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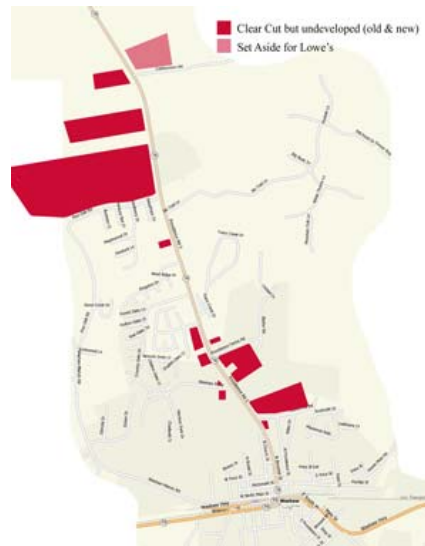
Welcome to this weeks edition of The Waxhaw Gazette! This week we welcome Amber Maxwell and her first column.

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Changing Landscape Part Two.

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After publishing last week's Gazette, I received a number of comments regarding the "Martian Landscape". Most of the e-mails were critical about how much land had really been cleared but some questioned the amount of land that was really being cleared. So, I revisited the sites that had prompted me to write the article and plotted them on a map. Now, while the map below is not definitive, it does illustrate show the large amount of previously forested areas that have been cleared to make way for "progress". The disturbing part is the large number of acres that were cleared for projects that have not even been started.



Click here for a much larger map.

Does anyone know what happened to the Showmars that was supposed to be built on the corner of Blythe Mill Rd. and Providence Rd.? I see that their sign is gone. Of course the building that was on that property originally is long gone...

And I wonder if there has been any effort to bring new projects to either of the properties on Providence Rd. between Providence Farms Rd. and Blythe Mill Rd. besides Wal-Mart? In fact I'd love to know, and I'm sure you would too, what were the dreams that prompted some of these forgotten projects! Rest assured I will be doing some digging on those.



Perhaps the biggest concern I have for our town of Waxhaw, is that the tides of fortune will once again shift, grandiose projects will go the way of those before and instead of a Martian Landscape, we will have a Martian Ghost Town, filled with even more dreams unfulfilled.

If Iowa is considered a good sampling of the American Voter, where does Waxhaw stand?

I have always felt that Waxhaw was about as Small Town America as anywhere I have ever visited in my extensive travels. And if Iowan can express their view through their caucus, well Waxhaw residents deserve to express their views as well.

The upcoming Presidential election is by far one of the most important elections in recent history. There are huge challenges facing our nation. From overseas' wars to a looming recession at home. From medical standards and compensation to caring for a growing elderly population. And of course there is the energy crisis. It is going to take a supremely strong President to positively impact all the trials that lie before us. Now that we have heard all the promises and mud slinging from the candidates it's time for your vote to do the talking. The Waxhaw Gazette will be sponsoring our very own electoral forum to see if the Waxhaw voters feel the same as our fellow citizens in Iowa about the presidential candidates.

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. So okay Waxhaw its time for you to vote! I will be posting a separate form in next weeks edition where you can vote. In the meantime, give it some thought and we'll see how Waxhaw stands.

Current candidates in each party:

Democrats:

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

Republicans:

- Rudy Giuliani
- Mike Huckabee
- Duncan Hunter
- Alan Keyes
- 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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Take a few minutes and talk with one of our members or visit us at Rippington's Restaurant on Thursdays at 7:30 am

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