

5:30 p.m. PUBLIC HEARING

Sign-up Sheet

Consideration of Economic Development Incentives

"Project Granite"

February 2, 2015

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Lower Mills River-Asheville Watershed (WS-III-BW) Boundary Change

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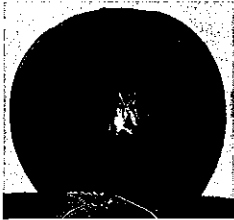
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February 2015

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We must search out those individuals who have made this county great and honor them.

A PROPOSAL

- ◁ • that a **Walk of Fame** be established to recognize outstanding contributors to the growth and development of Henderson County-- in agriculture, education, cultural arts, industry, government, health care, commerce and special services;
- and that this **Walk of Fame** be created in downtown Hendersonville on the Avenues that cross Main Street.
- that a five- member **Steering Committee** be established that represents, in so far as possible, the entire county (5 districts)—two members appointed by the HC Board of Commissioners; two members appointed by the Hendersonville City Council;
- and one member (*the chair*) appointed by the Henderson County Heritage Museum.
- that this **Steering Committee** establish 1) qualifications for recognition, 2) the procedure for setting up the selection committee, 3) the means of recognition, and 4) the way to achieve sponsorship of expenses related to the project.

The Steering Committee will then report its recommendations to the BOC and CC for further considerations and approval.

Rationale

If I could go back in time, I would enter the first courthouse, the one built in 1842, and observe Columbus Mills Pace. I would be present when the courthouse of 1905, designed by noted architect Richard Sharp Smith, is dedicated on October 2.

I would stand on the steps to City Hall, designed by Erle Stillwell--- and, looking up at the inscription above the entrance, read: *“Dedicated to the People/Dedicated to the Perpetuation of Civic Progress, Liberty, and the security of Public Honor.”*

It is important that history become available to every generation.

Being open to what history can teach us, and even better, being able to teach our children what can be learned from history, may be one of the greatest gifts we can give or receive.

History then becomes a source of guidance and motivation, and things like tolerance, cooperation, and peace become a closer reality for all mankind.

What did our ancestors endure, fight for, believe in...and why?

More important, what can we learn from them that will provide a better future for generations to come?

Ron Partin is leading a drive to unlock images found in the Baker-Barber photograph collection.

While the identification process is very labor intensive, Partin is quick to mention the over a hundred volunteers who are contributing in many ways. "Some have been here for seven generations, others migrated here recently. They help with scanning images, identifying content, entering data, and researching leads."

Asked what it is that keeps him dedicated to such an ambitious project, he answered: "The greatest reward comes from showing people their photos (or those of their relatives) taken decades ago. Without being asked they are compelled to share their personal story of that photograph. It is the story that intrigues me, for it is the stories that reveal our history."

I agree with Ron that preserving those stories is valuable. They become parts of our collective memory.

During the past ten years, I have collaborated on a number of Readers Theater productions depicting local history. Prominent in those productions has been Baker-Barber images enlarged and projected on a screen. These photographs strengthen the words of the play, bringing to our own personal story a vision of pieces--times, places, faces, objects and buildings.

The first play is titled "Evidence of Yesterday"(2005). Mary Barber (now deceased) attended a performance of that production. She was thrilled that the photographs were being shared in such a way. Her daughter, Mary Louise, was one of the actors.

My "latest effort" has been to seek support for a statue of "the photographer" to be placed near the 6th and Main location of the former Baker Barber studio. In my own lifetime, Mary and Jody Barber (and family) were dynamic forces in the development of Main Street and this county.

Without the photographs in the collection we would have a greatly diminished view of what our town and county looked like as far back as 1884.

I think “the photographer” statue could generate interest in knowing more about the visionary leaders who created this place we cherish so much.

For it is the people who tell our story.

The Henderson County Heritage Museum Board unanimously approved the intent of this proposal (January 26, 2015).

The Henderson County Education History Initiative unanimously approves the intent of this proposal (January 28, 2015).



Harper Cycle & Machine / Henderson County Health Department water issue

1. Ditch and sidewalk.
2. Ditch and sidewalk.
3. Water on the Health Department and Harper property.
4. Water on the Health Department parking lot
5. County drain designed to carry surface water not state water.
6. County drain "full", notice water on the Health Department parking lot.
7. Harper showroom floor.

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