



# The Fairview Town Crier

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## Plants Are Not the Only Thing Growing!

Due to a very generous loan arranged by State Representative John Ager (through the McClure Fund and Community Foundation of Western North Carolina), The Lord's Acre has now paid off the prior owner of its seven-year-old garden and received the title to it and the surrounding three acres!

Fairview's own hunger garden originally had only three years to come up with all the money needed to buy out the previous owner. Now the organization no longer has a financial axe hanging over its head and will be much more able to focus its main energies on helping each other ... through gardening!

Plus, now that he's paid off, the former owner has agreed to donate three more acres to the group, making six acres that TLA now has available for orchards, poultry, berries, small livestock, individual plots, an education center – and more.

It's a great day for Fairview's grow-it-and-give-it-all-away garden!



State Representative John Ager presents a check from the McClure Foundation to Susan Sides, Executive Director of The Lord's Acre

## Rattler Alert

A resident took this photo of a timber rattlesnake on July 13, off Crooked Creek Road, and sends our readers this reminder to be cautious.



## FOUND

Found on Graveyard Road – a box of family photos and stuffed dolls and animals on or about June 21. It looks as if they fell off a pick-up truck. Call 490-1405 to identify.



**FAIRVIEW  
WELCOME TABLE**

**LUNCH SERVED THURSDAYS  
11:30 – 1:00**

In the log cabin church behind the library

**Building our community  
one meal at a time**

## Don't Miss The Fairview Farmer's Market, Saturday, August 1 at FES's Parking Lot

## SMCC Picnic, Square Dance and Dessert Contest

by Maria Horton

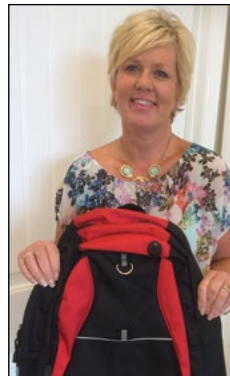
The Annual Community Picnic and Square Dance will be held on *Saturday, August 22*, at the Spring Mountain Community Center. Family games and entertainment will be available beginning at *5 pm* and a Pot Luck Supper will be served at *6 pm*. Thanks to our generous sponsor, Balkan Roofing, meat will be furnished. Everyone is asked to bring a vegetable or salad to share. Plan on a serving size to be large enough to feed the number of guests you are bringing plus four. Nothing is sadder than grandma's famous signature dish running out before I get to try a bite!

Additional features of this very popular event will be the Ducky Derby, with ducks racing down the creek on the property. The winning duck and its owner will receive a cash prize. Duck sponsorships can be purchased on the day of the picnic. The Spring Mountain Quilt that is currently being raffled to cover the cost of a new furnace will be on exhibit and – yes, you guessed it! – tickets will be available, too. If the ladies of Spring Mountain (and quite a few gents, too) weren't some of the best cooks east of the Mississippi, I would say the day could cost you a few bucks. But the food is free. The dance is free. And there will be more fun to go around than can be described in this article. Oh, did I mention the Dessert Contest?

This year's battle of the ovens will take place on the same day, *Saturday, August 22 at 5 pm*. Please bring your entries to the Community Center by *4:30 pm* to guarantee they will be judged. Categories will include: **Cakes and Pies, Best Cookies and Other Desserts, and Best Overall Entry in the Junior Division Ages 12 and Under**. Prizes will be awarded in each division.

A new category for this year's contest will be **Best Surprise Ingredient**. No chocolate-covered insects or other really exotic ingredients, please! But put on your thinking caps and see what you can come up with. In years past, we have had some outstanding entries, and then we have also seen some entries that could not stay on the plate! Everyone seems to have a great time eating all the desserts at the Community Picnic, so we declare all are winners. And as always, bakers are invited to have supper with us and stay for dancing with the Berry Pickers.

So pack up your covered dish and put on your dancin' shoes, 'cause the Berry Pickers will be hotter than a \$2 pistol, the ducks will be floating down the creek and... wait, I just have to stop. Just be there – it's too good to miss! For more information, call Maria Horton at 778-0279.



## Help Americare Pharmacy Fill Backpacks for Fairview Kids

Americare Pharmacy is again providing children with the tools for success they need as they start a new school year. Americare will deliver high-quality backpacks to community students needing help with school supplies. Americare owner Dr. Sandi Bryant and her team believe that "education is the vehicle to begin learning about wellness-based self-improvement. The backpacks will contain an assortment of recommended school supplies (see ad on page 15 for list of supplies being collected).

If you can help, please drop off anything on the list (including a donation) to Americare Pharmacy or the *Fairview Town Crier* office. For a child to receive a backpack, a parent or guardian should stop by Americare Pharmacy at 1185 Charlotte Highway and sign for the backpack. There is a limit of one backpack per child.

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