

# Marshall Minute

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**December 2009**

## Next Meeting

**Tuesday, December 15th,  
2009 at 7:30 pm at the  
Marshall Community  
Center**

### Speakers:

Representatives from the  
**Fauquier Water and  
Sewer Authority** and  
**Laura McCarthy  
Louden** from **Wine  
Country Baskets**

MBRA meets regularly on  
the third Tuesday of the  
month in the Marshall Com-  
munity Center.

If you have questions you'd  
like to ask but are unable to  
attend, you may email them  
to us at

[marshallminute@yahoo.com](mailto:marshallminute@yahoo.com)

or leave them at the front  
desk at the Marshall Com-  
munity Center to be picked  
up on meeting night.

Want to talk about a specific  
topic related to the Marshall  
area?

Want to hear from a  
local leader or speaker?

Let us know! Please contact  
MBRA President Joan Fries  
at (540) 364-1688 with  
your requests and sugges-  
tions for topics and speak-  
ers.

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## Business profile: Blue Ridge Restorative Therapies Health Spa

**Mary Wilkerson** grew up at Belle Grove in Delaplane in an historic home she wit-  
nessed her parents lovingly save and restore to its original glory despite others encour-  
aging them to tear it down and rebuild. Her late father's family having been in Virginia  
since the 1600's, Mary comes by her love and loyalty of all things Virginia quite natu-  
rally.

That explains her vision to bring her training and national certifications in both basic  
and medical massage back to Fauquier and create a haven of restorative therapies at  
Blue Ridge Health Spa located in Countryside Family Practice in Marshall where she  
attended elementary school as a child.

Her health spa is a series of charming suites, which have been decorated using locally  
purchased furniture and art. Her daughter mans the front desk, soft music plays, and  
the atmosphere is comfortable and homey. In the "Virginia Room", a beautiful pano-  
ramic mural of Virginia's blue ridge adds a feeling of peaceful spaciousness.

Mary offers an array of options from various relaxing spa therapies in addition to her  
state-of-the-art injury rehab work where she has been able to provide non-surgical,  
non-drug resolution to problems, such as one woman's torn rotator cuff and another's  
bunionette. For gift certificates or to schedule an appointment, please call (540) 364-  
3400. Visit her website at [www.blueridgerest.com](http://www.blueridgerest.com)

The Marshall Business and Residents Association welcomes Mary Wilkerson as it's  
latest Marshall Minute newsletter editor. In December she replaces Bess Taylor, who  
has served for four years and continues to work on community website projects.

## Annual Marshall Christmas Parade

Main Street in Marshall, December 5th at 1 pm. Bring the family out to enjoy  
this traditional parade. For more information call (540) 364-8013. Rain/snow  
date December 12th.

## Holiday Bazaar at MVRS

Enjoy shopping, bake sale, lunch and more at the Marshall Volunteer Rescue  
Squad on parade day, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to 3 pm

## December Events At the Library

Paws to Read -4 p.m. Wed., Dec. 2. For rising 1st through 3rd graders; choose a favorite book to read aloud to a trained therapy dog. Signed permission slips are required before participating and are available at the library.

Preschooler Story Time -10:30 a.m. on Fridays. For 3- to 5-year-old children with a parent or caregiver. Independent story time; parents and caregivers must remain in the children's area.

Santa Claus is coming to town! 4:30 p.m. Tues., Dec. 8. A family event. Meet Mrs. Claus too, and hear Christmas stories. Don't forget to bring your camera! (Sponsored by the Friends of the Fauquier Library.) The John Marshall Branch library is located at the Marshall Community Center, 4133 Rectortown Road, Marshall, VA Phone: (540) 364-4910. Hours: Mon-Wed: Noon - 8 pm / Thur-Sat: 10 am - 5 pm. The Library will be closed December 24 and 25

### "Saint Wenceslas" a musical play by John Krumich

featuring the American Children of SCORE

December 11 at 7:30pm and December 12 at 3pm at Highland Center for the Arts, Rice Theater, 597 Broadview Avenue, Warrenton. Tickets and information available at <http://www.scoremusicensemble.org/> or call (540) 878-2700 (x.2733)

#### Have News?

Send your submissions to the Marshall Minute at [marshallminute@yahoo.com](mailto:marshallminute@yahoo.com)  
Deadline: the 15th of this month for next month's newsletter.

#### Editors:

**Ken & Bess Taylor**

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## Notes from the November MBRA Meeting

**Duke Bland** of the Fauquier County School board presented the results from the Annual Update of Key Academic Indicators for our public schools. Both elementary schools in Marshall reached their Average Yearly Progress (AYP) goals. Marshall Middle School missed only one of one subgroup by 1%. Fauquier High School also made it's AYP goals. Overall, Fauquier schools are performing above the national average.

**Peter Schwartz** from the County Board of Supervisors reported on the Marshall Service District Comprehensive Plan review. Copies of the Comp Plan draft can be found at the front desk at the Marshall Community Center. They can also be downloaded from the Fauquier government website on the Community Development page. A summary is being prepared and will also be available online. The board is seeking input from our community. You may call Peter Schwartz at (540) 592-3186, or email Susan Eddy at [Susan.Eddy@fauquiercounty.gov](mailto:Susan.Eddy@fauquiercounty.gov) to get on the email list for updates.

Mr. Schwartz also said that the board is trying to reset the tax rate to lower taxes, but needs help deciding which services

can be cut to achieve this goal. You may make suggestions by contacting him at the phone number listed above.

**Paul Bernard**, director of engineering at **Carson, Ashley and Associates** gave an overview of the **Cannon Ridge** subdivision planned for Marshall, along with developer **Doug Darling**. The plan includes 235 homes to be built in the area around and behind the old Marshall Manor building on the west end of town. Concerns about traffic access, denuding of the land, visual impact and accessibility of water were expressed from the audience. Carson Ashley and Associates may be reached by phone at 540-347-9191 or by email at [info@carson-ashley.com](mailto:info@carson-ashley.com).

The next **Planning Commission Meeting and Public Hearing** will be on Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, starting at 6:30 pm at the Warren Green Meeting Room, 10 Hotel St., Warrenton. The **Cannon Ridge Development** in Marshall is scheduled to be among the topics to be presented.

Whether you are in business in the area or call Marshall home or both, you can help shape what happens in this community by continuing to be or becoming a MBRA member. If you would like to join or re-new your membership please complete this form and mail it to:

**Treasurer, MBRA**  
**P.O. Box 533**  
**Marshall, VA 20116**

Name

Business Name (if applicable)

Address

Phone

Email (If you want to receive this newsletter through email)

My \$30 check for my 2010 Membership is enclosed.

Signature

## Holiday Open House at Alpaca Full Moon Farm

Noble alpacas, fireside comfort, homemade treats, spinning demonstrations and holiday shopping for lovely slippers, scarves, hats, gloves, toys and more, made from real alpaca yarn, in the comfort of your own hometown! And did we mention free festive gift -wrapping? You can't beat that! Please join us! Alpaca Full Moon Farm Full Moon Shop December 5th and 6th, 10am to 6pm

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