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“paved” surface, generally for lower speed roads.

Q. Will any additional road work be going on this summer?

A. Yes, we will be scraping the shoulders of the roads this summer. This is a very messy process and tends to upset people who keep their yard mowed right out to the highway. However, gravel, dirt and road debris builds up on the shoulder of a road over several years and becomes higher than the surface of the pavement. This keeps water from running off the road during heavy rains and can lead to hydroplaning and will also keep the undersurface of the road wet, which will cause damage during the winter freezing. Please excuse the mess this will cause. We will be replanting the grass that we scrape off the edge of the road and cleaning up yards that are damaged.

Q. Will the county be restriping more roads this year? I still have trouble seeing the centerline at night.

A. We will have a lot of striping going on soon. We have received a grant of \$250,000 from the Federal DOT, administered through GDOT (Georgia Dept. of Transportation) for road striping and road sign replacement with high intensity reflective

signage. We think this will have a huge impact on safety and this will cover most of the major county highways in the county. You may see some roads that have had recent striping, restriped. However, this is OK because the more paint, the longer it will last and some of the roads will receive a second coat based on the grant.

Q. How do we report a road problem in the county?

A. We often hear people who are amazed that they can simply make a phone call and have work done on their road, but it happens here in Union County. (706-439-6000) We have a great road department with wonderful employees who really care about their jobs. For many years, most times you called, you have been speaking to Bob Schaff, who took the work order on your road and passed it along to the crews. Bob is retiring, but you may catch him filling in a day or two here and there. He will be greatly missed. We are going to be filling in with part time employees. So be patient, but know that you will still receive the same reliable service you have come to appreciate with Bob. We will miss Bob and we thank him for all the dedicated service he has provided to Union County for the past 15 years.

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we fill in pages as we're living, with time we borrow and we spend.

The moments that are set before us, are only given as a loan, and so we better get to living... before they're written down in stone.

Crazy how death always makes us think about life isn't it? But it's a good thing. We

only get one chance to write our story and though we don't get to choose the ending, we do get to decide the chapters. JoAnne will be back next week with stories of where her life has taken her and tell us about the opening of the Farmer's Market Season. Until then, enjoy today, enjoy your life, and make plans to go out and live it!

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eyes...” (Rev. 21:4). There is a time to shed timely tears. Lately, I have shed tears as I have watched and listened to our neighbors in Moore, Oklahoma. I have cried tears of joy as I witnessed families reunited and cried tears of sorrow as I listened to the sobs and heartbreak of those who lost spouses, parents, children, siblings and property. I thank God that I have enough feeling of love that I am able to weep for others. However, we not only need to sympathize and empathize with these thou-

sands of broken lives but we need to minister in a tangible way of assisting with money, food, clothing, housing and a thousand other ways to be the hands and arms for Christ on earth. There is a time to weep but there is a time to work, witness and walk with the wounded and broken lives of humanity. These wounded who have been stripped of all hope need someone with skin on to speak and minister to them. I know we have and will continue to do so.

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on our desk and the quality of candidates applying for a job. Still, we are looking for the best candidate to represent our organization. We want to hire someone who not only wants a job, but wants the job we have to offer. Never seem desperate or mention how hard it is to find work.

Pet Peeve # 3 – Not Having Done Your Homework. No reasonable employer would ever expect you to know everything possible about a company you are interviewing with, but you should be somewhat familiar with their product or service, their leadership/employees, and their mission statement. Interjecting a comment that assures an interviewer that you have done your research is a big plus!

Pet Peeve # 2 – Having Someone Else Do All The Work. If YOU want the job, YOU have to seek the job. Do not rely on a parent or spouse to apply for you. An employer will want to meet you per-

sonally and know that you are a serious candidate, not that your mother or spouse simply wants you out of the house!

Pet Peeve # 1 – Not Dressing The Part. This is a huge no-no! Always, always, always dress professionally if you are seeking a professional job. Whether you are dropping off a resume or showing up for an interview, you must always dress the part to be taken seriously.

To all those looking for employment, I wish you nothing but the best. The job search process is not an easy one, but your diligence will pay off. Once you convince yourself that you are a worthy and capable employee, you will portray that confidence to your potential employer. Chamber members are encouraged to post job openings on our Chamber website at www.VisitBlairsvilleGA.com. If I can be of assistance to you, please contact me directly at president@blairsvillechamber.com.

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were crying. Uncle Mack finally found his teeth and made his way up the bank of the creek. He looked at my Daddy and said, “You have some pretty good dogs, but, you ain’t much help in finding teeth.”

The next June, Dad and Mom married after she graduated High School. Not long after the marriage Dad received and invite from Uncle Mack to go hunting. Dad didn’t want to leave Mom at home by herself, so, he took her to Uncle Mack’s house to visit with Tudler and the kids while Mack and Dad hunted.

The men spent the night hunting all across the area. Their dogs treed six coons that evening. The hunt was so enjoyable the men lost all track of time. They finally made their way back to the home of Uncle Mack at about 5:30 a.m. Uncle Mack asked Daddy to put up his dog while he slipped into his house.

As Dad was starting the car, he thought Uncle Mack would wake up Mom. But, Uncle Mack didn’t wake her up. Dad didn’t know it but, Mack was up to something. So, after sitting in the car for 15-20 minutes, Dad went inside to wake up his young wife. He thought Uncle Mack had gone to bed and was asleep.

As Dad and Mom were leaving Uncle Mack hollered from his bed room, “Paul, where did you get off to last night. You left us so early we were worried about you going down to the bootlegger’s house and getting into trouble. Shirley, we tried to stop him.” Mom looked up at Dad and gave him that “Boy, you are in trouble look.”

Dad tried to explain and the words wouldn’t come out right. So, Dad ran into Mack’s room and pulled back his bed covers. There lay Uncle Mack still wearing his muddy boots. He let out a laugh and said, “Haw, haw, haw. We got ya boy.” Dad looked around and everyone in the room was laughing including my mother. Dad knew at that time he had

Chamber of Commerce events

For details and future events see events calendar at www.VisitBlairsvilleGA.com

Wednesday, May 29	
2 pm	Tour Misty Mountain Model Railroad-16 Misty Mountain Lane
Thursday, May 30	
8 am	Mountain Networking Referral Group Meeting – Cooks Country Kitchen
12 pm	Union County Rotary Club Meeting – 2nd Floor Cadence Bank
5 pm	Trivia Night & Tacos – The Union County Community Center View Grill
5:30 pm	Union/Towns County Chamber of Commerce “Business After Hours” – Brasstown Bald
Friday, May 31	
8 am	Trash and Treasures – Union County Farmers Market
11 am	Chamber Ribbon Cutting – A Wireless Verizon, 305 G Murphy Hwy.
6 pm	American Cancer Society Relay For Life-Union County Farmers Market
7 pm	James Stephens, Easy Listening – Union County Historical Courthouse
7 pm	Kingfish Blues Revival – The Copperhead Lodge
Saturday, June 1	
10 am	Lake Nottely Improvement Assoc. Quarterly Rd. Litter Cleanup – Hwy. 325 TVA Picnic Area
2 pm	Tour Misty Mountain Model Railroad-16 Misty Mountain Lane
7 pm	NEIGHBOR’S HAND “The Gathering” – 307 C Cleveland St.
7 pm	Modern Vinyl – The Copperhead Lodge
Monday, June 3	
11 am	Union County Public Library presents “Dig into Reading” Programs – U.C. Public Library
12 pm	Blairsville Kiwanis Club Monthly Meeting-Steve’s Cookie Jar Restaurant
6 pm	Alzheimer’s Support Group – 2nd Floor Cadence Bank
Tuesday, June 4	
8 am	Tri-State Business Women’s Meeting – Cooks Country Restaurant
Wednesday, June 5	
2 pm	Tour Misty Mountain Model Railroad-16 Misty Mountain Lane

UNION COUNTY COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Every Monday:		
Garden Tours	GMREC	9 am - 1 pm
Boy Scouts #101	United Methodist Ch	7 pm
Children’s Story Time	Union County Library	11 am
Kiwanis Club	Steve’s Steakhouse	Noon
Civil Air Patrol	Blairsville Airport	6:30 pm
Every Tuesday:		
Sweet Adelines	United Methodist Ch	6:30 pm
Get Fit	First UMC	5:15 pm
Every Thursday:		
Masonic Luncheon	Cooks Restaurant	11:30 am
Butternut Ladies Golf	Golf Course (Apr-Oct)	8:30 am
Rotary Club	Cadence Bank	Noon
Get Fit	First UMC	5:15 pm
First Monday of each month:		
Volunteers/Handicap	First Baptist, H Bldg.	6 pm
Union County DFCS	Conference room	8 pm
(Feb, May, Aug, Oct ONLY)		
Allegheny Lodge	Masonic Temple	6:30 pm
CERT	St. Francis of Assisi	6:30 pm
Lockheed-Martin Ret.	Blairsville Restaurant	9 am
Allegheny Masonic Lodge #114,	off the square	6:30 pm
First Tuesday of each month:		
UC Amer. Red Cross	Red Cross Office	Noon
Blairsville City Coun.	City Hall	6 pm
Brownie Scouts	United Methodist Ch	3-5 pm
Enotah Ch. #24 RAM	Masonic Temple	7:30 pm
Gaddistown Hmakers	Woody Gap	7 pm
Business Women	Cook’s Restaurant	8 am
Knights/Colum. #2563	place TBA	7:30 pm
Amateur Radio Club	Branan Lodge	7 pm
First Wednesday of each month:		
Tri-Cty Wom. Lunch	Monet’s Rest.	Noon
Exercise class	Senior Citizens Center	10:30 am
First Thursday of each month:		
Blairsville Sorghum Festival,	Fort Sorghum	7:30 pm
Open Road ORV	Civic Center	8 pm
First Friday of each month:		
UG Hospital Aux	UC Nursing Home	Noon
Cruisers Block Party	Walmart	5 pm (Apr-Oct)
Feel Good Friday	Wellness Center	7 pm
“Nailed” Book Club	G-N-G Bakery	10:30am
Firefighters Bkfst.	Hole in the Wall Rest.	9 am
First Saturday of each month:		
Cruise-In	Blairsville Restaurant	4 pm (Apr-Oct)

Bell Ringing Union County Old Courthouse



In memory of Jim Everett May 8 Birthday by Dalton, Lane, Maci, and Clay

Bell ringing information at 706-745-5493