

September 2021

# ECHOES



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## **WELCOME MALLORY GLASSER, MARKETING & MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR**

We are excited to announce that Mallory Glaser joined the Champion Hills team as the new Marketing and Membership Coordinator. Mallory is a recent graduate from Florida State University with a Bachelor's of Science in Advertising and a minor in Museum Studies. Her past experience includes working as a marketing intern at an advertising agency and at several museums.

Mallory is dedicated to working with Heather to ensure Members and Prospects have the best experiences possible at Champion Hills and she couldn't be more excited to begin her career here. Please stop by the admin office to introduce yourself to her next time you're at the Club!

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## **WELCOME STEPHAN STANSFIELD, DIRECTOR OF FOOD & BEVERAGE**

Champion Hills recently welcomed North Carolina native Stephan Stansfield as our new Food and Beverage Director. His managerial experience ranges from executing fast-paced corporate concepts to working with locally-owned restaurants preparing for national expansion.



Stansfield graduated from UNC-Wilmington with dual degrees in Business Finance and Spanish Language Arts. Growing up along the coast as an avid surfer, he developed a love for fresh seafood and other Carolina culinary staples. He plans to work closely with the Champion Hills food and beverage team to introduce new regionally-inspired touches to the menu.

"I'm honored to have the opportunity to work with this incredible team and to serve our membership here at Champion Hills," Stansfield says.



# Kicks for KIDS

THANK YOU FOR ANOTHER  
AMAZING YEAR OF DONATIONS

On August 9, Salvation Army arrived at the clubhouse and picked up 140 pairs of sneakers you and others donated to the 2021 Kicks for Kids back to school shoe drive! In the four years Champion Hills has contributed to this effort, 140 easily tops our previous single year donation. Of the 140 pair total, members shopped for 99 pairs, and the monetary donations made by members enabled us to buy 41 additional pairs of shoes!

Thank you to each and every one of you who have helped kids return to school this month with new shoes. Additional thanks to the following, who not only shopped for their own Salvation Army kids but helped spend the monetary donations on 41 pairs: Carol Atkinson, Jean Calkin, Pam Roadman and Beth Turk.

Per Emily Sherlin, our Salvation Army liaison, "You and your neighbors are a blessing to this community! You touch so many people every year and they appreciate it."

Thank you again,  
Cindy Schafer



It is time to get your tickets for upcoming concerts!  
Click the link below to see all the upcoming events

<https://www.hendersonvillesymphony.org/>

## TRIVIA NIGHT | SEPTEMBER 1

Cocktails: 5:30 | Dinner: 6 | Game: 7  
Theme: Southern Trivia

Looking to join a team for next month's game on October 6?  
Call Shelly Metcalf at  
828.696.1962 ext 1317

## AUGUST TRIVIA WINNERS



### **Not Smarter Than a 5th Grader**

Dung Phan, Bill & Marilee Welliver,  
Cindy & Jay Schafer, Gina Tapper

## Comedy Night with Cyrus Steele September 8

Dedicated to giving his audience more than a show, Cyrus most recently has preformed on FOX's "Showtime at the Apollo" and NBC's "America's Got Talent".

## 20th Anniversary 9/11 Memorial September 9

Steven DeVico was one block from the World Trade Center when the South Tower collapsed. In this one hour chat, he will share his personal experience and give a brief history of the World Trade Center.



## Third Thursday | September 16

Help us welcome new members and join old friends for a drink and a bite at Thirsty Thursday.

## Champion Hills Car Show September 25

Old or new, show off your favorite ride in our lower parking lot from 2 PM - 4 PM and then enjoy a cookout on the Patio.



**Visit [chmember.com](http://chmember.com) to register for these events today.**



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## BRUNCH WITH AMICI MUSIC OCTOBER 17 | 12 PM

AmiciMusic returns to Champion Hills Club with a special Sunday brunch show on October 17 at 12 pm featuring the memorable songs of Harold Arlen. Entitled “Accentuate the Positive,” this show features pianist/Artistic Director Daniel Weiser and two singers, Carol Duermit and Dillon Giles, performing such songs as “Stormy Weather,” “Come Rain or Come Shine,” “Over the Rainbow,” and many more. Dr. Weiser also talks about Arlen’s life and shares fun anecdotes about the songs.

Don’t miss this wonderful trip down memory lane along with some delicious food and drink. We will seat everyone in the Mountain View room and then you can order Brunch. There is no charge for the concert, just Brunch.

**[Click here to register!](#)**

## WHO IS AMICI MUSIC?

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AmiciMusic is a chamber music organization based in Asheville, NC and Baltimore, MD, dedicated to performing the highest quality chamber music in intimate venues and non-traditional spaces. We are committed to breaking down barriers between performers and audiences by setting up a more relaxed and informal atmosphere at concerts and through informative talks about each composer’s life before each piece is played.

**[Click here to learn more about AmiciMusic!](#)**

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## NEW MENU ROLLOUT SEPTEMBER 15

Be sure to join us for our new Fall Mountain View Room menu starting September 15. We'll have new versions of our old club favorites such as Sunburst Farms Trout, Sixty South Salmon, Joyce Farms, and our Prime grade Meats by Linz steaks, as well as new and seasonal inspired flavors that highlight the fresh local produce from our area and our great regional artisan purveyors.

Stay tuned for more details for these exciting changes, as well as great theme events throughout the month such as Ladies and Men's Night Out, Chef's fresh pasta creations on Pasta Night, and our rotating Blackboard Burger feature for Burger Night.

Can wait to share a meal together!

Chef Blake



# A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE COSMOPOLITAN COCKTAIL

by **Stephan Stansfield**

If you've ever seen HBO's Manhattan sitcom, *Sex in the City*, then you've probably seen Sarah Jessica Parker's character drinking the most petite pink drink you've ever seen in a martini glass. Over the years fans of the show fell in love with Carrie Bradshaw's fascination with the Cosmopolitan cocktail and her love of blogging.



Although her character's inner monologues were captivating to audiences everywhere, it was the little pink drink that amassed the love of attention leaving fans asking, what exactly is a Cosmopolitan?

The cocktail is a fusion of two recipes that started somewhere around the 1980's and 1990's. Even today its origin is still widely debated among martini enthusiasts. Vodka gimlets became popular during World War II and due to the poor quality of vodka [and gin] many drinkers began adding different ingredients to spice it up. Lime and cranberry juice along with orange liqueurs from France were added improve the flavor.

By the 1990's the martini began its hectic rise to fame with crazy names like espresso martini and chocolate martini. Sophisticated and delicate glassware became trend as martinis took on a path of their own. As cocktail bars around New York, Chicago, San Francisco, and Miami caught on to the wave of martini madness, they began experimenting by creating their own versions of what is now known as the famous Cosmopolitan cocktail. Ingredients ranging from Rose's grenadine, lime juice, pomegranate juice, passion fruit, triple sec, orange juice, brandy, St. Germain, and dried cranberries have all been thrown into the mix of what some called their signature drink.

Over time the craze died down but the drinks popularity remained as staple at bars everywhere. Despite the arguments surrounding its invention, a few agreements were decided, and the standard Cosmopolitan remains. Choose any great vodka and add lime juice, cranberry juice, and a bit of triple sec. Shake with ice and strain into a martini glass. Enjoy!

Has its popularity achieved a global status? Absolutely. Is it still fashionable? Yes. Is it delicious? You betcha!



**OVERALL CHAMPIONS & SNEAD 1ST PLACE  
TODD ROADMAN & JOE NARET**



**JONES 1ST PLACE  
STEVE LANDIS & DALE ANDERSON**



**NELSON 1ST PLACE  
NELSON BROWN & HERB MILLER**



**VENTURI 1ST PLACE  
HANK ELLIS & BILL ZOLLINGER**



**LUCKY DOGS  
DIRK NOVOSAD & TODD HEADLEY**

**Not Pictured**

**HOGAN 1ST PLACE  
STEVE LARGE & BOB WEIDENMILLER**

**SARAZEN 1ST PLACE  
GERRITT KERKSTRA & DUNG PHAN**



## UPCOMING GOLF EVENTS

Champion Guest Day | Friday, September 3

9 & Dine | Saturday, September 4

Labor Day Mixed Golf | Monday, September 6

Greens Aerification | September 7-9

Husband & Wife Championship | September 26

Ladies' Member-Member Rescheduled | September 28, 30 & October 1

Men's Day Shootout | Wednesday, September 29

Ladies' Closing Day | October 5

Men's Closing Day | October 6

Men's Green Tee Cup | October 8

*For more information about the events listed, please contact the golf shop.*

# LADIES' NINE HOLE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

**Gross Champion**  
**Susan Cano**

**Net Champion**  
**Denise Anderson**



## TEE BOX RECOMMENDATIONS

by Head Golf Pro, Scooter Buhrman

Average Drive	Recommended Tees	Champion Hills Tee Box
300 yards	7,150—7,400 yards	Black
275 yards	6,700—6,900 yards	Black
250 yards	6,200—6,400 yards	Burgundy
225 yards	5,800—6,000 yards	White
200 yards	5,200—5,400 yards	Green
175 yards	4,400—4,600 yards	Yellow
150 yards	3,500—3,700 yards	Yellow
125 yards	2,800—3,000 yards	Yellow
100 yards	2,100—2,300 yards	Yellow

# HOPS & HOUNDS

We celebrated National Dog Day with style & great local brews from Guidon!



AROUND THE CLUB

## EMPLOYEE SCHOLARSHIP

Our Employee Scholarship was a great success raising over \$120,000! The generosity of our membership funds the future of our employees and we are so incredibly grateful! Congratulations to the Golf and Tennis winners of this event. Watch for final donation results and more photos next month!



Overall Golf Champions:  
Gary & Judy Breissinger,  
Margaret Mellot & Chuck Darnell



Closest to the Pin Winners:  
Tim Colas, Barbara Nazarian,  
Chuck Darnell, Lynn Clever & Jerry Ennis



Tennis Champions:  
Marlene Rau &  
Gary Rodberg

## FALL IS IN THE AIR!

## GET OUTSIDE & ENJOY THE COLORS OF THE SEASON

Asheville fall foliage change: when to hike? Because elevations vary widely across western North Carolina, peak foliage season will vary throughout the WNC mountains near Asheville.

Fall leaf change will start with the highest-elevation mountain summits like Mount Mitchell in early autumn, will move down to lower elevations like Catawba Falls later in the season. Most of western NC sees peak leaf color in October.

### BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY

#### **Rough Ridge on the Tanawha Trail | 1.2 MILES**

Hike through fragile, rare mountain flora and over craggy, angular rock outcrops on the Tanawha Trail at Rough Ridge, exploring Grandfather Mountain's middle elevations. This Rough Ridge hike catches gorgeous views of the surrounding landscape, swathed in vibrant leaf color, in early autumn.

### SHINING ROCK WILDERNESS

#### **Shining Rock Mountain via Black Balsam Knob | 10 MILES**

Hike mile after rolling mile through autumn's beauty on the Art Loeb Trail, one of western NC's most scenic trails. The trail climbs from the Blue Ridge Parkway, summiting the view packed balds at Black Balsam Knob and Tennent Mountain, clad in golden fall grasses. Then summit the brilliant, white, quartz crusted summit of Shining Rock Mountain, grabbing exceptional views of the autumn hued surrounding balds.

### BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY

#### **Graveyard Fields Trail | 3.3 MILES**

Chase waterfalls at Graveyard Fields in fall for a chance to catch views of these ultra popular falls framed in stunning fall leaf color. Autumn's hues descend early in the Graveyard Fields valley, so add this hike to the early-fall bucket list.

### NANTAHALA NATIONAL FOREST

#### **Pinnacle Park: Hiking The Pinnacle in Sylva | 6.5 MILES**

An extension of the view-studded Plott Balsam Range, this craggy stub of towering rock near Sylva, NC offers exceptional views from its summit. Hike Pinnacle Park to The Pinnacle, and soak in some sublime autumn views from its knobby summit.

Ready to hit the trail, but wondering what to pack?

- Navigation: GPS, Compass, & Trail Maps
- A First Aid Kit
- Snacks & Water
- Extra Layers
- Sunscreen
- Tick & Mosquito Repellent
- If you plan to be out after dark, a headlamp



All neatly tucked away in a lightweight backpack.

No matter what you pack in, pack it all back out. Please leave no trace and help preserve the beauty of the outdoors.

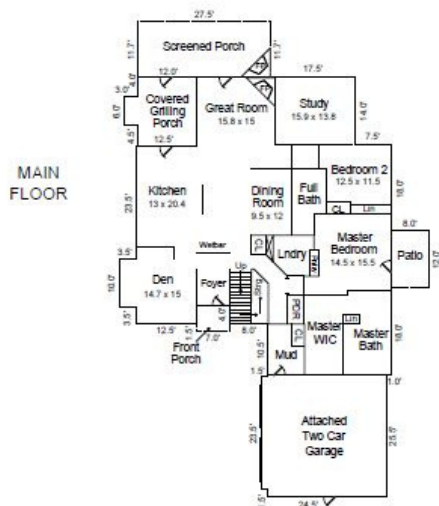
## GOLF MOBILITY LUNCHEON

Improving your balance, agility and stability is key to your golf game. We kicked off our Golf Mobility Series with a luncheon. This 4-week series was lead by Loretta who completed a golf mobility training program with PGA Pro Trainer Ben Shear. She was excited to bring her knowledge to our members.



# 117 PRICKLY BRIAR | 3,643 SQ FT | \$1,450,000

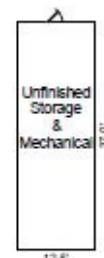
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**SECOND FLOOR**



**BASEMENT**



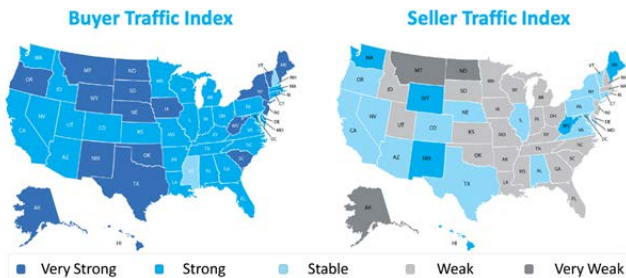
Outstanding craftsmanship, fabulous private setting, designed by Ken Gaylord Architects and built by highly regarded Black Hawk Construction. Enjoy the warmth of the heart pine beams, paneling and cabinetry of the great room, quarter sawn oak floors and doors throughout. True chef's kitchen with separate SubZero refrigerator and freezer plus large wine refrigerator, Wolf professional 6 burner cooktop, oven, and microwave, Dacor warming drawer, loads of quarter sawn oak cabinetry and granite counters. One level living for you with 2718 sf on the main level including office, primary and second guest suite, additional guest rooms and loft upstairs. Specially designed grilling porch allows you to cook in any weather, large screen porch with fireplace has room for dining and relaxing. So many things to appreciate about this wonderful home that don't meet the eye: LEED certified, 2x6 construction, sprayed foam insulation, Rumford stone masonry fireplace much more, see attached features list.

# A LOOK AT HOME PRICE APPRECIATION AND WHAT IT MEANS FOR SELLERS

When you hear the phrase home price appreciation, what does it mean to you? Through context clues alone, chances are you know it has to do with rising home prices. And as a seller, you know rising home prices are good news for your potential sale. But let's look past the dollar signs and dive deeper into the concept. To truly understand home price appreciation, you need to know how it works and why it matters to you.

Investopedia defines appreciation like this: "Appreciation, in general terms, is an increase in the value of an asset over time. The increase can occur for a number of reasons, including increased demand or weakening supply, or as a result of changes in inflation or interest rates. This is the opposite of depreciation, which is a decrease in value over time."

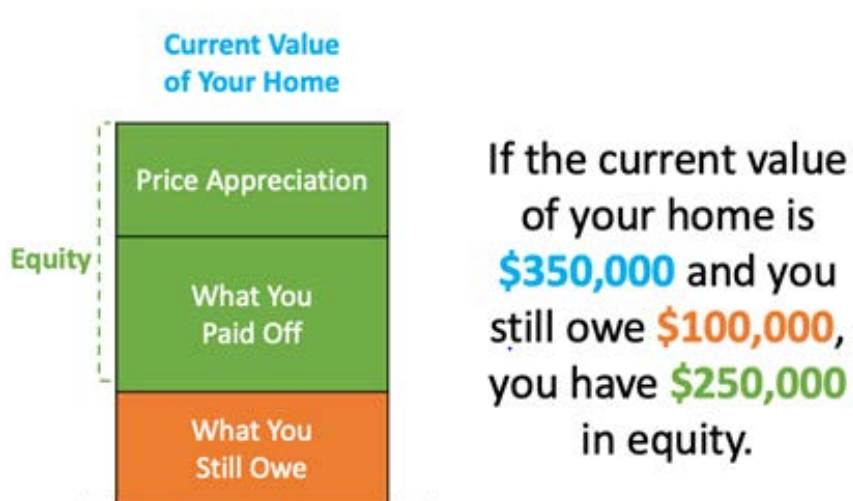
When we consider this definition and how it applies to real estate, a few words stick out: supply and demand. In today's real estate market, we're experiencing high buyer demand and very few sellers listing their homes for sale [see maps below]:



No matter the industry, anytime there's more demand than supply, prices naturally rise. It happens because buyers are willing to pay more to secure the scarce product or service they're looking for. That's exactly what's happening in today's real estate market. Buyers are competing with one another to purchase a home, leading to bidding wars that drive prices up. For sellers, the rising prices mean that opportunity is knocking.

According to Quicken Loans, the national average home price appreciation rate is between 3-5% in a typical year. Today, home prices are appreciating well beyond the norm thanks to high demand. Compared to the normal pace of 3-5% appreciation per year, the current average forecast of nearly 11.5% is significant.

For sellers, this means that with the current rise in prices, your house may be worth more than you realize. That price appreciation helps give your equity a boost. Equity is the difference between what you owe on the home and its market value based on factors like price appreciation. It works like this [see chart below]:



You can use your built-up equity to power a move into your dream home, or you can put it toward life-changing goals like funding an education or opening a business.

But don't wait. While price appreciation is strong now, those same experts say it'll start to appreciate at a more normalized pace next year. If you list your house sooner rather than later, you'll be in a better position to capitalize on the higher-than-average home price appreciation we're seeing today.

Bottom Line

If you're thinking of selling your house, there really is no time like the present. Let's connect so you can get an expert market analysis of your home and its potential. [Article from Keeping Current Matters]



# September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1  Trivia Night	2  Thirsty Thursday	3  Prime Rib Night  Champions Guest Day	4  9 & Dine
5  Sunday Brunch	6  Labor Day Golf Event & Cookout	7  Greens Aerification  Clubhouse Closed	8  Greens Aerification  Comedy Night with Cyrus Steele	9  Greens Aerification  9/11 Talk With Steve DeVico  Thirsty Thursday	10  Prime Rib Night	11
12  Sunday Brunch	13  Tennis 101 Clinic  Intermediate Tennis Clinic  Clubhouse Closed	14  Pasta Night	15  New Menu Launch	16  Yom Kippur Break the Fast  Thirsty Thursday - 3rd Thursday	17  Prime Rib Night	18
19  Sunday Brunch  Sunday Couples Golf	20  Clubhouse Closed	21  Burger Night	22  Ladies' Night Out	23  Thirsty Thursday	24  Fazio Tournament & Dinner	25  Cookout on the Patio  Car Show
26  Sunday Brunch  Husband & Wife Tournament	27  Book Club  Clubhouse Closed	28  Ladies' Member Member  Pasta Night	29  Men's Night Out	30  Ladies' Member Member  Thirsty Thursday	1  Ladies' Member Member  Prime Rib Night	2