

We are Towns County Schools



Paula Whitehead: Department: Central Office, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent.

Previous experience: Bank of Hiwassee (now South State) x 6 yrs; K-5 paraprofessional in Florida - had many ESOL students, eg Vietnamese, Thai, Eastern European, Laotian; BTV resort banquet services.

Family: married to Michael (27 yrs); children, Zach and Hannah - both graduated from TCHS; mother-in-law, Leah, lives with them; 2 dogs - Kashmir & Duncan, 1 cat - AC (named after finding the cat curled up in Michael's AC unit of vehicle after rescuing it from abandonment on side of road).

Best thing about her job: "awesome co-workers - they make it easy to come to work every day".

Fun facts: played soccer at Barry University in Florida & played in the NCAA Division II Championship; likes to watch things grow and truly appreciates nature, loves



Paula Whitehead helped build a chicken house with her 87 year-old neighbor.

Favorite movies: Dances with Wolves, Medicine Man (movie they watched on their first date).

Best thing about TCS: "genuinely cares for the well-being of the kids they're entrusted with".

How can TCS improve: Improve on Central Office space - it's a struggle to house all the records that need to be kept.

Where she grew up: Seminole, FL. TUJun12,F3)SH

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a situation that could not be anticipated by the council and involves potential life-threatening circumstances, risk of injury, or interruptions to city services that need to be addressed immediately, according to City Attorney Marvin Harkins.

"This came up because, last month, we had that problem at the sewer plant, and the digital computer went down, so we felt like it was an emergency and went ahead and gave permission for them to go ahead and order it, then we brought it back at the next meeting," Gibby said.

The council agreed that the ordinance needed to be in place for the rare times when serious emergencies occur in the city.

"I think it has to happen," said City Council Member Steve Clark. "I mean, if you get a phone call at 6 a.m. and it's Gary (Willer) saying there's a pump down at the pump station, and we are fixing to pump sewage in Brasstown Creek, we can't wait 29 days for us to decide what to do."

Bathroom and pavilion projects at Cupid Falls are experiencing a delay due to unforeseen complications, but the mayor and council hope to sort through the problems and provide more information in the meeting next month.

The Bryson Road project is nearly complete, with paving work being all that remains to be done.

"We have approved for Colwell (Construction) to go ahead and do it, but Colwell is backed up, so they will get to it when they get to it," said Gibby. "It looks really good, and if you haven't driven it, they've taken out some blind corners, widened the road in some places, and fixed the drainage, and it's a whole lot better."

To conclude the council meeting, the mayor discussed the success of the North Georgia Highlands Seafood Festival and working on bettering the parking situation for the 2020 event.

The next council meeting will take place on July 2 at 7 p.m. inside Young Harris City Hall.

Georgia Mountain Fair Summer Photo Contest

The Annual Photography Contest at the July Georgia Mountain Fair in Hiwassee, GA, begins on Tuesday, July 23rd and lasts during the remainder of the Fair (July 27). There is no entrance fee but money-prizes are given in several categories, covering 31 winning photos. This year, prize money totals \$1,075. Most of the exhibitors and many winners over the years have not been professionals, although professional photographers do participate. Leaders of the Contest are always looking for new talent, so new exhibitors are highly welcomed.

Those who wish to exhibit their pictures are requested to sign up before July 5th by filling out a Registration Form, which can be obtained (with the Guidelines) at the main office of the Fairgrounds in Hiwassee on U.S. Highway 76. Or, obtain them from the web site GeorgiaMountainFairgrounds.com: click on Contact Us/Applications/Photography Exhibit.

Setting up photos is only from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the Monday of the Fair (July 22). Judging starts immediately on Monday afternoon. Participants can learn about the winning pictures after 5 p.m. that day. Judges' names are not revealed but each one is an experienced photographer who comes to the Fair from several cities and states. Photos will remain in the exhibition hall until the end of the last day of the Fair.

Exhibit opens to the public on Tuesday morning, July 23rd.

Based on Exhibitors' personal schedules, they are invited to volunteer hosting the Show during the week (see Registration Form).

After reading the Registration Form and the Guidelines, participants can have questions answered by contacting the Contest Director, Clara Franklin at clarafranklin@frontier.com. NTUJun12,Z4)CA

Tellin' Tales Comedy Tour at Mountain Home Music Theater

The Tellin' Tales Comedy Tour is bringing their "You Can't Make This Stuff Up Tour" to Mountain Home Music Theater on Saturday, June 15, at 7 PM. The show features veteran comic and retired police officer, Dan Whitehurst and former WCW Pro Wrestler, retired police officer and actor Joey Thurmond.

Dan, who won the title "The World's Funniest Cop" on the Tonight Show with Jay Leno, has been seen on the ABC and CMT Network show, "Nashville" and recently appeared on the Mike Huckabee Show on Trinity Broadcasting Network. Joey has appeared in blockbuster movies such as Rampage, First Man, Bad Moms Christmas, Mistakes and Monsters, TAG, Pitch Perfect 3, and television series Valor, Ozark, and Black Lightning.

This is not your normal standup style comedy show. The Tellin' Tales Comedy Tour is 100% clean, Southern, true-life, story-telling style comedy suitable for all ages. You won't be ashamed to bring your mama or your kids to this show!

The Tellin' Tales Comedy Tour has performed in the largest and oldest theater in Branson, The Baldknobber Theater, performed a yearlong stand in Gatlinburg and toured

all over the United States. Joey and Dan have performed for thousands at concerts, private events, and comedy clubs including Funny Bonz and The Comedy Zone. They have opened for country music legends Mickey Gilley, The Oak Ridge Boys, Colin Raye, Lori Morgan and the Kentucky Headhunters.

This is a show you won't want to miss. Mickey Gilley says, "If you want to see real, good, clean, funny comedy, go see my friends Joey and Dan! They will make you laugh out loud. I guarantee it!"

Mountain Home Music Theater is 2 1/2 miles west of Hiwassee on US 76 in the red building with the flashing sign, so you can't miss it. Admission is \$10 for this special show. For more information, call 706-896-3624 or 706-781-7866. NTUJun12,A1)SH

SAR inducts new member, Phil Cook



(L-R): Phil Cook and Jared Ogden

The Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution inducted new member Jack Phillip Cook. With the help of Chapter Registrar Jack Dugger, Phil was able to prove that his colonial ancestor Drury Cook fought in the Revolutionary War for the America Colonies. Phil joins the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution of over 35, 000 members.

The Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter, SAR welcomes

Phil as a new chapter member and looks forward to his active participation as the chapter pursues the national goals of preserving history, promoting patriotism, and providing education.

The award winning Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter includes the counties of, Gilmer, Fannin, Union, and Towns. Additional information and requests for educational and entertaining programs contact chapter president Jared Ogden at 770-855-0007. NTUJun12,Z9)CA

Enchanted Music on the Square

An excellent evening of music awaits you this Saturday, June 15, on the Hiwassee Town Square! Mark Shane has been performing professionally for over twenty years. Born and raised in Tampa, FL, his Mom taught him to play rhythm guitar and to sing, at a very early age. When asked about what type of music he performs, he answers "Classic American Pop". Most of his 650 song repertoire consists of number 1 hits across such genres as Rock, Country, Blues, R&B, and Jazz. His renditions of Johnny Cash and Jim Croce get the most compliments! For many years, Mark has been the musical director, lead rhythm guitarist, and back-up vocalist for The Michael Allman Band, Michael being the son of the late great Greg Allman! When not touring or recording, Mark lives in Hot Springs, NC, with his sweet wife and their dog, Basil.

Mark has performed on our Square for several years and will always be invited back! He is truly one of the most talented musicians to play in our Concert Series. Don't miss this evening of exceptional music!

Bring a lawn chair, your family and friends, and the

family pet (on a leash, please and with clean up equipment).

This Saturday we will again have the yummy desserts (cookies and pie) homemade by the members of the Hiwassee United Methodist Church, for sale. Perhaps buy your dinner from the VFW Auxiliary. They sell delicious all beef hotdogs with choice of toppings, and also hand dipped ice cream!

These Summer Concerts, which go from 7 - 8:30 p.m., are presented to the folks of Towns County and surrounding areas, by a small group of volunteers called the OTM Committee, a non profit group dedicated to bringing music to Hiwassee. This season, we are fortunate to have the support of several sponsors. Please frequent these wonderful businesses for your shopping and eating needs: Sundance Grill, Farmers Insurance, Georgia Mountain Television, Northpointe Bank, Servpro and State Farm Insurance.

In case of rain the concert will be held inside the Civic Center, across from the Courthouse. See you on the Square! TUJun12,F2)SH

S.A.F.E. Board meeting

The next meeting of the Board of Directors of S.A.F.E. (Support in Abusive Family Emergencies, Inc.) will be June 18, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. Call 706-379-1901 for location.

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