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Janet Peterson Receives Prestigious Award

The Buncombe County Land Conservation Advisory Board honored Janet Peterson at its annual Recognition Dinner for having donated her 168-acre farm property to a conservation easement. This will ensure that it will never become a development and will remain as Janet envisions. Congratulations to Janet of Cloud 9 Relaxation Farm on Bob Barnwell Road in Fletcher. Anyone who knows Janet realizes she never does anything halfway. As past president of WNC Beekeepers Association, as Executive Committee member of the Fairview Business Association, as past second grade teacher, as current farm owner raising chickens, beef cattle, honeybees, blueberries and whatever else she can make proliferate... no one is a greater steward of the land nor deserves this recognition more.



LOST



FOUND



At first we thought we might have had a match but Ducky (on the left) has his white spot on the left side of his nose and the fellow on above has it on the right side. Ducky is 4 years old, sweet but shy and is the close companion to an 8-yearold boy who misses him very much. Ducky went missing off Garren Creek Road while his family was on vacation at the end of June. His family is offering a reward. Please call 778-0424.

The cat above was found the end of July in Village Park development on Mine Hole Gap. If you recognize him, call our editor at 628-1422.

Humane Capture Traps Stolen

When someone called the Buncombe County Shelter to report an injured kitten near Food Lion, Shelter personnel asked Friends 2 Ferals for assistance. A volunteer placed two humane traps in the area, but when she went back a few hours later, the traps were gone. Someone just took them.

These traps save lives and cost \$50-\$70 each. Friends 2 Ferals is a volunteer, non-profit group and they don't have the funds to replace the traps. If you have any knowledge or can offer any assistance, please contact

the Town Crier office at 628-2211 or editor@fairviewtowncrier.com.

A Note from Chief Scott Jones of the Fairview Fire Department



July 22 was an historical day for the Fairview VFD. Thanks to the hard work, countless hours, perseverance, dedication and assistance from many people, we are extremely proud to announce that as of 8:30 am that day, Fairview EMS was certified by the NC Office of EMS as a Paramedic level of care provider. This is the highest level of Emergency Medical Certification that this department has ever had. Fairview VFD had an ambulance for a number of years but it was only certified at the EMT-Basic level. At that level, we were unable to provide many of our patients with the advanced level of care they needed. In 2014, we decided to pursue getting our department certified at the EMT-Intermediate level and purchased an ambulance in order to improve the services to our community. Now here we are in 2016 and due to the dedication, sweat and tears of MANY we are certified at the Paramedic Level. We would like to thank ALL of our EMT-Paramedics, EMT-Intermediates, EMT-Basics and especially our EMS Director Steve Gray for making this day happen! You all are awesome! We would also like to thank the many others whom we called and asked for direction and advice... and those who helped us with all the paperwork, etc. required to achieve this goal. We would like to thank our Board of Directors for supporting us and seeing to it that we received everything necessary to make this happen. To the Fairview Community, we thank you for your support as we strive to provide you with the BEST Fire, Rescue, and EMS protection possible. You

Fire Department Vote Postponed

Chief Scott Jones has announced that due to several administrative setbacks, the vote on June 11 to update the Fire Department Bylaws had to be postponed. Once things are ready to move forward, the date of the vote will be posted. Chief Jones adds "We thank those in the community that took the time to come by ready to cast their votes and hope to see you, and others, when it is rescheduled."



Those Kids Are At It Again!

You may recognize them: Elia Yonder (10), Natalie Meadows (10), Levi Anderson (7), Truett Compton (9), Oliver Poole (10) and Ada Anderson (10). They are all underage and have been caught doing what they did last year... raising funds to donate to The Welcome Table. It was \$100 to be exact. Last year it was lemonade; this year it was snow cones. We can only imagine what they will get up to next year. Seriously, kids, you rock!

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

AUGUST 2 (TUESDAY)

Prostate Cancer Support Forum

Us TOO of WNC, a support forum for men, caregivers and family, meets at 7 pm at First Baptist Church of Asheville, 5 Oak Street. There will be open discussion. No fee to attend. For details. 273-7698 or wncprostate@gmail.com.

AUGUST 4 (THURSDAY)

Embroiderer's Guild Meeting

The Laurel Chapter of the Embroiderers' Guild America will begin a four-month stump work project. 9:30 am-12 pm at Cummings United Methodist Church, 3 Banner Farm Road, Etowah, All are welcome. Call Carol Gray, 335-0375 or Janet Stewart, 575-9195.

Truth About Cancer Series

Fairview Chiropractic will host a discussion of excitotoxins that fuel cancer, nature's pharmacy and healing cancer with light and sound; one of a weekly series on complementary and nutritional cancer therapies. 5:15-7:30 pm, 2 Fairview Hills Drive. Free; \$5 donation asked for Care Partners. Call 628-7800 to reserve a seat

SMCC Garden Project Meeting

The Spring Mountain Community Center has land dedicated to growing organic produce and herbs to provide a resource for education and to build community. The community is invited to help in the garden's planning at a meeting, 5:30-7 pm at the Center, 807 Old Fort Road in Fairview. For details contact Jim Smith at 864-313-5106. See page 31 for more info.

AUGUST 6 (SATURDAY)

Fairview Baptist Yard Sale

Fairview Baptist Church will hold their annual Summer Yard Sale 8 am-12 pm at Fairview Baptist, 32 Church Road. There are items from families, estates and businesses: biscuits, coffee and juice will be served. Proceeds support the Student Outreach Missions. For details call 628-2908 or 231-5035.

New Moon Marketplace Flea Market

Come to buy or sell (\$10/space) on the first and third Saturdays of the month. 8 am-2 pm. 1508 Charlotte Hwy, Fairview (Cane Creek and 74A). Stop by or call 222-2289.

Family Movie Night at SMCC

Balken Roofing's popular Outdoor Family Movie Night presents *The Good Dinosaur* on August 5 at Spring Mountain Community Center, 807 Old Fort Road. Kids' activities begin at 7:30 pm and the movie begins at dusk. Everyone is invited to bring lawn chairs and blankets for a great family summer evening's entertainment. Popcorn, drinks, and cupcakes will be available at a small



Model Airplane Show

Join the Asheville-Buncombe Aeromodelers Flying Club at the Buncombe County Sports Park, 10 am-1 pm for a free air show and display of models from small electric to gasoline-powered 33% size airplanes. Bring the family, lunch, lawn chairs and sunscreen. The Sports Park is in Candler behind Sandhill-Venable Elementary School. For details contact Jav Nelson, 250-4269 or jay.nelson@buncombecounty.org.

AUGUST 8 (MONDAY)

"Days for Girls" Sewing Drive

The local branch of Days for Girls, a volunteer project to sew sanitary kits

for women and girls in Africa and other regions so that they can continue to attend work and school without embarrassment, will meet at 10:30 am at Spring Mountain Community Center. For details contact Maria Horton. 778-0279 or daylightasheville@gmail. com. See page 30 for more info.

WNC Knitters and Crocheters for Others Meeting

The WNC Knitters and Crocheters for Others will meet at New Hope Presbyterian Church, 3070 Sweeten Creek Road, 7–9 pm. The group creates and donates handmade items to local charities. All skill level. If interested contact Janet Stewart at 575-9195.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

AUGUST 11 (THURSDAY)

One of a weekly series on complementary and nutritional cancer therapies by Fairview Chiropractic. 5:15-7:30 pm. 2 Fairview Hills Drive. Free: \$5 donation invited for Care Partners. Call 628-7800 to reserve a seat.

Truth About Cancer Series

AUGUST 16 (TUESDAY)

UHNGCC Community Covered Dish Supper

Monthly meeting and community supper at Upper Hickory Nut Gorge Community Club in Gerton, 6:30 pm.

4-H Club Meeting at SMCC

Students ages 5-18, along with a supporting adult, will meet in the upper level of the community building to learn and grow together. 6 pm at Spring Mountain Community Center, 807 Old Fort Road.

AUGUST 18 (THURSDAY)

Veterans Home Buying Workshop

Cool Mountain Realty will host a workshop to explain VA benefits when

purchasing a home. Led by Cassandra DeJong, Realtor, and Glenn Kavanagh from Atlantic Bay Mortgage. 7 pm at 771 Charlotte Highway. Light refreshments and time for questions. Call 216-6060 to reserve a place.

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AUGUST 19 (SATURDAY)

Sweet

You'll find delectable sweets paired with luscious wines, champagnes and spirits at Sweet held at the Grove Arcade. 8–10 pm. Visit ashevillewineandfood.com for details.

AUGUST 20 (SATURDAY)

Grand Tasting

The Asheville Wine and Food Grand Tasting is a not-to-be-missed event every year. The event is at the U.S. Cellular Center. VIP entry at 1 pm (\$100), general admission at 2 pm (\$65). For details and to purchase tickets. visit ashevillewineandfood.com

Bean Tree Remedy at The Joint Next Door

Bean Tree Remedy will be performing at The Joint Next Door in Fairview on Friday, August 12. Bean Tree Remedy is Ashley Bean and David Tarpley, and they play an eclectic mix of their own take on many familiar songs. Don't miss them. More dates are listed on their Facebook page: facebook.com/ BeanTreeRemedy



Southern Tales and Tunes at UHNGCC With Becky & Pat Stone

A fun evening presented by well-known performers Becky and Pat Stone, suitable for the very young to the very old and everyone in between. 7 pm at Upper Hickory Nut Gorge Community

Club, Gerton. **Tickets** \$5 each family at the door.



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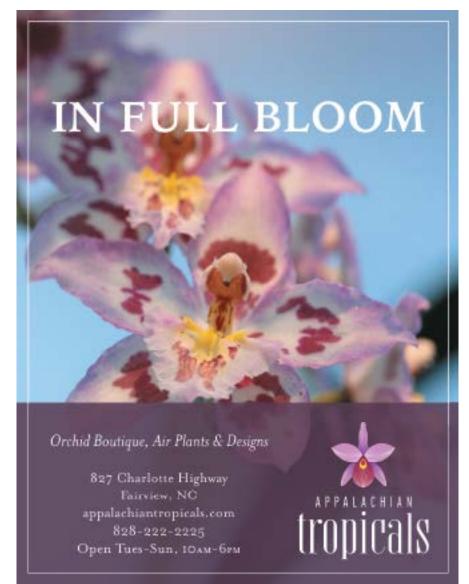




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AUGUST 21 (SUNDAY)

Ethical Society Meeting

"The Thirteenth Juror" will be presented by author Nelda Holder, journalist and legislative columnist for Asheville's *The Urban News*, at the Ethical Humanist Society of Asheville, 2–3:30 pm at Asheville Friends Meeting House, 227 Edgewood Road, Asheville. Free; all are welcome. Discussion and refreshments follow the presentation. Please visit EHSAsheville.org for more information.

AUGUST 25 (THURSDAY)

Truth About Cancer Series

Fairview Chiropractic presents a discussion of healing cancer with clean electricity, unique water, natural sunlight and combining super foods; one of a weekly series on complementary and nutritional cancer therapies. 5:15–7:30 pm. 2 Fairview Hills Drive. Free: \$5 donation invited for Care Partners, Call 628-7800 to reserve a seat.

AUGUST 26-28 (FRI-SUN)

The Circle by Maugham at **Readers Theatre of ACT**

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AUGUST 27 (SUNDAY)

Spring Mountain Annual Picnic

Join in for this family fun night of food, family, music, games and more. The famous Berry Pickers will perform. Details in box at right.

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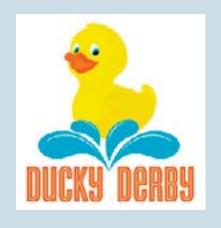
switches, peptides, and healing with micronutrients on 9/1; cancer conquerors and their powerful stories of victory on 9/9; both 5:15-7:30 pm, 2 Fairview Hills Drive. Free: \$5 donation invited for Care Partners. Call 628-7800 to

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SMCC Annual Picnic August 27

celebrates summer by attending with their annual picnic at 6 pm. The meat will be provided; guests please bring a dish for their family plus four. Paper products, utensils and beverages provided. Events include Corn Hole Tourney, Ducky Derby, Dessert Contest and Square Dancing with the Berry Pickers and Franklin Sides, caller. For more information and to volunteer for the party, call Maria Horton at 778-0279. See page 30 for more info.



Celebration Singers Auditions 9/1



Join the Celebration Singers of Asheville in their 10th successful year. Auditions for singers 2nd grade-high school, wil lbe 5–6 pm at the First Congregational Church, 20 Oak Street, Asheville. Prepare a song and bring sheet music. For details call Ginger Haselden, Artistic Director, 230-5778 and visit singasheville.org.

HNG Farm Argentinian with Wine Pairing 9/15



Gratia. Four meats will be prepared in authentic Argentine style and served with traditionally prepared sides, salads and empañadas. Catering service will be provided by Dining Innovations. Tickets \$96, gratuity included, available now at hickorynutgapfarm.com. For details contact kelsey.winterbottom@

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Spring Mountain Community Center

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COMING IN SEPTEMBER

Fairview Elementary School Reunion Potluck 9/18

Faculty and staff who remember the old school are invited to reunite and reconnect, 2-6 pm at Cloud Nine Farm, 137 Bob Barnwell Road, Fletcher. For details contact Jennie Buckner, 628-1105.

LEGO® Build at Arboretum 9/17

In honor of the "Year of the Pollinator," they will host a LEGO Brick public-participation build during its annual Monarch Butterfly Day celebration on September 17. Visit ncarboretum.org.

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ONGOING EVENTS

Friday Night Barn Dance at HNGF

Each Friday night the Big Barn at Hickory Nut Gap Farm opens with live music for square dance, contra, swing and more. Kids can play on the tunnel slides, tetherball, and rope spider web and visit the mother sows and their young piglets, baby chicks, fluffy sheep, and a few stubborn goats. The Barn Dances are held from 6–9 pm at Hickory Nut Gap Farm, 57 Sugar Hollow Road. \$5 admission; kids under 10 free. Dinner menu available 5-8 pm. continued page 7

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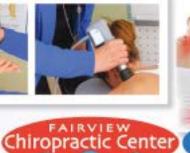
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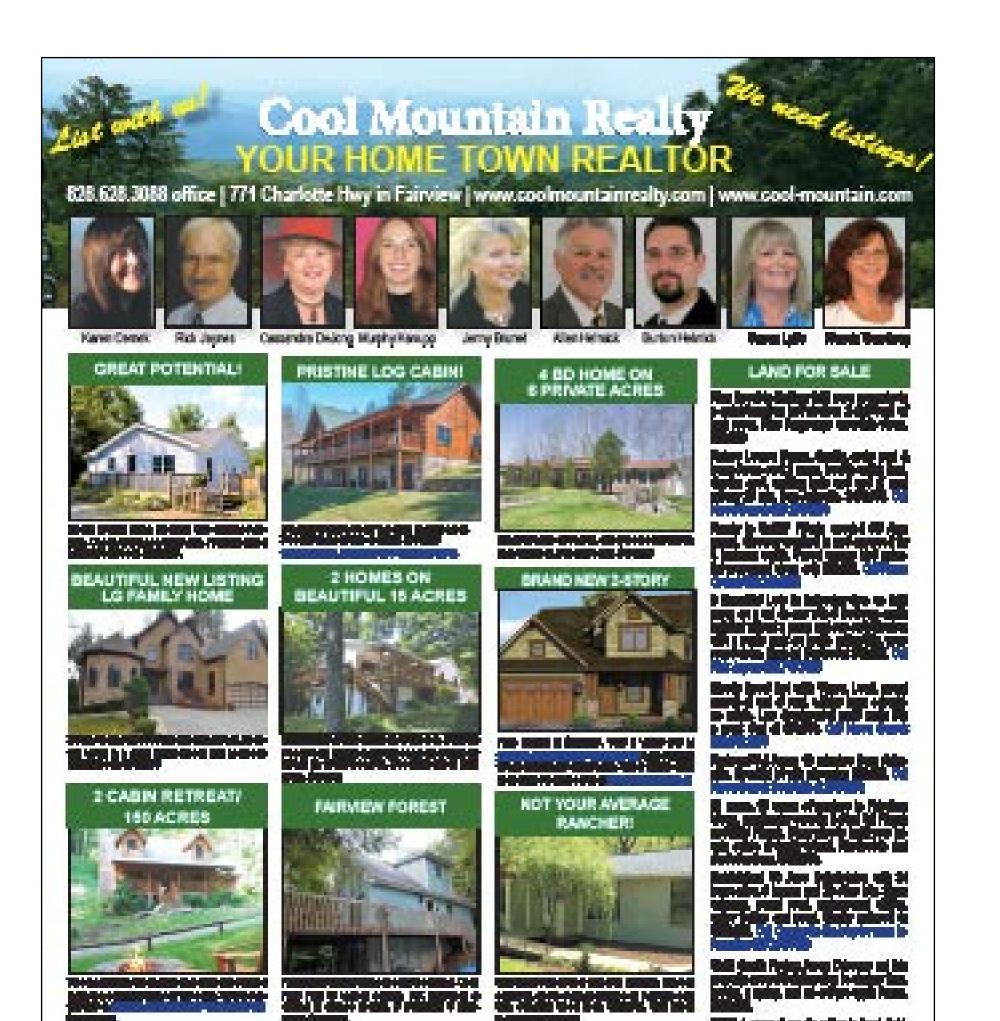




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ONGOING EVENTS

Shindig on the Green

The 50th Season of Shindig on the Green celebrates traditional and old-time string bands, bluegrass, ballad singers, mountain dancers and cloggers onstage at Pack Square Park. Bring your instruments, lawn chairs, blankets family and friends. Saturday evenings August 13, 20, 27, and September 3. Free. For details visit folkheritage.org or 258-6101 x345.

Dining for Women



The Fairview chapter of the global poverty-fighting giving circle meets on the fourth Monday of each month. They are dedicated to transforming lives and eradicating poverty among women and girls in the developing world. For details visit their Facebook page or diningforwomen.org

Welcome Table Lunch

A community lunch every Thursday, 11:30 am-1 pm in the Community Room of Fairview Christian Fellowship. behind the Fairview Library. A donation of is suggested if you can afford it. Visit their Facebook page or website at fairviewwelcometable.com.

Sound and Weaving Show at Benchspace Gallery

The Center for Craft, Creativity & Design's Benchspace Gallery & Workshop summer exhibition features six internationally based textile artists exploring connections between sound and weaving. The show will run through August 20, Tuesday-Saturday 10 am-6 pm at 67 Broadway Street, Asheville. Visit craftcreativitydesign.org.

Registration for "Farm Beginnings" Training Course

Organic Growers School's Farm Beginnings[®], a year-long farmer training course beginning on October 15, is open to applicants through August 31 For details about the training and how to register, please visit their website at organicgrowersschool.org.

Giant LEGO Exhibit at NC Arboretum

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Bricks. Composed of more than 370,000 LEGO bricks, Nature Connects includes 14 nature-inspired sculptures constructed on a larger-than-life, nature-inspired sculptures. Through October 23; for details visit nearboretum.org.

Fairview Farmers Market

Support your local farmers market's vendors on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 9 am- 12 pm in Fairview Elementary School's parking lot. For details see Facebook.com/FairviewFarmersMarket.

Yoga at the Light Center

Karen Barnes offers yoga classes on Thursdays, 10:30–11:45 am, \$10/ class. The Light Center, 2196 Hwv 9. Black Mountain, urlight.org.

Brain Tumor Support Group

Every third Thursday at MAHEC, 6 pm. Refreshments. Visit wncbraintumor.org

Spring Mountain CC Events

springmountaincommunitycenter.com **Monthly Meeting**: Usually the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 pm. **Quilting Bee:** Meets every second Tuesday, 10 am-2 pm. Bring a project and lunch. Quilters make aprons, quilts and place mats to donate to worthy causes. Call 628-7900 or 628-1938. **Berrypickers' Jam**: Tuesday evenings at 7:30. Bring your instrument, listening ear, and dancing feet to the lower level for a jammin' good time.

Yoga: Monday 9:15-10:30 am: Thursdays 6:15-7:30 pm; \$5-\$10 suggested donation. Call 243-8432 or email sabrina.alison.mueller@gmail.com.

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COMPUTER BYTES...... by Bill Scobie **Technical Tips and Triage**





OnTheMedia.org offers the following advice on how to find trustworthy fast-breaking news on the Internet so that you don't repeat wrong information:

Don't trust anonymous sources; don't trust stories that cite another news outlet as the source of the information.

Pay attention to language — "We are getting reports" could mean anything; we are seeking confirmation" means they don't have it; and "[news outlet] has learned" means it has a scoop or is going out on a limb.

Look for news outlets close to the incident; compare multiple sources; big news brings out the fakers and Photoshoppers; and beware reflexive retweet-

Find it and Click It

When some menu or option has disappeared in a program you are not used to, always look at and click on triangles, angle brackets, triple dots, triple lines, double angle brackets and anything that points left or right or up or down, and move your mouse pointer over some of those symbols to reveal a help hint. Explore these "hidden" revealers before vou actually need them.

Windows 10

Reliability Monitor in Windows 10 and earlier versions of Windows, like Windows 8.1, will help you gain insight into what failures might be occurring

over and over on your computer that are affecting performance. Check it every few months by searching your Windows computer for Reliability Monitor. You can search by pressing the Windows Key, lower left on the keyboard, tapping the letter S (for search) and then typing in your search term in the box that opens up. You can use this search feature for finding many things on your computer without having to dig through control panels and settings windows.

There will be a new feature in Windows 10 Anniversary update out on or after August 3 that will let you set active hours to prevent your Windows computer from restarting in the middle of the day due to updates from Windows.

If you have gotten a honking big update from Microsoft, see if you can: search for "updates" in your Start menu and choose "Check for updates;" under "Update settings," click "Change active hours"; then, set your Start and End time for your workday.

What Google Knows

If you are a Google user with a Google account, check their new My Activity tool to review everything Google has tracked about you. You will find it at myactivity.google.com; look under the three-bars menu for activity control to check and adjust what you would like Google to keep for you.

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FOOD FOR FAIRVIEW by Vicky Ballard

Lazy Summer Days are Busy Ones for FFF

these months always seem to speed by unteers at Food for Fairview. As an more quickly than others. It was only a short time ago that Food for Fairview reached out to the community to help fund extra food assistance for families who face an enormous burden in summer without the safety net of school breakfasts and lunches. And once again, the Fairview community responded with generosity and speed. Thanks to your donations, this summer the pantry has been able to provide additional food for meals as well as easy-to-prepare snacks and foods for

Food for Fairview also recognizes that families need help with school supplies. Each year, a portion of our funds goes to help make sure the children served by the pantry get a good start to the school year with adequate supplies and tools. Your support and funding this summer mean that Food for Fairview will be able to work with families and our local schools to meet those needs.

"Thank you" seems inadequate for the support this community gives. It does not really do justice to the impact your contributions make and the enormous difference it makes to be able to feed one's family, and the lifelong difference it can make to a child to begin a school year with adequate materials and supplies, new things for a new academic year. You make that difference. Thank you.

Just as summer places more demands on families, it increases our

all-volunteer, community-supported organization, the kindness and generosity of this community make the food pantry possible. Volunteers staff the pantry each Monday and shop and pick up food from MANNA, unload the food, and stock the shelves every Thursday. Other volunteers help with distribution and fill in for vacationing volunteers.

Without this support from volunteers, the pantry could not function. We are in great need of volunteers to help with this work. Please contact us if you are interested and can donate some of your time. A few hours a week will make an enormous difference in the lives of people in our community.

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FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY...... by Jaime McDowell

Welcome Our New Branch Manager

Jaime McDowell has taken over the reins as Branch Manager for the Fairview Public Library. She has worked for the library system for the past $4\frac{1}{2}$ vears as the Youth Services Specialist at the Oakley/South Asheville Library, and is very excited to now be serving the Fairview Community. Please stop by and say hello

Last Month of Summer Reading

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The Summer Reading Program ends on the very last day of August.

Craft Projects for Teens & Tweens

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There simply are not enough thankyour for the outpouring of support we've received from the wonderful Fairview community. We're amazed by the kindness and generosity you've extended, and we're so thrilled to be getting closer to the next phase of this extraordinary project

Playground agaipment will arrive so on and we could not be more excited!

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DAYS GONE BY by Bruce Whitaker

Samuel Flavel Huntley: Part Three

Word spread of Sam Huntley's experience. People in the church began asking ten serve at four churches. They would preach at each Huntley to lead prayer and talked him into becoming Sunday School Superintendent. He was asked to speak at other churches. It was embarrassing to the shy young man to speak in public and receive so much attention, but Huntley was able to do what he was called upon to do regardless of his shy nature.

A burden came on Sam Huntley's heart a short time later. One day he stopped, tied his ox to a tree and went across a field to a large rock cliff. Huntley recalled, "I made up my mind that I would get relief from my burden or die. The Lord came onto my life in a way that lasted all these years. Although many hard temptations have come to me, the dear Lord has been with me and brought me out every time."

Sam Huntley only owned a 10¢ New Testament at the time. His older brother agreed to order him a regular Bible. Sam began to study and read the Bible at night; being a farmer, it was the only free time he had. He had to study from the light of a tiny brass lamp with no globe, the only light he had. He read so much with such a poor light that his eyes began to go bad. Sam kept at it nonetheless.

Middle Fork Baptist Church allowed him to preach in 1904. His first church was at Ridgecrest (just east of Black Mountain). He described Ridgecrest as a place of "strange and wicked people." Reverend Huntley served several churches at a time, which was the norm then. Few churches could afford a full-time pastor, so pastors would of-

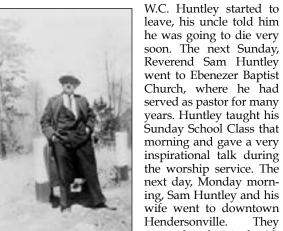
They would preach at each church once a month. Sam Huntley was also pastor at what is now Swannanoa First Baptist during part of the time that he was at Ridgecrest.

Reverend Sam Huntley was a pastor for 38 years. He served at twenty-two different churches including Emma's Grove in Fairview and Salem in Fletcher. He pastored churches in Buncombe, Henderson, McDowell, Rutherford and Polk Counties. He baptized 1,266 people and conducted 1,381 fu-

nerals. Sam Huntley wore out five new cars during his ministry. He refused to accept any money for pastoring any of his twenty churches or to cover the cost of his travels. Huntley's last church was Mount Moriah. He resigned there due to poor health and old age.

Reverend Huntley returned home from an appointment one Sunday afternoon to find that his wife Luizer (Lou) had fallen and had broken her hip. She was taken to Biltmore Hospital but did not recover. She died on March 18, 1943. The Huntleys had been married 60 years. Sam Huntley then married a second time to the widow Grace Dills.

Reverend W.C. Huntley went to visit his uncle Sam on Monday, June 17, 1946. He said that he and his uncle had a great time telling stories that afternoon. When



leave, his uncle told him he was going to die very soon. The next Sunday, Reverend Sam Huntley went to Ebenezer Baptist Church, where he had served as pastor for many years. Huntley taught his Sunday School Class that morning and gave a very inspirational talk during the worship service. The next day, Monday morning, Sam Huntley and his wife went to downtown Hendersonville. stopped and visited with friends they met going up and down Main Street.

Reverend Sam Huntley greatly enjoyed the fellowship he had with all the people he knew. He said, "I must hurry on and see as many people as I can." That afternoon as he sat on his porch watching the sunset, he sang, "My latest sun is sinking fast, my race is nearly run; my strongest trials are past, my triumph is begun."

At 4:30 the next morning Reverend Sam Huntley had a heart attack. He died about fifteen minutes later, on June 25, 1946. He was buried next to his wife at the Ebenezer Baptist Church Cemetery in Henderson County.

Sam Huntley and his wife Luizer "Lou" Connor Huntley had eight children.

Ada Belle Huntley was born March 23, 1883. She married John Victor Camby (1883-1964). Ada died on September 4,

Marcus Huntley was born in July 1884. Barney Benjamin Huntley was born on April 6, 1886. He married Rachel Arbella Justice (1900-1992), who is buried at Oakdale Cemetery in Henderson County. Barney died on June 11, 1940. He is buried in Ebenezer Baptist Cemetery in Henderson County.

Luna Marion Huntley was born Aug 23, 1888. He married a woman named Grace. He died on August 30, 1923. He is buried Tabernacle Church Cemetery in Black Mountain.

Carrie Lee Huntley was born on April 21, 1890. She married James Asbury White (1886-1969). Carrie died on June 22, 1963. Both are buried At Mountain View Cemetery in Black Mountain.

Bessie M. Huntley was born on January 15, 1894, and married James C. Gray (June 6, 1888 - October 1, 1977). She died Jan. 11, 1983 in McDowell County.

Mamie Mae Huntley was born on December 7, 1896. She married Joseph Edward Huggins (1896–1958). Mamie died on July 7, 1950. Both are buried at Ebenezer Baptist Cemetery in Henderson County.

James Rowland Huntley was born on August 21, 1898. He married Fave Gilbert. James died on November 9, 1967. They are buried at Ebenezer Baptist Cemetery in Henderson County.

Local historian Bruce Whitaker documents genealogy in the Fairview area. You can reach him at 628–1089 or email him at brucewhitaker@bellsouth.net.

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What's in Your Sunscreen?

by Stephen Kimmel, MD, MAHEC Family Health Cente

Asheville is a great place to be a physician in training. Inspiration is everywhere. A few weeks ago I was preparing for an evening jog, putting some sunscreen on my already rather prominent nose, and noticed a bumper sticker that said "question everything." It's an inspiring, rebellious, if somewhat impractical sentiment and it made me think. What is this stuff I am putting on my nose? Should my wife and I continue the sunscreen wrestlemania with our fair skinned, surprisingly strong and evasive 2- and 5-year-old daughters? Since I am a resident physician in the Family Medicine program at MAHEC, and I love preventive medicine, I did some reading and here's what I found.

The idea of sunscreen is to protect the skin from ultraviolet radiation, specifically wavelengths 290-400 nm. Ultraviolet radiation damages the skin in several ways: It can cause physical trauma, which results in itch-

ing at minimum or the all-too-familiar sunburn; it causes damage to collagen, which weakens the skin and eventually results in

es damage to collagen, which weakens the skin and eventually results in wrinkling; and finally, ultraviolet radiation can actually damage DNA (the master mole-

cule of life!) in our cells. This damage, if you are unlucky, can contribute to the formation of skin cancers.

Sunscreens are topical filters for ultraviolet light. In the United States there are 17 different filters approved by the FDA, but generally speaking there are only two types: chemical filters and physical filters.

The chemical filters are usually composed of a class of molecules known as Benzopenones, which absorb the ultraviolet radiation and convert it to an extremely small amount of heat (cool!). The physical filters are mineral compounds with bases of Zinc or Titanium and work by reflecting and scattering ultraviolet light. The physical compounds were formerly associated with a thick white residue and lifeguards on power trips, but in our new age of nanotechnology the nicer, more expensive versions mitigate the cosmetic effects using unfathomably small particles.

There are really only three sunscreen filters that cover all of the damaging ultraviolet wavelengths, so in order to get the maximum benefit sunscreen must contain one of the following: Avobenzone, Zinc Oxide, or Titanium Dioxide.

"Wait a minute," you say. "The names of those chemicals sound scary!"

Maybe, but we are made of around 60% dihydrogen oxide (water). That's not to minimize the fact that one has to weigh the risks and benefits. Nothing is 100% safe, and anything you put on continued on page 19

Sciatica

by Ed Reilly, BA, MBA, DC, CCSP, FIAMI, GT-C, Fairview Chiropractic Center



Sciatica describes persistent pain along the sciatic nerve, which runs from the lower back through the buttock and into the lower leg. The sciatic nerve is the longest and widest nerve in

the body; it controls the muscles of the lower leg and provides sensation to the thighs, legs, and soles of the feet.

Although sciatica is a relatively common form of low back and leg pain, the true meaning of the term is often misunderstood. Sciatica is actually a set of symptoms — not a diagnosis for what is irritating the nerve root and causing the pain.

Sciatica occurs most frequently in people between 30–50 years old. Most often, it tends to develop as a result of general wear and tear on the structures of the lower spine, not as a result of injury.

What Are the Symptoms?

The most common symptom associated with sciatica is pain that radiates from the lower back and down one leg; however, symptoms can vary widely depending on where the sciatic nerve is affected. Some may experience a mild tingling, a dull ache, or even a burning sensation, typically on one side of the body. Some patients also report a pinsand-needles sensation most often in the toes or foot, and numbness or muscle weakness in the affected leg or foot.

Pain from sciatica often begins slowly,

gradually intensifying over time. In addition, the pain can worsen after prolonged sitting, sneezing, coughing, bending, or other sudden movements.

How is Sciatica Diagnosed?

Your doctor will take a complete history, a description of your pain when it began, and what activities lessen or intensify the pain. To make a diagnosis, the doctor will perform a physical and neurological examination with special attention to your spine and legs. You may be asked to perform some basic activities that will test your sensory and muscle strength and reflexes. In some cases, your doctor may recommend diagnostic imaging such as an X-ray or MRI.

What Are the Treatment Options?

For most people, sciatica responds very well to chiropractic, spinal decompression traction therapy, and class 4 lasers. Since sciatica is a symptom and not a stand-alone medical condition, treatment will often vary depending on the underlying cause of the problem.

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Wear Your Helmet

by Dr. Michael Trayford, Apex Brain Centers

WAIN YOUR BRAIN

At first glance, the concept of wearing your helmet might seem like pure common sense. But take a look around and you'll see people every day who aren't wearing helmets when they are riding a bike, roller blading or involved in other outdoor activities where helmets should be required equipment.

required equipment.

It is estimated that only 15% of children nationally wear helmets, even though they have been shown to reduce risk of brain injury or death by as much as 85%. There is clearly something wrong with this scenario, and something needs to be done about it!

In my clinical work, I see many people who have suffered traumatic brain injury as a result of not wearing a helmet when it was clearly called for. I've seen everything from mild traumatic brain injury, or concussion, to open head injuries with lifelong consequences.

Wearing a helmet is one of the simplest ways to actively prevent or decrease the risk of suffering a significant injury to your brain. This applies to any type of wheeled sport — motorcycle, bicycle, scooter, roller blades, etc. When you fall during any one of these activities, the first thing to hit the pavement or hard dirt is often your head.

In New York City in 2013, 74% of fatal bike crashes involved a head injury. Of that 74%, a staggering 97% were not

wearing a helmet. This is irrefutable evidence that if you want to stay alive during a bicycle crash and avoid significant head injury, then you need to wear a helmet.

The numbers paint a very clear picture — helmets save lives! Of equal importance is that they preserve health and re-

duce the risk of compromised brain function. This is not to say if you're wearing a helmet it's impossible to have some kind of brain injury. However, you are significantly reducing your odds of suffering a serious brain injury that could affect you all your life.

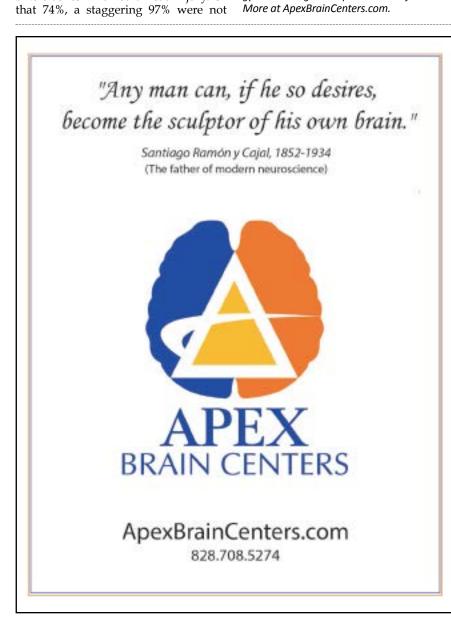
It's also worth noting that the pricepoint these days for a good, solid, approved helmet only ranges between \$15 to \$30; therefore, socioeconomic factors are no longer the barriers to protection as they once were. As I always say, if you can afford the bike, you can afford the helmet!

Of course, the value of wearing a helmet doesn't just extend to riding a bike or roller blading. You and your family should be wearing them in all activities other than walking (e.g. skiing, white water sports, etc.).

Dr. Michael Trayford is a Board Certified Chiropractic Neurologist and co-founder of APEX Brain Centers utilizing cutting-edge technology and strategies to optimize brain function. More at ApexBrainCenters.com.







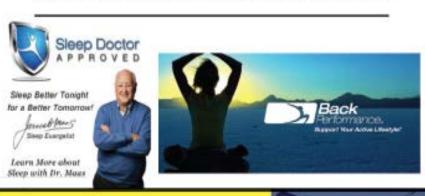


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OF INTEREST TO SENIORS.....by Mike Richard **Signing Up for MedicarePlans**



proaching age 65, two of the most important questions you face are: "How and when do I take Social Security?" and "How and when do I sign up for Medicare?" Marilyn

and I are turning 64 this year and have already addressed the numerous strategies available to maximize our Social Security benefits. In reality, we started our planning just before age 62, the earliest you can draw SS. You'd be amazed to see how much more you can get by properly planning. I won't attempt to discuss that here but would highly suggest that you consult a certified expert in Social Security planning to maximize your benefits. I can recommend a good resource. Just give me a call. Planning for Medicare doesn't require nearly that much lead time.

When to Sign Up

If you're already getting benefits from Social Security or the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB), you'll automatically get Part A and Part B starting the first day of the month you turn 65. (If your birthday is on the first day of the month, Part A and Part B will start the first day of the prior month.)

If you're under 65 and disabled, you'll automatically get Part A and Part B after vou get disability benefits from Social Security or certain disability benefits from the RRB for 24 months.

If you have ALS (Amyotrophic Later-

If you're one of the al Sclerosis, also called Lou Gehrig's 11,000 people a day apdisease), you'll get Part A and Part B automatically the month your Social Security disability benefits begin.

If you're automatically enrolled, you'll get your red, white, and blue Medicare card in the mail three months before your 65th birthday or 25th month of disability benefits. If you do nothing,

You'd be amazed to see how much more you can get by properly planning.

you'll keep Part B and will pay Part B premiums. You can choose not to keep Part B, but you may have to wait to enroll and pay a penalty for as long as you have Part B.

If you're close to 65, but not getting SS or RRB benefits, you'll need to sign up. Contact Social Security 3 months before you turn 65. You can also apply for Part A and Part B at socialsecurity.gov/ retirement. If you worked for a railroad, contact the RRB. In most cases, if you don't sign up for Part B when you're first eligible, you may have to pay a late enrollment penalty for as long as you have Part B.

If you have End-Stage Renal Disease and you want Medicare, you'll need to

Mike Richard is president of Prime Time Solutions, Inc., an insurance agency serving people across the Southeast specializing in senior insurance products since 1998. Reach Mike at 628-3889 or 275-5863.

Aging

It's Everyone's Future — Stay Active, Involved, Informed

Did you know that citizens who vol- Fairview community, I've witnessed munities live, on average, at least four have made on the lives on our elderly

more "healthy" years than those who do not? Are you aware of research that shows how valuable exercise is to maintaining good physical and mental health? You probably

would answer yes to these questions. But do you know about an agency in Buncombe County devoted to helping senior citizens find the resources they need as they grow older?

The Council on Aging of Buncombe County has been a leader in providing educational resources and access to services that help our citizens age with dignity. As a service specialist for the



Photo from Buncombe County Council of Aging website

unteer and stay involved in their com- the positive impact these resources

Unfortunate ly, there are residents of Buncombe County who are unaware of this important resource. You may know such a person or have a family member

who needs assistance but knows little about the Council on Aging.

Take a minute and review the COA website at **coabc.org** to learn more about the services available to our elderly residents. There you will find resources for helping someone who needs in-home assistance or caregiver support. You can find help with those important decisions about Medicare, and there is assistance

for elderly citizens who have home repair, transportation or nutritional concerns. The COA has long been a trusted resource for families facing these kinds of problems.

If you know of someone in the Fairview area who might benefit from our services, please call 277-8288. The COA office in Fairview is located at the Spring Mountain Community Center and is open most Mondays and Tuesdays from 8:30 AM until 3:00 PM.

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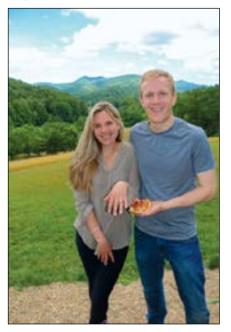


A Sweet Surprise on a Savory Tour

In July, I was leading a wild foods tour at Sam Trophia's incredible estate and show gardens in Fairview, and what was already a very enjoyable day got even better with a lovely surprise. A delightful young Swedish man proposed marriage to his equally lovely girlfriend during the edibles tour. It was amazing!

The future groom and bride had met in northern California and loved the redwoods, so he handmade a stunning ring box from a piece of redwood to present to her during the tour. He walked with her a short distance away, and when they came back here was our group with wild foods - plants and mushrooms - spread out on a sheet, and they announced that they had just gotten engaged! We all burst into applause, and it was very moving

I presented them with a Reishi mushroom as a symbol of immortality and







WEATHER CORNER.by Tom Ross, Meteorologist

Feeling the Heat



look at the mean number of days the afternoon high temperature reaches or exceeds 90 degrees F. It seems like that was quite providential since we have

already exceeded our average number of seven days this year by early July. Hopefully, we won't exceed that number multiple times, as we did in 1952 when we had 32 days at or above 90 degrees F during the summer months.

One of the things that stands out this summer for most of us is that many areas across Fairview developed the "crunchy lawn syndrome." The combination of hot temperatures with below average rainfall hasn't helped to keep most lawns and gardens green. In fact, in June we received a scant 2 to 3 inches of rainfall across the region, with some spots only seeing an inch and a half of rainfall.

I am afraid the situation hasn't changed greatly from last month's report, and the trend may continue to favor dry and hot conditions for the remainder of the summer. However, there seems to be a bit more scattered thunderstorm activity across the region in July, and hopefully our final total rainfall for July and then in August will be higher than what we received in Iune. If it doesn't, look for brownouts to continue, and I'm not talking about power shortages!

Moving on a bit, let's take a look at

Last month we took a the hurricane season of 2016. We have already had several storms this year, and it could turn active especially in later summer. However, in contrast, as of July 4, 2016, it has been a full two years since the U.S. Gulf or Atlantic coast has sustained a direct hit from a hurricane. The last hit was Arthur on July 4, 2014, and that was just a glancing blow to the Outer Banks of North Carolina. As of now, things in the Atlantic are fairly quiet. Earlier this year, rains and some localized flooding occurred across parts of the coastal Carolinas in June from tropical storms/ depressions Bonnie and Colin.

However, the important thing to remember with hurricanes is that it's not very important to predict the number of named storms in advance each year. The whole story with hurricanes is location, location, location. Where are they going to strike? All it takes in one category 3 hurricane to strike a populated area along our eastern seaboard and we have a multi-billion dollar disaster on our hands. Since the U.S. coastline is in a favored path of these storms each year, it is only a question of time that a major hurricane will strike the coast again.

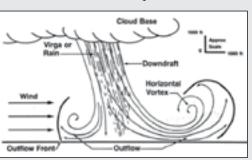
Meteorologist Tom Ross managed NOAA's Climate Database Modernization Program during his 25-year career at the National Climatic Data Center (NCDC) in Asheville. He was a senior weather forecaster at Accu Weather in Pennsylvania. Tom teaches classes on weather and climate at various

JULY'S TRIVIA ANSWER What is a microburst?

Microbursts, also called downbursts, are a sudden downward burst of wind from the base of a thunderstorm. The air can rush towards the ground at speeds of 60 mph before impacting the surface and spreading out in all directions, usually in an area 2.5 miles in diameter or less. Winds at the surface can exceed 100 mph in the strongest microbursts, often causing extensive tree and building damage.

Thunderstorms have two main components: an updraft and a downdraft. The updraft feeds warm, moist air into the storm, while the downdraft blows rain-cooled air with precipitation out of its base. It's important to note that

downdrafts and microbursts are two different things. General, run-ofthe-mill downdrafts occur over a much wider area and their winds usually don't reach severe levels. This is usually what we feel in the summertime, with a corresponding drop in temperature during a thunderstorm. Up until a few decades ago, microbursts were one of the



leading causes of weather-related airplane crashes in the United States. Now all commercial aircraft and many commercial airports in the United States and around the world have wind shear detection systems to alert aircraft to the dangers of microbursts. Thanks to better training and major advances in technology, the last commercial airplane crash in the U.S. attributed to a microburst was back in 1994, 22 years ago.

AUGUST'S TRIVIA QUESTION

What were some of the worst floods recorded in recent memory across the French Broad River valley due to decaying hurricanes or tropical storms?



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We just got a puppy

— a golden retriever, 9
weeks old. We named
her Camille, and we call
her Cami, for my son's
favorite NFL player
Cam Newton. Cami is
my first dog ever, and

my kids swear up and down that they will help take care of her, but I know most of the caregiving will be on me. That said, any reluctance I had evaporated the first time she laid her big hazel eyes on me.

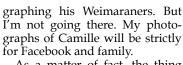
So, I've been distracted and was having a hard time coming up with a topic for my monthly photo column in the *Crier* (Oh no!). In desperation I asked my wife for suggestions, and she said I should write about the new puppy! I reminded her it was a photography column, but then decided what the heck — since naturally I'm making lots of pictures of the new pup.

Dogs are very photogenic, of course. Not too long ago there was an exhibition at the Asheville Art Museum by a photographer named William Wegman who has made a career in art photo-

Ken Abbott's book, Useful Work: Photographs of Hickory Nut Gap Farm, is available at the Town Crier's office, Hickory Nut Gap Farm and Trout Lily, as well as online and in downtown stores. If you purchase the book from the Town Crier, 50% of sales will be donated to the paper.

Really? No Puppies?

...... by Ken Abbott



As a matter of fact, the thing that comes first to my mind about photographing puppies is the prohibition I make to beginner photo students when giving assignments. It's a challenge to shoot a couple of rolls of film (remember film?) for an assignment, especially if you're not in some exotic place. So, if there's a cute puppy in the vicinity you can bet the little darling will sparf up at least half a roll of film. In order to avoid this I set ground rules, and one of them is: No photographs of puppies! Also, no photographs of homeless people, old men, smiling kids, sunsets or waterfalls.

I hear you! Why no sunsets? No waterfalls? No *puppies*? No homeless people or old men? There are specific reasons, but the basic problem is that it's hard to make

an interesting photograph of such overpowering material, especially when you're just starting out, when you're just learning what subject matter you're interested in — and what particular and maybe peculiar point of view is yours.

Waterfall and sunset photographs pretty much all blend together, and that is a bad sign if you're trying to be an artist, which calls for self-expression. In photography, when you make a picture you are making a new thing, and an artist needs to say something new — maybe



even surprise us. Waterfalls and sunsets, old men and puppies may be beautiful things in themselves, but it's pretty hard to say much new about them.

Sometimes the students break the rules, and sometimes they even surprise me. That's always a good sign. Meanwhile, the dog needs walking!

Ken Abbott received his MFA in photography from Yale in 1987, and a North Carolina Arts Council Fellowship Award for his photography at Hickory Nut Gap Farm in 2006. Reach Ken via kenabbottphoto.com.

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your skin could be an irritant, or even cause an allergic reaction. Because of this the American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that children less than six months of age be kept out of the sun entirely, and that if unavoidable one should use SPF 15 only in exposed areas.

For everyone else the benefits of being protected from the UV radiation with its DNA damaging effects probably outweigh the risks. However, if you ever had a reaction to one filter it would be reasonable to avoid that one and use one of the other two.

Sunscreen is only one component of good UV protective strategies. A holistic strategy would include appropriate use of sunscreen, staying well hydrated, weather-appropriate UV protective clothing, especially widebrimmed hats, and avoidance of late morning and afternoon sun when UV radiation is at its highest concentration.

When using sunscreen, it is worth considering that the American Academy of Dermatology recommends SPF 30 applied 20 minutes before sun exposure and reapplied every two hours. If you're interested, SPF 15 blocks 93% of ultraviolet radiation, SPF 30 blocks 97%, and SPF 50 blocks 98%. Because of this nonlinear relationship, SPF 30 gets you the biggest bang for the buck. Water-resistant/waterproof sunscreens stay on better after being exposed to water, but of course they are not actually waterproof, and should be reapplied early and often.

Wishing you safe fun in the sun!





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Our Children



I got a big hug from my son the other day and it felt pretty good. He is in his late 20s. Getting to spend time with him at this busy time in his life and getting that hug means a lot to me. After

he left to head back into the rest of his life, I started thinking about what he and his generation have been through in the relatively short time they have been around. That led to my thinking about other generations who have had similar world events and technological advanc-

I was raised by loving but rarely hugging parents who grew up during the Roaring Twenties, the Great Depression, WWII and the Korean War. My son has already lived through two recessions and two wars. My parents had Pearl Harbor and the Cold War. My son's generation has grown up with 9/11 and terrorism.

September 11, 2001 was the moment my son's generation found out they were vulnerable in ways they most probably had never considered. Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941 also brought vulnerability to a generation. Both were followed by years of war. Some people called those of my parents' time "the greatest generation." The title was given in part because out of the ashes of WWII, the U.S., Germany and Japan became strong allies and trading partners.

Sometimes my son's generation has been called selfish and self-focused, the "Me" generation. I guess I see something different in them and wonder what the

world will be like as our children show what they are made of. I believe that when the baton passes along, as it al-ways does, they will find solutions to our planet's problems that my generation, the Baby Boomers, could never have imagined.

Although each generation has its own challenges, it seems our children are coming of age in particularly divisive times...

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challenges, it seems our children are coming of age in particularly divisive times, when finger pointing seems to be all we hear about and solutions rarely make the news. The job market is getting better for some, yet for many people, young and older, well-paying jobs can be nard to find. It seems the economy has been growing slowly, in turmoil, stagnating or contracting off and on for nearly two decades. Credit is still tight, so the American dream of home ownership is much more limited than it was when my parents came of age. In ways that are astonishing, but also hopeful and new, the dream is shifting as necessity is coupled with creativity. The radio, newspapers, poor roads,

one home phone line, factory work, stayat-home moms, living your life in the same place and respect for the leaders of my parents time gave way to television, interstates, the visible human failings of leaders, increased mobility with better cars, roads and air travel. Air conditioning and television affected where people

lived and to some extent what they were exposed to.

Our children have grown up in a complicated world of new technology, with massive amounts of information at their

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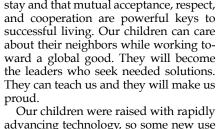
My parents' wars, new mobility and television helped make this a more globally focused society. Now many believe the "prosperity boat is full" and say, "we need to pull up the ladder," locally and globally. Even with more wars, mobility and communication, it is still not clear to everyone that we are all in this together.

Our children have an opportunity to find solutions we have not considered. They are already finding answers, as they become more self-aware, learn self-acceptance, and take on the responsibility of running this world. They will work through the problems inherent in this conflicted world, discovering and accepting that a global society is here to stay and that mutual acceptance, respect,

advancing technology, so some new use of all this technology for the local and global good will undoubtedly assist them in finding solutions. They will continue to be up against those who want to hold onto the status quo.

Our children's generation will soon be running the world and will have an opportunity to break some of the patterns of divisiveness and conflict left to them by my generation. I believe they will someday earn the title "the greatest gen-

You (AWAY). Reach him through Facebook or



Stepping outside of our normal routine brings us new perspective, and therefore opportunities for new solutions. For our high-tech children, stepping outside of their normal routine might include putting down the mobile device for a few moments and spending time talking and listening, looking and seeing, reading and absorbing, enjoying their own children and maybe our sto-

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Patricia Rhodes, affectionately known by friends and family as Patty, has lived in Fairview all 72 years of her life. She is a local in this community and has been sending mail from

the United States Post Office in Fairview for as long as she can remember. She has loved ones in all places, but today, she walks into the town post office to mail a care package to her granddaughter attending school at Gardner-Webb University in Boiling Springs, North Carolina, and a letter to her friend, Gail, who lives in Greenville, South Carolina. As Patty walks through the doors, she is instantly greeted by the warm and familiar smiles of the postal workers. "How can I help?" Debbie asks.

Patty's mail joins the 8,000 to 12,000 daily letters filtered through Fairview's center — approximately 90,000 to 120,000 weekly! So what happens to the mail from there? "It is a little hard to explain unless you see the processing center yourself," says Melody, Fairview's postmaster.

According to the U.S. Postal Service newsletter, the Postal Service made the decision to move all processing operations from the Asheville, North Carolina Processing and Distribution Facility to Greenville, South Carolina in 2011. The Postal Service had experienced a significant reduction in the amount of first-class mail entering the system, in addition to receiving zero tax dollars for its operations. They rely solely on the sales of postage and postal products and services. As a result, Congress enacted legislation that called for an effective postal initiative.

The U.S. Postal Service is the only delivery service that reaches every address in the nation — over 151 million residences, businesses, and Post Office boxes. It has nearly 32,000 locations and has the most frequently visited website in the federal government. The Post Office delivers 40 percent of the entire world's mail, and in 2011 was ranked number one in overall service performance out of the top twenty wealthiest



nations in the world. And it is also recognized as a leader in workforce diversity. The Postal Service has been named the Most Trusted Government Agency for six years, and the sixth Most Trusted Business in the nation. Post Office revenue last year was \$68.8 billion. It is a big business at the core of a \$1.4 trillion mailing industry that employs more than 7.5 million people.

Chief Executive Officer and Postmaster General Megan Brennan explains, 'The decision to consolidate mail processing facilities recognizes the urgent need to reduce the size of the national mail processing network to eliminate costly underutilized infrastructure. Con-

solidating operations is necessary if the Postal Service is to remain viable to provide mail service to the nation."

This plan was enacted in order for the U.S. Postal Service to continually improve its efficiency by making better use of space, staff, equipment, and transportation in processing the nation's mail. They were challenged to handle a massive nationwide organization that was no longer financially maintainable, leading them to propose the Network Rationalization Initiative. Ths initiative is a multi-phase, multi-year strategy announced in 2011 to balance mail processing costs with current and future amounts

of mail, and to successfully convert the postal processing network to an appropriate size. If the plan continues on its in-

tended course, the final stage of the network consolidation is scheduled to take place this summer

As a result of these implementations, Patty's care package to her granddaughter and letter to her friend are sent, along with all the other mail of the Fairview residents, to the processing center in Greenville. The mail is put on a conveyor belt and sorted. After it is sorted and loaded onto a truck with its comrades, the mail is sent out to its respective destinations, then placed into the mailbox and hands of the delighted recipients two to three days later.

Mail is distributed all over the nation from Greenville. The Postal Service promises to safeguard its mission in the continuation of prompt and reliable service consistent with its standards. They remain steadfast in implementing new and efficient goals and pursuing service performance improvements as always, so that residents of our town just like Patty can stay connected to her friends and family outside of the community.

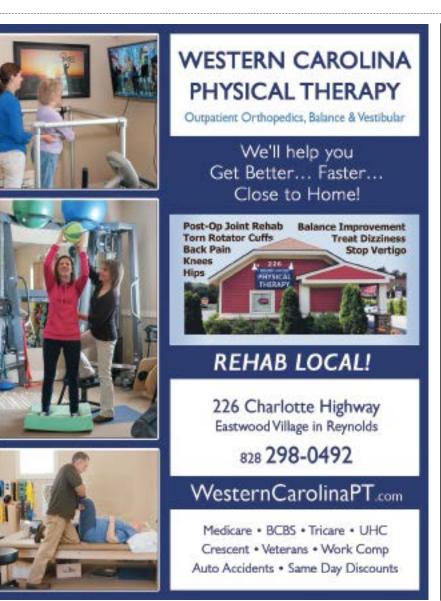
Grace Catherine Royal was awarded a Superior rating in the Association of Christian Schools International's 2011-2012 Southeast Regional Creative Writing Festival, and was published in their regional publication; she won first place in the Montreat College Creative Writing Contest in 2013 and 2014. and graduated from North Asheville Christian School as Valedictorian with highest honors. Grace will graduate in May 2017 from Truett McConnell University with a Bachelor of Arts in English. She lives in Fair-



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The Love of Drawing Stuff

Jim Stilwell has been drawing stuff since he could lift a crayon. As long as he can remember, he has loved spending many hours creating adventures on paper involving buildings, cars, people, airplanes; you name it, he drew it.

Jim has been very fortunate to have turned this passion into a long career as an artist. When he was 18 he started doing pen and ink illustrations of homes in his neighborhood. This blossomed into a business while he attended college at night. Armed with a portfolio of house sketches, he got his foot in the door of an architect's office to do drafting. His boss would let him occasionally draw illustrations of some of their projects, and Iim continued moonlighting on these projects in the evening hours and weekends.

He moved on to a larger architectural firm where he was responsible for all the in-house presentation illustrations, then eventually ventured off on his own again as a freelance architectural illustrator.

Since 1978 he has worked on hundreds of projects ranging from doghouses to mega-mansions. He has had a successful association with architects, designers, advertising agencies, developers and corporations. Many of these projects have strange or unique stories behind them and are chronicled on Jim's website (jimstilwell.com).

Particularly intriguing is a story entitled "Hollywood Comes to Delray Beach." It involves kidnapping, extortion and explosions. Did I mention that Jim spent most of his career in South Florida? He says, "This is usual Florida

Many of his projects didn't involve architecture, but other diverse subject matter. For instance, Jim was involved with the scuba diving industry part-time. As a Dive Master he stumbled onto many projects involving his passion for the ocean and the environment.

Five years ago Jim faced his mid-life crisis, which did not involve getting a sports car but finding his way in this world as he approached the next phase of his life. He says, "Most of the men in my family never lived past 52 and I was preoccupied with this." His wife, Edrianna, was involved with a healing school and her contacts led him to his first vi-

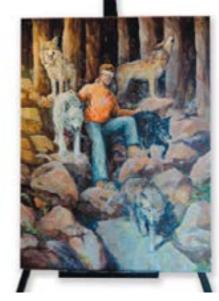
sion quest

Jim and Edrianna relocated to Fairview. He scaled back his business and started painting images from his vision quest experiences. This art has been transformative for Jim and for many who view it. His work is on display at the Zapow Art Gallery in Asheville.

Recently, Jim returned to his first passion of home illustration. He likes the one-on-one relationship with the homeowner, creating an image they can proudly display.

Most days you can find Jim either in his home studio, mentoring, playing music with the Spring Mountain Shiners, or out in nature enjoying his Journey.

> From a blank canvas at at right, to the home illustration below Jim fills his life with creating.









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CHARLIE'S ANGELS



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friendly and playful with people and other

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Moe the rabbit is about 3 months old and has grown up with lots of handling and love, so he (and his brothers Larry and Curly) will make wonderful house pets.

BROTHER WOLF



Bandit is a 5-year-old male Chihuahua who weighs 10 pounds. He is very shy by warms up quickly once he gets to know you.

CHARLIE'S ANGELS



Bonnie is a loving 6-year-old dalmatian/spaniel mix – a laidback dog who will cuddle on the couch and plays nicely in doggie playgroups.

HUMANE SOCIETY



Rosie is a 7-monthold min-pin/terrier mix, weighs 17 pounds, and is very smart. She likes the company of other dogs and is good with cats. An active family would be great for Rosie.

ANIMAL HAVEN

August Events

Humane Society

Sanctuary Brewing Pints for Pets, adoption - Wednesday, August 3, 6-8 pm, at 147 First

Yappy Hour with Mix 96.5 at Blaze Pizza, Gerber Village – Thursday, August 25, 6–8 pm, 1840 Hendersonville Road.

Low-Cost Vaccine and Microchip Clinic - Saturday, August 27, 2-5 pm, Hall Fletcher Elementary, 60 Ridgelawn Road

National Night Out Adoption Event - Tuesday, August 2, 6-8 pm, Bullman Park, 718 New

BWAR Adoption Day at Second Gear - Sunday, August 7, 11 am-2 pm, 444 Haywood Rd. Petsmart, adoption – Saturday, August 13, 12–4 pm, 150 Bleachery Blvd.

Cat Adoption and Bluegrass Brunch - Sunday, August 14, 12-4 pm, Asheville Music Hall,

Craft for Critters, adoption/fundraiser - Saturday, August 20, 10 am-6 pm, Grovewood Gallery, 111 Grovewood Road.

Petsmart, adoption- Saturday, August 27, 12-4 pm, 150 Bleachery Blvd. Bikers for Paws at Regeneration Station, fundraiser - Tuesday, August 30, 6-10 pm, 26 Glendale Avenue

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Tick-borne Diseases — You and Your Pets

by Sarah Hargrove, DVM, Cedar Ridge Animal Hospital and Mobile Equine Services



Summer is a great time to live in the mountains. Camping, hiking, long evening walks or trail rides and river trips are all part of the fun. We often take our pets with us, and we need to

make sure that we help our dogs, horses, and other pets stay safe, along with having fun.

Contrary to what you might think or have experienced, there are ticks in Western NC. and there are risks to having them attach to your pets.

I have heard some people in our clinic say that they don't have issues with ticks, or that we don't have ticks around here. While the risks to your family can depend on a number of things (hobbies, wildlife populations, etc.), there are ticks in Western NC, and there are risks to having them attach.

Diseases such as anaplasmosis, erhlichiosis, Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever and Lyme disease are spreading widely through most of the southeast US. They are transmitted through tick bites, but also through contact with the internal fluids of an infected tick.

For both people and animals, preventing tick bites is the most important aspect of preventing tick-borne diseases. • Talk to your veterinarian about an ap-

propriate product for your dog. There are topical (Advantix, Frontline, Vec-

tra) and systemic/oral (Bravecto, Nexguard) tick-control ments. If possible, limit access to tick-infested areas.

> Check dogs frequently for ticks or, at a minimum, at the end of each day's activities. The ticks should be

promptly and carefully

removed, taking care to pull the head out with the body. Do not twist the tick, or try to drown in alcohol, as this can cause them to regurgitate while still attached, increasing the chance of transmitting infection. For horses, consult with your vet, but

treat-

- general advice includes: Apply topical insect repellent products. Reapply these products often when in an insect infested area.
- If possible, limit access to tick-infested areas.
- Check horses frequently for ticks or, at a minimum, at the end of each day's activities. The ticks should be promptly and carefully removed. Be sure to check the tail, mane and ears thoroughly for ticks. Consider the use of insect nets designed
- to be worn over horses' eyes and ears to minimize insect bites, but do not consider them 100% effective. If you use these products, you should still check your horses regularly for ticks.

Anaplasmosis and Lyme disease in dogs can have very similar clinical signs: lameness and joint pain, and some may

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> also develop vomiting, diarrhea, coughing or labored breathing.

Horses infected with anaplasma can develop fever, lethargy, edema ("stocking up" in the legs), incoordination, and bleeding disorders. Lyme disease in horses can show as lameness, joint pain, neurologic disease, eye problems and dermatitis.

Dogs with erlichiosis can have nonspecific clinical signs in the initial phase of infection, including fever, loss of appetite, weight loss, depression and swollen lymph nodes. Chronic infection can develop, however, and can be life-threatening. Signs of severe ehrlichiosis include dramatic weight loss and loss of muscle tone, swollen lymph nodes, high fever, and bleeding.

In horses, clinical signs of disease can include fever, lethargy, loss of appetite, incoordination and swollen limbs. If infected by Neorickettsia risticii (a member of the Ehrlichia family), horses can develop "Potomac horse fever," which can result in fever, loss of appetite, depression, colic, depression, and laminitis (founder).

While there are no reports of Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever in horses, a dog first presents with a high fever. Blood spots (pinpoint or larger in size) may be seen on the lips, gums and nonhaired (or shorthaired) areas of the dog's skin

Ticks are not as serious an issue for cats, as they tend to groom them off be-

fore they become attached and able to transmit disease. There are fewer options for tick prevention, so ideally, if your cat goes outside, look them over for ticks when they come in. Please do not use a dog flea/tick preventative on a cat, as it may be toxic.

Make sure your pets are also on flea prevention, as fleas also carry diseases, in addition to being itchy.

So please, go outside and be active with your pets. You will all be happier for it. Just make sure you are doing what you can to keep yourself and your animals safe from parasites that can make them sick.

Correction

In our July issue, we mistakenly attributed the article on "Photomodulation for Your Pet," listing its author, Charles H. Lloyd, DVM, as being with Cedar Ridge Animal Hospital. Apologies to Dr. Lloyd, who is a partner at Fairview Animal Hospital.

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Help Reynolds PTSO **Create Lasting Change for Our Community**

by Karen Wallace-Meigs, Incoming PTSO Vice President

Your contribution of \$10 or more, combined with similar contributions and in-kind support from our community, makes a real difference in the educational opportunity provided to young people in our area.

Working together as a community, our young people achieve more and the outstanding faculty and staff feel supported.

During the 2015-2016 school year, the A. C. Reynolds High School Parent-Teacher Support Organization (PTSO) provided over \$10,000 in cash and other support to meet staff and student needs through teacher mini-grants, student enrichment programs and materials, and staff appreciation efforts. Working together as a community, our young people achieve more and the outstanding A. C. Reynolds High School faculty and staff feel supported. The PTSO's success is made possible by membership dues, donated/discounted services and goods, and financial contributions provided by the following community partners: Becky's Florist; Blue Ridge Service Center/Worley's Automotive; Corner Kitchen; Covenant Community Church; Fairview Chiropractic Center; Dolci di Maria; Food Lion; Kaplan; Kounty Line of Fletcher;

Pepsi; Piazza; PostNet; RentAll; Ruth and Ranshaw; Sam's Club; Texas Roadhouse; US Cellular Center; Asheville Christian Academy; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bridges' Catering Services; Mrs. Briden's Art Students; Mr. Lowman's Carpentry students; Mrs. Love's 9th grade Honors English classes; and countless community members, alumni, and families.

The PTSO could not accomplish all it does without the generosity of people like you. If you baked cookies, volunteered, or made a contribution of cash or goods to support our students and teachers in the past, thank you.

We welcome continuing and new members. Please consider joining the A.C. Reynolds PTSO for the 2016-2017 school year. Our combined contributions help propel students forward in school and in life. Your \$10 contribution at the beginning of the new school year will make a huge difference now and untold positive differences in the future of our community.

Families and individuals may join the PTSO by signing up at freshman orientation, during Fall Open House, completing the membership form provided to your student, or by visiting our Facebook Page, facebook.com/ACReynoldsHighPTSO. Grandparents and other community members are encouraged to join as well.

Thank you for your support of PTSO, A. C. Reynolds High School, and our community's youth.

Samantha Davis to Study in Bosnia

Fairview teen Samantha Davis has been accepted to the U.S. Department of State's competitive Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange and Study (YES) program. Samantha was chosen to receive one of 60 merit-based scholarships for U.S. citizens to study in select countries; she will participate in the Bosnia and Herzegovina program, and will spend the upcoming academic year in Sarajevo. Samantha will live with a host family and attend a public high school in order to experience true immersion in the local culture.

The YES Abroad program is a cultural exchange for high school students between the U.S. and countries with significant Muslim populations. YES Abroad participants serve as "youth ambassadors" in their host communities, promot-

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ing mutual understanding by forming lasting relationships with their host families and friends.

"I am so excited to participate in the YES Abroad program through the State Department because in this country we have so many stereotypes about what it means to be Muslim, es-

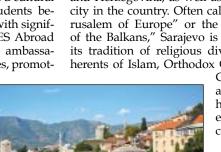


Sarajevo is the capital city of Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as the largest city in the country. Often called the "Jerusalem of Europe" or the "Jerusalem of the Balkans," Sarajevo is famous for its tradition of religious diversity. Adherents of Islam, Orthodox Christianity,

> Catholicism. and Judaism have coexisted there for

An iconic view of Sarajevo as pictured on lonelyplanet.com











children ages 3-6 in the heart of Fairview at 1615 Charlotte High



Local Student Interns at NC Senate



Audrey E. X. Meigs, a student at A.C. Reynolds High School, recently served as a page in the North Carolina Senate in Raleigh. The daughter of Ted and Karen Meigs of Fairview, she was sponsored by Senator Terry Van Duyn and appointed by the Senate President Pro Tempore, Phil Berger of Rockingham County.

 $Statewide\ high\ school\ students\ in\ grades\ 9\ through$ 12 serve as pages when the General Assembly is in session. They perform valuable duties for the senators and their office staff, attending daily Senate sessions and committee meetings, and assisting staff members with office duties during the week they serve in the legislature.

Montessori Preschool Opens in Fairview

Beginning in late August, young children in WNC will have a new learning opportunity. Mighty Oaks Montessori will be offering an authentic Montessori curriculum for children ages 3-6. Mighty Oaks is located on a 5.5-acre working homestead in Fairview. In addition to the outstanding academic offerings, the school will feature an outdoor education program that will provide its students with a meaningful connection to the land

Head of School Erin Roberts comes to the Asheville

area with 11 years of experience as a Montessori directress

Mighty Oaks is beginning its enrollment period on August 1. Enrollment will be limited to 15 students. To schedule an admissions tour, call 338-0264 or visit their website at MightyOaksMontessori.com.

Plans Underway for FES Fall Festival

by Melissa Lacy, FES PTA Communications Coordinator

Planning is already well underway allow for continued contributions to the for the annual Fall Festival at Fairview Elementary School.

Following the successful Friday evening ballfield setting of last year's event, this year's festival will be held on Friday, October 7, 4-7 pm on the FES ballfields. This is once again a bye week for ACR football.

As always, the festival will include inflatables, carnival games, hayride, raffle baskets, great food and more. Make plans now to attend this fantastic event and support Fairview Elementary School.

Aside from being a wonderful community event, the festival is one of only two fundraisers the PTA has for the school each year. Funds raised by PTA

Fairview Preschool New Days and Hours

Fairview Preschool is enrolling now for two fall 2016 classes. The 3-year-old, 4-year-old and Pre-K class day begins at 8:30 and ends at 12:30; the 2- and 3-year old class meets 8:30-12:15.

We now offer two-day or three-day class options. The school offers a developmentally age-appropriate, hands-on learning environment.

For details or to schedule a visit see fairviewpreschool.org or call Chris Lance, 338-2073

school for classroom supplies, extracurricular activities, technology, playground updates and much more.

Local businesses are invited to consider sponsoring the Fall Festival with a tax-deductible donation. Donor levels are: Diamond

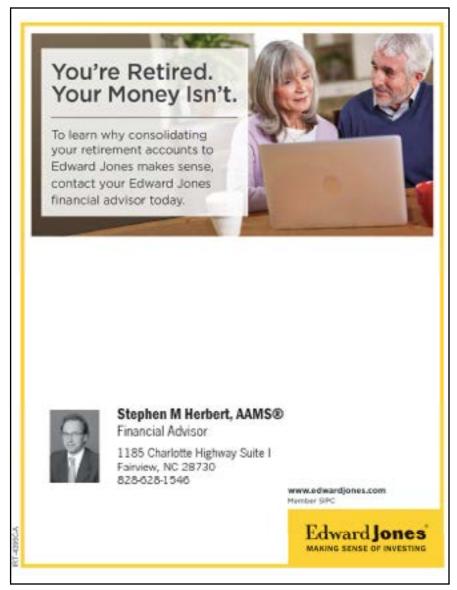
level: \$350+ donation; Platinum level: \$250+ donation; Gold level: \$150+ donation.

Business donations are currently being accepted. For more information, email ptafairviewelementaru@gmail.com.

Please send all contributions by September 30 to FES PTA, 1355 Charlotte Highway, Fairview, NC 28730. The students, parents, teachers and staff at Fairview Elementary School thank you in advance for your generous support.

Donate School Supplies at Creative Touch

Dee Trevitte's Creative Touch invites everyone to donate school supplies to help students succeed. Supplies can be dropped off at Creative Touch, 1346A Charlotte Highway, or picked up by calling Gail Austin with Avon at 215-2004. A free Avon product will be given to those who leave their names and phone numbers, and after August 29 a drawing including all names will be held for a free service from Creative Touch.





This summer brought Buncombe County.

momentous news regarding teacher pay in

is Buncombe teacher pay any different than pay for teachers across the state? Our NC leg-

islators are constitutionally required to provide "a general and uniform system of free public schools... wherein equal opportunities shall be provided for all students." Isn't this a statewide man-

It's true that we are lucky in NC, in that our constitution calls for state government to provide quality public education for everyone. However, it also states that local governments "may use local revenues to add to or supplement any public school or post-secondary school program." This is where the local supplement comes in.

The truth is that in areas with a high cost of living, the state pay rates for teachers simply aren't sufficient to pay their bills. Therefore our local county government steps in so teachers can live on what we pay them.

The truth is that in areas with a high cost of living (such as Buncombe County), the state pay rates for teachers sim-

ply aren't sufficient to pay their bills.

Therefore our local county government steps in to make up the difference so that we can recruit and keep excellent One may ask: Why teachers, and so teachers can live on what we pay them. As a School Board, we met in May to

approve the funding request that would be presented to the Buncombe County Commissioners. The Superintendent presented a proposal to us that included a substantial increase in our request to the county, but this increase was not for increasing the local supplement. It was for the necessary costs to staff the new Enka Intermediate School (scheduled to open this fall) and add another grade (11th) to the Nesbitt Discovery Academy, which will continue to grow by one grade until it reaches capacity in the 2017-18 school year.

Pat Bryant, the School Board representative from the Erwin District, raised an important concern about this budget as it was presented to us. Several years ago, the County Commissioners approved a three-year plan to increase he local supplement for teachers. They were only able to implement one year of the planned increases because the economy bottomed out at that time. Isn't it time to ask them to revisit this plan, now that the economy has improved substantially?

We scheduled an additional called meeting several days later to address this question, and Personnel Director Cynthia Lopez presented very convincing data: most of the school sys-

tems closest to us have markedly higher supplements than we do, making it harder for us to compete with them in attracting and retaining teachers. After considerable discussion, we voted unanimously to ask the Commissioners to increase the local supplement for certified teachers, so that we would reach the level originally planned for the third

Local Supplement for Teachers: Is It a Vitamin?

year of increases. We were not the only board that needed considerable discussion in order to reach this important decision. At its fivehour meeting on June 21, the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners voted on two different budget proposals before finally approving (4-3) a budget that included an increase to the local supplement for certified teachers, as well as a \$500,000 increase for non-certified staff (including instructional assistants).

The increase for teachers was less than we requested, **but the Commissioners** committed to an additional increase for next year.

The increase for teachers was less than we requested, but the Commissioners committed to an additional increase for next year, which will bring the local supplement to the level agreed upon with the earlier plan.

This much-needed increase for teachers is for all public school teachers within the boundaries of Buncombe County, including those in Asheville City

Revnolds District Events in August

Thursday, August 18 Fairview Kindergarten Popsicle party,

Friday, August 26

Fairview, Bell and Oakley Meet the Teacher Days, 8-10 am

Monday, August 29

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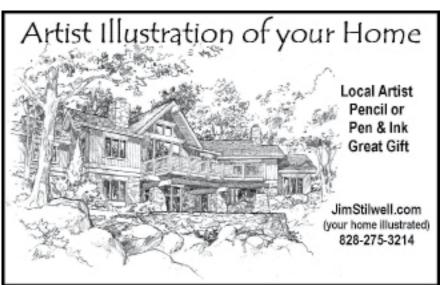
Schools as well as the charter schools. We expect that Buncombe County Schools teachers will see this increase in their September 30 paychecks.

And so to address the headline question: Is the local supplement a vitamin? Indeed it is! My dictionary defines "vitamin" as a substance that is "essential for the normal functioning of the body." There's no question that the local supplement – as a means to attract and retain the best possible teachers for our students — is essential for the functioning of our school system as a whole. After all, the teachers' working conditions are the students' learning conditions. We want our Buncombe County teachers to know that we value their important work, and we need to pay them as the professionals they are.

Questions for Cindy? Please email cindy.









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July Member's Meeting

We had a super time and great turn-out (despite the thundering sky) at The Ioint Next Door. Despite Chris and Stephanie being off at the beach, we enjoyed a great spread of food and received a warm welcome. Many members extended their networking and enjoyed the music and beverages.

August Family Picnic

There is never a meeting in August but we do have our member's picnic. This year it is on Sunday, August 7, 2-6 pm and will again be at Cloud 9 Farm in Fletcher. It's always a great time to bring a friend or associate who may be interested in joining the FBA. It's also a perfect time to get to know each other and our families in a more relaxed atmosphere. The FBA supplies the grillables. Members are asked to bring a side dish and beverage of choice. There's always plenty of food, along with badminton, swimming in the pond, horseshoes, and other games. Very sociable dogs are welcome... along with their very sociable people. Watch your email for information on the picnic and plan to come with your family or bring a friend who might like to join or get to know a little about the FBA members.

Future Meeting Dates

Wednesday, September 7, lunch meeting (11:30-1) at Trout Lily Market &

Monday, October 10, 6 pm at Spring Mountain Community Center hosted by

Scenes from the July Meeting



Join at FairviewBusiness.com or send \$60 check to FBA, PO Box 2251, Fairview, NC 28730. Or join at the Town Crier office, 1185F Charlotte Hwy, M-F, 1-5 pm. FBA Voicemail - 585-7414

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"Days for Girls" **Sewing Project Meetings**

Girls and woman in many countries do not have access to disposable hygiene products or the money to buy them when they are available. A group called "Days for Girls" is organizing sewing groups throughout the United States to make kits with supplies for these girls and women so they can go to school or work without embarrassment.

Based on the strong response to the first scheduled sewing date, the group has made plans to meet in Au-

On Thursday August 8, 10:30 am, Days for Girls will meet at the Spring Mountain Community Center. Those planning on sewing at Spring Mountain, please bring a sewing machine if one is available and such things and scissors and thread. The center has an ironing board and iron and a cutting board, and there will likely be fabric to share. Those who wish to stop by and pick up instructions to use at home are welcome to help in that way too.

All materials must be cotton. Prints are fine as long as they are not food, animal or military prints, which many cultures find to be objectionable

And the most important thing, says organizer Maria Horton, is to bring a bag lunch. "Funny how sewing can make you so hungry." For more information, call Maria at 778-0279.

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Spring Mountain Annual Picnic and ... Yum! Dessert Contest

Please join the Spring Mountain community in celebrating the wonders of summer at the annual picnic on *Saturday, August* 27, 6 *pm*. The meat will be furnished; everyone is asked to bring a dish big enough for their family plus four to share. All paper products, utensils and beverages will be provided too.

Among the many events planned for the celebration this vear are the Corn Hole Tourney for the big kids and adults; Ducky Derby for the little kids and the young at heart; a Dessert Contest for the best cooks in WNC; and Square Dancing with the Berry Pickers and called by Franklin Sides. Even if you've never danced, you will be right at home. This event is for all ages and is a real delight.

We'll also gratefully recognize our benefactors, 84 Lumber and Asheville Bolt and Screw, who so generously donated materials for our wonderful new picnic tables.

Dessert Contest

It gets harder and harder to challenge the cooks in the Spring Mountain community. This year I think we will try a category called "Grandma's Favorite." So look back in your old recipes and see if you can find a favorite dessert. Maybe you have a story to

Categories in addition to "Grandma's Favorite" will be cakes, pies and desserts by adults, and the Junior Division for kids 12 and under. Prizes will be awarded in each category and the recipes will be published. Bring desserts to the community center and stay for all the fun.

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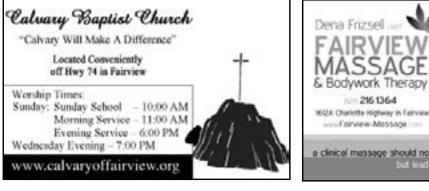
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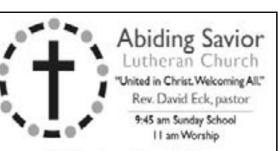
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SMCC Invites Community to Participate in Developing Garden Project

The Spring Mountain Community Center property includes dedicated land at the center for a community garden, a place for the community to grow organic produce and herbs for the gardeners and others, to serve as a resource for education and to build community. You are invited to participate in the garden's planning, creation, and growth.

The first meeting will be held on Thursday, August 4, 5:30–7 pm at the Community Center 807 Old Fort Road in Fairview.

At this meeting, we will ask for your input into the design of this shared project. Topics will include a name; how to manage the site; organic gardening methods; the ideas of working a bed singly, sharing

of beds, or shared duties in the garden as a whole; and the desirability and management of a section for the community at large. We will talk about food security in our community and how our project can help.

There will be shared areas for landscaping which may include fruits, herbs, and flowers. We will discuss those areas and the concept of having workshops at the center. A number of speakers have already expressed an interest in speaking on herbs, small fruits, season extension, and gardening with worms. You may also have ideas for speakers and topics.

We will discuss how to cover the costs of materials (such as lumber to construct planting beds, soil,

amendments, seeds, plants, etc.) and how to pay for workshop speakers, with the goal of keeping costs to a minimum

After our first meeting we will have regularly scheduled dates for community members to work in the garden and to attend workshops and demos.

August Workshops and Workdays

Saturday, August 6, 9:30-11 am: Lay out garden beds and areas to be landscaped. Plan use of areas between beds.

Monday, August 8, **5:30-7** *pm*: Build beds and plan use of space. Lumber and tools will be provided. Please bring newspaper and cardboard to use as mulch for the grass.

Monday, August 15, 5:30-7 pm: Continue to build beds and mulch.

Saturday, August 20, 9:30-11 am: Fill beds with soil and compost and finish tasks needed to begin planting. Monday, August 22, 5:30-7 pm: Plant seeds and starts using herbs and other plants to support pollination for spring and summer gardens.

Monday, August 29, 5:30-7 pm: Continue planting seeds, herbs, and other plants and mulching as needed. Workshop topic: adding nutrients to the soil: what to use, why and when. You do not have to attend every session in order to be a part of our project. Come when you can.

For more information contact Jim Smith at 864-313-



Celebrating the 4th at

Fleshers Health Care

Fleshers Healthcare on Cane Creek Road held their annual Independence Day celebration with friends and family on Friday, July 1, Good food, felowship and excellent weather all contributed to another successful event. anks to Candice Yount, the Crier's office manager, for snapping this photo-





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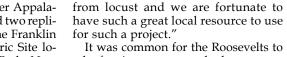
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Appalachian Designs Creates Benches for Historic Roosevelt Home in New York

Local rustic furniture maker Appalachian Designs recently crafted two replica benches for the lawn of the Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site located in the town of Hyde Park, New York, overlooking the Hudson Valley.

"2016 is the centennial of the Na-

tional Park Service so we were especially honored to contribute an installation to a historic site during the year in which we're celebrating 100 years of our nation's parks," says Lang Hornthal, owner of Appalachian Designs. "The original bench was most likely not made out of black locust, but we chose that material for its durability in an outdoor setting. Most of the split rail fences that dot western North Carolina are made



take furniture out onto the lawn to enjoy the scenery. In this vein, Appalachian Designs' benches on the sprawling lawns of the home allow visitors to take in a full view of the Hudson River Valley as the Roosevelts once did.

Open to the public, the home and its grounds are registered with the National Park Service.

Appalachian Designs specializes in outfitting rustic homes and landscapes, designing and building a wide range of solid wood furniture, stairs and railings, architectural elements and custom de-

signs. Appalachian Designs is owned and operated by Hornthal, who has 20 years experience in custom wood design and craftsmanship. Visit appalachiandesigns.com.

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Breakfast in Fairview New Chef Brings New Dishes to Fairview Pizza

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Fairview, he found a spot available at Fairview Pizza Company, and now he's offering the community authentic scratch-made southern breakfasts featuring large biscuits and breakfast plates, zucchini fritters, gravv and more.

Joe will be making breakfast from 6 to 11 am every day except Tuesday, and then doing the regular lunch and dinner menu. Fairview Pizza Company is located at 1321 Charlotte

Joe Welch has been a chef down- Highway. Lunch and dinner menu is available daily 11 am - 1 pm and 4 pm-9

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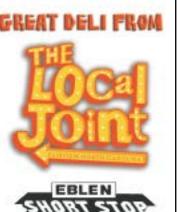
Susan Lytle Joins Cool Mountain Realty

Susan Lytle has joined Cool Mountain Realty Susan has her Provisional Broker certification and is already in high gear getting listings and helping people find their dream homes. Wel-

Cool Mountain Realty is located in their own building at 771 Charlotte Hwy in Fairview. The office number is 628-3088 and Susan's cell is 301-1410.

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Cruising the Rhine

Bill Petz and Mary Ritter of Spring Mountain take a break to catch up on the news from back home during their recent Viking River Cruise from Amsterdam, the Netherlands, through Germany and France to Basel, Switzerland on the Rhine River. Below, they are on the deck of their longboat, the *Alruna*.



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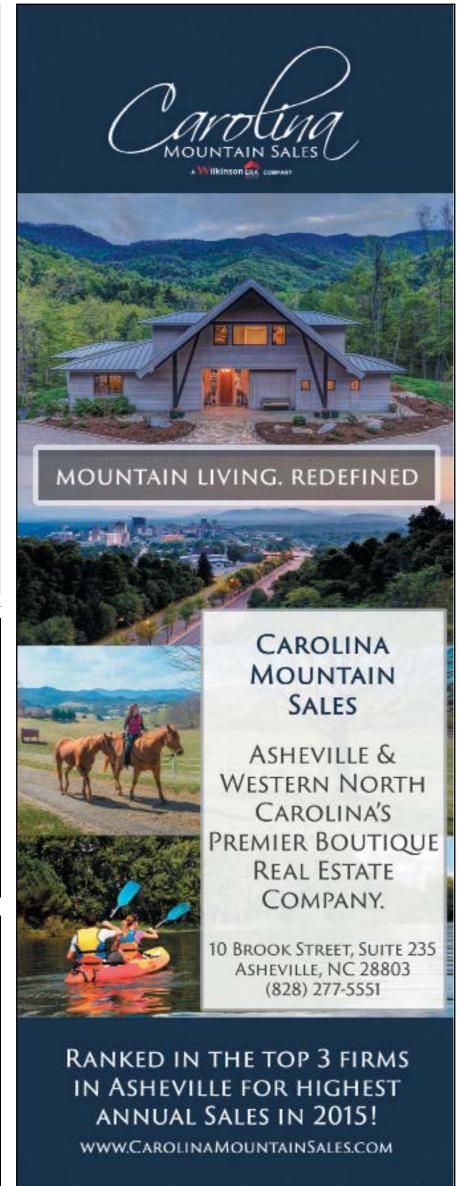


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Be Aware of Challenges to Managing Retirement Income



your cost of living decline? Some of your expenses may indeed drop, but others won't. Plus, you may have some new ones to consider. So, all in all, it's a

good idea to think about ways to boost your retirement savings now, before you're retired. And once you do retire, vou'll need to be adept at managing your income. But whether saving today or planning for tomorrow, you should

You may never need to stay in a nursing home or receive services from a home health care worker. But you're taking somewhat of a gamble if you don't prepare for these longterm care costs.

familiarize yourself with the key financial challenges you will face during your retirement years.

Specifically, consider these areas: **Longevity** – Obviously, the longer your retirement lasts, the more money you'll need. And you could be retired for quite some time. A 65-year-old man, on average, is expected to live another 17.9 years, while a 65-year-old woman can anticipate another 20.5 years, according to the National Center for Health Statistics. With this type of potential longevity in mind, you'll want to

contribute as much as you can afford to your retirement plans, such as your IRA and 401(k), while you're working. Then, when you are retired and start tapping into your investment portfolio, you will need to create a sustainable withdrawal rate - one that doesn't push you into the "danger zone" of possibly outliving vour resources.

Health care — Once you enter your retirement years, your health care costs are all but certain to rise, even with Medicare. In fact, the average annual out-of-pocket health care cost for a household between 65 and 74 years old is \$4,383 - about 11% of total household spending, according to the Employee Benefit Research Institute. And these costs rise substantially for those over 74. To help cope with these costs, you'll need a reasonable amount of li-

quidity in your portfolio.

Long-term care — You may never need to stay in a nursing home or receive services from a home health care worker. But you are taking somewhat of a gamble if you don't prepare for these long-term care costs — because they are high. In fact, the annual average cost for a private room in a nursing home is more than \$92,000, according to the 2016 Cost of Care Survey produced by Genworth, a financial services company.w Medicare typically pays very little of these expenses, but a financial professional can help you find an appropriate way of coping with these types of costs.

Inflation — We've had low inflation the past several years, but it hasn't gone away entirely, and it won't disappear when you're retired, either. Even a mild rate of inflation can, over time, seriously erode your purchasing power. To combat the effects of inflation, you'll need to own at least some growth-oriented investments.

Market volatility – The financial markets will bounce up and down during your retirement years, just as they did when you were working. The big difference? You have less time to recover - and you don't want to withdraw from your investments when their price is down. However, you can help avoid

this necessity by maintaining enough income-producing vehicles in your portfolio; these types of investments usually fluctuate much less in value than stocks and stock-based vehicles.

By being aware of these issues, both before and during your retirement, you can prepare for them — and preparation is key to managing your income, as it is in all walks of life.

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RALEIGH REPORT by John Ager, District 115 North Carolina House of Representatives The Surprising Showdown in Raleigh

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Apodaca signed that certification in

the bill jacket. When brought to his at-

tention, he called it a clerical error, and

reintroduced it as an elections bill. (He

was the Rules Chair.) He routed the bill

through a Senate Districting committee

and scheduled it for a Friday morning.

The discussion was sparsely attended

but Senator Van Duyn and I spoke ve-

hemently against it. It passed on a party

vote, as it also did on the Senate floor. It

was a political train that was going to be



Once the Short Session ends in the General Assembly, any hard-foughtfor bill that does not pass is sent to the trash heap of failed legislation. Therefore, the last week, and especially the last

day, can be full of political trickery and dubious arm-twisting. Under the pressure of time, someone's pet bill can get brought up and escape proper scrutiny. It

is often sausage making at its worst.
One such bill was Senator Apodaca's Asheville City Council Districting bill. Currently, all Asheville city council members are elected "at large," with no specific districts. In North Carolina, as cities grow, they often go from at-large voting to either all districts or more often a combination of districts and atlarge. There are a lot of options. Some say a district candidate loses sight of the big picture in their governance. And some make the argument that there must be an effort made to bring representation to all parts of a municipality.

My own view is that there is certainly an argument for district voting, but any new election system needs to be aired out by all who are affected. Senator Apodaca wanted to create six districts, against the wishes of the Asheville City Council and four members of the General Assembly who represent Buncombe County. There was going to be no referendum. There was no local input on the geography of the maps. It was once again a powerful Raleigh legislator dictating policy to Asheville.

After meeting with Senator Apodaca

to view the map, and expressing displeasure over the process, the political in and assigned to an elections comfight was on. When the bill (SB 897) mittee. A good debate took place in was filed, it was as a local bill, with the committee and once again it passed on a party line vote. Next stop was the stipulation that it was non-controversial and had the support of all the leg-House floor. Interestingly for me, severislators representing Asheville. Senator al days elapsed before it was listed on the House calendar for what was the last day of the Session. Perhaps it was hoped that legislators would consider the merits of the bill with less scrutiny under the pressure of time running out. My own expectation was that Senator Apodaca, for whatever reason, wanted this bill passed so badly that he was willing to hold House bills hostage. district candidate loses sight How many House members even cared much about elections in Asheville?

On the evening of July 1, SB 897 came before the NC House for consideration. Susan Fisher, Brian Turner and I all had amendments to the bill to try to make it more palatable to our constituents. First, Representative Fisher wanted to add a provision that a referendum by Asheville voters would be required before implementing the new voting rules. My amendment would have reduced the districts from six to three, with three other members voted on at large. The district maps would be drawn locally. Finally, Representative Turner introduced an amendment to set up a local commission to design the districts in hopes of avoiding a gerrymander. All three amendments were voted down mostly along party lines. As far as I was concerned, the writing was on the wall for SB 897. Senator Apodaca had his votes lined up,

and there was little that could be done to change the momentum.

Full consideration of the bill was now before the House. Representative Fisher said she was going to channel Senator Martin Nesbitt and blast away at the way this bill was being managed. I followed with a factual list of reasons why this bill should be voted down. To be honest, I felt like Don Quixote tilting at windmills.

And yet, something remarkable took hold among our Republican colleagues. One by one, they began to denounce SB 897 – on moral grounds, on the fear that Raleigh was once again being a bully, and on the grounds that rules were being broken. When 24 Republicans voted against this bill, jaws dropped all over the General Assembly, including mine. The final vote was 47 to 59.

However, there was still a backdoor way to include the Asheville bill in another bill that the House wanted passed. As it turned out, no such fix could be agreed on. The Senate adjourned, and on the last day of the General Assembly, the most talked about bill was the Asheville bill. It was truly a bipartisan victory, and went a long way to restoring my faith in the institution.

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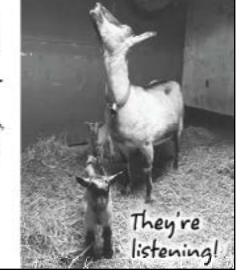
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Fall Gardens in WNC — Easier than Spring

In spring, crops in the brassica family are growing into the warmer temperatures and longer days of summer, something they don't particularly enjoy. That's why fall is such a great time to grow cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower, Brussels sprouts, collards and kale. Admittedly these crops don't enjoy starting

It's not always easy to find vegetables starts for fall crops, but the Garden Spot in Fairview will most likely have some, as might other independent nurseries in the area.

out in the heat of the summer but they love maturing in the cool air of autumn. Here's a list of some of the fall crops that grow here in WNC and the best dates to plant them:

- Beets plant last crop by about September 15 (Beets come in red, gold, white, and red/white concentric circles. We love Boldor, Chioggia, and Red Ace and Avalanche):
- Garlic plant cloves between the end of October and the end of November for next year's harvest (We get ours from Otis Branch Farm,
- Radishes plant seed between August 15 and September 15 (this in-

cludes daikon radish, a major food crop, as well as the gorgeous and colorful watermelon radish)

- Lettuce plant seeds through August 30 and transplants between August 15 and September 15;
- Parsley plant starts (not from seed) no later than August 30;
- **Peas** plant between July 15 and August 7 (choose short season snap peas);
- Potatoes a later crop can be planted between June 15 and August 1;
- Spinach plant mid-August for a fall crop and around September 15 for an overwintering crop;
- Turnips plant seeds between August 30 and September 30 (We love Hakuri turnips).

It's not always easy to find vegetables starts for fall crops, but the Garden Spot in Fairview will most likely have some, as might other independent nurseries in the area. Happy planting.

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......by Susan Sides











Blackberry Bliss



Ripe blackberries. Sweet, glistening blackish-purple jewels, dripping nectar in the summer heat; luscious fruits, exploding into our mouths, awakening our taste buds with juicy delight

that is the essence of summertime in the mountains. Yes, summer is in full swing, with the heat of the sun beaming down on the good earth and the whole world, and the mountains are lush and overflowing with the bounty of nature's gardens.

Numerous thundershowers beginning in July ended what was shaping up to be a tenacious new drought cycle. The lands were bone dry in June, but now all is well as the waters of life have returned.

An integral part of summers for my whole life has been the arrival of blackberries in the fields and meadows. As a child, I would pick baskets of ripe luscious berries for days and bring them home to my father and grandmother, who both adored these fruits of the wild. We would have blackberry pancakes, blackberries on our cereal and cobblers with ice cream, and then my grandmother would always get to work on blackberry jam for the rest of the year, as she knew it was my father's favorite.

Blackberries, a species in the Rubus genus, are common, thorny, vining shrubs abundant in the mountains and present throughout much of North America. Rubus means "red hair." The genus also includes raspberries, and western North Carolina has several native species. Blackberries are woody shrubs with canes that grow upward but often bend to the ground, sometimes re-rooting. The canes grow the first year and fruit during the second year, and then they die. The famous fruits are actually aggregates, 3/4" long and

across, the size varying with moisture levels. Berries are at first white or green, eventually turning red and then black. When we lived in the Pacific

Northwest near Mt. Ranier, our land had whole hillsides covered in the most amazing blackberries we had ever seen. They looked like they were on steroids — the canes could grow 30 feet in a year and be an inch thick with gargantuan thorns that would rip blue jeans! We said we loved blackberries,

but the locals said we wouldn't within a vear, because these were Himalavan blackberries, a formidable, invasive introduction plant.

The natives were right; we loved the berries but the plants grew like kudzu with huge barbaric thorns. Still, when summer came, people in the mountains were everywhere with their buckets strapped to their belts enjoying these delicious free gifts from the natural world. When we moved back to the Blue Ridge, we were glad to return to our soul home and also pleased that the blackberries were "normal!"

Blackberry leaves were listed in the official U.S. pharmacopoeia for a long time,

for the treatment of digestive problems, particularly diarrhea. Their dried leaves make an excellent tea. The Cherokee and many other tribes in North America found that the root made an effective topical wash to relieve the discomfort of

hemorrhoids Blackberries were found in the stomach content of the Haraldskaer Woman, an Iron Age bog body found in Denmark in 1835 but killed around 500 BC. Her last meal was millet and blackberries – not a bad last supper! The ancient Greeks considered the species good for ailments of the mouth and throat and for treating gout.

Blackberries are loaded with nutritional value as they have high concentrations of antioxidants and vitamins. Blackberries are also a good source of vitamin C, potassium, phosphorus, iron, and calcium. The seeds have Omega 3 and 6 fatty acids.

Blackberries are a tender fruit once picked, and will often mold within a couple of days of picking if not refrigerated. Do not wash them until time of use because that, too, promotes mold. Picked unripe berries will not ripen.

In the United Kingdom, there is a legend that blackberries should not be picked after Old Michaelmas Day, which falls on October 11, because the devil makes them unfit to eat by stepping, spitting or fouling on them. There is some merit in this legend, as wetter and cooler weather often allows the fruit to become infected by various molds such as Botryotinia, which give the fruit an unpleasant look and may be toxic.

Insects and wildlife including honeybees, bumblebees, carpenter bees, Mason bees, flies, wasps and small to medium-sized butterflies also love blackberries. Mammals and birds including wild turkey, bobwhite, ring-necked pheasant and various mammals like bears, raccoons, foxes and rabbits are big fans as well.

Blackberries are a natural treasure in our mountains. Blackberries are truly part of summer's bliss; and the gift we all share in these mountains is that none of us have to travel too far to find these lovely, delightful berries that grow everywhere and are free for the picking.

We all seem to appreciate these summer delicacies; as we eat a fresh, juicy ripe blackberry and let its intense flavor slowly descend into our delighted bodies, may we each give thanks for the blessings of summer and all its living treasures and earthly delights.

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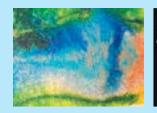
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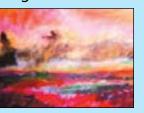
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| Eighth Page Color | 12X = \$94 | 6X = \$110 | 1X = \$122 |
| Business Card Color | 12X = \$60 | 6X = \$70 | 1X = \$75 |

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LEICESTERS Sprivate wasted hillop acres, 2 RR, 2.5 Isalin home, gaugesus setting, lovely views, huge gusal acom, 2-story acut FP (gas) HEME WAYGONITY, clike, MESESTEROMS, form acres



CAMBER SERbick tome, HW tooskapel, app. 175 a.m.; amiling servey, debuted 2-car gar, Lift ministed teart, HCLLE REVERSERY, day main amilitie per selor, Lift SES (2002), \$255,000



ARCENE Lovely home located in nice area of homes, 3 GR, 2 boths, HDME WARRANTY, brok noon wIFP, samoon, voided ceiling, garage, MLSENROHR, \$005,000



MARKEN PELITY 6 acres white 1.5 stay home, contend had parth, filters not to Westerale, any convenient backen, All SECTIONS, 1003-400



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RESULTS!

| Timberwood | Pending in 13 days |
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| Meadowbrook Ave | Pending in 5 days |
| | Pending in 34 days |
| Ridgeway Dr | Pending in 14 day |
| | Pending in 27 days |
| Blalock Ave | Pending in 35 days |
| | Pending in 4 days |
| Oregon Ave | |

| Mitchell Ave | Pending in 2 days |
|--------------|--------------------|
| | Pending in 8 days |
| | Pending in 28 days |
| Fairfax Ave | Pending in 7 days |
| | Pending in 39 days |
| | Pending in 29 days |
| | Pending in 3 days |
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