

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

**HENDERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: December 4, 2017

SUBJECT: Walk of Fame Steering Committee Presentation

PRESENTER: Tom Orr

ATTACHMENTS: Yes
1. PowerPoint Presentation

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

Tom Orr, with the Walk of Fame Steering Committee, will update the Board on the 2018 Walk of Fame Honorees.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

No Board Action requested, this item is for information only.

Suggested Motion(s):

No motion suggested.

2018 Henderson County Walk of Fame Honorees



Louise Bailey

Mrs. Bailey was a local historian and author. She penned the column “Along the Ridges” for the Hendersonville Times News for 42 years. Her lasting contribution to Henderson County was leaving a recorded history of our community for generations to come.



Georgia Bonesteel

Mrs. Bonesteel is an artist and author on quilting. She is a member of the International Community of Quilters and host of her own television program “Lap Quilting” on North Carolina Public Television and PBS. Her lasting contribution to Henderson County was giving recognition and promoting the mountain arts and crafts.



Albert Browning

Mr. Browning began and ran a dairy farm known as Kalmia Dairy. He went on to become a successful builder and contractor in our community. His lasting contribution to Henderson County was his work to establish the Hendersonville Housing Authority which continues to assist those in need of housing.



Dr. Kenneth Cosgrove / Eleanor Cosgrove

Dr. Cosgrove practiced internal medicine with a specialty in heart disease for over 50 years. His lasting contribution in addition to his medical career included founding the first Pardee Intensive Care Facility, Four Seasons Hospice, Blue Ridge Community Health Center and Carolina Village Retirement Home.

Mrs. Cosgrove served as Director Emeritus of The Blue Ridge Community College Education Foundation. Her lasting contributions to Henderson County included raising support funds and in leading the change from the Henderson County Technical Institute to The Blue Ridge Community College. She was also instrumental in the formation of the Henderson County League of Woman Voters.



Albert Edwards

Mr. Edwards was Hendersonville's longest serving mayor from 1932-1969. During this time he led our community through the Depression and World War II. His lasting contribution to Henderson County was his support for the building of Pardee Hospital, the construction of Interstate 26, lighting for the city and the creation of an airport.



Grace Etheredge

Mrs. Etheredge was a local artist who taught classes and encouraged art in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Her lasting contribution to Henderson County was the founding of The Art League of Henderson County and helping to found the Opportunity House.



Frank Ewbank

Mr. Ewbank enlisted in the army in 1942 and after his military service ran a successful insurance business for many years. His lasting contribution was as a member of the Henderson County Board of Education. He also served as a founding trustee of Blue Ridge Community College which continues to educate students of Henderson County today.



Robroy Farquhar

Mr. Farquhar was a local actor, director, and member of the Professional Actors Union in New York. His lasting contribution to Henderson County was the founding of The Flat Rock Playhouse, the State Theatre of North Carolina, which continue to train actors and entertain people today.



Josiah Johnson

Mr. Johnson dedicated his life to agriculture and truck farming. His lasting contribution to Henderson County was paving the way for future farmers to grow, sustain and market crops in our community and across the country.



Robert Morgan

Mr. Morgan is a local author who has written books of poetry, fiction, and non fiction which have brought national attention to our community. His lasting contribution to Henderson County is through his writings on the southern Appalachians, the Green River area and the Blue Ridge mountains. His literary works will influence generations to come.