A winter scene with a cabin and snow-covered trees. The background is a soft-focus photograph of a large, multi-story wooden cabin with a gabled roof, partially obscured by snow-covered evergreen trees. The ground is covered in a layer of snow, and the overall atmosphere is serene and wintry.

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Winter 2022 Edition

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Enjoy your spring!

## President's Notes



In a few weeks, winter will come to an end and we will embrace another change in the seasons. We look forward to many of you returning to the mountain. Our POA and Village Club staff are working hard to prepare for the next season. If you are interested in volunteering to assist with community events or if you have additional ideas on how to make our community programs better, please let us know.



I also want to provide a quick update on some activities within the POA. We continue to see progress on the new package facility. You may have noticed the new roof on the building that was completed last year, and we are close to completing the work on the inside of the package room. Since the building has been vacant for so long, there has been a lot of work needed on the inside, but we are ready to paint and hope to soon have the facility operational for packages. The remainder of the building will be remodeled in phases as resources are available.

The WLPOA Board also approved a contract with Accounting Specialists of Asheville, LLC to provide bookkeeping services. This change will enhance our controls, improve quality, and provide ongoing sustainability to each POA member. We know this transition will take some time and adjustment, but we have worked hard to minimize the impact on you. Lastly, the POA is fully staffed and we look forward to another successful year. I also want to give special thanks to our staff, each committee member, and the WLPOA Board for the time and commitment as we have worked through these organizational changes.

The goal of the WLPOA and the Village Club is to serve each member and enhance the time you spend in the community. If you are not a member, we encourage you to join and enjoy the many benefits offered by the POA and Village Club.

John Brackett



## Editor's Notes

### **Things have changed on Lucas Lane**

When we bought our home on Lucas Lane in 2016 things were copesetic. Some neighbors were occasional occupants, who we saw only once in a while. There were a few halftime residents who were good neighbors to each other. They had been socializing and doing things together for years. We quickly became friends with this group. We enjoyed their friendship and company during gatherings on Lucas Lane and at the Village Club. The rest of the neighbors on Lucas Lane were part-timers we saw occasionally.

In the six years since we arrived, five of the 13 homes on Lucas Lane have been sold, three of those in the last year. Now instead of no rental units there are four. An additional one is scheduled to be sold this year. Of course, we miss our friends who have passed on or sold their home, but now we see many more strangers, and there have been more problems with lights, dogs, fire safety issues, noise and traffic. Renters do not become neighbors or friends.

The real estate market and the rental market wax and wane. I feel we now have more than our share of rental units on Lucas Lane. I have been wondering what can be done to abate this trend. The last community in which I lived (also gated) had a limit on the number of units that could be rented. That community was not comparable to Wolf Laurel in a number of ways – it was not a resort type environment. The HOA required rentals be long term only – at least a year.

At a recent WLPOA board meeting, it was reported that the number of memberships related to rental property had increased by about 40% 2020 to 2021. This was from one perspective to be a sign of growth. I also attended a WLRMS meeting last year and was told there was no mechanism for assessing or controlling the number of residences that were rental units.

I was asked last year to participate in the Ambassador program organized by the WLCC and the WLPOA; I agreed. I was also asked to assist with the revitalization of the WLRMS website design; I agreed. During these experiences I realized that both had value to current residences, however, that they both also had aspect of marketing Wolf Laurel to perspective buyers. People buy to live, buy to live part time, buy to live part time and to rent, or buy to rent. Are we attracting neighbors or investors?

It has become evident that along with growth comes some negative consequences. Although growth has meant an accelerated increase in property value (a pace that is unsustainable), I imagine that growth also brings with it an increase in security and road maintenance issues (although the WLRMS does an admirable job at these important tasks).

According to six major real estate sites, the value of my home has doubled since we purchased it six years ago. This would be good for us if we were planning to sell it, but since we are not, it means little at this time. However, our neighbors have been more inclined to sell their homes, increasing the likelihood of more investors and more rental units. This seems to have a detrimental impact on WL, especially on Lucas Lane. How many rental units is OK, how many is too many? It seems that recent buyers are investor that will less likely be neighbors who will participate in community activity and become friends.

What is the optimal rate of growth and the optimal percentage of rentals?

*Larry Veatch, TOB Editor / Publisher*

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# WLPOA Board Meetings

## Notes from the November Minutes

**Finances** - The finance committee is meeting to determine the 2022 budget and whether there will be an increase to the annual assessment. The current amount paid out on the motel project is \$32,582.36.



**Facilities** - Carl Larrabee reported on the plans to remove the River Birch tree at the Pavilion. He also said he was working on getting hot water to the facilities that need hot water. He hopes to have it installed by spring.

**Website** - Website maintenance now provided by Larry Veatch

**RMS Liaison Report** - by Cynthia Kessler: The RMS Board is working on a draft budget for the year 2022. Due to increased expenses the Board approved a rate increase of 5% as provided in the covenants. There was an accidental fire in the woods adjacent to a house on Hanging Rock Road. Although it burned approximately 2.5 acres, it did not cause damage to any structures. All of the neighboring fire departments, including Ebbs Chapel, responded very quickly and the fire was extinguished in short order. It is important to remove any combustible material away from all houses or other buildings.

[There was no board meeting in December]



# WLPOA Board Meetings

## Notes from the January Minutes

**Introduction of the new WLPOA Director** - Elizabeth “Liz” Benson. The staffing structure of the POA office and Village Club operations has been modified.

**Facilities** - The old motel dry wall work is being completed; volunteers are needed for painting. The birch tree at the pavilion has been removed.

**Membership** - A new member has joined and four “conversions” occurred due to the sale of properties.

**RMS Liaison** - Do not salt gravel roads or drives that drain onto gravel roads. Gravel roads are not plowed to remove snow until there is an accumulation of four inches; less snow is safer than a plowed surface.

**Financials** - A new book keeping service has been acquired to provide additional accounting functions, and small changes to the budget have been implemented. Increases in fees for membership, lots, Village Club, and rental units is to be implemented ([see page 12](#)).

**TOB** - Winter edition is due out March 1st, contributions for the publication are requested by Feb 15th.

**Website** - Site5 domain hosting will be transferred to WIX (the website building service). Upgrades and updates to website are ongoing.

**National Fire Protection Association** - A program for assistance to property owners to achieve wildfire mitigation was discussed: Firewise USA, National Fire Protection Association, Jan Haas, 828-206-6159, [www.mountainvalleysrcd.org/forest](http://www.mountainvalleysrcd.org/forest) ([see page 20](#)).



# WLPOA Board Meetings

## Notes from the February Minutes

**Financials** - The WLPOA fiscal status is positive

**Village Club** - A February 24th social event is planned

**Membership** - There are two new WLPOA members and four new Village Club members

**Facilities** - The playground fence needs mending

**Beautification** - The committee is planning for the spring planting

**Website** - Updates are being made, a re-design is pending

**TOB** - The winter edition is planned for release on March 1st and the spring edition on May 1st (contributions by April 15th are welcomed)

**Old business** - The old motel renovation - the next step is painting and a new lock system

Jim Klumpp - Jim proposed marketing his book (*A Treasure in the Appalachian Sky: A History of Wolf Laurel in Madison and Yancey Counties, North Carolina*) via the Village Club.

**RMS Liaison Report** - The RMS board is working on a 10th anniversary celebration to mark their inception. Other issues were 1.) Measures to discourage parking on right of way ([see page 15](#)), 2.) Website upgrades ([see page 16](#)), and 3.) Fire safety guidelines ([see pages 17-21](#)).



## “old motel” Facility



The roof and gutters have been replaced. Pictured - one piece of gutter. The interior dry wall project has been completed. Painting and shelving are next. An opening of the facility for package delivery and pick up is forthcoming!

## Fee Increases

The Wolf Laurel Property Owners & Village Club Board met on Friday Jan 14<sup>th</sup> and voted for a Property Owners increase from \$175.00 each calendar year to \$190.00. There will be no increase for lot owners, who will continue to pay \$125.00 each calendar year. Village Club Membership dues will increase from \$375.00 each calendar year to \$385.00. If you own a property in Wolf Laurel and are planning to rent during 2022, the rental fee has increased from \$250.00 per calendar year to \$275.00. Please contact [carol@wolflaurelpoa.com](mailto:carol@wolflaurelpoa.com) for an application.

The increase in dues will allow the POA to offset increased costs and to invest in additional capital improvements throughout the village. There has not been an increase in dues by the POA/Village Club in over five years, and we will continue to be diligent in managing your resources. All invoices will be sent via email or USPS in February with a March 1<sup>st</sup> due date. Please make checks payable to WLPOA and mail to WLPOA, 91 Village Lane, Mars Hill, NC 28754.



## New WLPOA Director

The POA is proud to announce Liz Benson as the new WLPOA Director. Liz will be coming on board in February, and she is looking forward to meeting everyone. Her responsibilities will be to oversee all operations of the WLPOA and the Village Club. We are also grateful that Carol Jones, our Village Club Director, will continue in her role as a part-time employee and will oversee the day-to-day activities and staff of the Village Club. Please stop by the Community Center and introduce yourself to Liz and say “thank you” to Carol for her continued leadership.

## Accounting Services

Lastly, we are also happy to announce that we have selected Accounting Specialists of Asheville, LLC to provide bookkeeping services for the WLPOA. These changes allow us to continue providing quality service to each member through enhanced continuity of services while managing overall expenses. We appreciate the continued and overwhelming support of our membership and we always welcome your input on how to enhance the value we provide to the community.

Respectfully,  
Your WLPOA Board

## **WLPOA and Village Club Information**

**WLPOA Community Center & Village Club hours of operation 2022  
11 am - 3 pm, Tuesday - Thursday**

### **WLPOA and Village Club Informational Pages:**

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### **The New WLPOA Director says Hi!**

“I did not know that Lifetime/Hallmark Christmas movies exist in real life, but they do! I feel blessed to have found Wolf Laurel. My husband and I recently moved to this wonderful community as full-time residents with my sweet mother-in-law, Becky, and three of our furry children (two dogs & one cat). Living in Texas for the majority of our lives, we thought it was time for a change of scenery. We literally Googled “best places to live” and “Asheville, nestled in the Blue Ridge Mountains,” popped up. We both love the outdoors and fell in love with the area during our visit. What brought Wolf Laurel to our attention were not only the breathtaking views but also all the numerous amenities it has to offer. Mountain biking, tennis, skiing, and exploring are a few of the many activities I enjoy. That the hospitality at Wolf Laurel is so welcoming, is an added bonus to this hidden gem! As luck would have it, I recently accepted a position as the WLPOA Director. I will be responsible for the overall functions at the Village Club reporting to the Board. I am confident I will be a great asset as my background experience consists of directing operations and office management. I am looking forward to becoming a valuable member and a resource for this community. I cannot wait to meet you all.”

Thank you,  
Liz Benson

**The WLPOA office frequently receives questions about WLRMS;  
Any WLRMS questions should be addressed to WLRMS at 828-680-9162, or  
[wroads@wolflaurelrms.com](mailto:wroads@wolflaurelrms.com), or [wsecurity@wolflaurelrms.com](mailto:wsecurity@wolflaurelrms.com).**

# WOLF LAUREL VILLAGE CLUB

## Programs

**\*\*\* Activities may be pending due to CoVid-19 Restrictions \*\*\***

Here are a couple of classes for Village Club members:

### TONE, TIGHTEN & BALANCE

This class is designed to make you more functional in your daily life. We will work on improving range of motion, working every major muscle group to improve strength, mobility, posture, balance and maybe even your golf swing.

Meets are at 9:00 AM on Mondays & Thursdays beginning mid-May. Classes will be held in “The Barn” (lower entrance of the Community Center) or, depending the size of the group, on the hardcourt (next to the pickleball courts). Please bring an exercise mat, water, and weights. For more information contact Mary Lou Woodiwiss, an ACE certified Group Fitness Instructor at 772-321-3288 or [vbwoody1@hotmail.com](mailto:vbwoody1@hotmail.com).



### Yoga

Yoga via ZOOM with John Shoemaker at 9:00 am Monday & Fridays year round. Each class will include restorative and yin yoga (long static poses) and active yoga (dynamic poses followed by short static poses). Standing, balancing, kneeling, sitting and lying down poses will be practiced. John is a 500-hour certified yoga teacher through Yoga Alliance. He completed his training at Asheville Yoga Center. For Zoom and Yoga questions contact John at [johnshoemaker@gmail.com](mailto:johnshoemaker@gmail.com).



## Wolf Laurel Road Maintenance and Security

### Recent Events and Discussions:

**Wildfire Mitigation:** At December's work session the National Fire Safety Council, Inc. (NFSC) and the Mountain Valley RC&D made presentations on wildfire risks unique to our area, the danger of the ornamental grass "pampas grass," and cost sharing programs for residents undertaking mitigation work. The WLRMS Wilderness committee has received electronic copies of all the materials referenced and more, and will make these resources available.

[\(For fire mitigation information see pages 17 - 21\)](#)

**Mountain Valleys Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Council, Inc.** is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization established in 1974 to develop, improve, and conserve natural resources and to provide employment and other economic opportunities to the people of the four-county area of Buncombe, Henderson, Madison, and Transylvania Counties. The Council was recognized in 1976. In 1997 the Council expanded to include Cleveland, McDowell, Polk, and Rutherford Counties.

**Parking Violations and ATVs:** WLRMS also received comments from residents concerning the Covenant violations of 3.4 (prohibiting parking or placing obstructions on the common roads) and 3.2 (prohibiting ATVs of any type on the common roads, which include "UTVs" also known as side by sides). In the case of parking violations, the Security Committee re-drafted the notice left on windshields to be more educational in tone, and improved tracking of repeat offenders.

**Logo Marketing:** Some discussion occurred concerning the idea of merchandising the WLRMS logo. It is expected that such merchandise would be available at the RMS office and the Village Club Community Center.

**"old motel":** The transfer of the "old motel" property to the WLPOA for the Willis Cabin is still pending.

# Wolf Laurel Road Maintenance and Security

## Online Services Return!

WLRMS welcomes the return of online services to the community! The portal for owner services has a new look and an expanded capacity for online services. Since December, the provider, MyGreenCondo, and WLRMS have been configuring and customizing the system to adapt to the uniqueness of the Wolf Laurel community. Essential features will be the first to be activated, and other features will be added in successive steps as we test the system and train our staff on new features.

Within a few weeks each property owner in Wolf Laurel, Blue Mountain, The Ridges, Mountainside Townhomes, and Deer Run will receive an email invitation with a link to set a new password for access to resident services. When invitations have been emailed, we will make an announcement by eblast and on our website [wolflaurelroadsandsecurity.com](http://wolflaurelroadsandsecurity.com). Please note that just after Thanksgiving in 2021 the original community portal experienced issues which resulted in the unavailability of data. Owners will need to complete their profiles again and check for errors. Please take care to establish the “primary owner” for the property because this person will serve as the contact for online services and notices, and will have the power to control access rights for co-owners of the property.

Beyond freeing owners to handle matters at their convenience online instead of during business hours of our office, the system will vastly increase efficiency of our operations, resulting in overall cost savings. The online services provided by the new portal include:

- Ability to send a notification to the gate of an expected guest (formerly our guest registry and “always allow” list).
- Access to an online library of WLRMS documents, forms, meeting minutes and reports, as well as educational resources on topics of interest to the community.
- Ability to complete and submit ARB forms online and to monitor the submission as it moves through the approval process.
- Ability to receive notices of construction deliveries.
- Access to an alert system of community announcements.
- The ability to opt-in to a community directory and control information shared.
- Participation in polls on community issues with real time access to results.

With more to come!

How residents used the original portal demonstrated that the most popular feature of online services was the ease of registering guests. Your emails and calls confirmed this was the most missed feature during the portal outage. The first priority of restoring online services will be working with owners to establish their profiles and use the notification system to register guests.

There is a single location in the new system to register a guest. Owners will enter the name of the guest, the start date and time of arrival, and may add other information. In registering a guest an owner may choose whether to enter an end date and time for the guest after which the guest will not be re-admitted to the community, or to select “no end date” which will allow the guest to always be admitted. Our gate staff will enjoy the efficiency and time savings of having a single list of guests to consult in greeting guests at the gate.



## Wolf Laurel Road Maintenance and Security

### Exactly What Is a Fire Pit?

Many residents have inquired about exactly what qualifies as “an approved fireplace, fire pit, or similar structure” referenced in the Wolf Laurel Covenants. Section 6.10A of the Covenants requires owners to obtain proper permission prior to burning outdoors *other than* in an approved fireplace, fire pit or similar structures. Outdoor fire structures vary in our community from simple portable fireplaces purchased at a big box store, to elaborate stone fireplaces with pizza ovens as part of an outdoor living area. Following January’s presentation by the NCFS Madison County Ranger on wildfire concerns specific to our community, the Wolf Laurel ARB devoted attention to developing uniform criteria and specifications for all outdoor fire structures in Wolf Laurel. The ARB presented its research and recommendations for discussion at the February public work session. After additional discussion and revisions, the ARB presented revisions to the ARB Guidelines for board approval on February 18, 2022, and the WLRMS Board of Directors approved the amendment.



Below is a summary of the highlights of the specifications for approval of all fire places, fire pits and other similar structures (both permanent structures and temporary or portable units) by the Wolf Laurel ARB. The criteria are grounded in safety concerns, and borrow heavily from recommendations of the Forest Service and other fire safety organizations. In addition, the criteria set tangible criteria to fairly evaluate all owners’ structures in a consistent, uniform manner. For the complete text of the standards or your specific questions, please contact the Wolf Laurel ARB.

- \* Owners are responsible for their guests and invitees and will take appropriate action to stop unsafe use.
- \* For pre-fabricated structures, Owners must follow manufacturer’s instructions and conditions.
- \* A metal ashcan with a tight fitting lid is required for ash disposal and must be located on the ground away from combustible materials.
- \* Owners may not leave any fire unattended and must have proper safety tools in the immediate area.
- \* The fuel area must not be larger than 40 inches in diameter.
- \* Covers are required to prevent flying embers or accumulation of leaves when not in use.
- \* A proper distance must be maintained from structures, propane tanks, vegetation, over hanging limbs, and combustible materials. (see standards for specific clearance distance).
- \* Only approved fuels are to be burned, not leaves, building materials or other prohibited materials (see standards for list of prohibited materials).
- \* New construction of permanent fire structures, even a DIY project, requires ARB approval (see standards for a description of the process).
- \* Existing structures should apply for ARB inspection and may be approved as grandfathered structures provided that the ARB finds sufficient safety measures are present in its reasonable discretion. ([see pages 18 - 21](#)) <https://wolflaurelroadsandsecurity.com/>

## Fire Safety in Wolf Laurel

Fall is an ideal time to review fire safety, when many residents and guests are enjoying the beauty of autumn on the mountain. Fires are a great hazard to Wolf Laurel and could have catastrophic results if not managed in a responsible way. For this reason our Covenants restrict outdoor fires. Please review the fire prevention measures below. Share with family, friends, and guests who visit Wolf Laurel.

### **A Fire-Resistant Home**

- Remove combustible materials within 5 feet of your house.
- Clean debris from roof, gutters, decks, and under wooden decks.
- Trim overhanging branches away from the home and other structures.
- Clear away dead vegetation and flammable items away from structures and propane tanks.

### **Campfires, Fire Pits, Grills, & Fireplaces**

- Fires in outdoor fireplaces and approved fire pits do not require a permit.
- Stay with your fire until it is completely out. Smoldering ash is still an active fire and can rekindle.
- Burn all wood and charcoal to ash and use plenty of water to ensure the fire is out and cold to the touch.
- Never dump hot ashes or coals into a wooded area or trash can.

### **Outdoor Fires**

- A burn permit must be obtained from a county agent or online. Visit <https://ncforestservice.gov/>.
- Monitor weather conditions and follow county restrictions. Permits which have been issued are automatically canceled should fire risk conditions develop or "red flag" warnings be in effect.
- Notify the Wolf Laurel gate prior to starting any outdoor fire.
- No outdoor fire may be left unattended.
- Burning of construction/lot clearing debris is prohibited in Wolf Laurel.

### **Fireworks**

- Fireworks are prohibited within Wolf Laurel unless under the supervision of a licensed operator and approved in advance by local authorities and WLRMS.
- Fireworks are prohibited on all National Forest lands by USFS restrictions.

**Call 911 immediately if you observe a possible uncontrolled fire nearby.**

*Thank you to our local Ebbs Chapel Volunteer Fire Department!*

## **Ebbs Chapel Fire Department**

**680 Puncheon Fork Road  
Mars Hill, North Carolina, 28754**

**828-689-9812**



# Fire Pit Safety



Keep fire pits at least 10 feet away from any structure or combustible surface.



Clear the area of leaves, grass and other debris that may catch on fire.



Use crumpled paper or a store-bought fire starter covered with small sticks for burning. (Never start a fire with gasoline or lighter fluid.)



Avoid using pine or cedar as they can pop and throw sparks.



Keep water nearby or be sure to have quick, easy access to a hose incase the fire gets out of hand.



Do not light fires on windy days or nights and do obey any local burn bans.



Keep children away from fire pits and never leave them unattended even after the flames are out as there is still a chance of a child getting burned.



Never allow hotdog or marshmallow roasting without adult supervision and be sure there is plenty of space between roasters.

# Wolf Laurel Wildfire Preparedness 2022

National Fire Safety Council, <https://nationalfiresafetycouncil.org/about>

Over the past decade, we've watched the news as catastrophic wildfires increase throughout the western United States. Here in western North Carolina the threat of wildfire also exists, as witnessed in 2016 and even last autumn to a lesser extent. Wolf Laurel is a Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) community, a residential area surrounded by large tracts of undeveloped land which is particularly threatened by the potential for wildfire. The increased vulnerability of a WUI community requires homeowners to take the initiative to help protect their home and community **before** a wildfire occurs. In 2022, we encourage all Wolf Laurel property owners to raise their awareness and take action to increase wildfire preparedness in our community.



We began our wildfire preparedness campaign in January with presentations by Bo Dossett, Madison Co. Ranger of the NC Forest Service, and Jen Haas, Wildfire Preparedness Coordinator of Mountain Valleys. Important takeaways from their presentations:

1. Western NC has two fire seasons - Fall, which is usually more mild, and Spring, which runs mid-February through early-May (when trees leaf out) and is generally longer and hotter.
2. The first step in reducing wildfire risk on your property is awareness. Free home assessments and consultations are available to all Wolf Laurel residents to identify your home's wildfire risks and mitigation priorities.
3. The next step is to take action to reduce your risk. A mitigation cost-share assistance program is available through Mountain Valleys for Wolf Laurel primary residences in Madison and Yancey Co.
4. For most properties in Wolf Laurel, mitigation efforts will focus on the 30-ft perimeter around the house. Beyond that, reducing "ladder fuels" by removing dead vegetation and brush piles, cutting down small saplings, and pruning limbs of mature trees to 6-10 feet above ground is most important. *Please note that removal of mature trees beyond the 30-ft perimeter requires a permit through the WLRMS ARB.*
5. Pampas grass (*Miscanthus sinensis*), an ornamental grass which is extremely flammable and invasive, has escaped along roadsides endangering Mars Hill and occurs intermittently throughout Wolf Laurel. Measures should be taken to keep it under control.
6. Wildfire preparedness is a community responsibility that begins with individual property owners working together!

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## Wolf Laurel Wildfire Preparedness 2022

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Additional information will be posted on the Fire Safety page of the WLRMS website. May is Wildfire Preparedness Month, and a community event/project is currently being planned. Please consider the importance of reducing our community's wildfire risk and get involved!

Important Wildfire Preparedness Information:

To schedule a home wildfire risk assessment:

Madison Co. - contact Jen Haas of Mountain Valleys [jen.haas@mountainvalleysrcd.org](mailto:jen.haas@mountainvalleysrcd.org)

(828) 206-6159 [https://  
www.mountainvalleysrcd.org](https://www.mountainvalleysrcd.org)



Yancey Co. - contact Jonathan Hartsell  
of Blue Ridge RC&D 828-284-9818

[hartsell\\_jonathan@gmail.com](mailto:hartsell_jonathan@gmail.com)  
<http://www.blueridgercd.com/>



Mountain Valleys mitigation cost-share assistance

program (available to Wolf Laurel primary residences in Madison and Yancey Co.) [https://  
www.mountainvalleysrcd.org/mitigationcostshare](https://www.mountainvalleysrcd.org/mitigationcostshare)

NFPA - Wildfire Risk Reduction Safety Tips [https://www.nfpa.org/-/media/Files/Public-Education/  
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Firewise USA - Preparing homes for wildfire

[https://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/  
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**NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION**

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Miscanthus/Pampas Grass, Madison Co.'s "Wildfire Grass"

[https://www.ncforestservice.gov/contacts/pdf/  
Miscanthus Info Sheet Madison Co.pdf](https://www.ncforestservice.gov/contacts/pdf/Miscanthus%20Info%20Sheet%20Madison%20Co.pdf)



## Wolf Laurel Road Maintenance and Security

Please help us protect one of the natural resources of Wolf Laurel, the rare experience of a dark sky. While street lights, spotlights, and other outdoor lights are permitted in Wolf Laurel, all outdoor lights are required to be turned off after 11:00 P.M. Now that the leaves have fallen, outdoor lighting is even more visible throughout the community. The occasional use of outdoor lighting after hours is understandable. However, lights left on all night, every night, and automatic dusk to dawn street lights do not comply with our standards and regulations.

Please be considerate of neighbors and turn off your outdoor lights by 11:00 P.M. Install motion sensors or light timers if you need lighting to come and go between 11:00 P.M. and dawn. Any dusk to dawn security light can be modified to turn off automatically at 11:00 PM or to have a manual switch.

Finally, please inform your guests and renters about our community's lighting rules and encourage them to enjoy the natural beauty of Wolf Laurel's night sky.

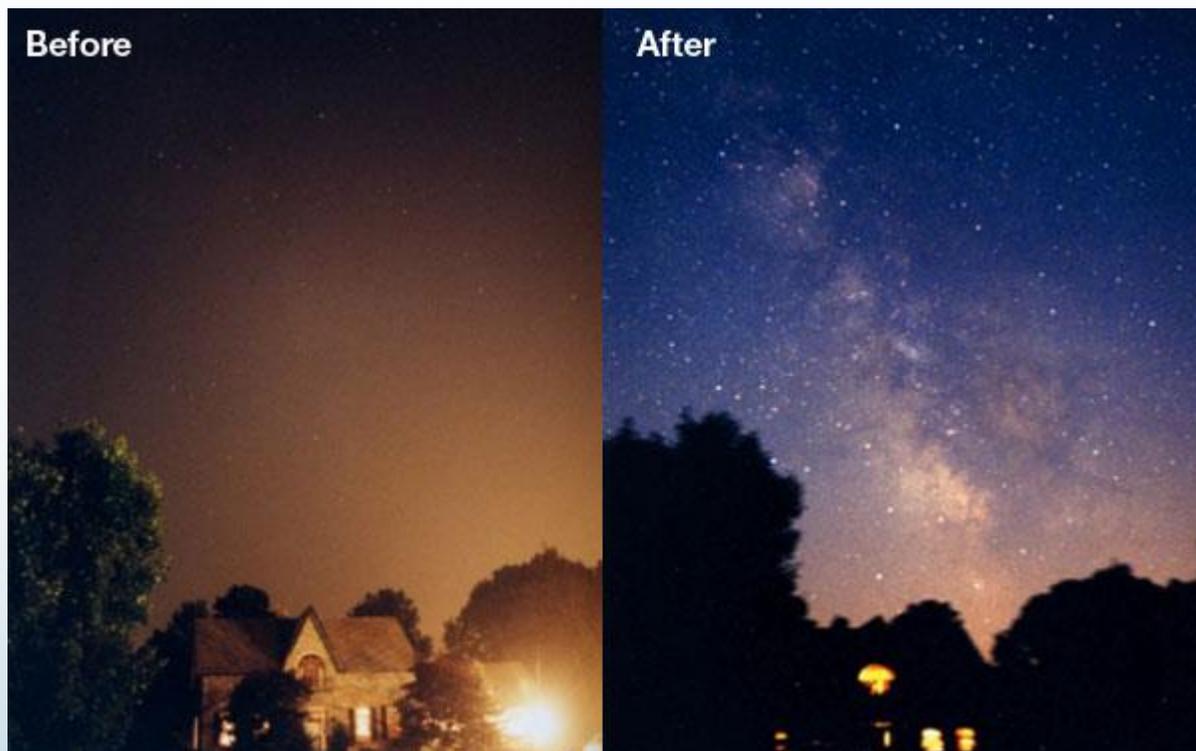
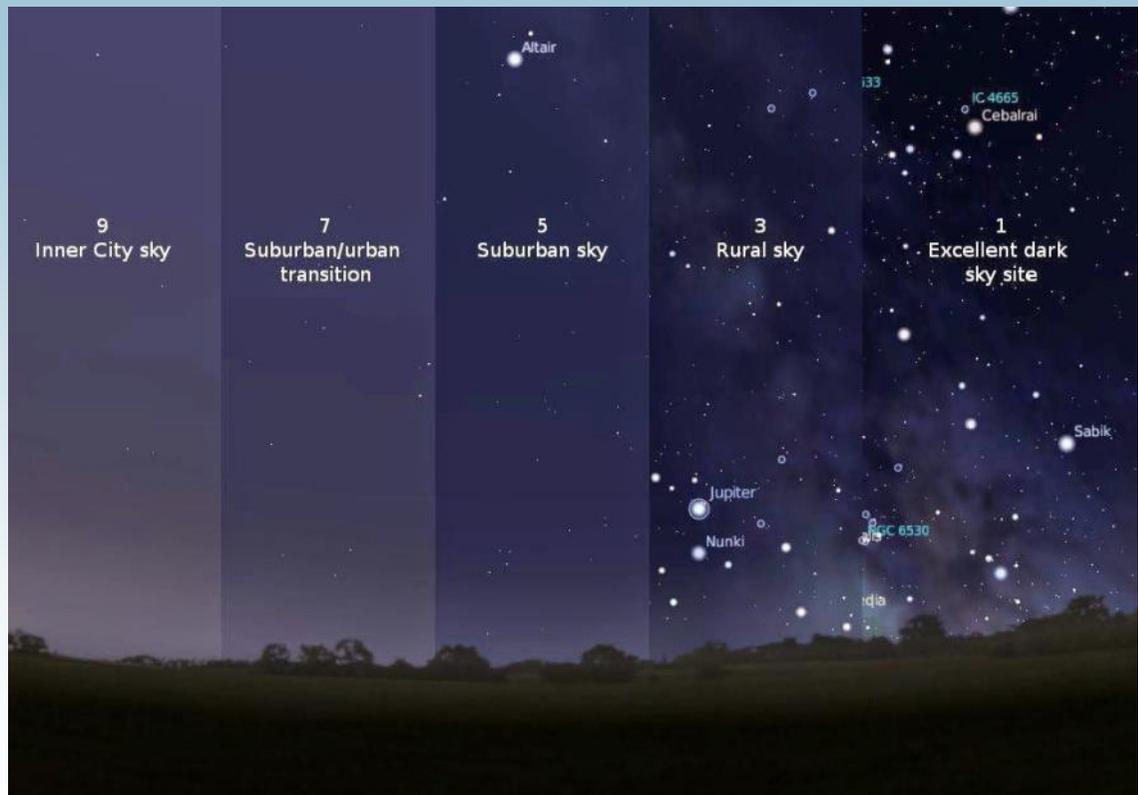


Photo from the International Dark-Sky Association, for more information visit [darksky.org/](https://darksky.org/)

## WLRMS

### Sample night sky views



From Nextdoor - [Charlie Snook](#) [Wolf Laure](#)

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WOLF PROVISIONS General Store coming May 2022 Hello Neighbors! Many of you responded to my previous survey about a local market. Now that we are moving forward with trying to open the market in late spring, I'm hoping you will indulge me from time to time as I try to fine-tune our inventory. I have a few items below that I'm curious about and I wanted to get your feedback. I can't promise I will be able to carry every single thing requested, but I'm certainly open to it. :)

- **HOT BEVERAGES:** Are you a coffee drinker? If so, do you drink regular drip coffee, espresso, latte, cappuccino? What about hot tea, hot cocoa? **COLD DRINKS:** Do you drink iced tea? Sodas? Do you prefer fountain drinks or just sodas from a can/bottle? **DAIRY:** Do you drink milk? If so, what kind? Whole, skim, 1%, 2%, oat, almond, soy? **COFFEE CREAMER:** Do you use half-n-half, sweetened creamer, or powdered creamer?
- **ICE CREAM:** What are your favorite flavors of scooped ice cream? Note: We will also carry pints of name brand ice cream; however, I am trying to ascertain what your favorite flavors are for a dipping cabinet.
- **BREAD:** What types of bread do you eat the most? Do you have any particular brands that you prefer? Note: We will try to carry a small selection of gluten-free items for those who do not/cannot eat gluten.
- **CHEESE:** What is your favorite cheese? Do you have any brands that you prefer?  
**SANDWICHES:** What are your favorite types of sandwiches? (This one might get crazy, but let's hear them! LOL!) Thank you in advance for any input you are willing to offer. In order for this market to serve our community, it's important for me to know what y'all want!

Charlie Snook



# Wolf Laurel Country Club

## *A Busy WLCC Season Ahead*

By Cathy Johnson, Leigh Ann Roseberry & Brenda Whitt

As in past seasons the WLCC will offer the following events to all the mountain residents during 2022. Other events may be open if there is room after the cut off dates.

- ◆ May 24th A “Taco ‘Bout It” Luncheon to introduce the 2022 *Walk in the Woods*\* program developed by Yvonne Carignan and Brenda Whitt
- ◆ May 30th Memorial Day Program
- ◆ June 3rd Time to Go Fishing - Southern Drifters Outfitters
- ◆ July 2nd Independence Day Celebration - barbecue, games, dog parade, cloggers and a SART performance
- ◆ July 8th “*A Treasure in the Appalachian Sky, A History of Wolf Laurel*” luncheon with co-authors Jim Klumpp & Warren Johnson
- ◆ July 16th Annual Hospice Event
- ◆ September 3rd Harvest Festival

\* *Walk in the Woods* began last season and was developed and managed by Yvonne Carignan and Brenda Whitt. During 2022, each month beginning in May, there will be two walks in the WL Area and one walk off of the mountain. These walks average 2 to 3 miles (moderate difficulty) and offer a great opportunity to meet and interact with other residents.



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## Wolf Laurel Country Club

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**The Wolf Laurel Visitor Ambassador Program** will continue as a coordinated effort between The WLCC, Wolf Laurel Village Club, and WLRMS. It was launched in August of 2019 and has provided visitors that arrive at the Wolf Laurel gate unannounced, a tour of the community. Even if they elected not to take a tour, they left with a packet of valuable information about our Wolf Laurel community. Each season the program averaged about 17 visitors and between 20 and 25 resident volunteers. Leigh Ann Roseberry, Marketing Chair for WLCC, will assume direction of this program. Her contact information is below.

Those interested in joining the WLCC can contact Kelly Dale at 828-680-9771 or [Khdwlcc@gmail.com](mailto:Khdwlcc@gmail.com) or Leigh Ann Roseberry at 904-703-9098 or [eagles21@att.net](mailto:eagles21@att.net).

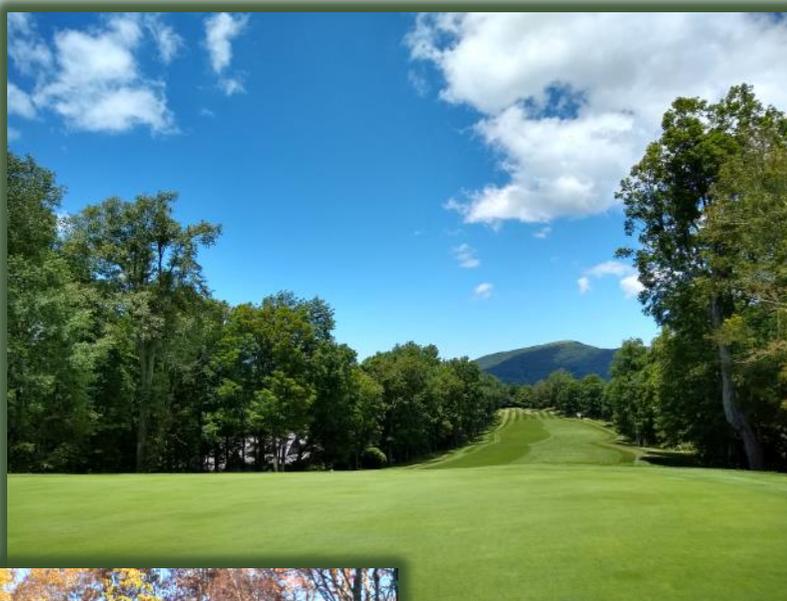
WLCC membership fees:

Prior to May 31st -

\$6K for Social and \$10K for Golf

After May 31st -

\$10K for Social and \$15K for Golf



**WLCC - <http://www.wolflaurelcountryclub.com/>**

# Blasts From The Past

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# The Wolf's Howl

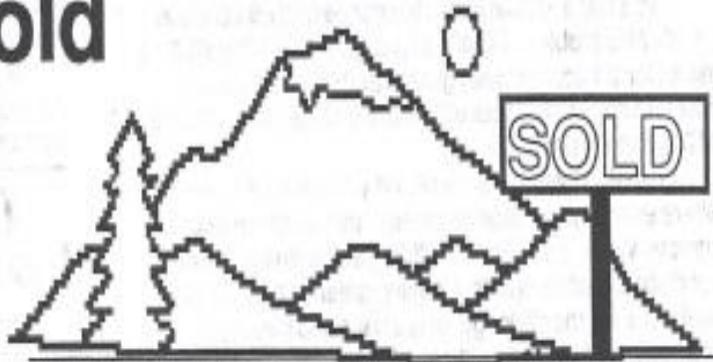
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## Wolf Laurel Sold

The directors and stockholders of the Bald Mountain Development Corporation have approved an agreement in principle for the sale of the majority assets of Wolf Laurel Resort to Stokes, O'Steen, Williams Group of Jacksonville, Florida.

The group, which had initially contracted for the purchase of 1,800 undeveloped acres in the Buck Town area, has now also purchased the golf course, restaurant and hotel. A management agreement was also reached to direct the ski operation, real estate sales and resort rental management. Terms of the agreement will be disclosed at a future date.

This new firm represents a group of companies specializing in sales, marketing, development and operation of resort and country club communities throughout the South. Other properties owned and operated by this group are Marsh Landing Country Club at Ponte Verdra, Fla.; Summer Beach on Amelia Island, Fla.; Marsh



Creek in St. Augustine, Fla.; Deercreek and Orange Park Country Clubs in Jacksonville, Fla.; and Hidden Hills Country Club in Austin, Texas.

Although Bald Mountain Development Corp. retains its current real estate properties, and sale of lots at Wolf Laurel, it is as yet unresolved whose responsibility it will be to maintain the roads and the security service at the resort. It has been suggested by the new group that these responsibilities will fall on the shoulders of the Property Owners Association, though by deed the legal responsibility for road maintenance rests with Bald Mountain Development Corp.

For more information, property owners should contact Walter Williams.

### SPORTS



GOLFING

The golf course working crew will soon be returning to get the course in shape for the Memorial Day opening. Dee Red has already walked the course and has a list of things a mile long to be done.

## Mild Winter Shortens Ski Season

The 1986-87 ski season did not live up to our expectations. We had only 7 1/2 weeks this year compared to 10 weeks of skiing for the 1985-86 season.

We had one of the mildest winters on record and even when it did turn cold and snowed, it was always followed by an extended warm spell. We had trouble maintaining our own snow.

Under the direction of Bill Ward, Vardon Cody and our new computers, we had one of the most efficient operations ever. Everything went along just super. So, if the perennial Florida Gator fan can be quoted: "Wait til next year".

*Wolf's Howl*  
April 1987

## Bald Mountain Creek Preserve Friends

I hope all is well at Bald Mountain! I wanted to provide an update for the Bald Mountain Creek Preserve Friends group and/or Wolf Laurel Community. If you are able to share with anyone that is interested in trails in the region, please feel free.



**Update: The Carolina Climbers Coalition, in partnership with the Southeastern Trust for Parks and Land,** have built nearly 1 mile of trail over the past few months at McKinney Gap Boulders access within the Bald Mountain Creek Preserve. Our trail team works several days per week, building the trail to desired trail specs. These specs include stone or locust steps where the trail steepens and crib walls where the side slope is steep. After three months of work, we are about 70 percent complete but nearly out of funding for the trail team. If interested, [here is a donation link to benefit our trail team](#). Last week, we rented a mini excavator to improve a logging road to meet our trail specs. We have also hauled 41 tires, and 60+ bags of trash out of an old dump site on the preserve. The old dump site is now a brand new parking area and trail head thanks to STPAL! In the coming weeks, we hope to complete a small spur trail leading to a cluster of five boulders on the upper loop and we hope to begin the lower loop trail shortly after. Once the trail work is complete, we hope to install trail head signage and on-trail signage to direct visitors around the trail system. Signage likely will not be installed until the late fall once the trail is complete and pending funding. The Carolina Climbers Coalition and Southeastern Trust for Parks and Land (STPAL) have worked closely on all of this work. We are delighted to work in your neighborhood and help create access to a beautiful preserve! We have had several public volunteer trail days over the past three months. If you are interested in volunteering or know of someone who is, please feel free to share my email with them.

**Mike Reardon**

*Executive Director*

Carolina Climbers  
Coalition

828-280-4046

**[Join the CCC!](#)**

<https://carolinaclimbers.org/civicrm/contribute/transact?reset=1&id=21>

**Bill Jones STPAL Video**

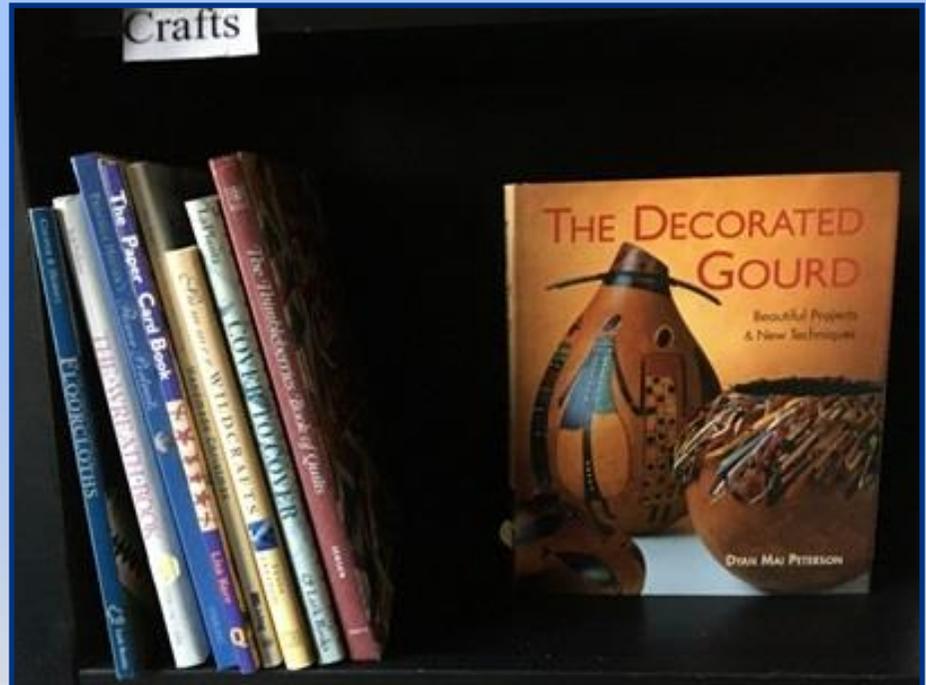
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## Wolf Laurel POA Library 2022 Winter Report

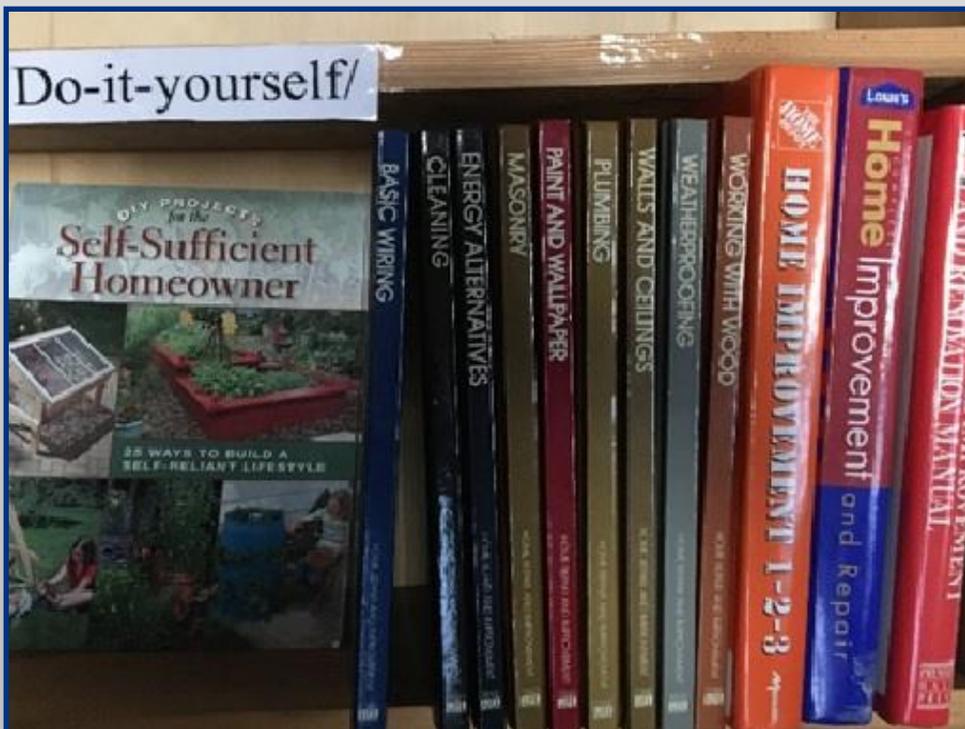
*Yvonne Carignan, Librarian*

### **New Shelving and New Book Categories**

A generous donation of two large bookshelf units has gotten 2022 off to a great start in your library. The new shelves provide a space for our oversize book collection as well as better presentation for all the subject collections in the Community Center's lower level. Thank you, Jamie and Jason Liburdi, for the shelves!



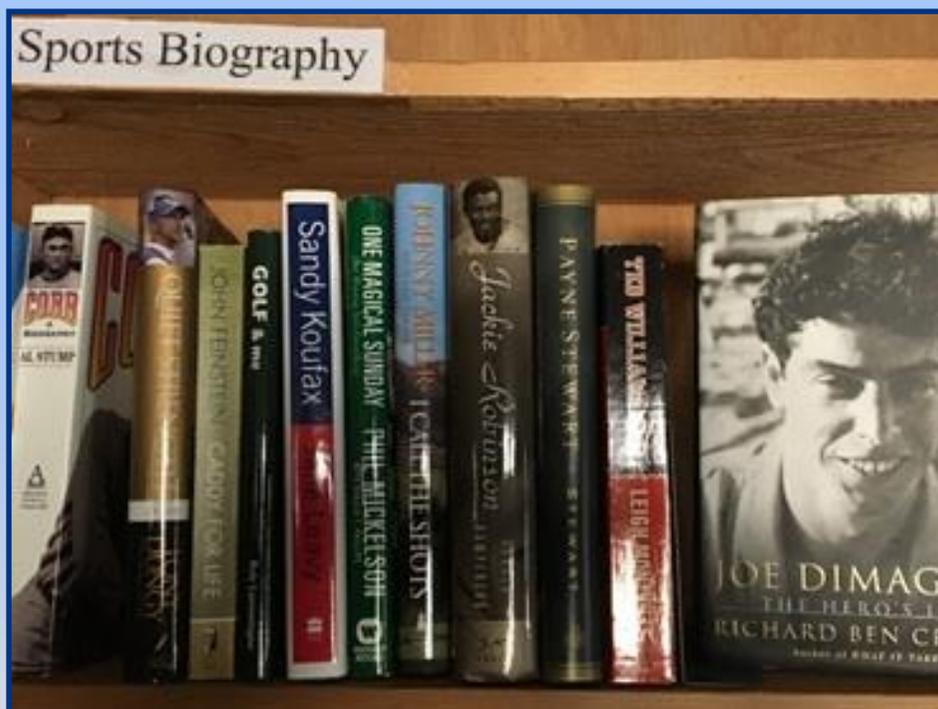
**Reorganization has resulted in shelves of *Self Help, Health/Medical books, Fitness, Self Defense, Art, Architecture, Crafts, and Photography.***



The existing category of “Do it yourself” has been subdivided to highlight books on Country Skills (Remember the Fox Fire genre?) and Building Projects which includes decks, gazebos, treehouses, patios, etc. A general DIY section covers a wide range of practical tasks such as carpentry, plumbing, and other home repairs.

## Wolf Laurel Library Report, March 2022

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### **Sports Biography**

A new section on Sports Biography calls attention to some interesting personalities in baseball, golf, football, and other sports.

### **Fiction Refresh**

Meanwhile, the annual shift and cleanup of the fiction collection goes on. Shifting allows for cleaning all the shelves, ensuring the books are in order, and filling in missing

copies with duplicates. Expect to find the adult science fiction collection, the large print books, and classic fiction each with some extra space.

### **Recent Additions**

The entire children's and young adult collection grew nicely last year. A recent addition is an eleven-volume set of the classic Hardy Boy mysteries, which, added to the *Spy School* series by Stuart Gibbs, gives young mystery lovers a lot to read.

### **Contributions Needed**

Regarding large print editions, these are popular, and donations of large print books will be most appreciated. Another popular series is Louise Penny's murder mysteries set in Quebec. We had quite a few mysteries by Louise Penny, and they have been very popular. Our current readers have drawn them down to one or two titles. Don't forget to return them when finished, and if anyone has any Louise Penny titles to donate, those will be much loved in our library. As always, your donations of popular fiction and non-fiction are critical for the library to stay fresh and interesting to Wolf Laurel readers. You are generous and we thank you!

Hope you will visit and check out our collection of books, DVDs, and puzzles soon!

Yvonne

# Wolf Laurel Winter Fun

I thought the TOB [readers] might want to see the fun still available in these colder months. This is my first winter here, and I've been hiking, sledding, golfing, playing cards, etc. Susan Palukaitis



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*Thanks for sharing, Susan*

My husband and I are now full time residents, and when many of my friends left for warmer climates, I was concerned that I would be able to keep myself active. The number of full time residents in Wolf Laurel continues to grow, and I've learned that there are winter activities for everyone.

With the first big snow in early January, I found myself sledding!!! Who knew at 71 years of age, that sledding down a hill could make me feel like a kid again.

Hiking has continued; card games galore; meeting friends at the Fitness Center for a workout; and afternoons of crafts at the Village Center. Plus the displays of hoar frost on the trees has my photo album exploding! I've experienced winter in Indiana, Utah, New Jersey, and New York, and NEVER have I witnessed such natural beauty as here. Susan



A chestnut-sided warbler. In nonbreeding plumage, adults and immatures can be identified by bright lime-green above with a neat white eye ring, two wing-bars and pale gray to white underparts.

EVERYONE

## Is a Birder

Powered by volunteers, the N.C. Bird Atlas research project is mapping bird populations from the mountains to the coast

written by Scott Anderson

In a Greensboro apartment, a middle-school aged birder sits at the kitchen table, thumbs through a magazine and munches on a toasted peanut butter and banana (sliced lengthwise *thamlyouerymach*) sandwich. Spying quick movement out of the sliding glass window to the small balcony of a fourth-floor apartment, the birder hops down from the chair to see a small brown bird with a jaunty stance and a sharp looking white stripe over its eye. After a few minutes of observation, the birder notes frequent returns to the fern hanging from the balcony.

In Asheville, a loaded backpack sits on the kitchen table next to precision binoculars, a large-bodied camera with a high-powered lens and a harness for carrying it all. Pungent shade-grown, Bird Friendly coffee notes waft through the air, emanating from the dutifully brewing coffee maker. An excited birder stumbles in from the bedroom, having slept in field clothes to minimize pre-dawn preparations. Grabbing a granola bar and

lunch from the fridge, the birder pours coffee and heads out the door with the excitement of catching the pre-dawn activity of breeding warblers on the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Birding isn't confined to the avid and is not defined by the skill of the observer. Birding can happen anywhere at anytime, with or without binoculars—and can be defined as finding joy in observation whenever it occurs, like:

A birder enjoying a lunch break on a greenway casually spies a green heron. A birder plans a fall weekend not according to the leaves, but to hit the annual hawk migration hotspots on the Blue Ridge Parkway.

The casual family weekend outing started earlier than everyone—except for a birder accustomed to the early hours—wanted.

A birder running an errand at a big box store notices a nest in a tree in the parking lot.

Each year, over 1.2 million North Carolinians participate in birdwatching.

<https://www.ncwildlife.org/Learning/Multimedia-Center/Wildlife-in-North-Carolina>

Wildlife in North Carolina Magazine - The latest issue features an informative story on the North Carolina Bird Atlas, a statewide community science project to map birds during the breeding and wintering seasons. Read it for free (and subscribe) at: [bit.ly/2LThnOR](http://bit.ly/2LThnOR)



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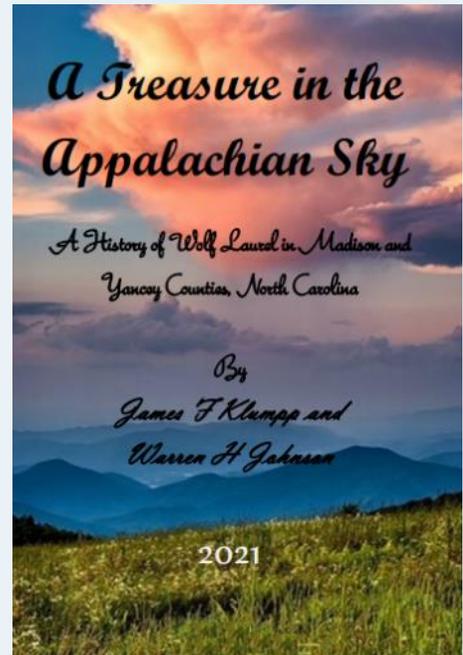
## Wolf Laurel Historical Society 2022 Programs

A Welcome from the Wolf Laurel Historical Society

Jim Klumpp and Warren Johnson's *A Treasure in the Appalachian Sky: A History of Wolf Laurel in Madison and Yancey Counties, North Carolina* reports a surge of new residents coming to the mountain about every two decades to remake its character and re-energize its many treasures. After the beginnings of Wolf Laurel in the 1960s, the turn of the 1980s and the turn of the 21st century marked a renewal of the community with the next stage being shaped by an influx of new residents. We appear to be in the next moment of this twenty year cycle.

So, to all of the many new residents of Wolf Laurel, the Wolf Laurel Historical Society offers you a welcome. The Society was founded in 1994 by those interested in history in general and the history of the Wolf Laurel community in particular. The 2021 year marked the largest membership ever for the WLHS – 114 members – exceeding even its initial membership numbers in 1994. We hope new residents will embrace the Society's mission and enjoy the Society's programs.

The Society typically sponsors three programs a year in June, July and August. One of these programs will focus narrowly on the Wolf Laurel community, a second on an aspect of Southern Appalachian culture, often specific to Madison or Yancey Counties, and a third on a more general topic of historical interest. In addition, the Society has an annual meeting in which the Board is elected and the year's activities and achievements reviewed. Then the season ends with a picnic for members. Watch for announcements of our programs at the mail kiosks or check out our schedule online. Programs are held at various venues including the Community Center Pavilion, the Wolf Laurel Country Club, the Buck House, the Preserve Pavilion, or the Ebbs Chapel Performing Arts and Community Center near the corner of Puncheon Fork and Laurel Valley Road.



Examples of recent programs include: the history of the Willis Cabin that now serves as the community's package cabin; the founding of the Wolf Laurel Country Club; the German Prisoner of War camp at Hot Springs; the Barns of Upper Laurel; the Developer's Maps, revealing the evolving vision of the community by its succession of developers; a walking tour of Settler's Village; and The Vision of Bud Edwards who birthed Wolf Laurel. Programs are presented by Wolf Laurel residents or by guest speakers from outside the community. The 2022 programs will be announced in May.

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## Wolf Laurel Historical Society 2022 Programs

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The Society also sponsors community historical projects such as the printing of *Upper Laurel and Her People*, a history of the families that lived in the Upper Laurel area before Wolf Laurel; sale of the prints *The Willis Barn, circa 1890* which depicts the Wolf Laurel Community Center in its first iteration, as a barn on the Willis farm; and *The Ultimate Vision, 1964* the original concept map of the Wolf Laurel development. These can be purchased from the Society ([see the web page](#)). The first two are also for sale at the Wolf Laurel Community Center. And the Society maintains an archive of documents and artifacts from the history of the community.

Membership in the Society is only \$20 per year for individuals and \$35 for families. We are a 501(c)3 charitable organization. We hope all the new residents, and those who have made Wolf Laurel their residence for many years, will join us in enjoying and celebrating Wolf Laurel in 2022 with our motto in mind: Sharing Our Past to Enrich our Present.

For more information on the Society, to learn more about the history of our community, or to join to support our programs, please visit our website at <https://WLHistory.org/>. While you are at our website, enjoy our two offerings there: Wolf Laurel History Blog and Wolf Laurel Stories. Material to join the society can be found on the website as well; or you may join at any of our events.

Programs sponsored by the Wolf Laurel Historical Society are open to members and non-members alike, but we hope you will join the Society to help support our programming. Membership includes the right to vote in the annual meeting and provisions for the annual picnic.

The WLHS Board

The Wolf Laurel Historical Society, <https://wlhistory.org/>



Oscar Willis Barn, c1890

### Wolf Laurel Historical Society

Madison and Yancey Counties, North Carolina



The Buck House

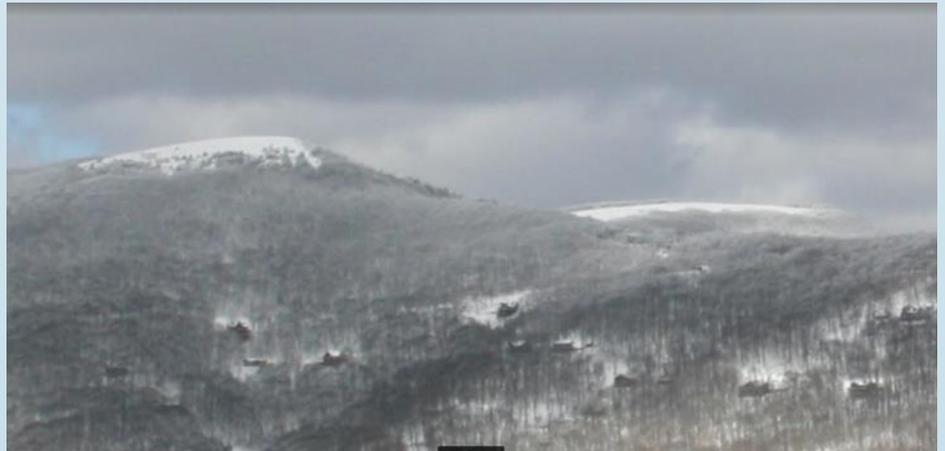
Dave Buck House, c1930

## Wolf Laurel Geography Quiz 3 Answers

*Jim Klumpp*

*Big Stamp meadow to the right of Big Bald Peak outlined in winter white*

**Big Stamp:** A "stamp" is a high meadow or "bald" that gives the Bald Mountains their name. The origin of the term is believed to be the stamping or stomping by cattle and other grazing livestock or wild herds that keeps these meadows open as grasslands. Most names of geographical features are fixed and repeated in different versions of topographical maps produced by the United States Geological Survey. As years passed and new maps were issued by USGS, this was not the case with this feature. The USGS applied the label to a number of areas under the east slope of Big Bald, centering around the pass that today carries Big Bald Road around the east side, separating the peak from the rising meadow to its east. The Appalachian Trail Conference uses the term to refer to the pass. The name is often given to the rising meadow to the east of the pass, traversed by the Appalachian Trail from the tree line at the top of the rise down to the pass. Another interpretation is that it is the berry patch to the rear of the Big Bald peak.



*Entrance to the trail to the Bald Mountain Creek picnic area from the parking lot on Town Mountain Road*

**Bald Mountain Creek Nature Preserve:** A 769 acre reserve deeded to the Southeastern Trust for Parks and Lands by the Preserve at Wolf Laurel in 2013. This acreage is in two sections both of which lie within the original Wolf Laurel purchase: one inside the Preserve gate along Bald Mountain Creek, the other across and up Bald Mountain Road toward McKinney Gap. Currently the portion inside the gate emphasizes hiking trails. Wolf Laurel residents can park at trailheads at two places on

Town Mountain Road or at Lucky Way, the gated road to the left as you drive down Ridgeway Road toward the Preserve Gate. Noted features of this section are the Bald Mountain Creek Falls Picnic area 1/4 mile from the first parking area as you drive down Town Mountain Road; the rocky but beautiful Sugar Fork Trail, accessed at the sign off the pavement to the right just inside the Lucky Way gate; and the Hensley Cemetery, a strenuous hike from the public trailhead at the north end of the bridge just to the left of the Preserve Gate on Bald Mountain Road. The current highlight of the section of the BMCNP across from the Preserve Gate is a hiking trail that accesses a set of climbing boulders valued by the Carolina Climbing Coalition. This trail leaves from a parking lot at the left of the hairpin curve up Bald Mountain Road after turning right at the Preserve Gate. For information on the BMCNP see <https://stpal.org/our-places/bald-mountain-creek-nature-preserve/> (continued)

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*The picnic shelter located at the peak of Weaver Knob*

**Weaver Knob:** Weaver Knob lies inside the BMCNP (see above). A picnic pavilion has been built here most easily accessible today via a ½ mile hike from the Lucky Way gate. Walk beyond the sign for the Sugar Fork Trail (see above) along a muddy former development road to the top of Weaver Knob. The Friends of BMCNP plan to open additional parking and address the marshy trail issues to Weaver Knob in the near future.



*Entrance to Wolf's Head Court off Pisgah Pass Road*

**Wolf's Head Court:** A short street off Pisgah Pass Road. This street is noteworthy because it follows precisely the boundary between Madison and Yancey Counties. As you drive from Pisgah Pass, houses on the right are in Madison County, those on the left in Yancey.

*The view through Low Gap. Ridges rise on either side as the Lodge sits in the gap*

**Low Gap:** This name is used widely for passes throughout the mountains. Wolf Laurel's version (according to historian Delia Tipton Brittain) is the gap that separates the waters of Bald Mountain Creek from the waters of Puncheon Fork at the headwaters of Hampton Creek and Wolf Laurel Branch. Today the Lodge and the Wolf Laurel Country Club sit astride the gap. Thus it is as close as Wolf Laurel comes to a "town center" with Wolf Laurel Road, Buck House Road, and Ridgeway Road descending into the watersheds, while Big Bald Road and McKinney Gap Road ascend the ridges on either side of the gap. True to its name as a gap, it marks a low point through which traffic may pass from one watershed to another.





Wolf Laurel History -  
The old covered bridges





Appalachian  
Rappin'  
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## FONDREN MITCHELL Developer of Wolf Laurel Resort

by Mary Beth Herzog

It took a Florida rancher from Georgia, with the tenacity of the fighting game cocks he used to raise, and still enjoys betting on, to bring one of the most scenic Carolina mountain developments to the forefront as a heroic blend of man's ingenuity with nature's best.

Sixty-seven year old Fondren Mitchell, the one-man show behind Wolf Laurel Resort, resting in the shadows of Big Bald Mountain, 27 miles north of Asheville, brought the same spirit of conservation and an eye for profit to the relaxed mountain community as he brought, close to 40 years before, to some 32,000 acres of ranch country in east central Florida.

A drive from the gravel road that winds up to the top of Big Bald proves that it's hard to spot the over 165 homes that property owners have carefully built at Wolf Laurel. If there is a single reason that Wolf Laurel does better than other mountain developments," Mitchell points out, "it's because you can barely tell it's there."

Fondren is most proud of a deal he worked out with the United States Government when the U.S. Park Service wanted Wolf Laurel Resort to sell a 200-foot wide strip across Big Bald in the middle of their property to be incorporated into the Appalachian Trail — a trail well known to hikers who take the route from Georgia to Maine.

But Mitchell had a better idea. "I wanted to protect the Bald and the springs area for picnickers and the hiker." So he suggested that the government buy the land that jutted into the national forest and then buy enough land from Wolf Laurel Resort on either side of it to protect the trail, with Wolf Laurel retaining permanent road and water rights. The government agreed to it. "It worked out perfectly for both sides," Mitchell said.

To understand Fondren Mitchell's conservationist attitude at Wolf Laurel, one has to go back a bit. Mitchell was brought up on a plantation in Thomasville, GA. After two years at the University of Georgia, he operated a filling station, got into the lumber business and next acquired a canning business with a plant in Thomasville for summer operations and another in Ft. Meade, FL for winter operations. It was about that time - 1940 - that he began to buy land in central Florida. At one time he owned over 32,000 acres. (He sold the last 18,000 acres of the ranch, which he originally bought for 50¢ — \$3.00 an acre, for nine million dollars.)

As was the case with much of Florida's interior, Mitchell's property was primarily marshland which had to be reclaimed. Mitchell established the drainage on the property and then began to work cattle on it. It was literally a dawn to dusk operation, done completely on horseback in the early days. "I was a pretty good hand at one time," Mitchell admits.

He raised Brangus (a cross between Angus and Brahman) on the ranch, which he named the Rocking "M" Ranch.

An avid hunter, Mitchell established on his ranch one of the best game reserves in the state. Among Mitchell's invited hunting guests at the Rocking "M" were the astronauts from nearby Cape Kennedy in the late '60's and early '70's — two of whom are now property owners at Wolf Laurel, Stu Roosa and Charlie Duke.

One of Mitchell's close friends once described him as "a dirt road sport," which is an old country expression that means "he'll try most anything at least once." It might have been the "dirt road sport" in Mitchell that

got him hooked on Wolf Laurel in the first place. In the beginning Mitchell had only a minor investment in Wolf Laurel. It was on the verge of folding because its backing was drained by a bankrupt parent corporation. But recognizing "the beauty of the area and the possibilities if it was done right," Mitchell bought out the other investors.

But then the gas crunch of 1973-74 hit, forcing many other mountain resorts under. "That's when Wolf Laurel became a one-man operation," Mitchell said. Expenses were cut to the minimum and money was borrowed on his beloved Rocking "M" Ranch and from friends and put into the Wolf Laurel enterprise.

"But we finally rode it through." And ride it through he did, reducing the \$6 million debt to \$400,000 while at the same time completing the golf course with the highest hole east of the Rockies, three-lift ski area, two all-weather tennis courts, swimming pool, stables, mountain top motel and restaurant.

Mitchell insists that commercialism be kept to a minimum at the development. Bulldozers, often manned by Mitchell himself, were maneuvered around trees as much as possible in clearing home sites. And one section, known as Settler's Village, is a log cabin community with each cabin made from 100-200 year-old hand-hewn logs that were taken from barns and other cabins in the area, disassembled and re-erected at Wolf Laurel. Mitchell and his wife, Beth, built a two-story log cabin in Settler's Village for themselves.

Mitchell is justifiably proud of the now prospering Wolf Laurel, but during the past nine years while he struggled to bring the mountain resort to where it is today his optimism never faltered. "I've always said, no matter what happens, I'd never trade a day in my life for that of another man's. I'm probably the luckiest man alive."

Adding a final word about Wolf Laurel, Mitchell said, "We believe that this is the most beautiful development in the Carolinas and, because we have worked with nature and not against it, it is the best place to build a mountain home."

**M**

Wolf Laurel  
History -  
Snow Day  
At Wolf  
Laurel

Tues., Jan. 8, 1980

## BOB TERRELL

### Snowy Day At Wolf Laurel

We had no trouble driving to Wolf Laurel Saturday. All the way out U.S. 19-23, the Appalachian Highway going north toward the Tennessee line, the wind whipped tendrils of fine-grained snow across the road, and on the north



BOB TERRELL

slopes ice formed along the edges of the highway and crept out into the road, still too slushy to present immediate danger but threatening to make tough going for later motorists.

From the turn-off from U.S. 19-23, the road snaked upward, twisting and turning for five more miles to the gates at Wolf Laurel, and the snow and ice on this roadway made a deeper and harder covering than on 19-23. We had no difficulty; the little Toyota clicked off the miles in good order, slipping only once when it came up behind a slower car.

#### The Ski Business

At Wolf Laurel, however, we dipped down the hill to the office barn and into the parking lot and brought the car to rest in about eight inches of snow.

"I don't think I'll try to get out of here without chains," I told Vivian.

We joined the ski director, Col. Tom Barr, at the office and wound on up to the ski slopes in his Bronco.

At the ski lodge, the sight was magnificent. Most of Wolf Laurel's nine ski runs were in view and down the slopes came wave after wave of skiers, all having fun, all attuned to nature's beauty.

Activity was heavier on the lower slopes — the Mighty Mite (for beginners), Broadway, the Detour — than on the higher slopes like The Chute, Sideslip, the Southern Express, Flame Out, Wolf Ridge, and Golden Eagle.

High on the mountain, up along The Chute and Sideslip, huge clouds of grayish white swept over the slopes, obscuring vision.

Those two slopes are closed for the moment," Tom Barr said. "We're making snow up there."

Vivian thought it a bit unusual that the slopes would be taking on artificial snow in the face of a 10-inch snowfall, but it helps to maintain the base when real snow stops falling.

#### She Ate It!

Wolf Laurel, like all the other Western North Carolina ski slopes, gets a lot of busloads of skiers, many from Florida.

To the kids from Florida, simply seeing snow is something new — and to see artificial snow, made from mixing compressed air with water, is an almost incomprehensible treat.

A busload of Florida kids came to Wolf Laurel the other day, unloaded, geared up, and immediately hit the beginners slope.

The instructor, explaining everything he could think of, said to the group: "You are skiing on artificial snow."

A girl in the crowd dropped a handful of snow and a look of consternation crossed her face. "Oh, my gosh," she said. "I ate some!"

#### Numbers Are Growing

Col. Barr, a retired Air Force officer with 31 years of service, came to Wolf Laurel for the 1974-75 ski season. "The slopes had been open for two years," he said, "and that winter we had 3,500 skiers. To show you how the sport has grown, last year we had 28,500 — and this winter we'll hit between 40,000 and 50,000. We've had 5,225 already."

Some of the names of the slopes reflect Barr's years in the Air Force: Flame Out, Sideslip, The Chute.

"We're switching to all-electric snow-making equipment," he said, "in an effort to conserve fuel." When the switchover is completed, there will be no more diesel-powered generators on the mountain.

I saw Tommy Thompson of Asheville and his family getting ready to go up the slopes again. "How are the roads?" Tommy asked.

"They looked like they're going to get slick," I said. "I'm going to put on my chains."

#### This Fickle Weather

We went back down the ridge to the office building and I hauled out the chains. It was about 150 yards from the parking lot up to the road, and it was covered with packed snow.

I accepted the help of a fellow who works at Wolf Laurel and we struggled in the snow for 30 minutes to get the chains on. Another workman came along and stopped. "Let me show you an easy way," he said, and 10 minutes later we were chained up and ready to go.

We got to the road — and there wasn't a speck of ice or snow on it. We clanked on down to 19-23 and it, too, was wide open.

An apparent slight rise in temperature combined with considerable traffic had removed all snow from the road.

It only took five minutes to remove the chains, and I felt pretty silly for having struggled so long to put them on for a 150-yard drive. It was a lesson in how fickle the weather can be here in the hills.

I hoped Tommy Thompson hadn't put his chains on, but I figured he had.

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## WOLF - LAUREL GAZETTE

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BALD MOUNTAIN, N. C.



Earth moving equipment prepares surface for the tennis courts (right) in the Dude Ranch area. At the left is the old red barn landmark which has been converted into an office, information center and on the lower level, the colorful Timber Wolf Club.

### RATLIFF'S RUN FINE RESTAURANT AT BALD

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ratliff are managers of the Wolf Laurel Inn and Restaurant. Ed is well qualified by reason of his long service as manager of officers' clubs in the army. "Dobber Dittler," the flight instructor, speaks your name as though you were an old friend, and sees to it that accommodations are ship shape at the Inn and Dude Ranch.

### VISIT THE GIFT SHOP

A visit to the gift shop adjacent to the pro-shop is well worth while. Unlike most novelty shops, this one is stocked exclusively with native handicrafts, all made in Madison County, North Carolina. One of the most unusual items is the funny little birds, animals and clown-like figures constructed from native rock and attractively painted. They are great for door steps and paper weights.



Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ratliff

### WOLF LAUREL BUZZING WITH SUMMER ACTIVITY

The Wolf Laurel recreation area at Big Bald Mountain is buzzing with activity as the summer season opens.

The 18-hole golf course--highest golf course east of the Rockies--is in excellent shape.

Cart paths were in process of being paved as this issue of the Wolf Laurel Gazette went to press. There are plenty of gas-powered carts and ample accommodations at the Wolf Laurel Inn and Dude Ranch.

Two tennis courts are under construction near the Timber Wolf Club and should be ready for play by the middle of July.

Located adjacent to the large parking area at the Information Center, the courts will be surfaced with a bituminous aggregate, "Grass-Tex," widely accepted as the best court surface. Space has been reserved for additional courts as needed.

Wolf Laurel Restaurant is open from 7 a.m. till 9 p.m. and the meals are excellent.

A heated swimming pool is planned for the area between the restaurant and motel. The elevation north of No. 1 tee is being leveled as the site for the pool which will be near Junior Olympic size. Later it will be enclosed for year-round use.

Roads are in good condition and the main highway, Wolf Laurel Road, is being resurfaced.

Everywhere in the development is heard the ring of the carpenter's hammer as many new homes--A frames, log cabins, and unique space houses--are under construction.

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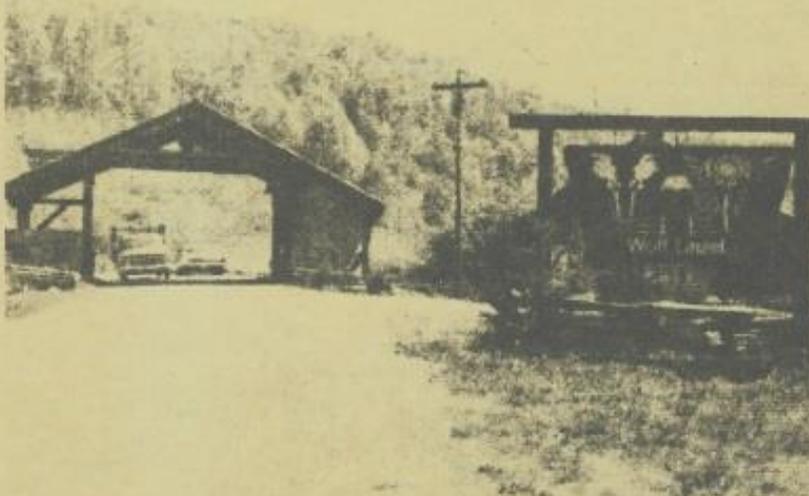
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### GATEWAY TO ESCAPE

Last year an attractive entrance to the Wolf Laurel was constructed astride Wolf Laurel Road.

But it does more than serve to impress visitors. It is a security check. A watchman is stationed at the gate to keep out the leather jacket motorcycle riders and picnickers who have no respect for property rights.

There is a telephone at the gate house, and if you as a resident or a guest at Wolf Laurel are expecting late arrivals, it would be well to alert the security guard at the gate. The phone number: 689-0541.



New entrance to the Wolf Laurel Development. Obscured by the attractive sign on the right is the gate house for the security guard.

### NEED HANDY MAN?

Now there's a handy-man on call over week-ends at the Wolf Laurel. If you blow a fuse, have plumbing problems, can't get the oven to turn on, call 689-0541, or the restaurant if it's still open, to dispatch the handy-man.



One of the most spectacular holes is the short No. 15 that appears to have almost as much vertical as horizontal distance from the tee (foreground) to the green below. A tremendous panorama of the Wolf Laurel unfolds before the golfer at this tee.



Meet Jerry Gault, manager of the Wolf Laurel pro shop; you'll like him. A native of Union, South Carolina, Jerry now lives in Mars Hill with his wife, Martha, and one child, Jennifer Lake.

He is a physical education teacher at David Miller Junior High School in Asheville. Whether or not you play golf, get acquainted with Jerry. He's one of the people that makes Wolf Laurel a pleasant, relaxed place to visit.

# Carolina Mountains Literary Festival

Mark your calendars for the return of Carolina Mountains Literary Festival, September 8 - 10, 2022. After a short hiatus, we are excited to bring this festival back to Burnsville's Town Square. Stay tuned for more information about author readings, discussions, and workshops in the genres of fiction, poetry, non-fiction, memoir, and YA literature that will be featured in this year's event. Details and e-newsletter sign up at [cmlitfest.org](http://cmlitfest.org).

Many thanks!  
Katie Anne Towner  
CMLF Director



Burnsville, North Carolina

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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Several festival planners are retiring this year. In order to ensure that the Festival continues we need your help. It's fun!

## MADISON COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL

### \* Bluff Mountain Festival

JUNE 11th, 10 AM - 5 PM - Hot Springs Resort and Spa

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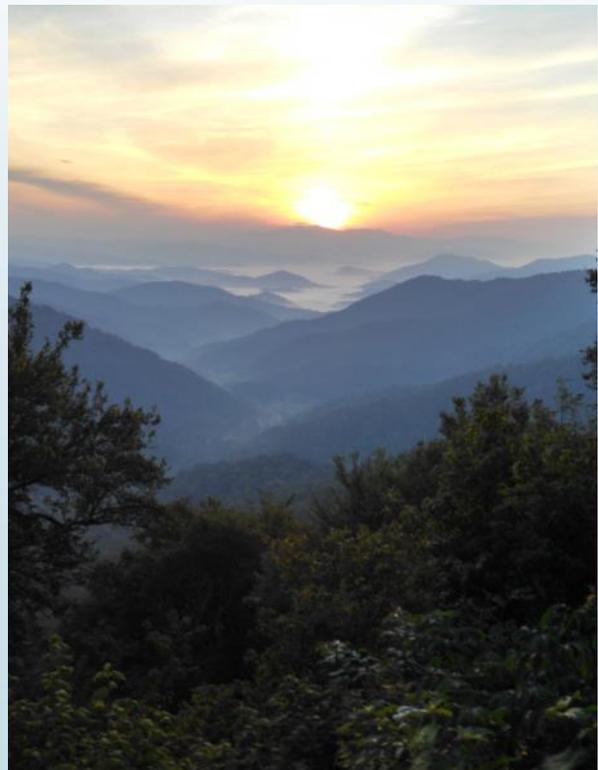
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Winter scene across the valley by Patricia Veatch



Sunrise looking down the eastward valley by Larry Veatch



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# The Wolf Laurel POA and Village Club Membership Benefits

## WLPOA Benefits:

Representation of the members' interests on  
community matters

Package Cabin for parcels

Email notifications & alerts

Nature Trail

Community Center

POA & Club meetings

Personal gatherings

Wi-Fi (also at pavilion)

Art Wall

Library

Foosball

Postal pickup

Tai Chi

Kids Camp

Independence Day celebration

Newsletter - Top of the Bald

Facebook page

Landscaping

Website:

Member Directory

Village Club news and announcements

Covenants

Bulletin Board

Trading Post, etc.

## Village Club Only

### Membership Benefits:

Pool

Tennis courts

Pickleball courts

Basketball court

Four Square area

Playground

Horseshoe Pit

Pavilions - Main & Angelico  
Ridge

Water aerobics classes

Yoga sessions

Fishing pond

Open grounds

Amphitheater

Spring House

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## Package Cabin Procedures

There are additional procedures during COVID-19:

\* PLEASE WEAR MASK!! Package Cabin is open from 7 am - 8 pm daily (no key required). The employees are sorting the cabin from 2:30 - 3:30 pm daily and we ask that residents do not pick up during this time. The space is limited, and we are asking for large items not to be delivered to the cabin.

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Please wait outside of the cabin while FED-X and UPS complete their deliveries and telephone calls to recipients. Be courteous, there is limited space in the cabin and drivers are on a tight schedule due to increased volume. They must also follow government directives for social distancing.

**Reminder: during COVID-19 the Package Cabin is closed from 2:30-3:30 pm weekdays.**

### The Wolf Laurel POA Package Cabin

- Large items such as furniture, appliances, grills, tires, etc. should not be delivered to the cabin. If you have ordered an oversize item, make prior arrangements to meet the carrier upon delivery. We will hold oversized or extremely heavy items for 24 hours; they will then be returned to FedEx or UPS facility for you to pick up at another location.
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- Packages marked “perishable” will be disposed of after 3 days.

If you have a problem with packages, please call the office at 828-689-4089 for assistance.



## WL POA / Village Club Website

Everyone is encouraged to be familiar with the WL Village Club website at <https://www.wolflaurelpoa.com/village-club>, general access being available to anyone. Some information is for POA Village Club members only. There you can access information about...Access Tabs listed below.



### **Village Club**

- Programs
- Membership
- Fees
- Rental homes

### **About**

- Board Members
- Committee Members
- Policies, Forms, and FAQ's

### **Bulletin Board**

- VC offerings
- Events and Activities
- Area Farmers Markets
- Walking Trails in Madison County
- Area Restaurant Offerings
- Pets
- Theatres / Venues
- Regional News/Websites/Links

### **Contacts**

- Membership
- POA
- Local area entities inside and outside WL
- Advertisers
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  - Photo Gallery
  - Trading Post
  - Top of the Bald Newsletters

Additional information can be found regarding the WL Country Club, the WL Historical Society, the Wolf Ridge Ski Lodge, and WL Road Maintenance & Security.

On the **Trading Post** page, you will find: "Place your property for sale" ad here (WLPOA members only - rates apply), as well as Items for Sale and Wanted (free to residents).

## *The Village Club*

### Wolf Laurel Village Club Facebook Page

Upcoming Village Club Season for 2022 is now in the works. We would like to invite all Village Club members to join the Wolf Laurel Village Club Facebook page. There, you will see the latest communications, events, and all the photos of the members enjoying themselves throughout the year. Please note this page is not for personal advertising of any services or businesses. Administrators must approve any post to the page and request to join.

To get started, open Facebook and in the Facebook search bar type *Wolf Laurel Village Club* and then request to join; or click on link below.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/342942392454360>

We look forward to having you on our Facebook Page!



### ***WL Facebook and Websites***

Access to information regarding the POA, the Village Club, and the WL Community at large can be found via the following internet sources.

#### **Facebook:**

Several Facebook links can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/> with a search for “wolf laurel”. The direct Facebook link is [https://www.facebook.com/groups/342942392454360/?tn-str=\\*F&fref=gs&dti=342942392454360&hc\\_location=group\\_dialog](https://www.facebook.com/groups/342942392454360/?tn-str=*F&fref=gs&dti=342942392454360&hc_location=group_dialog)

Options there include -

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3. Wolf Laurel Community; <https://www.facebook.com/wolflaurelcommunity/>

WLPOA’s Village Club Facebook page is administered by the VC staff, and one must be a member of the WLPOA’s Village Club to join and to post on the page. Membership requests and postings must be approved by the VC staff. The page has recently received some additional promotion and is gaining an increase in traffic – Check it out!

Next is an independent site for the Wolf Laurel Community at <https://www.facebook.com/wolflaurelcommunity/>. This site provides information about the Wolf Laurel Community at large, and can be accessed via searching on Facebook for “wolf laurel community.” (This site is not part of WLPOA or The Village Club and is not monitored by either.)

#### **Websites:**

The WL Village Club website at <https://www.wolflaurelpoa.com/village-club> provides access available to anyone.

WLPOA website Next, anyone desirous of WL POA information can access the site at <https://www.wolflaurelpoa.com/>. The site includes some “member only” information, e.g., you can access the WLPOA Membership Directory by obtaining a password from the VC staff. There is a tab on the home page for the Village Club, among other tabs, for more VC & POA information.

WL Road Maintenance & Security website The RMS site has much information pertinent to RMS functions and living on the mountain in WL, including Forms, News, Policies, and Reports. The site address is <https://wolflaurelroadsandsecurity.com/>.

The Wolf Laurel Stables in The Preserve is at <https://www.horsebackridingnc.com/>.

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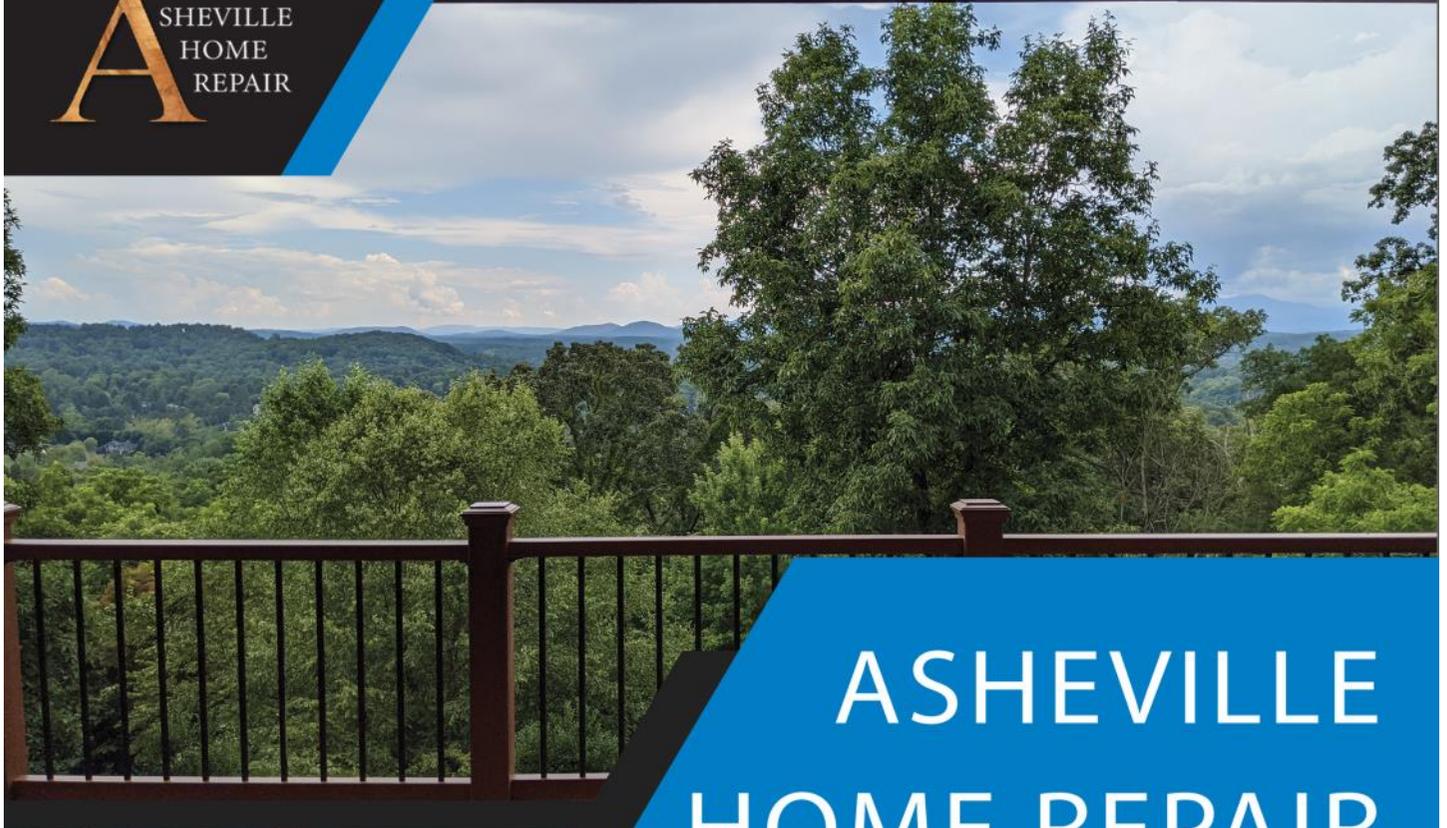
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**In less than 1 year you can have a stronger, healthier, younger body.**

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