

Grants Mountain News



Welcome Summer!!!

Hello neighbors!!

Hope you enjoy the fourth edition of our Grant's Mountain Newsletter...

Be sure to check out the "What's New in Marion" section to get the latest information on our town!

For your enjoyment, a recipe from the Tailgate Market for:

"Old-Fashioned Peach Butter Recipe:

14 cups coarsely chopped peeled fresh ripe peaches

2.5 cups sugar

4.5 teaspoons lemon juice

1.5 teaspoons ground cinnamon

¾ teaspoon ground cloves

½ cup quick-cooking tapioca

In a large bowl, combine peaches, sugar, lemon juice, cinnamon and cloves. Transfer to a 5 Qt Slow cooker. Cover and cook on low for 8-10 hours or till peaches are soft. Stir occasionally.

Stir in tapioca. Cook uncovered on high for 1 hour or until thickened. Pour into jars or freezer containers, cool to room temperature, about 1 hour. Cover and refrigerate up to 3 weeks or freeze up to one year. Yield 9 cups.

Enjoy!

We welcome all comments and suggestions about the newsletter, including your ideas on what you would like us to include! My email is: joan.wnc@gmail.com

President's Message:

Hi Folks!

I want to welcome Anika Jaan to the board as our new secretary. Anika has been here less than a year but was willing to step up and help when needed. A profile of her and John appears in this newsletter. Thanks also to those who have given their time & effort for our community. This includes litter pick up, gate maintenance or general work around our mountain.

Thanks!
Rich

Trash Pickup:

A huge "Thank You" to all those homeowners who volunteered their time to pick up trash along our beautiful roads these last few months!

June: Joel and Teresa

Up Next:

July: Joan and Rich

Aug: Crystal and Alan

Sept: ???

Oct: Joel and Teresa

If you'd like to sign-up for a month, please check the calendar on the "Cleanup" tab of the website for an available month!! Email webmaster@grantsmountain.com to request a month. We certainly appreciate everyone's help in maintaining our mountain!! Please sign up...We need everyone's help!

Meet Our New Neighbors:

Lot #48:



“We are John E and Anika (rhymes with Monica) Jaan (pronounced like "John" and means "beloved" in a few languages.)

We have been traveling year-round with Renaissance and music festivals for 6 years for our careers. John is a professional musician and recording artist who has performed with multiple Scottish bands and recorded several albums while on the road.

Anika is a professional dancer who has performed with multiple dance troupes around the country and makes one-of-a-kind, fully custom moccasins.

John and Anika are incredibly excited to settle down, especially John with his new kitchen because he once owned a restaurant, and Anika with a huge basement that is becoming her private boot workshop. Jaya, John's 7 year old daughter, is really excited to have a huge bedroom for all her clothes and toys

John and Anika are looking to have a more sustainable lifestyle, growing most of their own food, composting, and spending a lot more time in nature.”

Lot #2:

“Matt, Stephanie, Mikaela and Braden Schwenke are very excited to join the Grant's Mountain Community.

It has been a dream for many years to own a home in the mountains, where our family can create new memories, connect and unwind in the peaceful mountains.

We moved from WI twelve years ago to the Triad area of North Carolina. Our daughter Mikaela will be entering high school in the fall and Braden will be going into third grade. Our children are very active in school, sports, and church which keeps us busy along with our jobs.

We appreciate any insights you can provide to us about the area and look forward to meeting our new neighbors.

Matt, Stephanie, Mikaela and Braden Schwenke”

“What's New In Marion”:

New Businesses Opened:

Burrito Brother's: 9 North Main Street

Blackbeard Outdoor World

Moved Business or New Owner:

It Can Be Arranged: Moved to Rutherford Road

Avada Hearing Aids: Moved to 401 North Main Street

Katy Cook Photography: Moved to 116 East Court Street

— McDowell Hospital: Construction of the new hospital continues, with a projected occupancy in early 2018. This is a \$49 mil project.

- **Highway 226 South Project Across From MTCC :** Property owner announced that a Holiday Inn Express will be constructed. City received a state grant for needed sewer extension. Owner has approved funding to build the hotel and plans to start construction by late summer.
- **MBA Staff, Chamber Staff and City Planning Staff** continue to work with Taproom, Brewery and Meadery Projects all locating downtown. Taproom/Entertainment Venue are purchasing a downtown building. Keeper's Cut Meadery is under renovation and will open by late 2017.
Two breweries to open by early 2018.
- **Major commercial development including a car dealership and restaurants are planned for Sugar Hill Road**
- **The County Marketing Plan** is progressing, by Rocket Sled Marketing, Chris Alison. A soft launch is underway. www.go2marion.com
- **A gym, Workout Anytime,** leased space in the Bi-Lo Shopping Center. It is now open.
- **City Electric Supply, a chain larger than Rexall,** has opened in the Lady Marion Shopping Center next to Fred's. The managers are Scott Brackett and Derrick Brooks.

2017 EVENTS:

- Friday, July 21:** *Summer Concert, Local Dance Band "The Rockabillys", Market Shade Shelter*
- Tuesday, August 1:** *National Night Out, 6p-9p, Main Street*
- Saturday, August 5:** *Sidewalk Yard Sale, Main Street, 50+ vendors*
- Friday, August 18:** *Beach Bash-Shag Band, Market Shade Shelter*
- Saturday, October 14:** *Mountain Glory Festival, Main Street, 140+ vendors plus crafts, entertainment, Kid's activities*
- Tuesday, October 31:** *Fall festival and Downtown Trick or Treat, Main Street and Tailgate Market*
- Sunday, November 19:** *Christmas Parade, 3p, Main Street*
- December:** *Blue Ridge Artisan's Craft Show, MACA on Main Street*
- Saturday, December 2:** *Appalachian Potter's Market at McDowell High School*
- Thursday, December 7:** *Melodies on Main with Santa, 5p-7p, Main Street*
- Sunday, December 31:** *New Year's Eve Celebration, 9p-Midnight, Main Street*

Tailgate Market, 67 West Henderson Street:

Tuesday's: 3p-6p, May – December
Saturday's: 9a-12 noon, May – October

This Week:

It's peachy at the tailgate Yellow and white peaches, along with tomatoes, corn, green beans, blueberries and blackberries. English Farm Cheese, including Oak Moon Goat Cheese is now available. Cash, debit and credit cards accepted! There's always music and cooking demonstrations

Marion Cruise-In car Shows @ Tailgate Market Shelter, West Henderson Street:

Saturday's, August 26, September 23, October 28; 5p-9p

Music at the Depot: every Thursday, 7p, Free Admission

34th Annual Mountain Glory Festival

October 14, 2017, 9:30 am – 6:00 p.m.

Arts & Crafts Street Festival with local entertainment

Main Street, Marion, North Carolina

Small Town Celebration of Fall and the Glory of the Mountains with 140 crafts and food vendors.

Children's events and local entertainment.

For information visit www.mtngloryfestival.com

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