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Local Holiday Cheer!

There is lots of Christmas spirit in Fairview this year! Local churches, community organizations, and businesses have gone all out to make this a most memorable holiday season.

There is so much to choose from, so let the *Crier* help you decide. In our calendar section, starting on page 2, you'll find all the local holiday events listed in red. There are a lot—including two opportunities to get Santa pictures with your pet! On page 22, you'll find a listing of Christmas services at local churches.

One special event is Fairview Baptist Church's "Home for the Holidays," a musical drama to support and care for the troops, on Sunday, December 2 (two shows). All proceeds go to the Wounded Warrior Project. See their ad on page 8 for more information.

*Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays
to all our friends and neighbors!*



FESTIVE FAIRVIEW FRIDAY

DECEMBER 7, 2018

Enjoy some of Fairview's local business hospitality on Friday, December 7, when five local shops will be brimming with holiday cheer and great gifts! **See page 9**

CELEBRATE THE SEASON WITH SANTA

Saturday, December 1 8:30–10 am

Breakfast with Santa

Fairview Community Center
1357 Charlotte Highway, Fairview

Pancake breakfast, crafts for kids, and, of course, a visit from Santa Claus himself. All activities and food are free.

Saturday, December 8 11 am–4 pm

Holiday Market with Santa

Hickory Nut Gap Farm
57 Sugar Hollow Road, Fairview

In addition to a visit from Santa, enjoy a holiday market, with local crafters, makers, and free snacks and drinks.

Saturday, December 15 9–11 am

Christmas Brunch with Santa

Spring Mountain Community Center
807 Old Fort Road, Fairview

Enjoy a Christmas brunch with music by the Berry Pickers and a visit from Santa. Bring a covered dish and meet your neighbors!

Is getting the Town Crier in your mailbox each month worth one of these?



You may not know this but *The Fairview Town Crier* is a nonprofit newspaper, formed in 1997 to bring news to the community and to provide a means of communicating news from charitable, educational, community, and religious organizations. Our nonprofit postal permit makes it affordable enough for us to mail free to every household in Fairview, Gerton, most of Reynolds and part of Fletcher. In order to maintain our status, we must receive a portion of our revenue from public support. Additionally, we have had two printing increases this year as the cost of paper has risen. While advertising covers the majority of our costs, we still need you, our readers, to help. If only 5 percent of our readers donated \$20 each, we'd be set for the year. If you can afford to send a \$20 donation, please consider doing so. We are a 501(3)c and your donation is tax-deductible. We appreciate you very much and wish everyone a peaceful and joyful Christmas and holiday season.

Mail to Town Crier, PO Box 1862, Fairview, NC 28730, drop off at our office at 1185-G Charlotte Highway, or donate online at fairviewtowncrier.com.

The Fairview Town Crier and The Hub will be closed from December 24 to January 1. Happy New Year and we'll see you in 2019!

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NEXT CRIER LABELING DATE

JANUARY 4, 2019 (10:30 AM) at the main Fairview Fire Station.
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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Christmas and holiday events are in red.

Spring Mountain Community Ctr.

Community Leadership Meeting: Usually first Tuesday, 6:30 pm.
Quilting Bee: Meets every second Tuesday, 10 am–2 pm. Call 628-7900 or 628-1938. **Berrypickers' Jam:** Tuesdays at 7 pm. **Slow Flow & Yin Yoga with Anna:** Mondays, 8:30–9:45 am. \$5–10 suggested. **Yoga with Sabrina:** Thursdays 6:15–7:30 pm. \$5–10 suggested. 807 Old Fort Rd. springmountaincc.com

DECEMBER 1–DECEMBER 23

Lake Julian Festival of Lights

5:30–9 pm. The Lake Julian Festival of Lights will operate nightly for a drive-through experience. Vehicle entry is \$10 per passenger vehicle and \$20 for large vans, motor coaches, and buses. (Walking tour only is \$5 per person.) Advance tickets may be purchased for \$8 per passenger vehicle and \$14 for large vans, motor coaches, and buses. Advance tickets can be purchased online at lakejulianfestivaloflights.com. 406 Overlook Extension, Arden.

DECEMBER 2 (SUNDAY)

"Home for Christmas" at Fairview Baptist

3 pm and 6 pm. A musical drama to support and care for the troops. See ad on page 8 for more information. 32 Church Rd., Fairview.

DECEMBER 3 (MONDAY)

FBA Holiday Party

6–9:30 pm. Heavy appetizers catered by Chef Chris Sizemore of The Local Joint, with vegetarian and gluten-free options available. Members are asked to bring a dessert (preferably home-made). Ticket price for members is \$15, which includes 2 tickets (member and spouse/guest) and 1 drink ticket. Highland Brewery, 12 Old Charlotte Hwy., Asheville.

Christmas Greenery Workshop at UHNGCC

10 am. Come help prepare the seasonal bows that decorate street signs in Gerton and help decorate the clubhouse for the season. UHNG Community Club, 4730 Gerton Hwy., Gerton.

DECEMBER 4 (TUESDAY)

Peter Sellers Film Series

6 pm. "Being There" (1979), the last in a four-part series at the Fairview

Public Library. See the library section on page 7 for more information.

Health Education Seminar

Learn how to lower and improve blood pressure and lower blood sugar, and sample some products. Sign up at Americare Pharmacy or call 628-3121. Seminar is held at The Hub, 1186G Charlotte Hwy., Fairview.

Local Democratic Party Meeting

6:30–8 pm. A meeting of the Fairview/Reynolds cluster will discuss organizing efforts. For more information, email denise.marecki@gmail.com. The Hub, 1185G Charlotte Hwy., Fairview.

Knee Replacement Talk

5:30–6:30 pm. Find out about eliminating drugs from your life and avoiding surgery with a lengthy recovery. Free, with dinner, but you must reserve. Call Fairview Chiropractic Center at 628-7800. Gondolier, 1360 Tunnel Rd., Asheville.

Sons of Confederate Vets Mtg.

7 pm. The Cane Creek Rifles meet at Fletcher Fire Department, 49 East Fanning Bridge Rd., Fletcher. 230-6523.

Prostate Cancer Support Forum

7 pm. Us TOO of WNC. 5 Oak St., Asheville. Call 242-8410 or email wncprostate@gmail.com.

DECEMBER 5 (WEDNESDAY)

At the Hub: Ladies Night Out

5:30–7:30 pm. Clean Beauty, Sample & Sip (BYO Wine Night). Relax and learn how to make self-care practices safer. See page 26 for more information. At The Hub of Fairview. 1185 Charlotte Hwy., Suite G, Fairview.

Sciatica Seminar

5:30–6:30 pm. Learn about new treatments and technologies that may help you avoid back surgery and eliminate the need for drugs. Free, with dinner, but you must reserve. Call Fairview Chiropractic Center at 628-7800. Ryan's, 1000 Brevard Rd., Asheville.

DECEMBER 6, 13 & 20

Brother Wolf Photos with Santa

5–8 pm. Visit Santa with your pet and receive two free photos and a digital download. Dogs and cats only. Suggested donations of \$5 to benefit Brother Wolf. Food court at the Asheville Outlets, 800 Brevard Rd., Asheville.

DECEMBER 6 (THURSDAY)

Christmas Fundraiser & Auction for the Chamber of HNG

6 pm. Annual fundraiser with many items available for silent auction. \$45



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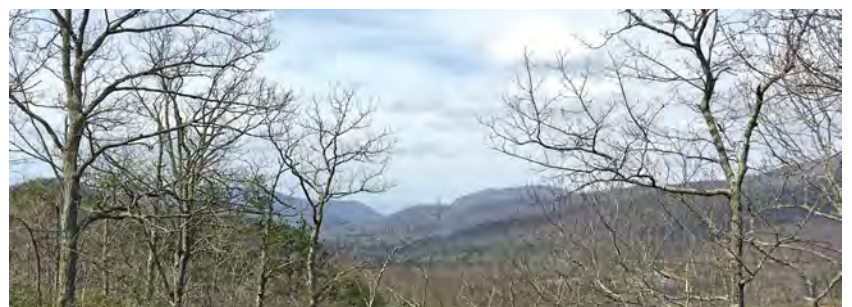
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COMMUNITY EVENTS

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Neuropathy Treatment Seminar

5:30–6:30 pm. Learn about the causes, diagnosis, and treatment of peripheral neuropathy. Free, with dinner, but you must reserve. Call Fairview Chiropractic Center at 628-7800. Ryan's, 1000 Brevard Rd., Asheville.

DECEMBER 7 (FRIDAY)

Festive Fairview Friday

Enjoy some of Fairview's local business hospitality when five local shops will be brimming with holiday cheer and great gifts! See page 9 for more information.

DECEMBER 8 (SATURDAY)

Cane Creek Middle School Holiday Artisans and Vendor Fair

10 am–4 pm. Annual fundraiser for mini-grants that award teachers cash amounts to purchase special project supplies, curriculum, special supplies, etc. Manufactured items will be allowed for sale this year. 100% of funds raised benefit Cane Creek students. For information, call Cynthia Moses at 333-8287. CCMS cafeteria, 570 Lower Brush Creek Rd. (entrance on Lower Brush Creek Rd.).

RAD South Holiday Market

10 am–8 pm. 310 Art, which is owned by Fairview resident Fleta Monaghan, will host a holiday market with more than 50 artists, a scavenger hunt, workshops, open studios, refreshments, and plenty of shopping. 191 Lyman St., #310, Asheville.

Humane Society Fundraiser

12 pm–4 pm. A fundraiser for the Asheville Humane Society will include a pet costume party with prizes and pet photos with Santa (\$10 per image, minimum of three) with 10% of proceeds going to the society. Catawba also will be donating \$1 for each pint of Zombie White Ale. Catawba Brewing, 32 Banks Ave, #105, Asheville.

Pet Costume and Santa Photos to Benefit Humane Society

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Don't Go Nuts—Get Nuts!

The Garren Creek Fire Department Auxiliary is selling nuts again. Purchase pecans (halves and pieces) and black walnuts in one-pound bags for \$12 each. (Exact change greatly appreciated—or donate the change to the FD!) They're great for holiday baking and healthy snacks. Call Elizabeth Simmonds at 669-2846 or 230-3986 or purchase (check or cash) at The Hub/Town Crier office, 1185G Charlotte Hwy.



DECEMBER 9 (SUNDAY)

Christmas Cantata

10 am. Fairview Christian Fellowship will celebrate the Christmas season by presenting the cantata "Again We Tell the Story" during their regular worship service. The cantata runs 30 minutes. It is co-directed by Jan Harper and Becky Stone with costumes by Barbara Trombatore.

Children's Choir Christmas Program

Two programs, at 9:15 am and 10:45 am. Trinity of Fairview. 646 Concord Rd., Fletcher.

DECEMBER 11 (TUESDAY)

Neuropathic Pain Relief Seminar

5:15–6 pm. You may be able to find relief from shooting or burning nerve

pain through new technologies. Call Fairview Chiropractic Center at 628-7800. 2 Fairview Hills Dr., Fairview.

DECEMBER 13 (THURSDAY)

Welcome Table

11:30 am–1 pm. A free community lunch served to anyone in the area seeking food, fellowship and community. *The meal will only be served once a month until more volunteers are available.* 596 Old US Hwy 74, Fairview.

Frozen Shoulder Seminar

5:15–6 pm. Learn about the causes of frozen shoulder problems, DIY treatments, and professional help. Free, but you must reserve. Call 628-7800. Fairview Chiropractic Center, 2 Fairview Hills Dr., Fairview.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS



DECEMBER 14 (FRIDAY)

Kids Preschool Christmas Program

11 am. Trinity of Fairview. 646 Concord Rd., Fletcher.

Fairview Preschool Christmas Show

10 am. The community is invited to the school's Christmas Program. The children will perform a Christmas play, sing, and play the handbells. 596 US Highway 74, Fairview.

DECEMBER 15 (SATURDAY)

Joy to the World 5K

10 am. Sponsored by Trinity of Fairview Students. Fletcher Park, 85 Howard Gap Rd., Fletcher. Visit JoytotheWorld5K.com to register and get more information.

At the Hub: Make a Wire-Wrapped Ornament

12-2 pm. Join Bean's Bonsai for an ornament-making class. See page 26

for more information. At The Hub of Fairview. 1185 Charlotte Hwy., Suite G, Fairview.

DECEMBER 16 (SUNDAY)

At the Hub: Hands-On Bookbinding Class

5:30-7:30 pm. Learn the art of Coptic Stitch bookbinding. See page 26 for more information. At The Hub of Fairview. 1185G Charlotte Hwy., Fairview.

Worship Ministries Christmas Program

9:15 am and 10:45 am. Trinity of Fairview. 646 Concord Rd., Fletcher

Celebration Singers Holiday Musical

4 pm. The Celebration Singers of Asheville, a nonprofit musical education program serving singers grades 2 through high school, will be performing "Yes, Virginia," a holiday musical. Kids are admitted for free, and suggested adult donations are \$10. For more information, visit singasheville.org or call 230-5778. 20 Oak St., Asheville.

Christmas Caroling & Soup Supper

5 pm. Fairview Baptist Church, 32 Church Rd., Fairview.

Ethical Humanist Society's Winter Festival

2-4:30 pm. Presentation followed by a potluck meal. 227 Edgewood Rd., Asheville. For more information, please visit EHSAsheville.org or call 687-7759.

DECEMBER 18 (TUESDAY)

Covered Dish & Christmas Party at UHNGCC

6:30 pm. Bring a \$5 gift to share with another attendee. Join in the holiday songs and participate in our fun 12 Days of Christmas celebratory singing. Upper Hickory Nut Gorge Community Club, 4730 Gerton Hwy., Gerton.

Library Book Club

7 pm. The group will discuss this month's selection, *Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine*. See page 7 for more information. Fairview Public Library, 1 Taylor Rd., Fairview.

Knee Replacement Seminar

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

DECEMBER 19 (WEDNESDAY)

Trinity Christmas Meal

7 pm. Trinity of Fairview. 646 Concord Rd., Fletcher.

DECEMBER 23 (SUNDAY)

Holly Jolly Bake Sale & Silent Cake Auction

7 pm. Trinity of Fairview. 646 Concord Rd., Fletcher.

JANUARY 4 (FRIDAY)

Town Crier Labeling

10:30 am. Meet other people from the community and help us get the next issue of the *Fairview Town Crier* into the mail!

SAVE THE DATE

JANUARY 12

Yard Sale & Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser for FES Destination Imagination Teams

All proceeds will go to benefit the Destination Imagination teams at Fairview Elementary. To rent a space for \$10, email fairviewelementary.di@gmail.com. Fairview Community Center, 1357 Charlotte Highway, Fairview.

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Vendors Fill Fairview Community Center for Annual Craft & Gift Fair



Credit: Andrew Dundas

Last month, on November 10, crafters gathered at the Fairview Community Center to sell their wares at the 15th Annual Fairview Craft & Gift Fair. For sale were baskets, candles, knitting, cutting boards, jewelry, pottery, photography, honey, and more.

You can see more photos on our Facebook page (all by Andrew Dundas). And if you missed it this year, be sure to mark your calendars for next year's show so you can pick up lots of goodies from local and other vendors.

The community center is at 1357 Charlotte Highway, next to Fairview Elementary School. You can contact the FCC at 338-9005.

FOOD FOR FAIRVIEW JEFF COLE

Help Food for Fairview Help Others

During the month of December, Food for Fairview, in conjunction with The Hub, will be holding a food drive for the pantry. Inside The Hub's location, at 1185-G Charlotte Highway in Fairview, will be our collection wagon and a donation barrel. With a donation of five or more items, the person donating will receive a coupon to be used at The Hub.

We especially appreciate items not usually associated with a food pantry, such as personal care items that we must purchase at retail prices such as shampoo, bars of soap, packages of toilet paper, toothpaste, and diapers in any and all sizes. Food and staple items, such as canned fruit and vegetables, kids' cereal, canned tuna and meats, mac and cheese,

pasta, and white and/or brown rice are always valuable donations as well.

Thanksgiving Meals

The Monday before Thanksgiving, Food for Fairview handed out turkeys and fixings for a holiday meal to almost 100 families who signed up in October. The fixings included a vegetable, the items for a green bean casserole, dressing, mashed potatoes mix, and a gravy mix. Our goal was that every family in Fairview that wanted a holiday meal would be able to have one.

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

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SCIATICA WARNING

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Sciatica is commonly caused by compression of the sciatic nerve in the low back often causing weakness, pain, numbness, and tingling down one or both legs. As you see in the illustration, the nerves become damaged in the lower spine. Your doctor may have told you have to live with it, try drugs, injections or surgery, which may not help. There is now a facility right here that offers you hope without taking endless drugs, injections or having surgery. (See the special sciatica severity examination at the end of this article.) The amount of treatment needed to allow the nerves to fully recover varies from person to person and can only be determined after a detailed neurological orthopedic evaluation. As long as you have not lost reflexes or significant strength, your condition can be treated.

In order to effectively treat your sciatica three factors must be determined.

1. What is the underlying cause?
2. How much sciatica nerve damage has been sustained?
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3. How much treatment will your condition require?

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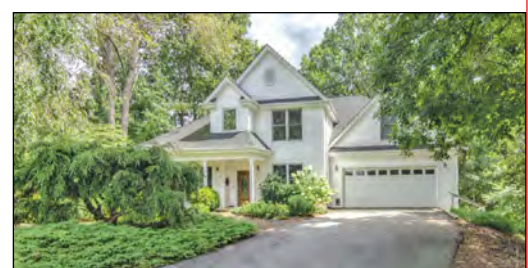
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Holiday Giving Tree

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EVENTS



Peter Sellers Film Series

December 4 at 6 pm

Being There (1979)

2 hours 10 minutes, Rated PG

"Being There" is the last in a four-part series exploring the life

and career of Peter Sellers. The film will be introduced by James Rosario (thedailyorca.com), who will lead a discussion after.

Book Club

December 18 at 7 pm

Fairview Evening Book Club will be reading and discussing *Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeyman.

No sign up or registration is required to join the book club, and new members are always welcome.

Future Book Club Dates and Titles

January 15 – *The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down*, Anne Fadiman

February 19 – *Homegoing*, Yaa Gyasi

March 19 – *The Wife*, Meg Wolitzer

April 16 – *Hour of the Land*, Terry Tempest Williams

FOR THE COMMUNITY

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. The databases highlighted are available to library cardholders every month, not just the month they are featured.

Proust Central's Publications database is December's database of the month. This is where you can find full-text articles of newspaper publications from around the country, including the *Asheville Citizen-Times*, *New York Times* and *USA Today*. You can also find international publications, including the *London Daily Mail*, *China*

Holiday Giving Tree Gift Wrapping Event

Tuesday, December 11, 4 pm

The Friends of the Library will be wrapping the books from our Holiday Giving Tree. Why not volunteer to join us? Hot cocoa and holiday cheer provided. Contact Jaime McDowell at 250-6484 for more information.



IMAGE: COD NEWSROOM

Daily, and *El Universal* from Mexico.

You can access this database from any computer at any time with your library card. Just go to NClive.org and type ProQuest Central into the search bar.

Book Suggestion

Read any good books lately? We have! Check out *Where'd You Go, Bernadette?* by Maria Semple.

When her notorious, hilarious, volatile, talented, troubled, and agoraphobic mother goes missing, teenaged Bee begins a trip that takes her to the ends of the earth to find her. This delightful book is written for adults, but has huge crossover appeal for young adults. 4 stars!

FOR KIDS

Heroes Unlimited Role Playing Game (Middle & High Schoolers)

December 5 at 4 pm

Join us for another session of Heroes Unlimited. A team of heroes is being assembled. Do you have what it takes to

defend the planet from the forces of evil? Find out December 5 at 4 pm when we battle villains and save the day.

Role-playing games are a great way to cultivate creativity, encourage teamwork and cooperation, and teach problem solving skills. They're also a lot of fun!

No experience necessary. Snacks and supplies provided. Space is limited. Stop by or call the library to guarantee your spot. Grades 6-12 welcome.

Regular Kids Programming

Baby Storytime: Tuesdays, 11 am

Toddler Storytime: Wednesdays, 11 am

Preschool Storytime: Thursdays, 11 am

LEGO Club: First Friday, 3:30 pm

Jaime McDowell is the head librarian at Fairview Public Library.

Holiday Closings

The library will be closed December 24-December 26 for Christmas and January 1 for New Year's Day.



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Fairview's Been Wet, But Will It Be White?

To determine if we'll have a white Christmas, we have to take a look at the historical record. These snowfall numbers and percentages are based on the records taken at the Asheville Airport and, before that, at the old Asheville city office, which was in the Grove Arcade building. The probabilities for the Fairview area may be a couple of percentage points higher, but generally it will be very close.

In looking over the data, the percentage chance of seeing at least a trace or a few flakes of snow on Christmas day is about 26 percent. This is based on the daily snowfall records that go back continuously to 1888. There has been at least a trace of snow reported on 34 separate occasions

on Christmas day. The largest snowfall on Christmas day actually happened in 2010, when we received 8 to 10 inches. The probability of getting accumulating snow (say, a third of an inch or more) isn't that high at only about 7 percent. This happened on only nine out of 127 occasions on Christmas day. Even though it was quite cold last Christmas, skies were bright and sunny. Our nasty weather occurred on New Year's Eve, when we had a glaze of ice and temperatures below 20 degrees, making travel difficult. Hopefully, we won't have a repeat of that situation this year.

In terms of precipitation, for a good part of the year we've had an active pattern bringing plenty of moisture our way. In the

Fairview area, most places have received 70 to 80 inches (or more) of precipitation this year. The wettest locations closest to the escarpment in the eastern part of the county have received 85 to 90 inches (or more) as of late November. If you think it's been cloudy and wet recently, you're right. For the year, I'm estimating it will end up with over 80 inches of precipitation at my weather station. It would be the wettest year on record (dating back to 1989), beating my record of 77 inches in 2004.

The old adage of "as the days grow shorter, the days get colder" has a bit of truth. On average, temperatures continue to drop as we head through the month, with average highs about 53 at the start of December and dropping to 47 by month's end. The lows drop from 32 at the beginning of the month to 27 by the end. The warmest day on record in December was 81 degrees on the 31st in 1951. The coldest was a numbing minus 7 degrees on the 25th in 1983. The average precipitation for the Fairview area is around 4 inches in December, with the average snowfall for the month close to 2 inches. Maybe we will get some snow for Christmas.



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

CHRISTMAS WEATHER 2010-2017

YEAR	MAX TEMP	MIN TEMP	WEATHER
2017	36	23	Cold
2016	65	47	Mild
2015	67	59	Rainy
2014	48	31	Cloudy
2013	38	18	Sunny
2012	50	35	Showers
2011	46	34	Partly cloudy
2010	34	28	Snow (7")

WEATHER WONDER



Which date of the year has the earliest sunset, and why?

Any date from December 2 to 8. The sun sets at 5:16 on those dates, and the year's latest sunrise (7:40) happens in early January. Those are both around the winter solstice (December 21). The solstice is never the day of the latest sunrise or earliest sunset because of the earth's 23.5 degree tilt and our elliptical orbit around the sun, as well as a discrepancy between the clocks that we use to define a day and a "solar day" (the time it takes for the sun to return to the "meridian.") When the sun starts running behind the clock, as it does in December and January, the time of solar noon keeps getting pushed later.

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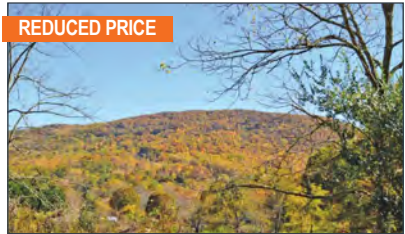
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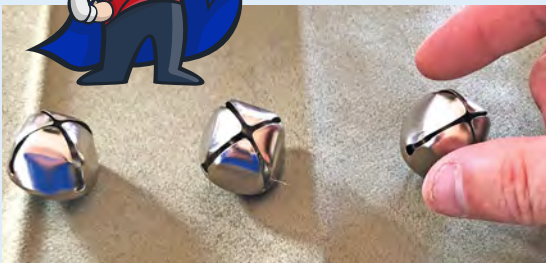
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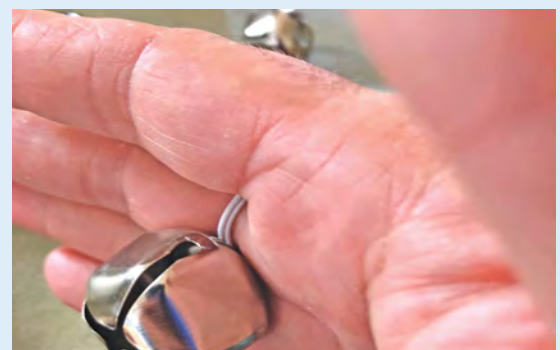
WHAT THE AUDIENCE SEES: The magician puts three small jingle bells on the table and demonstrates that only one bell rings. The magician mixes the bells up in a line and instructs the audience to point to the bell that rings. No matter how closely the spectator watches you, they can never pick the correct ringing bell.

PREPARATION: For this trick you need four small jingle bells available from your local craft store and a small rubber band. With a small screwdriver or knife, gently pry up a flap on three of the bells. Then remove the small steel pellet. Gently push the flap back into place, leaving the bells intact but unable to ring. Place a small rubber band



around the one bell that still rings and place it either around your right wrist or around your right middle finger, hiding it against your palm.

PERFORMANCE: With the three jingle bells that don't ring and the one that does hidden in your hand or around your wrist, you are prepared to perform. Place the three jingle bells on the table in front of you. Pick up one of the bells with the right hand and pretend to ring it. What is really happening is the hidden bell is making the noise. Mix the bells on the table, allowing the audience



to try to follow and find the one bell that rings. No matter which bell they point to, when you pick it up with your left hand and shake it, they are wrong. You pick up the bell that you want to ring with your right hand and give it a shake. The hidden bell makes the noise. The audience will not guess the correct bell. And now you have a holiday miracle!

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How to Minimize the Stress of the Holidays

Ah, the holidays. It's a time for many to celebrate their faith. A time for many to reflect on the accomplishments of yet another year gone by and to plan for an even better one ahead. And a time to be with family, give thanks, serve others, and enjoy a break from the normal routines of life. Right?

In a perfect world, yes. However, the stark reality for so many is that the holidays bring on an increasingly high level of undue stress for more reasons than there are days in the season. Financial struggles, health concerns, passing of a loved one, work deadlines, shopping, travel, crowds, and family squabbles are but a few things that can spark fear, worry, sadness, anxiety, and depression in just about anyone—if they are not prepared for it.

Added to these are the profound increase in calorie intake (particularly sugars), sedentary behavior, late nights with poor sleep, excessive alcohol intake, travel fatigue, decreased physical activity levels, and a general lack of attention to one's health during this time of year. These are perfect conditions for mental and physical health struggles to surface.

What can we do to prevent or minimize the fallout of the holiday season to ensure we may enjoy it to the fullest? And how can we proceed with peace of mind, good health, and longevity into the year ahead?



IMAGE: U.S. AIR FORCE AIRMAN 1ST CLASS WILLIAM TRACY

The following tips can help.

Drink Responsibly

Limit your alcohol intake to one drink every two hours in social situations, with water in-between to avoid intoxication and dehydration. Your brain will thank you.

Walk Away

Don't feel you must change anyone's mind about politics, sports, or anything else for that matter. Engage in positive dialogue.

Reach Out

If something is deeply upsetting you, sometimes the worst thing to do is hold it in while everyone else is celebrating. Confide in a trusted source.

Don't Stress the Shopping

Getting into fights over the newest TV or toy is clearly not what the holidays are about and will dramatically increase your

stress levels. Is it really about the presents?

It's OK not to Travel

Many are compelled to travel due to family pressures and the like. It is OK to skip a year if you are overwhelmed and need a break.

Get to Bed

Sleep cycles are already affected going into the winter with shorter days and longer nights. Be mindful of sleep routines, as they have a large impact on buffering chronic stress responses and clearing your brain of toxins.

Stick to Regular Eating Habits

If they are healthy ones, that is. It is OK to sample the goods around the holidays, but overdoing it will weaken your immune system and allow stress to harm your brain and body.

Move Your Body

Exercise should be a regular part of your daily routine, especially around the holidays. It minimizes the effects of stress and burns the excess calories you will likely indulge in.

Meditate

Quiet time away from the distractions of the holidays to self-reflect and calm your mind will reduce stress levels.

Turn Off the Screens

TV usage skyrockets during the holidays for many, leading to less physical activity and social disconnection. Decrease computer and social media use while you're at it.

Play, Listen, and Tell

Games, music, and telling stories are all activities that will engage your mind and connect you to others around you during the holiday season.

Connect Socially

One of the secrets to stress reduction is that social connection produces hormones that reduce stress. If you have little or no family and friends around, volunteer opportunities abound.

Author's Note: If you or a loved one is experiencing undue stress during the holiday season leading to withdrawn, erratic, or dangerous behavior or substance use, etc., help is available. National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 800-273-8255. National Substance Abuse Hotline: 800-622-4357.



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Learning about Nerve Pain

Neuropathic (nerve) pain is often described as a shooting or burning pain. It can go away on its own but is often chronic. Sometimes it is unrelenting and severe, and sometimes it comes and goes. It often is the result of nerve damage or a malfunctioning nervous system. The impact of nerve damage is a change in nerve function both at the site of an injury and areas around it.

One example of neuropathic pain is called diabetic neuropathy. This condition occurs when an arm or a leg loses blood and oxygen supply because of diabetes but the brain still gets pain messages from the dying nerves in the hands or feet.

Neuropathic pain often seems to have no obvious cause. But some common causes include crushing injuries, diabetes, dental work or facial trauma, facial nerve problems, trigeminal neuralgia, Multiple sclerosis, spine conditions, shingles and postherpetic neuralgia, and spine surgery.

Neuropathic pain symptoms can present in many ways, including shooting and burning pain, tingling or numbness, electric-like shocks, sweaty or cold limbs, balance problems, and tingling and numbness.

To diagnose neuropathic pain, a doctor will conduct an interview and physical exam. He or she may ask questions about how you would describe your pain, when the pain

occurs, or whether anything specific triggers the pain. The doctor will also ask about your risk factors for neuropathic pain and may also request both blood and nerve tests.

Anticonvulsant (Gabapentin) and antidepressant drugs are often the first line of treatment. Some neuropathic pain studies suggest the use of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs), such as Aleve or Motrin, may ease pain. Many people may require a stronger painkiller.

With conditions such as diabetes, better management of the disorder may alleviate the pain. Also, eating an anti-inflammatory diet can benefit anyone with chronic pain. In difficult cases, a pain specialist may be used.

Advanced therapies in peer-reviewed medical journals are showing great promise for helping many types of these neuropathic pain conditions. Some of these advanced therapies include photo-bio-stimulation-class 3 and class 4 lasers, pulsed electromagnetic therapy, neurofeedback, and specialized micro-current devices from Germany. Many people have reported getting their lives back after being treated with these new technologies.



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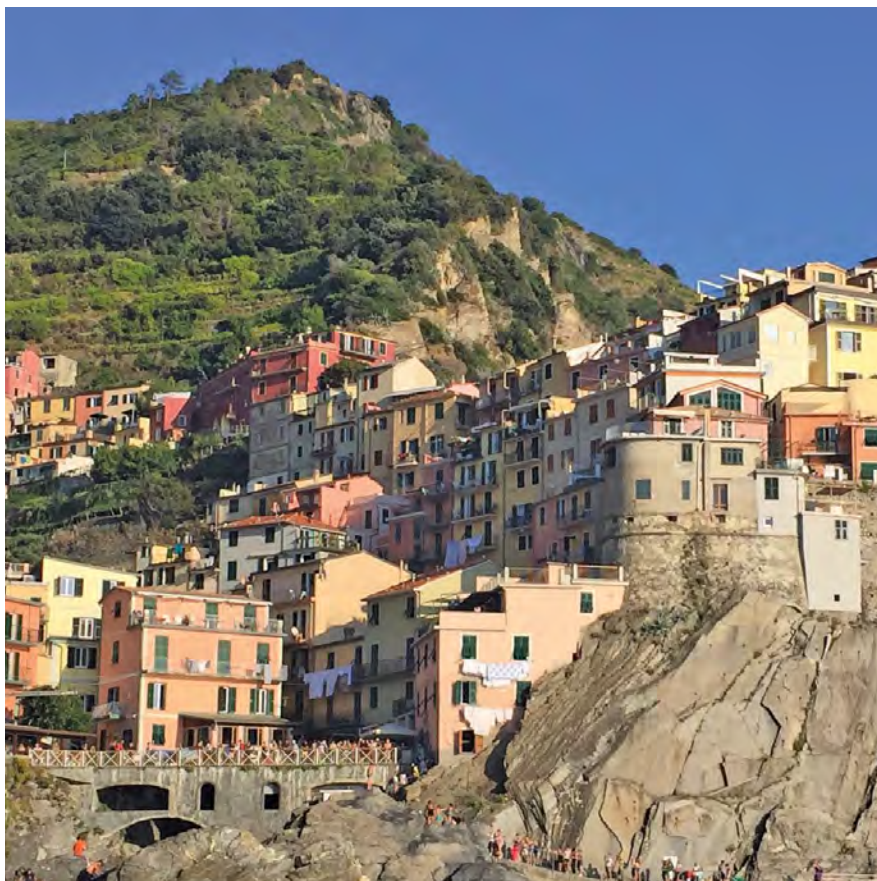
The “Five Lands” of Northwest Italy

Friends Kathy and Bob Rauch and Aline and Jim Carillon went on a three-week adventure in Italy this fall. The middle week was a planned hiking adventure in both northern Italy and southern Switzerland led by local guides we hired through REI. In order to get ready for the challenge, all four of us trained here in Fairview for months so that we could handle the moderately aggressive hiking challenges this trip promised. Since we were traveling so far to get to our destination, Aline and Kathy arranged a separate week of other adventures in Italy both before and after.

After flying to Venice for just an

overnight, we took two trains to the northwest coast of Italy on the edge of the Mediterranean Sea. There are five quaint villages on the coast, each separated by rugged hills. Together these beautiful villages are known as the Cinque Terre (the five lands). We stayed in a condo on a hill overlooking Monterosso Bay, and we hiked a lot during our stay there in order to continue the preparation for our REI hike.

Kathy and Aline took lots of pictures and Jim wrote a poem each day of our trip. Below are some of Kathy’s pictures and one of Jim’s poems written during their time in the Cinque Terre.



Over the years, houses in Cinque Terre have been built right up to the cliffs, and the different villages can only be reached on foot or by train or boat. Top right: Jim Carillon back left with wife Aline in front; Bob Rauch back right with wife Kathy in front.

The Cinque Terre

From halfway up this hill, our porch provides

A stunning view of the village of Monterosso below.

The quiet of this early pre-dawn moment

Allows me to hear the gently rolling waves on the beach.

The colorful buildings throughout this village,

Many with their red tile roofs, splash warmth

Against the green hills, grape arbors and rugged cliffs

That envelope this now sleeping seaside town.

While seemingly not a soul can be heard nor seen,

A local train breaks the soft sound of the waves

But only for a brief moment or two;

A seagull announces the brightening sky.

Puffy clouds—or is it fog?—crest the hills across the bay

While nearby leaves flutter gently in the cool breeze.

It is these quiet mornings here on this porch

That I’ll treasure most about these five lands.

Jim Carillon



Woodpeckers Keep Pounding

You've all heard that pounding/pecking sound in your yard or while hiking or walking in the woods. It comes from one of nature's most adaptive and interesting wild birds, the woodpecker. I love them, and you should, too. There are a number of woodpeckers around, so you may see the Red-Bellied, Downy, Hairy, Pileated, Red-Headed and maybe a Yellow-Bellied Sapsucker. So let's get to know some fun things about woodpeckers.

Most species are born completely naked, unlike other birds that hatch with natal down. And they have a thicker skin than most birds, an adaptation from their constant contact with the rough tree bark. Did you know that woodpeckers have a third eyelid and tufts that cover their nostrils? These prevent small bits of debris from entering while excavating trees.

Tough Tails

Their tail feathers are strong and rigid because they act as a kickstand, providing support while they're excavating trees. However, these feathers and their short legs make backing down tree trunks more difficult than climbing up.

Neat Feet

Woodpeckers have zygodactyl feet, which mean two toes pointing forward and two

toes pointing backward. Most birds have only one toe pointing backward. These neat feet give woodpeckers a much better grip when they land on a tree trunk.

Heads Above

Woodpeckers' skulls and bills are incredibly strong yet lightweight, so they can absorb an impact of 10 Gs or about 13-15 mph. That's the equivalent of a person running full speed into a solid object. (I can't recall if I've ever done that!) Included in that strong skull is flexible cartilage between the bill and skull. And the skull is made of a spongy, air-filled bone. Their brains are encased tightly into their skull. The impact force is directed to the neck and not the brain.

Unbreakable Beak

You would think that over time a woodpecker's beak would wear down with all that pecking going on but there are special cells at the end of their bills that constantly replace lost material. This keeps the chisel-pointed bill strong and resilient by allowing it to be sharpened with every blow.

Keeps on Licking

Woodpeckers' tongues are barbed and come to a sharp point. Their tongues are very sensitive and covered with sticky



Left: Downy Woodpecker DAWN SCRANTON

Right: Pileated Woodpecker SHENANDOAHNPS



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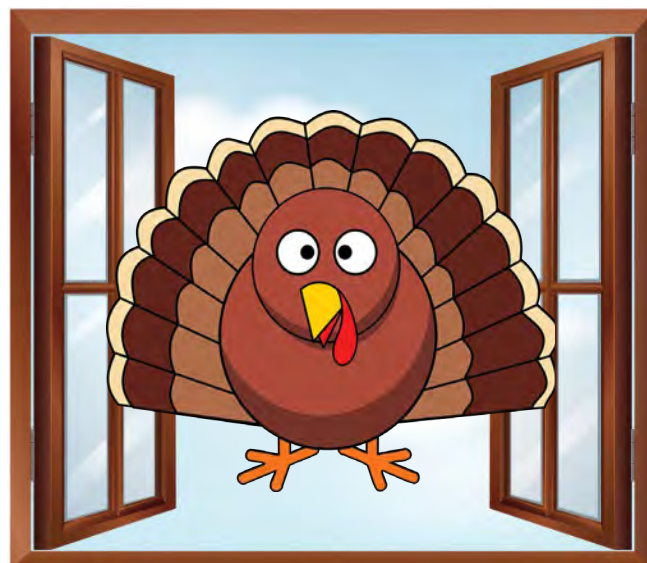
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There's Always Something New in the Country

When you live in the country, unexpected things happen—usually when it's least convenient. Like when you are about to let your son's new puppy out for a potty trip and there's an explosion at the far end of the house. After settling the hound and the son, I went to see what caused the cacophony. I opened our bedroom door to find that the bedroom window had exploded into the room. I quickly closed the bedroom door to keep little boys and hounds from the broken glass and called my husband to tell him the news.

He suspected that someone nearby was target shooting and missed. As we were discussing this, I went back into the bedroom to evaluate. And there, sitting on my bed, looking very discombobulated... was a turkey. After an undignified squawk (from both the turkey and me), I slammed the door closed again so the new puppy would not attack the turkey. Next came a brief but panicky conversation with the husband about how to deal with the turkey in the bedroom. He informed me that since he was two hours away and had no idea how to remove a live and seemingly uninjured turkey from a residence, I was going to have to figure this one out on my own.

After debating if I could bring myself to put the turkey down without destroying our home further (bird shot in all the walls),



my mind turned to how to capture a turkey without injury to it or me. Could I catch it in a big bag? If so, how do I do it without getting flogged or torn up by turkey claws? Could I chase it out? How much damage does it do in the process? What are the other options? Could I put this off until the husband gets home? Luckily, the turkey finally took matters into its own claws. It decided to get the heck out of this crazy place by flying back out the window. I was saved!

Now came the hard part: convincing

people there really had been a turkey in my house. Luckily, I managed to take a photo of the bird before it flew off. That was good, because not even my husband believed me until I sent him the photo while we were discussing the incident. You see, most normal people get bats or snakes or possums in their house. Even the guy who came to fix the window had

never heard of such a thing.

I've had a whole assortment of animals in this house, some on purpose and some not. I've had baby goats, baby rabbits, fish, hamsters, lizards, chicks and chickens, dogs, and cats. I've had adult goats walk through the screen door. I've had snakes in pillow cases waiting to be relocated. Every year we get ants in the drain and mice in the cabinets with the changing seasons. We have ladybugs nest in the siding and work their way into the warmth of the house

over winter. I've had so many different critters that it no longer surprises me what comes through the door. However, I never considered a wild turkey before (although I do like a little Wild Turkey in the kitchen cupboard but that's a different creature).

But living in the country is forever a new thing. It makes us a little more adventurous and accepting when things don't go as planned. It keeps us on our toes when nature throws us curveballs like bad weather or critter catastrophes. It makes us resilient to the unexpected and the unexplained. (How did that goat get there?) It also makes for a certain appreciation for the normal and encourages a person to learn to get the most out of retelling a story. If you want a great story, go talk to an old timer of this community and he or she will spin a tale like you've never heard before.

Now, I know this tale of the turkey through the window is far-fetched. I know I mentioned having a photo as proof, but due to a glitch when I changed phones last time, that photo is forever lost to the digital void. I can no longer prove there was a turkey in my bedroom. You'll just have to take my word for it!

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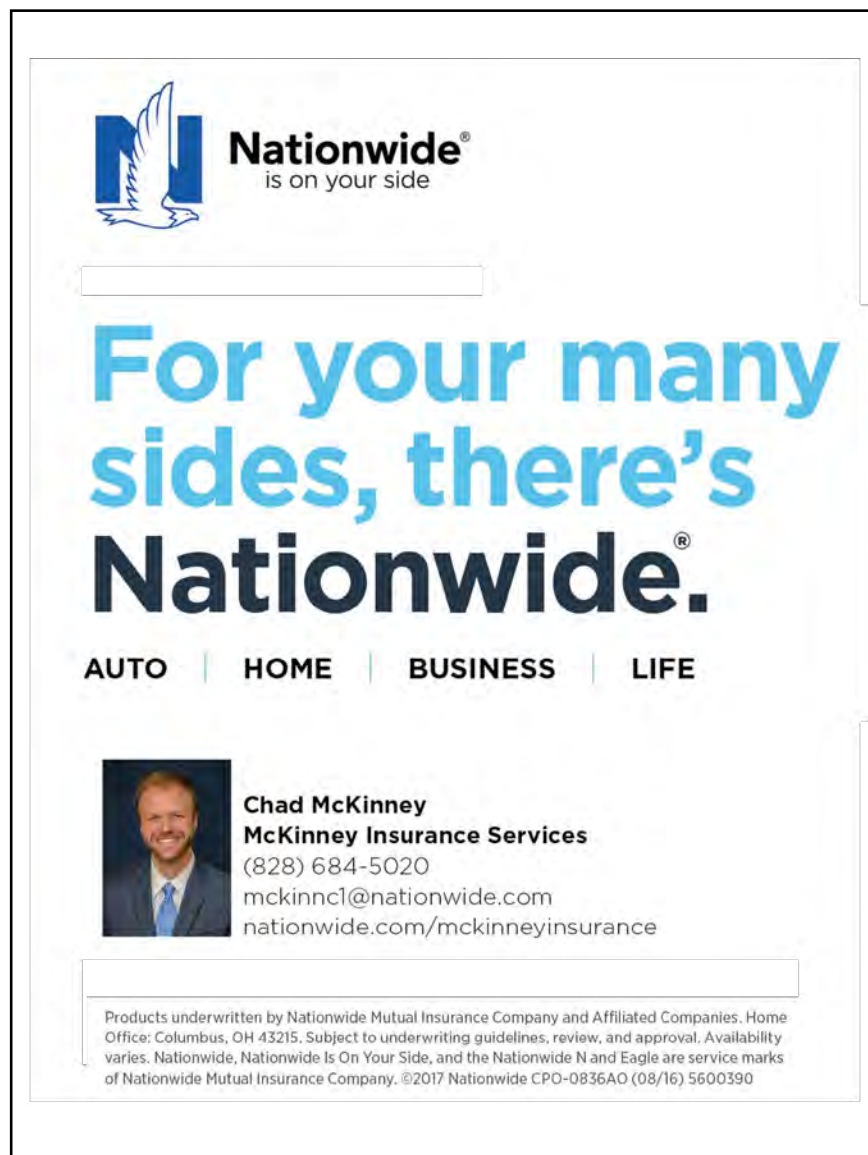
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A Big Year, and a Big Thank You

It has been an eventful year. We received new exercise equipment through a grant and a "new to us" ambulance that was surplus from Buncombe County.

The need for services in Fairview continues to increase. The county fire departments and emergency services presented to the Board of Commissioners the needs of the departments and the issue of underpaid staff, and the board asked for needs from each individual department. In the budget meeting, the commissioners gave some departments a four-cent increase while others, including Fairview, received a one-cent increase.

This one-cent increase on your fire tax will go to pay for an increase in salary for the staff, in order to get them to state average, along with fixing the station's roof. The department has not been fully staffed in a few years and is still in need of additional personnel (which was included in the rate-increase request). So some members of our community stepped in to hold a fundraiser and motorcycle raffle on October 25 to raise close to \$50,000 to replace the station's broken bay doors. The leaking roof will be repaired this month.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the fundraiser, from buying a raffle ticket



From left to right: Taylor Howard, raffle winner Charlie Goss, Jeff Augram, and Chief Jones

and attending the event to donating an auction item or food, and especially to our sponsors. You made this happen, and the staff could not be more thankful for your support.

A special thank you to Taylor and Leah Howard and Josh and Jessica Howard for stepping forward with an idea to help and then spending countless hours working on the raffle and the event. It has been a true pleasure to work with you and words will never express how grateful this fire department is for your support.

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

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FES Students Keep Busy



Career Day

Students at Fairview Elementary look forward to Career Day each year. They learn about lots of different careers and are invited to have fun dressing up as professionals for the event. Guidance counselor Amanda Herbert organized this year's Career Day.

"We are so thankful for community members who are willing to share their education and career experiences with our students," she said. "It's never too early for these young minds to focus on their future, and this event creates a lot of excitement and reminds students there are unlimited possibilities."

Many professionals visited classrooms throughout the building. Students heard from professional firefighters, construction workers, a dentist, a neurologist, a flight nurse, an engineer, a social worker, a police officer and sheriff, the director of Eblen Charities, and many others. They had an opportunity to ask questions and, in some instances, enjoy hands-on learning.



Visiting at WCU

While students in kindergarten through fourth grade enjoyed Career Day at school, the fifth graders traveled to Cullowhee to discover Western Carolina University.

Students took a walking tour of the campus and learned about the many colleges within the university, engaged with offensive line coach John Holt and members of the Catamount football team, and experienced lunch in the dining hall. Emily Moreno, the fifth grade teacher who organized the trip, said, "This trip was an amazing experience for our students. They met college students with a wide variety of majors and learned a lot about campus life."



The Season of Giving

At FES, students learn and grow in many ways. The staff goes above and beyond to teach the whole child, not just the things explained in a textbook or questioned on a test. They teach them real-world values, too. The PTA strives to support these efforts throughout the year, and during this season of thankfulness and giving they help remind students of the value of generosity.

A holiday store will be open to students the first week of December. Teachers have signed up to bring their students to shop as a group, and the PTA has provided each student with a wish list so they can pick the perfect gift for their family members—and even their pets. Each item costs only \$1. Students can choose from gloves, scarves, coffee mugs, tools, puzzle books, tree ornaments, assorted toys, and much more. This is not a fundraiser for the PTA but rather a program they offer to help foster generosity and promote financial responsibility. Plus, it provides a little fun for the holiday season.

Kim Hite, the coordinator of the holiday store, said, "It is so rewarding to see the smiles on the faces of the kids when they pick the perfect surprise for someone they love." And though it takes a lot of work to put the store together, Hite said, "Every minute spent helping these kids create a holiday memory is well worth it." Many thanks to Hite and all the parent volunteers who help make events like this possible.

Kenya Hoffart is the VP of fundraising and communications chair for the FES PTA.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH: SUSANNAH WALL

The A.C. Reynolds High School Student of the Month is Susannah Wall. Susannah, who goes by Susie, is active in school organizations as a member of the Girl Up Club and the president of HOSA, which is a national student organization made up of future health care professionals. She also helps her mom coach cheerleaders at Rugby Middle School in Hendersonville.

Susie belongs to several clubs outside of school that do community service. And she does all of the things listed above while also working on the weekends at a movie theater. Congratulations, Susie!



New Principal at Cane Creek



Bonnie Johnston is the new principal at Cane Creek Middle School.

She spent 23 years as a middle school math teacher before moving into an administrative role in 2006. After serving as assistant principal at T.C. Roberson High School (where she herself was a graduate), she became the principal of Early and Middle Colleges in 2011, and then returned to Roberson as principal in 2016.

Johnston and her husband have two sons, and one, Hagen, is coaching soccer at A.C. Reynolds High School.

If you need to contact the new principal, you can email bonnie.johnston@bcsemail.org or call 628-0824.

Become a Hurricane Helper

Are you interested in helping out local students? Whether it's your business, your employer, a group of friends, you and your spouse, or just you, Cane Creek Middle School is looking for community members who want to make a difference in the lives of students.

The school's PTA is looking for mentors, tutors, and financial sponsors to be paired up with students from Cane Creek as part of the Hurricane Helpers program. If this sounds like you or you know someone interested, send an email to canecreekmiddlePTA@gmail.com. Applicants will need to complete a background check.

Fairview Preschoolers Play Handbells for Seniors



Students at Fairview Preschool learn to play the handbells for special occasions during the school year. One of the most precious of these performances is at Bella Vista retirement living facility in Asheville. The children are so proud to play for the residents and also have the opportunity to teach the seniors to play the bells. Call the school at 338-2073 to schedule a class visit. For more information, go to fairviewpreschool.org.

It's Time to Girl Up at A.C. Reynolds High!

My favorite thing about serving on the Board of Education is the fact that I'm always learning. Often that learning happens during the "Good News" portion of the Board meetings, which was the case recently when Reynolds High Principal Doris Sellers introduced senior Audrey Meigs, founder of Girl Up Reynolds.

Audrey Meigs thinks big. She has considered herself a women's rights advocate since she was first inspired by Emma Watson's 2014 speech to the United Nations, launching the He for She campaign.

The summer before tenth grade, when she transferred from a private school to Reynolds High, Audrey attended her first Girl Up Leadership Summit in Washington, DC. At this 2016 event, Dr. Jen Walter, the first female NFL coach, reminded the crowd, "Ladies, your dreams have no limits. And your voices don't either." In a spoken word performance, poet and Girl Up Champion Vaannila Annadurai said, "Remind yourself that you are the hero they told you to wait for." Audrey and the other 200 young women from across the world lobbied on Capitol Hill for a bill protecting the rights of refugee girls. The experience was "revelational" for Audrey, and she came home determined to start a Girl Up chapter at her new school.

Early that school year, Audrey emailed Principal Sellers directly, making a formal request to start this new club at Reynolds. As she told us at the Board meeting, Girl Up is an initiative of the United Nations Foundation, helping adolescent girls in developing countries through advocacy and female empowerment. The purpose is to help women receive the necessities to live a healthy and safe life, free of oppression and violence. It focuses on empowering girls by helping them find their voice in societies that discourage



From left to right: Superintendent Tony Baldwin; Reynolds High Principal Doris Sellers; Audrey's father, Thomas Meigs; Audrey Meigs; and Cindy McMahon.

them from speaking up, and its international membership exceeds 80,000.

In her email response to Audrey, Principal Sellers said, "I laid out all my expectations for starting a club at our school. Within days she had met every single one of those expectations. It's our largest club on campus now, in just three years."

Much has happened in those three years. The club now boasts over 60 members. They have raised over \$2,000 and donated \$1,500 of it to Helpmate, the local domestic violence organization. "Last year," Audrey announced, "we raised money for seven bikes for girls who have to travel nine or 10 miles just to get to school." At this year's Girl Up Leadership Summit, Girl Up Reynolds was recognized as the top 14 Girl Up club in the world! The faculty sponsors, Shelby Lewis and Mandy Lampley, say that the club is

entirely student-led; all they have to do is step back and let it happen.

And it's not just for girls: Mitchell Nance serves as the club secretary, and proudly told me all about Girl Up as he hosted an informational table at a recent Reynolds

event. Audrey agrees that male members are crucial: "We must be inclusive to all women of different races, sexualities, and disabilities. We also have to have men fight with us, because gender inequality affects everyone, and if girls are allowed to be strong, then boys should be allowed to feel vulnerable. Girl Up is for everyone, and I want our message to be exactly that."

Audrey concluded her eloquent presentation at the Board meeting by saying, "Thank you to educators and community members like you for helping us build a platform to encourage our classmates to contribute to our school and the world beyond the classroom." I hope that you, dear readers in the "world beyond the classroom," will follow these students' lead and contribute as well. To make a donation to Girl Up Reynolds, mail a check made out to AC Reynolds High School and note "Girl Up Club" in the memo line. Thank you!



Cindy McMahon is the Reynolds District Representative, Buncombe County School Board. Contact: cindy.mcmahon@bcsemail.edu.

DECEMBER CALENDAR FOR REYNOLDS SCHOOLS

- DEC 3-7 – Fairview Elementary Holiday Store**
- DEC 6 – Cane Creek Middle Winter Band Concert, 7 pm**
- DEC 6 – Reynolds High String Orchestra Concert, 7 pm**
- DEC 8 – Cane Creek Middle Holiday Craft Fair, 10 am**
- DEC 11 – Reynolds High Holiday Band Concert, 7 pm**
- DEC 13 – Reynolds High Winter Choral Concert, 7 pm, First Baptist Church**
- DEC 18 – Fairview Elementary Holiday Sing-Along, 8:45 am**
- DEC 19-JAN 1 – Winter Break**

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Short-term Romances, Long-term Friendships

This article is really special because it marks my one-year anniversary of being a part of the fantastic staff here at the *Fairview Town Crier*. It feels like I've been doing it for years, and I've loved every month.

This month's column will be a sort of spin-off of my February article about crushes, but this time I'll be a bit more specific. This month I'm focusing on middle and high school relationships.

Even though I know people who have grown up and married their high school sweethearts, statistically speaking, middle and high school romantic relationships don't last forever. On average, high school relationships last about 4 to 6 months, unless you're in love-love, in which case it might last a couple years.

Over the last few months a lot of my close friends have been getting into

relationships with significant others. I've noticed there are two types of couples. First are the ones who PDA (public display of affection) like it's their last day on earth, cuddling and kissing and spending every waking second talking



to each other. The other type are couples who are more low-key. They text, send a few pictures on Instagram, and hang out, but they aren't constantly touching and in your face about their relationship. Most of the couples at my school are of the latter type, but the ones who are in the former category certainly make the rest of us

uncomfortable enough to make up for it!

There's another thing I've noticed that pretty much all high school kids do. Whenever someone gets a new significant other, they'll start to neglect their friends because suddenly they have an exciting, new relationship. I'm surrounded by friends who are all super beautiful, so when they get significant others, I can definitely vouch for the fact that they get really into the boyfriend/girlfriend thing and tend to put a little less time into their friendships. I know they don't mean to do it. They don't think they're paying any less attention to you, and they don't think there's anything wrong. But here's a suggestion for any readers out there who are in a new romantic relationship: If you have a friend who comes to you and says he or she feels left out, even if you don't think you're in the wrong, please be

considerate of your friend's feelings.

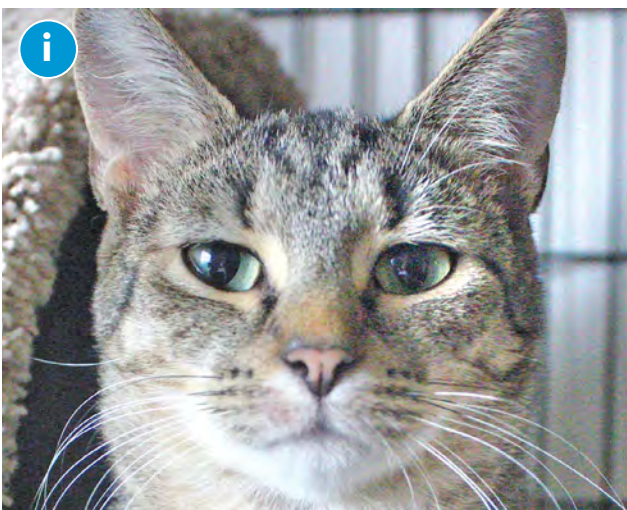
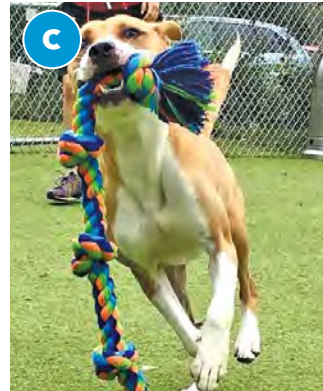
Your friends will always be there for you. If your romantic relationship doesn't work out—heaven forbid!—your friends will still be there to support and love you through the hardship. So please don't take your friends for granted!

In conclusion, high school relationships come and go, but your friendships can last a lifetime. Take care of your friendships and keep your friends close because they are the ones who are going to guide you through the rest of your life.

This has been Avery Love, salty as usual, signing off.



Avery Love is a ninth-grader at A.C. Reynolds High School. She lives in Fairview with her mom, dad, and sister Zoe.



a. Bettina is a 10-year-old Chinese Shar-Pei. She would love to spend her days going on walks or cuddling on the couch. She walks nicely on a leash and has no problem with being petted, picked up, or touched. *Humane Society*

b. Google is one of our Hurricane Florence evacuees who is still looking for her forever home. This adventurous 2-year-old girl loves to play and wants a family who will give her plenty of attention. *Humane Society*

c. Harry Pawter likes walks, especially hiking, and would do best with a family who loves to do all sorts of activities. *Brother Wolf*

d. Luna is 2 years old and 60 pounds. She graduated from the New Leash on Life program at Craggy Correctional center. Luna does well with people and other dogs, but not cats. She needs a strong person who can walk her or a fenced-in yard. *Animal Haven*

e. Yes, this rabbit's name is **Fish!** He is a sweet bunny that lives to be admired. He wiggles his nose to make you giggle. *Brother Wolf*

f. Mook is a guinea pig who is a little shy but easily warms up after a few treats. *Brother Wolf*

g. Birdie is a country girl at heart, a beautiful brindle hound. She's friendly with people and other dogs, but not with cats or farm animals. *Animal Haven*

h. Charlotte is a Tortoiseshell born in April. She's curious, very sweet and loves people. *Charlie's Angels*

i. Callahan loves toys, hanging out with his humans, and helping in the office. He is Feline Leukemia positive (FeLV+), so he must be indoor-only; needs to be an only cat unless the other cat(s) in the household are also FeLV+; and needs access to routine and emergency vet care as he may be more susceptible to illness. *Brother Wolf*

j. Frank was the runt of the litter but that hasn't limited him. He's smart, energetic, crate trained, and very food motivated. He will climb all over you once he gets to know you. You could crate him at night or just give him a small area. *Brother Wolf*

k. Mocha looks to be an Australian Shepherd mix that's great in the car, housebroken, and 2-3 years old. She is very protective of her person and property. She has lived with dogs and cats but it's not recommended that she live with children because of her resource-guarding nature. *Animal Haven*

l. Rufus is a terrier mix born July 2015. He weighs 27 pounds and has medium-high energy. He's an athlete and loves to run, and is okay with other dogs as long as there's only one at a time. He should go to an adults-only home. *Charlie's Angels*

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Prepping for Your Horse's Winter Needs

With winter weather approaching, it's time for horse owners to get prepared for their horses' needs. Many of the daily chores are the same all seasons of the year, but the cold temperatures and shorter days require some changes in management. This is certainly not a complete list but may offer some helpful tips for keeping your horses healthy.

First, nutrition may need to change during the winter months. Many horses have grass as a large part of their diet, but it becomes scarce when the pasture is not growing. Hay is a great component of the equine diet when they are not able to graze throughout the day. It is a good source of fiber, which horses break down into energy. It is also beneficial because the process of fermenting the long-chain carbohydrates creates internal heat in the horse's abdomen. Concentrate feeds, such as grain or pellets, can also be increased during winter to provide energy. However, it is important not to overfeed concentrate feeds, as they have more sugars and starches, which can have detrimental effects.

Second, it is important to make sure that horses have access to clean water. This sounds simple, but many water tanks will freeze. One option is electric tank heaters that plug into an outlet and heat the water so it does not freeze. There are a few different types of tank heaters, and it is important

to find one that works for your situation. It is also important to test the water daily to ensure that there is no electric current. In our climate, there are limited periods when it is below freezing for days at a time. On the days when the water freezes overnight, it is helpful to keep a hammer or other blunt object near the trough so that the top layer of ice can be broken and removed.

Shelter from the cold and wind is also important during the winter. While a barn with stalls is great for horses, there are other options. Simple structures, such as a three-sided shed, can allow your horse to get out of cold wind and rain. Horse blankets are a safe and effective way to provide a barrier from the elements and allow your horse to more easily maintain a proper body temperature. When blanketing, it is important to feel under it daily and make sure it is not trapping excessive moisture. It's also crucial to monitor the daily weather forecast and remove the blanket if the temperature rises.

Other items to have during this time of year are a flashlight and waterproof boots. Since the sun sets early in the day, many owners feed and care for their horses in the dark. A headlamp can provide adequate light and allow you to use both hands for feeding and grooming your pets.

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UHNG Community Club Updates

In a recent post to their blog, the Upper Hickory Nut Gorge Community Club detailed some of the updates to their building.

First, they installed new rain gutters. Six feet of water-damaged soffit were repaired. And when an old gutter in the back of the building was removed, 60 feet of water-damaged wood was found. All repair work is done now and the system is working well.

To beautify the front of the building, a 12-foot planter box was installed next to the front walkway, containing Nandinas, a dwarf Alberta Pine, and seasonal flowers. They plan to add four more planter boxes.

You can visit their blog at gertonecho.blogspot.com.

Angels of Fairview Seek Donations for Annual Holiday Meal Drive

Angels of Fairview, a group of community members who want to make a difference, is a nonprofit that helps families in need identified by the counseling departments at Fairview Elementary and Cane Creek schools. All of their efforts are funded by the generous donations of this community.

During this holiday season, a donation of \$50 will secure a complete prepared meal for a family of 4 to 6 people. The meal includes a 10- to 12-pound turkey, two side dishes, rolls, and a dessert.

In addition to providing holiday meals at Thanksgiving and Christmas, the Angels have also assisted families in need with power bills, car repairs, eyeglasses, and clothing. They have provided gas and restaurant cards to families with a loved one in the hospital.

Tax-deductible donations will be accepted through



December 31. Checks should be sent to Angels of Fairview, P.O. Box 94 Fairview, NC 28730 or dropped off at the Town Crier office (M–F, 11 am–5 pm, or Saturday, 12–4 pm) or use blue dropbox on outside wall 24/7.

Contact Ron Gortney at 775-7750 or Laura Booth at 216-6002 with any questions.

ON THE ROAD



Fairview neighbors Kirk and Lee Raymond and Mike and Jocelyn Robinson brought the *Crier* on a recent trip to Scandinavia. In Norway, they enjoyed a dinner on a private island, toured the town of Bergen, hiked near Briksdal Glacier, and took a bus ride to Dalsnibba, the highest point reachable by road in Norway, high above a fjord (shown here).



Randy and Claudia Sullivan took a trip to Italy, with stops on the Amalfi Coast, Capri and Rome. They took a photo with the *Crier* in front of the Cathedral of St. Peter at the Vatican. There was no pope that day, but the trip sounds *molto bene*!

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Time to Think About Year-End Investment Moves

We've still got a couple of months left in 2018, but it's not too soon to start thinking about some year-end investment moves that might benefit you. Here are a few possibilities (although not all will apply to your situation):

- **Add to your IRA.** For the 2018 tax year, you can put up to \$5,500 into your traditional or Roth IRA (assuming you are eligible), or \$6,500 if you're 50 or older. If you haven't reached this limit, consider adding some money. You have until April 15, 2019, to contribute to your IRA for 2018, but why wait until the last minute?
- **Increase your 401(k) contributions.** You already may be investing in your 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored retirement plan, but you might be able to bump up your contributions for the rest of the year, if it's allowed. Of course, you should always put in enough to earn your employer's matching contribution, if one is offered.
- **Take your RMDs.** If you are 70½ or older, you must start taking withdrawals (called required minimum distributions, or RMDs) from your traditional IRA and your 401(k) or similar retirement plan. Generally, you must take these RMDs by December 31 every year. But if you turned 70½ in 2018, you can wait

until April 1, 2019, until you take your first RMD. However, you will then have to take a second RMD (the one for age 71) by December 31, 2019. Taking two RMDs in one year could give you an unexpectedly large taxable income for the year, possibly bumping you into a higher tax bracket and affecting the amount of your Social Security benefits subject to taxes. So, if you are considering delaying your first RMD, consult with your tax advisor.

- **Make changes in response to life events.** In 2018, did you experience a major life event, such as a marriage, divorce or addition of a child? Or did you change jobs or retire? Any of these events could lead you to adjust your investment plans, so now may be the time to do so, possibly with the help of a financial professional.
- **Review your investment mix.** At least once a year, it's a good idea to review your investment mix to ensure it's still suitable for your goals and risk tolerance. Sometimes, even without your taking any action, your portfolio might change in ways you hadn't expected. For example, suppose you wanted your portfolio to contain 60% stocks and 40% bonds and other investments. After a period of rising prices, though, the value of your stocks may have increased

so much that they now occupy 65% of your portfolio—which means you may be taking on more risk than you had originally intended. Consequently, you may need to rebalance your portfolio to get back to your original 60% to 40% ratios. (Keep in mind that these figures are just for illustration; everyone's ideal portfolio mix will depend on their individual situations.)

These aren't the only year-end moves

you may want to consider, but they can help you close out 2018 on a positive note. Plus, they can serve as a reminder that you need to be vigilant as you keep working toward your financial goals.



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The Elections Are Over!

The yard signs are (mostly) gone. TV and radio ads are hawking Christmas gifts. Winners and losers have been declared. The midterm elections have finally come and gone. I will continue to represent Fairview in the North Carolina House, a tremendous responsibility and honor. And I will represent everyone in District 115, to the best of my ability.

When you read this article, the North Carolina General Assembly will have re-convened for a “lame duck” session on November 27. This session will be the “old” super-majority legislature that includes many members who lost their elections or have retired. A lame duck refers to a political candidate who is still in power after losing an election.

The short session may debate and pass legislation regarding the four amendments that passed, especially the “voter ID” requirement. The “tax cap” amendment needs no enabling law. The “hunting and fishing” and “Victim’s Rights” amendments may be put off until the 2019 Long Session. The General Assembly will likely look at the ongoing hurricane relief efforts in our state, and designate more of the relief funds for affected areas. And there has been talk of enacting a stricter cell phone/motorist law for North Carolina. Georgia passed a law making it illegal to have a cell phone touching any part of a

driver’s body, and has seen a significant reduction of collisions. And, as always, there could be some surprises.

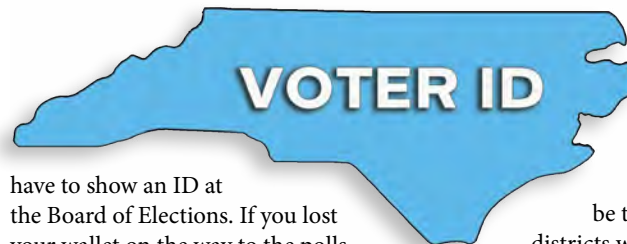
A draft of the voter ID bill has been made public, and greatly expands the number of IDs that would be acceptable from an earlier bill struck down by the courts.

Current (Draft) ID List

- NC driver’s license
- DMC ID cars for non-drivers
- US passports
- A new NC voter ID card that would be created by this legislation
- A tribal enrollment card issued by a federally or state-recognized tribe
- A student ID card from a university of NC school (no private schools)
- A driver’s license or ID from another state if the voter registered within 90 days of an election
- Military ID issued by the US government
- Veteran’s ID card issued by the VA
- Any of the allowed IDs even if they are expired if the voter is 70 or older

I am planning to offer an amendment that would make available “voter ID” cards at all early-voting sites so that you can still same-day register and vote.

If you have a religious objection to being photographed, there will be a way around the law. If you show up to vote without an ID, you can vote provisionally but you will



have to show an ID at the Board of Elections. If you lost your wallet on the way to the polls, there will be an affidavit you can sign. Barring another unfavorable court case, voter ID will be a part of North Carolina elections moving forward.

The need for other election reforms in our state will be a high priority in the coming 2019 long session. At the top of the list will be what, if anything, to do about gerrymandering. In the midterms, there was a 50/50 split of the Republicans and the Democrats in US Congressional races, and yet there remains a 10 to 3 split in favor of the Republicans in the US House. For state races, Senate and House, the Democrats outvoted the GOP in total votes, but there will still be GOP majorities in those bodies. In many ways, the gerrymandered districts erode the legitimacy and citizen buy-in governments rely on to function.

My own efforts will be toward ending the gerrymander once and for all in North Carolina, with as little future involvement by the General Assembly as is politically possible. We can look at the examples

of several other states for guidance. Districts need to make economic and geographic sense. In 2020 the census will

be taken, and in 2021 new districts will be drawn in our state.

We are expected to gain a seat in the US House, and no doubt our urban areas will gain seats in the state legislature. We need a process that is fair and non-partisan.

Allow me a final word. I truly enjoy working through policy issues with all of my colleagues in Raleigh, no matter the party. With the end to the super-majority, Governor Cooper and the House and Senate Democrats will be bigger policy players, and I believe we will be able to manage North Carolina without as much political rancor. You can trust me to be pragmatic in my efforts. As always, I am interested in hearing from you all, especially if you are having trouble with state government. Please enjoy your family and friends during this holiday season, and look after your less fortunate neighbors.



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'Tis the season for giving, and we want to do our part to help the community that supports us, so we're doing a **food drive for Food For Fairview**. Drop off at least five items (at one time) during the month of December and we'll give you a 10 percent discount coupon to The Hub as a thank you. Some items needed include diapers, canned vegetables, fruits, dinners (such as ravioli, beef stew), toothpaste, soap and other personal care items, peanut butter, canola oil, and other staples that have a good shelf life. Remember, items that have expired are not accepted. Our goal is for Food For Fairview to be well-stocked for the winter! (Note: If Garren Creek is more convenient, Turgua Brewery is also taking donations and will bring them to The Hub.)

HUB CALENDAR

Ladies Night: Clean Beauty, Sample & Sip (BYO Wine Night)
Wednesday, December 5, 5:30–7:30 pm

We'll enjoy an evening of relaxation while sampling Beautycounter's cleaner, award-winning skincare and makeup, and learning how we can make our daily self-care practices safer for us and our whole family. Participants will enjoy facial masks, body and face moisturizers, and other beauty products. The two-hour class is \$10 and includes a swag bag of skin-care goodies. (Your \$10 can also go toward a future Beautycounter purchase). Registration required. Light snacks provided, and you are welcome to bring wine or a beverage of your choosing.



Festive Fairview Friday
**Friday, December 7,
5–8:30 pm**

The Hub has teamed up with other local businesses to bring you a fun-filled evening right here in Fairview! The Hub will have a free ornament-making station for kids, hot beverages to warm you up (with adult options), and an ugly Christmas sweater contest. Show up in festive garb and you'll have a chance to win a gift basket of locally made goods valued at \$75!



BIZ SHORTS

Fairview Preschool enrollment for the fall of 2019 has begun. With a record enrollment for the fall of 2018, any families who may be considering preschool for fall 2019 are encouraged to call the school at 338-2073 to schedule a visit. You can check the school out on Facebook or at fairviewpreschool.org.

Rise Above Bake Shop claims to be still testing and trying things out but everything we've tasted so far needs no improvement. The Rye Sourdough bread is dense and yummy and bursting with flavor and the Whole Wheat Oat bread is another treat. Bagels, coffee cake, scones... keep 'em coming. We're thrilled you came to Fairview!

Flying Cloud Farm hopes to keep their self-serve, honor system Roadside Farm Stand (1860 Charlotte Highway) well stocked and open throughout the holidays in December. Look for sweet potatoes, jam made with their berries, greens of various types, radishes and harvest wreaths. As the weather cools, tender items will be removed at night. With no lighting at the stand, it is suggested you visit earlier in the day.

Festive Fairview Friday is in its third year with five local businesses participating this season. On Friday, December 7, the new **Rust and Found**, **New Moon Marketplace**, **The Hub of Fairview**, **the Garden Spot**, and **Looking Glass Creamery** will all stay open late with different holiday festivities planned at each spot. There will be kids' activities at several shops including a meet and greet with Santa, yummy food, seasonal beverages, and more—plus late-night shopping for adults. *See page 9 for more details.*

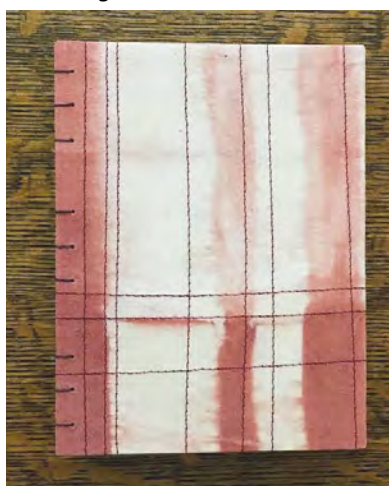
The Friends of the Fairview Library (FOFL) is now offering business sponsorships that would entitle an owner to an annual FOFL membership, business name mentioned in an annual newsletter mailed to 280 people, all dues-paying members being made aware of sponsorships, a sticker to identify your business as a sponsor, a list of sponsors placed on the book sale shelf, and business name to be featured on the library's Facebook page. The membership fee is \$50, which will be used to enhance children's and adult programs that are so popular and greatly enjoyed.

**Make a Wire-Wrapped
Tree of Life Ornament**
**Saturday, December 15,
12–2 pm**

Join Bean's Bonsai for an ornament-making class. The class costs \$25 and will include all materials to make your very own 3-inch ornament. This is a great price for the level of instruction and expertise that SarahJane brings to the table!



Coptic Stitch Hands-On Bookbinding Class
Sunday, December 16, 1–5 pm



Join Fairview's own Alyssa Sacora of The Patchwork Underground for a hands-on workshop. Participants will leave with a finished book (\$40 value), reference handouts, and the skills to continue the craft on their own. The cost of the class is \$75 and covers all needed materials. Additional materials will be on hand for any participants wanting to make books as gifts. To register, visit thepatchworkunderground.com/workshops.html.

Mandy Overstreet, along with her husband Walker, runs The Hub. Mandy owns Mandelin Naturals, a natural soap and skincare company.

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Welcome, New Members!

- **Brandy Lampert of Frame It Asheville**
- **Leslie Apple of Edward Jones**

When folks can put a face to the name, they remember you. And our community supports each other and will choose a neighbor business before a "Yellow Pages" business every time.

And that's the value of attending a meeting now and then. We have them on different days and even different times, so to get the most for your membership, you should pop in once in a while and let everyone recognize your face and get to know you and what you do.

Elections

Elections will be by ballot at the holiday party or via link at fairviewbusiness.com by December 7. Open positions are Treasurer and Membership. We thank Jenny Brunet and Frank Dixon for serving in these positions for the last two years. If you are willing to serve in either of these capacities, please email justin@purnellrealestate.com. The executive board meets once a month.

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Next Member Meeting

There will be no meeting in January.

Quarterly Charity

The Food For Fairview Pantry is our last quarterly charity. Those attending the holiday party on December 3 can bring donations that night. Others may drop them off at The Hub, Monday–Friday, 11–5 pm or Saturday, 12–4 pm. The following items are suggested:

- Tuna
- Peanut butter
- Macaroni and cheese
- Canned meals (ravioli, beef stew, etc.)
- Soups
- Cereal

Holiday Party, December 3

Our annual holiday party at Highland Brewing's event venue is Monday, December 3. It's always a great, fun way to end our year. If you haven't RSVP'd and want to attend, contact event coordinator, Sandie Rhodes at sandierhodes@att.net to ask if there is remaining space.

Fairview Welcome Table Donation

Our last quarterly donation of desserts for the Fairview Welcome Table is Thursday, December 13. Put in your business card with your goodies and bring your donation around 10:30 so they can display them fashionably for the 11:00 meal.

November's Meeting Recap

On November 8, Mary Palermo, owner of Rainbow International, treated us to a dinner catered by Surf N Brew and gave a tour of their new facility: a fire, water, smoke, mold and odor restoration service. Mary has built her business through extensive networking, advertising and client testimonials and referrals. They have an on-site Certified Mold Inspector, Certified Water Technician and offer a 24/7 emergency restoration response. In this coming March, they will be celebrating their 5th year in business.

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Goals

Our number one goal is to put The Lord's Acre out of business—period. Any other goal causes a nonprofit to make decisions that do not get to the root of the problems it's addressing

Other goals include:

- Working with the strengths and assets of our community (that's you) to address the fresh food needs of everyone, which is all of us.
- Creating a space where neighbors can learn, perform meaningful work, make new acquaintances, share their skills, and enjoy the outdoors.
- Focusing on community and skills-building as foundational solutions to hunger.
- Paying attention to anything associated with equity, food sovereignty, food security, agricultural literacy, and the like.
- Remembering that there are no givers and receivers in this work and finding ways for everyone to contribute. We believe that "everyone is hungry for something and everyone has something to give."



Most volunteers want to get their hands dirty, but there are many ways to get involved.

Outlets

We now donate to five outlets: Food For Fairview pantry, the Fairview Welcome Table, our Thursday Fairview Share Market at the garden, Bounty & Soul, and Green Opportunities. (We also donate to 12 Baskets when we're able). Three of these outlets are in Fairview. The Fairview Share Market is open to anyone and is where folks who don't qualify for food assistance, but who still struggle, can access fresh produce.

Bounty & Soul adds value to the produce we donate by teaching classes relating to nutrition, cooking, and health, while Green Opportunities uses our donations to train low-income folks in culinary skills and help them find jobs while also serving a pay-what-you-can meal to their community.

Interns

Each year we house, feed, train and provide a stipend for two full-season interns from April through October, and accept up to a handful of summer interns. They come from all over the country, and without them this work would not remotely be possible. With them, it continually improves. Each summer, interns work through our internship manual, which includes a 12-week course in small farming and gardening basics. That way, we're sure they leave with a broad understanding of how to grow food in addition to learning about topics such as poverty, hunger, racial equity, community engagement, and food security.

Networks & Learning

Gardens That Give WNC. We helped start this network of gardens, farms, and food access nonprofits that has met quarterly for seven years now. Together we share supplies, volunteers, equipment, educational information,

and educational tours. This network has also made it possible to form powerful partnerships that help us all do our work to our maximum ability. Check out this network on Facebook (facebook.com/gardensthatgive).

Publications. We've had students, authors, and even professors from across the country work with us on books and research projects, allowing us to reach a wider audience for this work and the ability to learn from others. The Lord's Acre has been featured in three books: *The Way of Love* by Norm Wirzba, and *Making Peace With the Land and Soil and Sacramento*, both by Fred Bahnson.

Get Involved

You can help in any way that works for you. Most folks want to dig in the dirt but there are literally hundreds of ways you can get involved. We want folks to use their interests, life skills, hobbies, and passions to help us grow food, connections, and sustainability throughout our community. You can help for an hour, a day, a week, a month, or a year in ways you probably can't imagine. To explore how you can get involved, write us at info@thelordsacre.org.

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The ancestors of pine trees were present throughout the Jurassic age; like Ginkgo trees, their ancestry on this planet is ancient and they are one of the oldest seed-bearing plants. Pines are characterized by the arrangement of their needles, which grow in bundles, and the number of needles in each bunch is a key way to identify these beautiful trees.

Pines are abundant throughout the northern hemisphere and are among the most adaptive and hardy members of the plant kingdom because they grow in so many environments, surviving adverse conditions and thriving in the process. The greatest diversity of pine species occurs in the southern United States, China and Mexico.

Pines have an important history as a medicinal and edible plant. Most people adore the sweet fragrance of pine trees, with their balsamic scent, and nearly everyone knows the beauty of pine as



Pines grow and thrive in many environments.

a source of wood and turpentine. Pine needles are exceptionally high in vitamin C and can be made into a tea by boiling them for a few minutes and letting them steep for a while. Years ago on a weekend wild edible foray, we experimented with pine tea and it tasted just like it smelled. With the addition of honey, it was quite pleasant. Pine honey is an old and time-tested folk medicine remedy used to treat sore throats, coughs, and respiratory infections. It also helps loosen congestion, as pine is also highly antiseptic and astringent in its properties.

While Europeans mainly used the needles of pine trees for medicinal purposes, North American Indians also used the inner bark. They would soak strips of inner bark in water until it became soft and could be applied to wounds, sores, ulcers, and burns, which healed without becoming infected. They also used the pitch to make healing ointments and salves. Pine also is the original source of turpentine, which is commercially very important as a solvent much used in the production of emulsions, paints, and varnishes.



Pine needles can spice up some water, or also make a nice tea when mixed with a little honey.

Pine cones make an excellent natural dye, as they produce a rich, orange color when mixed with alum as a mordant. Essential oil of pine is used in so many cosmetic products, detergents and soaps, as it is a popular, appealing fragrance for most people.

Pine nuts are the edible kernels gleaned from Pinion pine trees, native to the southwest. They are not only delicious and nutritious but form the backbone for one of my favorite dishes when ground together with basil, olive oil and garlic—that's pesto!

At Windsong Farm in Fairview, we are planting more evergreens, as they are not only beautiful but provide valuable habitat for birds and other living creatures. One of our holiday traditions is to take all the barren summer hanging baskets and planters and fill them with prunings from hemlock, spruce, balsam, and loblolly pines. The baskets are icons of beauty and grace, bringing extra color to the winter landscape and gardens as they retain their green color into February.

Every year, we receive a special gift in

late January: We have an abundance of bluebirds and robins that visit our hanging baskets, feeding off the red sumac berries nestled in the evergreens.

Pines have a rich mythological history, as they are often associated with faeries and nature spirits. In times past, evergreens were often brought inside the home to symbolize the immortal nature of the living green spirit throughout the winter months, and they are also symbols of prosperity, fertility, protection, and good fortune. The familiar iconic Christmas tree and Yule log have their roots in ancient pagan traditions that celebrated them as beacons of light, warmth, and renewal. And the evergreen tree itself was linked to the "ancient Tree of Life." The Christmas tree as we know it today is a fairly modern invention, but pines and evergreens are ancient.



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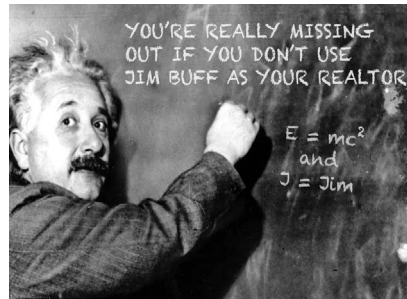
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3 GT DrPending in 19 days
35 Rolling Oaks DrPending in 2 days
2 Beechwood RdPending in 11 days
38 Folsom DrPending in 4 days



SOUTH! Priv 4 BR/3 bath on 2.36 acres off Sweeten Creek Rd, master on main, 2 FP, heated sunrm, HOME WARRANTY, screen porch, lg deck, attached gar, + attached 2-car carport, full bsmt, **MLS#3443277, \$649,000!**



CANDLER! 16.8 Beautiful private acres w/2 BR house and add'l cabin, HOME WARRANTY, 2-car detached garage, 3 sides of property border Pisgah National Forest, **MLS#3443022, \$599,900!**



SOUTH 4 BR, 3 full/2 half bath, .91 acres, gourm kitch w/pantry, granite, bfast nook, FP, HOME WARRANTY, 2 car-gar, waterfall & koi pond, huge deck, patio, new roof, lwr lvl guest qtrs, **MLS# 3449120, \$439,900!**



FLETCHER! Spacious 5 BR/3 bath home on 1.5 acres, HOME WARRANTY, extensive decking, 2 Rock FPs fenced in yard, fam rm, rec room, detached 3-car garage, **MLS#3388105, \$395,000!**



FAIRVIEW! Unique 3 BR (2 master suites), 3 bath home on 1.36 acres, spacious kitchen, cov front porch & rear deck, HOME WARRANTY, office, tons of storage, LR w/FP, 2-car gar, **MLS#3397363, \$379,000!**



NORTH ASHEVILLE! Spacious 3 BR/2 bath home on gorgeous level .93 acre lot, FP, vaulted ceiling, lg cvred porch, HOME WARRANTY, full bsmt - easily finished, great loc, 2-car gar, **MLS#3389574, \$349,000!**



NANTAHALA RIVER! 2 BR/2 bath, add'l bath on ground level, deck/cvred porch overlooking river near Nantahala Outdoor Ctr. Well maintained home, great potential. Call James Mullis 828-338-8585. **\$314,000!**



SOUTH IN COUNTY! Neat 3 BR/2.5 bath on beautiful .39 acre lot, fam room, deck, many updates/upgrades, garage, storage shed, conv loc, Call James Mullis 828-338-8585, **MLS#3432551, \$287,300!**



SOUTH! 3 BR/3 bath brick ranch on .43 acre lot, hardwoods, lg kitch, finished bsmt, huge deck, big priv yd, conv loc, *\$13,500 down, APR 4.75%, P&I \$1,338.03, **MLS#3242763, \$260,000!**



WEST IN COUNTY! Buy one home get one free, 2 houses on one lot — 68 acres total, each 2 BR, sold "as is", great location, \$8,250 down pyt, APR 4.97%, \$829.53/mo, **MLS#3401630 \$145,000!**



FLETCHER! 1 BR, 1 bath light and bright condo in great area, neat as a pin, well maintained, pet friendly community w/walking trails, great views, covered porch, **MLS#3450645, \$120,000!**