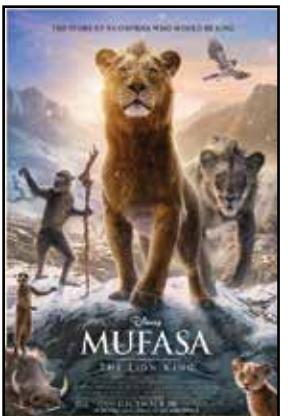


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From left: Randy Foster, President of Rotary Club of Highlands, Rotary host Tom Neal CEO Highlands-Cashiers Hospital; Dr. James Osborne Jr

Rotary meets new General Surgeon at HC Hospital

The Rotary Club of Highlands recently enjoyed an informative program hosted by Rotarian, Tom Neal, CEO/CNO of Highlands-Cashiers Hospital. His guest, James Osborne Jr, M.D., is a general surgeon specializing in colon health. His topic: colorectal cancer and the importance of early detection. Citing that 1 in 20 adults statistically

are at risk of colon cancer, he stated that a periodic colonoscopy offers the best standard of detection at the earliest stages and is part of effective preventative health regimen. Highlands-Cashiers Hospital provides colonoscopy services weekly and appointments or more information available at 828-743-2491.



Rotary celebrates reopening of NC 106

Club President Cath Connolly welcomes Mountaintop Rotary members to a fiesta at the home of Debi and David Bock to celebrate being together again following the reopening of NC 106 following repairs after Hurricane Helene.



TL&LC calls for volunteers to champion literacy in Highlands

The Literacy & Learning Center is seeking dedicated volunteers to support its vital literacy programs for youth and adults in the Highlands community. TL&LC seeks individuals passionate about education to fill two key volunteer

roles: individual tutors and after-school group support staff.

One-on-One Tutors Needed:

TL&LC seeks patient and encouraging volunteers to serve as one-on-one tutors for both youth and adult learners. Tutors will help

students build essential reading, writing, and comprehension skills. Whether retired teachers, college students, or simply individuals with a love of learning, volunteers can significantly impact a student's academic journey. Tutoring sessions are flexible and can be scheduled to accommodate volunteer availability.

After-School Support Staff Wanted:

Enthusiastic volunteers are needed to assist with TL&LC's after-school program. This program provides a safe and enriching learning environment for students. Volunteers will support group activities, provide homework assistance, and help facilitate engaging educational projects. Individuals who enjoy working with children and possess a passion for learning are encouraged to apply.

How to Get Involved:

Individuals interested in volunteering with TL&LC are encouraged to contact Caroline Cox, Programs Manager, at 828-526-0863