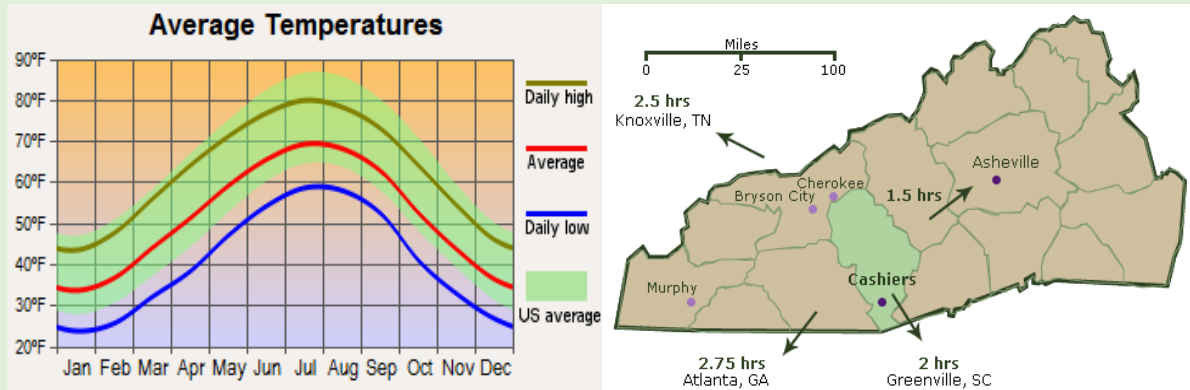


2019 FLABOTA & SEABOTA RETREAT & BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Cashiers, North Carolina

Thurs, October 24 – Sat, October 26

All members are welcome - it's not just for Board Members!



Within minutes of the Annual Retreat are some of the tallest peaks in the eastern United States, as well as dozens of Blue Ribbon trout streams, cascading waterfalls, thrilling mountain-bike trails, inviting hiking trails, secluded picnic spots and lovely overlooks. Also, among the popular attractions is Lake Glenville, the highest lake east of the Mississippi, a 1,435-acre lake fed by three spectacular waterfalls and providing more than 26 miles of secluded shoreline. Golf at two spectacular North Carolina courses awaits, as does horseback riding, zip-lining, tennis or shooting - you choose! Additional mountain adventures and luxuries await your discovery in the countless quaint mountain hamlets and villages neighboring our FLABOTA Board of Directors Meeting and Retreat. You can shop for antiques and hand-crafted treasures, dine at cozy cafes or explore places of historic importance such as the fabulous Biltmore Estate in nearby Asheville.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Hampton Inn & Suites (828-743-4545) Located across Highway 64 from the entrance to the Wyndham Resort and the Country Club of Sapphire Valley with rooms offering a wide variety of configurations and views. <https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/casnchx-hampton-suites-cashiers-sapphire-valley/>

Innisfree Inn by the Lake (828-743-2946) is a self-described 4 diamond romantic bed and breakfast inn overlooking Lake Glenville (closer to where Bob and Kathy Cole's home is located). <https://www.innisfreeinn.com>

www.vrbo.com and www.airbnb.com World leaders in vacation rentals have no booking fees and is free for travelers. Just enter Cashiers, NC in the search box! Cabins, beautiful homes and cozy condos at great prices!

Highlands Inn Lodge (828-526-5899) Nestled in the root of the Appalachians Mountains you will find a town with the beauty of white water rafting, zip lining and amazing views mixed with all the amenities of a larger city with coffee shops, wine stores, homemade chocolates shops, a hiking store and Wi-Fi.

<http://www.highlandsinnlodge.com/>

The Park on Main Hotel (800-221-5078) A 24-suite luxury hotel with an upscale-rustic theme, as well as dog friendly, providing an elegant place to stay in beautiful Highlands, NC. Located right on Main Street, their relaxing suites include both picturesque views of the hotel's garden terrace, inspired by Central Park in New York City, and balconies overlooking the quaint streets.

The Skyline Lodge & Restaurant (828-526-2121) Located three miles from Highlands, North Carolina. Situated on top of Flat Mountain, 4,300 feet into the clear mountain air where the natural beauty of the Nantahala National Forest is but a short hike or drive from their main entrance. <http://www.skyline-lodge.com/>

Fairway Forest Resort (828-743-3956) Located in the southernmost part of the majestic Blue Ridge Mountains. It offers easy access to hiking, skiing, golfing and fishing. *Please note that this is a mountain resort and there are multiple steps to get to the accommodations. Additionally, the 2-bedroom accommodations and 1-bedroom standard accommodations are 2 stories with 14 steps inside, while the 1-bedroom deluxe accommodations have 1 step inside.

<https://www.diamondresortsandhotels.com/resorts/fairway-forest-resort/?mkc=GOOGLEUS>

Mountain Vacation Rentals (828-743-0258) is a provider of premier vacation rental homes in the Cashiers area including Lake Glenville, Sapphire Valley, Trillium Links and Lake Club. Different Communities offer a variety of year-round and seasonal activities including private country clubs, championship golf, indoor and outdoor tennis, spa and fitness, motorized and non-motorized boating, maintained hiking trails, waterfalls, fishing. In the mountains the challenge isn't finding something to do but finding the time to do it all! <http://www.mountainvacationrentals.com/>

Wyndham Resort at Fairfield Sapphire Valley (828-743-3441) is conveniently located approximately 3 miles east on Highway 64 from the "four corners" intersection of Hwy 64 and 107. Our Saturday board meeting and dinner that evening take place at the Country Club of Sapphire Valley, and you drive through the Wyndham Resort grounds to reach the country club. The Wyndham has a wide variety of types of accommodations so ask the reservationist which options will best suit your needs.

<https://www.clubwyndham.com/cw/resorts/wyndham-fairfield-sapphire-valley.page>

There are many accommodations in the area with spectacular views. Hope you find the just the right one to let you unwind, relax and connect!

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Thursday, October 24, Evening – 6:00pm / Cocktail Reception / 7:00pm Dinner at The Library Kitchen & Bar, 184 Cherokee Trail, Sapphire, NC 28774 (828) 743-5512. It is the most colorful place to eat and drink in Sapphire Valley. The historic restaurant has a new vibe to it since its 2016 complete renovation with thought provoking art installations by co-founder and artist Marvin Gralnick. A special menu has been created just for us by Chef Johannes Klapdohr. Casual.

Friday, October 25, Morning/Afternoon at leisure. If you would like to enjoy a round of golf with your friends, please contact our Treasurer, Joseph Kalbac, at jkalbac@colson.com, (305) 476-7400, who will be coordinating tee times and groups. Courses for your consideration are Country Club of Sapphire Valley Golf and Trillium Lake & Links Club, 48 Links Drive, Cashiers, NC 28717 (828) 743-6161.

Friday, October 25, Evening – 6:00 pm. Cocktails and Dinner hosted by Kathy and Bob Cole at their home, at 6:30p.m. "Mountain Casual" means jeans are OK. Be comfortable!

Saturday, October 26, Morning – 8:00 am, Continental Breakfast followed by FLABOTA Board of Directors Meeting at Country Club of Sapphire Valley, 120 Handicap Drive, Sapphire, NC 28774 (828) 743-2462

Saturday, October 26, Afternoon – Optional activity - Please join us for lunch at 11:30 am, at Sapphire Valley Country Club, Mountain Veranda (weather permitting) or Main Dining Room (backup). Don't forget! If you're interested in playing golf with your colleagues, you may contact Joseph Kalbac, at jkalbac@colson.com, (305) 476-7400, who will be coordinating tee times and groups. Courses for your consideration are Country Club of Sapphire Valley Golf and Trillium Lake & Links Club, 48 Links Drive, Cashiers, NC 28717 (828) 743-6161.

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Other Activities - Your best source of information for things to do www.gocashiers.com/guide and ABOTA members who live in the area.

Hiking/Waterfall Sightseeing: Feel free to ask for ideas and explore trails on your own or join friends and colleagues on a group hike on some of long-time resident, Bob Cole's, favorite trails. We'll let you know where and when to meet.

CANCELLATION POLICY: FULL REFUND IF CANCELLED on or BY OCT 11. CANCELLATIONS RECEIVED ON OCT 12 or after, WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR A REFUND DUE TO FLABOTA'S PAYMENT MADE TO THE VENDORS. Cancellation notice must be sent by email to flabota@flabota.org.