**Kindergarten registration set for April 16**

From Staff Reports

Highlands School will be holding registration for next year’s kindergartners on April 16.

The registration will be held from 9 a.m. to noon at the school and will include lunch and parent-teacher conferences for parents and children.

Due to a change in state law, children who will turn six years old on or before Aug. 31 will be eligible to register for kindergarten instead of having to attend one of the pre-schools. Children not attending one of the pre-schools may pick up a packet at Highlands School and must be delivered to the school by that day and can’t be picked up until 10:30 a.m. Registration packets are required to verify age.

Transportation to the school will be provided for students, and parents and students must be present at pre-school and day care facilities between 10:20 and 10:35 a.m. Registration packets must be returned by that day.

Parents and children are encouraged to come to the school on April 16 as a part of their child development center.

A signed permission slip is necessary for bus riders.

Parents will gather in the school’s media center at 10 a.m. for an overview and orientation meeting.

**Registration schedule**

Parents and incoming kindergarten will follow this morning schedule for the April 16 registration day:

- 10:10-10:40: Parents arrive at media center
- 10:40-11:00: Orientation and orientation by school administration and staff
- 11:00-11:20: Parents pick up students at area day care centers. Students not enrolled in a local day care center should pick up at Highlands Community Child Development Center.
- 11:00-11:45 a.m.: Parents and students meet with parents and students back."
Town Board
Ross said that he understood the $70,000 as a one-time contribu-
tion, and that the town would not be
asked to help fund future costs or other economic development
staff in the future. The board also voted unanimously to
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White squirrels foil commissioners

Highlands Grammar chairwoman Hillrie Quin and Town Manager Jim Fat-
land made a special April Fool's Day proposal to the board at Town Hall
Thursday, April 2, 2009.

They said that they wanted to use $13,500 of the remaining
grant funds to bring white squirrels from the
village in Leslie on Restora-
tion Park property, where they
would be taught to use the
restrooms, and add interest to the
grey-tree trail.

Commissioner Amy Pat-
terned asked Quin about the
plan, and Quin said it would

are OK with Highlands' use of
the squirrels. After the board
approved the motion, an officer
advised the private that the
squirrels will be free.

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Law Enforcement reports

Macon County Sheriff's Office

March 23

• A business owner of a residence on Webb Road called. He said
no sign of forced entry and only the television was miss-
ing. The matter is still under

The report indicated an officer
would return to check on resi-
dents later in the day.

An officer investigated an
attempt that had been the
subject of a complaint. The
status and destination were
not the result of a break in the
chain. The officer checked up
the address and left a note to pick
up the key at the police station.

March 27

A Highlands man and his
lesbian partner were in a minor auto
accident at the entrance to Highlands,
Plaza and Highway 196. No injuries were reported, and
damages valued at approximately $700.

March 28

An officer answered a
noise complaint about a neighbor
construction work at a site on
Saffo Road.

Jones Boyd Colfin, 20, of
111 Crabtree Lane, Franklin,
was arrested and charged with a
traffic infraction for a regulatory
violation on Main Street at Second Street at approximately 4 p.m. He
was on patrol downtown, an officer
passed a vehicle driven by
Colfin that had its front passenger
door open, according to the
report. The officer stopped the
vehicle and asked to speak with
a 37-year-old female driver.

The woman told the officer that
her husband had hit the woman
head-on. He was taken to Highlands-
Catawba Hospital, where she was
and released.

According to the report, Colfin
admitted to the officer that he
had hit the woman with his
hand. He was transferred to the
Macon Detention Center and
held on a $1,000 secured bond.
He is scheduled to appear in court
April 9.

Two diamond rings valued at
approximately $2,000 were re-
turned to a residence on
Webb Branch Road.

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