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## **NC GOV. EASLEY CALLS ON CITIZENS TO CUT WATER CONSUMPTION BY 50 PERCENT**

*State Asks Community Water Systems to Increase  
Reporting, First Results Posted After Halloween*

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley today announced he is calling on citizens across North Carolina to cut water consumption by 50 percent between now and Halloween. In addition, he has asked each of the state's public water systems to increase reporting to the state by recording the amount of water used daily and sending that information weekly to his office. The consumption totals will be made available to the public to help communities and the public monitor the success of water-saving measures.

"Between now and Halloween, I am calling on North Carolinians across the state to cut our water use by half," Easley said. "Whenever you use water, cut the amount by half, whether it is taking a shower or washing the dishes. We all need to know whether this will be extremely difficult or easily doable, but we do need to establish a baseline of water use to determine which water conservation measures are most effective. We likely will spot important trends and pick up valuable conservation methods that communities can share. I appreciate

the cooperation from all of the state's public water systems, local officials and our citizens."

Easley said his office will collect and distribute this detailed water consumption information as long as the drought persists. As Easley noted in an address to the North Carolina League of Municipalities last week, the state is suffering from the worst drought on record and water resources are critically low. Water consumption must be reduced now and for the foreseeable future if we are to avoid a water supply emergency.

Starting today with "Operation Halve-It," the governor's office will monitor water consumption by the state's public water systems, and after Halloween, the governor will release a list of those systems that have significantly reduced their consumption. Some communities, such as Siler City, have already asked residents to cut water consumption by 50 percent.

"With a full week's report, we will be able to determine the amount of water saved by each community while our citizens give us their best effort to cut water use by one-half. This will be valuable information to have if we get to a situation where rationing is needed," said Easley. "After Halloween, we may modify this request, depending on the success of 'Operation Halve-It.'"



For citizens who have not started already, here are North Carolina's top 10 tips for water conservation, some the governor has already mentioned, that can be used now to start saving right away:

1. Stop watering lawns and shrubbery at homes and businesses; do not wash down homes, driveways or sidewalks; do not wash cars; and restaurants should ONLY serve water when patrons ask.
2. Check your plumbing to be sure it is not wasteful.
3. Check for leaks and repair them. In a typical home, leaks amount to about 15 percent of all household indoor water use.
4. Use indoor water wisely. Turn off water while shampooing, shaving and brushing your teeth to reduce the time water is running.
5. Take time to locate your main water shut-off valve and the water meter in your yard. Knowing where the main shut-off is can potentially prevent the loss of thousands of gallons of water.
6. Use dry cleanup methods to reduce both indoor and outdoor water use. Instead of hosing off your driveway and patio, use a broom to sweep away debris.
7. Take advantage of free water. Catch rainwater from your gutters and use it to water your flowers and vegetables. Collect water from the bath/shower while waiting for it to heat up; use for watering plants.
8. Use appliances wisely. Run washing machines and dishwashers only with full loads to maximize efficiency.
9. Avoid washing vehicles. If washing is absolutely necessary, use a commercial carwash that recycles water.
10. Avoid using sink disposals for food scraps.

For more ideas and water conservation information, click on the "Water Conservation Tips" link on the upper right of the governor's website : [www.governor.state.nc.us](http://www.governor.state.nc.us)

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## MAYOR'S COMMENTS

by Jim Proctor

### Happy Thanksgiving!

We are all indeed very lucky to live not only in one of the most spectacular areas in the world but in the greatest nation in the world. We are a wonderful community of friendly people. We certainly have much to be thankful for!

### The League of Municipalities Annual Meeting

This years North Carolina League of Municipalities Annual Meeting was held in Fayetteville. Once again, I was able to participate in seminars, visit a wide variety of vendors and most importantly meet leaders from all over the state. I saw Governor Easley and was able to talk with Lt. Governor Beverly Purdue. There was a spectacular host city event at Pope Air Force Base that included a parachute drop and a POW/MIA ceremony.

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## TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

by H.M. "Chuck" Place III, AICP

### 1 Passion

My antique dictionary (who uses them in this day of word processing and spell check?) has seven various definitions of "passion." The first, "Any powerful emotion..." and third, "Boundless enthusiasm," bring to mind any number of Lake Lure citizens. Here are five of them that come immediately to mind who have provided invaluable service to all of you:

*Bob Washburn* - who's passion for the lake goes beyond any one else that I have met in almost ten years in this fair town! Bob was a charter member of the lake advisory committee and it's chair for over 14 years. During this time, that committee, under Bob's leadership, created most of the regulations, policies and guidelines currently in place to protect and safeguard the lake and all those who enjoy its beautiful waters. The dual goals of management and protection of the lake resources and the safety of those who boat, fish and swim were Bob's own personal goals and he was (and is) the foremost proponent of measures to achieve them.



*Jim Proctor* - is passionate about the history of Lake Lure and the area that existed prior to the creation of the lake and town of that name. His family settled here in the early years of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, long before it was turned into the tourist mecca that it is today. Jim owns the only property in the valley (Pine Gables) that has been placed on the National Register of Historic Structures, a laborious and often frustrating process that had to be a labor of love! He has amassed a collection of photographs from the early years of this area worthy of a museum collection and loves to talk about how thing came to be in the gorge.

*Doug Long* - the originator of the Hickory Nut Gorge Olympiad, is passionate about sporting events that involve the entire community (whether we want to be involved or not!). He has been active in these events for many years and will not rest until everyone else is as passionate as him. Having gotten the Olympiad rolling (along with Bob Keith and Kay Dittmer), Doug has now started beating the drum (literally) for next season's Dragon Boat races.

*Russ Pitts* - Russ is a relative newcomer to the area, but his passion for the lake is only surpassed by that of Bob Washburn. Russ decided early on in his residency that the level of silt entering the lake was critical and that greater efforts should be employed to remove what was already here and to reduce, if not halt, further siltation, an issue long expounded by Bob Washburn. Russ got involved in the silt removal program and became the self-proclaimed "volunteer dredging coordinator" up to the time he was elected to the town council. He is currently the council liaison to the lake advisory committee and his ardor has not waned.

*Paula Jordan* - who is passionate about the environment in general and tree protection in particular, has become involved in just about all of the local movements to protect and enhance the natural wealth of the area. In addition, she badgered all of us to develop balanced regulations that would allow reasonable development, but prevent the unrestricted cutting of trees that had been occurring with increasing frequency of late. This resulted in her being appointed to draft the first tree protection regulations adopted by the town. This, too, was a labor of love, taking countless of her personal hours

in writing, conferring, rewriting, meetings, rewriting, hearings, and more rewriting before it was approved.

There are many more passionate citizens in Lake Lure. Drop a note to me with the names of folks who you feel are passionate about subjects that benefit the community along with a brief description of their passion and we'll feature them in the News & Views.

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### **TOWN COUNCIL ACTIVITIES** by Town Clerk Mary Flack, MMC, CTC

#### **1REGULAR MEETING:**

The regular town council meeting was held on Tuesday, October 9, 2007, 7:00 p.m., in the meeting room of the Lake Lure Municipal Center.

#### ***Under the "consent agenda," Town Council approved:***

- \* minutes of the September 11, 2007 (regular and special meetings);
- \* a budget amendment to purchase a valve at the wastewater treatment plant as presented by the finance director;
- \* Resolution No. 07-10-09 approving the North Carolina Department of Transportation and the Town of Lake Lure Municipal agreement inspection of bridges on the municipal street system F.A. Project BRZ-NBIS (15);
- \* a request from Jerry Cochran as submitted regarding the F-100 truck show being held on October 11-13, 2007;
- \* a request from Valerie Hoffman on behalf of the Hickory Nut Gorge Foundation (non-profit organization) to waive the rental fee for use of the Lake Lure Municipal Hall for an informal reception to be held on November 7, 2007 from 4:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.; suspended the alcohol ordinance in order to serve and wine inside the Lake Lure Municipal Hall during this reception; the HNG foundation will be responsible for clean up related to this function; and
- \* a request from the Lake Lure Lions Club to hold their annual Lions Health Fair on November 8, 2007 in the Lake Lure Municipal Hall; waived the rental fee for use of this facility and granted permission for parking of the van for eye exams on town



property as stipulated by the Lake Lure Police Department.

**Town Council also:**

\* held a public hearing but did not adopt Ordinance No. 07-10-09 amending the zoning regulations of the Town of Lake Lure making common amenities, as defined, permitted and/or conditional uses in the R-1, R-1D, R-2, R-3, C-1 and CG zoning classifications; town council directed the zoning and planning board to make further revisions to this ordinance;

\* held a hearing and adopted Ordinance No. 07-10-09A amending the subdivision regulations of the Town of Lake Lure creating a new section 91.43 establishing standards for the preservation of water areas and creating a new Section 91.44 requiring conservation design for certain subdivisions and establishing standards;

\* held a hearing and tabled the adoption of Ordinance No. 07-10-09B amending the zoning map of the Town of Lake Lure by rezoning three Lots from R-4, R-1A, and R-1D to R-4 and R-1C as requested by rezoning petitions RZ-07-01, RZ-07-02, and RZ-07-03 until the next regular town council meeting being held on November 13, 2007;

\* scheduled a special workshop meeting on Thursday, October 25, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. in the Lake Lure Municipal Center to discuss a request from John Cloud regarding reimbursement for town water system improvements and consider bids for silt removal relating to erosion problems in Laurel Landings Cove;

\* approved a budget amendment for \$29,000 for the purchase of a new tractor for the town's golf course with monies received after the closing of town property sold near the golf course;

\* directed the lake advisory committee to send a memorandum addressed to the mayor asking that the zoning and planning board do a study on multi-use structures.

\* approved a request from Bo Williams on behalf of the Lake Lure Tours, Inc. to extend their current concession agreement for tours to 9 years, 364 days and approved the expansion of additional short-term public boat dockage adjacent to the town boardwalk

**COMMUNITY POLICING NEWS**

by Chief Eric Hester

**Public Safety and Awareness**

**Online Scams**

The Internet has become a breeding ground for criminals. Many criminals find ways to take advantage of innocent victims by stealing personal and financial information, as well as their money. Most send unsolicited commercial emails. The emails range from business and investment opportunities, chain letters health and diet opportunities, credit repair, loans and vacations.

It is important to take steps to protect your personal information and learn what to do if your personal information is accidentally disclosed or stolen to minimize the theft of your identity.

The Citizen Internet Safety Program is divided into six segments: This month I'm going to touch on Online Scams and Fake Check Scams.

**The Nigerian E-mail Scam**

**The bait:** Con artists claim to be officials, business people, or the surviving spouses of former government leaders in Nigeria or another country whose money is somehow tied up for a limited time. They may offer to transfer lots of money into your bank account if you will pay a fee or 'taxes' to help them access their money. If you respond to the initial offer, you may receive documents that look 'official.' Then they ask you to send money to cover transaction and transfer costs and attorney's fees, as well as blank letterhead, your bank account numbers, or other information.

**The catch:** The emails are from crooks trying to steal your money or perpetrate identity theft. Inevitably, emergencies come up, requiring more of your money and delaying the 'transfer' of funds to your account; in the end, there aren't any profits for you, and the scam artist vanishes with your money.

**Your safety net:**

- a) Don't respond.
- b) Forward all the email addressing information to [spam@uce.gov](mailto:spam@uce.gov).



- c) If you've lost money to one of these schemes, call your local Secret Service field office or law enforcement agency.

### **Don't Fall for Fake Check Scams**

If someone you don't know wants to pay you by check but wants you to wire some of the money back, beware! It's a scam that could cost you thousands of dollars. How do fake check scams work? There are many variations of the scam. It usually starts with someone offering to:

- **Buy something you advertised for sale;**
- **Pay you to work at home;**
- **Give you an "advance" on a sweepstakes you've won; or**
- **Give you the first installment on the millions you'll receive for agreeing to transfer money in a foreign country to your bank account for safekeeping.**

The scammers often claim to be in other countries and say it's too difficult to pay you directly, so they'll have someone in the U.S. who owes *them* money send you a check or money order. The amount of the check or money order may be more than you're owed, so you're instructed to deposit it and wire the rest to the scammer or to someone else. Or you're told to wire some of the money back to pay a fee to claim your "winnings." In some cases, the scammer promises to transfer money directly to your bank account. You provide your account information for an electronic fund transfer. Instead, the crook sends your bank a phony check or money order with instructions to deposit it in your account. When you check your balance, it looks like the funds have arrived. Whatever the setup, the result is the same—after you've wired the money, you find out that the check or money order has bounced.

### **Can my bank tell if the check or money order is good or not when I deposit it?**

These fakes look so real that even bank tellers may be fooled. Some are counterfeit money orders, some are phony cashier's checks, and others look like they're from legitimate business accounts.

The companies whose names appear may be real, but someone has dummied up the checks without their knowledge. Under federal law, banks must make the funds you deposit available quickly—after you've wire the money, you find out that the check or money order has bounced.

### **If the check or money order turns out to be fake, isn't that the bank's problem?**

You are responsible for the checks and money orders you deposit. That's because you're in the best position to determine how risky the transaction is—you're the one dealing directly with the person who is arranging for the payment to be sent to you. When a check or money order bounces, you owe your bank the money you withdrew. The bank may be able to take it from your accounts or sue you to recover it. In some cases, law enforcement authorities could bring charges against the victims because it may look like they were involved in the scam and knew the check or money order was counterfeit.

### **How do these scammers find their victims?**

Fake check scammers scan newspaper and online advertisements for people listing items for sale, and check postings on online job sites from people seeking employment. They place their own ads with phone numbers or email addresses for people to contact them. And they call or send emails or faxes to people randomly, knowing that some will take the bait.

### **How can I protect myself from fake check scams?**

There is *no* legitimate reason for someone who is giving you money to ask you to wire money back—that's a clear sign that it's a scam. If a stranger wants to pay you for something, insist on a cashier's check for the *exact amount*, preferably from a local bank or one with a branch in your area. If you think someone is trying to pull a fake check scam, don't deposit it—report it! Contact the Nation Consumers League's National Fraud Information Center, [www.fraud.org](http://www.fraud.org) or (800) 876-7060 and/or the Lake Lure Police Department. There are also more detailed tips about fake check scams in the



telemarketing and Internet fraud sections of the Web site.

**POLICE REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER, 2007**

ALARM CALLS RECEIVED-----	4
ACCIDENTS-----	4
ARRESTS-----	7
BANK ALARMS-----	1
BREAKING AND ENTERINGS-----	1
BUSINESS CHECKS-----	6,621
CITATIONS ISSUED-----	64
COMMUNITY CONTACTS-----	817
EXTRA PATROLS-----	280
LAKE – CITATIONS-----	1
LAKE – COVE CHECKS-----	622
LAKE – PATROL-----	34
LARCENY REPORTS-----	1
REQUESTED RESIDENT CHECKS----	157
ROAD CHECKS-----	1,373
VANDALISM REPORTS-----	1
WARNINGS ISSUED-----	82

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**COMMUNITY FIRE NEWS**  
**by Randy Hardin**

With the rain deficit we have and the extremely dry conditions in our area - DO NOT BURN!!

The North Carolina Forest Service has issued a state wide burning ban which of course includes Lake Lure. Warnings will not be issued if you are caught burning, just citations.

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**1CUSTOMER SERVICES**  
**by Linda Ward**

New radio read meters have been installed for over half of the water customers in Lake Lure with the remaining to be installed over the next couple of months.

This change will allow us to read the meters more quickly and accurately. The new system will benefit the town and water customers by telling us exactly when the water was used. This enables the water department to track water consumption for accounts with high usage and help with early leak detection.

Please do not tamper with anything in the meter box including the meters or radio transmitters in any way. Violators will be charged with repair or replacement costs for any damage and may result in a fine.

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**SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROL NEWS**  
**by Clint Calhoun, Erosion Control Officer**

I know I said I would talk some more about trees this month, but because space is limited this time, I thought I would talk about a new program that is being offered through the NC Division of Soil and Water Conservation. The program is called the Community Conservation Assistance Program (CCAP) and it is a voluntary, incentive-based program to install best management practices on urban, suburban, and rural lands. Educational, technical, and financial assistance are provided to landowners who are interested in participating.

Here in Lake Lure, we are confronted with two issues with regard to storm water: (1) infiltration and replenishment of the water table, and (2) quality of storm water flowing directly into Lake Lure. Anyone out there ever think about why we're having such as severe drought? We can blame some on changing weather patterns and cycles, but much of it is influenced by human activity. If you look at the amount of water that is running off of roof tops, parking lots, and other impermeable surfaces, and not making it back into the earth, but is instead entering our streams and lakes, it is no wonder many rapidly developing areas are experiencing drought problems. It is even believed that impermeable surface area contributes to the lack of snow we get in the winter months and the increased frequency of ice storms

The goals of CCAP are to treat polluted storm water runoff and improve the quality of our state's waterways. The idea is to do this through better retention methods that increase infiltration and decrease runoff. A number of best management practices are available for funding. That list includes the following:

- Riparian buffer restoration.
- Rain gardens.



- Storm water wetlands.
- Streambank and shoreline protection.
- Cisterns.
- Pet waste receptacles.
- Impervious surface conversion.
- Vegetation establishment.
- Permeable pavement.

There are additional measures available for cost share as well.

The great thing is this project is not limited to individuals. Municipalities can enroll in the program as well. Schools, churches, parks, businesses, and civic and community groups are all eligible for this program.

So often we think about sedimentation as being the big threat to our lake, but storm water is an important pollutant as well. This is an area that local citizens can truly have an impact in the overall health of the lake. If you are interested in this program, I would encourage you to contact the Rutherford County Soil and Water Conservation District for more information. The office number there is (828)287-4817. If you have questions about particular measures and would like to know more, please contact me at 625-9983 ext. 123 or e-mail me at [eco@townoflakelure.com](mailto:eco@townoflakelure.com).

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### UPPER BROAD RIVER WATERSHED PROTECTION PROGRAM by Jennifer Beck

Although we are currently experiencing cooler fall temperatures, we are still dealing with drought conditions. Here are some helpful tips on how best to care for your lawn during the dry fall months:

Due to the lack of moisture in the soil do not fertilize grass that is dead or attempt to start new grass. Most of us will want to hold off on planting cool-season grasses until warmer temperatures in late winter or early spring.

When irrigating your yard, apply only one inch of water per month. This will keep the grass hydrated and chances for survival are good.

While this may be the best time of year to move plants, the dry soil is a problem. If possible, delay moving plants until later when water may be more

plentiful. Mulch plants so the soil doesn't dry out as quickly.

This is also an ideal time to drop off your lawn and garden soil samples to the North Carolina Cooperative Extension office. The NC Department of Agriculture will analyze soil samples and recommend the proper fertilization and lime rates for your lawn and garden. Excessive nutrients can runoff into nearby streams and have detrimental effects on aquatic fauna. Take advantage of this FREE service! Information of how to collect soil samples can be found at: [www.cagr.com/agronomi/samhome.htm](http://www.cagr.com/agronomi/samhome.htm).

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### NEWS AROUND LAKE LURE

**Notice of vacancy** – There are vacancies on the Golf Course Advisory and Lake Advisory Committees. If you are interested in serving on either of these committees please come by the town hall and fill out an application. You may also visit our website at [www.townoflakelure.com](http://www.townoflakelure.com) for an application.

The **Lake Lure Artists** invite you to our **Annual Fall Arts and Crafts Sale**. The sale will be at The 1927 Lake Lure Inn and Spa in the Powers Room and Roosevelt Hall. It will be held on Saturday, November 24, 2007 from 9 am to 4 pm. There will be hors d'oeuvres and cash bar.

Original items that will be on sale include paintings, prints, photography, pottery, rustic accessories, jewelry, drawings, stained glass, and cards.

Bring a friend and come meet the artists. For more information call Mary Karr at 828-625-9781.

**A turkey supper** will be held November 17 at 4:00 pm at the Bill's Creek Community Center on Club House Road. The cost for the turkey dinner, which includes all of the trimmings, is \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children ages 4 – 12.

There will also be an annual raffle to benefit the Bill's Creek Volunteer Fire Department with tickets costing \$1.00 each. 1<sup>st</sup> prize will be \$500.00 cash with 10 other prizes awarded.

For more information contact Barbara Welge at 828-625-5517.

**Fairfield Mountains Chapel Women of the Church** will present their **annual Christmas House Walk** on Monday, December 3rd from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. A luncheon will follow at Lakeview Restaurant. Four homes will be shown. This fundraiser benefits



local charities. More information is available by calling the Chapel at 625-2411.

**Lake Lure Newcomers** invite those who are new residents in Lake Lure (24 months or less) to join them in various activities which include: potluck, gourmet, out'n about, theater, bridge/poker, book club, and hiking. Anyone interested in becoming a member, call Chuck and Char Leneschmidt 828-625-5201.

**Lake Lure Lakefront Owners Association (LLLOA).** Do you want more information on town ordinances that affect lake front owners? Are you interested in efforts to preserve the beauty of the lake? If you are a Lake Lure lakefront owner and want to receive information about these and other lake concerns, then the LLLOA invites you to become a member. Associate memberships are also encouraged for those who are interested in our Lake. Each year members receive a directory of members, informative Muse Letters, and a first class mailed subscription to the Town of Lake Lure monthly newsletter, Lake Lure News & Views. Members meet at the Town Community Center socially at least annually to meet neighbors and discuss issues. Annual dues are currently **\$25.00**. You may pick up an application for membership at the Municipal Center or via the website at [www.townoflakelure.com](http://www.townoflakelure.com) under Lake Management or call Harvey Harris, Pres. at 828-625-8872 for an application or any questions you may have.

**For the convenience of the public,** the VFW Post 10473 has placed a receptacle for old and worn out American flags in the covered walkway at the town hall near the entrance to the police department's door. If you would like a replacement flag, for a small fee, or are eligible and wish to join the VFW contact VFW Vice Commander Charles Hicks at 828-625-9278.

**Free vision screening** for all residents and visitors in the Lake Lure area are invited to come to the LIONS VISION VAN for free vision screening. It will be in front of Lake Lure Town Hall on Thursday, November 8 from 10:00 AM until 3:00 PM. This vision screening van travels the state of North Carolina and is staffed by a professional eye doctor and staff. We are pleased to have this wonderful service in our area. See the 21<sup>st</sup> century better. Other health screenings, health information and flu shots will also be available at this year's health fair held at the town hall on this same date. For further information contact: Eleanor Miller at 625-9995.

**HNG Kiwanis Merges into Shepherd's Care -** The annual Hickory Nut Gorge Memorial Days and Autumn Arts&Crafts Festivals, the Paul and Margaret Yoder Scholarship Fund, the annual Martha Jane Powers Children's Christmas Party, and other formerly Kiwanis Club activities were formally transferred to Hickory Nut Gorge Community Church Outreach, Inc. (dba Shepherd's Care) this past summer when the Kiwanis Club of Hickory Nut Gorge ceased its activities and merged into Shepherd's Care. A number of former Kiwanis volunteers are now volunteering their services to Shepherd's Care, including Marcia Hardy who now serves as vice president of the Shepherd's Care Board.

The **Arts&Crafts Festivals** have become the responsibility of the Shepherd's Care Fund Raising Committee, where a festivals subcommittee has been created to manage them. The Autumn Festival, held in October, featured 49 arts & crafts and food vendors selling their wares from a total of 57 booth spaces for the largest showing ever in the festivals' long history.

A Shepherd's Care Education Committee has been created to manage the **Paul and Margaret Yoder Scholarship Fund**. Paula Jordan, president of the former Kiwanis Club of Hickory Nut Gorge Foundation, Inc has volunteered to chair the new Education Committee. The new committee has awarded fall semester scholarships to three young people from the Gorge area. Application forms for spring scholarships will soon be available through the Shepherd's Care web site <http://www.shepherdscarehng.org>, area churches, and the Mountains Branch Library.

The **Martha Jane Powers Children's Christmas Party**, which Martha Jane asked Kiwanis to carry on when she was no longer able to do so, will be held as usual this year. The traditional date is the second Saturday in December. It is hoped that community volunteers who have helped with the party in the past will continue to do so together with Shepherd's Care and former Kiwanis volunteers.

The HNG Kiwanis made the difficult decision to disband because there were no longer enough volunteers willing and able to serve as officers for the club. The decision was made to offer the club's assets and on-going activities to Shepherd's Care because of the many similarities between the two organizations' service goals in the communities of the Hickory Nut Gorge.

#### NOTICE

**For questions or comments about the hours or operations of the Lake Lure Tours, call 828-625-1373.**



*The deadline for newsletter articles to be received at  
Town Hall for the December issue is November 28th,  
2007.*