



Top of the Bald

Wolf Laurel Property Owners Association

November - December 2011

President's Message

By John Beneke

As many of you are aware, significant changes were made to the structure and bylaws of the Wolf Laurel Road Maintenance and Security Homeowners Association, Inc (WLRMS) and its board of Directors on September 29, 2011. These changes were made with less than 18 hours notice to at least three of your appointed representatives to the previous board. These three members abstained from voting on the changes.

Your board met on Monday, October 3, 2011, together with several members of the new WLRMS board to discuss the revised bylaws and structure of WLRMS and its relationship with Bald Mountain Development Corp. (BMDC). It was a productive discussion, which answered some questions, and provided the opportunity for participants to air their concerns. We feel that, while these changes may be the first steps in our journey to self-governance, we remain guardedly optimistic and continue to have questions and concerns.

Your WLPOA board still has many questions and will continue to monitor the actions of the newly constituted R & S board closely. At least one independent member of the WLPOA board will attend all open meetings of the WLRMS and report to you our assessment of any action taken. We have met with several members of the new board and requested that they consider the following:

- Continue to post monthly financial statements and minutes on their website.
- Form the Advisory Committee mentioned in the letter sent to property owners and do it as quickly as possible.
- Ensure that the WLPOA has input into the membership and charter for that committee. We must plan for the future.
- Conduct a complete independent review or audit of the financial records annually.
- Vigorously pursue collection of all monies owed to WLRMS, not only by property owners but also by others who may be indebted to it for whatever reason.

We encourage you to contact a board member if you have concerns. Please Do Not rely on the traditional Wolf Laurel rumor mill. If we can't answer your question immediately, we will do the research quickly. You may also contact me personally if you wish.

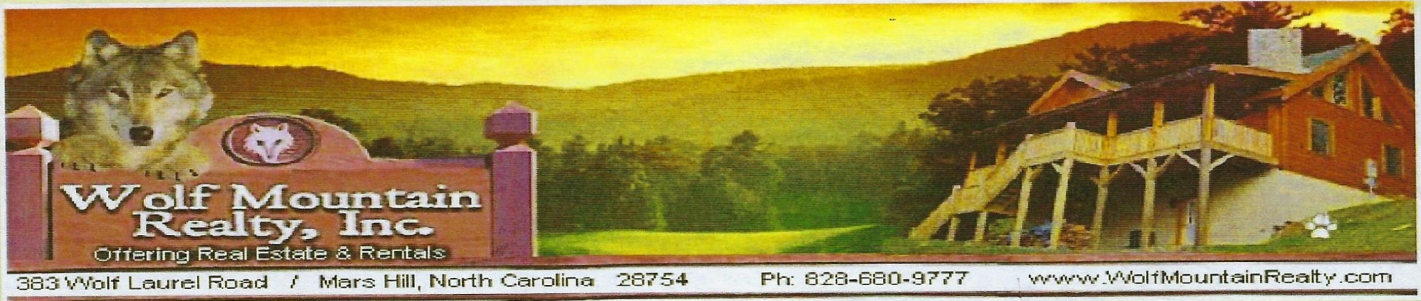
We are all in this together and while we face significant challenges and much work, the end result of self-governance is worth the effort. While we might have chosen a different path to the goal, "it is what it is." Let's work together to make the best of it.

On a lighter note, we have several events planned for November and December. They will be similar to Friday Nighters and will provide a gathering place for those on the

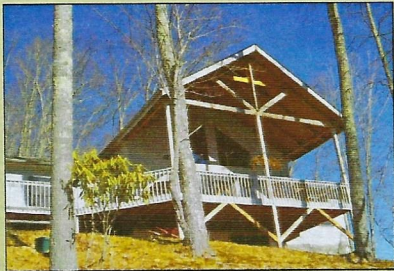
mountain. Everyone is welcome. Of particular interest is the New Year's Eve gathering. More information will be forthcoming. The Community Center will be open during the week on the same schedule as the Roads and Security office. It will be closed on weekends. Our staff will be available on a reduced schedule which will be somewhat dependant on the weather. Please call the office at (828) 689-9229 if you have any questions or need assistance.

We note with sadness the passing of Joanne Jackson on October 19, 2011. She loved Wolf Laurel and its residents and dedicated herself to making it a better place for each of us. She will be remembered for her electronic newsletter WLEN and for her dedication to fund raising efforts for the Hospice of Madison County as well as numerous other charities and community organizations. In accordance with her wishes, there was no funeral service, however a memorial service will be held on May 14, 2012 at Bright Hope Laurel United Methodist Church. Details will be made available as that date nears. Memorials in her name may be made to Hospice of Madison County in care of the Hot Springs Health Program, 590 Medical Park Dr., Marshall, NC 28753.

Thank you all for a great first year of our operation of The Village and Amenities programs. We plan to make next year even better.



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Breath-Taking mountain chalet w/beautiful views, 3 Bdr's, 3 Baths, w/2 bonus rooms in lower level, cath. wood ceilings, wood floors, stone fplc, large deck, gas heat, open floor plan. 3374SQFT, 1.16 acre, garage. MLS#509764 \$399,000



649 PISGAH PASS RD-AFFORDABLE CHALET- Grand views from this adorable mountain hide-a-way, 2 Bdr's, 2 Baths, loft area, furnished, stone fplc, gas heat, cvrd deck, metal roof, 1410SQFT, bonus room on lower level. MLS#506062 \$159,000



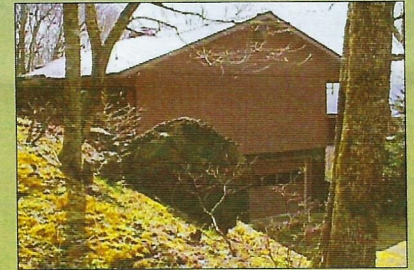
423 GROUSE THICKET-Great buy in this well maintained one level home, 2 Bdr's, 2 Baths, open great room w.cath. ceilings, stone fplc, gas heat, furnishings nego. , .85 Acre, paved driveway. MLS#435362 \$195,000



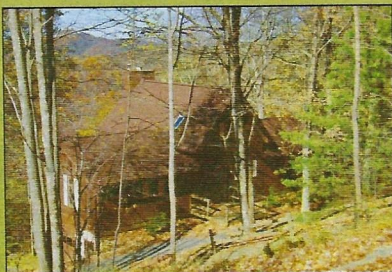
505 OAKRIDGE LANE-SINGLE LEVEL HOME W/MTN VIEWS-Private 1 Acre with pond and stream, 1392SQFT well maintained, stone fplc, 3 Bdr's, 2 Baths, outbldg, flat driveway. MLS#474434 \$249,000



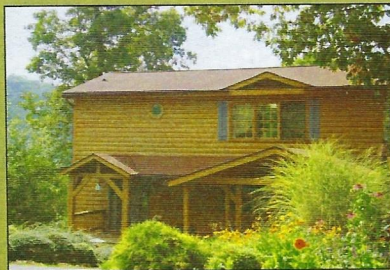
210 SPRING VALLEY-PRISTINE GOLF COURSE HOME-Immaculate inside and out, 3 Bdr's, 3.5 Baths, skylites, new kitchen, wood floors, pet area, fenced yard, 2 cvrd decks, brick fplc, gas heat, some furnishings to convey, garage, close to ski slopes. MLS#508680 \$250,000



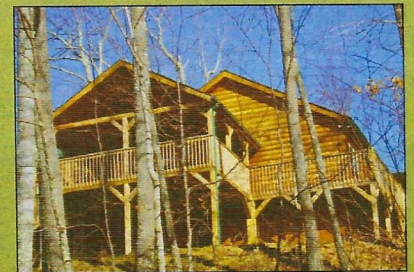
228 BUCKEYE RD-GREAT CONTEMPORARY MTN HOME-Great for full-time or part-time living, 3 master suites, fplc, gas heat, 2 decks, family room, dble garage, metal roof, 1.13 Acres. MLS#489210 \$299,000



1854 EL MINER-SKI CHALET DIRECTLY ON SLOPES-Two oversized master suites on main level, stone fplc, great views of mtns and slopes, lost area, large family room and bedroom on lower level, 2 decks, furnished, garage, MLS#427748 \$299,000



186 COTTAGE LANE-CONVENIENT YEAR ROUND LOCATION-Tremendous buy close to club house and pro shop, 3 Bdr's, 3 Baths, 1926SQFT, unfinished lower level for storage or expansion, carport, furnished, fplc, gas heat. MLS#450216 \$325,000



1165 OAKRIDGE LANE-LIKE NEW LOG HOME -Spacious 3273SQFT floor plan, 3 Bdr's, 4.5 Baths w/ loft area, fully furnished, gas heat, stone fplc, large wrap-around deck, wood floors, huge family room. Great investment property. MLS#48976 \$375,000

WLPOA Village Amenities and Community Center Winter Operations

The WLPOA Board has approved gatherings at the WLPOA Community Center for EVERYONE on the mountain during the winter months.

--Friday, December 16th at 5:30pm: Christmas Party. Please BYOB and an appetizer or dessert to share. We will have music. \$5.00 per person.

--Saturday, December 31st at 7:00pm: New Years Eve Party. Cost is \$23 per person. Please BYOB. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served. Reservations required with checks payable to WLPOA thru Cindy Tucker. Music will be provided.

***This party will be an excellent time to meet the new Executive Chef, Jack Keeran, who will be working at the WLCC from May 1, 2012 and will assume Rudy's position the next year.

*Please note that if severe weather will prohibit safe travel to these events, an alert will be sent out on email via the WLPOA website.

The WLPOA Community Center will typically be open from 8:00am until 12 noon, barring inclement weather. Typically Hassie works Monday, Wednesday and Friday, while Cindy works Tuesday and Thursday. If you need to see the staff specifically, call before you come to make sure the schedule has not changed. Coffee service has been suspended, but WI-FI is available, either inside or outside the barn.

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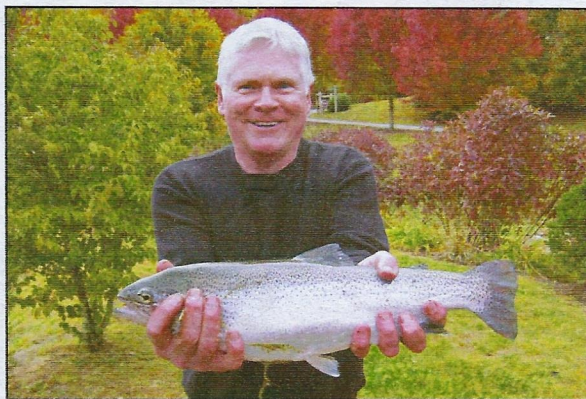
--Friday Nighters for January, February and March, 2012. We are planning those activities now and will make the details available in the next Top of the Bald.

What's On Your Mind?

Do you have an interesting hobby or pastime here on the mountain? Do you have an interesting story (factual or lore) that you'd like to share? Do you have an amenities story to share? If so, we'd like to hear from you. Let us know what you are up to. Pictures and articles welcome!

Deadlines for the Top of the Bald for 2012 are
 • January 15, 2012 • March 15, 2012 • May 15, 2012 • July 15, 2012
 • September 15, 2012 • November 15, 2012

Send submissions to: browne.fe@gmail.com



Richard Jennings looks like he really enjoyed catching this beauty! I'll bet it was tasty!

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We Get Letters....

By Michaelene Sanders

What a wonderful summer we have had on the mountain as we celebrated our first year with the excellent amenities program!

I personally want to thank the Board for all the many things you made available for us to enjoy. There was certainly something for everyone – actually more than one person could do! Cathy Johnson did an excellent job with her strength and stretch class; keeping a fine balance between challenging the group and meeting the needs of the beginners. Fred was

also well-liked by many of my house guests who were familiar with tai chi. They all said he was better than their instructors back home. Next year I will try to schedule my time so I can enjoy the water aerobics class as well. At lunch yesterday, several ladies and I discussed how nice it would be to have a “Welcome Committee” for the new homeowners as they come on the mountain. Perhaps personal home visits so that we could introduce the new property owner to all the many wonderful amenities on the mountain and the benefits of joining the WLPOA Amenities Program. Another thought was to have Cindy plan a monthly “off mountain field trip” during the summer

months where we could take advantage of group rates and get to know one another better.

It's funny how we end one season and quickly begin to plan for the next. I sure hope winter passes as quickly as this summer did so that I can be reunited with all my friends at Wolf Laurel.

Thanks again for all that each of you do to make this wonderful place extra-special!



RESTAURANT RAMBLINGS

By Gwynne Beneke

We go into Asheville at least once a week; our doctors, dentists, mechanics, etc. are there. By the time we've had our late morning appointments and run other shopping errands, its mid-afternoon and we're hungry. Most restaurants stop serving lunch at 2pm; we avoid the chain food shops when there are other options. We like soup; we like wraps; we like local, fresh ingredients. So it would seem our options would be few. True, until we discovered LAUREY'S, a downtown Asheville deli, that's a well known, but a best kept secret among locals. On the west side of Biltmore, across the street from the Wednesday farmers' market, the deli's location is easy to miss. (The construction of a large hotel seems to overwhelm all the surrounding small shops.) But walk in the door even at 2:30pm and the energy and enthusiasm of staff and customers is palpable: laughter, conversation, clanging pots. Then the smells! Look at the handwritten menus and the stuffed-to-the-brim glass cold case. WOW! Shall I have the crab and shrimp wrap or homemade minestrone or lasagna plus 2 deviled eggs or all of the above? The staff wears t-shirts with DON'T POSTPONE JOY! printed on them. An important detail, for that is the

business's slogan and the owner's mantra. If you've read any of the previous restaurant reviews, you have noted that I usually feature several eateries in each article. I'm departing from that format and writing just about LAUREY'S in this article. You'll find out why.

These first impressions are but vague indications of the vital footprint that LAUREY'S (and its owner, Laurey Masterton) has on the Asheville community. The deli serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner; it provides a full dinner menu of take-out that changes weekly; it caters all manner of elegant events, but it will also pack box lunches for business meetings. But it is owner Laurey's involvement in civic and area community affairs and exemplary business practices – complete recycling, health insurance for all fulltime staff, promotion and use of local food growers and vendors, support of better food programs in public schools, to name a few – that set LAUREY'S apart. Laurey herself is a whirlwind of activity. Although in the midst of chemotherapy for a recurrence of cancer, about which she is remarkably candid, she maintains a schedule that would challenge three people. A dedicated beekeeper of four hives, she is currently one third of the way through a book on bees that she is writing, which will include the history, unique benefits, and recipes using honey. This is her second book. Laurey writes

a newsletter as a part of the deli's website. She manages and organizes special deli events, showcasing a variety of worthy causes. We attended one such event 11/11/11: a dinner featuring the organically grown foods of FIREFLY FARM, a sustainable agriculture/organic farm in Celo, near Burnsville. The deli's chef, Brendan, planned the menu and prepared the dinner. FIREFLY FARM grows vegetables and fruits as well as raising Devon beef cattle; it uses "organic, biodynamic and permaculture methods... with an emphasis on unique, heirloom and open-pollinated varieties." It is also part of a unique seed saving project and is responsible for saving from extinction at least one variety of squash, the "candy roaster" squash, a large pumpkin like, orange fleshed beauty. That squash was prominently featured on Brendan's special dinner menu.

Laurey and her sister Heather, sharing hostess duties, greeted us warmly; their casual, comfortable demeanor complimented the surprising change in atmosphere in the deli from non-nonsense daytime simplicity to nighttime simple elegance. We chatted with Laurey about her bee book project as the group of approximately 40 diners arrived.

Brendan's appetizers -- pickled shallots, radishes, and candy roaster squash, beef liver pate' with delicious seeded



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rustic Farm and Sparrow bread -- were spread attractively next to the "bar" where staff were pouring a Chardonnay and Cabernet from the ESTRADA winery of Argentina. Brendan later disclosed that he had used an Alice Waters' recipe for the shallots. There were local cheeses to pair with a Hidalgo pepper jelly that had a mouth watering bite to it. Tables for dinner were perfectly laid with crystal, linen, candles, and strewn with natural autumn leaves, enhancing the simple oak tables, chairs, and bare oak floors of the deli. When we were seated, a salad of farm grown fall greens (tiny mustard and radicchio leaves with radishes and apples) was dressed with the pickled shallot vinaigrette. We were delighted to be joined at our table with Heather, whose bright, intelligent conversation enhanced each course. The main course was served family style: a rustic French pot-au-feu composed of horseradish and tarragon marinated beef, fork tender, with cabbage and turnips braised together with marrow toast in a Sauce Alsacienne. The side dish served was Nicola potato (similar

to Yukon Gold fingerlings) gnocchi with kale, lemon and garlic. I wisely switched from the Chardonnay to the Cab for the main course; the Argentinean 2010 was a bit new, but it paired well with the provincial fare. Brendan came from the kitchen to answer questions about recipes and preparation. This creative young chef humbly described consulting the classic Escoffier for the pot au feu. The delicious dessert was a custardy candy roaster squash and caramel apple tart with a cookie crust, which had a subtle nutty aftertaste.

Between courses Laurey introduced Scott Pacquin, the owner of FIREFLY FARM, who described crops and farming methods. Particularly interesting was his telling of how the cattle are moved from pasture to pasture on the 28 acre farm to conserve pasture and minimize parasites. The farm has prepaid subscription CSA programs for those who wish to share the farm's bounty. He fielded questions from the diners easily and encouraged guests to visit the farm. We ended the evening having

shared a delightful (and healthy!) meal as well as having learned more about one of the thriving industries of our mountain area. Laurey's involvement in and commitment to all things food, from seed and honeycomb to satisfied tummies inspires me to pay better attention: since we are exactly what we eat, eating should be a conscious act, a choice that not only nourishes, but also enriches life. An act of joy.

We look forward to more of Laurey's "farm" dinners; she promised they would become more than just an annual affair. On her website, www.laureysyum.com, she lists a number of local suppliers, bakeries, farms, cheese makers who can be "linked" directly. You can sign up for her newsletter, too. And the next time you want really good "gourmet comfort food," have an excuse to go to Asheville, stop by LAUREY'S to have some soup and a sandwich or a proper full meal or breakfast and definitely a homemade Brownie or an oatmeal raisin cookie! HOMEGROWN, HOMEMADE BON APPETIT!

Tools Donated for the Community Center

By Jim Landry

A few months ago there was a plea through the POA Alert system for used tools. It was hoped at that time to get a few tools from each of maybe 30 property owners. As it turned out we got 30 tools or so from two property owners.

Thanks to two generous donors, Bob Johnson of Durham, NC and Larry Smith of Port St. Lucie, FL, we have three tool boxes with lots of useful tools. We are able to place one box in the pool/pavilion area with a few lighter-use tools (screw drivers, wrenches, pliers, etc.), another box on the main floor of the Community Center for project work, and a third box in the basement area with the larger power tools.

These donations are a great addition to the community and will make it easier for volunteers when working on

the many maintenance projects that keep popping up. The tools will be at hand when needed.

The WLPOA Staff and volunteers sincerely thank those two gentlemen and others who may have or will be silently dropping off an item or two. Every bit helps and it is appreciated.

The following items have been donated: 3 tool boxes, 2 garden sprayers, hand saw, 2 mauls (axes), a level, 2 storage bins of fasteners, 2 power cords, 3 locks, a carpenter rule, stud finder, caulk, 2 pliers, 8 wrenches, 4 tape measures, 14 screwdrivers, hooks and eyes, painting supplies, a metal file, Allen wrenches, a chisel set, 3 paint scrapers, a 12-inch crescent wrench, 3 hammers, nails and screws, an electric drill and bits, a Skill saw, and a rubber mallet.

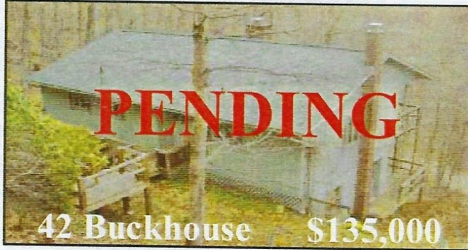
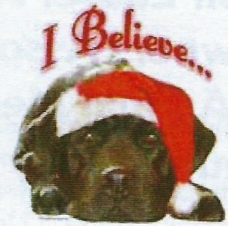


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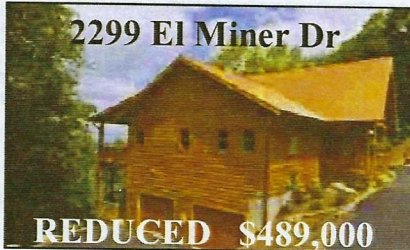
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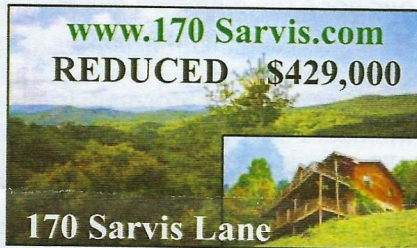
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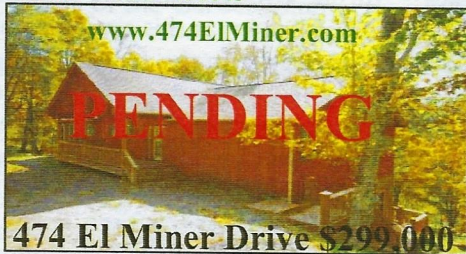


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170 Sarvis Lane

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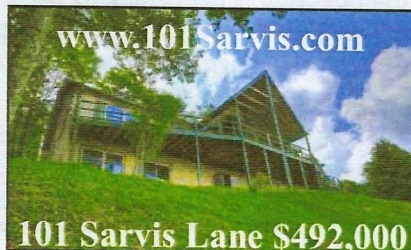


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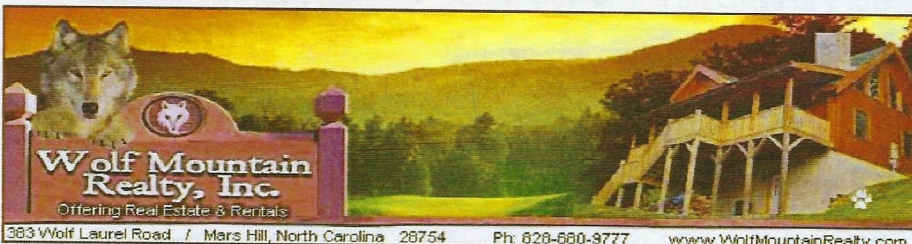
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Walk to the Ski Slopes from this Beautiful 4 Bedroom & 3 Bath Like New Remodeled home with a **Million Dollar View** !! Open Vaulted Ceilings, Fireplace, Split Floor Plan, Covered Decking, and Garage too ! **MLS 451100**

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485 El Miner Dr	49,500
515 El Miner Dr	49,500
516 El Miner Dr	49,500
517 El Miner Dr	SOLD
519 El Miner Dr	49,900
698 Oakridge Ct	49,500
Long Range Views	
439 El Miner Dr	59,900
803 El Miner Dr	59,900
285 Granny Lewis	49,000
216 Hanging Rock	40,000
255 Hanging Rock	35,000
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88 Flame Azalea	67,350
146 Phacelia Lane	CALL
(small stream)	
150 Puncheon Lane	20,000



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Wolf Laurel Property Owners Association Annual Meeting Minutes – July 23, 2011

The 2011 Annual Meeting was called to order at 9:00AM by John Beneke, President

-The President introduced the Parliamentarian – Warren Johnson.
-The members were asked to hold questions and comments until the meeting agenda item for membership input.

-It was established that the requirements for a quorum were met.
-The number of persons present is smaller than usual. This is attributed to a conflict with Blue Mountain Home owners having a meeting today as well. In the future the WLPOA will seek to coordinate the meeting with Blue Mountain.

Invocation – Rev. George Hall gave the Invocation.

Announcement made that the Ballot Box was closed and the tellers would proceed with counting the ballots and would report before the end of the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance - led by Chuck Freeman.

Minutes of 2010 Annual Meeting – A motion was made, seconded and passed without exception to approve the Minutes of the 2010 Annual Meeting.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer's Report – Sonny Colvett. The narrative pointed out the change in accounting necessary with the 3 entities of the POA, the Amenities and the Community Center. The treasurer stressed that it is critical to sell more amenity memberships to friends and neighbors to fund enhanced future amenity programs. He went on to thank Solon O'Neal for his many hours of work helping to set up the accounting system and Denis Cohrs, who has accepted an appointment as auditor and is helping to find a bookkeeping service to handle the day-to-day work. The treasurer moved

acceptance of the report and it was seconded. The motion was passed without exception.

Amenities – Randy Hill. Randy pointed out the Director of Amenities Program is Cindy Tucker. Cindy and her staff, Jeannie, Jenny and Kevin have done a great job. The main goal for the year was to generate as many activities as the budget would allow. There are a record number of people who participated in events such as Cathy Johnson's toning class, Barby McQueen's water aerobics, Fred Buck's Tai Chi class and Lee Moeller's walking club. Kid's camp had 19 kids and did not run a deficit. Programs in the Community Center such as Bird Banding, Bear Rescue, and Book Club have been well attended and the internet has been well used. More programs and activities are planned, such as the Weight Watchers program that will be starting soon. It is our hope the members will continue to attend as they have so far.

Membership – Ed Stormer. Total members as of yesterday, July 22, are 472. The breakdown is as follows: POA - 237 members, POA and Amenity - 235 members. Twenty-three of the Amenity members have joined in 2011. This is a greater number than the 18 that was projected. It is felt that a primary driver for the new members this year has been the improved Village presentation and that Amenity membership is necessary to participate in Amenity activities. We anticipate a greater challenge as we go forward in bringing in new members and will have to have a more professional approach.

Legal/By-laws – John Shofi. There were no amendments to bylaws adopted last year and no changes requested.

Long Range Planning – Jim Linkenauger. Acquisition of the Amenities is the first step in achieving self-governance for Wolf Laurel. Jim stated that he saw six broad objectives for long range planning that fell into two categories:

- A. Existing opportunities – things that can be accomplished fairly quickly:
 1. Membership – on target
Now concentrate on new residents
 2. Expanded activities and benefits
More to do
General store – more a future concept

3. Physical improvements
Have a list of things to be done – landscaping improved, facilities improved and cleaned, etc.
Divide area into zones and work on improvements

B. Potential opportunities – not ready to do yet, but need to plan for eventuality. All of the potential opportunities are tied into Bald Mountain Development Corporation. We have a good working relationship with Bald Mountain Development and the situation between the Preserve and Bald Mountain is in transition right now, and we do not know how that will play out.

1. Acquisition of Bald Mountain Building. We will have the opportunity to buy this building when it becomes available, but are not obligated. At that time the price will be negotiated. We do not know where the funds will come from. Need to start to work on how we will fund this if the opportunity becomes available. Usage remains up to the community and it will be up to the community if it will support this opportunity.

2. Control of the Roads Maintenance and Security Homeowners Association. WLPOA representatives and Bald Mountain representatives form the Roads and Security Board. Major roads at this time are owned by Bald Mountain. In the future it makes sense that the ownership of the roads be turned over to the POA. The structure is not known at this time but the POA may own the stock of the Roads and Security Corporation. Since all residents are not POA members, this has to remain a separate entity.

3. Control of Covenants and Restrictions. At this time, these are set by Bald Mountain Development Corporation. The WLPOA envisions that the day will come when Bald Mountain Corporation will assign all of the rights and responsibilities of the corporation to the WLPOA. The Association will then be able to amend these to more closely represent the desires of home owners.

Top of the Bald – Chuck Freeman asked the members to pray for a full recovery for Laura Ponder, our publisher, who suffered a severe heart attack. Publication of Top of the Bald

has been affected by the decreased workload Laura is able to assume. The June-July issue of the Top of the Bald will probably not be mailed until early August. The August-September issue will follow shortly, presuming Laura is able to work more. He also reported that we would like to bring our membership to 500, as this is the number of mailings the Post Office requires for bulk rate mailing. Chuck went on to thank Jim Linkenauger for his work over the last few years, especially with regard to giving meaning to Equity Membership in the Make It Happen campaign to purchase the Amenities and his time, material donation and leadership. He also thanked Jim Landry for his role on the Board. "He is to be thanked for giving 'purpose' to the organization when on the verge of becoming inconsequential," said Chuck.

Garden Club – Richard Hanson.
The Garden club is part of how the mountain can look better. With a budget of \$2500, we can go a long way in helping to make things look better. The Board has asked that the Garden Club focus its efforts in the area of the Village. This is where the members can help. We need suggestions, and since the Garden Club is part of the POA, everyone is part of the Garden Club. We would like to ask everyone to consider how they can contribute to the activities of the Garden Club.

Presidents' Message – John Beneke.
Many points of the 'presidents' report have been discussed in reports that already have been given. Last year the concern of the POA was the purchase of the Village and Amenities. With hard work, and a decrease in the price, this was realized. This is our "Field of Dreams." "If you build it they will come." A lot of what we have been able to do is because of the new members brought on this year and more who will come. The hard work of many people made this possible. We are offering many programs thanks to the work of Cindy and her staff and the programs offered by Cathy Johnson, Barby McQueen, Fred Buck, and Lee Moehler.

Thanks to the Board Members. All stepped up to make Wolf Laurel a better place and have been diligent in making decisions based on the bylaws. Mark Miller as Vice President filled in when I was not able to be at a meeting and did a great deal of work in revision of the bylaws. Sonny Colvett as Treasurer revised the financials. Joanne Wit kept minutes and worked with Cindy and her staff. Chuck Freeman saw that the Top of the Bald was published. Randy Hill developed the Amenities program. Ed Stormer is developing a plan to grow the membership. John Shofi resolved legal issues and worked on the bylaws. Chas Erickson was a Representative on Roads and Security and worked on the paperwork for membership. Jim Landry put in a great deal of time and effort. He was here almost every day, handling the website and alerts, working on cleaning the barn, and was even seen digging a ditch. Jim Linkenauger was the architect of the purchase of the Village and has contributed to the furnishings for the Community Center.

POA staff – Hassie and Cindy, as leaders of our staff, have done a superb job. We cannot make things happen without them.

Thanks also to our members. Member faith and belief have allowed us to get where we are today. Members have given time in the updating of the library, furnishings of the Community Center, cleanup of Angelica Ridge and Nature Trail, the design and painting of the quilt symbol, purchase of an electrical controller, purchase and installation of light fixtures, repairing stone work in the Village and donations of a microwave oven, computers and printers, ping pong table, vacuum, installing 'Artists' wall and more.

In the next Top of the Bald it will be announced that the Board will accept sealed bids for the purchase of 2 lots we received with purchase of the Village. If you have questions contact John Beneke or Sonny Colvett.

Old Business – None

New Business

Election of Directors – Don Mathis, chair of the teller committee, reported that the following were elected to the new Board of Directors.

John Beneke
Betsy Browne
Sonny Colvett
Chuck Freeman
Frank Perritt
Joanne Wit

Monthly Meetings – Monthly meetings will be changed to the 2nd Friday of the month beginning with the August, 2011 meeting. The rationale is that this will allow the Treasurer to prepare and present an up-to-date financial report and the Board will have time to review the report prior to the meeting. This notice will be on the Web and published in the Top of the Bald.

Questions/Comments from the membership

John (Jack) Ford was recognized and stated he had a motion to make.

Moved back to New Business.
New Business continued.

John Ford: With all that has been done to enrich our lives on the mountain, we need to recognize we have a 'national treasure' on the mountain in Doc Snider. He has lived in excess of 100 years and experienced so much that most of us have just read about. Therefore I would like to move that Doc Snider and Charlotte be extended a standing invitation to attend Monday and Friday Nighters, as they wish, provided Doc Snider agrees to share something he has witnessed over his 100 years at each session. Motion seconded by Don Mathis.

Discussion:

Amelia Wolf: Against the motion. We do have a great treasure and we can show how much we care. The Bylaws say that no resident can attend Amenity functions unless they are members. We can show how much we care by standing by our bylaws and

contributing to buy Doc and Charlotte a membership.

Call for the question, seconded
Discussion of number of votes per property owner and number of votes for Amenity members (3 votes) and POA members (1 vote)

Call for the question motion withdrawn.

Ed Stormer :This issue is not as straightforward as it would seem. The Board would be seen as establishing precedent to give membership based on need because it was felt to be a great idea. Gifting membership is not good governance. Second, the number of people at a Monday nighters is about 35. The Board's action is based on its responsibility to the 35 who have paid for the privilege of attending. Board responsibility is to protect the interest of those 35 members.

Henry Hancock: Suggest we interview Doc and record this so we have his contribution available to all.

Sonny Colvett .The Board has been consistent that our responsibility is to protect your assets. Discussion has been on the "concept" of this issue. This is the 5th or 6th similar issue. For example, someone wanted to give tennis lessons. We said we would pay him to do lessons and he could purchase a membership. Our charter is to the members. If a decision to except is made once, the Board would be hard pressed to say no in the future.

John Ford: Stated he was not suggesting Doc be given a membership, but that he be a guest lecturer, so we have the opportunity to hear what Doc has to offer. He did not think this would establish a precedent.

Chuck Freeman : Spoke to what John Ford said - Established policy is that those living on the mountain cannot be guests to events. This is to encourage membership. To make exception in the first year, when we do not know or have experience for cost and memberships would be folly. We are talking about membership. We can change policy but would have to change for others as well. Chuck noted

that his wife, as a teacher, used to tell her students that "we all have choices, but all choices have consequences." If someone declined to become a member, for whatever reason, that decision has consequences, and that is the situation we are facing in this issue.

Henry Hancock: Spoke against the motion – not everyone comes to Friday or Monday Nighters and, under this proposal, those persons who do not would miss what Doc had to say. A better motion would be to have Doc record his input so all can benefit.

A motion is on the floor – cannot have another motion.

John Beneke: The Board has deliberated this and similar issues. In each instance, we have determined we have Bylaws to live by and our responsibility is to interpret our policies and rules with the bylaws. He understands Jack did not feel this is a membership issue, but we can't really skirt that issue. The Board determined that one needs to be a member of Amenities to attend Monday and Friday Nighters. If we make an exception, we are not fulfilling our responsibility to you as we perceive what most of the members want. Not sure how to vote on this today with Amenity members and POA members getting weighted votes and no preparations were made to conduct a vote as there was no new business on the agenda.

Warren Johnson - Parliamentarian: I have reread the bylaws on this issue. Based on the bylaws, this motion is out of order. If the motion is accepted the bylaws will be violated. The only way that this can happen would be for the assembly to change the bylaws and that would take prior notice.

Based on this ruling, the motion was ruled out of order. Clarification of the ruling is that the motion circumvented the definition of Membership in the bylaws.

Questions/Comments from the membership

Gregg Davis – There are many properties for sale. Owners of these

properties are not becoming members of the Amenities because they will be leaving when they sell their property. Suggest letting these persons put a lease on the property for the \$1800 and they simply pay dues. This may be a way to increase membership. Not a motion just a thought. What are plans for general store?

Response by John Beneke - At this time the question is if a general store will be supported. Persons with experience in operating this type of operation, said at this time they could not make it work. The cost of additional personnel and the expense of inventory is not what the Board sees as feasible at this time.

Ed Stormer – Recognize challenges to membership with the Real Estate market being depressed. The Board has a committee that is working to develop a package and marketing plan to deliver message of benefit of membership.

Update on back gate. Guards at that gate were paid by Roads Maintenance & Security, which was supposed to be reimbursed by the Preserve. RM&S was no longer receiving reimbursement and could no longer support a guard at the gate. Now only a few persons have access to re-enter the gate. Neither the WLPOA nor RM&S Homeowners Association own the gate or the property. It is owned by the Preserve.


Lee Moeller – Thank you, thank you to the Board. Being a Board member is a hard job.

I make a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded. Motion approved without exception.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Wit



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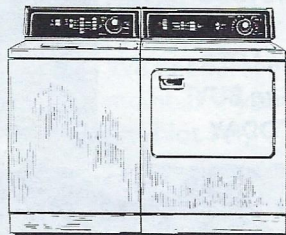


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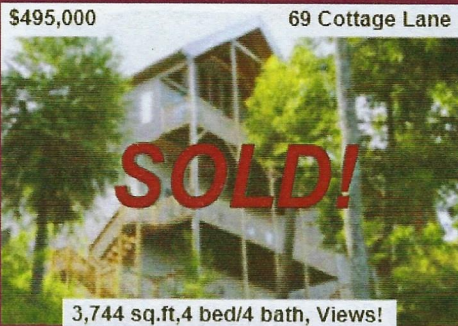
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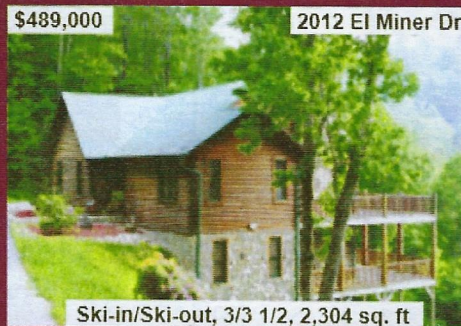
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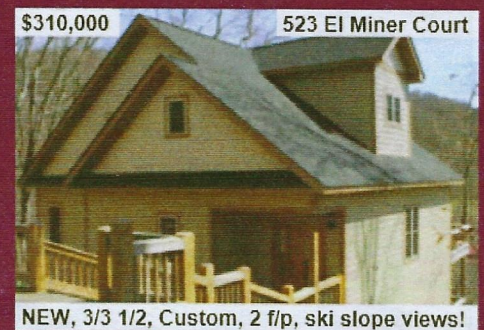
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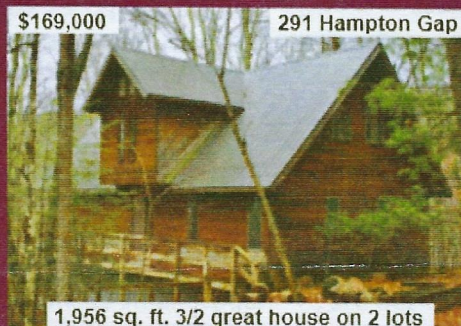
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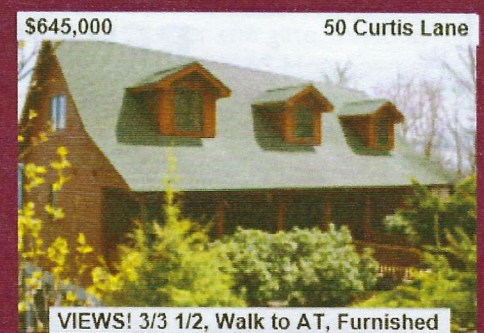
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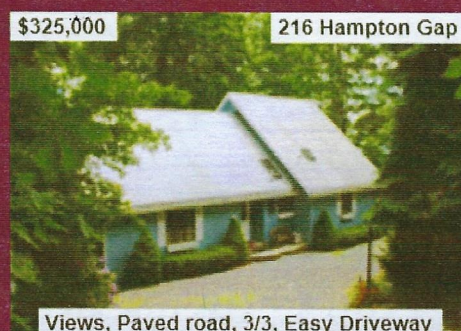
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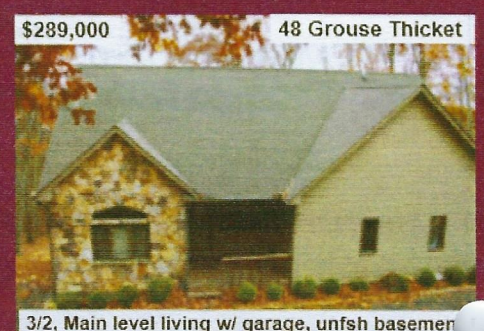
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