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Sale on the Trail!

This year's "Sale on the Trail," a 19-mile yard/sidewalk sale that runs along Highway 74A, is on Saturday, April 21. To make it through the day, you'll need to have both your tank and tummy full, so fill up in Fairview where the unofficial "Sale" begins.

From 8 am-2 pm, The Hub of Fairview (1185 Charlotte Hwy, 628-1422) will have vendors around the perimeter of the building selling handmade art, crafts and yard sale items. Then head down the road about 1.5 miles to New Moon Marketplace (1508 Charlotte Highway), which will kick start their outdoor flea market season with spots available from 8 am. Spaces at both locations are \$10 each.

With tank full and a wee taste of yard sale shopping, you'll need to fill your

The deadline to submit your taxes is actually the 17th this year.

April 15 falls on a Sunday, and April 16 is a federal holiday (Emancipation Day). Enjoy your two extra days, but don't forget to send in your returns!



tummy. Head up the mountain about seven miles to the Upper Hickory Nut Gap Community Center (4730 Gerton Highway, aka 74A, right past the post office in Gerton) to enjoy their annual pancake and sausage breakfast from 8-10 am and homemade baked goods until they run out. The community center yard sale runs 8 am-1 pm.

From Gerton you'll wind through Bat Cave, Chimney Rock, Lake Lure and Bill's Creek – miles of private and community roads – to find bargains from residents and merchants including arts and crafts, clothes, sporting goods, household items and more. Vendor space is also available on the concrete pad by the Lake Lure Welcome Center for \$10.

Call the chamber office at 625-2725 or email info@hickorynutchamber.org. Safe driving and shopping!

GET RAD!

See page 20 for profiles of local artists who create in the River Arts District, and then mark your calendars to meet these artists at a special Opening Reception and Showing on Thursday, April 5, 5-7 pm at The Hub of Fairview.

Gardens of Fairview Tour Adds Five Locations

This year's Gardens of Fairview Tour is June 9 and features four returning gardens and five new ones.

New this year are Richard Schumacher and Rebecca Clemenzi, Garren Creek Road; Victor Chiarizia, Flat Creek Road; Jennifer and Yossi Betesh, Reed Road; Ricky Manning, Lick Log Road; and Molly and Robear's Sweet Farm on Cane Creek, Blue Ridge Development Road.

And returning are The Ramseys, Ivy Cove Road; Gary Swinea, Sugar Hollow Road; Spring Mountain Community Center, Old Fort Road; and Adam and Alyssa Sacora, Garren Creek Road.

Go to gardensoffairview.com for more info and mark your calendars now! We'll have more info about the participants in future issues.

Locals Bag Lots of Roadside Litter



Thanks to the folks from Garren Creek (left) and SMCC (above) for all their hard work!

Last month, two local groups took it upon themselves to clean up the roads we all share – both on the same day!

Volunteers from Spring Mountain Community Center held their cleanup on and around Old Fort Road for two hours. Fourteen volunteers removed 35 large bags of litter from Old Fort, Whitaker, and Dye Leaf roads. Buncombe County Deputies Warren and Augram were on hand to keep folks safe. To encourage participation and make it more fun, organizers hid special "trash" along the clean-up area, and the finders turned them in for Ingles gift cards provided by Solatube. Prize winners included Shanna Belle, Denise and Jim Hayes, Lilly and Susie Dudman, and Pat

Jenkins. See the *Crier's* Facebook page for more pictures from this group.

A second group of volunteers requested that Garren Creek Road be adopted under the NCDOT's Adopt-a-Highway program. They watched a safety video, put on their provided safety vests, grabbed the supplied bags and then cleaned up Garren Creek Road starting at Village Road for more than four hours, filling 49 trash bags. LeAnn, Jane, Chuck, Shirley, Mary, and Bill bagged a lot of trash. To comply with the Adopt-a-Highway program, the group will do several cleanups throughout the year. There is a public group on NextDoor ("Garren Creek Road") for those interested in helping out in the future.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY

Would you like to clean up a section of road near you? Here's how.

Be Careful!

There are lots of distracted drivers out there. Contact Deputy Jeff Augram at Jeff.Augram@BuncombeCounty.org or 250-7708 to ask about police protection.

Make It Official

Apply for the NC Adopt-a-Highway program, and in return your group will get safety training, official roadside signage, and safety vests, gloves and bags. There will be a four-year agreement between your group and the DOT to clean up a minimum of two miles at least four times a year. Volunteers must be 12 years old, and those from 12 to 17 must be supervised by an adult. Check out the Adopt-a-Highway page online at ncdot.gov/programs/AAH or call Daniel Byers, the local coordinator, at 828 225-6496.

Join the Crier's Labeling Crew!



When they're not spending time at their Canadian cabin, Tim and Mary Anne Richards are helping to label the *Crier*. Mary Anne likes to look at the ads to find out how she can shop and support local businesses. Join them! For more info, please email Patti Parr at pattiparr@yahoo.com.

FUTURE LABELING DATES

May 1 at 10:30 am
June 1 at 10:30 am

NOTICE: Perry James, CPA

Perry James, CPA, is no longer in business at 1185 Charlotte Highway, Fairview, NC 28730. The Town Crier was shown a notice

from the NC Board of CPAs indicating that James' license has been suspended pending a future hearing (date TBD). See full notice on page 39 for more info.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

APRIL 2 (MONDAY)

Knee Replacement Seminar

5:15-6 pm. Find out about eliminating drugs from your life and avoiding surgery with a lengthy recovery. Free, but you must reserve. Call 628-7800. Fairview Chiropractic Center, 2 Fairview Hills Dr.

APRIL 3 (TUESDAY)

Neuropathy Treatment Seminar

12:30-1:30 pm. Learn about the causes, diagnosis, and treatment of peripheral neuropathy. Free from the Fairview Chiropractic Center, but you must reserve. Lunch is provided. Call 628-7800. Ryan's Steakhouse, 1000 Brevard Rd., Asheville.

APRIL 5 (THURSDAY)

Meet the RAD Artists

5-7 pm. Meet the Fairview/RAD artists featured in this issue at a special Opening Reception and showing at The Hub of Fairview, 1185 Charlotte Highway. See pgs 20-22 for more info.

APRIL 6 (FRIDAY)

Play with Clay

6-8:30 pm. Janet Link will get everyone rolling, pounding, shaping and whatever else with polymer clay. \$30. At The Hub of Fairview. See page 12 for more info.

APRIL 7 (SATURDAY)

Library Project Volunteer Training

1:30-3:30 pm. All volunteers interested in the Fairview Neighborhood History Project must attend this training. For more info, see page 5. 1 Taylor Rd., Fairview.

Buncombe Dems Get-together

9:30-11 am. A get-together for any registered Democrat or undecided voter in Precinct 39.3. Stop by for coffee, muffins and info about the upcoming primary. To find your precinct, visit buncombecounty.org/governing/depts/election and click on link for precinct maps. The Hub, 1185-G Charlotte Highway in Fairview.

Light Center Event

7-9 pm. "Sound Healing Journeywork" with Ben Carroll. For other events and more info, 669-6845 or URLight.org.

APRIL 8 (SUNDAY)

Buncombe Republicans Dinner

5:30 pm (VIP reception 4-5:15). The annual Lincoln-Reagan Dinner, including guest speakers Lt. Governor Dan Forest, Patrick McHenry (R-NC 10th), and Mark Meadows (R-NC 11th). Tickets: buncombegop.org or email lisabaldwin4kids@gmail.com. Renaissance Hotel, 31 Woodfin St, Asheville.

APRIL 9 (MONDAY)

Art League Meeting

10 am. The Fairview Area Art League will meet at the Fairview Public Library to discuss the September Art show.

FBA Meeting

6 pm. The next meeting will be hosted by Dr. Michael Trayford at Apex Brain Center, 2 Walden Ridge Drive, #80, Asheville. See page 35 for more info.

Alternatives to Opioids Seminar

5:15-6 pm. Learn about different treatment options to replace or accompany opioid use for pain relief. Free, but you must reserve. Call 628-7800. Fairview Chiropractic Center, 2 Fairview Hills Dr.

APRIL 10 (TUESDAY)

Pilates with Puppies

4:30 or 6 pm. A fundraiser for Asheville Humane Society. Bring your own yoga or Pilates mat and a small towel, but do not bring your own puppy! Tickets are \$15 and pre-registration is required. Sign up soon at ciscopilates.com. 14 Forever Friday Ln., Asheville.

APRIL 11, 13 & 16

Fairview Preschool Open House

10-11 am. For more info: info@fairviewpreschool.org or 338-2073.

APRIL 12 (THURSDAY)

Republican Candidate Forum

12 pm (lunch at 11:30 am). The Buncombe County Republican Women's Club invites you to meet state and local Republican candidates. J&S Cafeteria, 800 Fairview Rd.

APRIL 12 AND 19 (THURSDAYS)

Self-actualization Meet Up

6:30-7:30 pm. Living with Heart and Purpose is a group that helps members to experience self-actualization. Free, at The Hub, 1185-G Charlotte Highway, Fairview. See page 30 for more info.

APRIL 13 (FRIDAY)

Neuropathy Treatment Seminar

12:30-1:30 pm. Learn about the causes, diagnosis, and treatment of peripheral neuropathy. Free, but you must reserve. Lunch is provided. Call 628-7800. Fairview Chiropractic Center, 2 Fairview Hills Dr.

APRIL 14 (SATURDAY)

Raised Beds from A to Z

10 am-12 pm. The Buncombe County Extension Master Gardeners will discuss locations and provide tips on how to build a raised bed. See page 37 for more info and other events. Free but registration is necessary. Call 255-

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

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Birdhouse Baskets Workshop

11-4 pm. Participants will create a unique birdhouse while learning the twining technique. \$55. At The Hub of Fairview. See page 12 for more info.

APRIL 15 (SUNDAY)

MS Walk Fundraiser

1 pm (check-in; walk starts at 2). Take a walk and raise money for MS research. Bill Moore Park, 85 Howard Gap Rd., Fletcher. See page 30 for more info or visit

APRIL 15 AND 22 (SUNDAY)

Pencil Drawing Workshop

1-5 pm. Theresa Matregrano offers a 2-week, 8-hour pencil drawing workshop. Basics will include contour drawing, values and perceptions of edges, space, relationships, lights and shadows. \$100. At The Hub of Fairview. See page 12 for more info.

APRIL 17 (TUESDAY)

Tax Day

Don't forget to submit your taxes.

Polymer Clay Jewelry Class

6-8:30 pm. Janet Link will teach a one-day class on. \$30. At The Hub of Fairview. See page 12 for more info.

APRIL 20 (FRIDAY)

FBS BBQ Dinner

6-8 pm. Fairview Baptist Church will hold their annual Barbecue Dinner & Silent Auction at 32 Church Rd.. See page 30 for more info.

Play with Old Jewelry Class

6-8:30 pm. Janet Link will help you reclaim your old favorites and turn them into new ones to love just as much. \$30. At The Hub of Fairview. See page 12 for more info.

APRIL 21 (SATURDAY)

Sale on the Trail

A 19-mile yard/sidewalk sale that runs along Highway 74A. See front page for more info.

Genealogy Society Meeting

2-3 pm. Monthly meeting and open house. Get help with your research while working with an experienced volunteer. Refreshments served after meeting. 128 Bingham Rd., Asheville. Call 253-1894 or visit OBCGS.com.

APRIL 23 (MONDAY)

Neurofeedback Seminar

5:15-6 pm. Neurofeedback might help you retrain your brain from years of destructive behaviors and ways of relating. Free, but you must reserve.

Tool Share, Swap, Sell, Trade



Saturday, April 14, 9:30 am-12 pm

Bring your extra, old, working-condition tools to the Spring Mountain Community Center. No commercial vendors. Must take home what you don't sell, swap or donate. \$15 per space. Some tools needed for community garden, so consider donating them, or your proceeds, to SMCC. For info or to reserve a space, call or email Jim Smith, 864 313-5106 or jimsmith1945@gmail.com. 807 Old Fort Rd., Fairview.

Call 628-7800. Fairview Chiropractic Center, 2 Fairview Hills Dr.

Cool Mountain Realty, 771 Charlotte Hwy., Fairview.

APRIL 24 (TUESDAY)

Becky Stone as Maya Angelou

7 pm. Fairview's own Becky Stone will portray Maya Angelou at the Fairview Library. See page 5 for more info. 1 Taylor Rd., Fairview.

APRIL 26 THURSDAY

Learn to Knit (or Brush Up)

5-7:30 pm. Instructor Lee Reed will cover the basics so you'll be able to complete a simple project. \$25. At The Hub of Fairview. See page 12 for more info.

Home Buyer's Workshop

6:30-7:30 pm. Get the knowledge you need before you buy. Call 628-3088.

APRIL 27 (FRIDAY)

Color Me Goodwill

7 pm. Local designers will create a collection based on an assigned color, using items from Goodwill stores. \$15 at theorangepeel.net. The Orange Peel, 101 Biltmore Ave., Asheville.

APRIL 29 (SUNDAY)

Carolina Mountain Cheese Fest

12 pm-5 pm. An annual benefit for the WNC Cheese Trail. Rain or shine at Highland Brewing, 12 Old Charlotte Hwy., Asheville. Local farms participating include Hickory Nut Gap Farms, Cane Creek Creamery, Looking Glass Creamery and Mandelin Naturals. mountaincheesefest.com

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Sing for Celebration 5K Walk/Run

9 am. Hosted by the Celebration Singers of Asheville Community Youth Chorus Great prizes and dog friendly. Register at active.com/asheville-nc/running/distance-running-races/sing-for-celebration-run-walk-5k-2018. At Carrier Park in Asheville.

APRIL 30 (MONDAY)

Avoid Back Surgery

5:15-6 pm. Learn about new technology and exercises that may help you avoid back surgery. Free, but you must reserve. Call 628-7800. Fairview Chiropractic Center, 2 Fairview Hills Dr.

MONTHLONG EVENT

Mary Alice Ramsey Exhibition

Mary Alice Ramsey's paintings will be exhibited all month at Lexington Avenue Brewery, 39 N. Lexington Ave., Asheville. Her work can also be seen in her studio, Suite 101, at Pink Dog Creative, 342 Depot St., Asheville, or at The Hub of Fairview!

ONGOING EVENTS

APRIL 3 (TUESDAY)

Prostate Cancer Support Forum

7 pm. Us TOO of WNC, a prostate cancer support forum for men, caregivers and family members, at 5 Oak

Street, Asheville. No fee. 242-8410 or wncprostate@gmail.com.

APRIL 5 (THURSDAY)

Embroiderers' Guild Meeting

9:30 am-12 pm. At Cummings United Methodist Church, 3 Banner Farm Rd. Etowah/Horse Shoe. Roberta Smith, 243-6537, or Janet Stewart, 575-9195.

APRIL 9 (MONDAY)

Art League Meeting

10 am. The monthly FAAL meeting will take place at the library.

APRIL 10 (TUESDAY)

Friends of Fairview Library

7 pm. Monthly meeting. All dues-paying members welcome. 1 Taylor Rd.

APRIL 20 (FRIDAY)

Project Linus

10am-12 pm. Pick up kits and/or fleece for "Make a Blanket Week." For more info call 883-8746 or email voltiger1@hotmail.com. 249 E Main St., Brevard.

SAVE THE DATE

MAY 1

Help Label the Crier!

It's a great way to meet your neighbors! Fairview Fire Department, 1586

Charlotte Hwy, Fairview. Email patti-parr@yahoo.com for more info.

MAY 3 AND MAY 11

Charcoal Rendering Class

4-8 pm. Students who have taken the Pencil Drawing workshop or who have experience may continue to deepen their artistic perception with easy-to-follow projects to teach the essentials of charcoal drawing. \$100. At The Hub of Fairview. See page 12 for info.

MAY 5

Craft & Vendor Event

10 am-2 pm. Cane Creek Community Center, 1370 Cane Creek Road, Fletcher. Call 215-2004 for info.

MAY 12

Plant Sale

10 am-2 pm. Hosted by the Buncombe County Extension Master Gardener Program volunteers. See the article on page 37 for more information.

MAY 24

UHNGCC Teacup Tea

3 pm Upper Hickory Nut Gorge Community Club at the Community Center in Gerton. Guests may choose a teacup as a take-home gift. Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased from Susie Bancer, 239-823-8527, or Karen Owensby, 674-0365.

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ADULT PROGRAMMING:

Fairview History Project

If you have signed up to volunteer for the Fairview Neighborhood History Project or are interested in volunteering, please join us for training on April 7 from 1:30-3:30. All volunteers wanting to participate in the interview process of this project must attend this training.

Friends of the Library Meeting

The Friends of Fairview Library will be meeting on April 10 at 7 pm. All dues paying members are welcome to attend.

Book Club

Fairview Evening Book Club will be reading *My Brilliant Friend* by Elena Ferrante for the month of April and will be discussing it on April 17 at 7 pm.

"Soon to be an HBO series, book one in

the *New York Times*-bestselling Neapolitan quartet about two friends growing up in post-war Italy is a rich, intense, and generous-hearted family epic by Italy's most beloved and acclaimed writer, Elena Ferrante, one of the great novelists of our time." – *The New York Times*

No sign up or registration is required, and you can join anytime.

Library Database of the Month

The library isn't only about books. We also provide the community with access to tons of helpful electronic resources to meet your needs. Each month in the Town Crier and on the library's Facebook page we will be highlighting one of those resources.

This month's database is Mango Languages. Mango is an online language learning resource that can prepare your for realistic conversations and strengthen everyday communication skills in over 70 world languages, including English...and Pirate.

Mango is designed to be fun, and you can access it either at home or on the go with its mobile apps. Whether you're learning for travel, for work, or for fun, Mango gives you the ability to carry on a conversation within minutes of your first lesson.

This database is available to you either in or outside the library via NCLive and your library card number.

Looking for a New Read?

John Edgar Wideman, a National Book Award Finalist, has a new collection of

MAYA ANGELOU: WOMAN OF WORDS

Fairview's own Becky Stone will portray Maya Angelou in "Woman of Words" on April 24 at 7 pm at the Fairview Library, courtesy of Friends of Fairview Library. Angelou opened herself to the world through words – written, spoken, sung – and revealed herself to all who were willing to wrestle with her thoughts and language. Through Becky Stone, poet Maya Angelou gives voice to the caged bird inside us all. Angelou was an actor, writer, director, and producer of plays, movies, and television programs. In 1982, she was named the first Reynolds Professor of American Studies at Wake Forest University. She was active in the Civil Rights Movement and worked with Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X. She made around 80 appearances a year on the lecture circuit, something she continued to do into her 80s. Becky Stone moved to WNC from Philadelphia almost 40 years ago and discovered storytelling. She has performed as a teller, actor, singer, and dancer for 45 years while raising four children, teaching, directing, and co-publishing the quarterly magazine, *GreenPrints*, with her husband Pat. Refreshments will be served after courtesy of Friends of the Fairview Library.

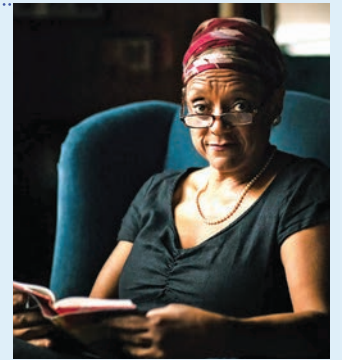


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Visit the Friends of the Fairview Library Book Store, located just inside the library doors. All funds raised from the sale go directly to the Friends, which supports library programming and much more!

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Storytimes

Baby Storytime – Tuesdays at 11
Toddler Storytime – Wednesdays at 11
Preschool Storytime – Thursdays at 11

LEGO Club April 6 at 3:30 pm.

Jaime McDowell is the head librarian at Fairview Public Library.

short stories out called American Histories. In it he blends the personal, historical, and political to invent complex, charged stories about love, death, struggle, and what we owe each other. With characters ranging from everyday Americans to Jean-Michel Basquiat to Nat Turner, *American Histories* is a journey through time, experience, and the soul of our country.

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\$86,000 *MLS 3296442*

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Thanks to Trinity, and New Wagon Location at the Hub

The Food for Fairview Pantry thanks the parish of the Trinity Episcopal Church at 60 Church Street, Asheville for their drive to assist us. The church held a drive to collect items that the pantry must purchase with donated funds. These food items include canned fruit, kid's cereal, canned tuna, and white and/or brown rice, along with personal care items such as shampoo, bars of soap, toilet paper, and toothpaste. The pantry does supply more than just food assistance to its clients.

Church member Elizabeth Trask coordinated the drive with the pantry. Unfortunately, the scheduled collection Sunday was not well attended because of bad road conditions. Our volunteers picked up the first Sunday's donations, but Elizabeth brought over donations the next two Mondays as donations continued to be received by the church. Thank you, Elizabeth, for your efforts.

If you're wondering what to donate, one additional personal care item that we could really use is disposable diapers of all sizes. Many clients have children ranging in age from infant through toddler, and right now, the pantry must purchase these items using our own funds.

Our red Radio Flyer collection wagon has a new location at The Hub. The wagon had to be removed from the Fairview Post



Office due to theft and vandalism. The new location for the collection wagon is directly inside the door at the Hub, which is open from 11 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday (1185-G Charlotte Hwy., Fairview). Thank you to The Hub and the Town Crier for making this location available. This makes it a lot more convenient for everyone rather than trying to get donations to the pantry when it's open. We hope to find it full during our weekly pick up! If you want a receipt for your donation, you must still drop the donation at the pantry during its hours of operation (1-6 pm, Mondays).

Jeff Cole is the Executive Director of Food For Fairview, which is a tax-exempt 501©(3) Corporation. For more information, please call 628-4322 or go to foodforfairview.org.

Change Your Clock and Change Your Batteries

Daylight Saving time is in full effect and by now everyone should be adjusted to having an entire hour of your day taken. At this time of year, it's also a good time to check the batteries in your smoke detectors.

BBQ Fundraiser

The BBQ Fundraiser with Smokey and the Pig was a tremendous success, with more sponsors than ever, more BBQ sold than ever, and more community involvement than ever. A huge thank you to everyone who said "yes" when asked to participate. (More to come in the May edition of the Crier.)

New (Used) Ambulance

Keep your eyes open for the ambulance that was donated to the fire department from Buncombe County. It's being out-fitted and updated and should be on the road during the month of April. Although it is not new, it is new to us and was a much-needed addition to the department.

Volunteer Update

Volunteering through the Support Operations has increased and allowed our small, but diligent, group to expand a bit. Some folks in the community just want to help with our fundraisers, some want to

decorate for our events, and some want to help in an emergency. We certainly value each and every one of you who contributes, no matter how big or how small. If you would like to be on our contact list, please email us at fvfdsupportgroup@fairviewfire.com. Or, you can call the main station at 628-2001.

Robin Ramsey is the Treasurer of the Support Unit Group of the Fairview Volunteer Fire Department.

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	FIRE	EMS
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February	53	80
March	42	81
April	54	64
May	46	82
June	44	90
July	82	82
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October	80	91
November	60	88
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The Story of the Third Eldad Reed

Eldad Reed III was born in Rowan, now Davidson County, NC, on December 9, 1799. He was the second of four children born to Eldad Reed II (1768-1849) and Aeshia Lanning (1766-1845). Eldad III's parents moved to Fairview, NC, in the fall of 1800 or the spring of 1801. Eldad Reed's grandfather, Eldad Reed I (or Sr.), died in Fairview in 1806. After his grandfather's death, Eldad Reed II eventually started going by Eldad Sr. and Eldad III went by Eldad Jr. Eldad Reed I's farm was located on Gap Creek not far from the point Gap Creek runs into Cane Creek.

Eldad Reed II was a prominent member of the Fairview community. He was a justice of the peace, election judge and administer of many estates. The Reed's were among the first members of Cane Creek (now Fairview) Baptist Church. Eldad Reed II's brothers, William Reed (1761-1835 ca) and Peter Reed (1772-1848), and sisters, Hannah Reed (1777-1855 ca) and Jane Reed (1779-1853), lived at his parents' (Eldad Reed I and Jane Whitaker) home, which was not far from Eldad II's, until their deaths. The four apparently never married or at least not for very long.

Eldad Reed III married Elizabeth Gallimore on November 18, 1824. Elizabeth was born August 5, 1804, probably in Fairview. She was the daughter of Asa

Gallimore and Elizabeth Garren.

Eldad Reed III became one of the most respected and prominent men in Fairview. He was a surveyor, and in April 1847 he was appointed a justice in Fairview. Also in 1847, Eldad Reed, David Garren, and B.N. Merriment were appointed to a committee to settle with Alexander Henry, former administrator and guardian of the heirs of Ephraim Henry. In April 1848 Eldad Reed was appointed justice to make a tax list of all the taxable property in Fairview. In October 1848, Eldad Reed was appointed to settle with Henry Casey (Keizer) and Jacob Reed regarding the property of George Williams, deceased. On December 31, 1851, Eldad Reed was appointed a justice of the peace in Buncombe County. During the 1850s, Eldad Reed III performed most of the non-church weddings in Fairview.

Eldad Reed III's brother-in-law William Clements died in 1853. Eldad was appointed guardian of William's three minor children in July 1853. In July 1854 Eldad Reed (Esquire) was appointed the court clerk in Buncombe County. He was also a deputy sheriff and a major in the militia.

Eldad's wife Elizabeth died May 11, 1851. She is buried in Cane Creek Cemetery in Fairview. Eldad Reed and most of his children moved to Sullivan County, Missouri in 1860. He bought a farm in Jackson Township and was active in the



Eldad Reed III became one of the most respected and prominent men in Fairview.

community. Eldad Reed III died in Sullivan County on October 17, 1865. He was a month and a half short of his 66th birthday. He was buried in Elmwood Cemetery in Milan, Missouri.

Eldad and Elizabeth Gallimore Reed had the following children, all born in Fairview, NC.

1. Aeshia Reed, born March 11, 1825 in Fairview. She married James H. Burch

(1827-1862). Her second husband George Board (1804-1868). She died in Sullivan Co., Missouri in 1900.

2. infant daughter, born April 26, 1827, died May 6, 1827, and buried in Cane Creek Cemetery in Fairview.

3. Mary Sophronia Reed, born August 6, 1828 in Fairview. She married in Fairview, to Joseph Riley Trantham (1827-

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1887), son of Joseph Trantham and Mary Whitaker. Sophronia died in May 1862 in Pollock, Sullivan County, Missouri.

4. Naomi C. Reed, born in Fairview on June 10, 1830. She was married in Fairview to Joshua Rickman on June 24, 1850. Joshua Rickman was born in Fairview on February 10, 1823. He died October 3, 1903 in Blackburn, Arkansas. He was the son of John Rickman Jr. and Nancy Whitaker. They moved to Indiana soon after their marriage in 1850. They moved to Iowa by 1854. They moved back to Fairview briefly in 1857 and then to Iowa by 1858. By 1861 they were in Missouri. Naomi died in Sullivan County, Missouri on September 20, 1870.

5. Joseph Riley Reed, born in Fairview on October 1, 1831. He married in Fairview, on January 3, 1856, to Harriett Isabella Brevard. She was born in Fairview on April 1, 1836. She was the daughter of James Brevard and Ruth Ashworth. Harriett died July 9, 1893 in Sullivan County, Missouri. Joseph died May 9, 1911 in Clay, Sullivan County, Missouri.

6. John Alexander Reed, born in Fairview on July 17, 1833. He married Altamira Britton (April 5, 1831- Feb 10, 1868) in Greene County, Tennessee. His second wife was Lavinia Bowers (1837-1913). He died December 16, 1875 in Greene County, Tennessee.

7. Nancy Maloney Reed, born December 18, 1835 in Fairview. She married Martin C. Bridwell (1828-1872). Her second husband was John Atwell Courtney (1827-bef. 1880). Nancy died November 23, 1907 in Warner, Muskogee County, Oklahoma.

8. Eldad Reed IV, born March 15, 1837 in Fairview. He married Eliza Marie Belt (1844-1871). His second marriage was to Sarah Ellen Greene (1845-1923). Eldad died August 2, 1917 at Cross Timbers, Hickory County, Missouri.

9. Asa Madad Reed, born in Fairview on March 27, 1838. He married Nancy Jane Watkins (1845-1929). Asa died February 27, 1916 in West Liberty, Putnam County, Missouri.

10. Susan Anna Reed, born October 14, 1840 in Fairview. She married Martin Van Buren Moore (1834-1916). She died August 31, 1905 in Blackburn, Washington County, Arkansas.

11. Columbus Harrison Reed, born May 3, 1842 in Fairview. He married Sarah Ellen Dusky (1847-1914). Columbus died August 21, 1900 in Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri.

Local historian Bruce Whitaker documents genealogy in the Fairview area. He can be reached at 628-1089 or brucewhitaker@bellsouth.net

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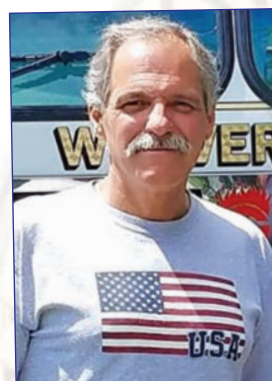
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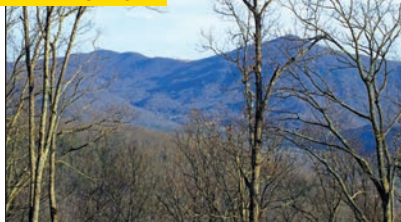
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A Wild Ride for Winter

Taking a look back at our winter, we had a wild ride over the last three months. January featured several snowy periods with frequent Arctic blasts. In fact, according to daily records at the Asheville airport, we had at least three days with lows in the single numbers. In contrast, February brought balmy conditions with record-breaking warmth, and lots of vegetation started to bud or “wake up.” The monthly average temperature was 50.3 degrees, making it the warmest February on record. We actually went about two weeks at mid-month without freezing temperatures. However, March abruptly put an end to our early spring with below-freezing temperatures arriving again with quite a bit of wind and some snow. The arrival of the colder nights at the beginning of the month helped to put a much needed restraint on an early and false spring across the region.

In terms of precipitation, we are above average for the year, which is good. The winter rains and snow help to recharge our streams and rivers as we set up spring and summer. Precipitation in the fall, winter, and early spring tends to occur with well-defined, strong frontal systems. These systems tend to bring widespread rains everywhere across our area. However, when we get into summer, our precipitation tends to be more convective, which means that rainfall is more spotty and localized. So having ample moisture at the beginning

of the year sets us up for a nice, lush, green spring.

In terms of planting, now that we are in the warmer days of April, I still wouldn't run out and plant all your tomatoes. Our region is notorious for late freezes in the middle and latter half of April. I grow a large variety of plants and trees at my nursery. April can be, and usually is, wildly variable, with sudden and abrupt changes. As a nursery owner, April is my most difficult month. In the past during some Aprils, I have had thunderstorms produce hail that caused tree damage and also late frosts that caused me to cover and move newly leafed Japanese Maples into protective areas. I usually breathe a sigh of relief when mid-May arrives and am usually out of danger at least in terms of killing frosts. I usually follow the old timer's saying, “Don't plant your tomatoes outside until Mother's Day.” They really don't grow that much until the soil temperatures warm up close to 60 degrees, which doesn't happen until May. You can check our soil temperatures in the region at climate.ncsu.edu or greencastonline.com/tools/soil-temperature.



Meteorologist Tom Ross managed the Climate Database Modernization Program at the National Climatic Data Center.

WEATHER WONDER



How are clouds classified?

In 1803, British pharmacist and chemist Luke Howard devised a classification system for clouds. It has proved so successful that meteorologists have used Howard's system ever since, with minor modifications. According to his system, clouds are given Latin names corresponding to their appearance — layered or convective — and their altitude. Clouds are also categorized based on whether or not they are precipitating.

Layered clouds are much wider than they are tall. They generally have flat bases and tops and can extend from horizon to horizon. The Latin word “stratus” describes the layered cloud category. Convective clouds are as tall (sometimes taller) as they are wide. These clouds look lumpy and piled up, like a cauliflower. Convec-

tive cloud types are indicated by the root word “cumulo,” which means “heap” in Latin. Convective clouds may become very tall and are rounded on top.

Clouds are also classified by their altitude and their ability to create precipitation. The root word “cirro” (meaning “curl”) describes a high cloud that is usually composed of wispy ice crystals. The Latin word “alto” (“high”) indicates a cloud in the middle of the troposphere that is below the high, cirro-type clouds. The prefix or suffix “nimbus” (“rain”) denotes a cloud that is causing precipitation.

More on cloud classification and a nifty PDF version of a NOAA cloud chart can be found at www.weather.gov/jetstream/cloudchart#myModalx1.

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BIRDHOUSE BASKETS

This workshop will be held on **Saturday, April 14, 11am-4 pm with a break.** Participants will create a unique birdhouse while



learning the twining technique. Many birding tips and birdhouse basics will be discussed during this perennially favorite project that provides shelter for our bird friends.

Instructor supplies all the hand-dyed reeds, paints and tools for this class. The cost is \$55 for the one-day class.

Call The Hub of Fairview at 628-1422 for information or to register.

Note: this class requires a minimum of four students with a maximum of eight, so register early.

POLYMER CLAY JEWELRY

Local artist Janet Link (JL Art) will teach a one-day Polymer Clay Jewelry class on **Tuesday, April 17, 6-8:30 pm** at The Hub of Fairview. All supplies are included at a total cost of \$30 for the 2-1/2 hour workshop. Feel free to bring snacks and/or beverages.

Please call The Hub at 628-1422 to register. There must be 8 participants for the class to be held.



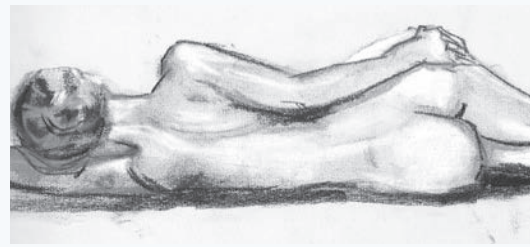
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If you want to learn how to knit or know the basics but need a little help, this class is for you. Both men and women can knit! It's a fun and relaxing hobby, and has a meditative aspect that can be soothing. Wool-allergic? There are yarns in flax, linen and cotton. Instructor Lee Reed will cover the basics so you'll be able to complete a simple project (or bring your own work if you've had some experience). **Thursday, April 26, 5-7:30 pm** at The Hub. Cost is \$25 payable in advance and includes materials for a cotton dishcloth. Bring a snack or beverage. Call The Hub at 628-1422 or email thehuboffairview@gmail.com to register.



PENCIL DRAWING

Noted artist Theresa Matregrano will offer a 2-week, 8-hour pencil drawing workshop. This class is aimed at accessing skills you already have, waiting to be released. It is an opportunity for enthusiastic beginners to gain the skill



you've always wanted. Drawing is not difficult; it's seeing that is the challenge. Step-by-step exercises will encourage you to use the right brain's ability to see objects with shadows and record them exactly as they appear. By blocking the left brain's thought patterns you can be transported to the creative zone, relaxed and ready to explore the pleasure of drawing and seeing things differently. The basics will include contour drawing, values and perceptions of edges, space, relationships, lights and shadows.

The classes are **Sunday, April 15 and 22, 1-5 pm at The Hub.** Bring a snack or beverage. To register, email thehuboffairview@gmail.com or call 628-1422. The cost is \$100 for the 8 hours. Checks payable to Theresa Matregrano can be dropped off at the Hub, 1185-G Charlotte Highway in Fairview, M-F, 11-5 pm or put in the blue dropbox on the outside wall.

CHARCOAL RENDERING

Students who have taken the Pencil Drawing workshop or who have previous experience may continue to deepen their artistic perception with easy-to-follow projects to teach the essentials of charcoal drawing, one of the oldest drawing mediums, used in its natural state. The 2-part workshop is on **Friday, May 3 and May 11, 4-8 pm** at The Hub. Students will work from still life and black/white photos to experience the rich, velvety-black quality of charcoal to render tonal drawings. The fee for both classes (8 hours) is \$100. Checks payable to Theresa Matregrano can be dropped off at the Hub, 1185-G Charlotte Highway in Fairview, M-F, 11-5 pm or put in the blue dropbox on the outside wall or call 628-1422 for information.

Play With... Nights

PLAY WITH CLAY

On Friday, April 6, 6-8:30 pm, it's another night of fun at The Hub when Janet Link will get everyone rolling, pounding, shaping and whatever else with polymer clay. You might make a cell phone holder, a tea bag cup, or even a votive candle holder. Whatever hits your fancy. All materials supplied except for your choice of beverage and snacks. Cost is \$30 for the evening.



PLAY WITH OLD JEWELRY

On Friday, April 20, 6-8:30 pm, gather up your "lost" jewelry – a favorite single earring or pieces of a broken bracelet or necklace and you'll "find" them anew. Janet Link will help you reclaim your old favorites and turn them into new ones to love just as much. Bring old earrings, bracelets, beads, necklaces, etc. All materials and instruction provided except for your choice of beverage and snacks. Cost is \$30 for the evening.

At The Hub of Fairview, 1185 Charlotte Hwy

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One Person's Trash Is a Repurposer's Treasure

like stuff. When traveling, I check out antique shops and Goodwill stores looking for that perfect thing. Living in Fairview, I feel like I am at the epicenter of "stuff hunting." Most times I look for things I can use in my performance; other times it's something cool or different.

As the weather gets warmer, people are out and about. The other day, while coming down Old Fort Road, I noticed a Mercedes station wagon with the obligatory "Asheville" sticker in the back window. It was traveling slowly, which is not uncommon, but this seemed different. The driver would pull over a bit and then pull out and continue on. At one point he came to a complete stop, half in the road, half out. I pulled around to see if everything was OK. He said he was just checking out – wait for it – roadside debris. Yup, checking out garbage left curbside. He said he was looking for things he could "repurpose."

I remembered my first apartment and how I'd "repurposed" a vinyl couch one of my neighbors tossed out. Served me well through many a party! It reminded me of the episode of the "Big Bang Theory" where Penny finds a chair in the street and brings it home. Sheldon finds it comfortable until Penny tells him where it came from. Sheldon spends the episode convincing

Penny to get rid of the chair as he thinks it's unsanitary. Penny finally gets rid of "the Chair of Death" after something in it bites the girls. The chair is left on the street only to be found by Raj and Howard, who move it to Sheldon and Leonard's apartment so Raj doesn't have to sit on the floor anymore.

When my mind returned to the people in the station wagon, I asked how they were doing. They said they had found two tables, a chair and a set of drawers they were going to refinish. We chatted about trash and treasures and I wished them well.

As I drove past them I thought about one of my oldest tricks. It is a ring I picked off the ground at Dumbleton's Junk Yard in Pavilion, NY. It turned out to be a piston ring for a tractor trailer. I polished the ring and have used it since the early 70s as part of my "ring and string" trick.

It's funny the things you think about. Continuing down Old Fort I glanced back at the couple in the Mercedes and then it hit me. They were "junknecking": most likely defined as a form of rubbernecking used to determine if roadside junk is "one person's trash or another person's treasure."

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GREG'S MAGIC TRICK

Linking Paper Clips

This is a fun and entertaining combination magic trick and puzzle. After you perform it, everyone will want to try it. If someone figures it out, don't worry: they'll have as much fun with it as you.

Effect You show two paper clips and a dollar bill. Then you give the bill a three-way fold and use the clips to fasten the folds in place. As you pull the ends of the pleated bill, slowly but steadily the clips come closer together. You finish the pull with a sharp snap as the clips fly from the bill and land on the table – linked together!

Method The trick is almost automatic. It depends entirely upon proper placement of the clips. Practice the setup until you can place the clips in position quickly and neatly, so observers will be unable to follow and therefore find it difficult to duplicate the trick.

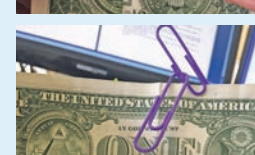
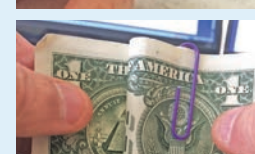
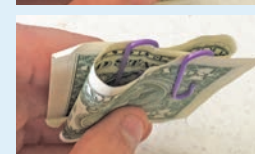
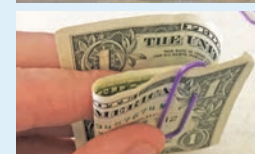
Start by holding the bill open between both hands.

Fold one-third of the length of the bill over to the right as shown. Place one of the paper clips over this fold to hold it in place, and push it down so it is snug against the top edge of the bill.

Fold the left end of the bill over to the right as shown. Put the other paper clip on the bill from the top, holding this end in place, too. Clip together just the two front folds (those that are toward you).

Note If both clips have been properly placed the bill should look as shown.

Now firmly grip both ends of the bill near the top and pull them apart. The clips will start moving but will stay pinned to the bill. When you reach the point where the clips are practically on top of each other, give the ends of the bill a sharp tug. The bill will open out and send the paper clips sailing across the table, linking them as they go!



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How bad is it? Drug overdoses have become the leading cause of death for Americans under 50 – two-thirds of those deaths are opioid-related. We have seen more members of the local community succumb to opioid related overdoses in the last five years than in the previous 15.

Over-the-counter pain medication has significant long-term side effects and is only for short-term use. Other medical interventions include spinal injections, nerve blocks, spinal cord stimulators, surgery, brain stimulators and facet blocks.

Options for those with chronic pain include: eating an anti-inflammatory diet; increasing your intake of omega 3 oils; sup-



plementing with turmeric and/or boswellia; exercise; Tens unit machines, which send stimulating pulses across the surface of the skin and along the nerve strands; meditation; increasing water intake; and topical pain relievers. More advanced options include acupuncture, physical therapy, neurofeedback, laser therapy, myofascial release, massage, and chiropractic.

If you are living in chronic pain and would like more information about how advanced therapies may help you, talk to your doctor or visit a local pain treatment office.



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Distracted Driving

There are many interventions we make as physicians to try to help our patients live long, happy and productive lives, including administering vaccines, prescribing medications to treat chronic illnesses, and helping with smoking cessation. However, something that often gets overlooked in visits is talking about how to keep yourself and your loved ones safe from injuries and accidental death. According to 2016 data from the Centers for Disease

During a brief glance down, at highway speeds you can travel farther than the length of a football field.

Control, car accidents overall are the fourth leading cause of death in the United States, and the number one cause of death overall for people under age 44.

Fortunately, many of these deaths are preventable. In 2015 (the year for which the most recent data is available), one in ten automobile crash fatalities, or 3,477 deaths, were attributed to distracted driving. This includes various forms of distraction, but one that we are all familiar with is texting while driving. A 2017 poll on the itcanwait.

com website indicated that 71% of drivers admitted to using smartphone functions while driving. This is despite the fact that texting while driving is illegal in almost every state, including North Carolina. Teens, who are some of the heaviest users of smartphones, are at an even higher risk than the general population of being killed or injured in a distracted driving incident.

So perhaps we should face the fact that many of us are addicted to our phones and take some action. When we hear that notification while driving, it can be very difficult to resist the urge to look down at it. During what seems like a brief moment it takes to glance down, it's possible that at highway speeds you can travel farther than the length of a football field with your eyes off the road. Fortunately, there are some solutions. If you must place a call or respond to a text or email, pull over or pass the phone to a passenger. If you have an iPhone, look for the "Do Not Disturb while Driving" setting. There are also numerous apps and settings available that allow you to block text notifications while driving or even automatically reply to the sender that you are driving and will respond when you arrive at your destination.

I encourage you to visit itcanwait.com and read more.

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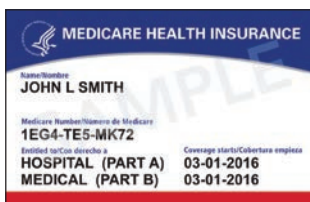


New Cards and Better Security

The Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act (MACRA) of 2015 requires Medicare to remove Social Security Numbers (SSN) from all Medicare cards by April

2019. A new Medicare Beneficiary Identifier (MBI) will replace the SSN-based Health Insurance Claim Number (HICN) on the new Medicare cards for Medicare transactions like billing, eligibility status, and claim status. Each MBI is unique, randomly generated, and the characters are “non-intelligent,” which means they don’t have any hidden or special meaning. For Medicare beneficiaries, SSN have been used as part of their HICN on their Medicare cards for years. Since SSN are one of the prime targets of identity thieves, I’ve long felt the HICN should have been changed by Medicare to help protect beneficiary’s personally identifiable information. Now, “Medicare is removing Social Security Numbers from Medicare cards to prevent fraud, fight identity theft, and keep taxpayer dollars safe,” according to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). This is a very welcome change, indeed.

Starting this month, CMS will mail out new Medicare cards to all people with Medicare on a “flow basis by geographic location and other factors.” These mailings will happen in waves across the states over the next year. People in NC should expect their cards



after June 2018. Additional details on timing will be available as the mailings progress. Starting in April 2018, people with Medicare will be able to check the status of card mailings in

their area on Medicare.gov.

The MBI won’t change Medicare benefits. You may start using your new Medicare card and MBI as soon as you get them and will be instructed to safely and securely destroy your current Medicare card and keep the new MBI confidential.

Once you get your new Medicare card with an MBI, you can use your card to enroll in a Medicare health (Medicare Advantage) or drug plan. Those who choose to enroll in Medicare health and/or drug plans will also get an insurance card from their health and/or drug plans. As always, while beneficiaries are enrolled in health and/or drug plans, they should use the cards from those plans when they get health care and/or prescriptions. Medicare also cautions that the MBI is confidential, like your SSN, and should be protected accordingly.



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New Fairview Land Protection at Strawberry Gap and Stony Point

The Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy (SAHC) recently completed two new conservation projects in Fairview, purchasing adjoining properties near the Eastern Continental Divide.

Strawberry Gap

SAHC purchased 155 acres at Strawberry Gap, protecting views from scenic Blue Ridge Pastures on the Buncombe/Henderson County boundary just north of the Hickory Nut Gorge and Chimney Rock. The Strawberry Gap property adds to a network of protected land that encompasses Hickory Nut Gap Farm and the Drovers Road Scenic Byway.

Strawberry Gap has been a high conservation priority for SAHC and other conservation partners for more than a decade. It lies along the regional Hickory Nut Gorge Trail System, a cooperative effort headed by Conserving Carolina, which will eventually link public hiking trails in the Hickory Nut Gorge to the Fairview area. The existing Trombatore Trail joins the southern boundary of Strawberry Gap, while another proposed trail is planned along the eastern ridgeline boundary on the way to Ferguson Peak.

"I'm really glad to see this property finally protected; it's been a long time coming," said Christie Melear, Fairview resident and member of the Buncombe County Land Conservation Advisory Board. "It's where SAHC and Conserving Carolina meet, and it does my heart good to see those teams working together."

SAHC's purchase of the property adds to a growing network of lands they have protected in the area, which includes Little Pisgah Mountain, fertile farmland along Ashworth Creek, Hickory Nut Gap Farm and Forest, Drovers Road Preserve, and the Drovers Road Scenic Byway (Highway 74A).

"Strawberry Gap, a passageway from Buncombe to Henderson County across the Blue Ridge, was once a place for neighbors to walk to work down the mountain or to visit one another," reflects neighboring landowner Representative John Ager (NC House of Representatives). "There are plenty of old chimneys on both sides to give a sense of the community there. Most of the trees were once cut down to allow for what farming could be pursued on the mountainsides. We can assume wild strawberries once grew in the full sunshine. There is some mystery associated with the area. Old timers have told me about a rocky area that echoes when walked upon, as if there is a cave below the ground. While the cabins are gone, the forest has returned and will provide a wonderful setting for hiking in the ever-expanding Hickory Nut Gorge Trail System."

With an upper elevation of 3,800 feet, the property is covered by a variety of thriving forest communities, including a portion of the Audubon Society's Chimney Rock/Hickory Nut Gorge Important Bird Area. SAHC plans to own the property for the long term and manage the forests to promote resilience, diversity and longevity.

"Protecting this property after many years of planning for conservation in the Fairview Valley was a great success for SAHC," said Land Protection Director Michelle Pugliese. "I have many fond memories of hiking to the Blue Ridge Pastures, and am comforted to know that the lands that lie immediately behind it will be protected forever. We are very grateful to Fred and Alice Stanback and the James G. K. McClure Educational and Development Fund for making this conservation acquisition possible."

Stony Point

Stony Point forms a rocky bluff with an incredible view of the fertile Fairview valley. Nestled between SAHC's acquisition at Strawberry Gap and other conservation lands, this triangular slice of land in southern Buncombe County contains stands of Carolina Hemlock and a section of Brushy Creek.

The bulbous nose of Stony Point can be seen by travelers along the Drovers Road Scenic Byway (NC Highway 74A) between Fairview and Chimney Rock. However, the climb to the top of the bluff reveals a more spectacular vantage



Fairview Valley from Stony Point



Strawberry Gap



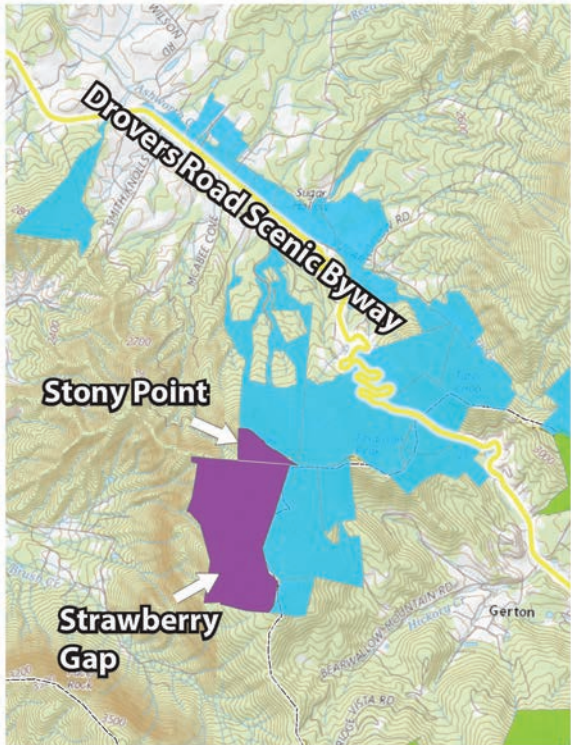
Stony Point

point, with sweeping long-range views of Fairview Valley, Cane Creek Valley, the Brush Creek area and distant mountain ranges.

SAHC recently purchased this 15-acre tract to fill a gap within the contiguous network of conservation lands they have worked to protect in this scenic region along the Eastern Continental Divide.

A portion of Brush Creek flows through the property, which lies within the Audubon's Chimney Rock-Hickory Nut Gorge Important Bird Area. Vegetative communities found onsite include a low-elevation rocky summit, a Carolina hemlock bluff, chestnut oak forest, and rich cove forest.

SAHC plans to own the property for the long term, managing it along with the adjoining Strawberry Gap tract for forest health. In the future, they may offer guided hikes to



- New SAHC acquisitions**
- Other SAHC preserves/conservation easements**
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the summit as part of their outings program.

"We are proud to have purchased this previously unprotected portion of the landscape around Hickory Nut Gap, which is a visible landmark to so many people from various vantage points," said Carl Silverstein, SAHC Executive Director. "We are very grateful for a generous philanthropic gift from Fred and Alice Stanback and a grant from the Conservation Trust for North Carolina for transaction costs, which enabled us to make this purchase for conservation."

Angela Shepherd is Communications Director of the Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy in Asheville. She can be reached at 253.0095 ext. 200 or by email at sahc@appalachian.org. To join in saving the places you love, visit Appalachian.org.

Hiking the Continental Divide in Gerton

Last month, we asked our readers to send in their favorite way to stay active outdoors. We heard back from Greg Vaeth. He's a Fairview guy who likes to be outside so much he sold a business, MtnMerch, in order to start a guiding/adventure business for hikers called NCLINE Adventures.

Greg says, "Although I am out and about all over Western North Carolina, I love nothing more than hiking in my backyard." His favorite hike is on the Continental Divide off 74A, at the top of the "twisties," as he calls the roads where Gerton begins. "The hike," he says, "is a beauty. It's about four miles round trip if you go past the lookout perch and through the woods. When you get to the first lookout, or perch, the reward is beyond stunning."

"The views are breathtaking; you can see all of Fairview. We really love trying to pick out where our house is and our favorite landmarks while we are up there. If you continue on further, it is a slight downhill but pretty flat; you will stumble upon the end of the road, which is another lookout point."

Greg says it's steep (especially the first mile or so) but not too long. "If you take your time, most anyone can do it," he says.

Getting There

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Above, accompanying Greg on this hike were his dog friend Cash and his human friend Victor.

east on 74A for just over 4 miles. After you see the sign for the Continental Divide, there's a small pulloff on the side of the road.



The view from the first lookout.

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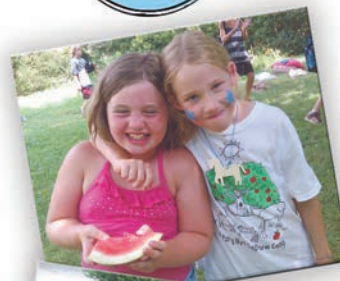
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How We Almost Got Our Name: The Tale of Tucker and the Toad

When we first moved to “the farm,” we owned a rescue hound named Tucker. Tucker was an interesting mixed-breed dog. He was predominately Basset hound and dachshund. But from other physical characteristics he had some chow, German shepherd, and Labrador retriever thrown in for fun. He was the best-tempered dog ever and he loved everybody he ever met. He was not what you would normally think of as a farm dog, and the fact that he lived his first three or so years in an apartment in town was not helpful to his farm dog education.

One of our first projects on the property once we decided we were moving in was to re-establish the spring-fed water system. Now, true to most folks of my generation, I knew nothing about how such a system was supposed to work. The first step is to find a spring head. That's not super difficult to do

around Fairview. Finding a spring head that lasts year-round is more of a challenge. We hunted around and consulted with aunts, uncles, and cousins and finally found a reliable spring head not far from the creek that runs through the property.

Now once you find a reliable spring head you have to rock and cement it in or the crawdads will move it for you just enough that the water doesn't accumulate and flow into the pipe that leads to your sand trap. (Even with cement and rock sometimes the crawdads win.) Tucker was not of an athletic build but he enjoyed walking the woods. He learned the fun and dangers of hunting crawdads – the threats of a crawdad are not to be dismissed lightly, especially when you have to turn your back on one eventually.

The next step in setting up a spring is building a sand trap: basically a filter to remove large particles like sand – and crawdads, salamanders, small minnows and other creepy-crawlies that like the wet. It's basically a box with a pipe set vertically. The water flows in near the bottom and rises until it reaches the height of the vertical pipe. This vertical pipe leads to your water reservoir. This gives any large particles a chance to settle to the bottom of the sand trap before flowing into the pipe going to the reservoir. Tucker had a streak of Lab in him, and he enjoyed

playing in the water while we plumbed all of these parts together.

Once your sand trap is working, you need a water reservoir to hold a large quantity of water since your spring only flows a few gallons a minute. Once the reservoir is set, you need pipe to run to the house and barn. In our case we had to dig 750 feet of ditch 18 inches deep to lay water line to reach our house. Now, if you've never dug 750 feet of ditch through the soil of Fairview, take my word for it: it ain't easy. If you've dug anywhere in Fairview you know it's all rock, root, or both. We rented a Ditch Witch, a kind of trencher. I think that is the nicest name for that contraption because by the time you get the first 50 feet dug while hanging on to that monster the name you're giving it is a little different but it rhymes perfectly. After finishing with the machine, we still had to go through all 750 feet of trench with a mattock and shovel to clean the rocks, roots, and dirt out so the waterline would fit.

Tucker worked along with us, doing his part to live up the dachshund trait of digging and chewing roots out of the way. He took his new job as farm dog very seriously, at least for short periods. Let's face it, Basset hounds are not known for their endurance at any event except sleeping on the couch. But he was diligent at tagging along on the work that Walter and I were doing, at least until he found the toad that had decided to take up

residence in the ditch.

In his defense, Tucker had never had the pleasure of meeting a toad and he was curious to inspect and give clearance to this strange creature who had decided he belonged on our farm. To a dog, smell and taste tell a great deal about an individual, so Tucker proceeded to lick that toad from one end to the other. Now toads have a defense mechanism against such dog greetings; they secrete a substance onto their skin that produces a reaction in dogs similar to people getting hit with pepper spray. Almost immediately Tucker began to produce huge amounts of snot, vomit, and tears. I don't think I'd ever seen tears from a dog before. This reaction lasted for hours. Just for reference, toad goo is potent and long-lasting and very effective: Tucker never greeted another toad with such enthusiasm again.

This incident led to a lasting argument between Walter and me about the name of the farm. We wanted to name our little hobby farm, and Walter's idea was Imladris (a name from Tolkien's world). I wanted to name it Toad Lick. You can see who won (but Toad Lick was still better).

Wendy Harrill is co-owner of Imladris Farm, a sustainable supplier of jams, jellies, and preserves made from locally sourced fruit. imladrisfarm.com





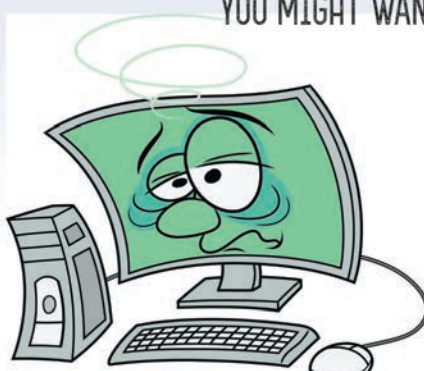
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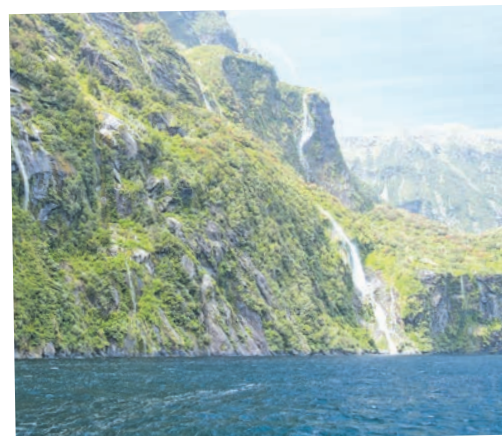
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The RAD Artists of Fairview

One of the great things about living in Fairview is having a peaceful rural lifestyle with an easy and quick drive down Mine Hole Gap to city activity. It is no wonder that Fairview, where mountain beauty and peace abound, is inspiring to all artists to take up residence, regardless of their avenues of expression.

Once creative folks become part of our community, Fairview is found to be a friendly and affirming environment where artists are appreciated and honored. Some of our local artists tuck themselves away in mountain retreats, while others love the energy of Asheville as well.



This article focuses on six of Fairview's accomplished artists who have established working studios in the burgeoning River Arts District (RAD), a short commute and one of the most dynamic artist communities in the nation. Here's a glimpse into their lives and inspiration.

Lynn Stanley



Lynn Stanley's career focused largely on languages and editing, but art was always a major part of her life. After working mainly in watercolor, she was drawn to the expressiveness of Asian brush painting and calligraphy while studying ancient Chinese poetry. She was fascinated by the techniques and philosophy of both arts that strive to express the essence of its subjects. Using traditional Asian brushes, rice paper, inks and colors, she now paints both classic ink-only and more innovative ink and watercolor paintings fusing Western and Asian styles.



IN HER OWN WORDS

"Fairview offers an amazing range of inspiration for my paintings. I love to sit on my deck and watch the seasons flow along the Pisgah range to the south; from misty mornings to glowing sunsets, each day and each hour has its own special personality. Closer to hand, a cardinal at the feeder on a snowy day or a dogwood tree bursting with blooms in spring call me to paint them. And beyond the visible, it's always seemed to me that there's a particular Fairview feeling that reaches me as I round the turns and climb past the ancient rocks, a feeling both of closeness to the age-old mountains and also of the newness of living things (including us). There's something essential going on here, and it brings me into my home studio with my eyes full of images and my hand already reaching for a brush."

About 8 years ago, Lynn opened a studio in the RAD. A few years back she moved into Trackside Studios, at 375 Depot Street, and has found it to be "a creative adventure the like of which I've never experienced anywhere else. It's an amazingly generous and inspiring community of artists."

Mary Alice Ramsey

Fairview resident Mary Alice Ramsey is an artist, teacher, writer, performance poet and also an Extension Master Gardener volunteer whose gardens will be in the June 9 Gardens of Fairview Tour. Her very hands-on involvement with plants has greatly influenced her art, which frequently involves images of flowers and other organic forms. She likes working with acrylics and mixed media, but also expresses herself through drawing, encaustic painting and bookmaking.

Mary Alice has a long-time involvement in the River Arts District, starting as a gallery owner and studio artist, later an exhibiting artist, and now working in her new studio at Pink Dog Creative.



IN HER OWN WORDS

"My most recent art involves images of botanical forms combined with linear abstractions from Trantham Creek as seen from 25 feet above in our treehouse. I'm also enjoying working in and exchanging collaborative journals with an artist colleague. Artists feed off the creativity of other artists, and each person involved in an inventive visual expression is fueled by the energy of this unique and encouraging river-side community."



Fleta Monaghan

Fleta Monaghan was born into a nature-loving family. She grew up in the Florida wetlands, an environment teeming with flora and fauna of all kinds from gators to turtles and ducks and myriad varieties of insects, all living amid vivid, blooming subtropical plants.

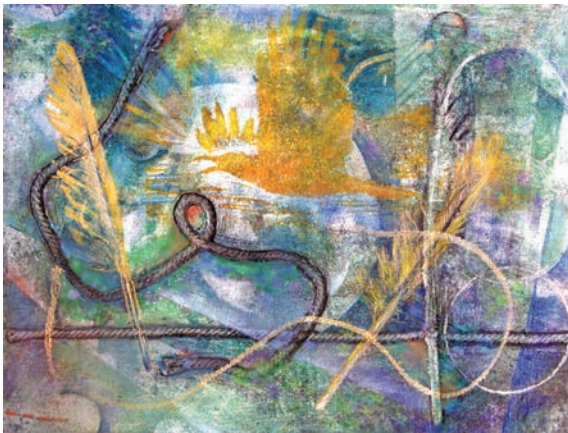
Monaghan is one of the “old timers” in the RAD. She started 310 ART at Riverview Station as an art school for adults 12 years ago. Her school, working studio and gallery started in one room and has since expanded to include space for five working resident artists and a gallery with the work of 20 local artists. “The original room is now our designated classroom, with a small class size and highly accomplished professional artists who teach. Fairview artist Dona Barnett is our printmaking teacher. The school embraces the “one room schoolhouse” ideal, where students of various levels from beginning to advanced levels can work together as they learn. This concept of a country-type school blends nicely with the historic industrial buildings along the winding French Broad River. It has been her privilege to see the “District” evolve from an area of dilapidated and mostly vacant 110-year-old factories to a vital and beautiful community of working artists. She has visitors every day from all over the nation and even international visitors and collectors of art.”

IN HER OWN WORDS

“When I moved to the mountains, the contrast fed into my love of wildlife and native plants in a very meditative way. I love the softness of the colors that change with the seasons, and the sense that this is a gentle haven. I see the Appalachian Mountains as a big nest, protective, full of thriving and joyful life. I can spend hours watching the birds, observing the new plants sprout, and baby rabbits hop about in the spring. My work is as diverse as the natural landscapes of the Gulf Coast and the mountains of Fairview. Beginning as a teenager, I have painted nature-inspired abstract work with visual hints of water, landmasses and the feeling of nature’s constant movement. I also love to include recognizable imagery from nature, such as birds, moons, trees and grasses, and sometimes I even paint more traditional oil landscapes of rural scenes. The seasons constantly change, and this stimulates me to change my visual focus in accordance with the times of year. My current work includes ink and encaustic paintings, as well as oils.

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Dona Barnett



Dona Barnett is a Fairview printmaker who took up art full time after raising six children. It was during her years as a young mother that Dona began a serious study of art, often drawing or painting while nursing a baby or after putting the children to bed. “I was mommy by day and artist by night,” she said. As her children became more self-sufficient, Dona entered UNCA part-time and slowly pursued a career in art. With a determined and clear focus, she graduated *summa cum laude* with a Bachelor’s of Fine Arts degree.

At UNCA, her drawing professor told Dona that her “work is about whispers.” This can be seen in the subtle ambiguity in the handling of the images she uses, often birds, nests or eggs.



IN HER OWN WORDS

“The woods in my Fairview neighborhood seem to attract crow family groups and I hear a sort of surround sound as they live their lives around me. I observe them behaving a little like humans do, squabbling yet sticking together, fighting over food, sometimes patiently sharing, foolishly pursuing shiny objects in the face of danger.

“Images of eggs in my work represent potential or the new life we desire. We are part of a grand complex plan but can sometimes be turned inward, egg shaped, like a root ball, not using our potential as images of the One, True and Living God.”

In recent years, Dona’s art making began encroaching on her and her husband’s living space, which prompted her to take a space in Trackside Studio in the RAD. There she focuses on printmaking using non-toxic techniques that she had researched while studying at UNCA, and – much to her surprise – there were a number of Fairview artists residing at 375 Depot Street.



MEET THE ARTISTS

Meet these Fairview/RAD artists and see a sample of their work at a special Opening Reception and showing!

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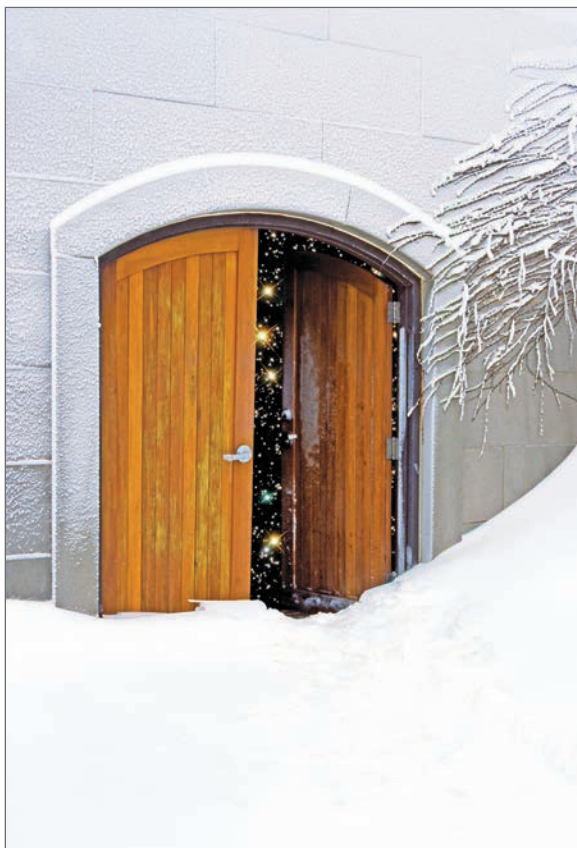
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Steve Fulghum



Steve Fulghum's art reflects his training... or perhaps his training reflected his art. His profession was as a physicist but he has been taking photographs for 60 years. Steve noted he enjoys images with a strong graphical design, like architecture, or of natural phenomena like star trails. "Physics combined those interests," he said. He built a PDP-11 computer in 1978 and a 24" x 30" pen plotter to draw line images. He felt they were beautiful but not very complex, and now, using computers 6,000 times faster with 500,000 times the memory, the images he creates can indeed be called complex. Steve's next project is to see what art he can draw out of his camera photographs "when processed through the artificial intelligence and neural nets that Google uses to classify images on the web."

IN HIS OWN WORDS

"I retired, sort of, to Fairview a year or so ago after a long career in science in the Frozen North. I grew up in central Florida but went to college in Lexington, Virginia, and got to like these old mountains. My ancestors migrated to coastal Virginia in the mid-1600s as farmers, preachers and finally builders, slowly heading south until they hit sand. After college, and a four-year sabbatical in the US Army, I moved north again to Boston for grad school and stayed for 40 years, putting my building efforts into giant Star Wars lasers as an experimental physicist. And then I headed back south to the mountains. I still do a bit of physics for old friends but if I hadn't been born on sand, I would probably have become a geologist. There is something comforting in being surrounded by things far, far older than you are."

Steven Keull



After a successful career as a theatrical, commercial and advertising photographer in Los Angeles, a job offer from Hendersonville's *Mother Earth News* magazine coincided with his increasing desire to leave the hustle and bustle of a large city. The mountains and lifestyle captivated, as they always do, and in 1979 he purchased a 49-acre farm on Brush Creek Road in Fairview with a 1901 farmhouse in need of renovation. After the magazine was sold, Steve bought a rundown, 10,500-square-foot building at 375 Depot Street and opened Westar Photography. As he renovated the building, section by section, he moved equipment in until Westar became a full-service photographic studio complete with color lab, photo studio and typesetting. Since the building had been a meat packing facility in the early 1900s, the task of turning it into usable space took many years. In 2002, after 20 years of running Westar, Steve retired and set about renovating the old building once again, but this time turning it into small artists spaces. Studio 375, which today houses artists' studios and a theater, became an anchor in the soon-to-flourish River Arts District.

IN HIS OWN WORDS

"Renovating 375 Depot was important for the community but transforming a decrepit building didn't feed my soul in the same way as bringing an image back to life. During this same time, digital photography was taking off and I began tinkering with combining photography and graphics, which are merged in my current work. I am fortunate to have an endless landscape to photograph from the beauty on and around my Fairview farm with its resident sheep, donkeys, four dogs, three cats and one goat... to the equally magical coastal town of Oriental, where I keep a sailboat in the Inner Banks. I generally photograph in the early morning when the light is different with fog or morning mist. I often work for hours, days and even weeks until I am satisfied with a photograph. Using Photoshop and a variety of other plugins and programs, I tweak and tweak until it 'talks' to me... until the color, lighting, and feeling develops into something special. I don't focus on what will sell, but what is different. The photo of my sweet rescue donkey Jennie, who we just lost at age 33, is one I am especially proud of. The coloring and light captures her spirit and my love for her."



In the historic industrial area of the River Arts District, a shining spark of imagination has combined with a bent toward focus and hard work to ignite a blaze of creative community. Buildings which housed activities relating to the industries of oil, concrete, agriculture, cotton, flour, candles, poultry and food storage now provide studio and gallery space for jewelers, potters, sculptors, printers, photographers and painters who work in virtually every media known. The uses of the buildings have changed, but the industriousness has not.

Art is exploding at The Hub! There are too many art workshops to talk about – birdhouse basket on April 14; jewelry repurposing on April 20; drawing on April 15 and 22; polymer clay bead making on April 17; knitting from beginners to experienced on April 26; Living with Purpose and Heart meetups on April 12 and 19; and more. See Calendar and Art Explosion on page 12 for details.



Gators in Fairview? Apparently so. **Michael Szmant** casts these **polyresin Gators** that range from baby-size (only \$14.95) up to almost life sized if you’ve got a swampy backyard needing an interesting inhabitant. Mama with her baby is about 36 inches. So thrilled we have a place for some of our talented local photographers to not only display but sell their work.

One such photographer makes her living as a pet sitter and is able to express her love of animals and nature through a camera lens. **Gretchen Dubose** sold two photographs recently and the new ones are stunning. This closeup of her beloved horse Revy’s eye captures the heart and soul of an animal that has a history of special bonding with humans. Gretchen also donates 10 percent of all profits to an environmental group.



Mother’s Day isn’t until May 13, but if you want to get mom something as special as she is, shop early. This one-of-a-kind (just like mom) **vintage crystal chandelier drop necklace** won’t set you back more than a lunch and we’ll do free gift wrapping and make it look real pretty.

Paul Lantz specializes in custom laser-cut metal pieces for gates, doors and other custom installations but he has done a few for The Hub. We’ve sold one of his Tree of Life wall hangings already (don’t worry, we have another) and he recently dropped off this mountain art piece which is nearly 36 inches wide. It would be perfect just about anywhere, including over a mantle to express in steel the depth and uniqueness created by the layers of our local mountains.



We’re especially excited to be hosting an art show in The Hub Gallery that coincides with the article in this issue about six local artists who love the mountains and their

Fairview homes but also have embraced the funky-turned-chic River Arts District. All of the artists will be on hand for the Opening Reception on Thursday, April 5, 5-7 pm. The show will remain up throughout April if you miss the opening.
The Hub Meeting Room is available for only \$25 per hour. Call 628-1422 to book. The Hub is located at 1185 Charlotte Highway in Fairview, next to Americare Pharmacy and Elena The Groomer.



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Local Problem Solvers Go Global

Congrats to the Destination Imagination teams from Fairview Elementary, Cane Creek Middle School and A.C. Reynolds for earning medals and awards at the state tournament last month. Three of the six FES teams and all the teams from CCMS and ACR will be going to the Global Finals in May at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville!

All the teams are raising money to help with expenses for the trips. To support the FES teams, contact fairview.elementary.di@gmail.com. To help the CCMS and ACR teams, contact mallisahoward2@gmail.com or Cane Creek Middle School and AC Reynolds High School directly.

To learn more about Destination Imagination, go to destinationimagination.org.



BUTTERFLY EFFECT (L-R): Sara Dickman, Lilly Stewart, Alana Hanson & Kaitlyn Howard CCMS



FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE! (L-R): Leo Lagutin, Jerry Caulder, Vovi Lagutin, Joshua Turner, Clara Coates and Caroline Pearsall CCMS



HOT HEADED (L-R): Leah Rudisill, Latasha Styles, Amber Simons, Clay Morgan, Lily Rogers & Abigail Marlowe CCMS



THE OVERS & UNDERS (L-R): Lillian Johnson, MacKenzie Lynch, Landon Dipple, Ethan Durkovic CCMS



ROCKET SCIENCE (L-R): Jaiden Hackett, Chayse Howard, Colton Roberts, Ciara Mitchell & Aliyah Morrow ACR



The Project Outreach team, "Pets for Vets," created an Appalachian-themed performance they will share at the Globals in hopes of bringing awareness to veterans and their struggles with PTSD. FES



The Fine Arts team, "Fire and Ice," wrote, choreographed and performed a musical, and earned the Renaissance High Creativity Award for creative costuming. This team will advance to the Global Finals. FES



The Technical Team, "Lucky Labyrinth," created and programmed a robot. Their creative performance and ability to navigate their robot technically through a maze earned them first place in the state. FES



The Scientific team, "E=MC Snow," placed second in the state. Mory Lavoie, team manager, stated that, "My eight-year-old twins learned about 11 different scientific concepts including aerodynamics, angular momentum, magnetism, and Newton's laws of motion. They were able to test their theories across a broad spectrum of learning, and that is a rare opportunity so young in life." FES



The "Improv Squad" team scored the highest Instant Challenge score among all elementary teams in the state and earned second place. Instant Challenge is a separate competition that focuses on using teamwork skills to brainstorm and spontaneously solve hands on challenges. FES



This year's "Rising Stars," a non-competitive team, built a Dutch Castle that transformed into a Mexican church and created a skit about friendship between different cultures. FES

Rocket Rack to the Rescue at ACR High and Middle Schools

I've heard it said that "clothes make the man." And while I don't have proof, I'm convinced that the person who coined this phrase was a teenager. The right outfit matters more to teenagers than to anyone else, and this fact makes it particularly painful for our high school students who can't afford the latest styles.

"One of the goals of our store is to promote high self-esteem and body positivity. Unfortunately, students in high school often feel they should look or dress a certain way, and our store provides students with ways to feel confident in the clothes that they are wearing, but still meet our school dress code."

*Addison Seay
AC Reynolds Senior*

Family to Family to the rescue! I've written about Family to Family before, and you may remember that this all-volunteer group of faith communities has provided much-needed support for Reynolds High and

Reynolds Middle students who can't afford what they need for school. They help with everything from school supplies to field trip fees and even college dorm room supplies. Family to Family, led by retired school counselors Tina Stovall and Cindy Oak, has also tackled transportation challenges, advocating strongly for a bus line that will extend to Reynolds.

Their latest project is the Rocket Rack, providing new and gently used clothing for students at Reynolds High and Reynolds Middle. Students in need can discreetly get clothes for free while others can shop at rock-bottom prices. And the merchandise meets teenage style standards!

Reynolds senior Addison Seay worked with Family to Family, winning a \$1,000 grant to develop the Rocket Rack as part of her Graduation Project. She continues to serve as the "buyer," thereby making sure that the clothes appeal to Reynolds' style-conscious teens. This project contributed to Seay's success as well: she has recently been awarded the prestigious NC State University Textiles Scholarship.

Explaining the impact of the Rocket Rack from her point of view, Seay said, "One of the goals of our store is to promote high self-esteem and body positivity. Unfortunately, students in high school often feel they should look or dress a certain way, and our store provides Reynolds students with ways to feel confident in the clothes that they are wearing, but still meet the needs of



Addison Seay and the Rocket Rack

our school dress code."

Seay also pointed out that because the Rocket Rack is open to all students and not just those in need, there is no stigma of shopping there. One student who came to a Rocket Rack pop-up sale in the commons area even exclaimed, "This is the coolest thing that's ever happened at Reynolds!"

School Social Worker Lauren Ward brings students to the Rocket Rack on a regular basis. "We had a student with some significant life changes," she said. "The student did not have access to most of her belongings. We took her to the clothing closet, and she was able to stock up on jeans, shirts, and shoes. She felt such relief to know that she could get things at school, and have her needs met. It lifted a tremendous burden for this student."

In addition to Seay's purchases, the Rocket Rack accepts gently used, teen-appropriate donations of clothes. Whether new or used, all clothing is processed by students in the Occupational Course of Study (OCS) program, providing yet another benefit to Reynolds students.

Kristi Stevens, Reynolds OCS teacher, said that these students with special needs "are practicing real-world work skills and have gained a sense of ownership in the store by running and operating the school-based business." This effort dovetails perfectly with OCS, which is designed to help prepare these students for employment and independent living after high school.

Family to Family and the Rocket Rack provide yet another example of how our generous local community supports our Reynolds schools. I hope you'll help! We need financial contributions so that this great resource can continue. Donations can be made directly to AC Reynolds High School and should be earmarked for the Rocket Rack. Learn more about the Rocket Rack at the "Organizations" tab of the AC Reynolds High School website.



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Never a Dull Moment at CCMS

By Karen Wallace-Meigs

Cane Creek Middle School's (CCMS) students are already registered for the 2018-19 school year but the current school year remains in full swing.

The Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) held its first Artisan Fair in March to such acclaim that it is already planning another fair for November. The incredible work of area wood crafters, sign painters, pottery throwers, and seamstresses/knitters was shown alongside hand-wrought jewelry and more. The CCMS Unicycle Team performed at the March 3 event, along with musician Rob Elliot and student fiddler Anne Hamilton. Amazing Pizza Truck made it easy to grab lunch and shop.

The school's tutor/mentor program, Hurricane Helpers, is up and running. There is still time to volunteer, or plan to next year, by contacting canecreekmiddle-schoolpto@gmail.com. This is a heartwarming way to serve a child, serving as a role model and caring adult in a student's life.

Certainly, learning happens both within the classroom and outside of school. Students and teachers are looking forward to field trips that will take place in the coming weeks. Eighth graders will make a trip to Atlanta in April, visiting historic sites, the Georgia Aquarium (the world's largest), attending a Braves game, and more. Teachers have worked for months to prepare students for this trip. Sixth and seventh grade trips will be held in May. Several students are looking forward to the Buncombe County Special Olympics in May, when they will attend with their teachers and student buddies.

There is space available in the free YMCA Horizons After-School Program. (Yes, free.) This exciting program is available to any Cane Creek student, offering a healthy snack, an hour of homework time overseen by Cane Creek's own Ms. Storace (a seventh grade teacher), and various clubs ranging from sports and wellness to dance and movie making. This is a great opportunity for students to make meaningful connections with supportive adults and avoid hours alone after school. Call the school for information.

Karen Wallace-Meigs is the PTO Communications Coordinator for Cane Creek Middle School.

APRIL CALENDAR FOR REYNOLDS SCHOOLS

APRIL 2-6	SPRING BREAK
APRIL 13	Kindergarten registration at all Reynolds elementary schools. Call for an appointment
APRIL 17	5th Grade Parent Night at Cane Creek Middle, 6 pm
APRIL 20	Oakley PTO "Bounce into Spring" community inflatable party. 5-8 pm
APRIL 26	Fairview Elementary volunteer breakfast 8:30 am
APRIL 26-28	Reynolds High spring musical, "Sister Act" 7 pm
APRIL 27	EARLY RELEASE
APRIL 28	Celebrate STEM day at Nesbitt Academy 9 am-3 pm

Colors, Updates, Backups and Privacy

Turn Up the Color

Noises have colors? They seem to when you are trying to use noise (sounds) to cover up distracting sounds while working. After disabling social media and email alerts, if you find you are still not focusing, try other colors of noise. You know white noise (a combination of all frequencies), but there is pink and brown (emphasizing lower frequencies), blue and purple (the inverse of pink and brown) and others. Research is showing that different work or focusing situations benefit from different colors of noise. And you shouldn't be surprised that there are YouTube videos for productivity ([youtube.com/results?search_query=noise+colors](https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=noise+colors)).

Face to Facebook

You may have noticed that Facebook is expanding its facial recognition features. If you don't want your face automatically tagged with your name (this is not anywhere near 100% accurate), you might want to turn this feature off. You will need to go into Facebook settings and find Face or Facial Recognition. For extra help, you can always Google "turn off Facebook facial recognition."

Office Update

Office 2019, coming out this fall, is the 17th version of what most of us use for writing and calculating. Most of us will see this upgrade through Office 365 subscriptions but only if you have Windows 10. There is

no announced equivalent new version for Macs. Promised are new Excel formulas and charts (no specifics, though) and animation features in PowerPoint. And if you are still running Windows 7 or 8.1, just continue enjoying Office 2016.

Google Backup

Google data backup is not something most think about. However, what if your account is hijacked or stolen and you lose all your data? You can get a full download of all your Google data straight from takeout.google.com. Log into your Google account, select which data types you want a copy of and wait until you get the email letting you know it is ready to download. Those archives will only stay around in Google land for seven days. Remember to add an alert or reminder on your phone or paper calendar.

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EVERY LOVE, TEEN REPORTER

A Teenager's Guide to Grandparents

For the next few months, I'll be writing companion articles, a trilogy if you will. This is one teenager's guide to the generations. I'll be going in chronological order of birth, which means that grandparents are first up, with parents in May, and siblings in June.

Grandparents in general are the most loving, supportive people you'll ever meet – at least mine are. They come to every concert, stuff me full of great food, and always tell me how much they love me. Every year my Nona (Step-grandma on my mom's side) spends all of October helping me and my sister carry out our most extravagant ideas for Halloween. And every year my Grandma (on my dad's side) takes my sister and me to Marion to do our Black Friday shopping where it is less crowded. Our Pawpaw (my mom's dad) always brings us to our favorite restaurants. And my Grandpa (on mom's side) takes us on joyrides in his Miata on special occasions. They all want to make me feel special, and they're so good at it.

Sometimes I have off days when I feel sick and worried and just want to be alone. And when those are the same days I'm scheduled to see my grandparents, it really

can be tough to dredge up the happy version of myself they like to see. Sometimes it feels like it's been so long since they've been my age, there's no way that they could understand how I feel. However, they have done the whole teenage angst thing before with my parents. I think they want me to tell them what's wrong instead of having them think that I'm getting too old to hang out with them.

And if you never confide in your grandparents, how will you know if they'd understand or not? I tell my Nona about everything: crushes, worries, even my petty fights with my mom. She always finds a way to help me see all the options and make me feel better. I've realized that they still love me, even if sometimes I'm an angry brat. It's what grandparents do! But I try to make it easier on them by not being an angry brat.

Next month I'll write about a highly controversial topic: parents.



Avery Love is an eighth-grader at A.C. Reynolds Middle School. She lives in Fairview with her mom, dad, and sister Zoe.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH: KAYLA WATSON



By Annie MacNair

Attempting to fit what I've learned about Kayla Watson, the AC Reynolds Student of the Month, into this column will not be easy. She is a stream of activity, stories, experiences and happiness, a young woman who knows she is abundantly and profoundly blessed by her family, her school and her church communities.

After speaking with Kayla for just a few minutes – her voice ringing with kindness and good cheer early on a Monday morning – it's no wonder her chore teacher Phillip Haynie led his comments about her so enthusiastically: "Kayla has more Rocket Pride than just about any student I know. She works hard in her classes, she is the first to lend a hand, she always has a positive attitude, she is polite and generous, and she has done an amazing job representing ACR through golf and the Cedar Cliff News."

Kayla is busy: she plays Varsity Golf, is the Executive Producer for ACR's Cedar Cliff News, is a member of school chorale, and will play Sister Mary Lazarus in the upcoming ACR spring musical, "Sister Act." She proudly explains she is the third generation in her family to graduate from Reynolds and she loves to tell people "about my incredible school and that I am a proud Rocket Senior."

When asked about her best memory of high school, she talked about singing the National Anthem for the last home football game last fall. During her performance she remembers feeling a powerful sense of joy, looking up at everyone, representing her family, her chorale group, Reynolds High and her country. "I am incredibly thankful to Mr. Haynie for the opportunity, and looking back years later, I'll remember that feeling of singing for everyone, having no fear. It really was one of the greatest moments of my life."

Kayla's dream is to be a TV news reporter. She recently learned she was admitted to her top choice, Eastern Tennessee State University, a nationally ranked school of journalism. She and her cousin, who will also attend college this fall, will be the first women in their families to attend college.

Kayla is all about family. She talks about her Mimi and Papaw with love and enthusiasm, noting she's attended the same church her whole life (and will continue to do so). She and her family spend Sundays with her Mimi and Papaw. "If I could be half the woman my Mimi is..." she says, noting that her grandmother reads the Crier every month, cover-to-cover. (A big thank you to Mimi from all of us!)

Many congratulations, Kayla. Good luck with all your plans and stay in touch!

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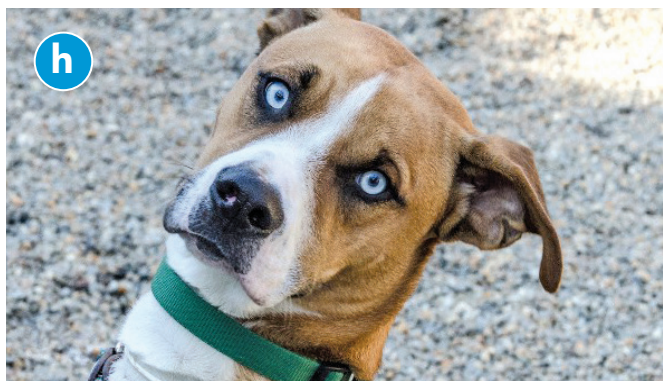


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HENDERSON COUNTY

For our readers who live in Henderson County, please go to hendersoncountync.org/elections and click on the "Sample Ballot" link for your party to see candidates.



a. Dudley is an adorable six-month-old kitten. He's sweet and playful. *Brother Wolf*

b. Joe and Hunter are a pair of adorable, bonded one-year old guinea pigs. *Brother Wolf*

c. Brady is a huge handsome cuddlebug. His appearance suggests a Great Pyrenees/Coonhound mix. He weighs about 90 pounds. He'd prefer a home without small children but is good with dogs and cats. *Brother Wolf*

d. Rupert is an adorable potbelly piglet. He could live indoors if you're willing to work on house training and have a fenced-in yard where he can root around. He also would be quite content living outside with one of his litter mates in a cozy, weatherproof home with shade and a mud pit or baby pool. *Brother Wolf*

e. Brandeline is an adorable 2-year-old mouse. She must be adopted with a companion mouse or go to a home that already has a mouse in residence. Email rhi@bwar.org. *Brother Wolf*

f. Waylon is a 6-year-old neutered male Labrador Retriever who weighs 90 pounds. He is a recent graduate of the New Leash on Life program. He knows basic commands, is crate trained and housebroken, and is good with other dogs. He'd love to have a fenced yard and a owner or family that is fairly active. He loves to fetch, especially in the lake, talk long walks or hikes, and swim. *Animal Haven*

g. CoCo, a little domestic Short-Haired girl, was left on our doorstep, so we can only estimate her birthday as February 11, 2017. She is very quiet, doesn't seem to know how to play, but is gentle and sweet. We believe CoCo is deaf and it's not uncommon for this to happen for white cats. She is a love and will make someone a very special companion. *Charlie's Angels*

h. Ross is a 1-year-old Siberian Husky/Retriever mix with piercing blue eyes! This energetic boy loves meeting new people and spending time outdoors. He will do best with someone committed to training him and making sure he gets daily exercise. *Humane Society*

i. A.J. is a female rabbit a little over 1 year old currently in foster care. *Brother Wolf*

j. Buddy, a handsome 11-month-old boy, is a Border Collie/Spaniel Mix with dark eyes rimmed in blue. He has been through obedience training, but because of his very high energy, needs an active family. He is very sweet, smart, and loves to play with other dogs and lots of toys. *Charlie's Angels*

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Brother Wolf Animal Rescue
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bwar.org

Charlie's Angels Animal Rescue
885-3647
wncanimalrescue.org

Warm Weather Is Here: What to Do When You Find a Wild Animal

Although it snowed recently, spring is coming! By the time you read this, the wild animal world has started building nests and families. Veterinary offices around the area get calls with questions from concerned community members about injured, orphaned, or abandoned wildlife. It helps to understand some of the behaviors of some species to know how to best help them or if they can be left alone. Please also remember that it is against North Carolina law to keep wild animals if you do not have proper permits.

Reptiles

You are going to start seeing turtles moving around. It is common for them to cross the road to find new nesting sites. If it is safe to stop your car, move the turtle the side of the road that it is facing.

If a snake is on the road, often, if you give them time, they will continue quickly across. You can also help them across with a long stick, also in the direction they are facing.

If there is a snake around your house, try to identify what kind it is. Some are good to have around to help control rodent problems, and non-venomous snakes can help deter venomous snakes. You can call a wildlife rehabilitator, animal removal service or local reptile group to assist you if it needs to be removed.

If you have dug up a nest of eggs, they are not venomous. Venomous snakes give "live birth," and so do not leave eggs. Ideally, you



Raccoons (or bats, skunks, foxes and coyotes) are at high risk for rabies. Contact Animal Control (250-6670) or the Wildlife Resources Commission (919 707-0010).

should leave the nest where it is, covering it with the same material you took off. Baby and juvenile reptiles can take care of themselves; their parents will not come back to care for them. If the nest cannot be left undisturbed, call a wildlife rehabilitator to help relocate the nest.

Birds

If you find a young feathered bird, it is most likely a fledgling, whose normal behavior is to hop on the ground and still have parents come to feed it. As long as it is safe from dogs, traffic, etc., the baby should be safe. If it's not safe, place it nearby in bushes or on

a tree limb. If you see parents, leave them all alone; the baby should be fine. If there are no parents, call a rehabilitator.

If it's not feathered and you can find an intact nest, put it back. Birds don't have a sense of smell, so handling the baby won't cause the parents to stop caring for it. You can also make a nest for it with a plastic container with holes in the bottom. Build the nest with paper towels, grass, pine straw, etc. and hang it near the original nest. Watch for parents and leave them be. Otherwise, call a rehabilitator.

Mammals

Rabbits make their nests in the ground and can often be uncovered. Mother rabbits only feed their young at dawn and dusk and so you won't see a mother during the day. If the nest is damaged, you can repair it with grass. If you find a nest and think it is abandoned, place long grass or twigs over the top of the nest and check it the next morning. When the mother returns, she will have messed up what you placed.

If you find a fawn that seems healthy, leave the area. Its mother leaves it for long periods of time to feed and will not come back if people or pets are around. If it is not safe from dogs, other animals, or people, call a rehabilitator.

Opossums carry babies in their pouches, as many as 13! If a mom is hit by a car, the babies will often be alive. If it is safe, and she looks like she was alive recently, checking the pouch and calling a rehabber can be

a good thing. Talk to someone before taking the babies, as they may need a surrogate mom quickly.

Remember that if the animal found is a raccoon, bat, skunk, fox or coyote, you should contact Animal Control (Buncombe County, 250-6670) or the Wildlife Resources Commission (919 707-0010). They are at high risk for rabies exposure and shouldn't be handled by community members.

If any animal – reptile, bird, or mammal – is injured or sick, try to find medical care.

This can be difficult. You can call your veterinarian (to see if they work with wildlife) or call the Nature Center (259-8080). Appalachian Wildlife Refuge is a new organization in the area that is working to help facilitate the triage and care of injured and orphaned wildlife. They are working on having their facility in Candler ready to take in wildlife this spring and work with the great group of wildlife rehabilitators already busy in the WNC area. There is currently an email hotline that can help you reach a rehabilitator: wildlife@appalachianwild.org. You can also go to the website's found animal page for more advice at appalachianwild.org

I love living in a beautiful area filled with people who care about the environment and all her inhabitants. Please continue to enjoy the spring and watch for wildlife.

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“I have had a wonderful life, wonderful children and a wonderful birthday celebration.” These are the words this beautiful woman said over her pre-birthday cake on March 10. She played a favorite piece by memory on her cherished Steinway piano, reminisced through a collection of photos on her laptop, and had a “perfect day.” Two days later on March 12, she officially turned 97 and received an abundance of calls and cards from those whose lives she had touched. Sadly, six days later she died peacefully in her own bed in her own home as she had always wished. Peggy had four boys, David, Ken, Chris and Bob, all musicians of course, and two daughters (in law), Nancy and Sandie Rhodes.

She gave much of her energy, talent and time to make the world a more beautiful place. If it feels right, please do an act of kindness for a stranger in Peg’s memory. She would have liked that.

Later in spring, there will be a small celebration of her life well lived. To be informed, please email sandierhodes@att.net.



Fairview Baptist BBQ Dinner & Auction

Fairview Baptist Church will hold their annual Barbecue Dinner & Silent Auction on April 20 from 6-8 pm at 32 Church Road. Barbecue dinners are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children 12. No family will pay more than \$20.

Auction items will include antiques, gift baskets, restaurant dinners, and spa visits. Proceeds will go to community outreach missions. For more info or to order BBQ take out for dinner, call 628-2908 or 231-5035. Sponsors include Food Lion, Troyer’s Amish Store, The Local Joint, Fairview Chiropractic Center, Shear Illusions and Hot Dog King.

Local Coach Inspires Foundation

Donnie Wright, an A.C. Reynolds grad, a member of the Fairview Athletic Association, and a coach, had his life cut short by cancer. His daughter, Lisa Wright Cartwright of Greenville, NC, found a way to cope with her grief while helping others at the same time.

In Donnie’s honor, Lisa and four friends who also lost dads to cancer started Daughters for Dad. The foundation awards all monies raised to help Greenville-area families affected by cancer, through scholarships, paying for medical insurance, buying gas cards, and more. Lisa’s brother, Robbie, who owns Show Time Sports and Trophies in Fairview, makes and donates t-shirts for all of the sponsors.

To learn more or help support the foundation, visit sites.google.com/site/daughtersfordads3



Lisa Wright Cartwright (second from right) and four friends who also lost dads to cancer started Daughters for Dad.

Art League Seeks New Members

The Fairview Area Art League is seeking new members who are interested in the arts in the Fairview area and beyond. The mission of the league is to create opportunities to nurture, support, and showcase the talents of local artists, provide educational opportunities for new artists, and to contribute to community education about the arts. Annual membership fees are only \$25. Meetings are held monthly at the Fairview Library. For more info contact David Koll at 299-7867 or email southimage@bellsouth.net.

Self-actualization Meet Up

Living with Heart and Purpose is a group that encourages members to experience self-actualization, which is the state of being all that one can be. This free meeting is intended to provide guidance, training and support.

Members will also get access to a Facebook page and workshops (for an extra charge) to obtain ongoing assistance.

To learn more about this group, attend one of their next two meetings: Thursday, April 12 or 19, both from 6:30-7:30 pm. At The Hub, 1185-G Charlotte Highway, Fairview (just past The Local Joint).



MS Walk Fundraiser in Fletcher

On April 15, friends, loved ones and co-workers of those affected by Multiple Sclerosis (MS) will come together to walk and raise money and awareness for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

“Funds raised have a direct impact in this community, for example – our MS Navigator program. MS Navigators are highly-skilled, compassionate professionals available to connect each person affected by MS to the resources and information they need to live their best lives,” said Cyndi Zagieboylo, president and CEO of the National MS Society.

The walk is at Bill Moore Park (formerly Fletcher Park), 85 Howard Gap Rd, Fletcher. For more info, visit walkMS.org. Check-in is at 1 pm, and the walk starts at 2.



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Talk to Your Spouse About Your Retirement Vision

If you're single, your retirement goals are your own – you don't really have to consult with anybody, and you can change your plans whenever you like. However, if you're married, you and your spouse should develop a joint "vision" encompassing all the key areas of your retirement lifestyle. These are a few questions you may want to address first:

- **Where should we live?** Once you retire, you may need to consider two key aspects of your living situation: the size and location of your home. Regarding size, you may look around one day and realize you have more living space than you actually need. This is especially true, of course, if you have children who have set out on their own. So, if you have a large single-family house, you may want to consider whether you should move into a condominium or even an apartment, either of which might be more cost-effective for you.

As for location, you may decide that


retirement is the perfect time to move, either to seek a more favorable climate or to be near grown children and grandchildren. In any case, moving to a different area is a major financial decision, so you and your spouse will certainly want to discuss all the aspects of relocation.

- **Will either of us work?** Retirement no longer means the cessation of all work. You or your spouse – or perhaps you and your spouse – may want to use your skills and experience to do some consulting or even open your own business. Adding a source of earned income will almost certainly help your financial picture during retirement, but if either you or your spouse is planning to do some work, you will want to be sure this activity doesn't disrupt other plans that may be important to you, such as traveling. Also, any source of earned income during your retirement years may well affect important financial decisions, such as when to take Social Security and how much to withdraw each year from your retirement accounts, such as your IRA and 401(k). Again, it's essential that you and your spouse be on the same page about any type of employment during retirement.
- **How will we spend our time?** Aside from possibly doing some type of work during your retirement years, how else might you spend your time? Would you like to travel extensively? Or would you

You or your spouse – or perhaps you and your spouse – may want to use your skills and experience to do some consulting or even open your own business.

rather stick close to home and pursue your hobbies or volunteer? These don't have to be either-or decisions – hopefully, you'll be able to explore many pursuits during your retirement. Keep in mind, though, that there will be different costs for these various activities, so you and your spouse may need to prioritize your choices to ensure they fit in to your overall financial strategies.

As you can see, you and your spouse will have some key decisions about the financial aspects of your retirement. However, with some careful planning, you can make the moves that can help you work toward your common retirement vision.

 This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor, Stephen Herbert, contact 628-1546 or stephen.herbert@edwardjones.com.

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The Old Testament Story of Redemption and Politics

The North Carolina General Assembly will reconvene on May 16 for the "Short Session." It is designed primarily to update the budget once the income numbers come in after April 15. I hope all of the Town Crier readers will send their tax checks to Raleigh with cheerful hearts!

Since I am out of session, I wanted to get away from the policy debates and think about how the Scriptures treat politics, a topic that I find interesting. As I like to say, "politics are everywhere," from the family car trip discussion about which restaurant to eat at to whether the United States should go to war. Making group decisions is rarely an easy process. I have been a lifelong student of the Bible and find the knowledge there to be inspiring, practical and sometimes puzzling (just like real life!)

What were the politics in paradise? God created the heavens and the earth, and it was all good, perfect in every way. He created Adam, and then Eve (so Adam would not be lonely). Adam and Eve were tasked with taking care of His creation, and enjoying it. The politics in the Garden were simple. Love and perfect communication bound Adam, Eve and God in the ultimate harmonious relationship whereby every task was an act of worship, and full of joy and satisfaction. Heaven is the promise that this relationship will be restored.

But Satan in the guise of a Serpent

wanted to break that harmony, and convinced Eve that God was holding out on her; that her eyes would be opened to the knowledge of good and evil if she ate the forbidden fruit; that she would be "like God." So, she disobeyed Him, and broke her relationship with Him. Adam was convinced to do the same, and "all hell broke loose." Wanting to be "like God" is the ultimate human sin. Adam and Eve felt intense shame when God came looking for them "in the cool of the morning." And when you think about it, the knowledge of good and evil, and our inability to deal with that knowledge, is the source of our suffering in this world. Broken communication with God is also a condition of our current life.

The Biblical story is the long history of trying to regain favor with God, to find redemption in the midst of all the manifestations of sin: war, disease, famine, inhumanity and the rest. For Abraham and his descendants, it was also the pursuit of Yahweh, the one true God who demanded perfect righteousness while knowing that all humans were hopelessly ensnared in sin. But Abraham's faith was reckoned unto him as righteousness. He trusted God to lead him into the promised land, and he trusted God enough to take his beloved son Isaac to be sacrificed on the mountain.

Abraham's grandson Joseph ended up a powerful adviser to the Pharaoh in

Egypt after being almost murdered by his brothers. Eventually, famine drove the rest of his family to Egypt as well, where for hundreds of years the Israelites were slaves. The Pharaohs of Egypt claimed to be gods, which was a time-honored political power advantage for rulers in the ancient world. Those who followed Yahweh knew better than to put their faith in a pharaoh or the many other gods worshipped in Egypt. Indeed, much of the struggle for Abraham's descendants was remaining faithful to the One God in the midst of all of the other nations who seemed to prosper worshipping all manner of other gods.

The exodus from Egypt and the generational testing in the wilderness was a prelude to setting up a political structure in the Promised Land. The Ten Commandments were given to span the righteousness gap with God, and to bring order to the community. While the commandments failed to make the Chosen People righteous, it did point them to their need for redemption. And these commandments were given by Yahweh, not a pharaoh or king or emperor claiming to be divine and all powerful.

But the commandments also led to endless laws on top of laws. They became a web of oppression rather than a gateway to freedom. Jewish life, from Leviticus to the Pharisees, was bound up with devising the perfect legal system to restore mankind

morally. The sacrificial system was given also as a means to restoring righteousness, but even so became more of a ritual than a heartfelt atonement for sin. The prophets rose up to preach against the failure of sacrifice and the law.

The Israelites eventually sought redemption as a nation by demanding a king like the other nations. A king will make us powerful, they said. He will make us proud and will fend off our enemies. The Lord said to Samuel, "...it is not you they have rejected, but they have rejected me as their king. As they have done from the day I brought them out of Egypt until this day, forsaking me and serving other gods..." Saul was chosen king, in large part because he was a head taller than other men! The long line of kings ultimately failed to bring honor and glory to Israel, as the Scriptures point out in detail, and the nation collapsed in conquest and was exiled in Babylon.

Another time we might talk about the politics of the New Testament, a fascinating and instructive study. Once again, I strive to remain your servant in Raleigh, while working to make democracy work in our fallen world.



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Americare iPad Winner



Every year Americare celebrates its customers by offering some free services and a chance to win an iPad Mini. This year, Scott Garrison was the lucky winner. It pays to visit your local, independent pharmacy!

New Bakery Coming to Fairview

When Ruth & Ranshaw closed, an almost audible “Oh No!” was heard throughout the community. Moving trucks indicated a big change and a wooden sign indicating “Law Offices” took the place of the cupcake on the front lawn. Well, hope beyond hope... a bakery will rise like a phoenix to take over that iconic yellow building once again.

Rise Above Deli, located in Hillman Beer on Sweeten Creek Road, has purchased the building at 1207 Charlotte Highway and is in the planning stages of opening the Rise Above Bakehouse, hopefully by mid to late summer. What could be better? Fresh beautiful artisan breads with crispy crusts not seen in Fairview since Francois Manavit's Ze Oven! Plus pastries and coffee in a comfy setting. We can almost smell the bread baking already.



Rise Above Bakehouse will bring fresh-baked goodies like these back to the Ruth & Ranshaw building.

Seasonal Businesses Opening Soon

Hey, can you scream ice cream? Yes, Hilltop Ice Cream is opening for the season on April 16! They will be open Sunday–Thursday, 1–8 pm, Fridays 1–6 pm, and closed on Saturday. You can always get a container to go to carry you through Saturday night.

More happy news about another of our favorite seasonal businesses is Silas' Produce plans to open mid-April. We all drive up and down Charlotte Highway enough to notice the empty stands that have sat lonely throughout the winter. Keep a look out (as soon as it stops snowing) and you'll see the beautiful, fresh fruits and vegetables of spring and you'll know he's back in business for 2018.



Gelato Coming to Looking Glass Creamery

In our June 2017 issue, we detailed how Looking Glass Creamery (59 Noble Road) was expanding their production and building a new facility. One of the results of their growth is a partnership with Sugar & Snow Gelato, which is an Asheville-based company that makes gelato from scratch. Local sourcing and top-quality ingredients are important to Sugar & Snow's founder, Amy Pickett, so using milk from Looking Glass cows was a natural fit.

For Looking Glass, this type of cooperative arrangement is just what the company was looking. “We are looking to grow our cheesemaking business but also find new opportunities ... such as making custom dairy products like gelato base for Sugar & Snow or private label for destination companies that would like to offer a signature cheese to their guests and visitors,” said co-owner Jennifer Perkins.

The good news for all of us is that Looking Glass will soon be offering the gelato in the expanded retail shop in Fairview.

BUSINESS SHORTS

First Bank has made a virtually seamless transition since taking over **Asheville Savings Bank**. If you need information or assistance, stop by and talk with Liz or Maureen, who are there to help you as always.

Maggi Zadek has over 40 years as a psychotherapist, most recently as a therapist on call. She is launching a new business, The Center for Change, in the next few weeks and will be holding workshops for couple therapy, anger management and other issues in the coming months. Take a peek at what she will offer at thecenterforchange.net (work in progress).

Spring is definitely in the air because **New Moon Marketplace** is starting up their outdoor flea markets again. The kickoff is April 21st to coincide with the Sale on the Trail which starts in Fairview at New Moon and continues up to Gerton and the Gerton Community Center, over and down the mountain into Lake Lure. Tables at New Moon Marketplace are only \$10. Just show up with your a table, \$10 and your stuff at 1508 Charlotte Hwy or call 222-2289 for information.

And in other New Moon news, Fairview has another notary now... congratulations to New Moon co-owner Amy Spedden on slogging through the new regulations and passing her test to be a certified Notary Public. If you need her services, call the shop to see if Amy is in or call 222-2289 to make an appointment. You can also text Amy directly at 828 551-7632 if time is of the essence.

Rumor has it that the **Visual Eyes** building has been sold and a “major retailer” will be taking over that space. Hmmm... myth or truth? We'll have to wait and see.

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April Member Meeting

The next meeting will be hosted by Dr. Michael Trayford, a *Town Crier* columnist, on Monday, April 9, 6 pm at Apex Brain Center. Dr. Trayford opened Apex to help people “Build a Better Brain to Live a Better Life!” The center offers high-frequency brain training programs based on the concept of neuroplasticity, which is the brain’s ability to change and grow over time.

Dr. Trayford’s practice has helped many people to train their brains to improve and enhance memory, testing, and comprehension; attention, focus, and concentration; athletic, academic and artistic performance; and also brain function with

regard to neurological disorders.

Bring a snack or beverage to share after the meeting for the social networking time and tour of the facilities. Apex Brain Center is located at 2 Walden Ridge Drive, #80, Asheville (just off of Hendersonville Road a block south of Mills Gap Road intersection.)

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The February meeting was held at Hickory Nut Gap Farm. Attendees got a tour of the old barn.

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Endurance Riding: A Local Horse and Rider Make a Championship Team

My wife, Bonni Hannah, a teacher at Cane Creek Middle School, had been riding horses for 15 years. About 13 years ago she volunteered for the Biltmore Endurance Ride. If you're unfamiliar, Endurance Riding is a sport in which competitors (horses and riders) complete long-distance rides in one day – from 30 to 100 miles.

Endurance horses need specialized training and care. The horses must be able to lead, follow, be left behind and leave others behind. They also must learn to camp, eat and drink in camp and on the trail. Proper conditioning is paramount: speed rides, hill rides, stretching exercises. For longer rides, it is important for horses to alternate muscles and have proper carriage. Rest, as with any athlete, is important as well. A knowledgeable veterinarian and farrier (a craftsman who trims and shoes horse hooves) are part of the team, and a specialized diet, regular shoeing and immunizations are critical.

At her first event as a volunteer, Bonni was hooked. She loved the diversity of the competitors. People arrived with living-quarters trailers and fancy trucks. Others brought horses in tagalongs and camped in tents. Some competitors were experienced and fit; others were newbies just wanting to finish the ride. She loved how competitors cared for their mounts and knew them inside and out. She felt she could learn a lot more about horses by taking part in this sport.

The first step was to find an Arabian, as these horses are the most successful at Endurance Rides. Raz was her first Endurance mount. After packing her tagalong and tent, she headed for her first race. Our two boys and I served as crew, lugging water, organizing feed, and offering support. Endurance can be a family affair.

During the race she got separated from Raz, but she caught him and finished the ride. She finished 50th out of 50 riders. It is the Endurance way! They became a good team, learned a lot together, and won quite a few races.



2017 Champions: Bonni and FinderZkeepers

In 2011 she bought an Arabian from Cre Run, a racing facility in Doswell, Virginia. FinderZkeepers was only 14 hands 3 inches. He had never raced, because of his size, but he was forward and saddle broke. Bonni took riding lessons to improve her riding skills and to teach FinderZkeepers collection and lead changes. He is brave and learned these skills quickly.

It is important to compete with a slower time when starting a horse, in order to build a solid base. This leads to a longer Endurance career for a horse. In the middle of FinderZkeeper's third year of competing, Bonni started letting him take a faster pace at races.

Crew members are an invaluable aspect of Endurance riding. First and foremost, you must think of the horse. At each checkpoint, crew must help strip tack (i.e., remove all horse riding equipment), cool the horse with water, provide assistance during the check-in, and then provide feed and help re-tack the horse. Crew members must also attend to the needs of the rider. Does the rider need food or water? What does she need for the horse or herself on the next loop? It is a total team effort – horse, rider, and crew.

In 2017, in his seventh year of competition, FinderZkeepers was awarded first place out of 800 competitors in the Southeast in the American Endurance Ride Conference. He completed 37 out of the 39 rides he entered in those seven years. He has won 16 rides and has been awarded 5 Best Condition Awards. At the 2017 Biltmore Endurance Challenge, FinderZkeepers won the 100-mile ride and Best Condition award.

Bonni has other goals she wants to accomplish. She wants to obtain the Decade Award, which is given to every horse that competes for 10 consecutive years. It shows that the horse has been well cared for. And



On the trail. Thanks and credit to Becky Pearman for many of these photos.



A good crew is invaluable.

she wants to inspire others to pursue their passions, no matter their age. She bought her first horse at age 39. It's never too late to start!

She also wants to thank Fairview neighbors Tom and Barbara Trombatore, Annie

Ager, Susan Bost, Mark and Jennifer Puterski, and Karen Kowalski who allow her to ride across their land.

For more info on Endurance Riding, go to AERC.org.

Organic Management of Garden Pests in Fairview

Each year we get many questions about what materials, fertilizers and sprays we use, so I thought I start by sharing our methods for managing our most prominent pests just as the season gets under way.

In addition to the following, we are always practicing Integrated Pest Management (IPM) principles such as crop rotation, use of resistant varieties, cultural controls, monitoring, barriers, traps, attracting beneficial insects, and more.

Flea Beetles, Squash Bugs and Stinkbugs

Our No. 1 defense is a fabric known as Proteknet that can be purchased from Johnny's Selected Seeds in smaller quantities and from Dubois Agrinovation in larger quantities. Note: It must be removed from fruiting crops once flowers form but it keeps out all pest insects until that point. It lasts 3 to 5 years; wind doesn't blow it around; you can water and see through it; and it keeps out insects as small as flea beetles (the ones that make lots of "shotgun holes" in your crop leaves, especially turnips, eggplant and anything in the cabbage family.)

Once the fabric is removed we use Pyganic, a pyrethrum derivative, and sometimes add Surround, a kaolin clay that is diluted and sprayed on plants, making them less hospitable to pests. Both can be purchased locally from 5th Season on South Tunnel Road in Asheville.

Our garden manager had almost no flea beetle damage on her home eggplant one year (unheard of!) when they were grown inside a metal-lined cold frame. That gave us the idea of using metallic-colored plastic



Our No. 1 defense against flea beetles, squash bugs and stinkbugs is a fabric known as Proteknet

mulch, which gave only mixed results.

Many organic growers grow and then destroy trap crops. These are crops that are grown outside the boundaries of the garden or farm that are extremely attractive to the pest you are targeting. Once these small patches are covered in pests, they are destroyed before producing another generation. The most common way they're destroyed is by "flaming," a method also used for weeding thread-stage weeds. Small flame weeder setups can now be found at Lowe's.

Striped and Spotted Cucumber Beetles

Most organic growers in WNC continually replant cucumbers throughout the year because these pests are so hard to control. They physically damage crops, but they also carry bacterial wilt that decimates both



Spotted cucumber beetle

plants and fruit.

First, we encourage beneficials such as wolf spiders and ground beetles (good beetles) that feast on cucumber beetles. We do this by intentionally planting herbs, flowers and bushes within the garden (part of IPM).

We've tried using yellow sticky traps but wind tends to blow so much chaff onto them that they quickly become useless.

We start with transplants and cover with Proteknet (you can also use floating row cover, which is available locally) until cucumbers flower, and we've begun trialing more bush varieties, which are easier to cover.

There are no organic products that completely control these pests but using Surround (kaolin clay) together with either a product with pyrethrum or spinosad (found in Monterey Garden Insect Spray, among others) does help. We mix them together and spray weekly and after a hard rain.

We are always on the lookout for new varieties resistant to cucumber beetles and the resulting bacterial wilt.

Caterpillars (cutworm, corn ear worm, cabbage loopers, cabbage worms)

Bacillus thuringiensis. Say what? Bt, the shorthand version of its name, is a bacteria that's harmless to humans but makes caterpillars quickly stop eating and die. We prefer the liquid to the powder form, and it's often available locally in most stores that carry garden supplies. You should use Bt within a year of purchase, as the live bacteria will not be as viable the second year.

We do not use Bt on tomato or tobacco hornworms for two reasons: first, we can easily handpick; and second, many times these caterpillars have white cocoons on their backs, which are beneficial predatory wasps (too small to hurt humans). We want these wasps to hatch and live in the garden. Once we see the cocoons, the caterpillars are no longer eating so it's safe to leave their caterpillar hosts.

Mammals

When our garden manager's dog Ace patrolled the grounds in our early years, we had nary a mammal bothering our crops – except for the time someone's piglet ran through the garden. When Ace passed away, the word got out. Now we have rabbits, squirrels, dogs, cats and deer. So what do we use?

Again, Proteknet! While the spray repellents work, they stink and you have to keep applying them often. Proteknet is installed immediately and secured to the ground with ground staples or sandbags. It really does the trick.

We're still working on voles. We hope to get an Eagle Scout to build some vole traps for us. In the meantime we use solar-powered sonic devices and organically approved graduals made of castor that deter them.

Local sources for organic controls include 5th Season, Ag Care in Candler, and Villagers in West Asheville. Call first to see if they have what you need.

Susan Sides is Executive Director of The Lord's Acre, www.thelordsacre.org, susan@thelordsacre.org

Spring Fling Plant Sale

The Buncombe County Extension Master Gardener Program volunteers, in partnership with the Asheville Blue Ridge Rose Society, will host the Spring Fling Plant Sale on Saturday, May 12, 10 am–2 pm. The sale will be held in the parking lot of the American Red Cross, 100 Edgewood Road, Asheville. The sale will be held rain or shine.

A variety of unique roses, perennials and native plants will be available, as well as garden accessories. Extension Master Gardener volunteers and Asheville Blue Ridge Rose Society members will be on hand to help in choosing the "right plant for the right place." They can answer questions about selection and care of the best plants for your garden.

Other Master Gardener Events

Raised Beds from A to Z

April 14, 10 am–12 pm

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Planting for Pollinators

April 19, 10 am–12 pm

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Backyard Composting Demo

April 14 & 28, 10 am–1 pm

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For more information, visit buncombemastergardener.org or call 255-5522.

TLA Board Members Wanted

The Lord's Acre is growing and is are looking for new board leaders. Now in its 10th growing season, The Lord's Acre continues to inspire new ways of working in the community and increasing food access. The Lord's Acre was founded on a strong value of community and building community, and the board of directors plays an essential. If you're interested in learning more about applying for or being on the board, contact Vanessa Champlin at vanessa@thelordsacre.org.

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EVENT SPACE

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NOTICES

NEED A CPA?

BOB WILLIAMSON, AN EXPERIENCED ACCOUNTANT (CPA) with local Fairview references, will hold a "meet and greet" at The Hub meeting room on Saturday, April 7, 2:30–5:30 pm. Bob can help with filing an extension, filing taxes for 2017, or unraveling a mess from past years. Bob has experience with individual, joint, corporate and non-profit returns. Call 628-1422 or email thehuboffairview@gmail.com for an appointment. To speak with Bob directly, call 828-338-0314.

NEW SONS OF CONFEDERATE

VETERANS CAMP (Cane Creek Rifles) meeting at Fletcher Fire Department, Tuesday, April 3 at 7 pm. Find out about your Confederate ancestors and southern heritage. For more information, call 628-1376.

PERRY JAMES, CPA IS NO LONGER IN BUSINESS at 1185 Charlotte Highway, Fairview, NC 28730. His cell phone number is 828 768-0262. All client files have been removed by Mr. James and/or his representatives. Some client files were discarded by Mr. James but secured and later picked up by a representative of the NC Board of CPAs. The Board office is located at 1101 Oberlin Road, Suite 104, Raleigh, NC 27605-1169. The mailing address is PO Box 12827, Raleigh, NC 27605-2827. The Board's main phone number is (919) 733-4222. The main fax number is (919) 733-4209. The Town Crier was shown a notice from the NC Board of CPAs indicating that Mr. James' license has been suspended pending a future hearing (date TBD). Anyone concerned with past filings or current situation with regard to penalties, etc. with the IRS should call the IRS Hotline at 800-829-1040 for individuals or 800-829-4933 for businesses. There is a local Asheville IRS office located at 151 Patton Avenue in downtown Asheville. An appointment is required. Call 828-271-4764.

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Eighth page	\$99	\$116	\$128
Business card	\$65	\$75	\$80

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WEST IN COUNTY! Need lots of space? 3 BR, 3.5 bath, brick, private 2+ acres, HOME WARRANTY, fam rm, 2 FPs, bonus rm, cov front deck, patio, 3-car gar on main, add'l gar in bsmt, *MLS#3336635, \$544,900!*



LEICESTER! Spacious 3 BR/3 bath home on 3.94 acres, sunroom, bonus rm, HOME WARRANTY, 2-car gar, + detached 2-car gar, 2nd kitch in bsmt. Includes 3 BR/2 bath doublewide, *MLS#3366984, \$475,000!*



FAIRVIEW! 4.78 flat acres on Cane Creek Rd in the heart of Cane Creek Valley, property is not in the flood zone, has a well & septic tank - buyer to verify, 330 ft of road frontage, *MLS#3296048, \$425,000!*



NORTHWEST IN COUNTY! Spacious 4BR home, 2.5 bath on 1.55 acres, full BSMT (partially finished), 2-car gar, deck, HOME WARRANTY, no-maint siding, security sys, LR w/gas FP, *MLS#3263712, \$359,900!*



RICEVILLE! Immaculate brick home on level .84-acre lot, 3 BR, 2.5 baths, full unfinished bsmt, wonderful kitch w/dual ovens, den w/FP, heated sunroom, HOME WARRANTY, *MLS#3324002, \$339,000!*



WEST! 3 BR/2.5 bath, 1.5-story home, master on main, FP in spacious living room, den in bsmt, cov front porch & rear decks, quiet subdivision close to schools, *MLS#3342836, \$264,000!*



SOUTH ROYAL PINES! Charming 2 BR/2 bath on level .32 acre lot, lg living room w/rock FP, updated kitch w/bfast bar, HOME WARRANTY, huge patio, fenced bkyrd, outbldg, conv location, *MLS#3341756, \$215,000!*



OAKLEY! 3 BR 2 bath manufactured home, FP, vaulted ceilings, includes detached older home that needs total renovation, detached garage, fenced-in yard, convenient location, *MLS#3346271, \$157,000!*

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Winding Way	Pending in 34 days
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Blalock Ave	Pending in 35 days
Campground Rd	Pending in 4 days
Oregon Ave	Pending in 1 day
Mitchell Ave	Pending in 2 days
Mtn. Meadow Circle	Pending in 8 days
Rotunda Circle	Pending in 28 days
Fairfax Ave	Pending in 7 days
Liberty Rd	Pending in 39 days
Melody Ln	Pending in 29 days
Richmond Ave	Pending in 3 days
Lakewood Dr	Pending in 7 days



SOUTH! Wonderfully private 9.54 acres in Hoopers Creek, close to AVL & Hendersonville, wooded, quiet, cascading creek w/waterfalls. Surveyed into 4 lots or suitable for mini estate, *MLS#33186397, \$137,000!*