

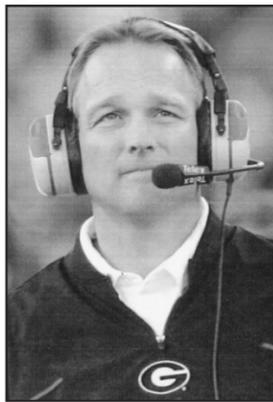
### UGA Coach Mark Richt to speak at First Baptist Church

The Glenda Gooch house is pleased to announce Coach Mark Richt of the University of Georgia Bulldogs, also known for his "inspirational speaking" will be at the First Baptist Church in Blairsville, February 18, 2011. Parents can check their child/children out at 11:30 a.m. Student tickets will be \$10, adult tickets will be \$20. A parent(s) or responsible adult must escort the child/children to and from the event. No nursery will be provided, only children 5 years and up.

Tickets will go on sale Wednesday, December 1st for \$20 at United Community Bank locations. This event will make a great stocking stuffer, Christmas present, or Valentine present. Seating and parking is limited, car pooling is encouraged. The Glenda Gooch House Committee requests a ten ticket maximum per purchase.

All proceeds will benefit the Glenda Gooch House. Checks should be made payable to the Glenda Gooch House c/o Carolyn Jarrad who works at United Community Bank and is the Treasurer for the Glenda Gooch House. On your check, please write "donation" since this is tax deductible. All donations are non-refundable.

The day of the event, Friday, February 18th, local restaurants will offer a Bulldog 10% discount to a person or family who has purchased a ticket. "Hold" on to your



Inspirational speaker and UGA coach Mark Richt

ticket(s), you will need to show your ticket(s) at the restaurant and the event. No tickets will be sold at the event and no lost ticket(s) will be replaced.

Look and listen for a list of participating restaurants and directions in our local papers, radio stations, cable network, our web site www.thelendagoochhouse.org and local marqueees.

We are sorry to inform everyone that we have been asked by UGA Department of Compliance that there will be no cameras, cell phones, photo or autograph sessions as Coach Richt's time will be limited. The UGA Department of Compliance has also informed us that there will be no snow date.

Please come listen to this "Great Inspirational Speaker!" We promise you will leave inspired. T(Dec29,A4)SRH

### Arrest and Fire Reports

Local law enforcement provides the following information for publication. Names are spelled as they were when received from the law enforcement agencies. It is important to remember that the following individuals have been charged only and are presumed innocent until such time as they are found guilty by a court or enter a guilty plea.

#### ARREST REPORT Towns County Jail Sheriff-Chris Clinton

- 12/23/10 James Daniel May, age 27, Blairsville, GA Bench warrant
- 12/23/10 Michael Todd Mayer, age 37, Young Harris, GA Failure to register
- 12/23/10 Clifford John McKinnon, age 44, Hiawassee, GA Disorderly conduct
- 12/26/10 Alton Eugene Towe, age 40, Mineral Bluff, GA Hold for Fannin Co.

#### TC Fire Department RESPONSE REPORT From: Fire Chief Mitchell Floyd

12/15/10	River St.	Alarm/sprinkler
12/15/10	Tate City	Cancelled en route
12/15/10	Lower Bell	Med assist
12/15/10	Main Hiawassee	Med assist
12/15/10	Capes	Med assist
12/15/10	Cottage Hill	Cancelled en route
12/15/10	Ruby Lake	Cancelled en route
12/16/10	St. Hwy. 66	Med assist
12/16/10	Omega	Med assist
12/16/10	Cottage Hill	Med assist
12/16/10	River	Alarm/false
12/16/10	Foster	Med assist
12/16/10	Tipton Hgts. Church	Med assist
12/16/10	Church	Cancelled en route
12/17/10	Swallows Ck.	Med assist
12/17/10	Church	Alarm/false
12/17/10	River	Alarm/false
12/17/10	Sunnyside	MVA
12/18/10	Longridge	Med assist
12/19/10	Hwy. 75 S.	Trail assist
12/19/10	Sims Cir.	Smoke/odor investigation
12/19/10	Itsey	Med assist

### Quilt Guild receives Certificate of Appreciation



Marta Myers, of Hiawassee, GA; Beverly Adkins, of Hayesville, NC

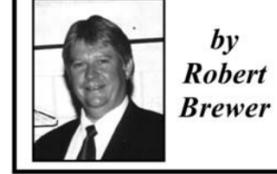
Beverly Adkins, President of the Misty Mountain Quilters Guild, displays an award from the REACH services of Clay County, NC. Marta Myers, Chairman of the "Hugs

and Kisses" project, read the letter from the association expressing gratitude for the many colorful and cheerful quilts given to children in need.

The guild met at the First United Methodist Church in Blairsville, GA for their annual Christmas luncheon, at which time several more children's quilts were donated for this project. "Hugs and Kisses" serves four counties in North Georgia and North Carolina, and brings comfort to at least 300 children a year. Fabric, batting, and donations are gratefully accepted for this cause.

For more information, visit the website: mistymountainquiltguild.com NT(Dec29,Z1)CA

### Extension Tips



by Robert Brewer

**Box Elder bugs**  
Box Elder bugs are common pests over much of the United States.

Adults are about 1/2 inch long. They are bright red or black with narrow reddish lines on the back.

Box elder bugs feed principally by sucking juices from the box elder tree, but are sometimes found on other plants.

They do very little damage to the trees they attack, but at certain times of the year they can become a nuisance.

When box elder bugs build up to large populations and invade a home they are usually pests only by their presence, although their piercing-sucking mouthparts can sometimes puncture skin, causing slight irritation. Box elder bugs do very little damage to the trees they attack, but at certain times of the year they can become a nuisance. Box elder bugs develop by gradual metamorphosis, from egg, to nymph, then to adult.

Adult box elder bugs will enter structures in the fall, seeking winter shelter.

They seek shelter in protected places such as houses and other buildings, cracks or crevices in walls, doors, under windows and around founda-

tions, particularly on south and west exposures.

Box elder bugs can come out even during the dead of winter when it is cold outside and the sun is shining.

They will then emerge in the spring to seek out host trees on which to feed and lay eggs.

**How to get rid of Box Elder bugs:**  
Once box elder bugs have become established in the home, there aren't a lot of treatment options.

There are not a lot of recommended chemical measures at this point. The easiest way to remove box elder bugs, once they are indoors, is with a vacuum cleaner.

However, PREVENTION, is the best of all choices. This is done during the Fall.

To help prevent box elder bugs, cluster flies, lady bugs and similar pests from entering in the fall, use outdoor, fast-acting synthetic pyrethroids.

Spray around eaves, attic vents, windows, doors, under-fascia lips, soffits, siding (including under lips) and any other possible points of entry, concentrating on the south and the southwest sides.

Shady areas are less likely to attract lady bugs.

Mechanical means of exclusion: sealing box elder bugs out by caulking cracks and around utility service openings, fixing broken window screens and door jams, plugging cracks in the foundation or roof as well as similar exclusion-type activities will help prevent the lady beetles from entering in the first place. T(Dec29,G1)SH

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of the fire, which is suspected as arson, also remains under investigation, Allen said.

"No conclusions have been made at this time," he said. Marshall played bas-

ketball for the Indians during the Bill Kendall coaching era.

"Derek was a fine young man," said Kendall, now Towns County's Sole Commissioner. "I

really hated to hear about this. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family."

Anyone with details about the blaze call (800) 282-5804.

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haired Country Boy, The South's Gonna Do It Again and The Legend of Wooley Swamp. He's also renowned as one of the greatest fiddle players of his generation. Daniels also is

an accomplished Gospel and Christian singer.

The Georgia Mountain Fair also has an offer on the table extended to Country Music legend Vince Gill, she said.

And it might not be

long before Don Williams is ready to do his Hiawassee show, she said.

"Things are happening at Anderson Music Hall," she said. "It's a very exciting time.

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fire, "stop, drop, and roll!" Sheriff Clinton said.

"By now most of you have heard of this. If your clothing catches fire, stop, drop to the ground, and roll,"

he said.

"This is the best way to smother the flames. It is a good idea to cover your face with your hands to protect your face and lungs

from smoke and flames.

"You should practice this plan with your family so that everyone is familiar with it," Sherriff Clinton said.

### New Deal...continued from page 1A

He is the man an overwhelming majority of Georgians felt good enough about to back him for governor of Georgia. Never mind what you've read about Nathan in the mainstream news media, he is the real deal.

Fortunately for us, he's from Northeast Georgia and governors are apt to show a good bit of partiality to their home territories while they're in office.

Northeast Georgia prospered while our own Zell Miller was governor. I

don't expect things to change with Gov.-Elect Deal at the helm.

Outgoing Gov. Sonny Perdue made sure his neck of the woods got a piece of the economic pie during his eight-year tenure. South and Middle Georgia is proud of the man from Bonaire.

The fact of the matter is, the incoming governor and lieutenant governor are both from Northeast Georgia.

It's enough to make me feel good about our chances of local economic

recovery. I know both Nathan Deal and Casey Cagle. They're both good people and they love the North Georgia Mountains and its people.

Recovery in North Georgia begins when Gov.-Elect Deal becomes Gov. Deal.

It won't happen overnight, but it will happen over the course of his administration. You can bank on it, just like you can bank on the beginning of an economic recovery in 2011.