday at the Church of Christ in Blairsville, 19/129 S. Gainesville Hwy., at 5:30 p.m. For more information call 706-835-1607.

Food Addicts Anon.

Meetings are held on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at Sharp Memorial Church in Young Harris, Ga. For more information call Jim at 828-361-7565 or 828-389-1975.

Road to Recovery

Are you a cancer patient? Do you need a ride to and from your treatment sessions? A lack of transportation should not be the reason why cancer patients do not receive the life-saving cancer treatment they need. The American Cancer Society offers their Road to Recovery program to help transport cancer patients to and from their treatment. The Society has a toll-free number that you may call, and an operator will put you in touch with local volunteers that give cancer patients without personal transportation rides to and from their cancer treatment sessions. Give them a call at 1-800-ACS-2345.

Bereavement Support Group

Welcome to a community bereavement support group. A place to share your thoughts and feelings and grow together with others who have experienced the loss of a loved one.

First Thursday of every month

Where: United Community Bank, Community Room, Blairsville, Georgia

When: 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Third Thursday of every month

Where: Appalachian Community Bank, Community Room, Blairsville, Georgia

When: 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Facilitator: Suzanne Repp, LCSW

The group is presented by Regency Hospice.

It is free of charge. Please call 1-800-577-8791 or 706-896-1251 for any further information.

GWRRA meets

Chapter J of the Gold Wing Road Riders Association (GWRRA) meets the third Saturday of each month at Daniel's Steak House in Hiawassee. Lunch is at 11 a.m. and the meeting is at noon.

We encourage current members of the GWRRA and anyone interested in becoming a member to join us. Guests are always welcome, and we look forward to seeing participants from other chapters. There are great rides coming up and we hope many of you will join us.

For more information, contact Chapter Director Terry Kintz at 706-745-9542.

Diabetes Foundation of GA Membership Campaign

To help the Diabetes population of Georgia become a member of our efforts to support the defeat of Diabetes in Georgia.

The membership cost is \$20 a year and will keep you advised of what the foundation is doing for Georgia diabetes. You can go to gadiabetes.org and keep informed.

Please send your donation to: Diabetes Foundation of Georgia, PO Box 1580, Blairsville, GA 30514. All donations will be used in the State of Georgia.

Parkinson's Disease Support Group

The next regular monthly meeting of the Parkinson's Disease Support Group this month will be held, as usual, at the Union County Library on Thursday, September 14, 2006 at 2 p.m. We would like to invite Parkinson's Patients and their caregivers to attend. If you have any questions about the meeting please call Paula Wilde at (706) 745-6594 or Peter Schultze at (706) 745-9171.

Business Women of Blairsville

Meeting of professional business women meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month at 8 a.m. at Cooks Restaurant in Blairsville. We are sharing leads, information and support of our businesses and our community.

Oasis Offers Beginning Bridge Class

Enroll now to learn to play bridge, make friends and have fun in the process. For more info con-

tact the instructor, George Houdeshel at 706-745-4535.

Registration forms and class listings for the Fall Term beginning September 14 are available at the Union County Chamber of Commerce, Blairsville Library, Senior Citizen's Center and all Blairsville Banks.

Berrong Family Reunion

Date: September 17, 2006
Time: 11:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M.

Place: Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds
Upper Pavilion
Hiawassee, Georgia

Throw a lawn chair in the trunk of the car, bring your family photos, a favorite food to add to the buffet, and enjoy a get-together with relatives.

Dinner will be at 12:30 P.M. The silverware, paper products, tea and coffee will be furnished.

Flea market for north Georgia SPCA

The North Georgia SPCA will be holding a flea market at Ingles Shopping Center in Blairsville on October 28. We need your donations of unwanted articles to make this a success. We offer PAL (prevent a litter) coupons to help people get their animals spayed and neutered and we help people get strays/pets adopted. We do not have a facility to house animals. Please call us to find out the different drop off centers for your donated items. If you have something large you want to donate, ie sofa - we can have someone pick up those items the week before the flea market. 706-745-7722 and leave a message with your phone number repeated twice. Also, if you can volunteer for this, please call this same number and leave your name and number. Thank you for your support.

Brasstown concert association

Frederick Moyer, classical pianist, in concert Presented by the Brasstown Concert Association

Sunday, September 24, 3:00 p.m., Community Room, Keith House, John C. Campbell Folk School, Brasstown, NC

General admission: Adults: \$12; Students: \$6. No reservations required. For information call 828-389-0033.

UCIG Fall Festival

Union County Interagency Group will be holding its Fall Festival of Community Services on Saturday, September 30 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Hwy 515 next to CVS Pharmacy in Blairsville. UCIG is comprised of various agencies, civic groups, businesses, ministries and individuals interested in making comprehensive service

information and resources on health, education and well-being available to all citizens of Union County.

The Fall Festival offers information, exhibits, entertainment, give-aways, food and fun for the whole family. Those interested in show-casing their service agency, business or civic group at this unique festival can contact Kathy Adams at Branan Lodge at (706) 745-5565 for an application.

Fall Festival

John C. Campbell Folk School
Saturday and Sunday,
October 7 & 8, 10am - 5pm

Brasstown Road, Brasstown, NC; 200 craftspeople selling handmade items; Craftmaking demonstrations; Music and dance on 2 stages; Kids' activities; Food and drink; Admission: Adults \$5, Kids 12-17 \$3, free under 12; For more information, call 1-800-FOLK-SCH or 828-837-2775 or visit www.folkschool.org/fallfestival.

Writing for Children Workshop

Writers of children's stories and poems are invited to the Moss Memorial Library on Wednesday, Sept 20, at 10:00 a.m. for the monthly workshop sponsored by the NCWN West. The focus of the workshop is poetry and stories for children and young adults. Support and advice is offered to participants. This group meets regularly on the third Wednesday of each month. Nancy Gadsby, moderator of this group, can be reached at 706-896-6392.

Democratic party meets

The Union County Democratic Party is holding its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, September 21, at the Senior Center in Blairsville. There will be a covered dish supper at 6:30 pm and the meeting will begin at 7:00 pm. Dr. Teri Stokes, ND and Dr. Steven Senart, DC from the Center for Wellness, Health and Longevity in Young Harris, GA will be speaking about Genetically Modified Foods: What we ALL need to know. In addition, the program will include a report from the delegates to the State Party Convention. All are welcome! Please call Doug Gooch at (706) 745-9325 for more information.

Weight Watchers

Weight Watchers is opening a new location starting September 12th at the Peachtree Athletic and Rehabilitation Center, commonly known as the PARC. The PARC is located 1/10 mile from Murphy Medical Center on Highway 64 East. The class will meet every Tuesday at 5:30pm.

Weigh-in & Registration begins 30 minutes prior to meeting time in the aerobic room. Open to the public. Call Marla Heinke at 837-0127 for more information.

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