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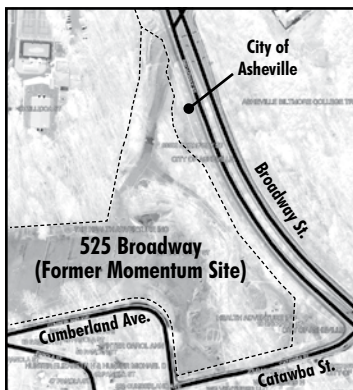
525 Broadway to be Sold on Courthouse Steps

Neighborhood Committee Keeps Close Watch on Site

Ellen Nutter

The Health Adventure bankruptcy proceedings are advancing, and the organization's former Momentum site in Montford is scheduled to be sold at auction at noon on Monday, October 17, on the Buncombe County Courthouse steps.

Although the 8+ acre site is recorded in Buncombe County tax records as 525 Broadway, the court filing lists it as 385 Cumberland Avenue. The court notice states that the person selling the property must verbally announce the sale and that any buyer must present a cash offer.
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Adapted from City of Asheville Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Map

Convenience Store and MNA to Provide Security Officers

For Trick-or-Treating on Monday, October 31

For the fourth consecutive year, the Montford Neighborhood Association and Vickie Korkmaz, owner of the Montford Convenience Store, are working together to help insure a safe time for trick-or-treaters. The association and the store will hire two off-duty police officers to patrol the area around the store on Halloween night, Monday, October 31. Ms. Korkmaz and the MNA will share the cost.

The association and the convenience store have a lot in common—namely, the well-being of the neighborhood. We want to make Montford a safe place on Halloween and every other day of the year. The MNA appreciates our working relationship with Ms. Korkmaz and the store's employees.



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Holiday Tour of Homes Needs Homes and Sponsors

Cate Scales

Planning for the 2011 Tour has begun. This year's holiday stroll through Montford will take place on Saturday, December 10, from 1:00-5:00 p.m. Tickets will be \$20 and will be available at the Chamber of Commerce Gift Shop and online at www.montfordtour.org starting December 1.

Wanted: Homes for the Tour

Please consider including your home in this year's event. It's a wonderful community experience and a chance to show off all the hard work put into the beautiful homes of Montford. If you would like to open your home to our community but have questions, please let me know. I'd be happy to meet with you and address any concerns that you may have about being on the tour.

Also Wanted: Individual and Business Sponsors

If you—or your business—are interested in sponsoring a home on the tour, there are several perks to encourage you. With an average of 500 participants, the tour is a great way to advertise your business or trade. As well, featuring neighborhood businesses shows the diversity and creativity of working Montford.

Thank you, neighbors, for your support of this event. The tour raises much-needed funds that go to your Montford Neighborhood Association and benefit improvement projects for our community. Feel free to contact me at 280-1576 or scalesfamily@charter.net.

City Council Candidates Turn Out to Meet Montford

Now It's Our Turn: Get Out and Vote on October 11 and November 8

Joe Newman

Six of the eight candidates for Asheville City Council attended the meet-and-greet session sponsored by the Montford Neighborhood Association on September 15.
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(L-R) Chris Pelly, Lael Gray, Jan Davis (standing), MNA President David Patterson, Saul Chase, Marc Hunt, Mark Cates

CALENDAR

MONTFORD NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETINGS:

- THIRD TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH, MONTFORD COMMUNITY CENTER, PEARSON DRIVE
- NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 7:00 P.M.

ALL RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME! EVERYONE IN MONTFORD IS A MEMBER OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION.

MONTFORD PARK PLAYERS PRESENT ROMEO AND JULIET AT THE MASONIC TEMPLE:

- MIXED-MEDIA PRODUCTION AT 80 BROADWAY, THURSDAY THROUGH SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13-23 AT 7:30 P.M. WITH 2:30 P.M. MATINEES ON SATURDAY AND SUNDAY.
- FOR TICKETS AND MORE INFORMATION, VISIT WWW.MONTFORDPARKPLAYERS.ORG OR CALL 254-5146.

MONTFORD COMMUNITY CENTER ACTIVITIES:

- HAUNTED GYMNASIUM, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 6:00-9:00 P.M. SUGGESTED DONATION \$4.00.
- HOMESCHOOL FALL FESTIVAL, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, NOON-2:00 P.M.
- FREE YOGA CONTINUES, TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS, 8:00-9:00 A.M. EVENING SCHEDULE TBA.
- FUN DAY OUT PROGRAM FOR YOUTH, MOST TEACHER WORKDAYS AND HOLIDAYS. \$5.00 PLUS FIELD TRIPS. PREREGISTRATION REQUIRED.
- YOUTH BASKETBALL REGISTRATION UNDERWAY, PLAY BEGINS END OF NOVEMBER.
- YEAR-ROUND MARTIAL ARTS, TUESDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS, 6:00-8:00 P.M. \$10 PER CLASS, NO PREREGISTRATION, FIRST CLASS FREE. CONTACT MARK SMALL AT 285-2929 OR MSMALL@MAIN.NC.US.

CONTACT KIM KENNEDY AT 253-3714 OR MONTFORDR@ASHEVILLENC.GOV.

SUSTAINABILITY TECHNOLOGIES COURSES FROM A-B TECH:

- ENERGY SAVINGS FOR SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS (TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 6:00-9:00 P.M., ENKA CAMPUS) AND AFFORDABLE ENERGY UPLIFTS FOR YOUR HOME (TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 6:00-9:00 P.M., MONTFORD COMMUNITY CENTER), TAUGHT BY DIANA BELLGOWAN. FOR INFORMATION ON REQUIRED REGISTRATION AND COURSE FEES, GO TO WWW2.ABTECH.EDU/SCHEDULE/CF/FALL/INDEX.PHP.

PRESERVATION WORKSHOPS AT PENLAND SCHOOL OF CRAFTS:

- HISTORIC PRESERVATION, OCTOBER 14-15, AND WINDOW RESTORATION, OCTOBER 21-22. CONTACT 765-2359, EXT. 14, OR BEVERLYAYSQUE@PENLAND.ORG.

WNC HISTORICAL SOCIETY LECTURE SERIES—CIVIL WAR IN THE MOUNTAINS:

- DR. GORDON MCKINNEY, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2:00 P.M., REUTER CENTER, UNCA. CONTACT 253-9231 OR EDUCATION@WNCISTORY.ORG FOR RESERVATIONS.

WNC FOSTER/ADOPT FALL FESTIVAL:

- SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2:00-5:00 P.M., CROWNE PLAZA. CONTACT 258-0031, EXT. 347, OR EJOURDAN@FAMILIESTOGETHER.NET.

NORTH CAROLINA URBAN WOOD CONFERENCE:

- OCTOBER 21-22, BILTMORE ESTATE. ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED: WWW.ASHEVILLEGREENWORKS.ORG/URBAN-WOOD.

MONTFORD FARMERS MARKET:

- WEDNESDAYS, 2:00-6:00 P.M., CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LOWER PARKING LOT, MONTFORD AVENUE. CONTACT GREENTOEGROUND@YAHOO.COM.

Montford Neighborhood Website

- VISIT MONTFORD'S AMAZING 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.

"This is OUR neighborhood, dammit!" Words from a Neighbor Who's Fed Up with Crime

Michael McDonough

Recent reports of crime in our neighborhood, especially the assaults, have put us all a little on edge. Unfortunately, the diversity, location, and walkability that draw most of us to this neighborhood also attract undesirables.

One of my favorite things to do, wandering home down Cumberland or Montford Avenues after enjoying some good local beer downtown, now seems to require suspicious looks over my shoulder every block. While it is important for all of us to take precautions and use Internet tools to communicate suspicious activity, I also hope we act in more proactive ways.

This is OUR neighborhood, dammit! I, for one, refuse to succumb to fear and will continue to walk and ride my bike through our neighborhood. Let's not allow a few scumbags (yes, I did say that) to chase us into our living rooms and cars.

Let's continue to enjoy sitting on our porches keeping an eye on things, walking our streets and sidewalks, and enjoying our parks.

Let's remain visible and defiant.



Design the Music and Arts Festival Logo and Win \$100

Jerry Conner

After eight years of successful growth, the Montford Music and Arts Festival is looking for a permanent logo that is representative of both the neighborhood and the festival. The new logo will be used to promote the festival on materials ranging from t-shirts to banners, mugs, and printed brochures, and also as a visual trademark reminder.

The winning creation will be rewarded with a cash prize of \$100, recognition on the Montford Festival website (www.montfordfestival.com), a byline, and logo promotional news releases.

Here Are the Requirements

1. The logo must be able to be reproduced in no more than four (4) colors as well as black and white.
2. Logo lines and outline drawings must not have too much detail or be too intricate for printing on fabric.
3. Designs must be submitted as a jpeg of at least a 300 DPI or a pdf. Vector art is preferred.
4. Designs that combine the elements of the Montford neighborhood, music, and the arts in a clever logo are what we're seeking.
5. The logo design should not have a date (for example, 9th Annual) but should be such that a date can be

placed near or above logo each year without detracting from the integrity of the design. Some uses of the logo will not have a date applied.

- 6) Logo details should be well defined when reduced to 3 inches wide x 2 inches high for print.

The deadline for submissions is October 15, 2011.

We're seeking submissions from everyone, Montford residents as well as others. Please send your submission or any questions on the logo design to Jerry Conner at carolinacomp@bellsouth.net.



Been on the Neighborhood Website Lately?

Check Out What Montford.org Has for You

Laura Lowe, Webmaster

Need the non-emergency police phone number—quickly—but can't find it? Can't locate the HRC Guidelines or applications on the city's new website? Want to join the list serve but don't know where to go? You can find all these things and much more at the montford.org website.



MONTFORD'S HOME PAGE

Montford.org Offers a Lot of Information

Here's a quick reference on what you can find, how to get to it, and what you can do with the information once you have it.

Call the police. Important police phone numbers are listed right on the home page. Click on the [Police](#) image link, and you'll find even more of them.

Read the HRC Guidelines. Get connected directly to the new City of Asheville website along with the Historic Resource Commission's Montford *Guidelines* and applications.

Purchase your Montford banner. Access the [Montford Store](#) where you can pay using PayPal, or pay the MNA treasurer directly by check.

Get connected and stay informed. Under [Contact Us](#), you can find the rules for the Montford list serve and links to the neighborhood Facebook page and twitter feed. Or you can contact the webmaster.

Read a newsletter. At the [News](#) page, you can read the most recent articles published in the *Montford Newsletter*. Click on the [Newsletter Archives](#) text link and read neighborhood newsletters going back to 2005.

Advertise in the newsletter. Click on the [Advertise with Us](#) banner and download the ad specs document, pay for your newsletter ad using PayPal, or submit an article.

Follow the Neighborhood Watch. Click on *Neighborhood Watch* and find out how to become active in that group, or select *Crimewatch in Montford Facebook* to follow the Facebook group.

Keep up with events in the neighborhood. All events publicized in the newsletter are also posted on the [Events](#) page. In addition, most events that are posted on the list serve are also added to the [Events](#) page. You can send your event to the webmaster, and she'll post it.

Find out what's new at the Community Center. Find out what's coming up and going on at the [Montford Community Center](#). Director Kim Kennedy provides frequent updates, and you can find them at this link.

Contact Montford people. Who is the MNA president, anyway? And how can you contact him? (David's really a nice guy ;=) Contact the webmaster about advertising your event or Montford-based business on the website.

Get access to other stuff. MNA meeting minutes, city notices, monthly HRC postings can all be found on the website.

And the webmaster can always use your help! If you'd like to manage a Facebook or twitter page, contribute to the Montford website (maybe the history section, or a 525 Broadway update section), or make other improvements that you feel would be beneficial, contact the webmaster at webmaster@montford.org to discuss the possibilities.



Montford Farmers Market

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(in the Chamber of Commerce parking lot)

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Firefly Farm	Gaining Ground	Full Sun Farm
Viable Cultures	Farm	Blue Hill Farm
Dave the Fish Guy	Spinning Spider	Flying Cloud Farm

How's Your Sidewalk? Please Keep It Clear of Overgrown Shrubs and Trees

Joe Newman

I love to walk and run through Montford. I love our sidewalks, many of which still feature the original "Montford pavers" with their elaborately etched geometric designs. I love our trees, shrubs, and other greenery.

Having confessed my affection for this place, I must add a complaint, one I've heard from several neighbors recently:

It's hard to walk, run, or push a stroller down a few stretches of Montford sidewalk because of overgrown shrubs and trees that require constant dodging, ducking, and detouring.

I'm not talking about dead limbs and cuttings, although they can be a problem when they block the sidewalk, but instead about live growth that spills over from the yard or the strip between the sidewalk and curb. Mature hedges and other shrubs can be hard to get around, but tree branches that dangle down at face level can be just as bad.

Ouch! Really didn't need that scratch . . .

If you need to, please grab your clippers and shears and do some fall trimming so folks can travel easily along your stretch of sidewalk. On behalf of the many walkers, runners, and strollers who use the sidewalks of our beautiful neighborhood every day, thank you for your help.





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Montford Neighborhood Association News

Bill Wheeler, Secretary

The regular monthly meeting was called to order on September 20, 2011, at 7:04 p.m. in the Montford Community Center on Pearson drive by Vice President Susan Eggerton. Other Board members present: Bill Wheeler, secretary, and at-large members Pam Brown, Karen Kellow, Laura Lowe, Michael McDonough, Joe Newman, and Ron Phillips. Also present were APD Community Resource Officer Jeremy Woody, Montford Recreation Center Director Kim Kennedy, and other neighbors and community members.

MNA Financials

A copy of the current month's budget status as prepared by Treasurer Wanda Newman was passed around; no comments or issues were raised.

Safety and Security

CRO Jeremy Woody reported on the sexual assault that occurred recently in Montford Park involving a 12-year-old girl and an adult male. The victim was alone in the park around 7:30 p.m. when the assault occurred. The assailant was apprehended after being detained by the victim's family members after the assailant followed the victim to her home. The suspect was charged with sexual assault on a minor. It was the first known arrest of this individual.

Officer Woody also reported on graffiti at the Community Center and on Zillicoa Street. He stated that there are no suspects. He said that police have been watching an area around Flint Street that is suspected to have prostitution activity. He passed around a sheet concerning an individual of interest to the police whose last known address is 345 Pearson Street and who has 12 outstanding warrants.

Officer Woody noted that the APD is continuing undercover work in the neighborhood and described the increased number of calls to APD from the neighborhood as a sign that neighbors are being more vigilant.

A request was made that the APD post a speed board on Montford Avenue north of the Chestnut intersection to help slow down speeding vehicles. Officer Woody will forward the request to the appropriate city office.

A neighbor asked whether it would be possible for the list serve and/or neighborhood Facebook page to automatically send out messages to remind neighbors to contact police of suspicious activities. Laura Lowe will look into this. Joe Newman reminded everyone that the newsletter publishes police contact information in every issue (including page 12 of this one).

Pam Jo Brown gave an update on the efforts to improve lighting in the neighborhood. Pam is continuing to work with city officials regarding lights needed in Montford Park, while a request for an additional light in Hummingbird Park has been dropped due to lack of neighborhood interest. Residents who wish to discuss a new light or replacement of a burned-out light can contact Ms. Brown (pamjobrown@charter.net) or Progress Energy directly.

Meet-and-Greet Session for City Council Candidates

As the story on the front page of this newsletter indicates, Joe Newman reported that there was good and bad news regarding this event hosted by MNA that took place at Randolph Learning Center on September 15. The good news: Six of the eight candidates for Asheville City Council appeared and talked informally with residents who attended. The candidates also made brief formal statements and responded to questions. The bad news was that the neighborhood turnout was very low, estimated at no more than 20 people.

525 Broadway (former Momentum site) Update

Susan Eggerton reported that the MNA Board has agreed to postpone approving the design charrette and instead has asked an ad-hoc group to form a committee with the purpose of tracking the ownership of the property and engaging interested parties such as the City of Asheville and UNCA in future development ideas. One of the ad hoc members, Ellen Nutter, reported that the main lien holder, TD Bank, has submitted a request for auction of the property with the Buncombe County Clerk of Courts, and a hearing was held on September 15. Given the required 21-day waiting period, the auction can take place no sooner than October 6. Ellen said that a local lawyer, Brian Elston, has volunteered to follow the legal steps taking place and report any news to the committee. Ellen provides further information in her story on the front page.

Susan Eggerton read a letter from MNA President David Patterson to the County Clerk of Courts stating MNA's interest in working with the new owner of the property. The letter has been made part of the legal documents in the auction.

Attendees suggested widening the list of interested parties and asked about the goals of the committee. Susan Eggerton responded that the committee is currently serving as a fact finding body and its future plans are not yet established.

Susan Eggerton also reported that the Asheville Design Center has indicated it would not be interested in holding a design charrette after the property is sold to an owner who will be developing the property.

New Business

Susan Eggerton reported on the proposal to make Pearson Drive one way from Courtland Street to Chestnut Street owing to the narrowness of the road and the traffic that is generated by the Community Center. The request has been made by neighbors on that block who are concerned about the safety of children living in the area. Susan said that neighborhood feedback is being asked for through the list serve.

A neighbor asked that the issue of frequency of trolleys in the neighborhood be raised. Some attendees at the meeting noted that the publicity is an asset to Montford, while others were interested in the licensing protocol for the trolleys, in particular regarding emissions.

Announcements

Susan Eggerton reported that the Odyssey School will be holding a 5K Race and Fun Race on Sunday, October 2, and urged Montford neighbors to support the school in its fundraising efforts.

Joe Newman reported that the MNA will once again cooperate with the Montford Convenience Store to hire two off-duty APD officers to patrol the neighborhood on Halloween night. See the story on page one.

Travis Lowe announced that the Montford Park Players are looking for volunteers to help winterize the amphitheater on Saturday, September 24.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.



Montford Community Center News

Kim Kennedy, Center Director

Haunted Gymnasium

Join us for our third annual Haunted Gymnasium on Saturday, October 29! The gym has been converted into a dark and scary place with spooky displays and a few scary moments. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. with lights remaining on for tours for the faint of heart until 7:00 p.m. All those who dare can come after 7:00 for the tour with lights out, which lasts until 9:00 p.m. Admission is a suggested donation of \$4. All proceeds go to support youth programs.



Homeschool Fall Festival

Homeschool fall festival will be held on Wednesday, October 26, from noon-2:00 p.m. Come enjoy food and fun and don't forget to wear your costume.

Free Yoga Continues

Come join us for free yoga classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:00-9:00 a.m. The evening class schedule is TBA. We are trying to continue this class through the fall, so please come to class or call to let us know there is interest in the neighborhood.

Fun Day Out

Our youth Fun Day Out program will be held on most teacher workdays and holidays. The cost is just \$5 plus field trips. Preregistration is required.

Youth Basketball

Youth basketball registration is underway. Play begins at the end of November.

For more information on the Montford Community Center, call me at 253-3714.

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- *2 containers (1.75 Oz. Ea.) rainbow sprinkles (2/3 cup)
- *2 packages (2.25 Oz. Ea.) nut topping (1 cup)
- *½ cup mini chocolate chips
- *Nonstick cooking spray
- *2 packages (14 ounces each) square-shaped caramels with sticks included
- *8 large Golden Delicious, Granny Smith or McIntosh apples, stems removed
- *¼ cup water

DIRECTIONS:

1. In large skillet, toast pecans over low heat 3 to 5 minutes or until lightly browned, stirring frequently. Transfer to pie plate or wide, shallow dish to cool completely. Stir in sprinkles, nut topping and chocolate chips. Freeze 15 minutes.
2. Meanwhile, spray cookie sheet with nonstick cooking spray. Insert 1 stick halfway into stem end of each apple. Unwrap caramels and place in medium saucepan; add water. Heat over medium-low heat 8 to 10 minutes, stirring until caramels are melted and mixture is smooth. Reduce heat to low.
3. Dip and swirl each apple into melted caramel until evenly coated, using a spoon to pour caramel onto apple near the stick and allowing excess to drip off into saucepan. Dip top and roll sides of apples in nut mixture to evenly coat. With gloved hand, lightly press mixture into caramel. Place apples, stick side up, onto prepared cookie sheet. Refrigerate at least 1 hour or up to 2 days. To serve, let apples stand at room temperature 30 to 45 minutes or until caramel softens slightly.

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Green Corner

Duct Insulation to the Rescue

Mitch Russell

Wow. What crazy weather we've had this year! According to an article in the *Citizen-Times* last month, "Asheville on average receives 10 inches of snow each winter, but last winter the city got 20.2 inches. This summer was the city's second-hottest on record, according to the National Climatic Data Center. The city experienced 31 days of 90 degree or warmer weather."



The Problem: Older Homes Lose More Heat

Whether you believe that these extremes are caused by people, nature, or a combination of the two, you can't deny that we are living in times of harsh temperatures. Most of us in Montford live in homes built at least 75 years ago, and we feel greater effects of temperature due to technologically less-advanced construction than our neighbors who live in newer homes.

I know that I do, especially in the winter when I go into my basement and I feel the heat escaping from the duct work. It's a great thing for keeping my pipes from freezing but not so good for my natural gas usage.

A Solution: R-6 Duct Insulation

Here's a solution: duct insulation. Last winter I bought several rolls of R-6 duct insulation that unfortunately I did not have the time—OK, make that the will—to install. But after experiencing twice as much snow as normally falls in Asheville, I will be taping ducts and installing the insulation within the next few weeks.

Per the Department of Energy's website (www.energysavers.gov/your_home/insulation_airsealing/index.cfm/mytopic=11500), uninsulated or poorly insulated ducts in unconditioned spaces can lose through conduction 10 to 30 percent of the energy used to heat and cool your home. Also according to the DOE website, there is also a phenomenon known as "cold blow" whereby ducts lose heat through conduction in rooms served by long ducts during the winter because they usually have lower heating-supply temperatures. This probably explains the ghostly cold in my wife's office.

Hopefully this winter will be mild and our gas usage and bill will reflect it.

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October 11 and November 8



A-B Tech Offers Continuing Education Courses on Sustainability Technologies

Montford Residents Teach Several Classes

Montford architect Diana Bellgowan will teach two courses within the next few weeks:

Energy Savings for Small Business Owners (Tuesday, October 18, 6:00-9:00 p.m., Enka Campus) "is designed to help evaluate energy-saving opportunities for small businesses. In this course we'll explore opportunities to make your business 'greener,' look at practical ways to reduce utility costs and increase building performance, and provide you with the tools to analyze the life cycle costs of energy-efficient improvements."

Affordable Energy Upfits for Your Home (Tuesday, November 1, 6:00-9:00 p.m., Montford Community Center) will "review options for greening your home by reducing drafts, improving energy efficiency and conserving water. We'll also discuss how to determine which specific improvements would be of most benefit in your house and how to prioritize your options. The class will also provide information on utility and tax rebates and incentive programs."

For information on required registration and course fees, go to www.2.abtech.edu/schedule/ce/fall/index.php.

Cate Scales and Gini Crowder-Marshall of Trio Design taught a course on **Creative and Sustainable Interior Design** in September, and it was announced on the list serve and in montford.org.

Historic Preservation Workshops at Penland School of Crafts

The North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office, Preservation North Carolina, and Penland School of Crafts are partnering to conduct two historic preservation workshops at Penland. Join us for an educational weekend retreat in the beautiful mountains of western North Carolina at the peak of autumn color.



www.penland.org

Historic Preservation, October 14-15

This workshop covers historic designation on the National Register and in your local community, the use of tax credits for individuals and communities as they restore and rehabilitate historic architecture, and special breakout sections for historic preservation commissioners. Preservation architect Joe Oppermann will lead a discussion on two preservation projects on Penland's campus—an 1860 log-with-German-siding farm house and a 1916 Craftsman style dorm—to explain the restoration and rehabilitation process.

This workshop is designed for the general preservation audience but also qualifies for historic preservation commission education credits. The workshop will include a special presentation on saved historic architecture in North Carolina will be given by Myrick Howard, president of Preservation North Carolina.



Historic Resources Commission of Asheville and Buncombe County September 14, 2011, Meeting—Action Agenda for Montford

Asheville City Building, First Floor North Conference Room, 4:00 p.m.
Contact Stacy Merten: 259-5836 www.ashevillenc.gov/business/development_services/planning_zoning/historic_dist/
Members present: Hillary Cole, Aaron Wilson, Brian Cook, Joe Carney, J. Ray Elingburg, Jonathan Lucas, David Nutter, Brendan Ross, Capi Wampler
Staff present: Stacy Merten, Peggy Gardner, Jannice Ashley

Item and Summary	Action
177 Cumberland Avenue—addition to rear of principal structure.....	Approved with condition
93 Pearson Drive—add windows and doors and replace siding on rear elevation	Approved with condition
254 Pearson Drive—remove existing porte cochere and replace with detached garage	Continued

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

October 12, 2011, Meeting—Tentative Agenda for Montford

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

Old Business: Public Hearings—Certificates of Appropriateness

43 Pearson Drive—vinyl fence (withdrawn, fence removed)
254 Pearson Drive—add detached garage, remove two trees
93 Pearson Drive—add windows and doors and replace siding on rear elevation

New Business: Public Hearings—Certificates of Appropriateness

169 Flint Street—replace concrete wall and steps with stone wall and steps

Other Business

Comments from commissioners, public, and staff

Window Restoration, October 21-22

Join us for a window restoration workshop with specialist David Hoggard, owner of Double Hung, LLC. Students will learn the mechanics of traditional windows and participate in a hands-on session of basic window repair and materials using mid-19th and early 20th century buildings on Penland's campus. There will be technical tips and a presentation on more complicated window repair. This workshop is designed for homeowners, do-it-yourselfers, general contractors, and carpenters.

For more information, including schedules and registration materials, go to www.penland.org/preservation or contact Beverly Ayscue at 765-2359, extension 14, or beverlyayscue@penland.org.

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Fact Finding Committee Works for the Neighborhood

With the approval of the Montford Neighborhood Association's Board of Directors, President David Patterson has appointed a fact finding committee to keep the association informed regarding the development of 525 Broadway. Committee members are Patterson, Vice President Susan Eggerton, Ellen Nutter, and Brian Elston. The committee met on September 8 and is exploring issues surrounding ownership, bankruptcy proceedings, timing, interested neighbors and other stakeholders, plans for the Reed Creek Greenway, zoning, and other city-related matters.

Charrette May Still Be Held

The proposal made by the Asheville Design Center to conduct a design charrette is still a possibility. The charrette would provide professional assistance to help the neighborhood articulate its goals for the development of 525 Broadway and reach consensus regarding neighborhood desires for the site. Information gathered by the fact finding committee is intended to help the association decide whether such a charrette will be warranted. The committee's next progress report will be made at the October 18 MNA meeting.

Pitch in and Have Fun as a Festival Committee Member

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Candidates

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Coming to the Randolph Learning Center for an evening of one-on-one conversations, brief presentations, and questions and answers were engineer and business consultant Mark Cates (www.markcates.com), former Boone Town Council member Saul Chase (www.electsaulchase.com), tire store owner and council incumbent Jan Davis (www.jandavisforcouncil.com), graphic designer and Montford neighborhood activist Lael Gray (www.laelgrayforcouncil.com), conservationist and Asheville Greenway Commissioner Marc Hunt (www.huntforcouncil.com), and Haw Creek Community Association President Chris Pelly (www.chrispellyforcouncil.com).

The MNA invited all eight candidates to the meeting. Libertarian activist and Montford resident Tim Peck (www.timpeckforcouncil.com) and gay rights activist T.J. Thomasson (www.tjrunner.wordpress.com) were unable to attend.

Respecting the diverse political views in our neighborhood, the MNA does not endorse candidates in any election.

Thanks again to School Social Worker "Big E" Howard and the entire faculty and staff of Randolph Learning Center for making their spacious auditorium available and facilitating the gathering in every way.

Come on Montford. Let's Get with It.

I hope Montford residents show up at the polls in greater numbers than we did at the meet-and-greet. Our turnout was, in a word, awful. For one of the few times since I've lived in our neighborhood, I felt embarrassed for Montford. The attendance at meet-the-candidate functions has been much higher in other neighborhoods.

Now for the October 11 Primary and November 8 General Election

There's still time to find out about the candidates' stands on the issues. You can easily check out their backgrounds and views by going to the websites listed above or following the campaign coverage in the *Citizen-Times*, *Mountain Xpress*, and other local media.

The primary election on Tuesday, October 11, will narrow the field of eight candidates to six. The top three vote-getters in the general election on Tuesday, November 8, will win seats on the city council.

Montford's polling place is the Community Center on Pearson Drive. For information on voter registration and early and absentee voting, go to www.buncombecounty.org/vote.



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