



WABA Newsletter

Voice of the West Asheville Business Association

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April 2002

April 2002 Calendar

Board Meeting

Thursday

April 11

7:30am

West End Bakery

757 Haywood Road

General Meeting

Tuesday

April 16

6:30pm

Ryan's Steak House

1053 Patton Ave.

April Program: Asheville Parks & Recreation

Do you know all the terrific programs available from Asheville Parks & Recreation?

Representatives from this Asheville City Department will provide us with an overview of their programs and answer questions about future festivals and activities.

General meetings are open to the public and prospective members are encouraged to attend.

President's Message

Our March meeting was very well attended and networking was definitely happening around the room. Our program on computer viruses was very informative and I saw many people taking down notes on the useful tips given by Keith Kolomechuk of Prism Technology Resources.

Thanks to Groce Funeral Home, The Art Barn, and Business Intermediary Services, Ltd. for donations of door prizes. If you would like to donate a door prize, bring it with you to a meeting.

The best gift of the evening came from Reggie Robinson, who presented a check for \$175 to the scholarship fund on behalf of the West Asheville Youth Basketball League. He also presented WABA with photographs of the teams we sponsored this year. Youth Basketball has finished its season, but Little League is just getting started. If you need information about sports programs in West Asheville give Bill Cook at the West Asheville Community Center a call 258-2235.

Spring is here and many new and exciting things are happening in West Asheville. Of special note is the meeting with City Planning to discuss the future of Haywood Road. Please see the flip side of this newsletter for details.

Hope to see you at the next meeting.

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And for those of you who have missed recent meetings, you may be wondering about the Featured box below. Each meeting we draw a member card and give that member some free publicity.

Featured WABA Member - John Christopher

John Christopher's Plumbing Repair Specialist, Inc. is a brand new member of WABA. They can help you with sewer & drain cleaning, hot water heaters, disposals, fixtures and more. Their philosophy is one of outstanding customer service. They can be reached at: 254-8511, 683-3100, 299-9985 or 681-5541.

Follow Up

Each month the WABA Newsletter will give you follow up information on past programs or community actions that pertain to West Asheville.

Program Follow Up: Computer Viruses

As we learned at our last meeting the key to not having problems with computer viruses is to think defensively. Install virus detection software and keep your anti-virus definition files updated. Your anti-virus program should have a function to automatically check for new profiles on a set schedule. Scan all email attachments and files that come from outside your computer. Scan your computer on a regular basis and most importantly back up your files.

Resources: www.f-secure.com www.complex.is www.antivirus.com

Community Action: Reward for Catching Graffiti Vandals

We have set up a Crime Stoppers reward of \$250 for the arrest and conviction of graffiti vandals in West Asheville. Call Crime Stoppers, 277-100 if you have information. If you would like to donate to the reward fund, please contact Stewart Auten, Auten Printing, 254-1996.

Community Action: Haywood Road Corridor Development Meeting

City Development would like to hear from all the businesses and organizations on Haywood Road. Come share your ideas and visions for Haywood Road on Tuesday, April 9, 6:30pm at the West End Bakery. City Planning staff will review the goals and strategies laid out in the Haywood Road Corridor Plan and give an update on progress of plan implementation. We'll discuss everything from traffic flow to bike racks. Please contact Alice io Oglesby, 251-9051 if you have questions.

Please update your WABA information by filling out the form given below and mailing to:
WABA, 1401 Patton Avenue, Asheville, NC 28806

We will be updating the web page and
current URL addresses for all current members are needed.

WEST ASHEVILLE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

Membership Application and Renewal Form

Name of Firm _____

Representative _____ Title _____

Phone #s: Business _____ Fax _____ Residence _____

E-mail _____ Web _____

Business/Mailing Address _____ Zip _____

Dues for 2002 are \$40, payable to the West Asheville Business Association (WABA).

Please turn in at a monthly dinner meeting (Ryan's, 3rd Tues. 6:30pm), or mail to: WABA, 1401 Patton Ave., Asheville, NC 28806

Additional donations: \$ _____ for Bonnie Hickey Memorial Scholarship Fund \$ _____ for Police Resource Center

Please indicate how you would prefer to receive meeting reminders or special bulletins.

____ Phone ____ Fax ____ E-mail