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vide the latitude and longitude of callers within 300 meters, within six minutes of the request by the Public Safety Answering Point or PSAP.”

Chief Worden also reminds parents that give small children unused or retired cell phones that you can still dial 911 with that phone.

“If you pass these phones down to a small child to play with, take the battery out,” he said. “I think everyone in public safety has experienced an inadvertent 911 call from a child playing with a cell phone.”

Union County became E-911 after all the new county addresses were revamped.

All the new addresses are included in the E-911 system for the county, Smith said.

“Tell folks that they don't have to worry, we know where they're calling from,” Smith said. “We're 100 percent Enhanced 911.”

Chief Worden said there would be continued in-house housekeeping.

“You're always going to have the addition of new roads and driveways,” he said. “We'll keep the system up-to-date.”

“That's done on a daily basis,” Smith said. “It's a constant, there's something changing all the time. We work closely with the Geographical Information System folks at the Courthouse.”

Smith said that once all the data for the county-wide address changes are complete, the companies that sell and update the Garmen



Fire Chief and EMA Director Charles Worden and E-911's Amy Smith. Photo/Charles Duncan

and Tom-Tom GPS devices say there will be a six-month turnaround before individual

GPS owners can update their GPS systems with the current addresses.

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of Waylon Jennings, also was backstage, along with his wife Kathy.

Townsend opened the show, with his custom Fender Telecaster in hand and kicked off their 45-minute set with Jennings' 1973 hit, *Lonesome, On'ry and Mean*.

They would follow that up with *Rainy Day Woman, Waymore's Blues, and I've Always Been Crazy*.

Townsend, wearing a Granddaddy Mimms “Who's Your Granddaddy” T-Shirt, took a few moments to introduce the band and tell the audience about his journey into the “legal” moon shining business.

“Look for it on the shelves in a few weeks,”

Townsend told the crowd.

However, the largest applause up to that point was when Townsend's baritone voice sang the opening line to “Amanda.”

Townsend even got a “boo” from the crowd when he asked the crowd's opinion on today's Country Music Radio.

“If you don't sing about jacked up pickups, sitting on a jacked up tail gate, or sling-mud, they won't play your songs,” he said. “I think this next song still applies today.”

The next song on the set list just happened to be the Jennings' classic, “Are You Sure Hank Done it This Way.”

*I'm a Ramblin' Man* and

*Whistlers and Jugglers* were up next on the set list before Townsend told the crowd, “this next song is a true story.”

*Don't You Think This Outlaw Bit's Done Got Out of Hand*, where Jennings' recounted the story of his infamous run-in with law enforcement.

The next song was “a Waylon song from way back,” according to Albright. The song he was referring to was *Love of the Common People*, a folk ballad written and composed by John Hurley and Ronnie Wilkins and covered by Jennings in 1967.

Townsend would get back to the basics with *Luck-enbach, Texas*, before closing with a song that he used

to rush home from school on every Friday to hear. The Dukes of Hazzard theme, *Just Good Ole Boys*, was the final song of the homecoming show for the Blairsville native and Waylon's Waymores. Townsend would hold a meet-and-greet with the fans after the show, where he posed for pictures, chatted with fans of all ages and sold “Who's Your Granddaddy” T-Shirts.

According to Albright the band averages about two shows a month and one can only hope that their booking agent will find a way to get Townsend and the legendary musicians back to Northeast Georgia as much as possible.

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The Butternut Creek Festival is one of the finest juried arts and crafts shows in the Southeast.

The two-day festival showcased the work of the more than 70 artists and craftsmen in categories ranging from basketry, fine art, fabric art, and decorative painting, to glass, jewelry, metal working, photography, pottery, scrimshaw, wood-turning, and more.

The event attracts people from all over the Southeast. For the fourth consecutive year, the festival was designated as a Top 20 Event by the Southeast Tourism Society.

The festival is held each year on the shady banks of Butternut Creek in Meeks Park – one of the most beautiful venues in Georgia.

The festival offered free parking, free admission, and free entertainment. As always, there was lots of great food, great shopping, live demonstrations, and plenty of smiling, friendly faces.

The highly successful

and always anticipated arts and crafts show is sponsored by the High Country Artists, Inc., a non-profit local arts group of less than 20 members.

In addition to artistic exhibitors, there were three mountain arts demonstrators - foot powered wood-turning, blacksmithing, and chain saw carving.

There also were four community service booths -- the annual bake sale of the Union General Hospital Auxiliary, quilting demonstrations and sale by the Misty Mountain Quilt Guild, a quilt raffle by the Friends of the Union County Library, and a raffle of donated items by the Friends of the Moss Library.

There was plenty of entertainment with talented musical performers singing and playing for the enjoyment of visitors, near the Gazebo, located in the heart of the festival area.

The group, known as “Fast Gear,” which was the delight of last year's festival was back for 2012.

The group brought their own polished Country Music style for the music lovers.

Also, there was ample covered seating areas available there for weary shoppers to rest and relax.

All-in-all, the family orientated Butternut Creek Arts & Crafts Festival once again achieved its goal of providing an incredible festival experience in the mountains.

They're already looking forward to next year. See you at the annual Butternut Creek Festival in 2013!

# Elections...

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binding.

Early voting continues through this week. Precinct voting for the Primary is scheduled for July 31 and is scheduled from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. that day.

The *North Georgia News* encourages all registered local voters to cast ballot. The newspaper will print early on Wednesday morning Aug. 1st. For election results, see our Website Tuesday night at [nganews.com](http://nganews.com). We'll post the results as soon as they come in. Stay tuned for Decision 2012.



Face Jugs for sale at the Butternut Creek Festival. The homemade pottery was a popular item. Photo/Janice Boling