

BLACK MOUNTAIN'S HOST SINCE 1919, LOVINGLY RESTORED



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MONTE VISTA NEWSLETTER

Welcome everyone to the  
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WOW! It has been an amazing few months for all of us here at The Monte Vista and for all of our guests and friends. Our April 4th Ribbon Cutting and Open House was the first time the public was invited in to see what we've done. The doors were open and in came 350 of our friends, Black Mountain neighbors and visitors. The Asheville Area and Black Mountain Chambers of Commerce held the ceremony and Mayor Carl Barlett cut the ribbon. The Monte Vista was back!

Palate Restaurant has been a grand success. We are hosting guests from near and far as the word spreads about the excellence of our food, great service and friendly atmosphere. Our Fried Green Tomato Croissant and the Fresh Mountain Trout have become two big favorites, as well as The Special Sunday Supper. It's too soon to call this a tradition- but we are hoping!

Fitz's Tap Room is also becoming a place to see familiar faces, meet new friends and enjoy lively conversation. Many guests choose the intimacy of Fitz's to have their lunch or dinner. The big news here is that Fitz's is the first and only place in Black Mountain where you can purchase a mixed drink. Wednesdays are extra lively with the Martini of the Day only \$6.

Our rooms are coming on line gradually- we have a few available, guests are comfortable and loving the atmosphere of the restored Monte Vista. It's a unique place, a unique experience and truly a different kind of visit. Most guests say they feel like they have seen the real Black Mountain and will certainly be back. This kind of reaction has been a real pleasure for us.

We are also happy to share with you that in May, The Asheville Historic Preservation Society honored us with the Griffin Award for our restoration. We were both thrilled and gratified that our work has been so well received and also- we had a great party.

So what's in the future? More renovating, of course, but here is the fun stuff. July 4th will be a big celebration here and in town. The Monte Vista will be serving food down at the Depot on the 4th. July 29th marks the beginning of Belle Chere in downtown Asheville- an event attended by thousands of visitors each year. We are 15 minutes away.

The Sourwood Festival, Black Mountain's biggest event, will be August 13th and 14th and the Monte Vista will be a big participant and supporter, starting with a fund raiser in July. Palate will be serving some special dishes made with local Sourwood Honey.

So that's it for now. As always, we are here to help you in any way we can and look forward to seeing you or hearing from you any time. Come to Black Mountain- we're here waiting for you!

Barney and Sue