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They will need your physical address including road name and number. The new green marker is then made, and they come and replace the missing or damaged one.

**Q. My road sign is missing. Who do I contact to get this replaced?**

A. For missing road signs, you should also contact the 911 Mapping Office at 706-439-6056. You give them the name of the road sign that is missing, and they will get it replaced. This process may take a couple of days, so if your road sign is missing, it is very

important to call and report it to 911 Mapping. They then let dispatch know that particular road sign is missing in the event emergency services are needed on that road.

**Q. If I feel like I need to speak to someone at 911 Dispatch, but it is a non-life threatening emergency, what number should I call?**

A. Union County 911 Dispatch has a non-emergency number that you can call. It is 706-439-6038. The Dispatchers on duty will prioritize calls and assist you as soon as possible.

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from Mississippi, the men had sawed several thousand board feet of lumber. Actually, they had completed their contract a few days early.

Later in his life, John moved to Missouri and began operating a sawmill close to the Mississippi River. Once again, his mill developed some problems not only with the operation of the mill, but also with the bookkeeping and records of the operation. He sent for his son, and Lon came to help his dear old Daddy. He took apart the mill and revamped everything.

Next, he tackled the books of the operation. By the time Lon left for Alabama, the mill was operating as smooth as silk.

Late in life, John knew he'd made some grave mistakes that estranged him from most of his family. However, he was always close to Lon. A few days before his death, he was heard to say, "I think I'll call Lon. That boy can fix anything, and he'll come and take me away from all these problems. You know, Lon was the smartest son I ever raised."

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and possibly get an appointment that afternoon. I said OK, but chances of getting in on just short notice on Friday would be difficult. I was surprised and elated when they said we could get a 1:30 appointment.

After a thorough examination, the P.A. diagnosed my problem as appendicitis. He called the emergency room to verify it with a CT Scan. By the time I got to the ER, they were waiting for me. I got checked in and sent to a room. The ER doctor met me in the room, talked with me briefly, and then I was taken to have the CT Scan. The scan took a few minutes, and then I was back in the room. The ER doctor told me the scan showed an enlarged and inflamed appendix. He sent me up to the third floor to a very clean private room with a view of the mountains. The very professional staff checked me out from head to toe to see if I was ready for an operation.

Friday night was spent in getting me ready for surgery at 8 a.m. on Saturday morning. At the last minute, my surgeon came into my room and explained that we had a slight problem because my blood was not thick enough to operate. The doctors and nurses solved the problem, and the operation was able to proceed at 1 p.m. An hour later, I was back in my

room and was getting ready for my discharge to go home! At 5 p.m. I had my first meal in quite awhile, and it was not only welcomed, but delicious. I arrived home at 6 p.m.

Sunday morning, as I was walking around my RV park, my friends I talked to had no idea that I had an operation Saturday afternoon. When I explained to them that the whole procedure only took 28 hours (23 hours without the blood problem), they were amazed and couldn't believe all this was done in such a short period of time.

I want to thank all the health care providers and Union General Hospital for all their professionalism and dedication. Every phase of the experience was first class. I had over 20 great people helping me through this experience, and I apologize for not mentioning each and every one by name. I would feel badly if I failed to remember somebody, and I'm sure that if you are reading this, you will know that you are on the appreciation list.

Blairsville is a wonderful place to live with friendly people, great schools, many varied activities and fantastic scenery. Having superior health care providers just adds the frosting on the cake.

**Jerry Tutman (Joan)**

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Minister of Propaganda, in which he proposed that effective propaganda relied on telling your lie often enough and loud enough to get the proletariat to believe your lies. In my speech, I didn't supply a time-frame for my idea to take hold in America, but it has arrived, big-time. The media has identified over six provable lies per day since becoming president.

Yes, our president shows more respect and admiration for tough-guy leaders like Kim, Erdogan, Putin, and the head of the Philippines, than for any of our traditional, long-time allies. That's consistent with a leader who hopes to take over a country and rule by force. Also consistent is his attempt to undermine our long-time systems and institutions (such as a free media, our Department of Justice, freedom of speech, and denying children coming to our country the right of due process).

The evangelicals who climbed on his bandwagon for one simple reason (filling a sin-

gle Supreme Court justice seat to promote a defeat of Roe v. Wade) should by now be seeing how flawed they were. Couldn't they see there's more than one way to solve a problem? Couldn't they see how flawed the man is, that not only does he lie constantly, that he is totally lacking in empathy, that he does not understand what America's greatness really is, that America is not simply a corporation? That he is a boorish, misogynistic, xenophobic, racist? Or doesn't that matter anymore? A recent poll shows that more than half of GOP voters now believe that morality is old-hat, and since Trump became president, Putin has three times as many GOP devotees. Each of Trump's heroes has a record of killing his opponents.

The problem with discussing Trump's shortfall is its never-ending nature: every day, he again finds some new way to astound us with his deviousness.

**David Schilling**

## Free GED a.m. and p.m. Classes in Union County

Summer classes have begun at Union County Adult Ed. If you have been putting off getting your GED, now is a great time to make that happen!

We offer daytime and evening classes Monday through Thursday. We also offer GED practice tests, prep classes, and ACCUPLACER remedial help. WorkSource Georgia can assist with GED

## Last Safe Boating Class for 2018

Each month since March, the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 23 has sponsored a series of free Safe Boating Classes along with the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. The last class is coming up, so don't miss out.

This last class will take place on Saturday, Aug. 11, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Union County Civic Center in

testing and childcare costs, as well as a transportation stipend for eligible students.

Plan now to positively impact your future. To make an appointment, contact Instructor Paula Ary at 706-439-6321, or via email at pary@northgatech.edu. We are located beside the Union County Public Library in the Shirley Miller Building at 38 Blalock Street in Blairsville.

Blairsville. Register online at GoOutdoorsGa.com, or with Douglas Townes at 404-971-5077, email: det949@mind-spring.com

Flotilla 23 members will also do free boat inspections to ensure you have proper equipment aboard if stopped by DNR. Call Scott or Polly Royster at 706-379-9606.

*FSO-PA Joan Crothers*

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ciated with the development of alcohol dependence later in life.

No one plans to become addicted to a drug. Instead, it begins with a single use, which can lead to abuse, which can lead to addiction. The National Institute of Drug Abuse (NIDA) defines addiction as a chronic, relapsing brain disease that is characterized by compulsive drug seeking and use, despite harmful consequences. Addiction is a brain disease because drugs change the brain's structure and how it works. These brain changes can be long-lasting and lead to harmful behaviors seen in people who abuse drugs.

The good news is that addiction is treatable. The treatment approach to substance abuse depends on several factors, including a child's temperament and willingness to change. It may take several attempts at treatment before a child remains drug-free. For those teens who are treated for addiction, they will have a lifetime of recovery.

How can you tell if your child is using drugs or alco-

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ment to serving the public and the justice system. We wish her well in this new capacity of judicial leadership.

Sincerely,  
**Kenneth B. Hodges III**  
President, State Bar of Georgia

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Foundations of government are built by those who rule and are changed by those who rule, hence people like Hitler, Stalin, and others of like-minded insanity come to power when timid people refuse to become involved. All governments begin at the local level, and the local level determines our state and federal level. I fear for the near future of our nation when those who are most vocal ascribe to any means necessary in order to circumvent the laws every citizen should live by; and are supported by judges who apply their own personal bias in too many cases.

**Mike Sims**

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rejoiced with His friends when they returned from their first mission trip. He interrupted His travels to heal a blind man, help a sick woman, and touch a leper. He brought wine to a wedding. He brought food to a preaching event. He turned Zaccheus' house into an Airbnb. He enjoyed the company of people who had yet to embrace His true identity as God the Son. God made himself accessible as a human walking on this earth, and we continue His presence as we function as the visible body of Christ.

Without realizing it, you can relegate Jesus to a character in a dusty book, or shade him with static stained glass. You come to know a person as you interact with him or her, and with mutual friends. Same with Jesus. He is real and accessible, and no one loves you more.

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(Bt) or spinosad will kill the webworms and not beneficial insects that are also nearby. Broad spectrum insecticides like pyrethroids, which are any insecticide with an active ingredient ending with -thrin, will kill any insects it comes in contact with, and you will have to physically open the nest first so that you get good coverage.

As always, read the label before applying a pesticide so that you know how to properly handle and apply the pesticide. For more information, contact your local Extension office.

The Towns County Extension Office is operating under reduced hours. I will be in Towns County on Tuesdays from 8 a.m. to noon, and Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

If you need to contact me, please email me at Jacob.Williams@uga.edu, or call the Union County Extension Office at 706-439-6030.

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drills, walkthroughs, and plan reviews are part of maintaining that safety. Union County Emergency Management/Fire Department is very proud to partner with the school system, and we are all blessed to have such a wonderful working relationship.

Union County Fire Department ~Our Family Protecting Your Family~

with new friends.

Money issues such as sudden requests for money without a good reason, money stolen from your wallet or from safe places at home or items gone from your home, may be sold to buy drugs.

Be aware of specific smells like the odor of marijuana, cigarettes, or alcohol

on your teen's breath, on clothing, in the bedroom, or in the car.

Teens who are struggling with peer pressure and risky adolescent choices will exhibit many types of signs and symptoms of that struggle. We must be willing to look, watch and act and admit that even our family is not immune.