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port Industrial Road, where their annual fair. the Blairsville Kiwanis holds A free shuttle to and

from the park is provided. Handicapped access will be provided on the shuttles.

This shuttle is open to both Wall and Sorghum Festival visitors. The Shuttle will drop off and pick up people at the entrance to the Wall.

This shuttle may run Sunday also depending on traffic conditions at the park. Signs will be posted along Hwy. 515 indicating the auxiliary parking is available.

Shuttles will run approximately every 15 minutes.

To avoid getting caught up in traffic consider parking outside the park.

Please come and experience this life-changing event.

It is suggested that all local visitors try to attend the events on Thursday (after 4 P.M.), Friday, or Monday (until 2 P.M.) to avoid the crowds.

## The Vietnam Moving Wall Schedule Of Events October 8-12, 2015

### Thursday, October 8

9:15 a.m. Escort the Moving Wall to Meeks Park  
9:30 a.m. Erect the Moving Wall  
3:00 p.m. Opening Ceremony

### Friday, October 9

8:00 a.m. - 12 noon Visit by middle school students

### Sunday, October 11

9:30 a.m. Morning Service

### Monday, October 12

All Morning - Visits by local school students  
10:00 a.m. Quilts of Valor Program presentations  
1:00 p.m. Closing Ceremony

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no reason to give it up. I love it. We have a lot of fun going from place to place, and actually, I'm working more now than I was 15 years ago."

Staying true to his roots, Watson is a member of a select few Country Music legends still performing traditional Country Music today – Johnny Lee, who is 69, John Conlee, 69, T.G. Sheppard, 71, not to mention Merle Haggard at 78 and Willie Nelson at 82.

"We recently worked with Johnny Lee – there's not too many of us, but we try to hang together," said Watson.

Looking back on his more than 50 years in the music industry, Watson still

remembers what it felt like hearing his first single come on the radio.

"It was different, I'll say that – something I never figured I'd ever hear, because singing is something I've been doing all my life anyway," said Watson. "I never figured I'd make a career of it. It just happened that way. I tell everybody that my career was kind of an accident.

"The first record I had recorded, we recorded it just to get local bookings around here and there at different clubs and stuff like that, which it served the purpose of that. To me, it didn't stop there – I kept performing and kept singing and everything, and a couple of guys heard me and wanted to take me to Nashville."

After recording a few songs on independent labels, Watson came across a song

called "Bad Water," which was the first song he ever recorded that made it onto the national charts.

"That got Capitol Records' attention, and then when we came to *Love in the Hot Afternoon*, they signed me to a long-term recording contract in 1975," said Watson.

That album officially launched Watson's national stardom, and he continued his ever successful career with many more records and hits to follow.

Through it all, however, Watson has maintained a humble heart and a servant's disposition in aiming to please his fans, those who have been loyal to him over his many years entertaining the masses.

"I appreciate all the accolades and everything – I'm not really sure that I'm deserving of a lot of it, the

Singer's Singer and legend. I'm not sure about that," said Watson. "I take that with a grain of salt, too, because I think when you start believing what other people start saying on the radio or print, you start losing something.

"Me – I am who I am. I'm a realist. I look at things straight on. I'm a people person, and I try to satisfy my fans, I try to keep them happy. I try to record the kind of music that they like and that they want me to record. After that, it's up to them. Of course, we don't get played on regular FM radio anymore, so if it wasn't for the track record that I established throughout the years, I'd be dead in the water."

Tickets (\$24) are now on sale for the Saturday, Oct. 24, show, which starts at 7 p.m. with an opening act by Country River Band.

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County Sheriff's Office.

The probable cause by Towns County to stop Lowe came from a surveillance camera at a storage unit in Union County, following what is believed to be one of 36 break-ins by the same individual – Lowe.

Deputies recovered a large amount of property believed to have been stolen from several surrounding counties. Towns County Sheriff's investigators, working with investigators from Union County Sheriff's Office, as well as Hiwassee Police Department, attempted to identify the recovered property.

In Union County, Lowe is charged with one count burglary, with more charges expected, Union County Sheriff's Detective Lt. Daren Osborn said.

"We've had several burglaries starting in August of storage units – four different separate storage unit facilities here in the county," Lt. Osborn said. "We started putting pieces together, and actually got some security video from one of the storage units and were able to piece together and identify him as a suspect from the security video.

"Once we did that, we got a description of the vehicle and of him, naming him as a person of interest, basically, and we gave a lookout to the surrounding counties," Lt. Osborn said.

"On Sept. 25, an Appalachian Drug Task Force agent called me and said that they had stopped (Lowe) there in Towns County, and said that he had some items in his possession that were probably stolen over here in Union County. So, I traveled to Towns County, and we did find some items that were taken out of a storage unit over here that had been reported stolen. We questioned him there at the scene, and he did admit that he burglarized the unit here in Union County. He is going to be facing multiple charges here in Union County of burglary in the second degree.

"He confessed to burglarizing one storage unit that he had possession of the property that was with him when he was caught. He did confess to that one.

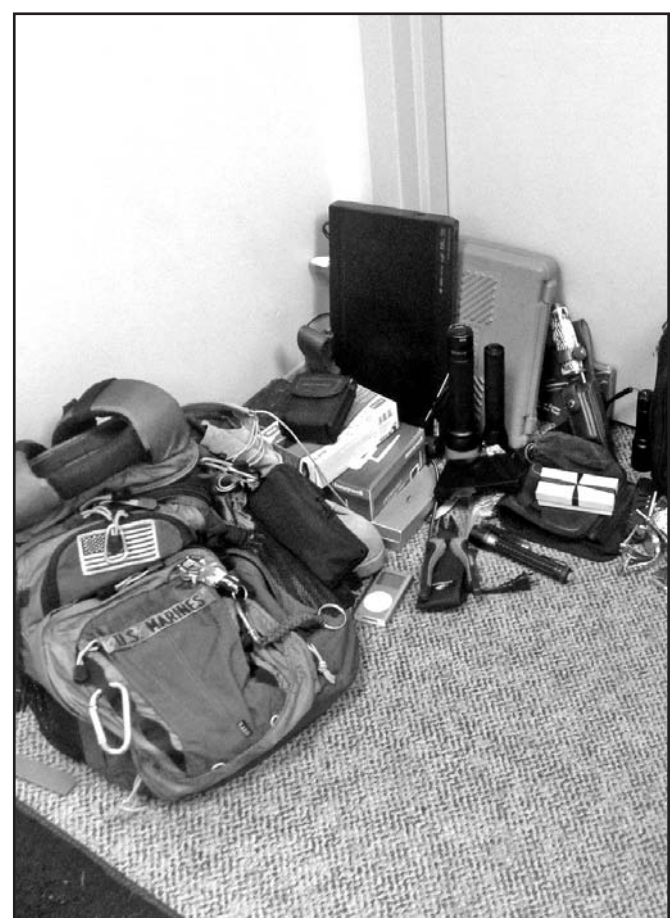
"But the MO of the other storage units were all the same as this one. And we found some other property that had been pawned in different jewelry stores that had been stolen in the same time frame."

In Hiwassee, Police Chief Jimmy Wright said that his department secured two arrest warrants for Lowe.

Also Lowe's possession, a list of storage units in Northeast Georgia and the surrounding states, and the addresses of these storage units.

"We've got to follow up on that also," Lt. Osborn said.

Lowe also had a probation warrant for his arrest in Gilmer County, Lt. Osborn said.



Items seized by Towns County sheriff's deputies during a traffic stop of Joshua Ryan Lowe. Photo/Courtesy Towns County Sheriff's Office