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Fairview Elementary Fall Festival

Come one, come all to Fairview Elementary School's annual Fall Festival on **Saturday, October 11, 10 am-2 pm**. The festival will include inflatables, carnival games, hayrides, used book sale, karaoke, raffle baskets, food vendors and much more.

Unlimited Pass wristbands can be pre-purchased in the school office until October 10 for the reduced rate of \$10. The wristbands give unlimited access to all carnival games, hay ride, karaoke, bounce house, giant slide, jousting, climbing wall, basketball and obstacle course. Raffle tickets can be purchased for \$1 each for a chance to win one of the incredible themed baskets.

Hungry festival goers will want to patronize the great food vendors — Smokey and the Pig, Ruth & Ranshaw, Sweet Treats and Papa John's.



The proceeds from this year's festival, in addition to other general PTA events and activities, will be used to make much needed playground improvements including handicap accessibility.



Early Voting Sites and Requirements

Vote Early at Any Location.

No Photo ID Needed Until 2016.

The Buncombe County Election website specifies that:

1. "The one-stop 'in-person' absentee voting process permits voting at any of the designated early voting locations prior to election day."
2. "Beginning in 2016, North Carolina will require voters to show a photo identification (photo ID) when they present to vote in person. Until 2016, most voters will not be required to show any form of identification when they vote."

Election Services Early Voting Site and Hours:

William H. Stanley Building — 35 Woodfin Street in Asheville... *Thursday, October 23 – Friday, October 31, 9 am–5 pm (except Sunday) and Saturday, November 1, 7 am–1 pm*

Remote Early Voting Sites:

The hours for early voting are *Thursday, October 23 – Saturday, October 25, 8 am–6 pm, Monday, October 27–Friday, October 31, 8 am–7 pm.) and Saturday, November 1, 7 am–1 pm, and Saturday, November 1, 7 am–1 pm*. Locations for early voting are:

- Fairview Branch Library, 1 Taylor Road
- Asheville Mall (McAlister's Entrance), 3 South Tunnel Road
- North Asheville Branch Library, 1030 Merrimon Avenue
- Woodfin Community Center, 11 Community Street
- Weaverville Town Hall, 30 S. Main Street
- Jupiter Volunteer Fire Department, 331 Jupiter Road
- South Buncombe Branch Library, 260 Overlook Road
- Skyland Fire Department, 9 Miller Road South
- Pole Creek Baptist Church, 96 Snow Hill Church Road
- West Asheville Branch Library, 942 Haywood Road
- Heaven's Cloud Retreat (Old Enka Union Hall), 130 Sardis Road
- Leicester Branch Library, 1561 Alexander Road
- Bee Tree Fire Department Substation, 510 Bee Tree Road
- Black Mountain Branch Library, 105 N. Dougherty Street

QUESTIONS?

Call the 24-Hour Voter Hotline at 250-4200 or visit buncombecounty.org/vote

The Lord's Acre Full Bellies Country Fair ... and Scarecrow Contest!

Come out to the Fair!

The Lord's Acre is bringing back the small country fair. Everyone is invited to enjoy down home fun with games, storytelling, music and dancing, along with food, drink, farm demonstrations and more at the Lord's Acre Full Bellies Country Fair on **Saturday, October 4, 2-7 pm** at The Lord's Acre Garden, 26 Joe Jenkins Road, Fairview. Attendees can enter their award-winning apple pie, pickles or jam into the food competitions and enjoy the dunking booth, pony rides, petting zoo, food trucks and more.

The community's support helps fill the bellies of those in need with fresh, organic produce and allows TLA to write a booklet for anyone wanting to grow a "giving garden."

Proceeds will support the Lord's Acre's mission of growing and giving away food to those in need. For more information, email thelordsacre@gmail.com with questions. For details, a booklet or to sign up for their weekly newsletter, visit thelordsacre.org.

Make a Scarecrow... Win a Prize!

Enter the Scarecrow contest! Everyone can enter this creative and fun contest. Prizes will be awarded at the Full Bellies Fair. For entry form and details visit thelordsacre.org.



Vendors Needed for Handcrafted or Homegrown Holiday Gift Items

There are two great and affordable opportunities for artists, growers and crafters to sell their handmade wares in November. First, on **Saturday, November 8, the Fairview Craft & Gift Fair** is at the Fairview Community Center. This is the 11th year for this show which is a fundraiser for the Community Center and Friends of the Library! To rent a table, call Wanda at 301-3932. You can also send an email to fairviewcommunitycenter@gmail.com.

On **Saturday, November 22, the first JingleFest Holiday Market** is right after the parade at the US Cellular Center. Vendor spots are \$50 (and \$10 if you need a table). Expect huge crowds since 20,000+ people attend the parade and the Ingles JingleFest is where kids can get a free photo with Santa, play on inflatables and meet Grand Marshal Caleb Johnson. For an application, call Jamie Carpenter at 251-9973 or email her at jamie@ashevilledowntown.org.

Can you help the Crier this month?

Volunteers put labels on the papers that are then brought to different post offices to be delivered to Gerton, Fletcher and Reynolds. Can you spare one hour to help? Due to early voting being held at the Fairview Library this month, our labeling group will meet **Friday, October 31 at 9:30 am at the Fairview Fire Department**. Please email Candice at office@fairviewtowncrier.com or call 628-2211 if you can help. You'll enjoy being a part of getting our community newspaper out. Speaking of community, stop by the new office sometime. Candice, and sometimes Linda, are there Monday–Friday, 1–5 pm. And there's a drop slot for after hours and a newspaper rack if you need an extra copy.

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Light Center's 35th Anniversary

The Light Center's founder, Jim Goure, worked with the Atomic Energy Administration in the 1960s. Being spiritually oriented, he and his wife Diana were led to build a center dedicated to prayer for the Earth and its people. On October 21, 1979, the two-story geodesic dome opened in Black Mountain. United Research Light Center is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.



October Events

October 31-November 2 — 35th Anniversary celebration with five sessions of music, prayers, poetry and inspirational talks.

Friday, October 10, 7-9:30 pm — I Am ... A Celebration of Life; with singer Bob Sima and mystic Dale Allen Hoffman.

Saturday, October 13, 11 am-3 pm — Mind Body Spirit Day.

Friday, October 17-Sunday, October 19, 10 am-6 pm — Living Light Blessings Practitioner Training.

For more information, visit URLight.org, email dome@urlight.org or call 669-6845.

It's All Nuts at Garren Creek FD

The Garren Creek Fire Department Auxiliary is selling nuts again this year. They have pecans — both halves and pieces — and black walnuts in one pound bags. The cost is \$10 per pound.

To order call Elizabeth Simmonds at 669-2846 or Jodi Dill at 545-7563. Nuts can also be purchased and/or picked up at the *Town Crier* office located at 1185F Charlotte Highway, Monday-Friday, 1-5 pm.

Tour the Old Cider Mill and Enjoy Local Treats

Established in 1966, The Old Cider Mill on the corner of US 64/74 in Bat Cave features tours of the historic cider mill and an opportunity to "Be Batty." Enjoy local apples, now in season and available until Thanksgiving, as well as local honeys, jams, jellies, sauces, syrups and other tasty treats. The unique gift shop sells all things batty in addition to local crafts, photography and handmade jewelry.



The Great Pumpkin is Coming to Fairview

The place to find the perfect Halloween pumpkin is The Great Pumpkin Patch, which will be open this year from **October 13-31** on Highway 74 past Reynolds HS, next to the QP Gas Station. Proceeds will go to support Fairview Baptist Missions. For more information please call 628-2908.

Knitters and Crocheters Focus on Giving

The WNC Knitters and Crocheters for Others, Asheville's charity knitting and crochet group, will meet on **Monday, October 13, 7-9 pm**, at New Hope Presbyterian Church, 3070 Sweeten Creek Road. The current focus is knitted and crocheted winter scarves and hats (all sizes) for our hat ministry. If interested, contact Janet Stewart, 575-9195 or Janet Pruitt, 628-4770.

Vendors Note...Fairview Craft & Gift Fair

The 11th Annual Fairview Craft and Gift Fair will be held on **Saturday, November 8, 9 am-3 pm** at the Fairview Community Center, 1357 Charlotte Highway.

The event will feature local crafters and artists — everything handcrafted — and the Friends of the Library book sale. Refreshments and lunch will be available.

To rent a table, call Wanda at 301-3932.

For more information email fairview-communitycenter@gmail.com.

Reynolds VFD Holds Fundraiser Yard Sale

Fall is here again ... and so is the Semi-Annual Neighborhood Yard Sale at the Reynolds Volunteer Fire Department. This fundraiser will be held at the Reynolds Fire Dept./Community Center, 235 Old Charlotte Highway (74-A) on **Saturday, October 4, 8 am-2 pm**.

Tables for selling are \$10 and can be reserved in advance by calling 779-7958. The money from the sale of tables and space goes to support the Fire Department. All activities take place inside, so everyone is invited to the festivities, rain or shine.

Long Time Sun Yoga Events in October

The following events will be hosted by Long Time Sun Yoga and Wellness, 1611 Charlotte Highway in Fairview, during the coming month:

Friday, October 3, 7-8:30 pm — Gong Bath with Group Meditation.

Saturday, October 11, evening — an evening with poet Tracey Schmidt, accompanied by live instruments.

Saturday, October 18 — presentation of Zenjen skin products with Jen Maves.

Thursday, October 23, 6:30-8:30 pm — New Moon Women's Circle with Asia.

Sunday, October 26, 5-8 pm — Divine Feminine Shamanic Circle with Marianne Mitchell.

For additional information, updated schedule and time of events, visit long-timesunyogaandwellness.com.

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Granny McBrayer Chicken Pie Dinner at SMCC

"Put it on your calendar right now" says SMCC President Maria Horton, and call for reservations for the Granny McBrayer Chicken Pie dinner on **Monday, October 6, 5-7:30 pm** at the Spring Mountain Community Center.

For those who have feasted on this culinary delight before, no more need be said. Those unfortunate enough to be turned away in the past when the ladies at Spring Mountain Community Center ran out of pie — Heaven Forbid! — or were too late to get a reservation are in for the best meal you will be privileged to enjoy all year.

Granny McBrayer was a fabulous cook; her pie recipe is legendary and as secret as the Bush's Beans recipe for baked beans.

"It's been a while since we went crazy

and baked like fiends to offer this event," says Horton. "Last time we exhausted all our volunteers and burned out Elaine Watkins's oven feeding the crowd." Elaine is Granny's daughter and chief cook for the dinner.

"Homemade dessert is always included. If you are a vegetarian, this meal may be enough to make you convert."

Adult are \$10, children 6-10 are \$6 and under six are free. Families pay \$30 maximum.

Proceeds will go toward the purchase of a new heating system for the building. The current furnace is 30-years-plus old and living on borrowed time, Horton adds.

"Everybody had just better call 628-2363 right now to make sure you get a spot."

Autumn Garden Journaling Workshop

Mary Alice Ramsey will offer an Autumn Garden Journaling workshop **Thursday, Oct 30, 10 am-4 pm** at River's Edge Studio/310 Art, Riverview Station, 191 Lyman Street in Asheville's River Arts District. \$125 plus \$25 includes materials.

Instructor Mary Alice Ramsey is a Fairview artist and writer who specializes in visual journaling, acrylic painting and mixed media.

Attendees will learn to incorporate garden quotes and create pages for their own record keeping as they explore drawing, stylized images, silhouettes and creative layouts. No art experience is necessary to be very successful in this fun, mixed media class.

The fee is \$125 plus \$25 for materials. Register online at gallery@310art.com or call Fleta Monaghan at 776-2716.

Walking as Healing Presentation

What if walking were a way of natural healing?

A free presentation of the "Secrets of Natural Walking" and how it relates to healing will be given on **Wednesday, Oc-**

ttober 8, 6:30 pm at the Lord Auditorium, located in the Pack Library in downtown Asheville.

For more information call 215-6033 or email deblafon@gmail.com.

Trout Lily Deli & Market Celebrates 13th Year

We're all invited to celebrate with Trout Lily as they mark their 13th anniversary on **Saturday, October 11, 3-6 pm**, at the Market, located at 1297 Charlotte Highway.

The Trout Lily team is proud of its reputation and success as an Artisan Pantry with Local Roots, and they're looking forward to sharing their anniversary festivities with the community. Visit troutlily-market.com for information and updates.



Trunk or Treat at Spring Mountain CC

All are invited to a Trunk or Treat Extravaganza on **Friday, October 31, 4-6 pm** at Spring Mountain Community Center, 807 Old Fort Road in Fairview. Those who wish to participate in the gala must have their cars in place by **3:30 pm** on that day and be ready for all the little tricksters to begin at 4.



A free hot dog supper will be served and plenty of goodies will be available for all children and their families to enjoy. The event is sponsored by Control Specialties of Asheville, thanks to Byron and Sherry Watkins. There will be prizes awarded for "Best Display" and "Best Children's Activity."

To enter your display and reserve a place around the track for your trunk, call Maria Horton at 778-0279 or email daylightasheville@gmail.com. And for those who can give some time, volunteers are still needed for this party to be the best ever.

Annual Meeting and Turkey Dinner at GCFD

Annual Meeting

The Garren Creek Volunteer Fire Department will hold its 2014 Annual Meeting on **Tuesday, October 14, 7 pm** at the main station located at 10 Flat Creek Road.

The purpose of the meeting is to report on operations of the fire department and to elect officers and directors. All residents of the Garren Creek Fire District are encouraged to attend and participate. Refreshments will be served.

Turkey Dinner Fundraiser

The Garren Creek Fire Department will hold its annual Turkey Dinner on **Saturday, November 1, 5:30-7 pm** at the main fire station, 10 Flat Creek Road. Everyone is welcome. This event is a fund-raiser for the Auxiliary which supports firefighters and rescue workers, and donations will be gratefully accepted.

For more information about the meeting or the fundraiser, call Elizabeth Simmonds at 669-2846.

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The Addams Family Comes to Asheville

The Asheville Community Theatre is opening its 69th season with the WNC Premiere of the musical comedy *The Addams Family*, which will run from **Friday, October 3–Sunday, October 26; Friday and Saturday night at 7:30 pm, Sunday afternoons at 2:30 pm.**

The production, featuring an original story with both classic and new characters, is the perfect Halloween treat for the entire family.

Tickets are available online, over the phone, or in person at the Asheville Community Theatre Box Office, 254-1320 or visit ashevilletheatre.org.



Fundraiser Dinner for Special Olympics

A spaghetti dinner fundraiser to benefit Buncombe County Special Olympics will be held on **Saturday, October 4, 4:30 pm** at the Freedom Baptist Church, 50 Rice Road in Asheville.

The dinner will include pasta, bread, salad, drinks and condiments; the price is \$7 for adults, \$5 for seniors, \$3 for children under 3 and \$20 for a family pack of 4.

Takeout will be available by calling ahead to 777-5634. All proceeds will go to support the county's Special Olympics program.



Tails & Trails 5K Benefits Animal Shelter

Buncombe County Parks and Recreation Services will host the 7th Annual Tails & Trails 5K Adventure Run on **Saturday, October 4, check-in at 9 am, race begins at 9:30 am**, at the Buncombe County Sports Park track in Candler. The run is open to adults, children and dogs of all ages. Dogs must remain on leashes.

Advance registration is available by mail. Registration forms can be found online at buncombecounty.org/parks or by calling 250-4269. Registration will be available through the day of the race.

The cost is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children ages 4–12, plus two cans of dog food, which will be donated to a local pet adoption agency.

For more information and registration forms contact Jay Nelson at 250-4269 or email jay.nelson@buncombecounty.org.

Burntshirt Vineyards Grape Stomp Returns

Channel your inner Lucy Ricardo at the Burntshirt Vineyards' Annual Harvest Bash on **Saturday, October 4, 1–5 pm** at the Vineyards Tasting Room, 2695 Sugarloaf Road, in Hendersonville.

Last year's wildly popular Grape Stomp is back, and a prize will be awarded for best costume. Food and wine will be available for purchase.

Admission is free. For more information about the event, visit burntshirtvineyards.com.

Ghostly Gala Gathering at Books and Bites

Micheal Rivers, a multi-genre and paranormal thriller author, will be the guest speaker on **Friday, October 17 at 6 pm** at the Lake Lure Inn's Roosevelt Room, 2771 Memorial Highway in Lake Lure.

Micheal was born and raised in North Carolina. He is a recognized authority as a paranormal investigator, with over 30 years of experience, some of which is woven into his thrillers. His bestseller *Verliege* was voted Supernatural Book of 2012. His first fiction novel, published in 2003, was re-released as *The Black Witch* in 2011. Other works include *Moonlight on the Nantahala*, *The North Carolina Shores* and *Appalachia Mountain Folklore*.

Micheal is currently working on two sequels for *The Black Witch* (*Curse of the Witch*) and *Moonlight on the Nantahala* as well as a new novel in the action/adventure genre.

All can share this fun-filled, spooky, informative evening. The ghostly festivity will include dinner for \$30 per person, a full service cash bar, a 50/50 raffle and a ghost tour of the Inn by Patrick Bryant, Events Manager at the Inn.

Reservations are required. Call the Mountains Branch Library at 287-6392 for tickets. Checks made out to "Friends of the Mountains Branch Library" can also be mailed to 150 Bills Creek Road, Lake Lure, 28746.

Who knows, maybe the ghost of the Lake Lure Inn will join in the fun too!



FFDA Bingo Bash

The Fairview Fire Department Auxiliary Bingo Bash Fundraiser will be held **Saturday, October 25, 6 pm** at the main fire station. There will be lots of great prizes for the lucky winners.

Auxiliary members are working hard to make this Bingo Bash a great success. Those who want to support the Fire Department by donating a prize, please contact Maxine Harris at 628-2530. The names of all those who donate will be displayed at the Bingo Bash Fundraiser. Thanks go to all who have already contributed.

Food and drink will be available. All are invited to join in the fun and support the Fairview Fire Department Auxiliary.

October Auxiliary Meeting

The Fairview Fire Department Auxiliary will meet **Monday, October 6, 7 pm** at the main fire station.

Fairview HS Reunion at Emma's Grove Church

The Annual Fairview High School Reunion will be held on **Saturday, October 11, doors open at 10 am and lunch at 12:30 pm**, at Emma's Grove Baptist Church Life Center, 417 Emma's Grove Road. Everyone who went to Fairview High School prior to 1956 is welcome, as are spouses. The Dotson Trio will perform.

The event is \$13 per person. Send the student's name to Betty Cunningham, PO Box 1966, Fairview 28730.

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Oktoberfest Features Parade, Live Music

The Asheville Downtown Association's Oktoberfest returns on **Saturday, October 11, 1-6pm** on Coxe Avenue in downtown Asheville's South Slope.

Back for the 6th year is the internationally renowned "Oompah" band, The Stratton Mountain Boys. Their happy yodeling songs, shoe-slapping dances and spirited Polka music are sure to incite dancing in the street and rousing cheers of "Prost!"

Just added to the lineup is Tres Boom, an exciting new power trio playing an eclectic blend of original material as well as covers.

Following a parade down Coxe Avenue, the ceremonial tapping of the keg will officially open the festivities. All 10 local breweries from last year's event are returning, joined this year by local hard cider maker Noble Cider. Oktoberfest will also feature traditional German lagers from Spaten-Franziskaner and wines from Chateau Ste. Michelle.

The popular Oktoberfest Games are back as well, pitting brewery against brewery with favorites like the stein race, pretzel toss, stein hoist and keg-rolling contest.

Festival organizers emphasize that this is a 21-and-over festival, though children will be admitted with a child ticket if they cannot be left at home.

Advance tickets are \$35 through September 30, available at ashevilledowntown.org. Tickets increase to \$40 on October 1. Designated driver tickets are available for \$15.



Family Fun at Livestock Music Festival

Livestock Music Festival is **Friday and Saturday, October 3-4** (gates open 3 pm on Friday) at Rankin Farm, 275 Ballard Creek Road in Fairview. The family-friendly festival features live music from Brushfire Stankgrass, the Get Right Band, The Everydays on Friday, and Circus Mutt, Alarm Clock Conspiracy, Josh Pierce, Jam Boogie Band and Bobby Miller and the Virginia Daredevils on Saturday. There will be a tie-dye station for the kids and hippies, food, beverage, arts and crafts.

Primitive camping is available and parking is limited. Carpooling and four-wheel drive are encouraged. No pets, glass or campfires please. Admission is \$20 for a day pass, \$30 for the weekend; kids under 15 free. For information visit circusmutt.com.

The Straightaway Café

The Straightaway Café located on Route 9 just the other side of Fairview has live music Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays starting at 6 pm and Sundays at 5 pm throughout the month. Check out the great bands like Lyric, Circus Mutt, Jam Boogie Band, Caribbean Cowboys, the Get Right Band, Jerry Collins, and more on their website at thestraightaway.com or on their Facebook page. And on **Friday, October 31 at 6 pm**, they're planning a great Halloween party with guitarist/singer Eric Congdon.

The Straightaway is located at 1722 NC Hwy 9 in Black Mountain. For more information visit thestraightaway.com or call 669-8856.

Applications for Holiday Parade Due October 3

The 68th Asheville Holiday Parade sponsored by Bojangles will be held on **November 22 at 11 am**. The theme is "Home for the Holidays," and Grand Marshal Caleb Johnson, American Idol winner, will be home in Asheville to lead off the parade. Applications to enter the parade are **due October 3**. Prizes and awards will be given for best Hand-crafted Float (non-profit and corporate), Professional Dance Group, Professional Cheer/Gym/Athletic, K-12 groups and more.

For information or an application visit ashevilledowntown.org/holidays, call 251-9973, contact parade director Sandie Rhodes at 628-1422 or send an email to sandie@ashevilledowntown.org.

Ingles JingleFest

Right after the parade, from **12:30-5 pm**, is the Ingles JingleFest at the US Cellular Center, where kids can meet Santa and



grand marshal Caleb Johnson, play on inflatables, enjoy stage entertainment and more. The event is free to enter but there is a small charge to go on rides.

Holiday Market

And on the main concourse, something for the adults: a handcrafted Holiday Market. Vendor spaces are available at \$50 a spot and a table can be rented for \$10. Everything sold must be handmade or home-grown. For vendor application, contact Jamie Carpenter at 251-9973 or email her at jamie@ashevilledowntown.org.

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Landowners and Conservation: A Love Story

On **Tuesday, October 7, 7 pm**, The Fairview library will host a multimedia presentation by Nancy Nehls Nelson and Christie Melear of the Buncombe County Land Conservation Advisory Board.

The Advisory Board helps landowners complete voluntary land conservation easements to preserve the beauty and ecology surrounding our scenic mountains, French Broad and Swannanoa Rivers and the beloved Blue Ridge Parkway.

All are invited to come see and learn about landowner projects that help preserve our flourishing forests and farms.



Fairview Public Library

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Love Books? Be a Friend!

The Friends of Fairview Library help in many flexible and enjoyable ways — from book sales to archives to landscaping. This congenial group is a great way to support the free access to reading that the Library offers every day. Dues are only \$15 and benefit the Library's ongoing programs. Members receive the Library's newsletters and sincere gratitude.

The Friends of the Library will meet this month on **Tuesday, October 14, 7 pm**. All community members are invited to attend the meeting and, if they wish, to bring book donations for the November sale.

Needed: Your Good Used Books!

The Friends of the Fairview Library November book sale is approaching. If you have books (in good condition) that you would like to donate, please box them up and bring them to the Fairview Library.

The book sale provides funds for many free programs for children and adults throughout the year.

Adult fiction, mystery and children's fiction are especially needed, recent and in good condition, please!

A Bit of Storage Space Needed Too

Anyone who might have 500 square feet of space that the Friends of the Library can use for book sorting and storage, please call Sydney Green at 628-0329.

The Library thanks Cane Creek Cycle for donating storage for so many years, and congratulates them for hiring more people and growing into the space.

The storage space is critical for the Friends of the Library to prepare for successful fund raising events. If you know of a space, please let the library know.

Join the Landscape Team This Fall

It's time for fall pruning of the trees and shrubs that surround our library. Due to the summer's perfect growing conditions the Friends of the Library are in need of volunteers with all skill levels. To volunteer for three hours with our Friends Landscaping Team please email Sparrel Wood at sparrelwood@att.net.

Book Groups

The afternoon book club will meet on **Thursday, October 9, 1 pm**, to discuss *The Hungry Tide* by Amitav Ghosh.

The evening book club will meet on **Tuesday, October 21, 7 pm**, to discuss *The Short Nights of the Shadow Catcher* by Timothy Egan.

Evening Book Group List and Dates

The Evening Book Group has chosen the following books for discussion through May of next year:

October 21 — *Short Nights of the Shadow Catcher* by Timothy Egan

November 18 — *A Land More Kind Than Home* by Wiley Cash

December 16 — *The Fault in Our Stars* by John Green

January 20, 2015 — *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind* by William Kamkwamba

February 17 — *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot

March 17 — *The Things They Carried* by Tim O'Brien

April 21 — *Living With a Wild God* by Barbara Ehrenreich

May 19 — *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd

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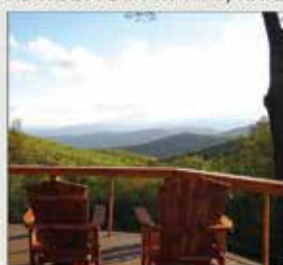
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Spring Mountain Baptist Church: 125 Years Old

Spring Mountain Baptist Church will celebrate the church's 125th birthday on October 26.

On October 26, 1889 a group of around twenty people gathered near Cane Creek Gap, the gap in the mountain above Echo Lake that separates Echo Lake from Craig Town, to consider forming a Baptist Church. The group likely met at the home of Robert Patterson "Pat" Wright (1842-1890). R.P. Wright's family constituted the largest single group at the gathering. Wright's parents, George and Mary Wright, owned most of the land near Echo Lake.

Elders brought in from other Baptist churches to preside at the organization were Church Deacon Alfred H. Pinkerton (1833-1919) from Cane Creek Baptist, Reverend G.A. Bartlett and Deacon Alfred W. Morgan (1830-1921) of Stone Mountain Baptist Church, and Reverend Fielding Cook Hamric (1830-1902) of Bear Wallow Baptist Church. The group voted to appoint Reverend G.A. Bartlett to preside at the organization meeting and Alfred H. Pinkerton to be the clerk. After considering the circumstances and the surroundings, a motion was made to go forward and constitute a church.

A call for letters of demission was made (this was for people to request their letters of membership from other Baptist churches to be transferred to the new church), thus starting Spring Mountain Baptist Church. The men who transferred their membership were R.P. "Pat" Wright (1842-1890), Leander Freeman (1834-1907), Robert Freman (1871-1939),

Emil Kirstein (1866-1944), John Wright (1866-moved to Indiana after 1900), Marit Wright (1870-1950), Henry Wright (1862-1925), Freeman Reace and W. H. Grant.

The female charter members were Nancy Hedrick Wright (1841-1928), Zilphia Elmina Wright Freeman (1841-1924), Sarah Jane Freeman Kirstein (1861-1920), Abigail Grant, Mary Rosa Wright Allison (1864-1895), Malissy Jenkins, Martha Wright, and Sarah Wright (wife of R.P. Wright's son William Henry Wright).

The organization committee called for the reading of the Articles of Faith that had been drawn up for the new church. Everyone found them to be according to the Bible as they believed it. They then took a 30-minute recess and refreshments, and the ladies brought out three baskets of food.

The committee then reassembled in the house, and two deacons were presented by the church: Robert Patterson "Pat" Wright and Leander Freeman. Reverend Fielding Cook Hamric questioned the two men at length, then announced he was satisfied with both. Reverend Fielding Cook Hamric was appointed the church's first minister. A motion was made to appoint Emil Kirstein the first Clerk of Spring Mountain Baptist Church.

Spring Mountain Baptist Church only met one Sunday a month, as was common in most churches at the time. Reverend Hamric preached at three other churches as well.

Thomas Lafayette "Fate" Nesbitt (1846-1903) and his wife, Christina "Tinnie" Pinkerton Nesbitt (1844-1927) gave

the land for the church on July 18, 1890. Fate Nesbitt was a Methodist, his wife Christina Pinkerton was a Baptist. All of their land came from her father James Pinkerton.

Robert Patterson "Pat" Wright lived less than five months after the church was organized. He died March 13, 1890. He was the first person buried in Spring Mountain Church cemetery. The Church did not even own the property when Pat Wright died. Ada Lee Chatham (January 4, 1885-October 4, 1892), the daughter of Benoi and Susan "Sued" Wright Chatham, was the second person buried in the cemetery. R.P. "Pat" Wright's daughter Mary Rosa Wright Allison, (1864-1895), who died of scarlet fever, was the third person buried in the cemetery.

Carrie Chatham Jenkins (1888-1985) and her sister Carmie Chatham Guffey (1888-1982) used to laugh about R.P. "Pat" Wright's funeral. As his coffin began to be lowered into his grave, Pat's wife Nancy told her children "Come on, we have got work to do. We have already wasted half the d... day." A little over two years later, on October 17, 1892, Nancy Caroline Hedrick Wright married Reverend Fielding Cook Hamric.

I could not help but notice that Lloyd Chatham (1886-1960), who was the son of Grandmother Laura Wright Whitaker's (1884-1978) Aunt Susan "Sued" Wright Chatham, and his wife Laura Wheelon Chatham (1887-1982), who was the daughter of grandma Laura's Aunt Nancy Albertine "Tine" Reed Wheelon, were often brought before the church on charges of



Spring Mountain Baptist Church members, left to right: Reverend Lonnie "Preacher" Jenkins, Garness McBrayer, Burgin Marlowe, James B. Guffey

misconduct.

Lloyd and Laura were two "generals" with no troops to command. Carrie Chatham Jenkins and her sister Carmie Chatham Guffey used to tell about when their brother Lloyd Chatham married Laura Wheelon. Lloyd insisted they spend their honeymoon with his mother Aunt Sued. Laura demanded they spend their honeymoon with her mother Aunt Tine. Carrie and Carmie said neither one would give an inch on the matter. Finally, they decided to fist it out. Carrie and Carmie said they were hitting each other so hard it sounded like two mules kicking each other. Finally Laura got Lloyd down on the floor pounding him with both fists. Lloyd gave in and they went to Aunt Tine's for their wedding night.

Local historian Bruce Whitaker documents genealogy in the Fairview area. Contact him at 828 628-1089 or by emailing him at brucewhitaker@bellsouth.net.



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Southern Wrestling Association Food Drives

First, a big thank you to Jason Blackwell (aka Microphone Man), the Rhymer Family, and the Southern Wrestling Association for the two food drives they held for us recently. Anyone attending a wrestling match in July and August at the Fairview Community Center could bring canned goods for Food for Fairview and be entered in a raffle. We collected a shopping cart of food apiece at the two events. Thanks to everyone who participated!



Jason Blackwell and David Rhymer at the SWA match at the Fairview Community Center.

Bi-Lo

Another big shout-out goes to the employees and customers of Bi-Lo #217 on Fairview Road. Each year during the Bi-

Lo Charity Classic Golf Tournament, each store holds a fundraiser concurrent with the golf tournament. Each store designates a charity to receive the funds collected. Our local Bi-Lo raised nearly \$1,400 for Food for Fairview this year. Way to go!

Dickie's

Many thanks to Dickie's Half Price Foods of Fairview. In response to our recent article about our need for baby items, Dickie's donated several cases of baby items. Thank you so much!

Dollar General

Last, but certainly not least, thank you to the Dollar General on Charlotte Highway! Periodically throughout the year company policy allows each store to choose a local charity and hold a food and toiletry drive for them. We are so grateful that our local store chose us! Many thanks to the employees and customers of the Fairview Dollar General store.

We are so thankful for all of our donors and volunteers! We couldn't do this without you!



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Getting Healthy ...Things I Know

By Ed Reilly



Health is a personal responsibility; we have to be engaged in taking care of ourselves.

If you want to get an idea whether you need to make personal changes, look at your body in the mirror after taking a shower. It will give you a good idea of where you are physically. Make a decision to take charge of your health!

Start exercising and make improvements in your food choices. If you have a lot of health challenges, consider more drastic diet changes such as those suggested in the video *Forks over Knives*. Diets generally don't work long-term, but can be useful in the short term while developing new habits. We have seen more success with Weight Watchers than with most of the other programs.

We also recommend that you change what you put on your plate and eat in a way that reduces inflammation (as explained at deflame.com). Ideally your lunch and dinner plate should be divided with 50 percent vegetables, 25 percent non-wheat grains, 25 percent protein, and olive oil for fats. For copies of detailed food charts send an email to info@fairviewdc.com and put Food Charts in the subject line.

It has been found that exercise should be-

gin gently but needs to include cardiovascular activities and light resistance exercises. Cardiovascular exercises such as walking, hiking, biking, swimming or jogging are a good place to start; pick one you like and can do easily and get started. Join a gym, go online for a non-equipment home exercise routine; there are many safe no-equipment home exercise routines available on the web.

As far as supplements go, a high quality multivitamin is essential, and in addition, 2-3 grams of fish oil and 1000-2000 IU of vitamin D3 are reasonable recommendations. There will always be debate about nutritional supplements, but these are the ones that have the most positive evidence for and least negative evidence against them.

Finally, I encourage people to drink one half their body weight per day in ounces of water (for a 140-pound person that would be 70 ounces of water, or about 8-9 cups). But don't do it if you are on diuretics or have unstable high blood pressure.

I'll talk about more health tips next month. Get and stay healthy, it's the best investment you can make!

Dr. Reilly has served Fairview since 1998 and has an advanced board certification in acupuncture, class 3 and 4 laser and is a chiropractic sports physician. Reach him via fairviewdc.com.



Improve Your Working Memory

By Dr. Michael Trayford



The most common type of memory problem is a decrease in working memory, or the mind's ability to hold on to bits of information while we attend to other things.

If this sounds familiar (for instance, if you've been having trouble remembering all the items you meant to buy at the grocery store) there is something you can do about it. Brain exercises can strengthen your working memory.

Neuroplasticity, also known as brain plasticity, is your brain's absolute ability to change and grow throughout life in response to its environment. Brain plasticity means you can intentionally change your brain for the better. Take full advantage of neuroplasticity by doing this simple brain exercise to improve your working memory.

Brain Training Game

Play the, "I'm going on a picnic and I'm bringing a..." game. Here is how this brain exercise works:

Say, "I'm going on a picnic and I'm bringing a..." and then name an item. Start at the letter A (apple, for example) and continue through the alphabet. Repeat all accumulated picnic items as you proceed (Apple, then Apple + Bicycle, then Apple + Bicycle + Carrots...etc.). By the time you get to the letter Z you will have 26 items to

remember and repeat. Change the picnic items you name every time you practice. Play this brain game with others to make it more challenging. The more you do this exercise, the stronger your working memory can become. That is brain plasticity at work!

Why You Should Exercise Your Brain Every Day

Our brains are often thought of as computers. For the most part, this is a poor analogy. If you want your computer to learn something new you simply plug in some new software and within minutes it is installed and working (hopefully). The human brain takes quite a bit longer to learn and acquire skills. In most instances, the brain learns best through repeated experiences. It can take years of practice to learn a language or musical instrument. Make brain exercises like this one a part of your daily routine to see maximum improvement in your memory.

Dr. Michael Trayford is a Board Certified Chiropractic Neurologist and co-founder of APEX Brain Centers in South Asheville. APEX Brain Centers utilizes cutting-edge technology and strategies to optimize brain function. APEX Brain Centers offers help for people suffering from TBI/concussions, memory loss, adulthood learning and behavioral issues and ADD/ADHD. Learn more about Brain Training at the APEX website: ApexBrainCenters.com

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Protect Your Eyes When Improving Your Home

Dr. Haley Perry, OD, Visual Eyes Optometric



Home improvement projects can pose a danger to your vision. Don't wait until something happens to your eyes to take precautions.

As I drive down the

streets of my neighborhood to my home, there is always someone out cutting their grass or using a weed-eater. As many times as I have done this, out of all the people that I see, there is only one man who consistently wears safety eyewear. I'm proud of him and I see him all the time, so I stopped once as a neighborly gesture to introduce myself and give him kudos that his "eye doctor neighbor" noticed his safety glasses.

As I got closer to him, I easily noticed the clouding of his right cornea - a sign of past ocular trauma.

"As a boy, I loved to be outside with my dad. Once as he was cutting grass, the lawn mower hit a rogue piece of gravel that had made it from our driveway into the yard, and my right eye caught it."

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that had made it from our driveway into the yard, and my right eye caught it."

This man, who was essentially monocular (or one-eyed), wanted to protect the only eye he had. Smart.

A sad statistic is that every year in the US, more than 125,000 people suffer injuries to the eyes in and around the home that could be avoided by wearing proper eye protection.

Activities that are potential sight hazards include:

- Mowing and trimming
- Operating power tools
- Using hazardous chemicals or household cleaners
- Spreading fertilizer

Your eye doctor can easily make prescription safety eyewear for you. These can even be made as safety sunglasses that do not look any different from regular sunglasses.

For those who don't require vision correction or wear contact lenses, I recommend ANSI-approved safety glasses available at hardware stores and home improvement centers.

Don't wait until something happens to your eyes to take precaution. Start now. Don't be a statistic!

Dr. Haley Perry is the owner and practitioner of Visual Eyes Optometric in Fairview and Elite Eyecare in Arden, and is a member of Vision Source.



Annual Enrollment Period Tips

Mike Richard, President, Prime Time Solutions, Inc.



By the time you read this, the advertising blitz of insurance companies vying for your attention will be in full swing. Previously I wrote about the "cans" and "can'ts" of the upcoming Annual Enrollment Period (AEP).

If you have a Medicare Advantage plan the question now is:

"Do I need to do anything this year and how would I know?"

Every year about this time you will receive an Annual Notice of Change. Benefits and premiums are subject to change every year and your company is obliged by Medicare to inform you of any changes.

This usually is included in an intimidating package of indigestible insurance terminology arriving in your mail box.

It's very important to open it and read it. Don't just set it aside or toss it!

You may be sorry if you do, and locked in to any changes you make or don't make the following year.

The Annual Notice of Change document isn't really as intimidating as you think as there will be a "benefits at a glance" side-by-side comparison of your current and next year's benefits and premiums in an easy to read format. If you see anything you don't like or can't live with, then go shopping for

a better plan. Sometimes your company offers more attractive alternative plans in-house, but you have to apply for that plan; it isn't necessarily an automatic enrollment. The company, your agent or Medicare can help you with the process, but you have to initiate it. If your plan is sticking around and everything else is acceptable you needn't do anything. You will be automatically enrolled for the next year.

"My plan is going away! Now what'll I do?"

Some of you may have received a "dear John" letter from your plan notifying you of a Service Area Reduction or SAR. Your plan is leaving the area, and if you do not enroll in another you will automatically be enrolled in

Original Medicare effective January 1st. You will, however, be eligible for a Special Enrollment Period (SEP). You can enroll in another available plan in the AEP or use your SEP between December 8th through the last day

in February to enroll in an Advantage plan or supplement (don't forget your Rx plan). Just remember that the effective date of coverage will be the first of the following month.

Mike Richard is president of Prime Time Solutions, Inc., an insurance agency with over 800 clients across the Southeast, specializing in senior insurance products since 1998. 828 628-3889.

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Overwhelmed



When I read the newspaper and watch the news they give me the impression the world is getting worse every day. There have been recent riots in Missouri, earthquakes in California, legislative stalemates in Raleigh and Washington, fighting over Ukraine, Iraq, Syria, and Afghanistan, Ebola virus in Africa, rocket exchanges and fighting in Israel and Gaza, coal ash spills, global warming, a volatile stock market, the need for well-paying jobs, the rich getting richer, poor staying poor, the rest of us worried about layoffs, over 100,000 people in WNC using food banks to feed their families, and the list goes on. I just get overwhelmed sometimes. I want to do something but I feel like I want to put my head in the sand. Can I do anything to make a difference in a world so messed up?

I am impressed by the range of issues you identified. You are concerned about the journeys of individual men, women and children; real people, families and communities who are impacted daily by the challenges you mentioned. Many of us simply stop absorbing the information and go into a kind of numb or detached state. In that detached state we are more easily able to talk about "those poor people" or "those people." Can we make a difference? is a great question. The answer is unequivocally, "yes."

The antidote can usually be found on our spiritual level, which may also be called the connectedness level. As an individual, the discomfort of awareness and caring can be overwhelming. As part of a greater whole this discomfort can be a call to gain knowledge and understanding.

There are solutions — many, many, possible solutions. In AWAY terms, there are some steps to improved knowledge and better understanding and acceptance of our many varied journeys. Most solutions require perspective that reaches beyond what we have from our current "you are here" sign. To gain new perspective you can:

1. Reduce your dependence on your autopilot and expand access to your humanity by: (a) Practicing acting outside of your normal routine; (b) Finding your "You Are Here" sign and looking around; (c) Determining the course of one or more of your paths; and (d) Paying attention to what level(s) you use most to interpret our journey.
2. Practice looking at several paths and courses from other levels, (especially your spiritual level).
3. Decide if you are on the course you want or if a course correction is needed.
4. Use your humanity to make a course correction when needed.
5. Repeat 1-4.

We Instead of They

Knowledge, understanding and acceptance of our neighbors is more easily enhanced from our Spiritual/Connectedness level, where everyone is a neighbor. This level joins our journeys together, making us stronger and more resilient. Some steps we can take toward that end are:

1. Be aware of each time you think or use the words "those people," "them" or "they."
2. When possible use the words "we, us and our" in place of "those people, them, they" and see how it feels.
3. Learn more about those things you don't

like, approve of, or understand, and share your insights.

4. Recognize when you are being exclusive and seek to be more inclusive and connected; the true strength come in the places where our journeys join together.
5. Say the words, "Teach me," and "Teach us," everyday, especially when the words "those people," "them" or "they" come to mind.
6. If prayer is a part of your journey, pray for us all.
7. Access your humanity in non-threatening ways.
8. Our autopilots are susceptible to fear, which is one of the reasons our autopilots are poor masters. So: (a) Recognize feelings of fear and the source of that fear; (b) Ask if someone is using our fear to promote agendas of exclusivity and to control us. Fear has been used to control us for millennia. Most of us fear the unknown, so make it known; (c) When possible and appropriate, seek out one-on-one opportunities to connect with individuals previously excluded from our circle of community because their journeys appear different; (d) Explore values of inclusiveness and exclusiveness. You may want to visit en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spiritual_practice for more ideas.

I saw a quote on a fireplace mantel that said; "Fear knocked on the door, Faith answered, no one was there." "Teach us." We are here.

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Butter My Butt

Allan Zullo, a Fairview resident for nearly 20 years, is the author of more than 100 nonfiction books. One of his favorites is *Butter My Butt and Call Me a Biscuit*, celebrating clever and witty country sayings, expressions and comebacks that have stood the test of time. It's also the title of his extremely popular daily page desktop calendar that has been presenting a fresh batch of classic down-home sayings every year since 2009. The book and the 2015 calendar, which was coauthored by former Fairview resident Gene Cheek, is available at all major bookstores and at amazon.com, barnesandnoble.com, calendars.com and andrewsmcmeel.com. Here are a few excerpts from the 2014 calendar:

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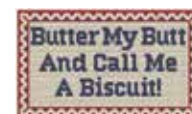
If you want to express your surprise at the youthfulness of the new doctor who's examining you, you might say...

Why, your bellybutton ain't even dry yet!

Frugal

Describing someone who watches his nickels and dimes carefully, you might say...

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I was having balance problems when I was doing water aerobics. I realized that I didn't have any feeling in my feet and couldn't stand on one foot for very long at all. Due to diabetes, I had been losing feeling in my feet over the last two years. If I touched my feet with my hand, they were ice cold; otherwise, I could never tell. I told my medical doctor about my feet, but he never suggested any treatment. The treatments that Dr. Reilly recommended have made a big difference in my life. My toes now have a pink color instead of looking gray. My feet are rarely cold now, but when they do get cold, I can feel it. I have told others how much this has helped me. —Denise T.

I had suffered with pain in my feet for over four years related to diabetic neuropathy. It was so intense that I could not walk without severe pain. My feet were so sensitive I could not wear socks or shoes. I had tried drugs without relief. My wife was seeing Dr. Reilly for chronic pain and had received so much relief that when she came home and told me he had new technology for neuropathy, I made an appointment. After the treatment plan that Dr. Reilly prescribed for me, my pain went from a 10 to a one. My advice to others is DO NOT WAIT! GET IT DONE ASAP! You will thank Fairview Chiropractic Center. —Homer L.

I have suffered with neuropathy in my feet for the past two and a half years. I was initially prescribed Neurontin by my medical doctor; however, I was not able to take it due to the side effects—it made me feel anxious and strange. After only three neuropathy treatments with Dr. Reilly, I noticed the feeling in my feet and legs improved and I had less burning in my feet at night. My advice to others is to start with care right after a diagnosis. It may be all you need. At 71 years old I feel great! —Francis E.

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NEUROPATHY ANTIOXIDANTS





Reflecting a bit on the summer of 2014 — we had several cool and warm spells; we actually had a major warm period in late August and early September and managed to hit the 90 degree mark at the

Asheville airport during that period. In terms of precipitation, so far we have had quite a few heavy bouts of rainfall during the late summer which have pushed our rainfall total to 40 inches as of mid-September, which is about 2-3 inches above normal.

Looking ahead

In October, the turn to fall becomes even more apparent with the average high dropping from 72 at the beginning of the month to 64 by month's end. The average daily low drops about 10 degrees, from 50 at the beginning of the month to 40 by the end of October, and we usually see several frosty mornings by the end of the month.

Science aside, clues abound as to the upcoming winter, at least according to common folklore.

Among the beliefs in weather folklore that indicate a snowy winter: thicker-than-normal coats and fur on horses and dogs, squirrels building nests higher in trees than usual, large quantities of acorns and spiders building larger-than-normal webs during the fall. The length of the brown stripe on a banded woolly bear caterpillar is said to foreshadow a harsh winter — the longer the stripe, the milder the winter. Another

Entering Autumn

TRIVIA QUESTION

What causes leaves to change color each autumn and then drop thereafter?

er folklore belief in these mountains is that an early grape harvest will lead to an early winter. Another has to do with the shape of persimmon seeds—you open the seed and the shape determines coming winter weather in your area; if they are shaped like spoons it means snowy winter, a knife shape means very bitter cold, a fork shape means a mild winter. You probably all have your favorite lore.

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In terms of winter forecasts, the Old Farmers Almanac is predicting winter to be much colder than normal, with slightly below-normal precipitation and snowfall. A lot of the government and media sites release their winter forecast or updates during October, so stay tuned.

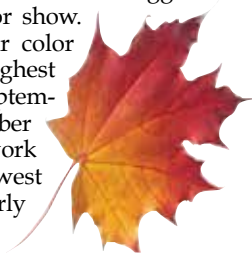
One thing I can say about the weather in western North Carolina, and any other season as well, is that our weather is usually quite variable and we should expect to have several periods of very cold weather each winter. This usually appears when we have a direct flow of Arctic

air from central and northern Canada. Also as part of our climate, we get milder Pacific air coming from the west each winter as well. Mix that in with Gulf of Mexico moisture and we could have either rain or snow from any given storm.

A Warming Snow?

Actually if we do have a cold winter this year, I hope we have more of a snow cover to go with it — the snow cover acts as an insulating blanket, keeping the subsurface warmer with snow cover than without it. I think we might have had less damage to plants and trees last year if we had had a corresponding blanket of snow to go with those two bouts of sub-zero weather we had last winter.

Anyway, enjoy the fall colors this month — they won't last as we slowly fade into late fall and then winter. Elevation and weather are the biggest factors in the color show. Leaves begin their color change on the highest peaks in late September and early October and gradually work down to the lowest elevations by early November.



Meteorologist Tom Ross managed NOAA's Climate Database Modernization Program and was involved in educational and community outreach during his 25-year career at the National Climatic Data Center (NCDC) in Asheville. He was a senior weather forecaster at AccuWeather in Pennsylvania and currently teaches weather and climate at various venues in WNC.

Trivia Answers

Where do hurricane names come from?

Are hurricane names retired like numbers are retired for athletes in sports?

Since 1953, Atlantic tropical storms have been named from lists originated by the NOAA's National Hurricane Center. They are now maintained and updated by an international committee of the World Meteorological Organization.

The original name lists featured only women's names. In 1979, men's names were introduced, and they now alternate with the women's names. Six lists are used in rotation. Thus, the 2008 list will be used again in 2014.

The only time that there is a change in the list is if a storm is so deadly or costly that the future use of its name on a different storm would be inappropriate for reasons of sensitivity. If that occurs, then at an annual meeting by the World Meteorological Organization Tropical Cyclone Committees (called primarily to discuss many other issues) the offending name is stricken from the list and another name is selected to replace it.

From 1950-2011, 76 hurricanes had their names retired. Infamous storms such as Sandy (USA, 2012), Katrina (USA, 2005), Mitch (Honduras, 1998), Andrew (USA 1992), and Tracy (Darwin, 1974) are some recent examples of retired storm names.



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Thirty Thousand Miles on The Blue Ridge Parkway

While riding a high altitude ridge last week I got to thinking about all the time and miles I'd spent on the Blue Ridge Parkway. I did some quick Jethro Bodine cipherin' and realized that over the years I'd easily put in over 25,000 miles on this one road ... probably closer to 30,000. Could this be true?

This fact actually took me by surprise. Most of these miles I'd obviously put on in the last eight years since Amber and I moved to Asheville, as I ride the Parkway almost every time I throw a leg over the seat. But even before that I'd been making regular Parkway trips since I bought my first motorcycle back in 1972. Truth be told, my love affair with the BRP goes back even further to a simpler time when gas was 29 cents a gallon, the "Fab Four" were just conquering America, and color TV was still a luxury.

I think ... no ... I know that I got my love of traveling from my father. He took my mother, my younger sister and me all over the country when I was a kid. Always by car. Never by plane, boat, or train. Our four-wheel adventures took us from coast to coast ... border to border ... and cheap motel to cheap motel. By the time I was 10 I'd seen dozens of national and state parks, beaches in almost every coastal state, both Disney parks, scenic water parks, not-so-scenic water parks, cold wet caverns, bat-infested caves, Indian reservations, and a myriad of low-budget



tourist attractions that would make Clark W. Griswold giddy.

I got my first look at the Parkway in 1965. While on a weekend trip from Nashville to Gatlinburg, Tennessee, my dad casually mentioned that we could return to Nashville via the scenic Blue Ridge Parkway if we were interested. He was always the spur of the moment kind of guy. I inherited the trait along with his receding hairline, but not much else. Anyway ... I must have been 9 or 10. I'd never heard of the Blue Ridge Parkway, which wasn't even complete at the time, but I sure liked

the sound of it. Although at this early age I had seen more of America's natural beauty than most Americans see in a lifetime, my life was about to change.

Once we were up on the parkway I was hooked. Over the course

of this single, unforgettable day we were treated to sweeping curves, scenic overlooks, lush vistas, perfect asphalt, distant waterfalls, and the ever-present otherworldly bluish hue and low rolling clouds that gave birth to the names Blue Ridge and Smoky mountains. The Cherokee Indians used the word "Shaconage" to describe these mountains. It means "blue, like smoke." In my prepubescent mind, this was heaven on earth. I had never seen anything like this except for maybe parts of Northern California.

Mile after mile I sat and marveled at nature's grandeur as a constant strobe of light, shadows, colors and images clandestinely imprinted future memories onto unsullied synapses. I would never forget this day.

It's been more than 40 years since the last time my dad and I were on the parkway together, but I remember it as if it were yesterday. Looking back on my life, I'd say that that spur of the moment trip into the blue-hued mountains of Tennessee was one of those pivotal life-changing events for me. I'm certain he never knew how much that scenic detour would affect his only son.

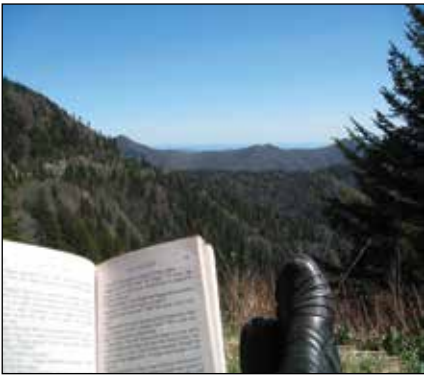
Today I'm living the motorcyclist's dream. The Blue Ridge Parkway entrance

is within five minutes of my door. It hasn't changed much since the first time I experienced it so many years ago, although I have somewhat. And while there are dozens of curvaceous ribbons of perfectly paved asphalt within a few minutes' ride, many of them considered some of the best the US has to offer, I still do about 95 percent of my riding on the BRP. It is my younger self's dream realized.

One might assume that I'd be tired of running the same stretch of tarmac week after week, year after year, decade after decade, but one would be wrong. Every single time I ride the BRP — and this is no exaggeration — it still takes my breath away.

At certain times of year, the beauty of the BRP is so overwhelming that it's brought me to tears. Other times, the parkways' attributes are so subtle as to be almost hidden from view.

While everyone appreciates the legendary bright colors of Autumn (and we have the hordes of seasonal leaf-peepers to prove it), most do not notice that there are just as many shades of greens and purples during the lush summer months. They seem to change colors as the day progresses. You just have to see.



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In the spring at certain altitudes there are wild flowers that smell like exotic perfumes, which always triggers forgotten memories of past lovers. When the morning sun hits the perpetually wet, red granite walls just north of Craggy Gardens, the entire rock face looks like



Few things can instantly send my mind back to our family gathering around a Christmas tree than coming around a corner at high altitude and getting hit with the cool, fresh scent of evergreens and wild poinsettia. Zero to 50 years ago in one second.

As you may have extrapolated by this seasoned rider's feeble attempt at a lyrical ode, the Blue Ridge Parkway is more than just a curvy road to me. It's a 469-mile long bridge that spans my life. It has the power to transport my mind and body from my past to the present and ultimately into a hopeful future. It is the keeper of long forgotten moments and future memories, ready to bestow them at any moment ... around any curve ... just on the other side of that upcoming tunnel.

As I'm closing in on the 500,000 career miles milestone and am no stranger to all the wonderful sights and great riding this country has to offer, I can honestly say the Blue Ridge Parkway is hands-down my favorite ride and probably always will be.

Thanks, Dad.

Jerry D. Finley ("Danger is my middle name") is the owner and Captain of Pirates' Lair Motorcycle Accessories, 1279 Charlotte Highway in Fairview. Find information and contacts at pirateslair.net.

Tips for Riding the Blue Ridge Parkway

- **Always hit your horn when entering a tunnel.** There are lots of bicyclists on the BRP and many Tour de France riders train on the BRP as it's very close to European riding. Most wear safety colors and have flashing lights, but many do not. In theory, hitting your horn will alert them you're coming and allow them time to give you room to pass. Before I started doing this I came close a dozen times to taking out a poorly lit bicycle.
- **Never pass a car when approaching an overlook or rest area as it may make a last minute turn with no warning.**
- **Never speed on the straight sections of the parkway.** That's where the radar will be set up. If they nail you while going through the curves, DO NOT try to outrun them. Just pull over and wait for them to show up.
- **If you get pulled over ... BEFORE you whip out your license and registration, inform the trooper that you are or are not carrying a weapon.** As of 2010, you can carry weapons on the parkway, so the park rangers are a little skittish.
- **If you are planning a long trip on the parkway, start with good tires.** The BRP is more abrasive than any road you'll ever see. Most sections are paved with a glass derivative offering supreme grip. This is something they don't tell you on the BRP's official website.
- **In the fall when the leaves are peaking, unless you are used to putting along at old lady speeds, stay off the parkway after 12 noon or any time of day on weekends.** Ride early on weekdays. Tourists will stop in the road to take pictures or drive at 5-10 mph.
- **Never, ever ride the BRP after dusk.** That's when the zombies (aka deer) come out and they want to kill you. They usually travel in small packs. They stand around in the middle of the road or leap out from the trees whispering in deer language "Brains ... brains." Be afraid of them. Always get off the parkway one hour before dark. Trust me on this or not.
- **Be careful if you pass turkeys.** There are lots around and they can actually fly. When they do, it's a 30 lb bird smacking you in the chest; not pleasant for either of you.
- **Always carry a drink and a snack,** as there are only a few places to buy such things on the parkway. I also carry a book in case I see a nice spot to kick back and relax and a "travel-size" roll of toilet paper for, er, ... emergencies.
- **Always carry a map (or GPS) so you can find gas if needed.**
- **Be afraid of fog banks.** If you put in enough miles on the BRP, sooner or later you're gonna run into a fog bank. They can range from barely annoying to "please God, let me make it through this alive" scary. Immediately put on your low beams and flashers. Generally these banks are less than 1/4 mile long, but I've seen them last 12-14 miles and be so thick that not only can you NOT see the road either in front of you or even the side, but so thick that you can't see your dash. These fog banks are the most dangerous aspect of riding the Parkway. More so than black ice. More so than zombies. More so than a ranger with an attitude. If I run into one of these fog banks and I'm NOT out of it within a mile, I turn around or get off. If you can't see the road, cars on the parkway can't see you and will plow right over you unknowingly. Be afraid. Be very afraid.

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Trout Lily Market Celebrates 13th Anniversary with New Look

Surviving the toughest economic times of our age was impossible for some small stores, but for a small local market celebrating its 13th anniversary, recession success all came down to having healthy, local roots.

"We started as a co-op in '98 over by the library," says Susan Bost, owner of Trout Lily Market. "It was a way to give neighbors fresh, healthy, sustainable food."

"Myself and Annie Louise and Isaiah Perkinson worked with local gardeners to offer healthy, sustainable choices to Fairview residents. It was a collective effort that grew from strong roots. We were part of the French Broad Food Co-op back when they were actually on French Broad Street."

In 2001 the Perkinsons shifted their focus to Flying Cloud Farm where they still grow fruits, vegetables and flowers using

sustainable methods and Bost started running Trout Lily Market full time.

The success of the original neighborhood endeavor necessitated expansion and a move across the street to its current location at 1297 Charlotte Highway. The market continues to grow into, and even beyond the space.

"We're really proud of a lot of the changes we're making," says Bost. "The most noticeable is painting our building to match our new logo. Still, we're always looking for the best ways to help the community keep it local and stay healthy."

Trout Lily continues to carry products from local area growers and farms, including organic food, drink and wellness products. The deli selections alone carry 15 local vendors and many of the products are organic. The store supports more than 35 local artisans and breweries.

"Representing local businesses is key to our success," says Bost. "But we continue to stay small so we can serve the local community. We're more like a well-stocked pantry than a full-serve grocery, but that means we can offer a selection that no one else can."

At the front of the store there's a bulletin board with information about the local vendors represented on the shelves. The display sits right next to the grab-and-go deli where many of those local products are used in Trout Lily's traditional, gluten-free



and vegetarian wraps and sandwiches. There's also freshly-made soups, salads and more.

Turn around and you can see every aisle of the grocery in one glance, including a substantial wellness section and hundreds of healthy, natural and organic options from which to choose.

Trout Lily offers artisan breads and the grains to make your own from scratch. There are fruits and vegetables, meats and fish, vegetarian and vegan products of all kinds, beer and wine (they even have a tasting license!), coffee and tea, chips and salsas, hormone-free milks and cheeses, salts and spices, snacks of all kinds and, yes, even chocolates among other things. There's also a well-stocked freezer section that includes locally-produced, ready-

made, pot pies and other easy-to-cook options.

Despite staying small and having long-standing roots grounded in tradition, Bost wants Trout Lily to offer more. There are plans for a fresh relish and pickle bar, breakfast service starting in November, catering that will offer hors d'oeuvre platters, classes to teach about natural gardening and foods and even a patio and picnic area outside.

There are a couple of new faces at Trout Lily too including chefs April Gupta and Kelly Hoffman, and wellness consultant Lauri Abel.

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SAHC Reaches Out to Farmers

Trout Lily is celebrating its 13th Anniversary on October 11 and plans festivities for the day including tastings, live music provided by the Berry Pickers and more. You can sample No Evil vegan meats, Waking Life ice coffee, Organic Coconut cocoa bacon snack & chocolate covered coconut chips, Silver Moon chocolates and Home Free bagels.

Like its namesake, Trout Lily Market is all about the abundance of nature. The plant itself is pretty, sustainable and can be used for many purposes. The bulb of the flower is edible as a root vegetable (cooked or dried) and can be ground into flour. The leaves can also be cooked as a leaf vegetable.

Trout Lily Market also offers itself for many uses. Shopping for dinner or getting snacks, it's worth a stop at the small shop. Whether you're a local or a visitor, there's something at Trout Lily Market for everyone.



Alfresco dining at the Trout Lily patio

The Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy (SAHC) hit the road last month to spread some love for family farmers and farmland preservation. In addition to setting up information at the NC Mountain State Fair, Yael Girard, SAHC's Community Farm Assistant, and Caitlin Edenfield, SAHC's Project Conserve AmeriCorps Land Protection Associate, traveled to Farm Aid 2014 to talk to folks about how land trusts can help farmers.

"Pursuing farming is very difficult these days with the cost of land and equipment being so high," said Girard. "There are programs out there to assist the farming community in offsetting some of these costs and to improve their farms, both in production and environmental responsibility. Meeting with your local land trust, NC Cooperative Extension office, or NCDA representative is a good place to learn about what funding is available for your agricultural business."

Leveraging private donations and working in collaboration with a variety of county, state and federal partners, land trusts can purchase agricultural conservation easements, thereby permanently preserving land for agricultural use in the future and at the same time providing farmers with funds to reinvest in improvements and equipment for the farm. Below is a list of just some of the other funding opportunities available for local farmers.

The US Department of Agriculture

Although renowned for tedious paperwork required for government grants, the USDA offers numerous opportunities in

everything from installing renewable resource power to upgrading structures. For example, the Rural Development: Energy for America Grant is offered to agricultural producers and rural small businesses for renewable energy/energy efficiency projects. Also, the National Organic Certification Cost Share Program is available to help producers transition from conventional farming to organic certified.

USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service, Environmental Quality Incentives Program (NRCS EQIP) Provides financial and technical assistance to agricultural producers to address natural resource concerns and deliver environmental benefits such as improved water and air quality, conserved ground and surface water, reduced soil erosion and sedimentation, or improved or created wildlife habitat. SAHC recently utilized this cost-share program to help complete a stream restoration project and install off-stream watering tanks for livestock.

USDA Farm Service Agency makes direct and guaranteed farm ownership and operating loans to family-size farmers and ranchers. FSA loans can be used to purchase land, livestock, equipment, feed, seed, and supplies. Loans can also be used to construct buildings or make farm improvements.

Southern Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) Producer



SAHC's booth at the recent NC Mountain State Fair

Grants are used to conduct sustainable research projects on agricultural production challenges faced by farmers and to develop information to benefit other farmers and ranchers. Southern SARE Producer Grants are research grants, designed to take some of the financial risk away from trying a new solution to an agricultural production issue. The next deadline for this program is November 17, 2014.

The Buncombe County Cooperative Extension Service and Buncombe Soil and Water Conservation Service are also key resources for local farmers. Among other things, both can provide technical advice and access to shared agricultural equipment for a minimal cost to local farmers, which can result in higher farm profits by increasing efficiency and land productivity.

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CANDIDATE Q&A



I first moved to Fairview in the summer of 1969, agreeing to work at Hickory Nut Gap Farm in order to court Annie Clarke! I milked a lot of cows that summer. We were married in January of 1971.

We were blessed with four sons from 1974 to 1980: Eric, Kevin, Jamie and Doug. I love Fairview, and have devoted much of my time and energy to enhancing life in the community, and that has been a great joy as I look back over the years. Annie and I treasure our friendships most of all, people working together for a better Fairview.

I have also had a rich and varied professional life, always trying to make sure that my work, my family and my community enriched one another. I have been a carpenter, teacher, farm manager, philanthropic foundation manager, and real estate manager. I have helped to organize a new church, coach baseball, basketball and soccer, serve as PTA president, serve on the Board of Trustees of Warren Wilson College, and nurture the *Fairview Town Crier*, to name just a few.

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ing healthy families is at the heart of my life, and I believe should be at the heart of policy decisions in Raleigh. North Carolina prospers when our families prosper. Right now, many of our working families are struggling. We have about 25% of our people living in poverty, and that number is growing in large part because of Raleigh politics.

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Our public schools are on the front lines of caring for our most distressed families, and yet the General Assembly has cut their resources to the bone. Many families are one ER visit from bankruptcy, and yet our lawmakers refused to extend the fully paid-for Medicaid program. Our representatives created the stingiest unemployment program in the U.S. and they ended the bipartisan Earned Income Tax benefit. At a time of expanding inequality, the state legislature slashed taxes for the wealthy and added taxes for working families.

I can't wait to roll up my sleeves and go to work for the people of Buncombe County, working to create a world class education system and bring good jobs to our region for all of our families. I will bring along all of my friends from a lifetime of service to make great things happen in our community.



I grew up in Fairview and attended Buncombe County Public Schools. I'm a third generation dairy farmer here, one of the few dairies in the county and one of 300 statewide. With my brother, father, and our employees we work every day to provide local supermarkets with the highest quality milk possible. Our dairy farm has been recognized as one of North Carolina's top producers of quality milk. I know what it's like to be a small businessperson, and I know small business is big business in Buncombe County.

As a legislator, my job isn't to represent a political party, my job is to represent you.

All candidates talk about working for public schools and improving education, but my record proves it. As County Commissioner, school funding increased 51 percent in eight years, and significant capital projects were completed in Buncombe County and Asheville City Public Schools. As legislator, I voted against my political party and was one of the few Republicans to vote against the 2013 budget because of my concerns about K-12 funding. I was one of the few Republicans who voted repeatedly against vouchers. And I supported the 2014 budget, because it preserved teacher assistant funding and was the "largest teacher pay raise on a percentage basis in the past decade and one of the

largest in NC history" per nonpartisan fiscal staff.

All candidates talk about being bipartisan and working across the aisle, but my record demonstrates I've done that. As Chairman of the Buncombe County Commissioners I worked for eight years with four Democrats to improve our schools and economy. As a legislator, my job isn't to represent a political party, my job is to represent you. I've voted against my party on the 2013 budget, vouchers, fracking, and many other issues when I believe it didn't benefit the people of Buncombe County.

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Despite what you see in your mailbox or on television, only one candidate in this race has ever stood up to his own political party on major issues and has a voting record of consistent support for public schools. I'm humbled by the kind words of Bob Rhinehart, Chairman of the Buncombe County Board of Education, who said, "Nathan has been a strong supporter of public schools, frequently visiting schools and listening to parents and educators. That's what I like the best about Nathan: he doesn't just talk, he listens, and he puts what he hears into action for all the people he represents, not just a select few."

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What's New . . . and Keep it Clean, Now



Chromebooks

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Keep a Clean Machine

Occasionally, I see hot desktop computers, not as in fantastically great but actually hot-to-the-touch computers. Their fans are always running and they operate slowly. Various things can make this happen but the most common are dust, pet hair, rug and dryer lint, and smoke or tar build up from wood fires or cigarettes. To clean these out requires opening up the computer and actually finding the cooling fan that sits on top of a finned radiator. Just vacuuming it may not work; you may need to use tweezers to pull off the sticky lint and then vacuum out all the dust you can see. Using the crevice tool is often a good way to get into corners. Don't forget the dust that builds up on the power supply, the box inside the tower where the power cord plugs in. With laptops, look for dust in and around venting, usually parallel or circular openings.

While on cleaning, LCD screens are best cleaned with a microfiber cloth like you get for glasses. Try it dry, but if you need dampness spray water or dilute white vinegar on the cloth, not the screen. Don't press on the panel, just keep gently rubbing to get the gunk off. If you don't have a microfiber cloth, a coffee filter will work. For keyboards, you can often blow out all sorts of crumbs and dust with compressed air from a can.

Mac vs. Wordiness

On the Mac side of things, for those of us who are too wordy, there is a Summary service that can help you check your wordiness. It is not perfect, but it can help, especially if you play with the slider to see how much can be summarized. To turn it on, and to learn more about Services, actions that are available across all your Mac applications, try a google search for "Mac services summary" or something similar.

Change Those Passwords Again

It comes as no surprise, more passwords have been leaked and you might be scrambling to change them all again. The advice is still to use different passwords and to change them regularly. Password saving software, like LastPass and others, can help with that, as can a card in your wallet. You limit your exposure to logins being compromised if you always use different passwords, especially if they are truly different — please, no 1234google, 1234yahoo or 1234att!

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School, Sports & Kid Stuff.....

Cane Creek Middle School Welcomes New Principal

Karen Barnhill was announced as the new principal at Cane Creek Middle School. Robin Board, the school's previous principal, has moved to Charles T. Koontz Intermediate School.

Barnhill has served as an assistant principal at A.C. Reynolds Middle School since 2008. Prior to that she was a Language Arts teacher since 1996. She holds a MA in School Administration from Western Carolina University.

Previously, Barnhill lived in South Carolina. She has been in education for 16 years as both a teacher and administrator.



Karen Barnhill

"Educating students to be well-rounded global thinkers through challenging academic opportunities will help mold them into future contributing members of society," Barnhill's bio states. "To help students achieve academic success, I plan to assist the teachers, students, parents, and the Cane Creek community at large in providing a nurturing culture that is conducive to a successful learning environment."

Barnhill states that, as the new Hurricanes' Principal, her sole focus is student success.

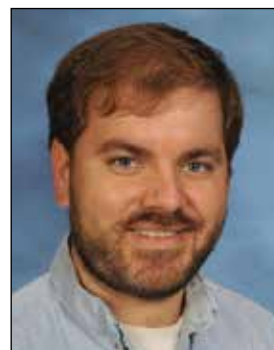
William Henry is Named District Teacher of Year

Buncombe County Schools' (BCS) six District Teachers of the Year for 2015 were announced by Susanne Swanger, Associate Superintendent, at the Regular Board Meeting on September 4.

William Henry, who teaches at Fairview Elementary School, was named Teacher of the Year for the Reynolds school district.

The district winners are selected from all of the schools' Teachers of the Year in each of the six school districts.

On September 16 Owen Middle School's Nicole Phelps was chosen as the



William Henry

countywide Teacher of the Year for 2015.

Of course it's an honor to be nominated along with some other great teachers. Those who love teaching would do it no matter what, but it's great to give recognition for a job well done.

The district teachers were treated to an award banquet at the Renaissance Hotel in downtown Asheville.

Henry is also awarded a premier parking spot at the elementary school. It may not be a corner office, but it has a pretty good view.

Fairview Preschool Enrolling for Fall

Preschoolers share their family photos during the first weeks of fall semester. The school offers a developmentally age-appropriate, hands-on learning environment. A pre-K readiness class for 5-year-olds and a class for 4- and 3-year-olds are available Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings 8:30 am-2:30 pm. A 2-year-old class meets Wednesdays and Fridays 8:30 am-noon. Visit the website at fairviewpreschool.org or call 338-2073 for more information.



Cash for Canes Program Underway

Cane Creek Middle School's major yearly fundraiser program, Cash for Canes, continues **through October 17**

to offer local businesses, families and the community a chance to support the school, teachers and students.

All funds raised go directly to help the school in areas impacted by budget cuts and reduced funding, including extracurricular activities, classroom technology, nurse supplies, counselor activities and classroom tools.

In appreciation of donors, several sponsorship and recognition levels have been created, providing the

business or individual donor with ads and other marketing opportunities in the school's weekly e-news, bulletin board, outdoor banner sites, website and school advertisements.

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OCTOBER FUN.....

Halloween Lore

Halloween was brought to North America by immigrants from Europe who would celebrate the harvest around a bonfire, share ghost stories, sing, dance and tell fortunes.

Halloween is on October 31st, the last day of the Celtic calendar. It was originally a pagan holiday, honoring the dead. Halloween was referred to as All Hallows Eve and dates back to over 2,000 years ago.

Jack o' lanterns originated in Ireland where people placed candles in hollowed-out turnips to keep away spirits and ghosts on the Samhain holiday.

Halloween candy sales average about \$2 billion dollars annually in the United States.

Chocolate candy bars top the list as the most popular candy for trick-or-treaters with Snickers #1.

Tootsie Rolls were the first wrapped penny candy in America.

Orange and black are Halloween colors because orange is associated with the Fall harvest and black is associated with darkness and death.

Bobbing for apples is thought to have originated from the Roman harvest festival honoring Pomona, the goddess of fruit trees.

The ancient Celts thought that spirits and ghosts roamed the countryside on Halloween night. They began wearing masks and costumes to avoid being recognized as human.

Halloween is the second most commercially successful holiday; Christmas is the first.

Pumpkins also come in white, blue and green. Great for unique monster carvings!

Black cats were once believed to be witch's familiars who protected their powers.

John Carpenter's movie, 'Halloween,' was made in only 21 days in 1978 on a very limited budget. The movie was shot in the Spring and used fake autumn leaves.


The mask used by Michael Meyers in the movie "Halloween" was actually William Shatner's face mask painted white.

The character Laurie Strode, played by Jamie Lee Curtis was named after John Carpenter's first girlfriend.

While the setting for the movie "Halloween" is in Illinois, the license plates on the vehicles have California plates.

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A River of Warblers along the Blue Ridge



Early fall in the North Carolina Mountains is always exciting and gives us an early taste of what we hope is ahead of us over the next few weeks. The weather is usually unpredictable as the cold fronts pass over us bringing rain, wind and unstable conditions.

On Labor Day a group of us decided to have a dawn birding picnic high atop the Blue Ridge to get a look at early fall migration and a quick “warbler fix” prior to the onset of fall migration. Most of us were in situ as dawn broke beyond the foothills of Mt. Mitchell. Ridges of a deep indigo blue appeared as the horizon started to appear out of the dawn and clouds strung out to the horizon and as the sun broke through a palette of pinks, reds and oranges swept across the sky. It was spectacular.



Dawn breaks over the Blue Ridge
Photo by Simon Thompson

The clouds carpeted the valley below Ridge Junction Overlook, but we were up in the clear. As we sipped our first cup of coffee, the first warblers were streaming through the pass. This gap in the mountains has always been reliable for fall warbler migration, and today was no exception. After a brief pause to enjoy fresh blueberry pancakes, fresh fruit and a delicious casserole, we positioned ourselves at the lip of the mountain, trying to catch glimpses of the birds in the early morning light.

The warblers came through the gap in waves. Small groups of birds materialized seemingly out of thin air and either sped by over our heads, only to disappear from view, or plunged headlong into the dense green shrubbery at our feet. Call-notes gave them away as they passed overhead or fed feverishly in the bushes, and we just quietly stood there waiting for a glimpse of the tiny travelers.

The tiny olive-green birds were Tennessee Warblers. They were on their way from the northern boreal forests of Canada and the US to winter south of the border in the Central American mountains. Chestnut-sided and Black-throated Green Warblers were also common, with a high number of immature and adult birds passing through. Blackburnian Warblers, faded from their fire-orange summer colors, paused at the lip and gave us just a glimpse of them before they flew past, and many striking Black-throated Blues uttered quiet chip notes as they fed below us before their trans-Caribbean crossing



Black-Throated green warbler
Photo by Simon Thompson

to Jamaica. Baltimore Orioles were also coming through today, and at one stage three males perched atop a spruce tree, their orange and black feathers gleaming in the morning sunshine.

It was a morning to remember and a brief insight into the frenetic life that these birds live. Young birds, fresh out of the nest, were heading south to a place they had never been. Millions of years of heredity and instinct led them south to their ancestral home in the tropics, and we saw them for just a split second that day high in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains.

Certainly a cause for reflection as we lead our lives, often insulated from the natural world around us, and yes, one more thing. It was certainly well worth getting up at 5 AM to see the sun crest one of the Blue Ridge’s many mountain ridges.

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We've Been Boo-ed!

Neighborhoods across the country are ushering the Halloween season with a new tradition. It provides all the fun things about the season for kids and kids-at-heart; it's sweet and it's spooky!

Boo-bagging has been catching on because of its ease, its creativity and, most of all, its fun.

Do a search on the internet and there are all sorts of printables, poems and even companies selling boo-bag kits. But it can be as simple as drawing a pumpkin on a paper bag, putting in a few pieces of candy, maybe pencils or other safe fun stuff, writing "BOO!" and then sneaking it to your neighbor.

The premise for most participants is that a friendly little spook, ghost or gob-

lin has left the pre-Halloween treat and encouraged the neighbor to do the same. Some boo-baggers encourage doing two visits, some give a two-day time limit, but others are just one-for-fun.

Some boo-baggers leave the treats overnight to be found the next morning. Others like to relive their naughty ding-dong-ditching moments of childhood and ring the bell and run, giggling like a child every step as they flee and hide. And most parents ... well they just send the older kids out to do the dirty work.

Boo-bagging (also known as 'ghosting' and 'boo-gramming') encourages neighborhoods to come together before the hectic start of the cold months. It offers a little bit of mystery, unseen smiles and the encouragement to think of your neighbor with no expectations in return.

Go ahead- boo away.

Boo!

Fall is here and the air is crisp,
To celebrate is this little Halloween gift.
It was made with love just for you,
A sweet surprise that's called a "Boo!"

Secret friends have left it here,
To bring your family some Halloween cheer!
You've been booed and it's your turn to share,
With friends or neighbors, anyone if you dare!

Put together two goody bags, spooky and fun
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I don't like felines, and I don't like playing with children or other dogs. I prefer an all adult home, as they are most respectful of gentlemen such as myself.

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Stella

Stella is around 12 years old or so. She is very sweet and was surrendered when her owner was moving out of the country.



Precious

Precious is around 10 years old. She originally came from another shelter. She is currently at the adoption center so if you would like to visit she would love it!



Lucy

Like this Picture? You should see the ones where I have my sunglasses on!! I am one cool dog who loves to play, go hiking, car rides, and more. I am 2 1/2 years old, spayed female Australian Cattle dog mix, and a graduate of the New Leash on Life program. I may be a little shy at first when meeting someone new but give me 2 minutes and then I am your best bud. Like Daisy, I am waiting for my new home and family. Come visit me and see what a great dog I am!

Daisy

I am still at Animal Haven which I love but I really want to be part of a family where I am the center of attention. I am 8 years young, spayed female Husky mix, and always have a smile on my face when someone calls my name. I also graduated from the New Leash on Life program. I need to be the only dog in the family so if you have space in your home and your heart, please come see me!



Fizzgig

A face to love, a personality to match, a graduate of the New Leash on Life program - what more could you want? I am a 2 year old neutered male Boston Terrier mix waiting patiently but anxiously for my new home. I am great with people, other dogs, love to play tug, and car rides. I weigh 32 pounds, (am working on losing a few pounds), house trained, crate trained, and have very good manners. Please call Animal Haven to meet me - I will make your day!

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October 4 — Saturday, 12-7 pm: Pride Fest, Pack Square in Downtown Asheville.

October 11 — Saturday, 12-4 pm: Mast General Store adoption and sale, Asheville.

October 17-19 — Friday-Sunday: LEAF Festival, Black Mountain

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October 31 — Friday, 12-5 pm: Halloween benefit, Hollywood Vampires Salon, Asheville.

Woof & Wine Wednesdays

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It Takes a Village ... or a Few Caring Souls

A cat infestation is nothing to laugh about. It is in fact a dangerous situation that could result in minor injury and lost sleep. At least, that's what local horror author Patrick Greene discovered when his family decided to answer the call for help seen in *The Fairview Town Crier* to foster four kittens and one mama cat.

The story begins with Susie Londenber, who loves all living things and had already been putting food out for one cat when she saw a little orange tabby coming around as well. It was a skinny little thing and very skittish. Susie tried to get closer but couldn't. Then one day the orange tabby came with two little kittens. Then the next day, two more kittens, for a total of four. Susie enlisted the help of her neighbor, Sandie Rhodes, who happens to be the *Crier's* Editor, to do something about the situation. Sandie reached out to Asheville Humane Society and Charlie's Angels and borrowed several traps ... and she put a request for fostering help in the *Town Crier*.

The Patrick Greene family answered the call, adding five new critters to their home ... in addition to the three cats already in residence. Patrick, his wife Jen, their 12-year

old son, and adult cats Kleio, Kumi and King Leonidas — took on more adventure than they had imagined.

"We've always been a cat family," Patrick said, "dating back to when a beautiful black female named Zoe was given as a birthday present to yours truly. Her ghost now resides with us. Leonidas appeared on an embankment just a short way from our home, while Kleio was rescued from a barn. Kumi too was a gift, adopted from Brother Wolf Rescue, though she clearly thinks of herself more as the iron-fisted dictator of our small 'nation' so direly needs."

According to *The Fairview Town Crier*, a family of cats had been spotted and the shelters were all full. A request was put out, and the Greens agreed to care for them until they could be adopted. It was a process. They were all trapped separately and eventually reconvened in the Greene's laundry room.

Two ginger tabby boys, dubbed Thor and Loki based on their constant battles (and subsequent make-up naps) were the first to be captured. They quickly overcame their wariness of their new surroundings, venturing to every accessible nook of the house and making themselves at home on beds, dinnerware and faces.

These feline sons of Odin had two sisters, captured a few days later, and found to be far less adventurous than their orange siblings.

"The long-haired gray-and-white girl had a fool-proof defense; she hissed when someone drew within seven and a half feet. Dubbed Miss Hiss or Missus Hisses, if you're feeling formal, this little lady had no interest in getting to know us or her surroundings. But she seemed fascinated and then enamored with my son, eventually warming to him," Greene recalled.

The fourth and tiniest of the bunch, a Tortie with a sort of Batman mask, went through a variety of names.

"The name Kalypso seemed appropriate, but given our habit of speaking to them in high-pitched baby voices, we reduced this to 'Pocalypse, then Paper Clip, then Safety Pin. She really doesn't care which name you use, so long as it's accompanied by a few strokes across her tiny back."

The boys were constantly on the move, very curious, and apparently part mischievous gremlin. Patrick was already dealing with an injured knee when Loki snuck up behind and tripped him, making the injury worse. One reparative surgery later Patrick had a nice set of black stitches poking from his knee that the boys thought were spiders, presumably, since they attacked and bit at the threads at every opportunity.

Thanks to Susie Londenber, Charlie's

Angels, Asheville Humane Society and Sandie Rhodes, eventually everyone was spayed/neutered and Fairview residents provided a home where the two miscreant boys could be together, leaving the two girls and Mom. Mama cat never warmed up to the family, but she found a lovely barn and a few horses to live with in Haywood County. Word has it, Mama Charlotte is now running the place. The girls had a potential home in Madison County, but that fell through. It soon became clear that the girls would be staying with the Greens.

Kalypso is a huntress, testing her skills on any unfortunate moth or bug that makes it into the house. Miss Hiss prefers ambushing the tails or toes of her housemates, or cuddling with her favorite blanket. Leonidas likes to be chased, and the girls sometimes comply. Kleio gives them both daily baths, and Kumi continues to try to convince everyone that she is the boss.

All in all — it's a big happy family.

"If you're thinking of fostering an animal or two, or five, I highly recommend it. It's a fairly easy way to be a big hero. Just always watch out behind you," Patrick finished with a recommendation and a warning.

Patrick Greene and his wife grew up in Fairview and returned a few years ago with their youngest son, who now attends Cane Creek Middle School. Patrick is the author of Progeny and the soon to be released The Crimson Calling from Hobbes End Publishing.





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... I've never been for a walk, never had a ride in the car, I've never been anywhere. Just tied to this dog house in the rain, snow, and heat of the sun, protecting your home.

... Because I love to go for rides with you, you take me everywhere. Even on the hottest days of summer, you bring me in the car. Unfortunately, you left me in the car with the windows just cracked in the blazing sun and I almost died from heat exhaustion. Why did you stay away so long?

... Remember when you took me for walks on the hot pavement? You didn't realize that my paws were burning because you had sandals on your feet. Please don't walk me on hot days without testing the pavement first.

... I was running down the road with my other dog friends late at night. We didn't know about getting hit by a car. Why didn't they see us?

... I wasn't kept safe in the yard, so I roamed the roads. One day I hurt my leg and tried to limp miles back home. Finally someone found me and took me home with her, saddened by my pain.

... All these mosquitoes bite me too; I got heartworm last year and almost died because I had no medication.

There are Dangers I Can't Know

... I was running down the road with my

other dog friends late at night. We didn't know about getting hit by a car. Why didn't they see us?

... I was really scared when the fireworks started and I ran and ran and kept on running. Now I don't know where I am, lost in the mountains, afraid to go back home. Where is home?

... My family always knew that I was street smart. I always looked both ways and listened for cars before crossing over from my driveway on a very busy road. But as I got older, my hearing and eyesight and reflexes got worse. I didn't hear the car.

... Daily I take a walk along a busy road and sometimes people stop and pick me up and bring me back home. I just never know when the wrong person might not bring me back and take me someplace else. I hope this never happens to me.

... I wasn't spayed so I surprised you with a litter of puppies. They were so cute, but as they got bigger they started roaming wild in the neighborhood until finally Animal Control picked them up. Maybe they got adopted, or maybe not.

Lost, and Found ... Sometimes

... I was really scared when the fireworks started and I ran and ran and kept on running. Now I don't know where I am, lost in the mountains, afraid to go back home. Where is home?

... I decided to take a walk down the road, escape the yard, see the mountains, but then I got lost on my way back. Several people tried to help me, but I wasn't

wearing any identification, so I may be lost forever. I'm so confused and scared.

... Lightning and thunder are my biggest fear, so I ran and when the rain stopped and the storm was over, I was at a farm and this wonderful man walked me back to the road to find my owners. A neighbor noticed my pet-finder tag and I was then re-united with my family. I was so happy!

... Hiking with my family, they thought I was ready to hike off-leash and come when called. They were wrong about that. I ran off and headed back to their car. I was waiting on the busy and windy road when a lady pulled up and took me into her car and called my family. Thank goodness I had ID on me. I was reunited with my family at their car, what a relief for all of us!

... I've never been for a walk, never had a ride in the car, I've never been anywhere. Just tied to this dog house in the rain, snow, and heat of the sun, protecting your home.

Please Make More Happy Endings

All of these stories are true dog experiences. Unfortunately, there aren't many happy endings to these stories. Many end in tragedy for these beautiful dogs. If they could only talk, would you listen? Be a responsible dog owner, love them and keep them safe.

Please ID your dogs so they can be returned to you quickly. Nine hundred eighty-nine pets in Buncombe County were reunited with their families last year; identification is vitally important for your pets and the people who find them.

Resources

Free ID Tag — Provided by Woof in the Woods, 1451 Charlotte Highway, 222-2222, during the month of October, or the Buncombe County Animal Shelter, 16 Forever Friend Lane, Asheville, 250-6430.

Unchaining Options — Unchain Buncombe County will provide assistance in building fences and helping owners find alternatives to chaining. Visit unchainbuncombe.org or call 450-7736.

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SAHC's Community Farm Assistant Yael Girard (right) and SAHC's Project Conserve AmeriCrops Land Protection Associate Caitlin Edenfield, holding a painting of SAHC's Community Farm, painted by Chip Holton.

The Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy is an Asheville-based, nonprofit land trust dedicated to the conservation of unique plant and animal habitat, clean water, farmland and scenic beauty of the mountains of North Carolina and Tennessee for the benefit of present and future generations. For more information, visit appalachian.org.

MONEY MATTERS

By Tom Schunk

Is There an HECM in Your Future?

What the heck am I talking about? HECM (pronounced heck-um) stands for Home Equity Conversion Mortgage, also known as a reverse mortgage. This is a FHA insured home loan. OK, you've heard bad things about them. I've heard them too. Most of them are flat-out false and the rest are gross exaggerations based on fear.

One of the biggest fallacies about HECMs is that you will lose your house. This couldn't be further from the truth. The house stays in your name the whole time you live there. It's your house; you can sell it anytime you want. The reverse mortgage lender holds a lien on your house, but that's just like any forward mortgage. What makes it reverse is that the loan balance goes up as the remaining equity goes down compared to a forward mortgage where the loan balance goes down as you build equity. So, you are tapping into the equity you've built up.

For most people, their home is their biggest investment, an investment like no other because they get to live in it. The problem is that they cannot get anything out of it unless they sell and move. One of the advantages of a HECM is that you can get something out of it AND live in it.

With a HECM loan your current mortgage is paid off, so you have no mortgage payment, thus increasing your monthly cash flow. If you currently have no mortgage, or have a significant amount of equity, there should also

be a fund of tax free money in the form of a line of credit you can tap into for any purpose: to pay off debt, health care costs, travel, you name it. Plus, the unused line of credit grows monthly. That means the less you use, the greater your available money becomes. You heard that right: the line of credit grows (currently around 4%). This fund can also be taken as either a monthly disbursement or a lump sum.

If you are 62 or older, have at least 50 percent equity, and your home is your primary residence, you might be a candidate for a HECM. The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) made some adjustments to the program recently, making it more stable and versatile. In the past, HECMs were used as a last resort strategy—when a homeowner was about to lose the house. The changes have added a new dimension to the program and gotten the attention of some heavyweights in the financial planning industry: Even-sky, Salter, Guttentag, and others. The new thinking is to use them along with your retirement portfolio to provide safety and longevity. When the market is down a HECM can be used for living expenses, thereby preserving your investment portfolio until the market rebounds and allowing you to avoid liquidating your portfolio when returns would be poor.

There are no big lifestyle changes either. Just pay your property taxes and home owner's insurance, keep the prop-

erty in good shape, live in it at least half time, and pay condo fees or association dues if applicable. A HECM lets you live in the house as long as you want. You cannot lose the house unless you fail to do the above things.

Another objection has been the cost. The cost of a HECM has come down dramatically, and is now in line with normal purchase or refinance costs. Most of the costs are rolled into the mortgage, so there are very few out-of-pocket expenses.

People are still skittish about housing issues since the big crash in the housing market. So, safety is on their minds. HECMs are insured by the FHA, which means you or your heirs will never have to pay anything to get out of the contract. If you decide to move you would pay off the loan balance with the profits from the sale, just like any other mortgage. If you die, your heirs have the options of selling the house and making a profit, buying the house by paying off the loan, or simply giving it back to the lender if there was no profit to be made. The new program is designed to preserve the equity in the house longer, thereby protecting you and your heirs.

Tom Schunk, a Fairview resident, counseled potential borrowers on reverse mortgages at a local non-profit agency for over five years. He is a reverse mortgage consultant with Security 1 Lending, a national leader in reverse mortgage lending. Contact him with questions at 707-3493 or thomas.schunk@s1l.com.

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Blessing of the Animals at Trinity Episcopal

October 4 is the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, and in his honor, Trinity Episcopal Church of Asheville is celebrating its annual Blessing of the Animals. St. Francis loved all God's creation and blessed all God's creatures.

The brief service on **Saturday, October 4, 4 pm** will offer God's blessings on our beloved animal companions, using prayers and music from the tradition of St. Francis. Trinity Episcopal Church is located at 60 Church Street in downtown Asheville. For information, visit trinityasheville.org.



Fall Spectacular at Trinity of Fairview



Trinity of Fairview Baptist Church, 646 Concord Road, invites everyone to a great evening of fellowship, fun and naturally, lots of candy on **Wednesday, October 29, 6:30-8:30 pm**. Lots of creative ideas have been inspired by this year's theme, Heroes of the Faith.

Attendance and all activities are free. Kids are encouraged to wear their costumes.

Humanism is Focus of Ethical Society

"My Journey from Minister to Humanist" will be presented by former Mennonite minister Calvin King on **Sunday, October 19, 2-3:30 pm** at the Ethical Society of Asheville meeting held at The Friends Meeting House, 227 Edgewood Road (near UNCA). King will discuss his changing beliefs about the advocacy of prayer, the authority of the Bible, the sacrificial story of redemption, and the logic of science.

Visit aeu.org, contact ethicalsocietyasheville@gmail.com or call 687-7759 for more information.

Goodwill First Ever Furniture Mart

Bargain hunters have a new source of discount finds. The former Goodwill Discount Outlet at 1011 Patton Avenue has been converted into a furniture-only store, selling used beds, desks, shelves and more.

This Goodwill Furniture Mart is the only of its kind in North-Carolina. The store has a large selection of items donated by corporations. It also stocks individual uppers, and will also sell soft items such as blankets, beds, desks, shelves and more.



"The new store concept is one that customers had been requesting for some time," says Jerry Oliver, associate vice president of retail operations of Goodwill Industries of Northwest North Carolina. "People won't see the same old store anymore."

In addition to Goodwill Furniture Mart, the non-profit operates five retail stores and one outlet store in Buncombe County. Sales support Goodwill's job training programs for youth and adults, including military veterans and persons with disabilities.

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We took an early peek in and it looks like this will be an eclectic, fun place to hang out, dance with your friends and meet new ones. The Joint Next Door looks to be the new place in Fairview where "everybody knows your name" ... for all the right reasons.



Looking Glass Gets Around

A few months back flipping through a copy of US Air's in-flight magazine ... lo and behold, there's our own Jen Perkins stirring a batch of curd. And now, here's the creamery featured in *Taste of the South* magazine. They just might put Fairview on the map!

Wanda Treadway Joins Cool Mountain Realty



Cool Mountain Realty is growing faster than we can keep up. Owner Jenny Brunet has announced the addition of Wanda Treadway, a native of our local mountains. Wanda has worked in and around the real estate field for over 17 years, and has been involved in selling real estate, office management, and for the past two years in property management. "I enjoy working with both buyers and sellers in helping them to reach their goals. Whether you are buying your dream home or selling your current home, please give me a

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11 Homes Sold	967,425	95,750	303,379
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August's Member Picnic

Janet Peterson made a great event as always. Here's a few pics from this year's event. 1. Dr. Michael Trayford and his daughter took a spin around Peterson Pond, 2. The Cloud 9 Hand Wash station to service the outhouse, and 3. some of the group chatting while burgers are cooking. If you missed it this year, mark it on your 2015 things to do list.



September's Business Meeting

Minutes from the September meeting at PostNet are now up on the website. Read them to keep up with member activities and to approve them at our next meeting on October 8th at John McDermott's Green House.

October's Business Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 6 pm on Wednesday, October 8 at John McDermott's green house in the Green Acres Eco Community located at 42 Merrill's Cove Road in the Reynold's area.

Green Acres, the first Net-Zero eco community, seamlessly synthesizes all the important building elements—native and natural quality materials, design creativity, meticulous craftsmanship, color, landscaping, sustainability, energy efficiency/conservation—into a remarkable showcase of comfortable, healthy, functional living spaces and environmentally sensitive homes.

Developer, designer and builder John McDermott is uniquely prepared to bring this project to fruition. John's ethic of environmental stewardship and respect for the land derives from his background in Agricultural Engineering at Rutgers University. Perhaps best known locally as co-founder of Highland Brewery, John also founded Bola Design to showcase his contemporary furniture and home accessories. His buildings reflect a similar attention to proper siting and landscaping, exciting and expansive contemporary design, use of locally sourced materials, and sustainable & energy conservation features. Come to the next meeting and explore this amazing green house.

Prizes Needed for Fairview Fire Dep't

Fairview Fire Department is holding a bingo fundraiser October 25th and are in need of prizes of any value. Any FBA members who would like to donate can drop off items or gift certificates at the Fairview Town Crier office Monday-Friday between 1-5 pm, or at the Fire Department. Please be sure to make note that you are an FBA member. Let's make

a good showing of it. We need our fire department to feel appreciated and have the extra money for additional equipment.

High School Speakers and Mentors

Sandie and Frank met with the principal of AC Reynolds High School to discuss how FBA members might lend their experience and knowledge to assist students wanting to know about a specific career. Ideas discussed included a mini-intern program where interested students might shadow an FBA member for a class period to a half day. It might also be part of a student's senior project. They also indicated business members willing to speak to a class or club would be most welcome. If you would like to speak to a classroom and/or have an interested student visit your business, please email fba.secretary@gmail.com.

Welcome New/Returning Members

- Bottom Line Accounting
- Sugar Hollow Solar

Upcoming Events

On November 5, our Member's meeting will be at Sonny's Place located in County Line Station on 74A in Reynolds.

Exciting news! With 118 members, we've outgrown any place in our immediate community so we will be holding our holiday party at Highland Brewing Company in River Ridge. The date is Monday, December 8 so mark your calendars. We'll have great food, live music and a cash bar. Members and one guest are free but if you'd like to bring additional people from your firm, it is \$20 per person. More info next month or check out website at fairviewbusiness.com.

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Protect Your Retirement Against Market Volatility



As an investor, you're well aware that, over the short term, the financial markets always move up and down. During your working years, you may feel that you have time to overcome this volatility. And you'd be basing these feelings on actual evidence: the longer the investment period, the greater the tendency of the markets to "smooth out" their performance. But what happens when you retire? Won't you be more susceptible to market movements?

You may not be as vulnerable as you might think. In the first place, given our growing awareness of healthier lifestyles, you could easily spend two, or even three, decades in retirement — so your investment time frame isn't necessarily going to be that compressed.

Nonetheless, it's still true that time may well be a more important consideration to you during your retirement years, so you may want to be particularly vigilant about taking steps to help smooth out the effects of market volatility. Toward that end, here are a few suggestions:

- Allocate your investments among a variety of asset classes. Of course, proper asset allocation is a good investment move at any age, but when you're retired, you want to be especially careful that you don't "over-concentrate" your investment dollars among just a few assets. Spreading your money among a range of vehicles — stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit, government securities and so on — can help you avoid taking the full brunt of a downturn that may primarily hit just one type of investment. (Keep in mind, though, that while diversification can help reduce the effects of volatility, it can't assure a profit or protect against loss.)
- Choose investments that have demonstrated solid performance across many market cycles. As you've proba-

bly heard, "past performance is no guarantee of future results," and this is true. Nonetheless, you can help improve your outlook by owning quality investments. So when investing in stocks, choose those that have actual earnings and a track record of earnings growth. If you invest in fixed-income vehicles, pick those that are considered "investment grade."

- Don't make emotional decisions. At various times during your retirement, you will, in all likelihood, witness some sharp drops in the market. Try to avoid overreacting to these downturns, which will probably just be normal market "corrections." If you can keep your emotions out of investing, you will be less likely to make moves such as selling quality investments merely because their price is temporarily down.
- Don't try to "time" the market. You may be tempted to take advantage of volatility by looking for opportunities to "buy low and sell high." In theory, this is a fine idea — but, unfortunately, no one can really predict market highs or lows. You'll probably be better off by consistently investing the same amount of money into the same investments. Over time, this method of investing may result in lower per-share costs. However, as is the case with diversification, this type of systematic investing won't guarantee a profit or protect against loss, and you'll need to be willing to keep investing when share prices are declining.

It's probably natural to get somewhat more apprehensive about market volatility during your retirement years. But taking the steps described above can help you navigate the sometimes-choppy waters of the financial world.

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Leaves Aflame

by Lynn Stanley

Oh, no! More leaves on the deck this morning, and I haven't even finished discouraging the summer weeds ...

Here in the mountains autumn puts on a brilliant show, and although I've not been to China in the fall, I think that somewhere in that vast country they must have some pretty autumn colors too. My evidence is in the Chinese character for autumn.

The Chinese word qiu (cho) is a combination of two characters: the one on the left implies a plant, the one on the right means fire. In each case it's easy to see that many Chinese words began as pictographs; we can still see the stacked wood and flames in the fire character, and it's not much of a stretch to imagine roots and branches in the other.

For a painter autumn landscapes can be a joyful experiment with bright colors and contrasts, exuberant strokes and splatters. But there is one thing I've learned through trial and error: no matter how beautiful a palette of fall color may be, it is more beautiful still if there is just a bit of green in it. And so, a Zen thought to take with you on your October leaf walks:

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The 2013-14 session of the NC General Assembly adjourned on August 20. Unless the Governor calls for a special session, there will be no further legislative action until the 2015-16 General Assembly convenes on January 14, 2015. The budget had already been adopted but there were several significant bills considered in the final week

of session. NC became the first state in the nation to take comprehensive action to address coal ash. Coal ash is a byproduct of generating electricity by burning coal. Coal ash has been accumulating in our state over the past century. It has historically been stored in large outdoor storage ponds. Earlier this year, a storm water pipe under a coal ash pond along the Dan River in Rockingham County broke and there was a significant spill of coal ash into the river.

Duke Energy has 32 coal ash storage ponds at 14 sites in North Carolina, including here in Buncombe County at the Duke Energy Skyland coal plant. For the past several years, coal ash has been removed from the Skyland coal ash ponds to the Asheville Regional Airport for use as site preparation. This effort has saved the airport almost \$20 million. Pursuant to the legislation passed, several sites were identified as high priority including the Skyland site. All of the high priority sites must be completely eliminated and the coal ash moved to an environmentally appropriate use by the end of 2019. The Duke Energy Skyland plant must convert to a dry ash system that allows the coal ash to be recycled for wallboard, fertilizer or some other beneficial use.

Sites identified as intermediate risk must be cleaned up by 2024, and sites identified as low priority must be cleaned up by 2029. The amount of coal ash that has accumulated is massive; many of these sites contain millions of tons of coal ash so it will take many years under the legislation to remove the coal ash and place it in an appropriate storage.

This legislation doesn't resolve all issues relating to coal ash. It is anticipated there will be additional legislation in the future. This matter is incredibly complex and one bill cannot solve everything. Duke Energy shareholders will pay for the cost of the Dan River cleanup. NC depends on coal for around 40% of our electric power generation. NC traditionally has had one of the most low cost electric rates in the nation. Low rates are critical so we can continue to attract business and manufacturing to our state. NC is also working to expand renewable energy; we currently rank #2 in the nation in solar, and we have one of the most stringent renewable energy standards of any state. But we still need coal, nuclear, and natural gas so our electric rates will be affordable and we can continue to have a diversified energy-generating mix.

The House considered House Bill 1224 on the last week of session. This bill had already passed the Senate and contained many different provisions. There was an economic development incentive for Evergreen Packaging which will help them convert from coal to natural gas power generation to meet federal clean air mandates. Additional provisions included Job Development Incentive Grant (JDIG), Catalyst fund, Crowdfunding and county sales tax. Unfortunately this bill failed because a minority of the Republicans (28 votes) joined a majority of Democrats (26 votes) joined together to vote "No." A majority of Republicans (40 votes) joined a minority of Democrats (7 votes) voted "Yes." I spoke on the floor because it appeared to me that my colleagues failed to understand the importance of this bill to growing jobs and business in our state. NC has reformed our tax system, which makes us much more competitive with other states. Previously, NC had the highest personal and corporate income tax rates of any Southeastern state. But our competitor states in some cases still have lower (or in the case of Florida, Tennessee, and Texas, 0%) income tax rates while they still offer significant economic incentives. NC doesn't need to

offer the most incentives but we still must be in the ballpark. Economic development is very competitive, and having incentive tools is critical to recruit companies that make the largest investments and offer the highest paying jobs. I understand liberals, conservatives, and many others don't like to offer incentives, but they are a reality if we want these companies to consider locating or expanding here.

I've asked the Governor to call the General Assembly back into session to extend the JDIG program. We can't wait until the 2015 session because we have around 10,000 jobs in the pipeline depending on JDIG. We won't win all of those jobs if JDIG is extended, but we will win many of them. If it isn't extended, most of those jobs will go to other states. That's something that isn't good for any of us. Small businesses will create over 80% of all new jobs, but we still need large companies like Linamar, GE Aviation, Linamar, Borg Warner, Eaton Electrical, and others so our economy can thrive. The Governor has announced that he will not call for a special session unless it is needed for company to locate or expand in NC that will make a significant investment and bring many good paying jobs.

Hope you and your family have a wonderful fall season, may you enjoy the beauty of God's handiwork all around us at this special time of year! It is my honor to serve you in the NC House and please contact me anytime.

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THE LORD'S ACRE

by Susan Sides

You've probably seen some of the slogans: Stop Mowing – Start Growing; Food Not Lawns; Eat Your Yard But why do these folks give a hoot whether we mow or don't mow? Were they forced to mow a mile uphill in the snow as kids, or what? From what I can tell, it's a vision, and a broad one at that: a vision of the future that comes from nostalgia for the past I know I remember eating from the huge fruit trees in my grandma's back yard and the pecan trees in my husband's grandma's yard Free food. And at the price of fruit and pecans, those grannies were rich.

Last year I planted several cherry trees, three pawpaws, blueberries, asparagus, a mulberry and a few hazelnuts, and I figure my future grandchildren will love me for it. And I also figure I'll feel rich just like our grandmas did . . . like maybe your grandparents did.

When I do the two-column thing, pros and cons, on mowing vs. food, it does look sort of obvious — mow-money-pollution vs. investment-upkeep-food. Some perennial crops are easier to grow than others in our area, and a good nursery person can help steer you in that direction. And while the trees and bushes are filling in, you can grow some awesome vegetables in between.

If you do a little research on the permaculture (permanent agriculture — think perennials) scene in Asheville, you'll find many classes and tours, which is how I saw how much food some folks are getting out of their tiny little yards. Why, there are folks in California (okay, granted, it's California) who grow 6,000 lbs of food on 1/10th of an acre! They have NO lawn (urbanhome-

stead.org). At The Lord's Acre, Fairviewan Scott Baxla harvested over 120 lbs of potatoes from three beds of maybe 4' X 3' that he's experimenting with.

Persimmons, grapes, figs, blueberries, rhubarb, asparagus, raspberries, and all manner of tree fruits and nuts can be in our food-growing future as individuals, families, neighborhoods and communities. And in Fairview, once we've had our fill and shared all we can with our neighbors, our excess can go to the Share-the-Harvest Market, the Fairview Welcome Table or Food For Fairview.

Fall is a great time to transplant perennial food plants, so do your own pros and cons list and see what wins out. In the box below are listed just some of the local sources for edible perennials in our area.

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669-6517 | usefulplants.org

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645-3937 | reemscreek.com

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670-8733 | pisgahplants.com

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670-8330 | southeasternnatives.com

ON THE ROAD

Holden Beach, SC

Buddy and Susie Londenberg took a short vacation at Holden Beach, part of the Myrtle Beach area in August. "Beautiful" and "fantastic" is what they said, and we don't think they were talking about the *Town Crier*. A little history of Holden Beach: Before the American Revolution, the land near Lockwood's Folly River began to be settled. During the Civil War Holden Beach and Lockwood's Folly Inlet became the resting place of several shipwrecks; the remains of the *USS Iron Age* can be seen on the eastern end of the island during the periods of low tide.

In the early 1940s one could buy an oceanfront house with the land for about \$600. In 1954, the island had about 300 homes and a turnbridge. The one church on the island began as a home Bible study group; it now serves the many hundreds who vacation on the island.



New Haven, CT

Jake Fender, who graduated from Reynolds this past year, was accepted to and is attending Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut. We would imagine Jake was very busy and excited during Freshman "Move In" day, but Mom Kathy managed to get this photo taken. Jake got to hold onto a little bit of home with the *Town Crier*. Wishing you luck and fun on your life adventure Jake!



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Ghost Flowers



Recently, I was up on a high elevation hike through forests filled with moss, boulders and stunted mountain laurel, evergreens and deciduous hardwoods, looking for fall mushrooms and enjoying the cool, crisp, clear air of the mountains we live in. I found plenty of mushrooms — not the ones I was hoping to find, but nonetheless, I thoroughly enjoyed their beauty and diversity. I did see a few small groups of Destroying Angels, the deadliest mushrooms in the world that are snow white and stunning to behold but certainly not anything to eat!

As I was hiking, I came across a large stand of boulders covered in moss and lichen and saw something white nestled at the base of the rocks. I smiled with glee, as right beside the moss and boulder was the most beautiful stand of small, ethereal Ghost Flowers I had ever seen. For decades these flowers have enchanted me, for they are so unique. The most frequent common name for this plant is Indian Pipe or corpse plant, but I prefer Ghost Flower, given its unique ghostly white presence.



In the marvelous world of plants, there are some flowers that stand out and claim such a unique spot in the botanical world since nothing else resembles them. Ghost Flowers or Indian Pipe (*Monotropa uniflora*) certainly fit the bill! These flowers are otherworldly; the plants have absolutely no chlorophyll and are pure white, almost translucent, growing from 3-7 inches in height, and they do indeed look like a ghost flower. This particular group was stunning, looking like a herd of miniature seahorse creatures. As they age, they develop some black or reddish hues and on rare occasion they can be white with deep reddish pink hues.

Indian Pipe is a 4-8 inch tall plant with a single pipe-shaped flower on each stalk. Indian Pipe received one of its common names because the Native Americans utilized the sap from this plant for medicinal purposes, especially in the treatment of eye infections, and the flowers do look like inverted pipes. The flowers possess no chlorophyll, the green pigment that is crucial to photosynthesis. Without this critical ingredient, Indian Pipes cannot produce energy on their own, but these unique plants have a mutually beneficial relationship with host trees and fungi that provide them with the nutrients they need to exist and reproduce. Since the plants do not need light, they are able to grow in the deepest and darkest parts of the forest. Indian Pipe is in the same family as blueberries and rhododendron, but over the millennia, these unique plants figured out a way to get the food they needed from the fungi and trees without having to produce it themselves. Nature has an astonishing

array of living examples of mutual cooperation and interdependence that we humans would do well to pay attention to; we have so much to learn.

I have never seen any evidence of this plant being eaten by any wild creature in all my years of hiking. There are many references stating that the plant can be cooked and apparently tastes like asparagus, but I tried one tiny bite and found it bitter, and given the potent chemicals within this plant, which include toxic glycosides, I would not recommend eating it at all. However, it has a fascinating medicinal history. It has been used as an eyewash when mixed with rosewater for infections, has also been used as a tincture to treat sores and infections and as a sedative and antispasmodic medication.

One of the more interesting medicinal uses for this unique flower is in the realm

of pain management. Herbalists have used ghost flower tinctures successfully to treat severe and chronic pain as a substitute for morphine and opiate drugs. What is interesting is that the chemical reaction in the body does not actually relieve pain; from the references I have read, you will still feel pain but it no longer bothers you, so in effect, it acts like opium without the mind-altering effects and addictive dangers associated with all narcotics. In essence, on a medicinal level, this plant could provide a highly beneficial alternative in the treatment of chronic pain, providing relief from pain by generating a sense of dissociation from the pain without the harmful side effects of standard pharmaceuticals.

However, botanical medicine is a complex realm, and it is best to leave these matters to highly trained herbal practitioners who are trained and skilled in creating appropriate tinctures and dosages.

Ghost flowers are a wonder of nature to behold, and for me they are always a magical rite of passage whenever I see them. Although there are thousands and thousands of examples of parasitic and symbiotic relationships in the natural world, these unique flowers are a constant source of amazement to me, and they are stunningly beautiful to see growing wild in our forests.

In the plant world, green is the power that fuels the universe, so to see these pale white ghost flowers thriving in deep shade is always a revelation and a sign of the incredible complexity and diversity of nature.

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NOTE: For general information, contact Maria Horton, president, 778-0279. To be included by email in Spring Mountain Community Center updates, opportunities and news send an email to Carolyn at flattopcarolyn@att.net. To post items in this column, call Ruth Atkins, 628-1625.

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LETTERS

A Message to Parents

On July 17, 2014, I celebrated owning Visual Eyes Optometric in Fairview for three years. During that time, several local children enjoyed getting off the school bus at my office. Some were picked up right away; some not quite as early. The children were always very polite when I saw them, and occasionally one would ask to use my restroom, which I did not mind. Over the years it did occur to me that "if someone came to pick them up who shouldn't, I wouldn't know the difference between their parents and a convicted pedophile."

As a young business owner and optometrist, I spend my day literally in the dark. Controlling the lights is an important part of being able to see the eye chart and visualize the ocular structures at the back of the eye, so my contact with the children waiting was minimal.

All this while, the community of Fairview has been GROWING! I am blessed to be positioned on a very busy corner but every year I notice more and more cars trying to avoid the light on the corner of Cane Creek and Charlotte highway by speeding through my parking lot. I began to worry about the children like I do my dilated patients who depart from my office. What if someone gets hit? I almost got hit last month as I worked in the front yard trimming bushes and pulling weeds, and I am a giant pregnant lady and difficult to miss!

I have tried to find out who would "police" this situation for me. I called the Sheriff's office who said this would fall under the Highway Patrol's jurisdiction. I called the Highway Patrol and they sent me back to the Sheriff's department. Ultimately, it was one of my amazing patients, a deputy, who said he would spread the word to monitor this area. They patrol it when they can and I have been grateful for that, but it hasn't stopped the dangerous situation. I can't block either entrance/exit as I have patients coming from both directions.

This past June on a day that I was not in the office, there was a little girl still waiting on the curb outside the office at 5 pm. My staff was going home and my intern at the time, Catherine, called Cane Creek Middle School to express our concern over this child's safety. I often leave before my staff does, and as they were tying up loose ends and taking out trash behind my building, they described several instances when there were still children left waiting when my staff had to go home.

It was at that point that I decided I did not feel the children were safe getting off the bus there anymore. I don't know how long some have to stay nor what happens to them while they are essentially unsupervised, and being children, who knows when they might be out in the middle of the parking lot as someone rounded the curb to avoid the light. Thus, I made the call to the school board in early July that we would like for this stop to be taken off their bus route. I explained the situation and they agreed. I felt I was doing something good. It came from a place of care. God forbid anything bad happened to a child in my parking lot!

After the second day of school this year, I received some phone calls and angry visits from parents. Some, who were patients, withdrew their records from my office. I am thankful for 3 women who took the time to explain to me their angst. Despite my having called in July, the school board apparently did not re-route these children until approximately the second day of school. The children were pulled from class then and questioned about how and why they get off the bus at my office, and told they would not be dropped off there anymore. These children were left wondering how they were going to get home! Some texted their parents in fear. As a mother I identify with these mothers and their anger. I would be furious as well!

I write this because I want the people of Fairview to know my decision came from a caring place. I gave the school board ample time to make changes and communicate to parents in a timely manner. Perhaps I should have waited for a time during the school year when I could have walked outside and told the waiting parents of my decision and why I made it. The summer timing prevented that. For that, I ask this wonderful community for forgiveness.

I hope this story resonates in the minds of many — if you are guilty of avoiding the light at Cane Creek and Charlotte Highway by cutting through the parking lot of Visual Eyes Optometric, take note — **that parking lot is not a highway.** I have children, dilated and elderly patients all departing from my office on a daily basis. Please consider this when you are in a hurry!

— Dr. Haley Perry
Visual Eyes Optometric

JUST PERSONAL

Wommack Attends Space Academy

Madison Wommack of Fletcher recently attended Space Camp at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama. The week-long educational program promotes science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), while training students and adults with hands-on activities and missions based on team work, leadership and decision-making.

MADISON was part of the Space Academy Program specifically designed for trainees with a particular interest in science and aerospace. She spent the week training with a team that flew a simulated Space Shuttle mission to the International Space Station (ISS). Once aboard the ISS, the crew participated in experiments and successfully completed an extra-vehicular activity (EVA), or space walk. Madison and crew returned to earth in time to hear retired Space Shuttle astronaut Captain . Robert "Hoot" Gibson speak at their graduation! Congratulations Madison — well done!

Reynolds Graduate Awarded MIT Fellowship



Taylor Baldwin, son of Richard and Lisa Baldwin of Fairview and 2010 ACRHS valedictorian, graduated summa cum laude from Valparaiso University in Indiana in May, where he received a B.S. in Electrical Engineering and a humanities minor from Valpo's Christ College. At Valpo, he performed high-level research alongside faculty mentors and was selected to present his research paper, "An Improved Eigensolver for Quantum-Dot Cellular Simulations," at the 2013 IEEE conference in Boston. He received the Herman Hesse Outstanding Freshman Engineering Student Award, Tau Beta Pi National Engineering Society Scholarship, and the Valparaiso University Board of Directors scholarship and Distinguished Student Award at graduation. He interned two summers with the U.S. Department of Defense in Washington, DC. Baldwin has been awarded a full fellowship to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology where he is pursuing a Ph.D. in Nuclear Engineering, conducting nuclear fission and nuclear security research.

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Full Page Color	12X = \$330	6X = \$358	1X = \$385
Half Page Color	12X = \$214	6X = \$236	1X = \$253
Quarter Page Color	12X = \$132	6X = \$148	1X = \$160
Eighth Page Color	12X = \$94	6X = \$110	1X = \$122
Business Card Color	12X = \$60	6X = \$70	1X = \$75

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Full Page BW	12X = \$302	6X = \$330	1X = \$358
Half Page BW	12X = \$182	6X = \$204	1X = \$220
Quarter Page BW	12X = \$104	6X = \$122	1X = \$132
Eighth Page BW	12X = \$62	6X = \$78	1X = \$88
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FLETCHER! Beautiful 3 BR, 2.5 bath home, very private 1.34 acres, gorgeous kitchen, jetted tub & heated floors - master bath, gas FP, office game room, rear deck and cov front deck, 3-car gar, **MLS#568386, \$319,900!**



WEAVERVILLE! 3 BR, 2.5 bath home on .81 acre lot, HOME WARRANTY, beautiful lg cov porch, rear deck, FP, full unfinished bsmt - plumbed for add'l 1/2 bath, lots of storage 2-car gar, **MLS#561941, \$247,500!**



NORTH! Neat and Clean home on .90 acre lot, large family room, livingroom with fireplace, office / exercise room with jetted tub, HOME WARRANTY, rear deck, 2 car garage, **MLS#559723, \$220,000!**



NORTHWEST! Beautiful, clean 2-story, 3 BR, 2.5 bath home w/spacious 2-car gar, FP, front porch, rear deck & fenced in backyard, HOME WARRANTY, convenient location on .81 acres, private, **MLS#566233, \$219,900!**



WEAVERVILLE! Cute 3 BR home on private 1.58 park like acres, pond stocked w/fish, HOME WARRANTY, stone FP, oversized 2-car garage and add'l outbldgs, convenient location, **MLS#568522, \$219,500!**



GREAT FAIRVIEW LOCATION! Cute 3 BR, 2 bath, cape cod style home on acre lot, HOME WARRANTY, quiet setting, MBR on main with walk in closet, newer roof, 2 heat pumps, **MLS#569065, \$179,900!**



LEICESTER! Very neat & clean home w/3 good sized BRs, 2 baths on 1/2 lot, big great room, new carpet, ht pump, cathedral ceilings, HOME WARRANTY, no maintenance vinyl siding, **MLS#563487, \$167,500!**



WEST! Conveniently located 3 BR, 2 bath home, covered front porch, heat pump, no maintenance vinyl siding, level lot, close to restaurants and shopping, **MLS#552062, \$99,999!**



SOUTH ASHEVILLE! 2 BR home on level corner lot, HOME WARRANTY, newer furnace and ductwork, perfect home to remodel, partial dirt basement, **MLS#568455, \$89,900!**

RESULTS!

Overlook DrPending in 7 days
 Noble RdPending in 27 days
 Cameila LanePending in 27 days
 Lakewood DrPending in 7 days
 Weldon WayPending in 24 days
 Richmond AvePending in 3 days
 Mitchell AvePending in 2 days
 Max StreetPending in 7 days

Fairfax AvePending in 7 days
 Hanover RdPending in 13 days
 Pisgah View RdPending in 21 days
 Elk Mountain RdPending in 8 days
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