



# Chamber Chronicles

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## Angel's Chamber Messages



### Towns County Tourism Association and the Community Presents Summer's Last Kiss – An Affair with the Arts

“Summer’s Last Kiss” – An Affair with the Arts will be held September 25 & 26 on the Square in Hiwassee. This community celebration of creative arts will be featuring art exhibits, music, street dance and great food. Contact Jane at the Towns County Tourism Association at 706.896.4966.

### 2010 Mountain Christmas Tour of Homes

The Towns County Chamber of Commerce is planning its annual Christmas Tour of Homes December 4 & 5, 2010. If you would like your home to be considered for the tour, contact the Towns County Chamber of Commerce at 706.896.4966 by September 30th and your home will be submitted to the Tour of Homes Committee for review.

### Mountain Regional Arts and Crafts Guild Artist of the Month

The Mountain Regional Arts and Crafts Guild is proud to announce Sharon Hayden as the Artist of the Month for September. Sharon is a fabric artist who designs and makes placemats, scarves and afghans.

Sharon became interested in crafts while watching her grandmother knit when she was eight-years-old. Her grandmother taught her to knit using two pencils as needles. When she was twelve, she spent an entire summer with her grandmother and was exposed to crocheting, knitting, sewing and a multitude of other crafts. She fell in love with turning a pile of scraps into something beautiful. For the next forty years, Sharon made afghans, doilies, Christmas decorations and other projects for fun and to give to family and friends.

After retiring from a career of accounting and moving to the North Carolina mountains, Sharon discovered a wonderful community of crafters and artisans. She combined her love for animals and wildlife with her love of sewing and began to make placemats that brought the outdoors inside. Sharon also experimented with different yarn colors and textures to create one-of-a-kind scarves and afghans.

Sharon enjoys learning and growing in all aspects of her life. “Expanding my work in crafts is one more way to enrich my life,” explains Sharon. Come and meet this wonderful artist on Saturday, September 11, at ArtWorks from 1 - 4 PM. ArtWorks is located on Big Sky Drive behind the Holiday Inn in Hiwassee. For more information, call 706-896-0932.

## Member Calendar of Events

### 9/23/2010 Mark Lowry

1028 Georgia Road, Franklin, NC 28734, Phone: 866-273-4615. Website: www.greatmountainmusic.com Sponsor: Smoky Mountain Center for the Performing Arts. Cost: \$15. Description: Mark Lowry has been making people laugh, cry and think for nearly 40 years. Singing publicly and recording albums and videos since age eleven, you could say that Mark has done this most of his life.

### 9/23/2010 - 10/2/2010 Cabaret

Young Harris, GA 30582. Location: Dobbs Theater. Hours: Thurs-Sat Sept 23-25, 7:00pm Sunday, Sept 26, 2:00pm Thurs-Sat Sept 30-Oct 2 7:00pm. Contact: H. Denise Murphy, Asst to Division of Fine Arts. Phone: 706-379-5182. Website: www.yhc.edu. Sponsor: Young Harris College. Cost: call for tickets

### 9/24/2010 - 9/26/2010 Leading Ladies

301 Church Street, Hayesville, NC 28904. Location: Peacock Playhouse. Hours: Fri & Sat 8pm Sun 2:30pm. Phone: 877-691-9906. Email: licklog@verizon.net Website: www.licklogplayers.org Sponsor: Licklog Players. Description: A hilarious comedy about two English Shakespearean actors, Jack and Leo, who find themselves so down on their luck that they are performing “Scenes from Shakespeare” on the Moose Lodge circuit in the Amish country of Pennsylvania. When they hear that an old lady in York, PA is about to die and leave her fortune to her two long lost English nephews, they resolve to pass themselves off as her beloved relatives and get the cash. The trouble is, when they get to York, they find out that the relatives aren’t nephews, but nieces! Romantic entanglements abound, especially when Leo falls head-over-petticoat in love with the old lady’s vivacious niece, Meg, who’s engaged to the local minister. Meg knows that there’s a wide world out there, but it’s not until she meets “Maxine and Stephanie” that she finally gets a taste of it.

### 9/24/2010 - 9/25/2010 2010 FALL FESTIVAL

3717 Hwy 515E, Blairsville, GA 30512. Hours: 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Sponsor: St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church. Description: Clothing, Plants, Baked Goods, Household items, Books, Jewelry, etc.

### 9/24/2010 Soil-The Garden Foundation Seminar

195 Georgia Mountain Experiment Station Road, Blairsville, GA 30512. Location: GMRE Center Auditorium. Hours: 10:00 am. Phone: 706-745-2655. Sponsor: Georgia Mountain Research & Education Center. Cost: FREE. Description: Billy Skaggs, Hall County Extension Coordinator. No need to register. Learn about soil amendments from “the ground up”

### 9/25/2010 Hot Summer Nights at Goldhagen Studios

Goldhagen Drive, Hayesville, NC 28904. Location: Goldhagen Art Glass Studio. Hours: 7pm-10:30pm. Phone: 828-389-8847. Cost: Admission \$5 Desserts & Beverages can be purchased separately. Description: Hot Summer Nights is a fabulous evening of entertainment, featuring live musical performances by Hot regional musicians and glass blowing demonstrations throughout the evening by Internationally collected glass artists, David Goldhagen, and a tantalizing selection of gourmet desserts.

### 9/25/2010 1st Annual Shriner's Marine Poker Run

Hwy 76, Hiwassee, GA 30546. Location: The Ridges Resort Marina. Hours: Registration 9am. Phone: 706-896-2112. Sponsor: The Ridges Resort. Cost: \$25 per boat (one Hand) Additional Persons per boat \$10. Description: Join us at The Ridges Resort Marina for a chance to win prizes, enjoy the festivities and help raise money for Shriners Hospitals for Children.

### 9/25/2010 - 9/26/2010 National Alpaca Farm Days

Nichols Rd., Young Harris, GA 30582. Hours: 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Contact: Donna McCarthy. Email: donnamccarthy@windstream.net Sponsor: Alpaca Tierra. Cost: No admission. Description: Meet the alpacas at Farm Days, felting & weaving demonstration.

### 9/25/2010 - 9/26/2010 Summer's Last Kiss - An Affair with the Arts

Hwy 76, Hiwassee, GA 30546. Location: City Square. Hours: Saturday, Sept. 25 - 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Sunday, Sept. 26 - 12:00 - 5:00 PM Street Dance - Saturday at 8:00 PM. Contact: Jane Holland. Phone: 706-896-4966. Fax: 706-896-5441. Email: janeholland@brmcmc.net Website: www.mountaintopga.com Sponsor:

Towns County Tourism Association and Local Businesses. Cost: No admission charge. More Info: Summer's Last Kiss Website for Info & Application. Description: A Community Celebration of Creative Expression held on the square in beautiful Hiwassee, GA featuring art, music, dance, poetry, crafts, food and fun. Be sure to visit the new Summer's Last Kiss website at www.summerslastkiss.com

### 10/1/2010 - 10/2/2010 Fresh Grounded Faith Conference

1028 Georgia Road, Franklin, NC 28734. Phone: 866-273-4615. Website: www.greatmountainmusic.com Sponsor: Smoky Mountain Center for the Performing Arts. Cost: \$50. Description: Jennifer Rothschild (author, speaker, singer and Lifeway Bible teacher)

It's been my desire to reach women in cities around the country by connecting women in local churches with each other. It's my heartbeat that churches work together to bring Kingdom-minded women's events to our nation. These area-wide events encourage women to connect with each other and God. The ultimate goal of Fresh Grounded Faith is to bring a unifying event to your area that will empower women to live a tenacious faith in Christ. Also appearing are: Lysa TerKeurst (President of Proverbs 31 Women's Ministries) Michael O'Brien (singer, songwriter, musician)

### 10/2/2010 - 10/3/2010 Folk School Fall Festival

One Folk School, Brasstown, NC 28902. Location: Folk School Campus. Hours: 10am - 5pm, Saturday & Sunday. Contact: John C. Campbell Folk School. Phone: 828-837-2775

Email: marketing@folkschool.org Website: www.folkschool.org Sponsor: John C. Campbell Folk School. Cost: Admission: Adults: \$5.00 Kids 12-17: \$3.00 Under 12: Free. Description: One

of the largest and most popular events of its type in the region, Fall Festival is a celebration of our rich Appalachian heritage. Over 200 juried and non-juried craftspeople will offer their handcrafted items for sale including jewelry, woodturning, pottery, weaving, ironwork, photography, rugs, woodcarvings, furniture, paintings, baskets and much, much more. Craft-Making Demonstrations - You'll be fascinated by over 40 demonstrations of traditional and contemporary craftmaking. See how to throw a clay pot, turn a wood bowl, spin wool into yarn or create a fine Windsor chair. Mountain Life Area - Visit our Mountain Life Area and watch traditional exhibitions such as blacksmithing, corn meal grinding and fly tying. Please check back closer to the event date for our craft-making demonstration schedule. Kids' Activities - Fall Festival is a great family outing. Kids will particularly enjoy: Face Painting, Pony Rides, Wagon Rides, Drum Circle, and the Humane Society's Pet Adoption Booth. Live Music & Dance on Two Stages - Tap your toes or stomp your feet to the sounds of old-time, bluegrass, folk, gospel and Celtic music both Saturday and Sunday. Dancers will delight you with clogging, Morris, Scottish, and Garland performances. The tentative entertainment schedule will be posted as the festival grows nearer - please remember that last minute changes may occur. VENDORS: Fall Festival Applications will be posted online the first week of March

### 10/2/2010 - 10/3/2010 2010 Lake Chatuge Tour of Homes

US Hwy 76, Young Harris, GA 30582. Location: The Ridges Resort Marina. Hours: Boat leaves from the Ridges Resort in Hiwassee at 11:00 AM & 3:00 PM Entry into homes will not be allowed after 6:00 PM. Contact: Ashley Owens. Phone: 706-781-3030. Website: www.negboard.com Sponsor: The Northeast Georgia Board of Realtors. Cost: \$25.00 Reservations required. Guided Tour of the most beautiful homes on Lake Chatuge by boat. Description: Tickets may be purchased from the Towns County Chamber of Commerce 706-896-4966 - The Ridges Resort 706-896-2262 or The Northeast Georgia Board of Realtors 706-781-3030. Special room rates available at the Ridges Resort in Hiwassee for tour guests. Ask for the “Lake Tour” special when making your reservation.

### 10/3/2010 Humane Society's Mountain Shelter 10th Annual Fundraiser

916 Crane Creek Rd., Young Harris, GA 30582. Hours: 2pm-5pm. Contact: Crane Creek Vineyard. Phone: 706-379-1236. Email: info@cranecreekvineyards.com Website: www.cranecreekvineyards.com Sponsor: Crane Creek Vineyard. Cost: call for details. Description: Join us at Crane Creek Vineyards for wine tasting, live music and silent and live auctions to benefit the Humane Society's Mountain Shelter.

## It's time to Put on the Dog!

10th Annual Puttin' On The Dog. Wine tasting, raffle, silent & live auctions. Sunday, October 3, 2010, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Crane Creek Vineyards, Young Harris, GA.

Tickets will be available for purchase at: Humane Society's Mountain Shelter, United Community Bank locations in Blairsville and Hiwassee, Crane Creek Vineyards,

Towns County Chamber of Commerce, and Humane Society Thrift Stores.

Call 706-896-1421 for details.

Sponsored by: Catering by Moschetto's Restaurant, music by Vintage Notes!

Ticket price \$30 (\$35 at the Door). Raffle Sponsored by Hoyt's Furniture & Appliances. NT(Sep22,Q1)SH

## New location for Young Harris Pharmacy



Pictured are John Cochran, Holly Wright, Sara Rogers, Mayor Andrea Gibby, Janice Cochran, Miranda Knight, Caroline Knight, Travis Knight, Hannah Knight and Melanie Baer.

Open house was held at Young Harris Pharmacy on September 19th with a host of family and friends assembling

to help with the ribbon cutting. The pharmacy located in the new facility will continue to offer the same quality service as it has for the past thirty-two years.

Assisting John and Janice Cochran with the ribbon-cutting is Mayor Andrea Gibby. T(Sep22,J1)SH

## Fall Storytime

A Fall/Winter story time adventure for preschool ages at Mountain Regional Library, Young Harris has begun. If you have pre-schoolers that love books, making crafts, and singing songs, then Mountain Regional Library is the place to be.

Come and join us on Wednesday mornings at 11 a.m. for great stories, songs and hands on projects to make and take home. T(Sep22,F1)SH

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