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Welcome to this weeks edition of The Waxhaw Gazette!

A new addition that I have planned is a "what's happening around town" page. If you own a business and have any news worthy happenings planned or know of someone new coming in, send me a press release and I will include it. This is in addition to the calendar page which I am working on and need input from organizations around town, so if I haven't already contacted you, please add me to your mailing list.

Please feel free to contact me directly with comments or suggestions via e-mail: jtiley@thewaxhawgazette.com

Changing Landscape Part Three.

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As time moves forward I am committed to find out who is responsible and what may planned for these cleared parcels.

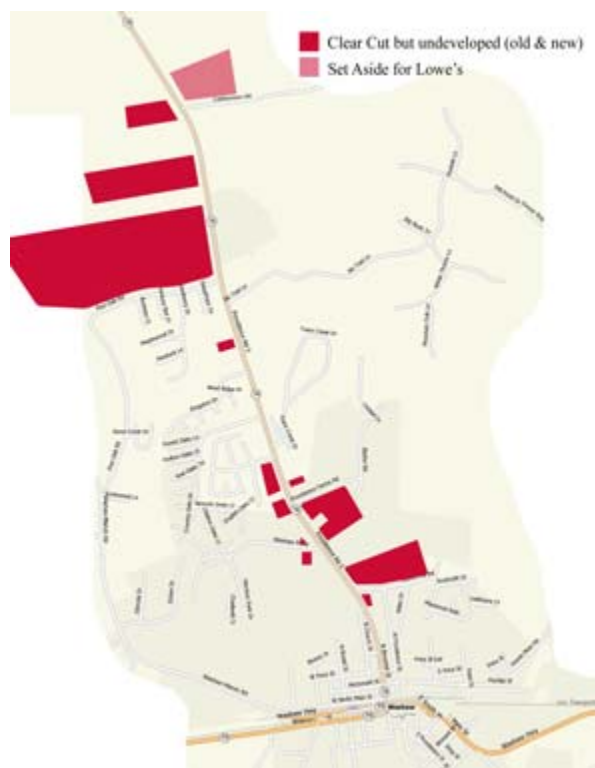
This week, I received a comment from one source that told me what hung up Showmars' plans was finding they could NOT remove the old tree situated on the property? And on top of not being allowed to remove the tree, they could only get so close to the tree and it's roots or it would die after construction. Evidently they felt they needed to take down the tree to make enough room for the restaurant and parking. This they were not allowed to by the town! When Napa was built the town would not let them cut down their old oaks - and made them work around the trees. Therefore they couldn't let Showmars' take this one down. So the bottom line is without removing the tree, Showmars didn't feel they had enough room to construct a facility big enough to fit their plans. Now again this is what I heard - it makes sense but I'm not sure if it is all fact. If this is the reason, you would think that with all you hear about the heritage of old trees in the region, somebody would have looked into this earlier on in the planning stages of a project like this?

A second source told me that after the fact, Showmars realized that currently there just wasn't enough business to support a high volume operation such as theirs? Again, you would think that would have been considered earlier on? I am currently attempting to contact Showmars directly for comment.

One of the newest properties is being developed is by Presbyterian and information regarding it is as follows:

"Presbyterian Medical Plaza at Waxhaw, a 52,000 sq. ft. complex on a 5 acre tract, is currently under construction at 3614 Providence Rd. The first building will be completed by July 2008. Anchor tenant is Waxhaw Family Physicians who has provided healthcare to the local community for over 12 years. Other occupants will include- Presbyterian Urgent Care which will be open from 8:00 AM -8:00 PM 7 days a week, a full service Imaging Center to include CT, Ultrasound and MRI studies, and Presbyterian Lab Services which will operate a regional patient service center. This is the first medical complex of this scope in the Waxhaw Weddington area.

Construction will begin soon on the phase II structure which is slated to house other medical services, specialists and primary care providers. Expected occupancy date will by the end of 2008."



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And then there was New Hampshire... where does Waxhaw stand?

The upcoming Presidential election continues to surprise everybody! On the Democratic side, leads have shifted. With Clinton and Obama in a close lead and Edwards now in a distant third place. And candidates continue to drop out including the most recently, Bill Richardson.

On the Republican side, it appears that all candidates continue to stay in the fight, however McCain, Romney and Huckabee seem to be pushing out front, for now? Of course, that can change quickly. Debates are scheduled in South Carolina for Thursday, 1-10-08. And the Michigan primary is coming up fast.

Who do you think is the best candidate in the pack? Will it be the first woman to run or another former movie star? There are former Mayors in both parties as well as former and current Senators.

Okay Waxhaw, since so many of the candidates are (and will continue) dropping out and Super Tuesday coming up fast, I am changing the date of our local poll. Just prior to Super Tuesday, on Friday February 1st, 2008 the Waxhaw Gazette will publish and include our poll. This way we can see how we stack up to a much greater portion of the country. The 24 states that will hold their primaries on Super Tuesday include:

Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Idaho(D), Illinois, Kansas (D), Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, New Mexico (D), New York, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Utah

This will give us more time to pay attention to the candidates, hear their positioning on the issues and hopefully, make a better informed decision in our poll. Until then I will keep this article up to date with the latest information available.

Current candidates in each party:

Democrats:

- Hillary Clinton
- John Edwards
- Mike Gravel
- Dennis Kucinich
- Barack Obama
- Undecided

Republicans:

- Rudy Giuliani
- Mike Huckabee
- Duncan Hunter
- John McCain
- Mitt Romney
- Ron Paul
- Fred Thompson
- Undecided

I encourage all of you to pass our link along to your Waxhaw friends and relatives so they too can enjoy our paper. Remember we will be publishing every Friday with updates as they come out. I continue the process of building out our e-mail list which I will use to send out as an announcement at time of publishing so if your not already on our list and wish to become a subscriber, please drop me a line with your request.

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Once again, if anybody out there has information on what is or has happened to bring new projects to either of the properties on Providence Rd. between Providence Farms Rd. and Blythe Mill Rd. besides Wal-Mart, please write in!

Rest assured I will continue digging from my end.

John Tiley

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