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## Highlands decreases property taxes

After six special meetings spanning March through June, the Town of Highlands' \$28+ million FY 2019-'20 budget has been finalized and accepted. It will be in effect July 1, 2019 through June

30, 2020. However, at the June 20 Town Board meeting, Town Manager Josh Ward made a rare announcement. Highlands's current ad valorem tax rate of 16.40 cents per \$100

property valuation will decrease for '19-'20 to 15.65 cents per \$100 valuation; with 1.5 cents of that earmarked for recreation.

No one can remember when,

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## 'Buddy Holly' kicks off Playhouse season



Photo by Brian O'Shea

The Highlands Playhouse 81st season opened with a bang; Buddy Holly is back with timeless rock music and high-energy movement. The Playhouse guarantees you'll leave the theater wonderfully wound-up with a headful of Buddy's biggest hits; it's just that good.

The Buddy Holly Story is the first of three fabulous musicals offered this season - Oklahoma! and Always, Patsy Cline round out this year's lineup - creating a feel-good, toe-tapping, heart-warming

summer at the Playhouse.

"The Highlands Playhouse has built a reputation on delivering high quality entertainment featuring some of the next generation of American theatre stars," says Bill Patti, Artistic Director.

"Over the past nine years, our cast members, directors, choreographers, and designers have gone onto careers on Broadway, in National Tours, and at the major regional theatres across

• See PLAYHOUSE page 17

## In-town speed limits to decrease

### 15-min. parking spaces to be rearranged

A discussion at the May Town Board meeting about vehicles driving too fast on Hickory Hill Road has morphed into a revamping of the town's Traffic Schedule regarding speed limits on town-owned roads, inroads into Highlands and even the rearrangement of 15-minute parking spaces.

After a couple of Public Safety Committee meetings, Public Service Director Lamar Nix presented the board with speed limit recommendations on town-owned roads as well as limits on NC DOT roads into town.

As per Nix's and Police Chief Bill Harrell's recommendation, the standards (conditions) of existing roads were used to determine speed limits. Basically, speed limits on roads that don't meet construction widths to allow for centerline striping will not exceed 15 mph. In other words, those are basically only wide enough for one vehicle to travel safely so speed must be decreased.

It was determined that speed

limits on streets that do have center line striping would be decided on an individual basis but they won't exceed 20 mph.

Chief Harrell and the Public Safety Committee also discussed the speed limits on NC 106 and US 64/NC 28 as they approach the business district because they aren't consistent.

Currently, NC 106 and US 64 are posted at 35 mph to the First Street intersection. However, Nix said the pedestrian traffic on both these roads has made 35 mph unacceptable due to poor visibility and the lack of sidewalks.

Approaching town, NC 28 (Walhalla Road), Horse Cove Road and US 64 east (Cashiers Road) all have 25 mph speed zones. Nix recommended that the same go for NC 106 and US64/28 (Franklin Road).

According to the new traffic schedule which will be kept at Town Hall in the Code of Ordinances, town-owned streets are

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# • THE PLATEAU'S POSITION •

## • MAYOR ON DUTY •

### Lazy, inconsiderate people threaten 'convenience' for all



Highlands Mayor  
Patrick Taylor



ster on Oak Street across from Town Hall and toss trash bags from their trunks into the bins. Those dumpsters are rented by businesses on Main Street. What is really outrageous is that not only residents, but employees going to work, contractors and even other business owners who have not paid for the dumpster do it.

It has gotten so bad that someone recently jammed, and I mean forcibly stuffed, a couch into one of the dumpsters along with other construction materials. The dumpster could not be emptied following standard procedures. The sanitation crew had to bring in an excavator to remove the contents.

Last year construction materials, including 2x4s were thrown into a dumpster. When the town worker was using the truck to empty the

dumpster, the 2x4 fell out and was stuck at a critical point to where the dumpster disconnected and swung out, hitting and injuring the worker. Fortunately, he was not killed, but loss of work and substantial medical bills amassed.

So, getting back to the paint next to the dumpster; folks from everywhere are coming to these dumpsters and putting almost everything in them. The Town of Highlands pays for the tipping fees and cost of operating these dumpsters at the recreation center. They were supposed to be an alternative service for town residents to dispose household garbage. They have become problematic. It isn't and shouldn't be just a "the town" problem. It is the broader community's problem.

Another related issue is recycle contamination, even here. Other countries have stopped taking American recycled materials because much of it is contaminated, with things like paint, oils, chemicals and food. Some advocate a single-stream recycle system where a person or mechanical system sorts recycle materials. Those associated costs make recycling a questionable financial proposition. Good recycling starts literally at home. An even bigger issue is finding methods to cutdown on single-use materials.

So, what should "the town" do? First,

• See MAYOR page 14

## • HIC'S VIEW •



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"Anyhoo another millennium, another foolish species gone. Want some plastic?"

## • OBITUARIES •

### Ernestine Zachary 'Teen' Reed

Ernestine Zachary (Teen) Reed, 89, of Highlands, N. C. passed away on Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at the Eckard Living Center.

Born in Macon County, N. C. on September 3, 1929. Teen was the daughter of the late Lyman and Dora Zachary. She was preceded in death by her husband Eldon Reed; her brothers Claude



Zachary, Carl (Bub) Zachary, Lloyd Zachary, James Zachary and her sisters Rena James, Bernice Hedden, and Mattie Crawford.

She is survived by her daughter Jewell Crowley (DeWayne) of Patrick, South Carolina; son Morris Reed (Cindy) of Highlands, N.C.; three grandchildren Crystal Mangum (Clif-

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## • WEATHER •

	Friday 6/28		Saturday 6/29		Sunday 6/30	
	Daytime	Overnight	Daytime	Overnight	Daytime	Overnight
Temp	76 F	58 F	75 F	59 F	79 F	61 F
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Winds	3 g 5	3 g 4	3 g 4	3 g 5	4 g 6	4 g 6
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Rainfall	0.04	0	0.04	0	0	0
Snowfall	0	0	0	0	0	0

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**NEW ON MARKET:** The living room is spacious with a stone fireplace and wood floors; it opens to the expansive screened porch. The open kitchen keeps the conversation flowing with high island seating because everyone likes to gather in the kitchen. The master suite has "his and her" closets, "his and her" vanities, high-end fixtures in the bath and opens to the deck. Low maintenance landscaping and a separate golf cart garage. Located in Highlands Falls Country Club.

**MLS# 91259 | Offered for \$895,000**



**NEW ON MARKET:** Located at the end of a cul de sac less than 2 miles from town, this great home is in immaculate condition. The kitchen has a pass-through to the living room and opens to the dining room, which is large and has a picture window to enjoy the mountain view. The big surprise is a finished lower level with a large family room, a kitchenette, another room to sleep overflow com-pany, a third full bath, and access to the lower deck.

**MLS# 91293 | Offered for \$597,000**

## NEW on MARKET & PRICE CHANGES!

**PRICE CHANGE:** Exceptionally well maintained, charming in-town 3BR/3BA with single car carport located less than a mile from Main St. Open living/dining area with fireplace. Granite countered kitchen with SS appliances. Two bedrooms on main and master suite on upper level. Large deck surrounded by a canopy of trees. Lower level could be finished into additional living space. Located in Shelby Place subdivision with clubhouse and tennis court amenities.

**MLS# 89855 | Was \$479,000 NOW Offered for \$395,000**

**PRICE CHANGE:** This lovely home features lots of natural wood and re-finished floors. With three bedrooms and two and one-half baths on the main level, it also features a garage, workshop, and additional room downstairs. The owners have made great improvements, including a new deck, retaining wall, new paint, encapsulated crawl space, appliances, and the price includes furnishings with only a couple of exceptions. Lovely back yard and nice patio. Don't wait!

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**MLS# 90428 | Offered for \$549,000**



**HIGHLANDS** In-town living with long range views! Built in 2002, this three bedroom, two bath home offers great views atop Little Bear Pen, located less than five minutes to downtown Highlands. The home has a den/office, formal dining room, laundry room, and large two-car garage. All three bedrooms, and two full baths are located on the main level of the home. The master bedroom has access to the spacious deck featuring incredible views.

**MLS# 88978 | Offered for \$489,000**

**HIGHLANDS FALLS CC** This villa has a light, bright open floor plan with vaulted, beamed ceilings, gleaming hardwood floors and a lovely stone fireplace. The kitchen is open to the great room and has plenty of space for even the most discerning cook. The great room opens to a large covered deck with wonderful views of the 10th hole at Highlands Falls CC, some ridge views, and the lakes. The beautiful furnishings in the home are available for purchase separately.

**MLS# 90948 | Offered for \$487,000**



**PANTHER MOUNTAIN** You will fall in love with the coziness, charm and privacy this home has to offer. There are three bedrooms on the main floor in a split bedroom plan. The master opens to the deck and the great view. The great room is vaulted and the home has lots of wood enhancing the mountain ambience. Sit out on the back deck and enjoy the unobstructed view. With an updated floor plan, neutral colors, and generator, you will lose yourself in the peace and quiet.

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ton), Michael Crowley, Jackie Petrone (Vince); three great-grandchildren, Caston, Nathan, and Zoey; and three sisters, Mildred Wilson, Lillian (Li) Waller, and Lucille Potts.

Teen will be remembered as a loving wife, mother, grandmother and sister. She touched the hearts of many and was a true blessing to all who knew her.

A funeral service will be held Sunday, June 23, 2019 at 3:00 pm in the sanctuary of the Shortoff Baptist Church with the Rev. Delbert McCall and the Rev. Ralph Campbell officiating. Burial will follow at the Highlands Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 2-3 pm prior to the service. Pallbearers will be Dennis Wilson, Ronnie Waller, Jody Zachary, Don Fisher, Olan Vinson and Steve Pierson.

Donations in her memory may be made to Shortoff Baptist Church, PO Box 1217, Highlands, NC 28741, or the Eckerd Living Center, "The Bingo Gang," 250 Hospital Dr., Highlands, N. C. 28741

Online condolences can be left at [www.bryantgrant-funeralhome.com](http://www.bryantgrant-funeralhome.com). Bryant-Grant Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the Reed family.

## Marcia Adella Hook Perkins



Marcia Adella Hook Perkins passed away Saturday, June 22, 2019, at the age of 91 in Highlands, NC where she had lived for almost 40 years. She was able to continue to be in her home with failing health due to the devotion of her son Dennis and two daughters, Angie and Christine as well as several loving caregivers.

Marcia was born on December 22, 1927 to Caroline (Richards) and Edgar Hook on the family farm in Chelsea, VT. She was one of nine children: six brothers and two sisters. She is survived by June Beck of Scaly Mountain, NC and Leslie Hook of Randolph, VT. She was preceded in death by five brothers, Warren, Stanley, Edgar, Clarence, James and one sister Ellen Harington.

Marcia graduated from Chelsea High School in Chelsea, VT as class Valedictorian, and she loved to tell stories about walking to school many miles in all kinds of weather. She was married to Carl Perkins in 1946 and they later divorced. She leaves 10 children, Roger (Kippy) Perkins of Thetford, VT, Gloria (Roland) Potwin of South Royalton, VT, Beverly (Duane) Wheeler of Sharon, VT, Marcia Rogers of South Royalton, VT, Edgar Perkins of Chelsea, VT, Judy Pederson of Claremont, NH, Dennis Perkins of Highlands, NC, Angie Manley and her partner Jerry Frady of Franklin, NC, Tim Perkins of East Topsham, VT, Christine Perkins of Highlands, NC; one son, Carl Perkins of Groton, VT preceded her in death. She also had two stepchildren, Anthony Perkins of Sharon and Marilyn McIntier Hosmer of Topsham, VT. In her later years, she met the love of her life, James Wyatt of Franklin, NC and they spent six wonderful years together until his death in 2016. Marcia had 32 grandchildren; 42 great grandchildren; 11 great-great grandchildren; several step grandchildren as well as many other family members. A Celebration of Life will be held from 4-6 pm Saturday, June 29, at Highlands Community Building. Drop in to visit or join us for food by bringing a covered dish or dessert. The family will provide finger foods, utensils and drinks.



**DOG SPEAK****REFLECTIONS FROM LORD BANJO****On becoming a star: Part 1**

Once upon a time, before I gave any thought to writing a book, I spent my days by Mum's side . . . well, mostly at her feet. Whether she was on a conference call for her corporate job or quietly working on her newspaper columns — yes, Mum's a writer, too — I could be found snoozing beneath her desk.

I might take a walk with Dad, but when we got home, I'd wander upstairs, get a treat from Mum, and settle beneath the desk to snooze — until, that is, Dad mentioned lunch. I managed to join him in the kitchen for a bite of ham while he fixed his sandwich, and then it was back to Mum.

Writing a book meant I spent more time awake at her feet, dictating my story while she typed. By then, Mum had retired from her full-time job and could devote her every waking hour to typing my book and writing her columns. After we put in a good chunk of work time, I'd accompany Mum downstairs where she'd fix dinner while Dad and I watched the news.

It's hard to say how we established our daily routine, but I've always stuck to Dad in the evenings. I lie beside his recliner with his hand all but glued to my belly. If his hand leaves my side, I give him a tap with the royal paw, the signal for him to put his hand back where it belongs.

I may now be known as the Royal Pooch, but our weekday routine has remained pretty much the same. Sure, the royal revelations in my DNA results made me swell with pride and put a bounce in my step; and, sure, I made a few teensy-weensy demands as befits a descendant of French Royalty.

I must point out that the only demand



The Royal Pooch Lord Banjo

my Royal Parents met was that they now occasionally refer to me as Lord Banjo. They have yet to give me table scraps, and they've never invited me to sleep in their bed. My life remained pretty much the same, until, that is I finished my book "Lord Banjo the Royal Pooch."

I thought it was great fun to bark my story as Mum typed and had no idea that writing about my privileged life was only the beginning. They — whoever they are

— say we dogs live in the moment, and I guess that's what I did because I never gave much thought to what would happen after my book came out.

First came the new wardrobe. In preparation for my debut as an author, Mum enlisted Miss Beth as the Royal Seamstress to make a robe and crown. Those two laughed and laughed over Mum's sewing skills or lack thereof. It was Miss Beth who put in Mum's zippers way back when they were in high school Home Ec class. Mum learned to cook but never took to sewing.

No worries; we spent the day with the Royal Seamstress as she designed and produced a magnificent robe — purple velvet lined with lavender satin, topped off with a white fur collar and gold clasp. How was I to know the robe was only the beginning? Read the rest of the story in next week's column.

PS. To see me in full royal regalia, visit the local author booth at the Village Arts & Crafts Festival June 29-30. You can even get an autographed copy of my book.

• *Lord Banjo lives in Georgia with his Mum, Kathy Manos Penn. Find similar stories in his book, "Lord Banjo the Royal Pooch," available at Mountain Paws in Highlands, Books Unlimited in Franklin, and on Amazon. Contact him at ink-penn119@gmail.com.*

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## How to Price Real Estate

The most important factor in selling real estate is setting the correct price. If it isn't priced correctly, it isn't going to sell. There are three primary methods used in valuing real estate.

The Cost Approach estimates value using the reproduction or replacement cost of the building, less depreciation, and adding that to the value of the land. This is rarely used for residential real estate sales. The Income Capitalization method is based on the present worth of future rights to income. This is primarily used on income producing properties like retail space, commercial buildings and apartment complexes.

The method primarily used in residential real estate and land is the Sales Comparison approach. It is a comparison of the prices of recently sold property to a seller's property in terms of location, style, and amenities. Adjustments are made for different factors that differentiate the subject property from those used as comparables. These are factors like the acreage; number of bedrooms and baths; car storage; condition of the property; and the level of finishes inside.

Here in the mountains, adjustments are made on the view or a location on water. Appraisers use this method, and if prepared by a broker, it is referred to as a CMA (Comparative Market Analysis) or a Broker Price Opinion. When picking properties to use, the sales must be recently sold under normal market conditions in a competitive market. In this case bank-owned or foreclosed property cannot be used.



Carl Romberg  
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A CMA or Broker Price Opinion is much more than just what the broker "thinks" a property may sell for. Sellers should request to see the CMA and look at the properties used, the adjustments and discuss the final price recommendation.

This past week our firm represented a couple selling with a new listing that went on the market on Wednesday. It was shown multiple times by different brokers and received

two offers late Friday. After they accepted and signed one of the offers, the husband asked if they sold too cheap. As it turns out, the recommended listing price was higher than they had originally expected. The listing agent had done her job and performed a CMA, to determine what the likely sales price would be and the seller's accepted the recommendation. In this case it was a property in very good condition, a good location and priced correctly - SOLD!

Depreciation, both physical and functional must also be taken into consideration. Each of these can be either curable or incurable. Physical depreciation that is curable could be a roof that has leaked for years and requires extensive repairs inside and out, then the building can be used again. Incurable would be where so much of the structure has deteriorated that it must be torn down. Functional obsolescence is a loss of value to a real estate improvement from functional problems, often caused by age or poor design. An example of functional obsolescence would

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# • WORD MATTER •

## Fact versus Opinion, Again

The late, erudite Senator from New York State, Daniel Patrick Moynihan, famously reminded a speaker before a Senate committee, “You, sir, are absolutely entitled to your own opinion. You are not, however, entitled to your own facts.”

I’ve shared this before but – in my opinion – it bears repeating.

Webster defines as fact, “a thing that is known or proven to be true.” Ergo, fact = true. He identifies as opinion, “a view or judgment formed about something, not necessarily based on fact or knowledge.” Ergo, opinion = belief. The italics are mine.

What’s worrisome is, many of us confuse fact and opinion either accidentally or because we choose to.

We may recall one of President Trump’s advisors, Kellyanne Conway, during a news interview, saying that then-administration press secretary Sean Spicer offered ‘alternative facts’ when discussing the size of the crowd attending the 2017 inauguration. The advisor was incorrect. What Mr. Spicer said, when comparing the size of the crowd to that of President Barack Obama’s inauguration, was demonstrably false.

Now, were his and her statements lies? No, not necessarily, but they were mistakes and, in the opinion of some, intentional misstatements.

That Webster guy defines a lie as, “something stated with intent to deceive.” I believe almost all of us at some time or other make an untrue statement. But do we always intend to deceive? Probably not. That “probably not” comment is my opinion, but it could also be a fact.

This may surprise you but the term “alternative facts” employed by Kellyanne Conway is – in fact – a real thing.

We hear alternative facts all the time on newscasts, regardless of the media outlet. And, contrary to whatever we tell ourselves regarding what we see, hear and read, we should never assume that “the news” in most media, is the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. Heck, that doesn’t even apply in court, and in court people swear to it under oath.

Say, for example, a weather reporter uses a meteorological forecast to validate the statement that, “twenty million people are in the path of this storm system.” Is the reporter stating a fact, or is he/she offering an opinion? I think it’s fair to say the reporter is offering an “educated opinion.” That said, is the report, at its essence, factual? It probably is, because if the forecast is accurate, then approximately that number of people may be – in fact – in the path of the storm.

In case you’re still awake, and in case your head hasn’t yet exploded, let me remind you that this fact versus opinion stuff gets complicated, and is therefore open to confirmation, repudiation, and skepticism. Mostly, it’s open to interpretation and, by extension, research, for validation.

I promise, I’m not trying to confuse or confound you. I’m attempting to illuminate the problem with accepting as fact something that is offered, either as an opinion, or is unsupported by anything confirming it as fact.

People who spend time in religious observance often take as the gospel truth, if you will, things unsupported by



**Bud Katz**

flapdoodle, and outright nonsense. It’s all designed to influence thought or behavior, or to help sell some product or service.

These days, it’s all referred to as content, and so much of the content we receive is provided without regard for its

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Presenter: Jeffrey Vickery
- **iOS Intermediate**  
Tuesday, July 2 Time: 10:30-3:30 Cost: \$75/\$85  
Instructor: Nigel Sixsmith
- **From "C" to Shining "C": Diary of an American Tenor**  
Tuesday, July 2 Time: 3-5 Presenter: Gran Wilson
- **Wind, Solar and Battery Storage Energy: Silver Bullet or Passing Fancy?**  
Monday, July 8 Time: 2-4 Cost: \$25/\$35  
Presenter: Stephen Arbogast
- **Apple Music**  
Tuesday, July 9 Time: 10:30-3:30 Cost: \$75/\$85  
Instructor: Nigel Sixsmith
- **Afghanistan: Constant War**  
Tuesday, July 9 Time: 2-4 Cost: \$25/\$35  
Presenter: Eren Tasar
- **South Asia's Cold War: India and Pakistan** Wednesday,  
July 10 Time: 10-12 Cost: \$25/\$35 Presenter: Eren Tasar
- **Apple Watch and Apple TV**  
Thursday, July 11 Time: 10:30-3:30 Cost: \$75/\$85  
Instructor: Nigel Sixsmith
- **The Supreme Court's Recent Rulings**  
Thursday, July 11 Time: 10-12 Cost: \$25/\$35 Presenter:  
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- **Our Senior Years: Better Known as Retirement** Friday,  
July 12 Time: 10-12 Cost: \$25/\$35  
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# HIGHLANDS AREA EVENTS

## Ongoing

- Summer Movies at the Playhouse Sundays 4 & 7 p.m.; Monday & Tuesday 1, 4, & 7 p.m.
- The Bascom is open Friday - Monday 10am -5pm (Sundays 12pm - 5pm). Visitors are welcome to enjoy the newly updated Story Walk Trail throughout the week.
- At the Highlands Recreation Dept. pool. Public Swim Monday-Thursday 11a-7p Friday and Saturday 11a-6p and Sunday 1-6p.

## Monday - Saturday

- Mountain Findings Thrift Store on Spruce Street is open from 10a to 4p.
- Fibber Magee's Clothing Thrift Store on Laurel Street is open Tues.-Friday 10a to 4p and on Saturday from 10a to 2p.

## First Mondays

- Shortoff Baptist Church non-denominational Men's Mtg at 7p.

## Mondays

- At the Nature Center. Free. Garden Tour. 10:30am. Enjoy a walk through the Botanical Gardens with our knowledgeable staff, viewing beautiful native plant life in diverse habitats.

- At the Rec Park, Dance2Fit classes with Tori Schmitt at 5:30pm.

## Mon. & Thurs.

- The Joy Program at HUMC 11:30a to 1:30p. Includes a free lunch and a variety of programs and games. All seniors are welcome. For more info, call Tricia Smith at 828-338-8167.

## Mon.-Wed.

- Hip Hop classes with Tori Schmitt 5:30-6:30.

## Mon., Wed., Fri.

- Heart Healthy Exercise Class Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30am-9:30am.

- Step Aerobics with Tina Rogers 8-9a.

- Gentle Yoga at the Rec park at 9:15-10:30 a.m.. All levels welcome.

## Mon., Wed., Thurs.

- Pickle Ball at the Recreation Department Gym 10:30am -1pm

## Tuesdays through July 30

- Free Community Yoga and Gentle Movement at The Ball Field with Rachel Kinback, Certified Yoga Teacher, 500hr; 5:30-6:15p. People of all ages and ability levels are invited to meet at the Ball Field for fun, expressive, gentle Yoga and Movement. This 45 min guided practice will be inclusive, so come as you are. Packing a blanket or exercise mat and water bottle is encouraged. The baseball field site is located adjacent to the Highlands Community Building off N. 4th St./ Hwy 106 headed toward Cashiers. Restrooms will be available on site.

## Tuesdays

- At the Nature Center. Free. Turtle and Toad Feeding. 11:30am. View our live animals at their most active -- feeding time!

- FREE Community Table Dinner at the Community Bldg. at 6p.

- The Highlands Writers Group meets Tuesday, at 3pm in the downstairs boardroom at The Bascom. Writers at all levels of proficiency are welcome. For additional information, contact Bud Katz, 828-526-3190 or [budandlynn@me.com](mailto:budandlynn@me.com).

- The Humanist Discussion Group meets from 10:30-11:30 am in the Meeting Room at the back of the Hudson Library.

## Third Tuesday

- The Macon County Poultry club meets to discuss topics related to raising backyard chickens. For more information please call 828-349-2046 or 828-369-3916.

- Highlands Area Indivisible Group meets at 5 pm in the Meeting Room at the back of the Hudson Library.

## Tuesday and Thursdays

- At the Rec Park, Dance2Fit with Tori Schmitt at 7:30am.
- Exercise Class with Michelle Lane at 5:30. A combination class with many different styles of exercise at Rec Park.

## Wednesdays

- At the Nature Center. Free. Mad Science. 2:30pm. Try your hand at scientific inquiry with a brief hands-on program aimed at youth ages 7+ (younger ages OK with supervision).

- At Community Bible Church, 5-5:30p - Dinner - Free (Donations Appreciated) 5:45-7p - G.R.O.W. Get Real on Wednesdays - Classes offered on money management, addiction, discovering your spiritual gifts and personality type, studying the bible, evangelism, parenting, marriage, grief, and more. All are welcome! Visit [www.cbchighlands.com](http://www.cbchighlands.com).

- Power Flow Yoga with Nalicia Allio a certified Yoga Instructor 12-1pm and 6:30-7:30pm.

## First Wednesdays

- Family Movies at the Hudson Library at 3:30pm. Call 828-526-3031 for titles.

## 3rd Wednesdays

- Recently released movies at Hudson Library at 2pm. Call 828-526-3031 for titles.

## Wed. & Fri.

- Duplicate Bridge 12-4pm at Rec Park.

## Thursdays

- Through July 18, The Church of the Incarnation Grief Support Group Thursdays, from 4 - 5:30, The group will not meet on July 4th. The purpose of the group is to offer support for those suffering from life transitions, such as terminal illness, death of family or close friend, miscarriage, and relationship or job loss.

- At the Nature Center. Free. Exploration Hike 2:30pm. Visit forests, streams, and other spots across our campus, experiencing unique habitats and honing your observation skills.

- Storytime at Hudson Library, 10:40 am. Open to the public

- Kids Zone at Hudson Library, 3:30

- NAMI Support Group for individuals dealing with mental illness and the family members of individuals dealing with these challenges from 7 - 8:15pm at First United Methodist Church Out Reach Center on West Main Street in Franklin Call Donita (828) 526-9510.

- Hip Hop classes with Tori Schmitt at 6:30-7:30 at the Rec Park.

## 2nd Thursdays

- Sapphire Valley Needlepoint Guild meets at the Highlands Rec Park at 10 a.m.

## 3rd Thursdays

- Kidney Smart Classes in Franklin: from 4:30-6pm, Angel Medical Center, Video Conference Room, 3rd Floor, 120 River-view St. Contact Majestic 828-369-9474

## Fourth Thursday

- At the Hudson Library, Kids Zone LEGO Club. Intended primarily for kids in grades 1-5, LEGO Club allows creativity and STEM skills to develop together as kids enjoy making LEGO creations.

## Fridays

- At the Nature Center. Free. Turtle and Snake Feeding. 11:30am. View our live animals at their most active -- feeding time!

- Live music in Town Square from 6-8 p.m.

## First Fridays

- The Bascom at Sotheby's series features different artists each month with a reception the first Friday of every month at Highlands Sotheby's International Realty from 4-5:30p at the corner of Main Street and Highway 64 across from The Old Edwards Inn. The public is invited to come meet the artist, view the exhibit and have some wine.



# • HIGHLANDS EVENTS •

• At the Rec Park Pool. Movie Float-in Night - all ages First Friday night of every month. Pool opens at 6:30p and movie starts at 7 p.m. Call for movie title and prices. For any other information call 828-526-1595.

## Fourth Friday

• Community Coffee with Mayor Pat Taylor at the Hudson Library in the Meeting Room from 11a until noon.

## Friday - Monday

• At the Bascom, 10am - 5pm (Sundays 12pm - 5pm): Free Admission to exhibition spaces and SmArt Space for children. For more information call 828-526-4949.

## Saturdays

• At The Bascom, Pottery Sale in the barn from 10a to 5p.

• The Bascom Knitters on the Terrace at The Bascom from 10 am until noon or downstairs in The Bascom Library room.

• At the Nature Center. Free. Creature Feature. 11:30am & 2:30pm. Experience one or more of our live animal ambassadors up close while learning about their fascinating adaptations.

• Free music in the K-H Founders Park on Pine Street 6-8 p.m.

## Sundays

• Live Music in OEI's Hummingbird Lounge 8 p.m. to close with Paul Jones.

• Church in the Wildwood, hymn singing each Sunday through Labor Day weekend from 7-8 p.m.

## Through July 6

• At the Playhouse, "The Buddy Holly Musical." For ticket call 828-526-2695 or go to [highlandisplayhouse.org](http://highlandisplayhouse.org).

## Thurs., June 27

• At CLE, Thoughts that Transform Grief. Time: 2-4 Cost \$25/\$35 Presenter: Jane Williams. To register please call 526-8811 or visit [www.clehighlands.com](http://www.clehighlands.com). Cost is \$25 for members/\$35 nonmembers. Walk-ins are welcome!

• At CLE, The Novel of the Year (2018): There, There by Tommy Orange. Time: 5:30-8:30 Cost \$40/\$50 Presenter: Brian Railsback. To register please call 526-8811 or visit [www.clehighlands.com](http://www.clehighlands.com). Cost is \$25 for members/\$35 Walk-ins welcome!

## Fri.-Sun. June 28-30

• At Acorns on S. 4th Street, a Planet Clothing and Southern Botanics Trunk Show from 10a to 5p.

## Fri., June 28

• At CLE, Gardening with Succulents. Time: 10-12:30 Cost \$30/\$40 Instructor: Lisa Dailey. To register please call 526-8811 or visit [www.clehighlands.com](http://www.clehighlands.com). Cost is \$25 for members/\$35 Walk-ins welcome!

• Live music at Town Square from 6-8 p.m. Southern Highlands

• At The Bascom, Diane McPhail, author of "The Abolitionist's Daughter" public book reading and signing in The Bascom's Greehey Atrium 4-5p.

## Sat. June 29

• Live music at K-H Founders Park on Pine Street. 6-8 p.m. Arnold Hill

• The Highlands Performing Arts Center will present "Broadway's Next Hit Musical" on Saturday at 8pm. Every song is fresh. Every scene is new. Every night is different. It's all improvised and it's all funny. Master improvisers gather hit song title suggestions from the audience and create a spontaneous evening of music, humor, and laughter. The audience votes for its favorite song and watches as the cast turns it into a full-blown improvised musical - complete with memorable characters, witty dialogue, and plot twists galore. A limited number of tickets are still available: on line: [www.highlandspac.org](http://www.highlandspac.org) or by calling 828.526.9047. Highlands Performing Arts Center, 507 Chestnut Street.

## Sat. & Sun, June 29 & 30

• The Village Square Art & Craft Show. Top-notch artists and crafters from around the mountains. Food and music. 10a to 5p both days, rain or shine. FREE. K-H Founders Park, Pine St. Highlands. Sponsored by Mountaintop Rotary of Highlands. For info call (828) 787-2021.

## Tues., July 2

• The Plateau Fly Fishing Club will meet at 7p in the Cashiers' Library large meeting room. Speaker is Michael Cheek, Asst. Regional Forester for Western NC. The program is free of charge. Questions? Call Alan McDonald.

• At the Nature Center. A Buggy Evening 9-10p. Experience bugs in a whole new light-moonlight! Learn about the nocturnal insects then sample for fireflies, moths, and more in the Botanical Garden.

## Thurs., July 4

• 10a Boy Scouts build and launch Bottle Rockets Town Ball Field; 11a Traditional Field Games Town Ball Field; 12p MAMA Medical Helicopter Town Ball Field Weather Permitting, and it is not on a call; 11a-2p Hot Dog fundraiser by the Rotary Club of Highlands Town Ball Field; 2p Duck Derby Rotary on Mill Creek; 6-8p Concert at Founders Park (No Alcohol Allowed); 9p or dark Annual 4th of July Fireworks.

• The Highlands Men's Chorus annual patriotic concert at 8pm on Thursday at Highlands First Presbyterian Church. The concert will consist of many favorite patriotic songs. There will also be a sing-along with audience participation. The American Legion Post 370 Color Guard will present the Colors. If the town fireworks show is cancelled due to rain, the concert will still take place. AND it will be over before the fireworks. The church is located at the corner of Main and Fifth Streets. Come early to get a good seat!

## Fri. July 5

• Live music at Town Square from 6-8 p.m. Foxfire Boys.

## Sat. & Sun., July 6-7

• At The Bascom, a book signing with author of the "Magnolia Bayou Cookbook," Matt Terrell



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now 15 – 20 mph. Signage will be erected on all the streets. However, the town has to ask NC DOT to change and post limits on NC 106 and US 64.

In addition to speed limit adjustments, changes were made to the parking map concerning 15-minute parking spaces.

Four 15-minute spaces were removed from the parking schedule: the one by OEI at 4th and Main streets, the one by Sweettreats at 4th and Main streets, the one by Molly Grace on 4th Street and the one by Smitten on Main Street.

To be added are two 15-minute spaces at the Presbyterian Church on 5th Street, two 15-minute spaces by the Masonic Lodge on 3rd Street and one 15-minute spot in front of Sweettreats on Main Street.

Commissioners also asked the Public Works Committee to look at finalizing decisions concerning the elimination of dump-

sters in rights-of-way – primarily Oak Street

They said too many people are using the dumpsters illegally or putting construction debris in them instead of just “household” garbage.

Dubbed “Sanitation Pickup Revisions and Implementation of BearWise Protocols,” the mayor has asked the Public Works Committee to consider creating ordinances to deal with sanitation pickup – perhaps to require homeowners to have bear-resistant toters with a bar.

“Injuries to backs, shoulders and arms are adding up and all our trucks have the ability to flip in toters with the bars,” he said. “At some point we need to address this.”

Other ordinance additions would be in conjunction with BearWise initiatives concerning garbage and even bird feeders.

– Kim Lewicki

## ...WORD MATTERS from page 11

impact on the audience, or the individual audience member’s belief system.

The scary part for me, and it should be scary for you as well, is that many of us make a choice to not fact-check what elected officials, news reporters, or advertisers communicate. We either accept it, if it conforms to our worldview, or

dismiss it if it doesn’t.

Senator Moynihan was correct. Everyone is entitled to his or her own opinion but no one has the right to his or her own facts, just because we choose to believe something. And we shouldn’t share possible misinformation with others until we first confirm it for ourselves.

## ...MAYOR continued from page 2

get rid of multiple-use dumpsters wherever possible. Businesses will need to use bear-resistant toters which will be provided, thereby taking ownership of only waste they generate. Residents and businesses need to implement sound disposal practices, not just dumping construction materials and liquids anywhere they think is convenient to them, and that no one will

notice.

Finally, the town needs to find a site for a recycling and convenience center and partner with the county in its construction and operation. Finding a site will be the challenge. How long will the dumpster service continue at the recreation department is another question. Those paint cans do not paint and optimistic picture.

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## Carl Roerig Hartrampf Jr. MD

Carl Roerig Hartrampf, Jr., (86) a sixth generation native of Atlanta and resident of Atlanta, GA and Scaly Mountain, NC, died Thursday, June 20th, at home with his family by his side.

A pioneer in reconstructive surgery, Dr. Hartrampf became world renowned for his advancements in using autogenous tissue for reconstruction after mastectomy, known as the TRAM flap. His numerous awards include the American Cancer Society Distinguished Service Award for originating the TRAM flap.

Graduated in 1956 from the Medical College of Georgia with a Doctor of Medicine, he trained in general surgery at UNC Chapel Hill followed by plastic surgery training at Wash-

ington University (Barnes Hospital), St. Louis.

The Hartrampf Research fund is endowed at UNC-Chapel Hill to perpetuate innovation in surgical procedures, a passion of Carl's.

He and his wife Pat loved being at their farm, Winfield, in Scaly Mountain, NC where they raised chickens, kept bees and tended to their flower garden all while playing with their eight grandchildren. They also had extensive collections of primitive tools, furniture, maps and books which they shared with UGA's Har-

trampf Rare Books Library, the Atlanta History Center and The Bascom Museum.

A beloved father and friend, he was a teacher, mentor, storyteller and gracious host; he will be missed by all.

Carl is survived by his wife Pat, Children: Valli Hartrampf Carter (David) of California, Carl Hartrampf III (Avery) of Atlanta and Havalyn Hartrampf Hensley (Joe) of Atlanta and brother, John A. Hartrampf.

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In lieu of flowers, we invite you to make contributions to The Hartrampf Research Fund.

<http://uncmedicine.org/hartrampfmemorial>. Visitation will be at Patterson and Sons Spring Hill, Atlanta, GA July 14, 2-5pm

# ...PLAYHOUSE

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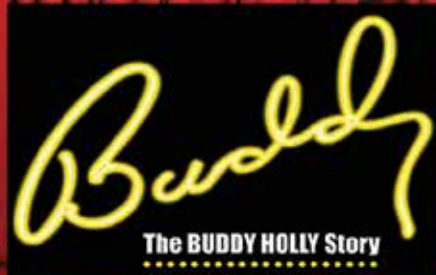
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**Jay Wamsted** has taught Math at Benjamin E Mays High School in southwest Atlanta for 14 years.

In addition to an essay forthcoming in *Harvard Educational Review*, his work has been featured in various journals and magazines, including *Mathematics Teacher*, *Qualitative Inquiry*, and *Sojourners*. "Walls" his 2017 essay published in *Little Patuxent Review* was named a Notable Essay for this year's *Best American Essays*. He can be found online at *The Southeast review*, *Under the Sun*, and the TEDx YOUTUBE channel, where you can watch his 2017 talk "Eating the Elephant: Ending Racism & the Magic of Trust." He and his wife have four young children, and he rides his bicycle to and from work just about every day.

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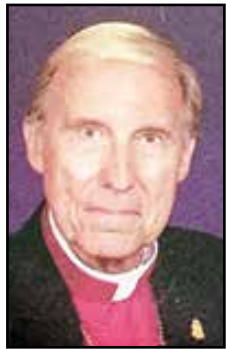


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## Walking a tightrope: Tolerance without compromise

Archbishop John S. Erbelding

Someone coined a phrase that has more meaning today than ever before: "Tolerance without compromise." To be tolerant of others, it is not necessary to accept their beliefs or to live like they live. In fact, one may be tolerant of another person and still vigorously oppose everything pertaining to him -- and yet grant him his right to be what he is.

Tolerance does not mean that we must think or act with the majority, or that we must compromise our own convictions. Tolerance may simply mean that we are aware that no two people think or believe exactly alike, and that all of us have a right to think and believe and live as we choose, if we can do so without interfering with these same rights where others are concerned. Not easy. Even when a person opposes prevailing opinion, tolerance would respect his right to do so, so long as he is respectful and doesn't wrongly interfere with others' freedom. This is as prevalent in world affairs as it is in religious beliefs and prejudice.

In a wonderful book written by Barbara Brown Taylor, "Holy Envy, Finding God in the Faith of Others," she, during her 20 years teaching Religion 101 at Piedmont College and her previous position as an Episcopal priest in Clarkesville, GA, relates that her own faith was deepened as a Christian by studying and meeting with leaders of other major faiths to learn their vision of God from their faith perspective and viewing this without the prejudice of "my faith is the only faith" which many in all faiths find hard to do if not impossible.

More than 20 centuries ago Jesus suggested one way to tolerance without compromise when he thanked his Father in heaven for his followers who were in the world but were not of the world.

Sometimes people make the mistake of supposing that tolerance means that we must do the things that others do, that we must live the way that others live -- but in supposing this, have failed to learn one of the greatest lessons of life: that a man may be tolerant without compromising himself or his background or beliefs or his convictions or his habits -- the tightrope.

Tolerance without compromising principles is not only possible, but it is one of the absolute essentials for the peaceful living of life.

Daniel Patrick Moynahan, a four term United States Senator and ambassador, said it best and should be remembered: "Everyone is entitled to his own opinion, but not his own facts." Oh, how hard to live this.

### Proverbs 3:5

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if ever, the tax rate went down even when a "revenue neutral" stance has been taken by the county or the town.

After a general reappraisal of real property is conducted, the NC General Statute 159-11(e) requires government units to publish with the budget a statement of the revenue neutral rate. The revenue neutral property tax rate is the rate that is estimated to produce revenue for the next fiscal year equal to the revenue that would have been produced by the current tax rate if no reappraisal had occurred.

But Highlands went a step further, "because we could," said Ward.

The county's recent reval put Highlands property values at \$1.835 billion up \$84.283 million from the last reval and last year's property valuation of \$1.751 billion.

To determine the revenue neutral tax rate, a "growth factor," which is due to improvements since the last general reappraisal, is used to calculate the tax rate based upon the average increase in the tax base.

Since the Town of Highlands average growth rate is calculated at .04%, the revenue neutral tax rate is 15.65 cents per \$100 valuation, said Ward.

"We have the money we need, so we can do this," said Ward.

Commissioners and Mayor Pat Taylor commended Ward and Finance Director Rebecca Shuler for a job well done.

"I want to commend them for their diligence in doing this budget especially for going back and researching to pinpoint the precise formula for the revenue neutral determination. I'm not sure we have been doing that in the past, but I am really gratified that they did it," said Taylor.

Commissioner John Dotson seconded the mayor's comments.

"They did yeoman's work in getting this revenue neutral figure down to what it is. I know in the past we have worked on what we considered to be balanced budget terminology and to my knowledge we have not taken into account reappraisals in our budget and I think being able to do this is above and beyond," said Dotson.

### Water/Sewer Rates

To provide the revenue needed to balance the water department operational budget over the next several years, the finance committee suggested an increase water/sewer rates.

Effective July 1, 2019, the base rate inside the town limits will increase by \$1 from \$35 to \$36 but to offset this, what is considered "base usage" will increase from 2,500 gallons to 5,000 gallons.

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— Kim Lewicki

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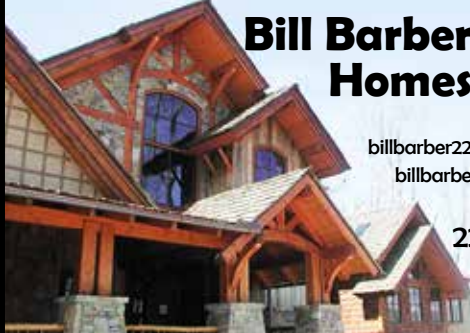
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# POLICE REPORT

**Highlands Police entries from June 10. Only the names of persons arrested, issued a Class-3 misdemeanor or public officials have been used.**

## June 10

- At 1:25 p.m., officers received a report of a larceny at Brushy Face Preserve where 3 bags of Galax plants were taken valued at \$1,000.

## June 12

- At 6 p.m., officers received a report of a burglary breaking and entering at a residence on Paul Walden Road where a cop cam, electric hair trimmers and a Rolex watch were taken for a total value of more than \$5,000.

- At 6:30 p.m., officers received a report of possible trespassing at a residents on Bowers Road.

## June 13

- At 11:11 p.m., Freaan Theanis Erasmus, 24, of Sugar Mountain, NC, was arrested for driving Under the Influence and transporting after consuming. He was issued a \$500 unsecured bond. His trial date is Aug. 19.

- At 2 p.m., officers responded to a call of a simple assault on Main Street where a woman was grabbed by the arm to get them to come into a store.

## June 14

- At 7:13 p.m., officers received a report of a burglary breaking and entering at a residence on Paul Walden Road.

## June 15

- At 9:30 a.m., officers received a report of cyberstalking by taking over a Facebook account and then creating a new account in the victim's name to distribute obscene photographs.

- At 11:40 a.m., officers responded to a one-vehicle accident on US 64 and Mirror Lake Road.

- At 2:40 p.m., officers received a report of a motorcycle being taken from behind Wolfgang's Restaurant on Oak Street.

- At 4:15 p.m., officers received a report of Hosta and Day Lily plants being stolen from a residence on Lucerne Drive.

## June 16

- At 5:30 p.m., officers received a report of safecracking at a residence on Paul Walden Road from which 13 bags of quarters were taken.

## June 17

- At 12:50 p.m., officers responded to a two-vehicle accident on US 64 and Third Street.



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