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FEATURED PROPERTIES AT ECHOTA

ECHOTA NEWS



FOURTH OF JULY FUN FOR ALL!

One of our favorite traditions, the Annual Independence Day Celebration, was a success as usual! Despite the rain, everyone had a great time enjoying the live music by Blue Country, delicious food from Woodland's barbecue, and the local beer selection.

OUR WEBSITE GETS AN UPDATE

Visit our newly unveiled site at www.EchotaNC.com, and let us know what you think. The easily navigable site features for-sale properties, rentals, area attractions, and much, much more!

GET OUR LATEST EMAILS

Are you receiving Echota emails? If you're not on the list, or if you need to update your email address, please contact Leah Grove at *lgrove@foscoecompanies.com*, and she'll add you to the communication list.



TIMBERS P-2

Great views of Grandfather Mountain from this 2-bedroom, 2.5-bath Timbers in Echota home. The split-level condo boasts hardwood floors throughout the main living area with stacked stone gas fireplace and access to upper-level covered deck. Dedicated dining area alongside the living room. The kitchen has maple cabinetry, plenty of storage space, and a convenient desk area. Enjoy mountain views from the main-level master suite with additional access to the deck, as well as an adjoining master bath with double vanity and walk-in shower. Downstairs features another versatile living area with second stacked stone gas log fireplace, another covered deck, walk-in laundry room, and guest bedroom and full guest bath. Offered at \$299,900



CEDAR WOODS RV-3

MLS 214517

MLS 213374

Exquisite top-floor condo with 3 bedrooms, 2.5 bathrooms at Cedar Woods at Echota on the Ridge. Enjoy rustic elegance in this fully furnished, well-maintained home with sweeping mountain views. Tasteful finishes include hardwood floors throughout the main level (including the master bedroom), tongue-and-groove vaulted ceilings in the living area, and stacked stone gas fireplace with adjacent built-in cabinetry. Main level features an open kitchen with cherry cabinetry and granite countertops, a dining area, a half-bath, and a walk-in laundry room. The master bedroom has an adjoining en suite with plenty of closet space, a double vanity, walk-in shower, and oversized soaking tub. Upstairs includes guest bedrooms, a full bathroom, and a versatile open loft. Offered at \$425,000



WINTERGREEN R1121

MLS 214856

Expansive, long-range layered views available from this partially furnished 2-bedroom, 2-bathroom condo at Echota on the Ridge. The open living and dining area features hardwood floors throughout, a stacked stone gas fireplace, and access to the covered deck. Open kitchen includes stainless appliances and a convenient breakfast bar. The master bedroom has wood flooring and lots of windows to take in the mountain views, along with an adjoining master bath with separate vanity/dressing area and standup shower. The guest bedroom has its own bathroom. Offered at \$324,500



741 ECHOTA PARKWAY

MLS 215388

Custom 5-bedroom, 4.5-bath home in Echota full of high-end upgrades. The main level features an open living area with wraparound covered deck, high-end luxury kitchen, half bath, and spacious master suite with adjoining master bath. The professional-grade kitchen includes a host of premium amenities, including a dual fuel range, sub-zero fridge, and double oven. The upper level has two bedrooms with an oversized full bath. The first lower level boasts an open living area with fireplace, access to the second covered deck, gameroom, theater room, large bedroom, and full bath. The "sub basement" features another living area with access to the third covered deck and another guest bedroom with full bath. Offered at \$649,900

For details on the above listings or to learn more about Echota properties for sale, call [828] 963-7600 or visit www.EchotaNC.com.



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Neighborhoods of Echota

EXPLORE THE UNIQUE FEATURES OF OUR ECHOTA COMMUNITIES.

When Echota founder Mark Harrill originally developed the community, he planned to carve out these unique neighborhoods among the steep terrain and thickets of trees to create a "peaceful haven" of mountain views and quiet woods for residents in the years to come.

But more than that, he saw community. "Each one of our neighborhoods was thoughtfully designed for generations of families to come home to the mountains," says Foscoe Companies' Developer Jay Harrill. Here's a quick history on each of the three Echota neighborhoods.

ECHOTA (Est. 2001)

The "peaceful haven" community that started it all. Find all the classic appointments like stacked-stone fireplaces and rich wood cabinetry in these homes. The greater community features timeless mountain activities: Drop a line in one of the glassy-calm fishing ponds. Dip your toes in the crystalline waters of the year-round indoor pool with beach access. Enjoy a game of billiards, the entertainment center, and full kitchen at the on-site clubhouse.

ECHOTA ON THE RIDGE (Est. 2005)

Early-morning wisps of fog nestle in the spaces between the mountains, slowly burning off as the

sun slides into the sky. And Echota on the Ridge offers the perfect vantage point for this unfolding scene. Perched along the ridgetop, this second Echota community seamlessly blends modern mountain homes with plunging views and world-class amenities—including the spa-like serenity of the mountaintop outdoor pool with the waterfall that cascades alongside it, the spectacular timber-frame clubhouse, and the beautiful fitness center.

CHALAKEE (Est. 2011)

The pinnacle of the Echota community, Chalakee hugs the mountain's ridgeline, offering spectacular views of Grandfather Mountain and the Watauga River Valley. Chalakee, which is Cherokee for "those who live in the mountains," features timber-frame and stacked-stone construction to complement the land that surrounds it. Soaring ceilings inside each thoughtfully designed home mirror the expansive views outside each window, and extra attention to outdoor spaces, including outdoor kitchens, allows for plenty of outdoor time.

"As Echota evolves over the years, we continue to honor that original vision and the land upon which our community sits," adds Jay. "And we look forward to new developments."

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WHAT'S NEW AT ECHOTA?

Announcing a New Phase in Echota's Development: **The Summit at Echota**

The long-awaited fourth phase of our community, The Summit at Echota, has finally transitioned from dream to reality. We are proud to announce this one-of-a-kind, owner-oriented neighborhood. We are beyond excited to break ground this summer on our beautiful new development.

Thoughtfully designed with current owners in mind, The Summit will feature reimagined 1- to 4-bedroom floor plans as well as upgraded features and exciting add-ons such as bonus rooms and outdoor fireplaces. Customize your home with enhanced, American-made finishes, and enjoy the view of the stunning mountains you've come to know and love. The outdoor pool, spas, and fitness center in the owners'-only amenity complex round out the truly unique experience that awaits you at The Summit.



OWNERS'-ONLY AMENITIES

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LIVING IN THE HIGH COUNTRY



We Are the Mountaineers!

Gear up for Appalachian State football season!

Whether you're an App State alum or you've never set foot in The Rock, you could say the Mountaineers are a pretty big deal around Echota. In addition to attending football and basketball games for decades, the Harrill family has been a generous, longtime supporter of the university's sports programs. In fact, Echota founders Mark and Missy Harrill even received a Distinguished Service Award from the Southern Conference for their support of App State athletics.

So whether you're well-versed in Mountaineers culture or you're a newbie, here are a few of our beloved App State football traditions.

- Yosef is the Mountaineers' mascot, originally conjured up by students in the early 1940s as Dan'l Boone Yoseff from Appalachia. The name "Yosef" means "yourself" in mountain talk, according to App State.
- Originally called Conrad Stadium, Kidd Brewer Stadium got its new name in 1988 after the 1930s-era ASU coach Kidd Brewer. Students and alums also call the stadium "The Rock."
- Don't forget to wear your best black and gold to cheer on the 'Neers.
- There's plenty of game-day parking available throughout the town of Boone. Some of the lots allow tailgating; some don't. Check policies before you park.
- The App State fight song is "Hi-Hi-y-ike-us."
- If you don't already have season tickets, you can purchase tickets online at https://appstatesports.com



2019 CALENDAR SEASON HOME GAMES

Aug. 31: East Tennessee State

Sept. 7: Charlotte

Sept. 28: Coastal Carolina

Oct. 19: ULM

Oct. 31: Georgia Southern

Nov. 23: Texas State

We'd love to see your tailgate photos. Tag us at #EchotaNC online! Go, Apps! Fight, Apps! Go, Fight, Win, Apps!

ECHOTA GIVES BACK

The area's Western Youth Network offers many opportunities to do good.

Photo courtesy of Western Youth Network

For more than 34 years, the Western Youth Network has served the High Country, working toward a vision of creating a community in which every child, regardless of his or her circumstances, can thrive. "WYN gives [children] the thing that research deems the most effective intervention possible for overcoming adversity—the presence of a safe, stable nurturing adult in their lives," says WYN's Executive Director Jennifer Warren.

Here are a few ways to get involved in WYN over the next few months:

- Take part in a fundraiser. Head to Harvest House on Aug. 22 for an evening with renowned Elvis tribute artist Stephen Freeman. Ticket sales and funds raised that evening go toward scholarships for WYN's summer program.
- Attend the Festival of Trees. On Dec. 5–8, the Festival of Trees fundraiser in Blowing Rock benefits WYN's initiatives. "You simply purchase a fully decorated tree or wreath for your home," says Warren.
- Become a mentor. Volunteers in the community-based mentoring program spend a minimum of eight hours per month with their mentees, while volunteers in the school-based mentoring program spend approximately one hour per week with their mentee.

For more information on the Western Youth Network and other volunteer opportunities, visit www.westernyouthnetwork.com

MEET THE NEIGHBORS

Jill and Bill McKinney

Though Jill and Bill McKinney just closed on their Timbers condo in Echota this past June, the couple was well acquainted with the Echota community long before they chose to buy a second home here. "We have been coming to Boone for over a dozen years, as both of my brothers are Echota property owners," explains Bill. "Our extended families have spent many holidays together here, and we love the area."

The McKinneys, who made their home in Lexington, Kentucky, for many years before recently relocating to Florida, plan to use their new Echota home for vacations and the opportunity to remain even more connected with family members. "We hope to split our time between our Florida home and Boone, obviously favoring each depending on the time of year," adds Bill. "We love the mountains, the

fresh mornings, and the recreational opportunities offered; my younger brother and I are hikers."

Both he and Jill are now retired, but Bill spent 29 years in the U.S. Air Force before transitioning to a career in city government and as a church business manager. Jill, meanwhile, worked as a school secretary and legal assistant. The couple has three children and five grandchildren, who plan to make the trip to Echota regularly, too.

"My older brother found Echota when it was first being developed," Bill says, so the decision for his family to purchase a home here was easy. "This is a very well-kept community with excellent amenities," he adds. "We like the wide variety of home styles and our home's ease of access to Highway 105."



Photo courtesy of the McKinneys





AUGUST

MUSIC ON THE LAWN

Now through Oct. 11 [Blowing Rock]

Free outdoor concerts held each Friday evening at the Inn at Ragged Gardens, weather permitting! Enjoy classic country, blues, bluegrass, and more.

www.ragged-gardens.com/music-on-thelawn

PUNCH BROTHERS

Aug. 1 [Boone]

Mandolin impresario Chris Thile performs with his bluegrass quintet at the Schaefer Center for the Performing Arts.

www.appsummer.org/schedule

2019 BRAHM GALA: A BRUSH WITH GENIUS

Aug. 2 [Blowing Rock]

Cocktails, surf 'n' turf sit-down dinner, and a special preview of the exhibit that features works from Etta and Claribel Cone's collection (sisters of Moses Cone). https://blowingrockmuseum.org

THE TEMPTATIONS

Aug. 3 [Boone]

Take a step back in time for the still-soulful stylings of The Temptations at the Holmes Convocation Center.

www.appsummer.org

THE REDEEMER

Aug. 16-Aug. 24 [Banner Elk]

Thrills and chills on stage as a detective follows the case of a kidnapped boy in one of the best plays at Ensemble Stage this summer.

www.ensemblestage.com/On_Stage_ Summer.html

SEPTEMBER

JUNIOR RANGER DAY

Sept. 7 [Linville]

Kids ages 5 to 12 can take part in the programs offered at Grandfather Mountain.

https://grandfather.com/event/juniorranger-day

THE BLOWING ROCK MUSIC FESTIVAL

Sept. 14 [Blowing Rock]

Larry Sparks and the Lonesome Ramblers, The Harris Brothers, Soul Benefactor, and much more at the sixth annual festival at The Blowing Rock. Advance tickets are \$40; tickets for children 12 and under are \$10.

www.theblowingrock.com/the-annual-blowing-rock-music-festival/

20TH ANNUAL BLUE RIDGE CONSERVANCY 5K

Sept. 21 [Blowing Rock]



Lace up your running shoes for a 5K, or take part in the one-mile fun run through local neighborhoods. Proceeds benefit the Blue Ridge Conservancy. www.blueridgeconservancy.org

NATIONAL ALPACA FARM DAYS

Sept. 28–Sept. 29 [Banner Elk]

Take a tour of Apple Hill Farm, and see the new animals and products. Tours run on the hour every hour throughout the day. Special tour rate is \$5 for adults and free for children 10 and under.

https://applehillfarmnc.com

OCTOBER



VALLE FAIR AT VALLE CRUCIS

Oct. 19 [Valle Crucis]

Open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., the fair celebrates local culture through music, crafts, and food. Fun for the entire family. Free admission. Parking adjacent to the fair.

www.vallecountryfair.org

WOOLLY WORM FESTIVAL

Oct. 19-Oct. 20 [Banner Elk]

In addition to the Woolly Worm Races, the festival features crafts, food vendors, live entertainment, and much more. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$4 for children ages 6 to 12, and free for ages 5 and under. www.woollyworm.com



Woolly Worm Festival — Photo courtesy of Avery County Chamber of Commerce