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Changing Landscape Part Four.

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We all have to run into the Charlotte area occasionally for business or shopping. Hopefully not too often but we do and what route do you take? There really are only two.... Up Route 16 which the last time I heard, was slated to be widened to four lanes, but unfortunately not in the current decade. Or you can jog over on 75 to 521 (which has been my preferred route) and go up toward Charlotte or south toward Lancaster. Four well maintained lanes all with posted speed limits of 45 – 55 MPH. But a pretty clean run until you get close to Ballantyne. For now, that is! Like so many areas in our corner of the world there is construction going on all the way up along 521 and it is just a matter of time before it too turns into a traffic quagmire.



See the slide show, click here

Back to that magical number 25. I am sure you were wondering what that is all about. Well that is how many traffic lights are currently scheduled to be installed on 521 between 76 and 485. 25 traffic lights! Can you imagine what that will do traffic flow, not to mention how long it will take us to get to Charlotte when all of those lights are all in place?



As our area grows I can only wonder what it will be like to live here ten years from now. Hopefully with growth more of the jobs and services we now count on getting from Charlotte will become available locally and traveling won't be such an issue. Besides, wouldn't it be great to have a Movie Theater close by?

Winter Storm Targets Waxhaw ..more on the way for Saturday!

Did you put in ample supplies of bread and milk? I sure did. Not because I was afraid of being snowed in, but because I have found that a predicted snowfall in the area is really an excuse to least mentally play hooky. After all Mother Nature is one force none of us can control and snow is such a rarity hereabouts it is something to look forward to. We all know that even if the roads do ice up and we get a sizable blanket of snow, it won't last long.



So my advice is that whenever the Weatherman gets all excited painting his gloomy picture of inbound snowstorms that you get into the spirit. Go get lots of milk and bread, perhaps even a supply of Twinkies might be in order. Cozy up in front of a roaring fireplace and enjoy getting stranded at home. Besides, other than when that nasty old roach ran up his leg, how often do we get to see the weathermen get really excited! (See the original video here :-)

Note: The Waxhaw Gazette has expanded our weather coverage to a full page. See the new link in the side bar!

"The Faces of Downtown Waxhaw are changing.....for the better!"

If you've been to downtown Waxhaw recently, you may have noticed a few things...

First off you may have taken note of some vacant spots that were once filled. But, some fresh new faces have arrived. I am sure the kids will miss their all time favorite place to get candy- Jackson's Emporium. However, even though it has changed to Cafe Fino, you can enjoy great lattes and experience their delightfully tasty ice cream cones. Plus, you can now take the family there for a sit down lunch consisting of refreshing salads and a good filling sandwich.

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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.

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 you mailing list.

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