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Highlands School 'Great Beginnings' era ends

By Lane Giddings

It's August and time to think about the upcoming 2016-'17 school year!

Highlands School opens its doors to students August 29th.

With the start of any new school year comes changes. One big change this year is the elimination of the combined kindergarten and first grade class called Great Beginnings. Though, before, parents had

a choice, now there is a separate kindergarten and a separate first grade class.

The Great Beginnings class was an unique concept at Highlands School for about 15 years

and was a combination of kindergarten and the first grade. By combining two grade levels in one classroom, it helped the school utilize its teacher resources more effectively,

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Look who came for dinner!



In Highlands bears wander through yards like stray dogs and cats in other towns. This youngster rooted at the base of trees, considered climbing a few and lapped up everything else of value despite dogs barking, people talking and cameras snapping. Photo by Kim Lewicki

HEC is about 'People Helping People'

Since 1985, the Highlands Emergency Council's mission has been about people in this community helping those in need.

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First Presbyterian Church of Highlands is hosting the sixth annual community-wide Food for Fuel luncheon on September 4th. This luncheon gives the community the opportunity to meet HEC's board of directors and learn more about HEC and its services.

The free lunch is provided by the church, but donations are encouraged. Any proceeds collected at this event will go to the HEC's fuel fund.

Last year over \$10,000 was collected at the luncheon and was used to help provide heating assistance to 58 families in the Highlands community. The luncheon is from 11:45 to 1:45 pm. Reservations are not needed.

In addition to providing food

and fuel, HEC also has other important community-oriented offerings.

They include a Christmas Program for children 12 years and younger, a Utilities Help Fund which was started in 2013 at the request of local area churches to help those with past due electric balances during the winter, a Clothes Closet, Dish and Linen Room, Small Appliance Room and Warehouse which holds all types of household items: beds, tables, chairs, pictures, sofas, large appliances.

The HEC is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday at 71 Poplar Street next to Wilson Gas. For more information, call 828-526-4357.

Suspect in 1977 Florida murder arrested at his Highlands home

Found at 42 Pheasant Run

By David Ovalle
Miami Herald

Thirty-three years to the day that Coral Gables nurse Debbie Clark was viciously beaten and shot to death, her former lover is under arrest and charged with

murder.

On Thursday, Aug. 4, 2016, investigators arrested retired real estate agent Allen Bregman, 75, of 19209 Black Mangrove Court, Boca Raton, FL and Highlands, NC – the longtime suspect who

once filed an insurance claim on the slain woman's life.

"The Macon County Sheriff's Office was contacted by the Miami Dade Police who asked us to assist in locating a suspect in a 1977 murder investigation," said Macon

County Sheriff Robert Holland. "Our deputies arrested Alan Bregman at his Highlands home without incident and he is currently incarcerated at the Macon County Detention Center with no bond."

Bregman will soon be extra-

ditioned to Florida to face charges of First Degree Murder.

New to Highlands, Bregman and his wife closed on their Highlands home at 42 Pheasant Run on July 1, 2016. They paid \$470,000.

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• THE PLATEAU'S POSITION •

• MAYOR ON DUTY •

The town vs. NC DOT and more

I was at my house building cabinets for our new kitchen on Monday. I heard trucks and heavy equipment operating in a nearby area. I thought to myself we had another home or building going up in the vicinity.

I continued all afternoon cutting and fitting critical pieces for the new cabinets and continued to hear the heavy equipment operate.



**Mayor
Pat Taylor**

like, "if you don't pay, you don't get to play."

Now some folks may say, "Listen to that mayor giving yet another alibi. He now can't control NC DOT in its paving of roads in Highlands. Last year he was whining about why he couldn't control the NC State Patrol from setting up road checks in Highlands. And the year before he was making excuses why he couldn't control

On Tuesday afternoon Bob Frye, the Town Manager, told me some residents were not happy with the resurfacing of Forman Road. I immediately realized the equipment I heard on Monday was paving equipment on nearby Foreman Road.

The NC DOT made the decision to resurface Forman with a chip and seal surface instead of traditional asphalt. A number of roads in the area have chip and seal. On Foreman, the chip and seal was applied over the existing paving. Time will tell if it is a stable and long lasting surface.

Some may wonder why the town allowed DOT to do this paving job. Simply put, Forman is State Road 1553. DOT owns the road and its right-of-way and is responsible for maintaining the road including periodic resurfacing. The state pays for repaving the road, not Highlands.

To be blunt, the Town of Highlands has no control over what DOT does on state roads. We were not informed, nor consulted about the Forman Road project. That is the way the road system is set up in North Carolina. On the other hand, the town does not have to get permission from the state to repave town roads. It is kinda

the military from its helicopters flying at low levels over Highlands. Furthermore, it took a year for the mayor, working with residents, to get the speed limit lowered on Webbmont, another state-owned road. The mayor is so weak he couldn't call the DOT and tell them to lower that speed limit. Their traffic experts had to study and analyze the request." OK, I guess I'm guilty as charged. But, in North Carolina mayors are not community sovereigns, but advocates. There is a big difference.

It's not that NC DOT doesn't listen, but it does have a big program throughout the state for resurfacing state roads. Its engineers and planners follow a schedule and automatically resurface roads at given intervals. They view this kind of resurfacing as a minor, routine project that requires no consultation with other agencies.

Now the town could request to take over control of all state roads within the town limits. The state would seriously consider the request, and certainly it would be advantageous for the town. Or would it? With ownership comes stewardship, so the

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• WEEKEND WEATHER •



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• OBITUARIES •

Sonya Felecia Day

Sonya Felecia Day, 35, of Glenville, NC passed away on Sunday, August 7, 2016. She was born in Jackson County to Kathy Ellison Day and the late Rickie Day. She loved animals; loved the outdoors and hunting with her dad. She was a member of Hamburg Baptist Church in Glenville.

In addition to her mother, Sonya is survived by her brother, Joey Day of Glenville and her niece, Ella Day.

A memorial service was held on Fri-



day, August 12, 2016 at Hamburg Baptist Church with Rev. Nathan Johnson and Rev. Johnny Norris officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to Duke Children's Hospital at the following address: Duke Children's Office of Development, 710 W. Main St., Durham, NC 27701. <https://www.gifts.duke.edu>

Bryant-Grant Funeral Home and Crematory served the Day family. Online condolences are available at bryantgrantfuneralhome.com.

Katherine Dayton Davis

Katherine Dayton Davis, age 86, of Franklin, NC, passed away Saturday, August 13, 2016. She was born in Clay County, NC, the daughter of the late Grover and Maude Kirby Dayton. She was married to the late William Garrett Davis. She was a homemaker and a member of Cartoogechaye Baptist Church, where she was active in Sunday School and Bible School.

Mrs. Davis was a doll collector, she served as a volunteer at the Banquet Table, and enjoyed going to the Senior Center.

She is survived by a daughter, Jearlene Talley (Cliff) of Highlands, NC; son, William Garrett Davis, Jr. (Pat) of Franklin, NC; sister, Nancy McDowell (Clinton) of Newborn, GA, grandchildren, Will Davis, Niki Bloedow (Steven); great-grandchildren, Coby and Colson Bloedow. In



addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a sister, Ethelene Smith and two brothers, J. D. Dayton and Clarence Dayton.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 17, 2016 in the Chapel of Bryant-Grant Funeral Home, with Rev. Brian Southard and Rev. Steve Reeves officiated. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery. Pallbearers were Will Davis, Michael McDowell, David Anderson, Dennis Reese, Tim Brackett and Jerry Anderson.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Cartoogechaye Baptist Church, 465 W. Old Murphy Road, Franklin, NC 28734.

Bryant-Grant Funeral Home and Crematory is serving the Davis family. Online condolences are available at www.bryantgrantfuneralhome.com.

• LETTER •

It takes a village

Dear Editor,

Isa Noble's letter- to-the-editor in the July 28 edition of Highlands Newspaper entitled "Concerning the future of Mirror Lake" brings up an important and timely subject. Although my wife and I have only lived in Highlands for 16 years, we have watched the slow disappearance of a beautiful lake to siltation.

My conversations with people who have lived in Highlands for many years, include their memories of ice skating to the top of Cullasaja Drive or how great it used to

be when the lake teemed with trout. When asked about why the lake is being allowed to fill up with silt, the response most heard was frustration over the complexity of dealing with governmental agencies and how difficult it has been to garner local support because it is a private lake.

Since its creation Mirror Lake has always been a valuable asset to all citizens and visitors to the town. Yes, it is private, but it has never been an issue when any resident or visitor wanted to ice skate, fish, canoe or just sit in

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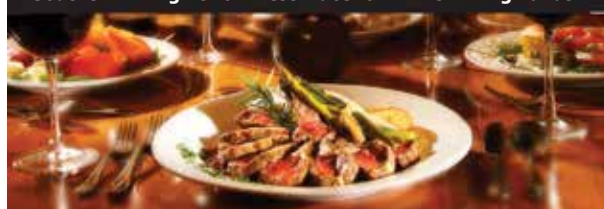
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and it utilized the concept that older students could help younger students learn and assimilate more quickly to the social and academic requirements of a school.

In the past it offered more hands-on teaching which, in turn, would help the advancement of the students during fundamental years. The system worked well for many years with kindergarten students learning by watching and working with first-graders. In return, the first-grade students learned through helping and presenting an example to the less advanced, younger students.

However, with the pressure of statewide testing and the fact that all elementary teachers now use hands-on teaching methods, the school and its teachers have looked at more flexibility in scheduling.

"The testing 15 years ago was nothing compared to what it is now," said Highlands School Principal Brian Jetter. "Today's students endure testing at the beginning, middle, and end of each school year to measure the progress made by each student. The teachers, too, are then evaluated by the State of North Carolina based on the results of this testing."

Jetter said there are gaps between different age groups that must be addressed.

"Think of a kindergarten room. When you think of the child who comes into kindergarten least prepared, and you think of the child who comes into kindergarten most prepared, while that gap may be wide, it is not going to be too wide because it is mitigated by the fact that all the students are kindergarten students. They are all in one grade level," he said. "When you compare that to the child that comes least prepared as a kindergartener with the child who comes most advanced as a first-grader, all of a sudden the gap can grow to a huge amount. We have first-graders who are really accelerated, and we have some kindergarteners who come

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Miami-Dade homicide detectives David Denmark said "good police work" led them to Highlands. "He was discovered through several investigative tools we have as a police department."

The new evidence in the cold case: fingerprints and a DNA sample from a hair discovered on Clark's body, according to an arrest warrant obtained by the Miami Herald.

His lawyer, Barry Wax, has long insisted that detectives

behind. So, it's about the gap between the two and the amount of testing that's going on now. There are increased demands by the state on kindergarten and first-grade students to learn ever more challenging skills at a younger age. Teachers have to focus on specific strands of information and knowledge with kids. It's hard to do that with this gap."

While it is evident the pressures of state-mandated testing and the effective use of the school's resources influenced this decision, ultimately Mr. Jetter left the decision to the teachers because he felt they have the most experience with the state curriculum they are required to teach in kindergarten and first grade.

"They are the ones who will be judged by the state based on student achievement," he said. "The kindergarten and first-grade teachers had a complete understanding of the number of incoming students for the upcoming year, as well as the testing requirements the students would be facing, before making their ultimate decision to split kindergarten and first grade in to separate classes."

Jetter noted both the positive and the negative impacts of splitting the students.

"One of the positive impacts -- along with lessening the gap between the students skill levels -- is that this will enable teachers to focus on strands of information that are just for kindergarteners or just for first graders," he said. "Negative impacts of the divide will probably be some loss of the interaction between kindergarteners and first-graders. Kindergarteners can learn from first-graders. The bottom line is we have to use our resources -- our teachers -- the very best we can in any given grade level. And, we have to listen to the teachers' wants and needs."

Jetter said not much else will change this year -- only things that may improve the school.

"I think this year will be very much like last year. We had a great year last year, and I think this year will be just as great," he said.

-- then, and now -- have no evidence to convict Bregman.

"Allen was not involved in this young woman's death," Wax said Thursday. "It's no surprise that Allen's DNA was found in the apartment, which he owned and visited regularly."

Clark's mysterious murder in August 1977 had been largely forgotten until the Miami Herald published a story in February of this year detailing a renewed investigation by Miami-Dade police.

Clark worked as a nurse at Coral Gables hospital. She began dating Bregman, who was married at the time and was the son of a wealthy Miami property owner.

According to a search warrant filed in Miami-Dade circuit court, he bought the unit at the Oasis townhomes, located at 4710 SW 67th Ave., that she lived in. He rented it to her and sometimes lived there, too, according to her friends. Police said he kept a closet of clothes and belongings there.

"It was later learned that Allen Bregman would tell his wife he was going away on work trips so that he was able to spend time with the victim at the apartment," according to a search warrant.

Clark's bloodied body was found on her bed inside the townhouse after fellow nurses grew worried when she never showed for her night shift.

According to the search warrant, the town home was not ransacked and showed no signs of forced entry. And Bregman's clothes and other personal effects that friends had seen in the apartment were gone.

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•THE FREDSTER•

A lesson in crisis management Meet Mr. B.

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Fred Wooldridge

But this is not about his baklava and since his name is too hard to spell, I'll just call him Mr. B. His philosophy in life was as follows. If you worked for a government agency and red tape, rules and regulations and a host of other stupid items were in the way of your project, create a crisis and move on. I personally watched him create crisis after crisis over and over again with great success.

Since Mr. B was installing our police department computer system and no one would approve of him installing an offsite backup system, his crisis management technique went into effect. Sooooo Mr. B. rigged his system to automatically fail at two in the morning. No one on duty could get it to work. Mr. B. was called and guess what? He woke up the bosses and informed them if he had the backup system he had requested, none of this would have occurred. Of course, there was nothing wrong with the computers but only Mr. B could fix it since he was the one who broke it.

Out of panic the money for the backup system was immediately funded and Mr. B. went right to work on getting what he wanted. He had created a crisis that didn't exist. Oh, and did I mention Mr. B and I were good friends, mostly because I was a bit of a poop stirrer myself back in the day. But I have softened and he is dead.

If Mr. B. worked for the town of Highlands we would not have a trash problem. He would create a major crisis by having unknown persons purposely trash our town regularly. We would be drowning in trash. He would hire folks from Franklin to trash our streets, putting our town in crisis mode. Money would have

to be found to hire temporary seasonal people to clean up the mess. The only reason our current trash system doesn't work well is that we have not reached crisis mode and are kinda' "just getting by" without it.

And here's another example of how crisis management could work. I live inside the town limits and only a short distance from Highlands Plaza. There's an abandoned and dilapidated empty house owned

by the town not too far from my house. I've been begging the town fathers to tear down the house but nothing yet. Now, just for fun, let's pretend that Mr. B. owns my house.

He would immediately recognize that our town fathers lacked the necessary glandular accoutrements to get the job done. He would call his friends in Miami and have them mail him a half dozen wharf rats. The docks in Miami are loaded with them. Then Mr. B. would release the rodents inside the abandoned building and video them running around. The video would be given to his motherly looking great aunt who would march into town hall to show the video to our town fathers. With her thick Greek accent, she would say "If my sweet little seven-year-old grand-daughter who lives just down the road gets bitten by one of those rats and she gets rabies, I will clean out this town of every cent it owns."

The next morning, two bulldozers and two dump trucks would demolish the house in about two hours. End of problem...end of threat.... everybody's happy.... except for maybe the people driving black pickup trucks who use the property to dump their trash.

And here's the topper. The next day Mr. B would arrive at town hall with a large tray of his homemade baklava and everyone would love Mr. B.

Oh, and to CYA, the wharf rats would be killed shortly after the video was taken.

And for those who are never really sure what I make up, let me tell you Mr. B. really existed along with his baklava. That pertaining to Highlands was made up. "DUH" to those who never made it past the third grade and can't separate the two!

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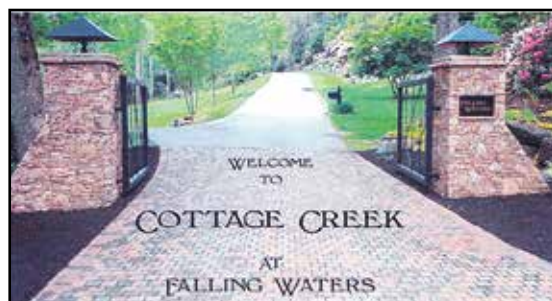
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- The Joy Program at HUMC from 11:30a to 1:30p. Includes a free lunch and a variety of programs and games. All seniors are welcome. For more information, call Tricia Smith at 828-338-8167.

Mon., Wed., Fri.

- Heart Healthy Exercise Class 8:30am-9:30am at the Rec Park.

- Aerobics with Tina Rogers 8-9a.

First Tuesdays

- The monthly family support group for those with family members, friends, or loved ones living with the challenge of mental illness meets at 7 p.m. at Memorial United Methodist Church, 4668 Old Murphy Road, Franklin. For info call 369-7385.

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- OccupyWNC meets at the Jackson County Justice Center. For more information, visit www.occupywnc.org or call 828.331.1524

Tuesday and Thursdays

- Zumba with Connie at the Rec Park 8:15 a.m. \$5.
- Pickle ball from 11:30a to 1p in the gym at the Rec Park.

Wednesdays

- 499ers Bridge Club at the Rec Park at 8:45 a.m. Be seated by 8:30.

- Open Duplicate Bridge at 1 p.m. Be seated by 12:45 a.m.

1st 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.

Thursdays

- Storytime with Miss Deanna at Hudson Library 10:40 am. Open to the public.

- Zahner Lecture Series at 6:30 p.m. at the Nature Center. Free

- Weight Watchers support group meets every Thursday at 5 pm at Christ Church of the Valley. Call Lisa 828-506-3555.

- NAMI Support Group for individuals dealing with mental illness: depression, bipolar, schizophrenia, etc., and the family members of individuals dealing with these challenges from 7 – 8:15 pm. at First United Methodist Church Out Reach Center on West Main Street beside Bryant's Funnel Home. Call Donita for more info (828) 526-9510.

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

- Kidney Smart Classes in Sylva: from 7:30am-9am, DaVita Sylva Dialysis Center, 655 Asheville Highway, Contact Sue 828-631-0430

Fridays

- 99ers Bridge Club at the Rec Park at 9 a.m. Be seated by 8:45 a.m.

- Open Duplicate Bridge at 1 p.m. Be seated by 12:45 a.m.

- Friday Night Live, 6-8pm in Town Square. Live music. Free

Every 2nd Saturday

- A group meets at the Hudson Library at 10am. There are speakers, videos, recipes, health tips, and more to educate people about any health issues. Group is a non-profit. Contact Kelly Woods 828-421-3520 or live4above@aol.com

Saturdays

- At MountainTop Wine Shoppe on Main Street, free wine tastings from 1-3 p.m.

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

- Highlands Marketplace at K-H Park 8a to noon.

- The Bascom Knitters on the Terrace at The Bascom from 10 am until noon. In event of cold/rain, meet downstairs in The Bascom Library room.

Thurs., & Fri., Aug. 18-19

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Thurs. Aug. 18

- Rock 'n Roll in the 50s and 60's – 2 – 4PM, CLE Lecture Hall, Peggy Crosby Center. 828-526-8811.
- At the Nature Center, Zahner Lecture: Darwin's Oddball Army at 6:30 p.m. Free.
- "My life with ADD/ADHD: history, science and coping" will be presented by NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) on Thursday, at 7pm at Memorial United Methodist Church, 4668 Old Murphy Road, Franklin. Public welcome. For more info: Ann Nandra 828 369-7385.

Fri., Aug. 19

- Carnival in the Americas – 2 – 4PM, CLE Lecture Hall, Peggy Crosby Center. 828-526-8811.

Sat. Aug. 20

- The annual 5K race starts at 6PM at the Kelsey Hutchinson Park (Founders Park). Registration (\$40) and check-in will start at 4PM. Concert is free for the public, bring chairs, coolers, refreshments, blankets to join us for the evening music, starting around 7:30PM, Glow sticks for the kids. Kids under 5 run for free. Day of race price will be \$40. Please register at the website at www.highlandstwilight5k.com.

- Canada/U.S. Relations - 10 AM – Noon, CLE Lecture Hall, Peggy Crosby Center. 828-526-8811.

Sat. & Sun., Aug. 20 & 21

- Highlands Village Square Art & Craft Show. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.. New location at High-

lands (Bryson's) Plaza on Hwy. 106. Regional art & crafts, live music. Sponsored by Macon County Art Assn. FREE! For info call (828) 787-2021.

Mon., Aug. 22

- Flower Arrangements from Your Garden – 2 – 4 PM. Peggy Crosby Center Porch. 828-526-8811.

- At 1st Presbyterian Church, 'Joy in the Journey' booksigning and reception at 10a.

Tues. & Thurs., Aug. 23, 25, 30 & Sept. 1

- Watercolor Painting in the Style of Andrew Wyeth & Winslow Homer – 10:AM – NOON, The Bascom. 828-526-8811.

Tues, Aug. 23

- Cosmology Workshop – 10 AM – 3:M, CLE Lecture Hall, Peggy Crosby Center. 828-526-8811.

Wed., Aug. 24

- Summer Interlude Concert at the Episcopal Church at 2 p.m. Todd Skitch, Flutist and Robert Henry, Pianist.

- Saucy Champagne – 3 – 5 PM, CLE Lecture Hall, Peggy Crosby Center. 828-526-8811.

Thur., Aug. 25

- The Bascom Book Club meets on the 4th Thursday of the month. Meetings are held in the downstairs conference area at the Bascom. The meeting time is 3-5p. The Keepers of the House by Shirley Ann Grau and The Time

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the world at 6:30 p.m. Free.
Thurs., - Sun., Aug. 25-28
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Although real estate values have stabilized in our local market over the past two years, the Highlands-Cashiers area has held better in value and with fewer foreclo-

sures than most parts of the country. I believe this is because our typical property owner does not depend entirely on the economy for survival. The majority of landholders are second homeowners and/or investors. Many have paid cash for their properties. In fact, a good portion of this small, yet significant segment of society depend on earning interest to make a living.

The Federal Reserve is still keeping interest rates at an all-time low in an attempt to boost the economy. Their theory is that lower rates will encourage people to make investments in real estate, small businesses and consumer

purchases. This theory remains ineffective because banks are now being governed with such conservative lending practices, it may be difficult for consumers to qualify for loans. Interesting enough, these difficulties do not just extend to the average borrower. The well-to-do who hold large portfolios of cash and non-liquid assets may have trouble getting financing because many are not showing consistent annual income (a large key today in qualifying for a loan). This is due in part because they are earning very little interest. Thus, both buyers and sellers are suffering, even though this is one of the best times in history to purchase property at exceptional values.

Certificates of deposit (CD's) are still the most secure investment,



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but they are currently earning an average interest rate of 1+%. If you happen to own property free and clear of mortgages, you could sell and easily earn a 3 to 4.5% return by holding owner financing. This could off-set selling your property at a lower value than previously expected, plus increase your annual income substantially. Mortgages can be relatively short term investments. It

is not uncommon for an owner financed mortgage to have interest only monthly payments with a scheduled balloon payoff in three to five years. Again, the typical Highlands-Cashiers buyer is affluent and more often than not they pay cash for real estate. However, in these times they may desire a mortgage until they can sell an existing property or they may be awaiting a scheduled pay-off from another investment.

Mortgage loans have been the backbone of the banking industry since the foundation of our country. They have only recently become problematic due to poor lending practices prior to the recession. In the remote case that foreclosure becomes necessary, seller financing puts one in a position to sell the property again at the market value at that time, with the possibility of receiving even higher profits. Upon selling the

property again, the seller could cash-out, reinvest, do a 1031 exchange or hold yet another mortgage on the property at the going interest rate at that time.

Let's consider a fresh perspective on a conservative, yet traditionally profitable venture. Holding a mortgage is a sensible and practical approach to investment in today's economy. A professional agent with experience in owner financing and knowledge of the local real estate market will be able to assist you and direct you to those other professionals who have the best knowledge regarding owner financing.

• Lynn Kimball has over 42 years of real estate experience, with 31 years serving the Highlands Cashiers area. She has gained Emeritus Status with the National Association of Realtors and previously served as a Director and Vice President for the Highlands Cashiers Board of Realtors. Whether you are interested in searching properties or comprehensive information about our area, you are invited to visit her user friendly website at www.signatureproperties-nc.com. Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Meadows Mountain Realty has three locations, at 41 Church Street in the Old Edwards Inn complex, at 488 Main Street or visit Lynn at her 2334 Cashiers Road location across from Highlands Falls Country Club. Lynn Kimball may be reached at 828-421-8193 or by email at Lynn@MeadowsMtnRealty.com

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Chestnut Hill. Nicely situated 3br/2ba on quiet road. The open greatroom is vaulted, bright and airy, screened in back deck and open deck. \$290,000. MLS #82934



This timeless and wonderful home was once owned by the renowned botanist Thomas Grant Harbison and is on the National Registry of Historic Places (see Wikipedia). This historic home features 5br/3ba and a sleeping porch on 3.29 acres! \$1,070,000. MLS #82122



Newly renovated 3br/3ba home in Scaly Mountain. Charming, quiet country home with a long range view. This home lives large with vaulted ceilings and a wonderfully modern and fully renovated kitchen w/ granite counter-tops. \$290,000. MLS #84520



This comfortable, livable, 2 br, 3 1/2 ba home with additional guest quarters is in a most desirable walk to town location. This home is great for entertaining! Great screened porch with fireplace, 2-car garage. \$519,000. MLS #83227



Highlands Falls Country Club. An amazing remodel of this 3br/3 1/2ba beautiful home. Every space was updated. 3 en suites plus a guesthouse, privately located, club membership optional. \$759,000. MLS #82523



Immaculately cared for 4br/4 1/2ba home in Highlands Falls Country Club. Great mountain view, very private and has a lovely water feature, 2 screened porches, wonderful office/den, high wood ceilings, 2 stone fireplaces. Club membership is optional. \$1,097,000. MLS #83833



Great view of pond and 11th fairway from this 2br/2ba condo in Highlands Falls. Upper unit with few steps to enter is light, bright and fully furnished. Club membership is optional. \$225,000. MLS #83619



This updated 4 bedroom, 3 bath villa style home located at the end of a cul-de-sac in Highlands Falls Country Club offers amazing views of the golf course, lake, mountains & National Forest. There are 2 complete living areas. Club membership is optional. \$379,000. MLS #83450



Bright, light, open floorplan makes this 3br/3ba home in Highlands Falls live large. Soaring ceilings in greatroom, large screened porch, all on one level, low maintenance landscaping, club membership optional. \$587,000. MLS #82248



In HIGHGATE one of the highest altitudes in Highlands. This 5br/6 1/2ba home is in this upscale private community within a 4 minute drive to downtown Highlands. Open floor plan, high ceilings and 5 en suites. \$1,275,000. MLS #83155A



Walk to town from this gentle home-site with 250 feet of road frontage and view of Mirror Lake! No one can build across the street City water and sewer is available. \$147,000. MLS #84287



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Lake Sequoyah access. Wow! Oozing with Old Highlands Charm! This adorable 3br/3ba cottage sits well back from the road. Wonderful family/sunroom with terraced gardens. \$599,000. MLS #81800.



Fabulous non-traditional 3br/3ba mountain home in Highlands Falls was remodeled and designed by Darren Whatley. End of road privacy with forest service land on two sides. The terrace level features a large family room. Club membership is optional. \$698,000. MLS #67817



Great mountain view from this well maintained 3br/3 ba home in Highlands Falls. Open floor plan with island kitchen, vaulted ceilings throughout, 2 car garage, stone faced fireplace in great room, partially covered deck. \$465,000. MLS #84522



Excellent 3br/2 1/2ba home features open floor plan with privacy and mountain views in Highlands Falls. Granite countertops, hardwood floors, and more. Club membership is optional. \$374,900. MLS #84375



Riverwalk . 3br/3ba/1hb in Highlands Town Limits. Brand new luxury home being built with superb quality, finishes & design! This home offers bright open spaces, vaulted ceilings, outdoor fireplace and a carport. \$950,000. MLS #82612



Cullasaja Club. This 5br/4ba/2hb home on the 6th fairway has mountain and lake views and large open spaces. This home offers extensive quality features and includes sunroom, 2 offices, wine room & cellar, billiards room, great outdoor decks, patio & firepit. \$1,390,000. MLS #83731



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• SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING •

Praise and Thanksgiving – A Testimony

Dr. Mark Ford

First Baptist Church Highlands

I want to use my turn for “Spiritually Speaking” for a personal testimony. First, I want to thank God before you all for His miraculous healing on my life these past two months. Space will not allow me to share all the details of God’s grace at work on my behalf, but it comes down to a life-changing surgery and the miraculous results that surprised doctors and nurses at Duke University Hospital.

A tumor, approaching the size of a tennis ball had been growing in my head since conception, and was wreaking havoc on my life in incrementally worsening ways. In the last year, my battle with headaches and petit mal seizures turned to clonic-tonic or grand mal epileptic seizures. As one neurologist made clear to me, I was a dying man. But with the intervention of many people – too many to mention – I was placed in the capable hands of Dr. Allan Friedman, a world renowned neurosurgeon and Dr. Radtke, head of neuroscience at Duke.

What for eight years had been diagnosed as an inoperable temporal lobe cyst and the best scenarios being that of managing the symptoms or radical surgery with serious consequences, was miraculously removed on June 24th as a benign epidermoid tumor deep in my brain. A five-hour surgery became a one-and-a half hour surgery, surprising the medical team given numerous MRIs over the years that said otherwise. My recovery was likewise phenomenal, again surprising the medical team as we were up walking six hours after the craniotomy surgery and out of the hospital in 36 hours with no pain or need for pain medicines. All that remains is a large scar that will forever remind me of God’s grace at work through His providential appointments and use of a gifted medical team.

Now I carry the great responsibility of passing on these blessings to others as a witness and a new beginning of ministry without the handicap that has been with me for 59 years. I praise God for His marvelous work and mercies toward me, and for His use of gifted people to show that He is a God of surprises and hears prayers.

Which brings me to my second point of thanksgiving. I want to thank the town and churches of Highlands for their support and prayers for us these past two months. It has been overwhelming as we experienced your outpouring of concern. And it all reminds me of J. C. Ryle’s words when he spoke of our tendency to think only of our own souls, our own spiritual conflicts, our own progress in the faith, and then forget others. Against these tendencies, we have to watch and strive, especially in our prayers. He says, “We should study to be of a public spirit. We should stir ourselves up to name other names beside our own before the throne of grace.” I have been the recipient of such a “public spirit” and know without a doubt that my name and my needs were held in constant prayer before the throne of God. I witnessed the results and felt the power and peace that can only come from God’s grace by the intercession of so many in this town. I am the walking evidence of God’s goodness and miraculous healing because so many in Highlands and literally around the world prayed for us.

The best way to conclude this testimony is to again quote Ryle. He said, “This is the highest charity. He loves me best who loves me in his prayers.” Thank you for your love, people and churches of Highlands.

Proverbs 3:5

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• POLICE REPORT •

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

Aug. 3

• At noon, a resident of VZ Top reported someone using his personal information for fraud.

Aug. 9

• At 3 p.m., a lost purse valued at \$50 was reported.

Aug. 10

• At 3:10 p.m., officers responded to a one-vehicle accident on NC 28 south.

Aug. 12

• At 2:30 a.m., Lynn Swanson, 64, of Ft. Lauderdale, FL, was arrested for DWI and for resisting, delaying and obstructing justice. She was issued a \$2,000 unsecured bond. Her court date is Oct. 3.

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town would have to maintain and repave all those roads turned over by the state. We are challenged to maintain and pave the 30 miles of town roads we already have, so additional roads would invariably trigger a possible tax increase. I'm not sure the control of additional roads would outweigh those costs.

Tonight is the Highlands Town Board meeting beginning at 7pm. We meet at the Highlands Community Building. The agenda is rather small.

There will be a public hearing on editorial and consistency changes to the UDO. We also have a request for a sewer easement and a request to donate a piece of unbuildable property to the town.

A major item will be the review of

budget amendments to the recently approved budget for FYI 2016/'17. The commissioners voted to table the budget amendment request at the July meeting to further study this important item. Several commissioners have concerns about these budget modifications.

The board will also hear a request to adopt a resolution making Highlands a Bee Friendly Community. This project would be done in partnership with the Highlands Biological Station and the Highland Biological Foundation. The goal is to nurture and protect our bee pollinators that are critical to the plants and agriculture of the area. We have many unique bee species residing on the plateau.

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Detectives believe in the days before the murder, Bregman was in New York when a friend called to say that his wife, Florence, had learned about his affair and planned to file for divorce.

On Aug. 4, 1977, Bregman flew from New York to Miami, arriving just before the nurse vanished. Clark's decomposing body was discovered Saturday, two days later. The following Monday, court records show, Florence Bregman filed for divorce. The next day, Bregman filed a \$148,000 life insurance claim with Allstate Insurance, a claim that was contested in court. A 1978 docket shows that Bregman invoked his Fifth Amendment right to remain silent during court proceedings.

The case was re-opened in May 2014. Earlier this year, Miami-Dade homicide detectives David Denmark and Jonathan Grossman took DNA and fingerprint samples from

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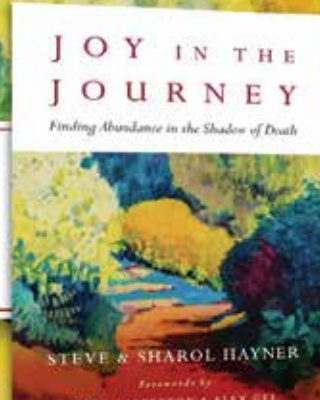
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Bregman.

According to the warrant, Bregman's fingerprints matched ones found on an ashtray near Clark's bed, and on a sliding glass door in the townhouse. The ashtray may have been used to beat Clark to death, police said.

Miami-Dade's crime lab also analyzed the hair found on Clark's arm and found it "was consistent" with a DNA sample provided by Bregman, according to the warrant.

Village Square Art & Craft Show is this weekend in Highlands Plaza

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The bottom line is we are all watching the death of Mirror Lake from siltation. Seven acres along Cullasaja Drive have already been overtaken by silt. Now designated as "wetlands," regulations make it impossible to take action to reverse the process. The recent appearance of green grass on the silt berms where Mill Creek enters and to the side of the new Mirror Lake bridge are clear indications that those portions are being overtaken as well.

Under leadership of new President, Paul Wilgus the Mirror Lake Improvement Association is committed to take the lead in trying to save Mirror Lake. Last month the Association approved the hiring of an engineer to pursue a course of action which will lead to a completed application for a permit to dredge the lake, or some portion of it. Environmental reports will be obtained by third parties as required to get the permit. Dredging is only a stop gap measure until a multi-phase solution can be crafted to stop future siltation and

hopefully remediate some of the damage already done. Based on past experience this task is not one the MLIA can accomplish alone.

Let's be clear, Mirror Lake is a valuable asset to all the citizens of Highlands and not just those who live along its shores. When Mirror Lake can no longer accept additional silt, the issue will simply move into Sequoyah.

Isa's concerns are valid and we

all need to keep an open mind and get involved in the development of a workable solution. Saving Mirror Lake is going to require the support of the Town of Highlands and everyone who values our natural resources and wants to preserve them for generations to come.

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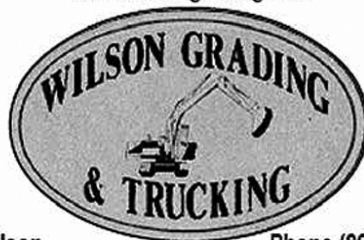
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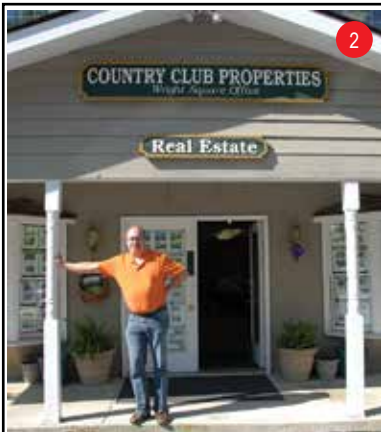
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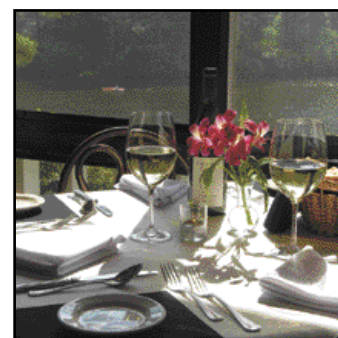
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