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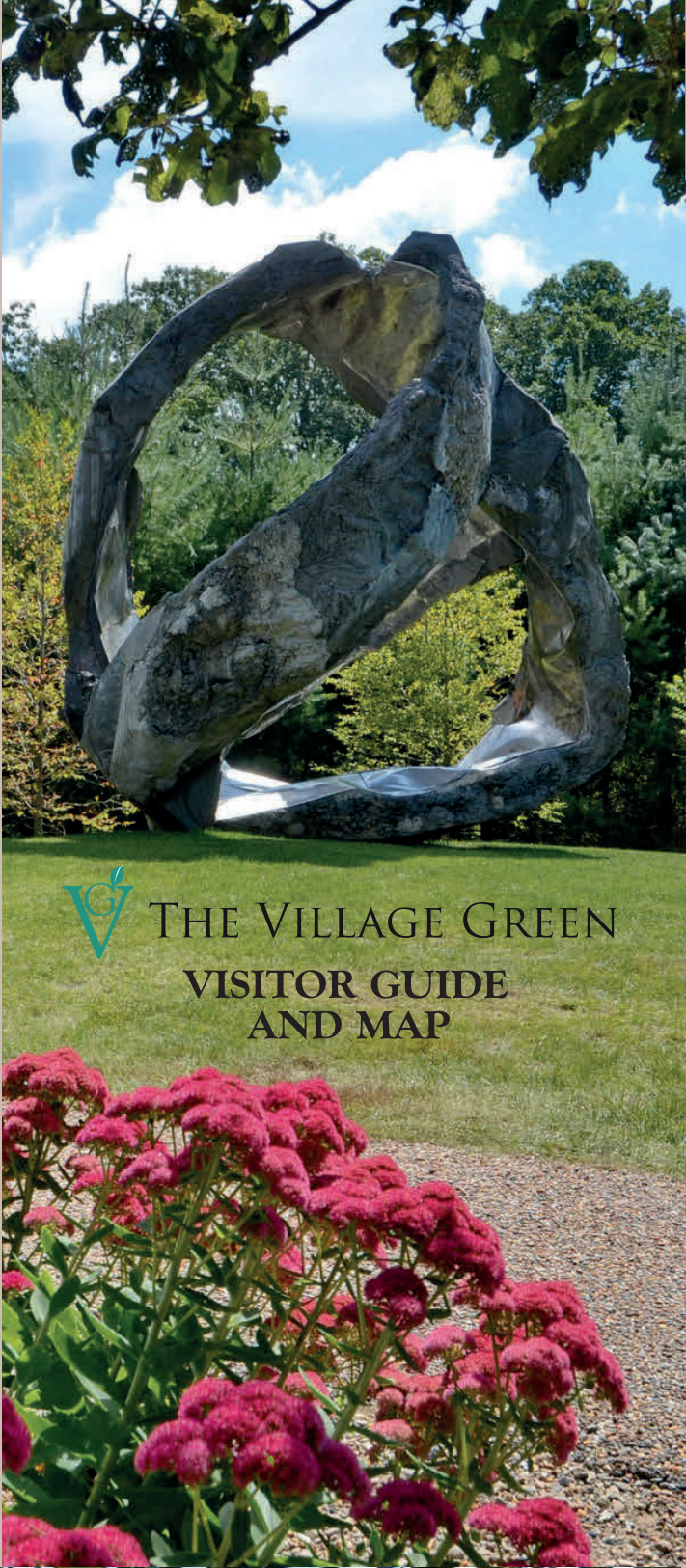
THE VILLAGE GREEN

The Village Green is a 12.5 acre privately conserved park for free public enjoyment. We recieve no government funding and depend on individuals for financial support to preserve and maintain the park for everyone to enjoy. Please consider becoming a member of the Friends of The Village Green for as little as \$50 per year. For information please call 828.743.3434 or go to villagegreencashiersnc.com

- ADMISSION:**
No charge. Donations are appreciated.
- HOURS OF OPERATION:**
Open 8 a.m. to dusk, 365 days a year.
- VENUE RENTALS:** To reserve one of the rustic structures for a special event in The Village Green, please call 828.743.3434
- VOLUNTEER:** To be a force of nature, join the team to make a difference in The Village Green. Email volunteer@villagegreencashiersnc.com
- TRIBUTE BRICKS:** To purchase a brick paver in honor or memory of someone, call 828.743-3434 or email info@villagegreencashiersnc.com
- INFORMATION:**
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- Please remember...
- Keep dogs leashed (6' max) and out of plantings
 - Clean up after your pets (pet waste stations provided)
 - Supervise children
 - Please dispose of litter in trash cans
 - Carry out what you carry in
 - Plants and flowers should be left for all to enjoy
 - No skateboarding in the park
 - No motorized vehicles unless authorized by The Village Green

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Our Story...



In April 1992, with the vision of one and the hard work of many, the center of Cashiers was saved from becoming the site of a hotel chain. Three area residents purchased the property and donated it to a charitable 501c3 organization to preserve the land for the community. The Village Green was established with the mission to preserve and enhance the land for civic, spiritual, academic, recreational and cultural activities. From the beginning, The Village Green was designed to be a park for the people. The founders set out to create a free, public space that would maintain the mountain lifestyle unique to Cashiers. Since that original acquisition, The Village Green has grown to encompass meandering walking paths, rustic pavilions, exceptional sculpture, beautiful gardens and a large children's playground. The Village Green is enjoyed by thousands of visitors and home to many large community events every year. We hope you enjoy your time in the green heart of Cashiers!

SCULPTURE



The Village Green is home to eight sculptures. The sculpture collection brings together varied medium and styles. **Utlunta** (cover photo) is a popular subject for photos as well as climbing. **Juicy Fruit** is a colorful as well as playful piece near the playground; and the **wind sculpture** pieces are enchanting to watch in the breeze. Visit the website for a full list of sculpture.

THE VILLAGE PLAY



In 2002 the children of Cashiers designed the playground known as the **Village Play**. It was then constructed entirely by members of the community. One of the highlights of a visit to The Village Green is this expansive play space with swings and slides; planks and climbing structures; and a puppet theater and playhouse to encourage imaginative as well as energetic play!

GARDENS



The Village Green has many garden areas in the park. The **Hayes Fairchild Memorial Garden** features stone bench seating under a vine covered arbor and enclosed with colorful annual and perennial plants. The **Dahlia Garden** is a nationally recognized trial garden for a wide variety of the popular tubers that bloom in late summer. Other benches are tucked into hedges of rhododendron and other native plants.

EVENTS



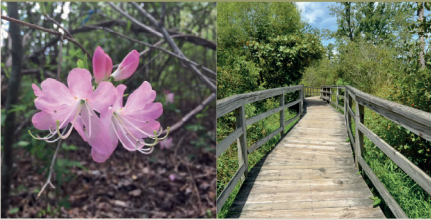
Because The Village Green is the centerpiece of Cashiers, the park is home to many popular community events. **Groovin' On the Green** is the free, Friday night summer concert series. **Fireworks Extravaganza On the Green** is a patriotic celebration July 4th. **Leaf Festival** is an annual three day juried arts and crafts show. The Village Green is also the site of holiday observances including the **Easter Sunrise Service** and **Cashiers Christmas Tree Lighting**.

EDUCATION



The Village Green hosts a series of programs highlighting natural and cultural elements unique to this area during the months of May through September. **Village Nature Series** has featured subjects such as raptor and wolf conservation, wildcrafting and foraging, edible insects, bear preservation and beekeeping, to name a few. These programs are sponsored in collaboration with the Highlands-Cashiers Land Trust.

WETLAND WALK



The **wetlands** is a conservancy project of The Village Green. When you step on the boardwak trail that also leads into a **woodland glade**, you can see a variety of native plant and animal life. Frogs, dragonflies and a variety of water fowl can be spotted here from time to time. Two varieties of **native azaleas**, Flame and Pinkshell bloom in the Spring. Throughout the season you will find other interesting plants unique to this area.

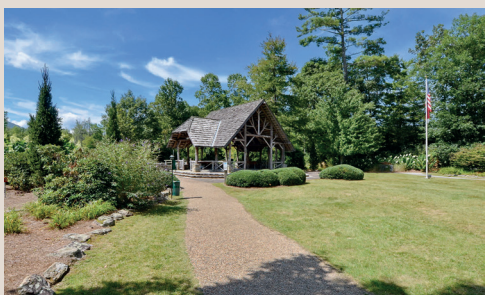
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VENUES IN THE VILLAGE GREEN

GAZEBO AND EVENT LAWN



The Gazebo and Event Lawn are at the crossroads entrance of The Village Green on Highway 64. The Gazebo is a mountain rustic structure that may be used for various events.

PAVILION



The large pavilion located in the center of the park is a rustic structure with picnic tables and a charcoal grill. This area is suitable for picnics, birthday parties, family reunions and other gatherings.

THE VILLAGE GREEN COMMONS



The Village Green Commons is an open air, multi-use venue featuring a mountain rustic pavilion structure and sprawling meadow lawn. The site of large private occasions and community events.