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SEPT. 8, 2012
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After the ceremony, attendees
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the Greenway Commission
& City of Asheville staff.

Montford Will Present \$12,000 Check to RiverLink at Ribbon Cutting *Funds for Extending the Greenway to Weaver Boulevard*

Ron Phillips, Fundraising Coordinator

Love the greenway? Enjoying it this summer?

Then why not celebrate with your neighbors at the September 8 ribbon cutting as the Montford Neighborhood Association turns over the initial proceeds of the Reed Creek Greenway fundraising drive.

Karen Cragolin, director of RiverLink, will be on hand to accept the check, which comes from \$6,000 in individual and business contributions matched by \$6,000 from the MNA. RiverLink will put the funds to good use helping the City of Asheville build the greenway through UNCA's 525 Broadway tract, all the way down to Weaver Boulevard.

See you September 8, 11:00 a.m., on the greenway at Caulbe Street.

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Bear Blossom Fine Art and Craft Show Generates Concerns and Discussion

*Meeting Planned
with Cumberland
Avenue Residents*

Joe Newman

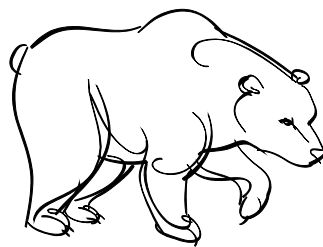
A proposal to hold a three-day art and craft show on Cumberland Avenue next June turned out to be the hot topic at the August 21 meeting of the Montford Neighborhood Association.

Artist-organizers Linda and Carl Caristo presented their plans for a show on Friday, June 21 - Sunday, June 23, 2013, where 75-100 artists would exhibit their work along the scenic, tree-shaded stretch of Cumberland Avenue between West Chestnut Street and Flint Street.

Benefits Promised for Asheville and Montford

As Ms. Caristo explained in her article in last month's *Montford Newsletter*, the show would be a "classy affair that will eventually attract top national ranking." It would feature artistic work of the high quality seen at shows of the Southern Highland Craft Guild.

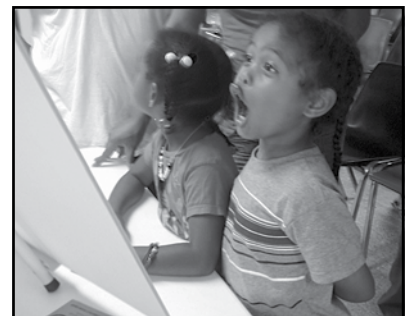
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Klondyke Kids Will Soon Have a Playground *MNA Makes the First Contribution*

Chris Joyell, Director, Asheville Design Center

Located at the north end of Montford Avenue, the Klondyke Apartments are home to 585 residents including over 200 children age 12 and younger. On a typical summer evening, children can be found everywhere, climbing handrails, trees, and anything else that poses a challenge. Parents in Klondyke are concerned, however, because the apartment complex provides no safe place for children to play.



"It's gonna be sweet!"

That is about to change, in part because of the Montford Neighborhood Association. In May, the MNA made a grant to the Asheville Design Center (ADC), who proposed to design and build a playground for the Housing Authority Apartments. Now fully funded, the playground is slated for completion in October.

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CALENDAR

Montford Neighborhood Association Meetings:

- Third Tuesday of every month, Montford Community Center, Pearson Drive.
 - Next meeting: Tuesday, September 18, 2012, 7:00 p.m.
- All residents are welcome! Everyone in Montford is a member of the neighborhood association.

Ribbon Cutting for Reed Creek Greenway:

- With presentation of Montford's \$12,000 check to RiverLink. Saturday, September 8, 11:00 a.m., on the greenway at Cauble Street.

Trash to Cash Montford Community Yard Sale:

- Saturday, September 8, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Montford Park Players Free Summer Season Continues:

- *Richard II*, August 24-September 15
- All plays presented Fridays-Sundays at Hazel Robinson Amphitheatre. For more information contact John Russell at 254-5146 or john.russell@montfordparkplayers.org.

A Day with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians:

- Educational bus tour sponsored by Western North Carolina Historical Association, Saturday, September 15, departing 7:30 a.m. Call (828) 253-9231 or email smh@wnchistory.org.

Preservation North Carolina, Annual State Conference:

- Variety of sessions and guided tours in Asheville and vicinity, Wednesday, September 19- Friday, September 21. Visit presnc.org for further information and registration.

26th Asheville Greek Festival:

- Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 227 Cumberland Avenue. Friday and Saturday, September 28-29, 11:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m., and Sunday, September 30, 11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. For information call 253-3754 or visit www.holytrinityasheville.com/greek_festival.

Montford Farmers Market:

- Wednesdays, 2:00-6:00 p.m., lower parking lot, Chamber of Commerce building, 36 Montford Avenue.

Montford Community Center Activities:

- Afterschool program for children in grades K-5, Monday-Friday, all-day care on most teacher work-days, holidays, and snow days. \$30 per week plus \$5 for all-day programs.
- Yoga classes, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7:50-8:50 a.m. \$1.00.
- Open badminton and table tennis play, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30-8:00 p.m. Free.

Contact Kim Kennedy at 253-3714 or montfordr@ashevilenc.gov.

How to Contact the Historic Resources Commission (HRC)

- Stacy Merten, Director, Asheville City Building, 259-5836 or smerten@ashevilenc.gov.

Montford Neighborhood Website

- Visit Montford's informative and user friendly website www.montford.org.
- Contact webmaster Laura Lowe at webmaster@montford.org.

Montford List Serve

- Go to www.montford.org and click on Join the Montford List Serve.

Steampunk Shakespeare Comes to Montford

Richard II Onstage through September 15

Travis V. Lowe



Our neighborhood's free Shakespeare troupe, The Montford Park Players, has opened its last production of the summer. This one is something special. It's the first time MPP has produced *Richard II* in its entire 40-year history, and it's being staged in grand form as a steampunk opera.

Everyone is invited to dress up in your best steampunk outfit or just come as you are. As always, the shows are free. Bring your friends, bring your family, bring a picnic and enjoy this fantastic ending to the summer season of Shakespeare in the park.

Shows are Friday - Sunday nights starting at 7:30 p.m. (get there early for a good seat) at the Hazel Robinson Amphitheatre just down the hill behind the Montford Community Center. The last show will be Saturday, September 15. There's more information at www.montfordparkplayers.org.

How to Contact the Asheville Police Department



- For emergencies, call 911.
- For nonemergencies and to report suspicious activity, call 252-1110.
- For the Crime Prevention Division, call 259-5834.
- For Police Dispatch, call 259-5888.
- For Montford's Community Resource Officer, Jeremy Woody, call 552-9423 or email jwoody@ashevilenc.gov.

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Your Invitation to the 26th Asheville Greek Festival September 28-30 at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church

Greetings neighbors!

Once again it's Greek Fest time in Montford. There'll be lots to learn, see, do, and definitely EAT on Friday and Saturday, September 28-29, from 11:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. and on Sunday, September 30, from 11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Music, Dance, Culture, Tradition

Come and enjoy the sounds of Nick Demos and the Greek Islanders. Experience a world of dance as you watch our youth groups and adult teams performing in authentic costumes.



Tour our church to learn about the rich two-thousand-year-old religion of Orthodoxy that is the cornerstone of Greek culture and tradition. Join us for Vespers Service on Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Divine Liturgy Service on Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

Shopping and Cooking with the Greeks

Shop in our Agora (marketplace) where you can take part of Greece home with you. You'll find imported Greek jewelry, luxurious silk Pashmina wraps, Pysanky Easter eggs, Greek sailor hats, religious icons, and other Greek items and gifts.

Love the food at the festival? You'll enjoy the live cooking demonstrations. Stock your pantry with Greek food items from the Bakaliko (grocery store)

which will offer Greek cheeses, imported olives, olive oil, spices, and other imported Greek delicacies.

Last but Not Least, the Food!

Allow the scents of oregano, garlic, and cinnamon to take you away on culinary excursion to the Mediterranean and feast on a cornucopia of the best Greek cuisine outside of Athens. Each area you visit will offer a different surprise, from tangy tzatziki-topped gyros to arni (lamb shank), from spanakopita, pastichio, moussaka inside at the traditional food line to decadent handmade pastries like baklava.

For information on everything about the festival, including our great food, go to www.holytrinityasheville.com/greek_festival, Facebook us at Asheville Greek Festival, or call 253-3754.

We at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church are so grateful for the support you, our neighbors, have giving us during our Greek Festival and over the past 69 years we have been part of Montford. We invite you back again and thank you for allowing us to hold our three-day party at our home at 227 Cumberland Avenue in the heart of Asheville's Most Historic Neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Constantine "Dino" Zourzoukis, Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, Asheville Greek Festival 2012 Chair

Dawn "Pebbles" Stucker, Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, Asheville Greek Festival 2012 Co-Chair and your neighbor at 218 Cumberland Avenue.

Ribbon Cutting for Lenoir-Rhine's Center for Graduate Studies of Asheville



A large crowd turned out for the August 13 celebration at the new Lenoir-Rhine (L-R) University center at 36 Montford Avenue. The dignitaries in the photo have just cut the ribbon to open the center. Standing left to right are Center Director Paul Knott, L-R Provost Larry M. Hall (behind), Asheville City Council Members Esther Mannheimer and Gordon Smith, L-R President Wayne B. Powell, Hickory Mayor Rudy Wright, NC State Representative Patsy Kever, Center Enrollment Management Counselor Sage Dunston, and Center Affairs Coordinator Sara Landry.

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In Memory of Betty Earley

Ross and Trudy Terry

Betty Lou "Mammy" Earley, 77, a native and lifelong resident of Buncombe County, passed away Wednesday, August 1, at the John F. Keever, Jr., Solace Center in Asheville.



Betty and J. G. Earley purchased their Montford home in 1966 just as J. left to serve in Vietnam. Even though Betty did not drive, she managed to maintain and provide for a household with three young children during the tough four-year separation.

Over the years the family weathered the neighborhood problems of the 70's and enjoyed the renaissance of the 90's. All the while, come rain or shine, Betty kept a warm and approachable disposition.

Neighborhood Grandmother

Many longtime residents on her block remember this tall southern woman as their Montford grandmother. On Thursdays, children would descend on 249 Montford Avenue for Betty's German Chocolate Cake. When asked how they knew the cake was ready, the kids would reply, "You can smell it a block away."

Betty's frequent baking and cooking supplied love and comfort not only to the local children and her family but to the elderly and needy. Mrs. Sullivan, an older woman, especially enjoyed Betty's oven treats.

Always There for You

But Betty was more than a good cook. She was also a good friend and neighbor. If you needed someone to lend an ear, give a helping hand, or offer practical homespun advice, you'd call Betty. As a working couple with a very young child, we remember how she helped us through a daycare emergency.

Talking with other folks on the block, we realized you could fill a volume with 46 years of Betty stories. She will be missed by all who knew her.

Hand-Delivered to Your Doorstep by More than 50 Neighbors

That's the Montford Newsletter

Joe Newman, Editor

Without the work of more 50 good neighbors who leave this newsletter on every doorstep in Montford, ten times a year, it wouldn't be in your hands right now.

I want to thank the people listed below who've delivered the paper from January 2011 to the present—most of them for the entire period of time, some for only a part. A surprising number have been walking their routes longer than I've been editor—over five years now—while others are fresh recruits.

In another issue, I'll recognize the steadily growing list of neighbors who've contributed articles to the newsletter.

As I sometimes say in the monthly notes I write to the delivery people, "Couldn't do it without you!"



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I also want to recognize the support the newsletter receives from the North Asheville Library, North Carolina Room at the Pack Memorial Library, Montford Books and More, Montford Convenience Store, and Eblen Shortstop on Broadway, all of whom carry copies—while they last—of every month's issue. You can also find newsletters on the bar or counter at Nine Mile and Tod's Tasties.

TRASH TO CASH

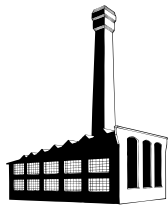
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MNA News

Brian Elston, Secretary

The regular monthly meeting was called to order on August 21, 2012, at 7:05 p.m. in the Montford Community Center on Pearson Drive by President David Patterson. Board members in attendance were Michael McDonough, Joe Newman, Ellen Nutter, Pam Joe Brown, and Ron Phillips. Also present were several other neighbors, Community Resource Officer (CRO) Jeremy Woody, and Police Lt. Bill Wilkie.

Safety and Security

CRO Jeremy Woody reported that there have been increased reports of breaking and entering in North Asheville. The Asheville Police Department (APD) has arrested an individual who had been responsible for a number of the break-ins. Officer Woody reminded everyone to keep their car doors locked when parked.

Officer Woody also provided an update on several traffic issues. First, he reported that he has issued citations for vehicles that have been parked for an extended period of days or weeks. Second, he noted that there have not been any observed speed issues recently on Tacoma Street and Tacoma Circle although he did issue citations to a number of individuals who ran the stop sign on Westover and Tacoma. Lastly, CRO Woody and Lt Wilkie encouraged the neighborhood to call APD at 252-1110 if they need to report anything other than a 911 emergency. The officers stressed that callers are never bothering officers and that the police are here to help.

MNA Financials

Treasurer Susan Eggerton submitted a report that stated the budget is in sound shape and in the black. MNA has issued payment for the Reed Creek Greenway extension to RiverLink and still has adequate reserves.

Greenway Update

A ribbon cutting ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, September 8, at 11:00 a.m. at the greenway entrance located at Cauble Street near Broadway Street. Neighbors are encouraged to come out and show their support. See the front page of this newsletter for Ron Phillips' story and an invitation from the city.

Basilica of St. Lawrence Property

Vice President Michael McDonough drafted a letter to the city regarding the property across from Basilica of St. Lawrence. MNA does not have an official position on the property but has recommended that the city evaluate the future use of the property considering all parties, including the Montford neighborhood. A public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, September 11.

Montford/Soco/Cullowhee intersection

There are no updates on the intersection at this time.

Klondyke Playground

Chris Joyell of ADC (Asheville Design Center) gave an update on the construction of the Klondyke playground, which the MNA is supporting. See Chris' story on the front page for more information.

Bear Blossom Art Festival

The organizers of the Bear Blossom Art Festival presented their proposal for an art and craft festival in June 2013 on Cumberland Avenue. The plans were met with concerns by several residents of Cumberland Avenue. Joe Newman's front-page article goes into detail on these concerns and the organizers' responses.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.



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Historic Preservationists to Converge on Asheville State Conference on September 19-21

The annual conference of Preservation North Carolina, a group dedicated to “saving places that matter to the diverse people” of our state, will take place this year in Asheville on Wednesday, September 19 - Friday, September 21.



Of the many events planned for the conference, here are four that may be of particular interest to Montford residents. On Friday afternoon, you can walk with Montford's own Sharon Fahrner on her guided tour of our neighborhood, or take the RAD Tour of the River Arts District. On Friday morning, drop in on Joe Minicozzi's session on the Economic and Environmental Benefit of Good Urbanism. Or on Wednesday afternoon, when the conference just is getting underway, you can join HRC Director Stacy Merten's guided walking tour of Biltmore Village. These four events are only a sample of what the conference has to offer.

Registration is required. For more information, visit the Preservation North Carolina website presnc.org and click on the conference icon pictured above.



Don't Space Out!

Contact the Historic Resources Commission
for any work you plan to do on
the exterior of your home.

This includes the basics
such as remodeling or repairs and also
satellite dishes, tree removal and fences.

To report a violation in the Historic District,
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Shannon Morgan
Code Enforcement Officer
259-5829.

Resource Directory

Advertise in the Resource Directory—The monthly rate is only \$10.00
Send a brief description (30 words or less) and contact information. **More than 1,500 newsletters** are distributed monthly throughout the neighborhood and are also available on the **Montford website** and at the Pack Memorial and North Asheville Public Libraries. Call 258-2207 for more information.

House Histories

Learn the story of your house. Who lived there, who owned it and what they did for a living.

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Historic Walking Tours

For by-appointment walking tours of historic Montford, Riverside Cemetery, and downtown Asheville, call 828-777-1014. A self-guided CD or downloaded MP3 tour of Riverside Cemetery is available online at www.history-at-hand.com Cemetery tour CDs are also available at the Chamber of Commerce Visitors Center or by calling the number above.

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Sept. 21, 7 pm—Award-winning author David Pereda reads from his new book, *However Long the Night*.
Oct. 5, 6 pm—Art Show Reception with popular Montford artist, Dean McCurry.

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The Montford Houses of Tizdale and Sarah Linn

Part 5: The Last House of Dr. and Sarah Linn

Zoe Rhine

Tizdale and Sarah Linn had one last house built before he died in 1908 at the age of 41. It was 17 Cullowhee Street, and, like the previous five homes and one apartment house highlighted in this series, it too was designed by Richard Sharp Smith. According to the Linns' daughter Margaret Linn Pritchard, the architect shared her father's pleasure after the house was built and apparently pointed the house out to people as his design.

Of the houses the Linns had built, Dr. Linn told his wife before he died that he wanted their daughter Margaret to have the Cullowhee Street house. At the age of 59, when Margaret was in the hospital writing her reminiscences, she still owned the house, which she called "The Hemlocks," and hoped soon to return to it.

Sarah Remarries, Builds More Houses

Two years after Dr. Linn died, Sarah married Asheville attorney John B. Anderson, an assistant to Judge Henry B. Stevens, whom Dr. Linn had suggested his wife see for any legal advice she might need after his death. One thing Sarah shared with her new husband was an interest in real estate. Together they planned a



17 Cullowhee Street, 2003, taken by Pack Memorial Library staff for documentation

two-story Colonial Revival style brick house at the corner of Watauga Street and Pearson Drive, 59 Watauga, a house Margaret said was admired by many and thought to be "one of the handsomest houses and lots in Asheville."

Margaret also wrote that her mother saved rents from the houses she and Dr. Linn had built, and then she superintended the building of five bungalows, one at a time. Among these were a white Dutch Colonial house at 349 Cumberland Avenue, a white Cape Cod Colonial at 291 Montford Avenue, and a more modern house at 362 Cumberland.

She also converted the barn—the previous servant's quarters—of the original Lynn home at 129 Cumberland into a garage apartment around 1916. By this time, autos were being used in Asheville extensively, so the area for carriages and the bay for horses became

a garage, with the upstairs becoming living quarters. She requested the city list the garage apartment with its own street number, and it became 87 West Chestnut Street. This address appears in city directories through 1982.

Memories of Montford

Sarah Anderson died in 1927 and is buried with her first husband, Dr. Linn, in Riverside Cemetery. Their daughter Margaret Linn Pritchard died in 1975 and is also buried at Riverside with her husband, Jeter McKinley, and their daughter Margaret "Peggy" Pritchard Cipriano. Peggy typed her mother's memoirs, which are now found in the Peggy McKinley Pritchard Collection. At age 13 in 1938, Peggy also wrote a diary which gives wonderful insight into growing up in Asheville, where she saw at least two movies a week, and living in Montford, where she skated in the winter and played in the creek in the summer.

The North Carolina Room at Pack Memorial Library

A house can tell many stories. Do you know the history of your house? You could share any pictures or documents with us, and we would carefully preserve the information to share with the community. Don't know your home's history? We may have photographs and information you would enjoy!

North Carolina Reference Desk
 Buncombe County Public Libraries, 67 Haywood Street, Asheville, NC 28801
 nc.reference@buncombecounty.org, 250-4750



Historic Resources Commission of Asheville and Buncombe County

August 8, 2012, Meeting—Action Agenda for Montford

Asheville City Building, First Floor North Conference Room, 4:00 p.m.
 Contact Stacy Merten: 259-5836 www.ashevilenc.gov/business/development_services/planning_zoning/historic_dist/

Members present: Brian Cook, J. Ray Elingburg, Brendan Ross, Ashley Black, Tracey Rizzo, Nan Chase, David Nutter

Staff present: Stacy Merten, Peggy Gardner, Jannice Ashley

Item and Summary	Action
177 Cumberland Avenue—install custom garage doors	Approved
135 Cherry Street—flexible development to add freestanding sign for Greeson & Fast	Approved

Please refer to the website www.ashevilenc.gov for the full approved minutes after each month's meeting.

September 12, 2012, Meeting—Tentative Agenda for Montford

Asheville City Building, First Floor North Conference Room, 4:00 p.m.

New Business: Public Hearings—Certificates of Appropriateness

150 Cumberland Avenue—new accessory structure

Preliminary Review

29 Tacoma Street—new 1½ story single-family residence

8 Short Street—new single-family residence

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Green Corner

More about Non-Native Invasives

Mitch Russell



A few issues ago I wrote about how non-native invasive species can take over ecosystems. Driving through the Nantahala Gorge or other areas of North Carolina and the South, you may have seen this conquest firsthand with kudzu.

Burmese Pythons on the Loose

In this month's column I want to reiterate the negative consequences of non-native invasive species. I'm talking about animals as well as plants.

You may have heard about one such animal, a 17+ foot Burmese python found last month in the Everglades carrying 87 eggs. The theory is that when Hurricane Andrew swept through Florida in 1992, Burmese pythons along with other critters made their great escape. I have also read that some owners find pythons grow to be too large to keep in a home environment and let them go into the wild.

Pythons have been discovered in south Georgia, too, but a 2010 study at the Savannah River Ecology Lab in Aiken, South Carolina, found that they cannot survive extremely cold temperatures. No worries about their making their way up here!

As big and scary looking as an alligator is to us humans, it looks like lunch to a Burmese python, and thus the ecosystem imbalance. These snakes have no predators in the Everglades or anywhere else in the U.S., which is also the problem with other non-native invasive species.

Hemlock Woolly Adelgids and Zebra Mussels

A prime example of a local non-native invasive is the Hemlock Woolly Adelgid (HWA), originally from Japan, which has a severe impact on our native hemlocks. Another that hasn't quite made it here but probably will soon is the Zebra mussel, also from Asia, that attaches itself to native freshwater mussels and eventually kills them. Our native mussels help to purify the water by filtering it through their chambers, which is great for our trout and other freshwater fish. Both the HWA and Zebra mussels were accidental introductions.




Obviously the case of the Burmese python as compared to that of the HWA and Zebra mussels is quite different, especially with respect to owners letting them go into the wild. But the outcome is the same in that non-native invasive species cost millions of dollars to "control," cause countless millions or billions in losses, and devastate ecosystems that are critical to animals, plants, and us.

Think of our beautiful landscape without hemlocks and how that would affect the economy, aesthetic, and psyche of our region.

Think twice before letting your pet black bear cub go on the parkway!

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Bear Blossom Show

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The Caristos said they envision the Bear Blossom show's becoming one of the top 10 in the nation, giving Asheville and North Carolina a bigger star on the art-world map. They also promised benefits for Montford, including opportunities for neighborhood artists to display their work at the show and to open their studios to visitors. The organizers said they would make a donation to the MNA or the Reed Creek Greenway fundraising drive.

Residents Raise Objections, Organizers Respond

After the Caristos' presentation, several neighbors who live on the affected stretch of Cumberland Avenue spoke out against the proposal. The Cumberland residents who attended the MNA meeting said the Caristos had underestimated the opposition on the avenue, although the organizers stated they had spoken with a number of residents and found most of them supportive.

Here are the major issues raised by Cumberland residents followed by the organizers' responses.

- The main objection appeared to be the length of the show, which would begin with a preview on Friday evening (5:00-9:00 p.m.) followed by two full days of exhibition on Saturday (10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.) and Sunday (11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.). The Caristos said a length of three days would be necessary to make the show economically viable for artists.
- Closely related to length was the inconvenience caused by the closing of Cumberland Avenue and the limited access to residents' homes during show hours. The organizers responded that residents could park their cars outside the affected area and that some, but not all, neighbors would have access to their homes using Short Magnolia Street, which runs behind their houses.
- Damage to front yards from the artists and large crowds attending the show was another issue. Estimating attendance of no more than 2,000 per day, the organizers downplayed the possibility of damage.
- Residents also brought up a conflict with the well-established Montford Music and Arts Festival held only a few weeks earlier in May. The June dates for the Bear Blossom show were chosen to avoid conflicts with similar festivals in the fall, the organizers stated, and there should not be a conflict with the Montford Festival because the type and cost of the art exhibited at the proposed show would be completely different.

Why can't the show be held at another location such as Montford Park, the area near the Hazel Robinson Amphitheatre, or even along the Reed Creek Greenway, residents asked. The organizers answered that a shady, relatively flat location—such as Cumberland Avenue—is required for an attractive, high-quality art show. The suggested alternate sites would not be workable, the Caristos concluded.

Next Steps

As this issue of the newsletter went to press, a meeting was being planned at the suggestion of MNA President David Patterson to give all affected Cumberland residents the chance to meet with the organizers and try to reach a consensus. The MNA Board's initial response to the proposal dealt mainly with the logistical aspects of staging the event. Although the city permit process does not require planners of such events to obtain the consent of affected residents, the Bear Blossom organizers have said they will not push forward in the face of strong objections from the neighborhood.

Montford Community Center News

Kim Kennedy, Center Director

Thanks for Another Hot Race

A big thanks to the Montford neighborhood for once again supporting the annual Hot August Night 5K Race. One-hundred twenty eight runners finished the race with the support of about 60 volunteers and cheerers.



Yoga Classes

Come join us at the center for yoga classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:50-8:50 a.m. These classes offer a friendly flow, linking a variety of postures with breath to help you build a foundation that opens the body and mind for a well-rounded practice. All levels welcome! Cost is just \$1 per person.

Badminton and Table Tennis

Free open badminton and table tennis play are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30-8:00 p.m. This program is sponsored by the Asheville Badminton and Asheville Table Tennis Clubs.

Any Ideas for the Haunted Gymnasium?


Calling all creative thinkers! We are in the planning stages for this year's Haunted Gymnasium, and we are looking for new room ideas. If you haven't been to our event yet, the gym is divided into several rooms; some are interactive and others are just displays. We need some new ways to scare participants, so email your ideas to montfordr@ashevillenc.gov.

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Playground

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Partnership of ADC, MNA, Other Groups

We're so grateful for Montford's support. The MNA was the first group to commit funds to the playground, and that helped pave the way for others to join the effort.

Funding partners also include Charlotte Street Computers (who originally approached ADC with the idea), Asheville Greenworks, Asheville Affiliates, and the Housing Authority of the City of Asheville.

Klondyke Residents Take Active Role

Guided by the principle "nothing about us without us," ADC volunteer designers engaged Klondyke parents and children through a series of onsite workshops in June and July. In response to the community's input, ADC designed a new playground that will encourage a sense of ownership, respect, and pride for the neighborhood.

ADC is partnering with Green Opportunities and Just Folks to train six residents to build, install, and landscape the playground site. ADC is also soliciting local businesses for material donations and incorporating repurposed and recycled materials whenever possible. This cost-effective approach will yield a unique and enjoyable playground at about one-third the cost of a traditional set-up.

Community workdays will be organized in September. For more information, visit ADC's website ashevilledesigncenter.org.

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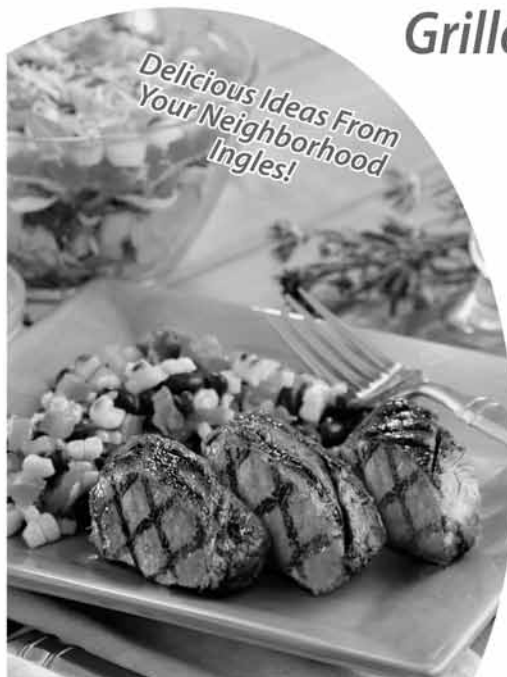
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Grilled Lime Pork Chops With Black Bean & Corn Salad

INGREDIENTS:

- *1/4 cup Fresh lime juice
- *3/4 cup Olive oil (plus additional for coating grill)
- *2 tsp. Garlic, minced
- *1-1/2 tsp. Kosher salt
- *1 tsp. Fresh ground black pepper, to taste
- *1 tsp. Ground coriander
- *6 Boneless pork chops, fat trimmed

DIRECTIONS:

STEP 1: In a small bowl, whisk together lime juice, oil, garlic, salt, pepper and coriander. Place pork chops in a large zip-top plastic bag and pour marinade over pork chops. Refrigerate for 2 hours. STEP 2: Preheat grill on medium heat. Oil grill rack with oil. STEP 3: Place pork chops on grill and grill 3-4 minutes. Using tongs, turn pork chops a quarter turn to create hatch marks and grill 3-4 minutes. Flip pork chops over and repeat the process. Hold chops using the tongs to create grill marks on the edges, if desired. Proper internal temperature is 150°. STEP 4: Serve pork chops with Black Bean and Corn Salad.

Black Bean and Corn Salad

- *2 medium Ears of corn, husks and silk removed
- *1/4 cup Black beans, rinsed and drained
- *1 small Tomato, small dice
- *1 small Jalapeño pepper, finely chopped
- *2 Tbsp. Green bell pepper, small dice
- *2 Tbsp. Red bell pepper, small dice
- *1/4 cup Jicama, peeled, small dice
- *2 Tbsp. Green onions, chopped
- *1 Tbsp. Vegetable oil
- *2 Tbsp. Fresh cilantro, chopped
- *1 clove Garlic, minced
- *2 tsp. Fresh lime juice
- *Dash Ground cumin
- *1/4 tsp. Kosher salt

DIRECTIONS:

Step 1: Grill corn over medium heat, turning frequently, until corn is golden brown, about 10-15 minutes. Remove corn from grill and let cool; cut corn from cob. Step 2: In a medium bowl, combine all ingredients and mix until well blended.

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