**Zachary Field deal struck; park to grow**

Thanks to Macon County Commissioner Jim Tate, the expansion of Zachary Park on Buck Creek Road has come to fruition. At its May meeting held in Highlands, the board voted 3-2 (Commissioners Ron Haven and Paul Higdon voted no) to swap a parcel not contiguous with the park boundaries for an almost-equal part that is contiguous.

At the Tuesday, June 11 Macon County Commission meeting, the swap was finalized as was the agreement to purchase an another contiguous parcel with the same 3-2 vote.

“I’ve been working on this a long time,” said Commissioner Tate. “In fact, the very first time.”

**Students behind bill that makes fake weed illegal**

It was legal, but thanks to a group of tenacious students in Franklin it won’t be by July 1, 2013.

The increased use of synthetic marijuana spawned the formation of the local group “Citizens Against Synthetic Marijuana” whose core includes Cassidy Ledford, Casey Holland, Adrian Martinez and Elizabeth Ellis.

Since early this year, they have worked relentlessly with the Sheriff’s Office as well as community leaders all the way to the General Assembly via Senator Jim Davis to get something done. Senator Davis met with the group in March and introduced legislation which didn’t pass but he backed the bill that did pass.

The result? House Bill 813 has been ratified and only lacks Gov. Jim McCrory’s signature. Once that promised signature is had, it will be illegal to manufacture, possess, sell, use, and deliver all synthetic cannabinoids.

Synthetic marijuana, like meth, begins with legal components but the end-product often becomes lethal.

**Yarn graffiti at The Bascom**

The Bascom is now a member of the worldwide yarn bombing movement; yarn bombing is the knitter’s version of installation art and graffiti combined.

In celebration of Highlands’ fifth World Wide Knit in Public Day to be held on June 15, the Bascom Knitters presented director Jane Jerry with a hanging banner-shaped yarn bomb created by all the members.

Yarn bombing or graffiti knitting attempts to personalize public spaces. For five summers, The Bascom Knitters have convened on the Terrace of The Bascom to practice all types of needle arts. The banner is designed to be hung on the Terrace when The Bascom Knitters are in session.

The idea for the yarn bomb was born early last fall on the Terrace where the group gathers every Saturday 10a to noon.

Over the winter, scattered participants in Highlands and other North Carolina towns as well as Florida, Georgia and Alabama knitted or crocheted 10-inch squares of their own design. The only requirement was color of yarn – green. Over 50 pieces were connected into the colorful and eccentric yarn bombing

**Dedication of the André Michaux Marker is this Saturday**

The North Carolina Highway Historical Marker honoring the French pioneer botanist André Michaux will be dedicated in Highlands on Saturday morning, June 15th, at 11 o’clock. The event will take place on West Main Street in front of the former Visitor’s Center, next to Main Street Inn. The Highlands Historical Society will sponsor a reception afterwards at the Historic Village for all those who attend the dedication.

The Michaux marker will join the Thomas Harbison marker in recognizing two early botanists who appreciated the natural beauty of the Highlands plateau. André Michaux was the royal botanist whom Louis XVI appointed soon after the American
Please commissioners, step up for education

Dear Editor,

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As a parent and an involved member of this community, I see education as one of the most critical components of our government system. Like many other citizens of this county, I do not want to pay any more taxes than necessary, but I do not want to risk the future of our children and the county by cutting education. I see education as one of the best economic development engines available to Macon County. As new businesses consider opening or transferring to Macon County, one of the first things they consider is our education system for their employees’ family. We need to show them we have a top notch education system; unfortunately, the best education is not always cheap. According to the NewsObserver.com, North Carolina ranked 45th in pupil spending as of 2010 out of 50 states. The highest per pupil spending was in Chapel-Hill Carrboro at $11,167 and Durham at $9,679. It appears MCSB spends approximately $8,500 per student.

As the MCSB prepares to receive a new superintendent, I think he should be tasked with completing a complete review of the MCSB with a view toward operating the most efficient and effective school board in the state. By not funding the MCSB properly for the new superintendent in FY2013/14, you will put him at a distinct disadvantage with his new role.

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Jim was a retired Letter Carrier with the US Post Office. He also retired with the State of North Carolina after 10 years of faithful service. Jim was an avid Green Bay Packers fan and enjoyed playing the piano. One of his favorite sayings was "Don't worry about nothing...cause nothing's alright".

Jim is preceded in death by his parents, James F. Sladky and Martha A. Sladky and his wife, Donna Lea "Boo-Boo" Sladky. He is survived by his sister Phyllis Sutter of Parkland, Florida and his six children, Carolyn Clark of Gilberts, IL, Michael of Marietta, GA, Patrick and his wife Roxann of Port St. Lucie, FL, Joseph and his wife Denise of Tampa, FL, Matthew of Ft. Pierce, FL and Marie of Asheville, NC; 8 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren with one on the way, as well as several nieces and nephews.

A memorial Mass at Our Lady of the Mountains Roman Catholic Church, Highlands, NC, will be June 29 at 11am followed by a celebration of Jim's Life at the Ugly Dog Pub. His remains will be buried next to his bride in Highlands Cemetery. The family asks in lieu of flowers, please make a donation to John F. Keever Solace Center, Hospice, PO Box 5779, Asheville, NC 28813.

In memory of Clem Henry

Happy Birthday, Brother.

We thought of you with love today. But that is nothing new. We thought about you yesterday and days before that, too. We think of you in silence. We often speak your name. Now all we have are memories and your picture in a frame. Your memory is our keepsake with which we'll never part. God has you in his keeping. We have you in our heart.

Thank You

Mountain Garden Club thanks you for your enthusiastic support of our 31st annual plant sale on Saturday, May 25. Once again, because of your support, we can continue our history of sponsoring youth gardener activities at Highlands School, scholarships for college students, garden therapy at Fidelia Eckerd Living Center and other contributions to the community. We had a beautiful day, lots of wonderful plants, hard-working MGC members, spouses and friends, and loyal customers. The success of the sale is due to the many special friends who helped make this possible. We would like to thank our scholarship students Corbin Hawkins and Parker Sims for their help during the Plant Sale.

Among the many who deserve special mention are Wanda and Chuck Cooper and Steve Day of WHLC FM 104.5, David Sims of Highlands Lawn & Garden, Bud and Tina Rogers, Dirk Swanson, Wendy and Josh Diamond, Nin Bond of Highlands Cable Group, Highlands-Cashiers Hospital, Allen Haas of the Carolinas Dahlia Society, John Newsome, Don Fisher, Naomi Chastain, Betty McCaul, Rick Summersill, Laurel Magazine, The Highlander, Highlands Newspaper, Ann McKeen, Austin and the Village Conservancy, Dennis Cabe, Lester Norris and the Rec Park crew, Mrs. Joy Archer and her 6th grade science students and our friends who use plants.

We hope to see you at next year's Plant Sale.

– Caroline Cook, President, MGC

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The Sacrament of Constipation... and other silly stuff

During a recent family quiz after dinner, my Navy family at Jacksonville, FL, decided to ask their children questions about a Catholic event that happened to a cousin living in Wellington, FL.

Quizzes are common after dinner and Navy rules apply. For example, one is not allowed to blurt out an answer and doing so could get you less ice cream. Also, waving your hand and making weird noises with your mouth is not allowed.

My daughter, Cindy, slowly turned her laptop so everyone at the table could see. With the push of a button, their cousin, C.J., standing next to their Bishop, appeared on the screen.

“Who can tell me what important sacrament is being bestowed on C.J. in this picture?”

Alyssa’s hand flew up first, followed by Sam, “The Hamster.” Since “The Hamster” is only one-year-old and only knows three words, he’s still comfortable in raising his hand as it usually gets him ice cream. Is that dried macaroni and cheese in his hair?

“Alyssa, your hand was up first. What’s your answer?” my daughter asked.

“C.J. is receiving the Sacrament of... a... I think... constipation,” she blurted out. When the laughter finally quieted, the whole family received ice cream and instruction on the sacrament of Confirmation.

Moving on to a less important issue, Maddy and I left our motel at Locust Grove, GA, and headed for Highlands, completing the second and last leg of our seasonal journey.

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Manufacturers begin with any plant matter and then lace, dust, soak, or spray it with legal products like bath salts (salts, isomers, homologues, and salts of isomers and homologues) and more.

Meant to create a high similar to smoking marijuana, it is advertised as a “legal” alternative to weed and is often sold as incense or potpourri and in most states, it’s anything but legal.

Synthetic marijuana was linked to 11,406 drug-related emergency department visits in 2010, according to a first-of-its-kind report by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. This is when it first started showing up on health providers’ radar, as the Drug Abuse Warning Network detected a measurable number of emergency visits. Who wound up in the emergency room the most? Children ages 12 to 17.

Common side effects to smoking synthetic marijuana include bloodshot eyes, disturbed perceptions and a change in mood, agitation, paranoia, including hallucinations. Some of the more potentially serious effects include an elevated heart rate and elevated blood pressure.

Yes, we are part of those dreaded summer people.

A few hours later we swung our Outback onto lower Many Rd. and came face to face with a family of bears, a mom and her two cubs. As the three bears lumbered up Many Road, we followed along 20 feet behind. Were these bears giving us a personal escort to our front door? Once the bears were sure we knew the way home, they hung a quick right turn and vanished into the forest.

Maddy and I sat in our driveway staring at each other. We were like kids seeing Disney World for the first time. Wow, what a welcome committee that was and what a way to start our summer.
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Jane Jerry accepted the yarn banner for The Bascom and said, "The Bascom Knitters were here before I was and they have continuously enlivened Saturday mornings at The Bascom. Now that the Knitters are meeting year round, either on the Terrace or in one of our indoor spaces, we always have art in progress on Saturday."

The first Highlands WWKIP day was held on the Terrace on June 13, 2009. Of those original participants, Joyce Fleming, Carol Ray, Bev Cone and Doris Long are still active in the group. Carol Ray urges anyone interested in knitting to come to the World Wide Knit in Public Day on Saturday June 15, 2013 from 10 until noon.

Revolution to investigate what plants could be of value to the French building, medical, and farming industries. Michaux made his first trip into the North American wilderness when he crossed the Highlands plateau in 1787. He would return again and again to the Southern Appalachians to describe and name a...
There are so many things to write about this week, what with it being a very busy time of year. The sports world has seen quite a few things happen over the past week, and there are a plethora of topics that I would normally address. For example, this week we have:

- The NBA Finals: Heat vs. Spurs in what should be a classic
- The Stanley Cup Finals: Blackhawks vs. Bruins
- TIMOTHY RICHARD TEBOW arising from the NFL blacklist to join the Patriots
- USA Soccer performing well in World Cup qualifying
- UNC basketball’s best player arrested on drug charges (and possibly a gun charge)

And of course, the usual homer stuff on Pittsburgh Pirates baseball that no one cares about.

Instead, though, I can’t really write anything about that stuff, because I need to use this space to say thank you to all of the fine folks in Highlands for the kindness shown to my family and myself over the past five years. The plateau always has been and will always be “home” in my eyes, but opportunity often demands change, and that change for me is a move to the sta...er Commonwealth of Virginia (insert bad “Virginia is for lovers” joke here).

While I may have relocated, it is my hope that this particular space in Highlands Newspaper will remain relatively unchanged. Kim and Jim have graciously allowed me the opportunity to continue writing bad sports columns for the foreseeable future, and the prospects of an unemployed summer mean that I will have plenty of time on my hands to come up with all new versions of the same old bad jokes that all three of you who read this column have come to know and love.

Additionally, to ease the transition for my replacement as basketball coach at Highlands School and his coaching staff, I will not change the picture above. Apparently, making fun of my 10-year-old picture brings great joy to Brad, Greg, Andy and let’s be honest here...everyone else in Highlands who knows what I look likenow.

I will consider that a parting gift to those guys as they continue to do great things with the athletes at Highlands School.

Without getting overly sentimental, I would like to say that I feel extremely fortunate to have been born in Highlands and had the opportunity to attend and then work at Highlands School.

This community is blessed to have such a wonderful school full of outstanding people.

They often say that you can’t go home again, but I feel as though I did it successfully, which is something that I’ll always be proud of. Hopefully one day down the line, I will have the chance to do it all over again.

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According to the bill, there is no currently accepted medical use for synthetic marijuana in the country and there is the potential to produce psychical or physiological dependence.

At Tuesday night’s Macon County Commission meeting, commissioners presented the core group with a copy of the bill it helped make a reality and a plaque of the Macon County flag.

“While us adults did nothing, our young people did and that’s why I am so proud of them,” said Sheriff Robert Holland. “They took a lot of heat for taking this stand. This is just the core group, but there are several members of this group who will tell you of their usage of this drugs so it took a lot of guts to do this. You have people who are selling this junk and making money who are giving them a hard time. They have stood their course and have caused people to listen.”

Holland said the bill is the ammunition his department needs to put an end to synthetic marijuana use and production in Macon County.

Macon County has been plagued with its use and numerous friends of the core group introduced Tuesday night have been...
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The dedication will take place 226 years to the day after Michaux camped in a dense fog and driving rain on June 15, 1787, near the present site of the town of Highlands. It was during this first trip into North Carolina that he discovered one of the rarest plants in the world, Shortia galacifolia. It made him internationally famous because the elusive evergreen ground cover was so rare no one could find it again for a hundred years. His discovery so captured the imaginations of succeeding generations of botanists that their century-long search for it made western North Carolina the botanical Mecca of eastern North America.

The dedication of the Michaux marker will be attended by a representative of the North Carolina Department of Archives and History, members of the International André Michaux Society, and botanists, biologists, and ecologists from southeastern universities associated with the Highlands Biological Station. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Hopefully the weather will provide sunny skies rather than the fog and rain that Michaux experienced on his first visit to the Highlands plateau.
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Have you been to The Bookworm?

When the Bookworm, a non-profit used bookstore, first opened in 1995 at the lower level of the Peggy Crosby Center, it occupied one room with a few hundred books. Today, it has expanded to four rooms, with over 10,000 books and counting. The all-volunteer staff continues to keep the books moving for newly donated arrivals make for a busy day. From June 15th through the 29th there will be a half-price sale where you can choose your favorites from fiction, mysteries, children’s books, cookbooks, gardening and decorating books. There are even CDs, DVDs, and jigsaw puzzles.

The new look of the Bookworm includes areas for patrons to sit and peruse their selections. The book drop is now to the left of the entrance and there’s a new sign letting you know where the Bookworm is located. If you are just visiting, and forgot to bring a book or your E-reader, there are business cards around town to give you directions as well as a discount for your purchase.

For those of you who remember when the Peggy Crosby Center was the Highlands Hospital, a visit to the Bookworm will bring back memories, for it has now added a new room that occupied the old emergency room. Don’t worry if you hear strange voices or see things that aren’t really there. The new space has its ghost stories, and not just in books. The morgue has now become the storage room, and some say they have heard strange sounds from that part of the building.

All the money collected, after

rent is paid, goes to the Hudson Library where it is primarily used to buy new books. Generally that amount averages around $15,000 a year. Sticka hopes with the support of all book lovers that this amount increases.

The Bookworm is always looking for more volunteers. If you have a few hours and you love books, then this would be a perfect match for you. Stop in at the Bookworm or call Dale at 526-1786. He’d love to have you. The Bookworm is open on Tuesday – Saturday, 10-4.

Watch for HCP’s ‘Maine’ auditions

Auditions for the Highlands Cashiers Players summer play, “Almost Maine,” will be held Sunday, June 23, 3-5 p.m., and Monday, June 24, 5:30 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center in Highlands. This popular new romantic comedy, set in a small fictional town in Northern Maine, has been produced by theaters all around the country, including the NC State Theater, Flat Rock Playhouse in Hendersonville, where HCP director Virginia Talbot saw it, loved it, and determined to bring it to the HCP stage.

The play contains 17 episodes. There are parts for 12 or more actors, ranging in age from late teens to men and women in their 50s. The Players encourage both experienced and new actors to attend the auditions.

Scripts are at the Hudson Library, the Cashiers Library, the Macon County Library in Franklin, and on line. For more information call 526-4904.

--- Kim Lewicki
Mon., Wed., Fri.
• Heart Healthy Exercise Class at the Rec Park. 8:30-9:30 a.m. $20/month.
• Step Aerobics with Tina Rogers at the Rec Park, 8-9 a.m. $5 per class or $40 a month.
• Zumba at the Rec Park, 9:05-10 a.m. $5 per class. First class free.

Monday & Thursday
• Hatha Yoga – Body n’ Soul. 10:45 a.m. at the Episcopal Church of the Incarnation. R.Y.T and Y.A. (828) 482-2128. (8/29)

Tuesday & Sat.
• The Bookworm in the Peggy Crosby Center on 5th Street is 10-4.

Wednesday
• Hatha Yoga – Body n’ Soul. 7:45 a.m. at First Presbyterian Church. R.Y.T and Y.A. (828) 482-2128. (8/29)

1st Wednesday
• Movies at the Hudson Library. Children/Family movies at 3:30 p.m. Free including popcorn. Bring your own soft drinks. 828-526-3031 for movie information.

3rd Wednesday
• Movies at the Hudson Library. Recently released movies at 2 p.m. Free including popcorn. Bring your own soft drinks. 828-526-3031 for movie information.

Thursday, June 13, 10 a.m. to noon. Psychotherapist Victoria Hippard looks at the theories of Carl Jung and stories from antiquity to the present day that affect us as individuals, consciously as well as unconsciously. The lecture is entitled ONCE UPON A TIME: The Stories We Love and What that Tells Us About Ourselves. Bring your imagination and explore yourself!

Saturday, June 15, 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Enjoy a double header that will be particularly interesting to those who are looking for ways to open up windows to the past. Sue VerHoeef, archivist at the Kenan Research Center, Atlanta History Center, will present a combined lecture including ARMCHAIR GENEALOGIST and A PICTURE IS WORTH A THOUSAND WORDS. The lecture will offer tips and techniques to explore on line websites for locating, using and evaluating information on your family tree. In addition, it will teach how to work with old photos and grainy VHS tapes to better open up a window to the past. Bring a lunch and enjoy a two for one lecture for $25/$35.

Thursday, June 20th, 2-4 p.m. WHY AFRICA IS AS IT IS will be presented by Dr. John Stremlau, founding director of the Centre for Africa’s International Relations at the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg. Dr. Stremlau will discuss Africa as a vast continent possessing vital resources and enormous problems due to its complexity of extreme diversities based on geography, multiple cultures, ethnic groups and competing tribes.

Saturday, June 22nd, 10 to noon. WOMEN, ART & POWER IN 17TH CENTURY BRITAIN. Elizabeth Chew, currently Director of Interpretive Programs at Reynolda House in Winston Salem, will introduce two elite 17th century British women, Aletheia Talbot Howard, Countess of Arundel and Anne Clifford Sackville Herbert, Countess of Dorset & Pembroke. In a time of few opportunities for individual expression, one woman used architectural patronage while the other art collecting to express their individual identities and interests.

All lectures will be at the new CLE Lecture Hall located in the lower rear level of the Peggy Crosby Center and will be at a fee of $25 members/$35 non members of CLE.

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Love will be in the air again June 13-16 as the Highlands Cashiers Players perform the final four shows of The Last Romance at the Highlands Performing Arts Center.

The show was sold-out when it opened on June 6 and has been thrilling audiences.

The romantic comedy by Tony Award Winner Joe DiPietro is fast-paced and filled with funny and poignant dialogue.

The action starts when widower Ralph Bellini sees Carol Reynolds in a dog park and decides to take a second chance at love. Sparks soon fly.

The humor of this show will have ages 12 to 102 laughing. Anyone who has longed to love and be loved in return will identify with Ralph’s struggles and hopes.

The cast includes David Milford as Ralph Bellini and Becky Schilling as Carol Reynolds. ‘David and I spent two years looking for a play worthy of Cashiers and Highlands,’ Schilling said. ‘This play is extraordinary. The characters are very real, and through them we see how love truly can transform us, even when things don’t turn out the way we expected.’

Schilling discovered the play in Sarasota in 2012 when she and her husband saw it at the Florida Studio Theatre. The show was so popular it had been held over for an extended run.

“As we walked into the theatre, the pre-show music was phenomenal—one beautiful operatic aria after another,” Schilling said. “And I don’t particularly like opera. We took our seats, and then a blind woman and her husband arrived and sat next to us. I remember thinking, ‘Oh dear, she’s going to have trouble following what’s happening on stage’ Boy, was I wrong! The Last Romance is so rich in dialogue and wonderful music, it’s a play you can enjoy just by listening.”

Cashiers and Highlands audiences, however, will want to keep their eyes wide open.

Milford is a 40-year veteran of stage and screen and is appearing courtesy of the Actors Equity Association. Schilling has performed with HCP, the Highlands Historical Society, and the former Instant Theatre of Highlands. As Bellini and Reynolds they serve up a special chemistry.

The cast also includes veteran actress Shirley Williams as Bellini’s cranky sister, Rose, and tenor Robert Helma from Western Carolina University as the Young Man.

The Last Romance is directed by Ralph Stevens and David Milford. Technical crew includes Megan Potts (light design), John Williams (sound design), and John Roman (set design and construction).

The final shows are June 13-16 at Highlands Performing Arts Center, 507 Chestnut Street. Performances start at 7:30 p.m. Thurs., through Sat. and 2:30 p.m. on Sunday. For tickets 526.8084.

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The rise of interest rates and the meaning to our market

It is no secret that mortgage rates are on the rise. Bloomberg reports that the 30-year fixed rate mortgage, which has seen its interest rate increase from 3.48% a month ago to 4.03% as of June 7th. By contrast, the highest rate the 30-year mortgage reached in the previous year as of mid-March had been 3.85%.

So, what does this mean to the Highlands, NC real estate market and to our Buyer and Seller clients?

From all indications thus far, it points to increasing evidence that the days of a Buyer’s market are on the wane. Savvy investors, of course, have known this for some time, and have long been back in the real estate market, snapping up properties. Others, who have been slower to feel confidence in investing, seem to have all received the same memo: buy now.

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Recently, he contacted me and said he was ready to purchase another home in Highlands – a home for his retirement years (he is 44 years old). So, why is this fellow purchasing another home now? First, he wants to purchase a larger, grander home that he and his wife will enjoy for years to come. Second, he wants to enhance the quality of his life now – not only when he has retired (a recurring theme with many of my investor clients).

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Log-sided home near Mirror Lake. Completely remodeled. 2BD/2BA. Granite countertops and all new stainless steel appliances in kitchen. Central heat and air, large deck. Some ridgeline view. Offered furnished with American Antiques. $395,000. MLS#77422

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And, he can see the writing on the wall for interest rates and wants to go ahead and lock in now. He also knows that as rates rise, so will sales. He knows that if he wants to negotiate on a property with fewer competitors, he should make his move now.

Given that this investor is from one of our market’s strongest feeder markets, he is more than aware of the strengthening of his primary home market. Each week, he hears dozens of stories of inventory shortages, rising prices, and multiple offer scenarios. He is aware that this activity in markets that influence the Highlands area market will continue to push our market in the same direction.

As interest rates and buying activity rise, investors like this gentleman (who has done his homework and has carefully thought through his long-term objectives) will surely win once again.

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Widow mites subject of special class at Highlands United Methodist Church week of June 23

The Highlands United Methodist Church will hold its Vacation Bible School from Sunday, June 23 to Thursday, June 27.

This year a special adult class will be offered called, "The History of Ancient Israel Using Widow's Mites as a Guide."

Dr. John Baumrucker will supervise the course beginning at 6:30 PM at the church in the parlor. A slide show and short lecture will be given on Sunday and then the students will be able to look at about 50 ancient widow's mites and try to identify the coin.

Widow's mites were called prutots and are crudely made bronze coins minted between 104 BC and 135 AD when the Second Jewish Revolt was put down by the Romans and Israel ceased to exist as a country until 1948.

If the coins are identified properly, then the students will need to give a short talk on Thursday to tell the rest of the students the significance of the coin and its king or procurator. Then the coin can be purchased for $20 and kept in its original state or made into jewelry by one of Highlands fine goldsmiths.

The course is free but reservation need to be made by calling Sonja at the Methodist Church at 526-3605.
"Come Rain or Come Shine" is the message that Paula Walsh, Chair of Mountains in Bloom, a fundraiser for The Bascom visual arts center, would like to broadcast. From Thursday, July 11, through Sunday, July 14, there are opportunities to participate and benefit from gardening tips from the experts, horticultural education and the visual treat of gorgeous blooms in varied displays and featured gardens. Gardeners and floral arrangers and photographers are invited to enter the juried flower, horticulture and photography shows, on display on Friday and Saturday throughout The Bascom's campus.

The events on Thursday, July 11, include a luncheon and lecture by Kathryn Greeley, author of The Collected Tabletop, at 11:30 am and a Volunteer Appreciation Party with special guests Margot Shaw, founder/editor in chief of flower magazine, and Robert Balentine, CEO of Balentine LLC and lead sponsor, from 4 to 6 pm. Robert Balentine will also present the Balentine Award for the most outstanding display of a native, indigenous plant in the Horticulture Division at the Benefactor Garden. He will also return to The Bascom on Thursday, July 18, for a lively and entertaining horticulture-themed talk from 5 to 7 pm, similar to his popular TED talks.

On Friday and Saturday, July 12 and 13, seven fabulous private gardens will be on tour from 9 am to 4 pm. Tickets are $80 per person and include lunch on The Bascom Terrace and all of the diverse Flower Show exhibits at The Bascom—flower arrangements, horticulture exhibit and garden photography. Mountains in Bloom will culminate with a festive Benefactor Party chaired by Wyn Shoptaw, 2013 Chair of the party, at The Farm at Old Edwards Inn on Sunday, July 14 at 6 pm. Chef Johannes will prepare a sumptuous dinner, Jim Gibson will provide the music, and the coveted Balentine Award will be presented.

There is also an amateur Photography Division, based on themes of the show: "Simply Flowers" and "Come Rain or Come Shine." This is for entrants ages 18 and older. Submissions are being accepted now and will be accepted until June 21. For more information on Mountains in Bloom and for tickets, go to www.mountainsinbloom.com.
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Highlands PD log entries from May 20 Only

May 20
• At 5:30 p.m., officers responded to a two-vehicle accident on Main Street.
• At 8:52 p.m., a simple physical assault was reported on Helens Barn Ave.
• At 12:33 p.m., officers responded to a two-vehicle accident on N. 4th Street.
• At 8:45 p.m., damage to a vehicle by a bear at a residence on Chestnut Run was reported and estimated at $500.
• At 11:30 a.m., officers responded to a one-vehicle accident on US 64.
• At 5:30 p.m., vandalism to property was reported at a residence on Picklesimer Road where the brake fluid reservoir to a vehicle was damaged valued at $100.
• At 6 p.m., Daniel Boyd Coffeee, 58, of Highlands, was arrested for communicating threats, assaulting by pointing a gun and going armed to terrorize the public. He was issued a $5,000 unsecured bond. His court date is June 27.
• At 11:40 p.m., Kathryn Troncale Watson, 32, of Hoover, AL, was arrested for failing to stop at a stop sign and DWI. Her trial date is June 26.
• At 8:15 p.m., an ordinance violation was reported at Highlands Plaza.

May 21
• At 8:13 a.m., officers were called to a residence on Biscuit Rock where a bear had opened a vehicle door and taken food.
• At 10 a.m., officers responded to a shoplifting call at Pine Street Park where a piece of jewelry valued at $35 was taken.
• At 8:32 p.m., a suspicious person was reported near Bear Mountain Outfitters on Oak Street.

May 22
• At 10 a.m., officers responded to a call of larceny at Pine Street Park where signs valued at $70 were taken.
• Saturday, June 29, the Highlands Police Department will be hosting its annual Open House on Saturday from 11am-2pm. Refreshments will be provided. Other emergency departments, state and local will also be in attendance. Please stop by for a tour of the department; child-seat inspections, safety material and other activities will be available.
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