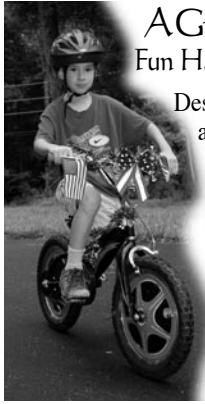


Haw Creek

Community Association Newsletter



A Great Ride- Fun Had By All

Despite gray skies and the occasional drizzling rain, the 3rd Annual Haw Creek All-American, Very Patriotic Children's Bicycle Parade was well-attended. As in past

years, the kids attached red, white & blue streamers, balloons, flags and sparkling decorations to their bikes and paraded around the top loop three times past the judges. More and more kids are decorating their faces with red, white and blue, as well as, wearing Uncle Sam hats. Parents, grandparents and neighbors had fun watching them parade through the park.

We were fortunate this year to have several veterans



visit our parade and help in the patriotic celebration. They helped our judges make good decisions and chatted with Haw Creek residents.

The kids and their families finished off cookies and lemonade while they waited for the judges decisions.

Our annual Memorial Day bicycle parade is becoming a tradition we look forward to each year!



Our thanks go out to all the volunteers who helped to make our parade a success.

An extra special thank you to Beth Jezek for her continued efforts with the kids bike parade!



Annual Bar-B-Que

Thursday, July 30th
Dinner & Music at 6pm
Haw Creek Park

Come join your neighbors at the Haw Creek Community Association's 4TH ANNUAL HAW CREEK BBQ. The festivities will begin at 6 PM with a delicious BBQ dinner catered by Haw Creek's own Ruby's BBQ Shack. The Haw Creek String Band will be performing.

The menu includes a chicken or pork platter – Adult (\$7) & children under 10 (\$5); BBQ sandwich (\$5); and Hot Dog (\$2). A drink is included. Due to the limited seating at the park, you are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and blankets for "dinner on the ground".



We will need some volunteers:

-Before the BBQ (3 people), -During the BBQ (4 people), -After the BBQ (2 people)
If you would like to volunteer, please e-mail Bob Pierce at RMP342006@yahoo.com.
Hope to see you there.

Your Haw Creek Community Association Needs Your Support

The HCCA 2009 Budget called for 250 paid memberships to support our basic budget (see Winter 2009 newsletter). We had 251 paid members in 2006 and 246 in 2007. While we had only 101 paid memberships in 2008, many folks opted to help with the Maple Dr. project only. Over 500 Haw Creek households were paid members when combining all three previous years memberships. So the Board thought 250 paid memberships was doable. To date we have 158 paid memberships. We need to achieve our goal in order to continue our work of monitoring issues that impact our community and keeping all our neighbors informed. Also, we must maintain a 'reserve' to call upon when an unexpected critical issue arises requiring fast action by our community. So, if you are reading this newsletter and have not yet paid Haw Creek Community Association dues for 2009, please show your support by sending a check for \$12 to HCCA, P.O. Box 9193, Asheville, NC 28815. If you have already paid 2009 dues, thank you for your support. For those who donated 'extra' with their dues, a big double thank you.

Annual Dues Submission

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

I value the HCCA and have enclosed my annual dues for 2009 of \$12.00.

I have also enclosed a monetary donation in the amount of _____.

Fall City Council Candidate Forum

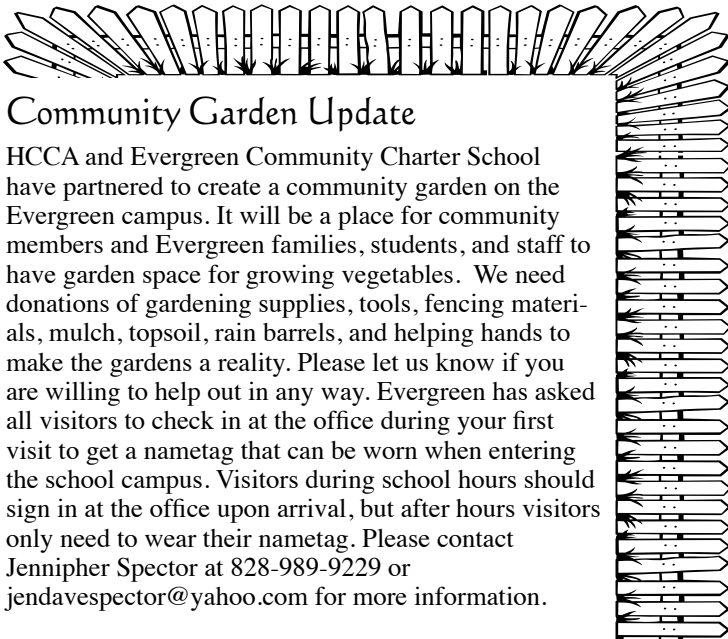
On October 13th our community association will once again be collaborating with Evergreen Community Charter School to sponsor a candidates forum for those running for Asheville City Council.

As in 2007, Evergreen students will play an active role as we quiz those who would seek to lead our city. Mark your calendar and plan to join us at Evergreen School for what will surely be an interesting evening.

Master's Park Update

By Dick Meehan

Al Kopf, Landscape Architect, with the City of Asheville will be designing our park but he has several other projects ahead of ours. Dwayne Stutzman has agreed to lead trail design work and has initiated discussions with Blue Ridge Parkway officials about where the trail tie-in will occur. Dwayne will also coordinate with Carolina Mountain Club for hands-on trail creation. We will reach out to tree service businesses for pro bono dead tree removal. Volunteers will be needed on various projects after we have a final park design.



Community Garden Update

HCCA and Evergreen Community Charter School have partnered to create a community garden on the Evergreen campus. It will be a place for community members and Evergreen families, students, and staff to have garden space for growing vegetables. We need donations of gardening supplies, tools, fencing materials, mulch, topsoil, rain barrels, and helping hands to make the gardens a reality. Please let us know if you are willing to help out in any way. Evergreen has asked all visitors to check in at the office during your first visit to get a nametag that can be worn when entering the school campus. Visitors during school hours should sign in at the office upon arrival, but after hours visitors only need to wear their nametag. Please contact Jennipher Spector at 828-989-9229 or jendavespector@yahoo.com for more information.

From The President

Dear Neighbors,

If you have lived in Haw Creek any length of time you know we are an ever-changing place. What was once a quiet farming valley far removed from Asheville is now a bustling community home to over 7,500 residents.



But sometimes with change comes pain. The dedicated volunteers of the Haw Creek Fire Department recently made the tough decision to change from an all-volunteer station to a fire station staffed by professional firefighters with the City of Asheville.

Since 1962 when the Masters family donated the land on which the Maple Drive station is located, Haw Creek has been protected by generations of volunteer firefighters. Responding not only to fires but also car wrecks, downed trees, injuries and other emergencies, day or night, Haw Creek has been blessed by their dedication and commitment. But with demands on people's time ever-increasing, the pool of available committed volunteers has been steadily shrinking.

So the decision was made for Haw Creek to become a city station beginning July 1st. "It will be staffed by two firefighters 24/7," says Haw Creek Fire Captain Clint Gorman, "it means we're providing better service since it will be consistently staffed." "We're also donating our tanker truck and brush truck, both of which are designed for Haw Creek terrain."

The Haw Creek Community Association salutes Fire Chief Steve Mc-Peters and all the volunteer firefighters who have given selflessly to our community.

We thank you for your service.

Police Resource Officer -- Brien Griffin our East Asheville Community Resource Officer with the APD, wants you to know he is available if you have non-emergency issues or questions of the police department. Officer Griffin can be reached at bgriffin@ashevillenc.gov or 552-1467.

Thank you,
Chris Pelly, president
Haw Creek Community Association

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2009 Meeting Schedule

Thurs, July 30th, 6:00pm
Annual BarBQue Dinner in Haw Creek Park

Thurs, Oct 22th, 7:00pm

*Any or all of the above are subject to change at any time. Please check calendar with each issue for any changes or check the website.

MEMBERSHIP: Membership in the Association shall be available to residents, as well as property owners, in the Haw Creek community and there shall be one class of membership.

DUES: Twelve dollars (\$12) paid once each calendar year. Make your check to HCCA and mail to: HCCA; P.O. Box 9193; Asheville, NC 28815
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"Modern cynics and skeptics see no harm in paying those to whom they entrust the minds of their children a smaller wage than is paid to those to whom they entrust the care of their plumbing."

John F. Kennedy

SCHOOL NEWS

Haw Creek Elementary School

<http://www.buncombe.k12.nc.us/hces/site/default.asp>

-Summer Media Center Hours:
9:00 - 3:00
July 21, 23, 28, 30
August 4, 6

-8/25 - First Day of Class

Charles C. Bell Elementary School

<http://buncombe.schoolwires.com/ccbes>

-8/24 - Meet Your Teacher Day!
Come meet your teacher on Monday, August 24th! Hours are 9:00AM -11:00.

-8/25 - First Day of Class

-9/18 - The 2nd annual Fall Carnival. Don't miss it!!!!
5:00PM to 8:00PM

Evergreen Community Charter School

www.evergreencs.org

-8/26 - First Day of Class

"Let us think of education as the means of developing our greatest abilities, because in each of us there is a private hope and dream which, fulfilled, can be translated into benefit for everyone and greater strength for our nation."

John F. Kennedy

Haw Creek Natives:

Interview with Ernie and Isabel Miller

By Chris Pelly

The Haw Creek valley is home to a few notable landmarks such as the Sondley Estate and the Blue Ridge Parkway. But for many decades, from the early 1900's until the 1970's, Millers Store on Beverly Road was a familiar landmark in Asheville. Before there was Home Depot and Ingles and Sears, there was Millers Store. It was the place you went for just about anything.



Isabel & Ernie spring, 2009



Ernie & Isabel in front of Millers Store about 1940

Although seen by many as a community institution, for Ernie and Isabel Miller, the family store was a place of childhood adventures and the wisdom of grownups. Seemingly raised by a large family of Millers Store employees, brother and sister, Ernest and Isabel, recall a carefree childhood playing in and around their parents Haw Creek store. "The employees were like an extended family," recalls Ernie Miller of the people who worked at his parents store. "Some worked there 20, 30 and even 40 years." "People like Lloyd Wooten, J.B. Jones, Bill Parrott, Ed Harper the butcher and Helen Sorrells the cashier, all had a hand in raising us."

"Our parents did not consider profit and loss like some might today. They were trusting and would lend credit to most anyone and that trust was usually returned in kind," reports Ernie. "People would come from all over Asheville to shop because of the service and variety of products.

The employees knew the customers likes and dislikes and, as kids hanging out, we learned so much" says Isabel.

It was a different time. Back then, for instance, the store would close on Sunday and also on Wednesday afternoon before evening church services.

The original Millers Store, today the home of Dalton Carpet, was



View inside the Miller store.

built, Ernie believes, in 1906 by his grandfather N.A. Miller. The larger, newer store was built in 1940. It was torn down and replaced by Rubys Barbecue in 2004. For decades Millers Store was where residents shopped and also to share the latest news. With sawdust lined aisles, customers would find a welcoming woodstove in winter and freshly made ice cream in summer.



N.A. Miller, their grandfather and the store's founder.

Ernie and Isabel, now residents of Madison County, recall the sense of community being part of the Miller family provided. "We felt like we had many people looking out for us and helping to guide us," says Ernie.

Know a Haw Creek native with a story to tell? Call Chris Pelly at 298-5299

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Summertime Fun

Since the 1960's the East Asheville pool has been providing summer fun to Haw Creek families. A highlight of each summer is 4th of July activities and this year was no exception. Kids and families enjoyed a day of sun and fun and splashing and laughing.

For more information on joining the pool go to www.eastashevillepool.com



Greased watermelon contest

Tie-dye fun



Splash and crash



Diving contest



Staying cool in the pool