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signs being performed on the shotgun range by the engineers and we will have to postpone the public hearing until a later date when that is completed. Ads will be run in the NGN two weeks prior to the public hearing.

Q. What types of activities do they have at the Senior Center?

A. The Senior Center has many different activities and services for citizens ages 60 and older Monday thru Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. They offer exercise programs, games (including Bingo), quilting, and many different craft projects. They do Line Dancing on Tuesdays at 9 a.m. and, hopefully, will be starting a Latin Dance Class in May. There is an Alzheimer Respite on Wednesdays and Fridays. Once the Alzheimer patient is registered at the center they can be dropped off and then they participate in activities tailored to their needs, such as stimulating conversation, trivia, and music. There is also an Art Program and the Union County Senior Center is now in the third week of the National Playoffs for Wii Bowling. The facility is spacious and there are always a lot of people there which offers opportunities for socializing and spending time with others who have similar interests. In addition to the

activities at the Senior Center, they will also do transportation to the grocery store and pharmacy, which is a great service since some senior citizens have no other form of transportation. Lunch is provided daily at the center for a very reasonable price and the Meals on Wheels are also delivered to senior citizens who qualify. If you would like more information on participating in any of the activities the Senior Center offers call (706) 439-6105.

Q. What is the purpose of the Environmental Enforcement office?

A. This office is very important to our County. They enforce federal, state, and local laws that relate to land development and the environment, including issues relating to Land Disturbance Permits and erosion and sediment concerns. This office also conducts inspections when there are concerns relating to various ordinances including River Corridor Protections, Mountain Protection, Wetland Protection, along with other protection ordinances. Environmental Enforcement is in place for the purpose of protecting the environment of Union County. There office is located in the Old Health Department Office across the street from the Civic Center. You can contact them at (706) 439-6045.

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barn wall and when I was able to compose myself I struck the lamb in the head with the pliers. The lamb passed out stiff legged and fell to the ground. I thought it was dead. So, I rolled the lamb onto its side and began chest compressions; after 3-4 compression I pulled apart its jaws and blew air into its lungs. I have never heard of anyone else giving mouth to mouth resuscitation to a show lamb. But, after 9 compressions and 3 breaths, the lamb's eyes opened and it stood up.

May will be a busy month at the Farmers Market. First our snack shop will open on May 1st. So, you will be able to obtain home cooked foods at the Farmers Market during trash to Treasures as well as our Farmers Market Days. Ramp Day will be held on May 9th and we are planning on having Ramps, Trout, fried potatoes and hush puppies on that day. Then our Strawberry Day will be held on May 23rd. Come see us at the Farmers Market.

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important than pray. Thank you in advance for making this spiritual discipline a personal priority and for standing with us as we encourage others to incorporate prayer in their lives. The Lord has graciously anointed our

efforts, empowering them to touch and change many hearts and lives. We look forward to seeing His hand move across our land in exciting ways each May.

GMREC Monday morning guided garden tours begin May 4th

Georgia Mountain Research and Education Center guided tours of the Ethnobotanic Garden and Woodland Medicine Trail begin Monday, May 4. Our Ethnobotanic Gardens and Woodland Medicine Trail display plants that have been used by our ancestors and native peoples for food, fiber and medicine, among other

things. Tours are on Mondays, and begin at 9 a.m. and go until 1 p.m., however, we do ask that you arrive for your tour by 12:30. No tours on national holidays, like Memorial Day and Labor Day. If you have a group larger than 10 or so, please call Clare Johnston at the Center, to make arrangements. NT(Apr29,Z21)CA

UGH Auxiliary "Trash & Treasures"

In an effort to raise needed money for our urgent Scholarship Fund, to help eighteen students who are seeking an education in a medical/health-care related field of study—we are willing to try this interesting "Trash & Treasures" way of fund raising.

Meet us at the Farmers Market on Thursday, April 30, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. for some great

deals! Look for our Auxiliary sign. We thank our community for supporting us in our fund raisers. If you have questions, contact Susan Hahn, President, 706-379-9600 and if anyone would like to donate to our scholarship fund, please contact our Treasurer, Bill Parks, 706-745-5128. (We are a 501(c)3 organization and will issue you a receipt). N(Apr29,Z19)CA

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9th as we celebrate Ramp Day from 10 a.m. till 3 p.m.

This amazing spring vegetable has emerged in the nouveau culinary scene with even more gusto than pungency. I Googled "ramp recipes" and in .065 seconds I received 789,000 results. Yours truly, along with Mickey Cummings (who with his band of hiking buddies will be fetching the ramps) will be part of the "chefs" who will be conjuring up delectable ways for you to experience this delicacy. Ramping up (excuse the pun) the food experience at this, our third annual Ramp Day, we will be offering you an opportunity to purchase fried local trout to accompany the ramp recipes, so plan on having lunch with us that day.

More than just a celebration of ramps, our vendors will be out that day to bring you a plethora of spring vegetables. I've been talking to so many of our farmers this spring, and I'm here to tell you, these men and women (and their kids, too) have been building greenhouses, putting in hydroponics equipment and even using black lights, streaming "Lucy In The Sky With Diamonds", getting ready to serve us up early crops.

Roger Gerber is the Market's resident "Garlic Guy". This year he will be offering six varieties of garlic. There

will be elephant bulbs to purchase a little later in the season. Roger considers himself a serious gardener as opposed to a full time farmer, though he can be found in his garden 10 hours a day, most days of the week, most temperate months of the year. When recently asked what his favorite gardening tool was, he said "the hoe", the tool he uses everyday, for planting, tilling and weeding. Roger, will be moving to Booth #4, located in the first building this year. Look for him to be bringing spring onions, early lettuce and cabbage to the Ramp Day. At the Strawberry Jubilee he will have his own garden grown strawberries. If you'd like to read more about Roger and his wife Ellen, who is a well received local artist, visit our website at www.UC-FarmersMarket.com.

I'd also like to remind those of you cleaning out your attics, garages, basements and closets, Trash and Treasures is building nicely for the season. Hold your own "Yard Sale" at the Union County Farmers Market every Thursday and Friday from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. for just \$10. You get a 10x18 covered booth. We supply the advertisement (in 6 newspapers in four counties as well as on-line), the signage, all the free parking and the bathrooms. Come sell your stuff with us.

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test the multi-agency Incident Command System where all of the emergency agencies the serve us must work together to plan and control an emergency situation so when a real event occurs they will know what to do and how to work together.

If you see all sorts of emergency vehicles descending on Lake Forest on that Saturday morning, don't worry, just rest assured that when a real emergency happens in your neighborhood our emergency responders will be ready and prepared to protect your life and your property. Help us help you by becoming Firewise.

Are you Firewise? For more information on Firewise or any of our wildfire education programs, call your local fire station, Georgia Forestry Commission, US Forest Service, or The Chestatee-Chattahoochee RC&D Council.

For more information on Chestatee/Chattahoochee RC&D Council and the programs we provide email www.frank.ccred@gmail.com.

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This year more than ever we need prayer, not just to stem the increasing secularization of our country. Franklin Graham's prayer list includes "issues that are causing the very foundation of our country to crumble. Our moral and spiritual roots are eroding, the economy is misleading, family life is disintegrating, and political forces are at unprecedented odds. There seem to be very few leaders who will take a stand for God and for His Word." To his list, I add the threat of radical, militant ideology that seeks 'death to America.'

If you agree that America needs prayer, I invite you to the NDP observance to be held at First Baptist Church Blairsville, Thursday, May 7 at 6:30 p.m. May God bless America!

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ber 2015.

To me, John Chitwood exemplifies the most desirable qualities of a business owner. He is kind hearted, giving, knowledgeable, and humble. He is passionate about his business and its employees. He is first to offer assistance to others and last to desire praise and recognition. He and his team are most deserving of this honor.

The Chamber is proud to work on behalf of members like Service Plumbing & Septic. Please join me in applauding them for this worthy recognition. When you have need of plumbing or septic services, please give them a call at 706-781-1555. If you would like to nominate a future Business of the Quarter, contact the Chamber at 706-745-5789.

4-H Shotgun Range meeting

The public hearing on the 4-H Shotgun Range announced by Commissioner Lamar Paris at the April County Meeting, scheduled to be held on May 4, 2015 at 5:30 p.m., has been postponed until a future date. The delay is to give time for the engineer to complete final plan documents.

Union County Commissioner Lamar Paris

UNION COUNTY COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Children's Story Time	Every Monday: Union County Library	11 am
Kiwanis Club	Steve's Steakhouse	Noon
Civil Air Patrol	Blairsville Airport	6 pm
Boy Scouts #101	United Methodist Ch	7 pm
	Every Tuesday:	
Get Fit	First UMC	5:15 pm
Smoky Mtn. Melodies	United Methodist Ch	6:30 pm
Hi Country Harmonizers	Branan Lodge	6:30 pm
	Every Thursday:	
Butternut Ladies Golf	Golf Course (Apr-Oct)	8:30 am
Masonic Luncheon	Cooks Restaurant	11:30 am
Rotary Club	So. Bank & Trust	Noon
Get Fit	First UMC	5:15 pm
	First Monday of each month:	
Lockheed-Martin Ret.	Blairsville Restaurant	9 am
Volunteers/Handicap	First Baptist, H Bldg.	6 pm
Allegheny Lodge	Masonic Temple	6:30 pm
CERT	St. Francis of Assisi	6:30 pm
Allegheny Masonic Lodge #114, off the square		6:30 pm
	First Tuesday of each month:	
Business Women	Cook's Restaurant	8 am
Brownie Scouts	United Methodist Ch	3-5 pm
Blairsville City Coun.	City Hall	6 pm
Amateur Radio Club	Branan Lodge	7 pm
Gaddistown Hmakers	Woody Gap	7 pm
Knights/Colum. #2563	place TBA	7:30 pm
Enotah Ch. #24 RAM	Masonic Temple	7:30 pm
	First Wednesday of each month:	
Exercise class	Senior Citizens Center	10:30 am
Tri-Cty Wom. Lunch	Monet's Rest.	Noon
	First Thursday of each month:	
Awake America	City Hall	11:59 am
NAMI Fam. Support	New Hope Counseling	12-1:30 pm
Blairsville Sorghum Fest.	Fort Sorghum	6:30 pm
Open Road ORV	Civic Center	8 pm
	First Friday of each month:	
"Nailed" Book Club	G-N-G Bakery	10 am
UG Hospital Aux	UC Nursing Home	Noon
Cruisers Block Party	Farmer's Market	5 pm (Apr-Oct)
Feel Good Friday	Wellness Center	7 pm
	First Saturday of each month:	
Cruise-In	On the Square	4 pm (Apr-Oct)