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“That blue granite is too slick for my liking.”

As Patrick’s foot touched the rock he slipped and fell launching his body into the pothole. It was only a 3-foot drop and he thought he would be able to catch himself before going into the chute. But, the water was too fast and immediately he found himself cascading down the long S-shaped chute into a rhododendron tunnel. At the end Patrick was launched over a 10-foot drop and into the hole his dad was fishing. He let out a war hoop

and hit the water with a huge splash. As he popped out of the water he noticed his dad looking at him while a “Winston” cigarette dangled from his lips. All was silent for a moment. Finally, Bill said, “Patrick Fix, I have had you in the woods since you were 3. I have trained you in all the ways I know about these mountains and just look at you. Sometimes I wonder if you could have possibly come from my loins.”

Don’t forget our “Tomato Sandwich Day” at the Farmers Market this Saturday!

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come Lt. Gov. Casey Cagle to Union County.

Due to limited seating, all reservations must be made on or before Friday, Aug. 14 by contacting the Chamber office at (706) 745-5789.

The cost is \$25 for Chamber members and \$35 for the general public.

Attendees may also register and make payment online at www.VisitBlairsvilleGA.com.

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were appalled by the blatant disrespect for this family by all segments of the media: newspapers, radio, magazine, TV, and social media (internet), which maligned the family for one reason only: They bear a target on their chests for being Christians, who are seen as fair game for name-calling and disrespect, even if an offense was committed in childhood, and even though the family voluntarily brought a family matter to the police.

I bought the June 5 issue of STAR magazine, (the only time I ever stooped to buy such a rag), to see how they treated the story. They titled it: “EXPOSED! The Duggars’ DARK SECRET.” I will leave that article at the Library Desk and the person who wrote the letter about my involvement can ask for the envelope with their name on it for perusal. Perhaps we can agree that a teenage boy might be forgiven after a period of 12 years, and that it was unconscionable to have publicized the sisters’ names, as they are now married, with

children of their own.

Christians aren’t perfect, and for the media to put them into a category of judgment and contempt beyond that of other people is unfair and judgmental. Two examples: Bill Clinton was an adult whose inappropriate sex was with a young girl, and Bill Cosby’s date-rape of dozens—whose artwork will remain in a museum, “because they judge art, not character.” Whew!

My aim with the person who wrote about me (and whose name need not be publicized) is to clear the air and come to a mutual respect for one another’s views and beliefs. That person is entirely entitled to theirs, and I hope one day that sentiment will also extend to me.

In fact to emphasize my desire, I publicly extend a sincere invitation to lunch one day soon. My phone number will be included in the envelope with the magazine article, and I await a chance for mutual understanding between us. Respectfully submitted,
Arlene M. Gray

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give some relief to their pain at the end of the day.

It is my hope that the local authorities will follow the guidelines set by the Georgia Medical Association for the re-

habilitation of physicians who suffer from drug addiction. Our community cannot afford to lose this valued member of the Union General Hospital staff.
Christine Dupont

Mountain Education Charter High School Registration

The Union Site of Mountain Education Charter High School will be holding registration for new students and re-registration for returning students August 3– 5, 2015. All returning students are required to drop by. Bring a parent with you. Staff will be available between the hours of 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. to meet with students and parents to assist you with the registration process. It will only take a few moments of your time. The new school year officially begins August 10, 2015.

30 guns in thirty days!

The local Appalachian Shrine Club has kicked off their 1st annual fundraiser. 30 Guns in 30 Days is sure to be a great success as is witnessed by the sales of tickets for the past two weeks.

Tickets are only \$30 with only 1000 tickets being sold. 30 chances to win in 1000 are pretty good odds for anyone wanting a gun of any kind. The Shrine

Club has partnered with Alexander’s for the guns and a lot of people will be winning popular hand guns, rifles, and shotguns.

The Shriners will be staffing the clubhouse at 68 Industrial Blvd, Saturday morning from 9 AM to Noon for anyone wanting to purchase tickets. Everyone is advised to get your tickets ASAP so as not to miss out on this great fundraiser. Guns can be viewed on www.appshriners.org.

MECHS looks forward to seeing you for registration August 3-5.

Union Site of Mountain Education Charter High School is located at 218 School Street, Blairsville, Georgia.

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sinful feast. That’s not to say that I won’t devour a different combination made on Wonder bread, with a beefsteak tomato and some table salt. It is all more than just acceptable. It is truly heavenly.

Where I can’t be flexible is the mayonnaise. I’m a Hellmann’s user, and have not come to appreciate the merits of other brands. But Kat Kinsman of CNN, while reporting on the perfect tomato sandwich last summer, said this: “There may not be Duke’s mayonnaise for sale where you live. That’s a shame, and you should really try to get some, because it’s markedly less sugary than other commercial mayonnaise brands and allows the tomato slices to sing their luscious, sweet and tangy tune.”

Whether you feel the need to add pepper, it seems to be the only variation that won’t

be considered a heinous crime when assembling your tomato sandwich. And this Saturday, August 1st, you will have the opportunity to make that decision for yourself. The Union County Farmers Market will be holding their 6th annual Appreciation Day by handing out free tomato sandwiches. Here the bread matters. Cecelia and George Holland, of Logan Turnpike Mill, will once again donate their amazing oatmeal bread to insure we have a firm and delicious foundation for our sandwiches. Hellmann’s wins out as the spread and there will be a variety of tomatoes used from our farmers here at the Market. Salt and pepper are available for you to sprinkle on as you please.

It takes a boatload of volunteers to make our sandwiches. Starting at 10:30 a.m., we will be serving them in the Canning Plant, until the supply lasts. So come and line up and take advantage of this free treat. Sharing one with family, friends or even strangers visiting the Market, you’ll have a chance to be kissed by the South’s most endearing indulgence. And all of us at the Union County Farmers Market have an opportunity to let you know how much your support is appreciated throughout the season.

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the world is to learn about God; working for policies that bring justice to victims of crimes, giving inmates reasons and means not to return, and caring for their children; leading the way in racial reconciliation and working for public policies that support families. Christians serve to restore a world fallen short of how God designed it to be, yet loved by Him none the less because of it.

The world is better off because of believers that follow Jesus. May He grant us courage to continue facing cultural headwinds, as we heed the Savior’s words, “You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world.” (Matt. 5:13,14).

You are invited to join me for a devotional thought from All Things New in the meeting room at Cabin Coffee, Friday, July 31, 7 a.m.

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gays, which upsets my stomach. I hope Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church never puts up another sign that says God sends rainbows after a storm. Just what do they think a gay will do? Yeah, the evil forces won in the Supreme Court.

Now for the icing on the cake, the evil forces have always been riding along with Planned Parenthood (PP). The Progressives/Socialists/Communists are arguing for continued taxpayer support of PP even after learning they sell fetus body parts. The evil forces have always argued that abortion was the humane thing to do.

Obviously, the only problems we have in this country are those pesky Rebel Battle Flags! Just ask the evil forces.
Harold Levi

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believe on the Name of Jesus Christ with all of your heart and soul and the Spirit of the living God will come and reside within you. It’s just plain everyday common sense.

I pray for each one of you that you will take a look at your life. How’s things working out for you? Are you as happy as you can be or do you want the best that God can provide for you? Oh, how He loves you and me. Please don’t die alone without Jesus Christ as your personal savior and friend. Jesus thought enough of you to die for your sins, past, present and future. This should tell you how much He truly loves you and me. Amen.

Frank F. Combs

UNION COUNTY COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Garden Tours	Every Monday: GMREC (May-Oct)	9 am - 1 pm
Children’s Story Time	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
Tri State Bus. Women	Every Tuesday: Blairsville Restaurant	8 am
Get Fit	First UMC	5:15 pm
Smoky Mtn. Melodies	United Methodist Ch	6:30 pm
Hi Country Harmonizers	Branan Lodge	6:30 pm
Butternut Ladies Golf	Every Thursday: 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
CERT	St. Francis of Assisi	6:30 pm
Allegheny Masonic Lodge #114, off the square		6:30 pm
	First Tuesday of each month:	
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)

Bell Ringing Union County Old Courthouse



July 10th
in memory of
Dr. William P. Meeks, Sr.
Anniversary
by Ginger & Terry Meeks

July 14th
Elden C. Womacks
Happy Birthday Dad
We love and miss you
very much
David and Judy

July 19th
in loving memory of
Don Platt’s Birthday
We love and miss you
by Gloria and Becky

Bell ringing information
at 706-745-5493