



# The Guiding Light

The Newsletter of the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany

June & July  
2011

## OUR MISSION

TO SHARE THE LOVE OF CHRIST WITH ALL PEOPLE THROUGH PRAYER,  
WORSHIP AND BIBLE STUDY;

BY CARING FOR THOSE AMONG US AND BY SERVING THE WIDER COMMUNITY

## Farewell to Mother Beth

One hundred twenty eight members and guests were in attendance at Epiphany’s farewell service and picnic for Mother Beth on May 22, 2011. In a beautiful service that featured special music, the baptism of Carter Ross, and expressions of love and thanks from all, we celebrated Mother Beth’s four years of healing ministry to our parish family.

There were tears (of course), but also laughter, as she modeled the lovely hot pink “accessories” that we presented to her along with the angel statue for her soon-to-be prayer garden. We all sang the antiphonal Lord’s Prayer in response to her clear soprano for the last time -- lots of tears at that moment.

At the picnic that followed the service, everyone enjoyed grilled hot dogs and hamburgers, thanks to Chefs Tom and Thomas Lilly, accompanied by a delicious buffet of side dishes, barbeque, and desserts contributed by our members. It was hot, humid, and sunny, but no one seemed to mind the heat. We just wanted to share our love and gratitude with Beth and her family.

We have been blessed to be the recipients of Mother Beth’s loving and healing ministry, and we will remember and miss her – while, as we promised her, we continue to grow and flourish. And, though she will no longer be our priest, she will continue to be our friend and neighbor.

Our thanks to you, Mother Beth, for all that you have given of yourself to our parish, and thanks be to God for sending you to us four years ago!



## More Photos of our Spring and Easter

### Palm Sunday



*The Blessing of the Palms and the Blessing of our new Eucharist Candlesticks Given in Memory of Jack Shanks.*



### Easter Sunday



*Our Easter altar and the Flowering of the Cross on Easter morning.*



### Service of Healing, Repentance & Reconciliation



*Stained glass window at Trinity Church in Asheville; and our own Tom Lowery with the Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori following the service.*



## Bishop's Reflection



These past few weeks feel as if we have been in an endless Wizard of Oz rerun. Tornadoes in Missouri and Oklahoma and too many other places to mention. I hope we as a diocese and all followers of Jesus Christ do what we can to support those affected by these disasters. We should keep them in our prayers and give to Episcopal Relief and

Development to help lift them up and restart their lives.

Amid my sorrow over the devastation and especially the loss of life, such sudden disasters make me realize how I am often mistaken about my sense of the future. We plan our lives with our assumptions about tomorrow. We fill in our calendars; we begin projects; we make down payments on tomorrow. Part our business in every day is investing one way or another in the days and weeks and years to come. We assume there is a tomorrow. There is not only a great wisdom in that perspective; it simply is necessary to accomplish almost anything important.

However, there are times when the only time is today. A tornado comes through Joplin, Missouri or Oklahoma City or any city anywhere and all the assumed tomorrows are swept away. The turning wind blows away everything but the foundations, and amid our loss and shock and sorrow, we remember what matters and what lasts. We give thanks for life itself and loved ones and the grace and mercy that abides. We give thanks for kindness in the fundamental gifts of food and shelter and clothing and compassion. We give thanks that nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

Moments of crisis can give us a clearness that we forget in our daily routines and assumptions that tomorrow will be much like today. When the tornadoes blow, we let go of what doesn't matter and hold on to what does.

I pray for those who are suffering from these storms, and I do not wish for anyone to experience such tragedy. However, I do hope that our mindfulness of these tragedies might change our perspective. Today is the only day we have to give thanks for the gifts God has given us and to remember what matters and what lasts. Our certainty about tomorrow is an illusion we construct to build a future, but let us not forget to remember those we love, to pray for those who suffer, and to turn over all that we have and all that we are to God.

+Porter

## Dates to Remember

- » **The Corner Table Spaghetti Luncheon** June 8th, 10:00 - 1:30. **RSVP to Janice McPherson.**
- » **Men's Night Out:** June 12 & July 17, 6:00 pm
- » **DOK:** June 22, 6:30 p.m. & July 27, 6:00 pm
- » **Vestry meetings:** June 8 & July 13, 7:00 pm
- » **Crawdads games:** June & July 22, 7:00 pm
- » **Outreach Committee:** Sunday, July 31 following the service
- » **Pentecost Service, lunch, and presentation by Rev. Canon James Pritchett:** Sunday, June 12, 10:30 am - ?

## Reminder

**Please use the Epiphany Post Office box for all mail and supply orders. The Postal Service does not deliver mail to our street address.**

**P.O. Box 270  
Newton, NC 28658**

## Just for Fun

While driving in Pennsylvania, a family caught up to an Amish carriage.

The owner of the carriage obviously had a sense of humor, because attached to the back of the carriage was a hand printed sign:

***Energy efficient vehicle: Runs on oats and grass.  
Caution: Do not step in exhaust.***

~ Thanks to Ann Lowery

## News and Events

### ECW News

The ECW met at the Catawba Country Club on April 17th with 22 ladies in attendance. A good time was had by all, a good meal was shared by all, and the fellowship was awesome.



The Church Office will send a card to everyone who signed up to provide food for those hospitalized. Call Nancy Shanks at 310-0054 when you want to deliver food.

Future meeting dates were discussed and there will be no June meeting. The next meeting will be Sunday, August 21st, at 12:30 pm. Location to be announced in the next newsletter and in Sunday morning bulletins.

On May 21st Roberta Hungerford, Raeanne Kummer and the ECW hosted a shower for Becky Brandon Bryant in the church library. Shawn and Becky are expecting a girl. They are registered at Babies-R-Us.

The ECW will be hosting a baby shower for Christopher and Heather Hartis on Sunday, June 5th at 2:00 pm in the church library.

### ...and one more photo.



## News and Events

### Bible Land Seminar

Standing on the sites we read about in Scripture and hear about on Sundays provides insights that cannot be obtained in any other way. A 10-day tour of Israel with a February 20, 2012, departure date has been organized by the Rev. Bill Livingston, Interim Rector of St. Alban's, Hickory.

Bill spent a summer in Israel working on a UC Berkley/ Hebrew University archaeological dig and has participated in a study at St. George's College, Jerusalem.

The travel, accommodations and tour guides will be arranged by Journeys Unlimited whose mission is to coordinate affordable pilgrimages and tours to areas of Christian significance, particularly to the Holy Land. *For more information, contact Bill (rector\_bill@bellsouth.net) or at St. Alban's (828) 324-1351.*



### Just for Fun

The minister was preoccupied with thoughts of how he was going to ask the congregation to come up with more money than they were expecting for repairs to the church building. Therefore, he was annoyed to find that the regular organist was sick and a substitute had been brought in at the last minute. The substitute wanted to know what to play.

"Here's a copy of the service," he said impatiently. "But you'll have to think of something to play after I make the announcement about the finances."

During the service, the minister paused and said, "Brothers and Sisters, we are in great difficulty; the roof repairs cost twice as much as we expected and we need \$4,000 more. Any of you who can pledge \$100 or more, please stand up."

At that moment, the substitute organist played "The Star Spangled Banner." And that is how the substitute became the regular organist!

~ Thanks to Ann Lowery & Nancy Shanks



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>June 2011</h1>						
			June 1 HE/HS 5:30 pm (Rev. Earle) CHOIR 6:00 pm	2	3	4  Ministry and Mission Conference
5  HE 10:30 am C 11:30 am  (Pastor Weisner)	6	7	8  Corner Table Lunch 10:00 am HE/HS 5:30 pm (Pastor Weisner)  Vestry 7:00 pm	9	10	11
12 <b>PENTECOST</b>  HE 10:30 am C 11:30 am <i>(Lunch &amp; Special Presentation by Canon Pritchett)</i> MNO 6:00 pm  (Canon James Pritchett)	13	14	15  HE/HS 5:30 pm (Pastor Weisner)	16	17  Crawdads Game 7:00 pm	18
19  HE 10:30 am (CDF offering) C 11:30 am HB 4:30 pm  (Pastor Weisner)	20	21	22  HE/HS 5:30 pm (Pastor Weisner) DOK 6:15 pm	23	24	25
26  HE 10:30 am C 11:30 am Home Communion Sunday  (Pastor Weisner)	27	28	29  HE/HS 5:30 pm (Pastor Weisner)	30	July 1	2

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<h1>July 2011</h1>					July 1	2
3 HE 10:30 am C 11:30 am	4 Office Closed	5	6 HS 5:30 pm	7	8	9
10 HE 10:30 am C 11:30 am HB 4:30 pm  (Rev. Pat Earle)	11	12	13 HS 5:30 pm Vestry 7:00 pm	14	15	16
17 HE 10:30 am (CDF Offering) C 11:30 am MNO 6:00 pm	18	19	20 HS 5:30 pm	21	22 Crawdads Game 7:00 pm	23
24 HE 10:30 am (Home Communion) C 11:30 am HB 4:30 pm  (Rev. Pat Earle)	25	26	27 HS 5:30 pm DOK 6:15 pm	28	29	30
31 HE 10:30 am (Outreach) C 11:30 am  (Rev. Jerry Prickett)	August 1	2	3 HS 5:30 pm	4	5	6

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PARISH MINISTRIES - JULY 2011

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DATE	JULY 10	JULY 17	JULY 24	JULY 31	August 7
LESSONS YEAR "A"	The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost	The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost	The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost	The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost	The Eight Sunday after Pentecost
LECTOR	Z. Robertson	A. Williams	C. Hartis	D. Brandon	A. Campbell
CHALICE	D. Brandon	T. Lowery	H. Craddock	Z. Robertson	N. Ridenhour
USHER/ GREETER	T/J Harrington	K. Hardin B. Huggins	R. Hungerford R. Kummer	M/G Jupin	R/V Leath
COFFEE	E/D Ben-Davies	E. Godinho P. Parsons	N/G/J Batz	H/J Craddock	T/J Harrington
FLOWERS	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
ALTAR GUILD	C. Bivens K. Hardin A. Lowery T. Lowery	J. Cuomo B. McPherson J. McPherson	J. Cuomo B. McPherson J. McPherson	J. Craddock M. Roper W. Shook W. Williams	J. Craddock M. Roper W. Shook W. Williams
ACOLYTE/ CRUCIFER	J. Byrd	A. Donovan D. Donovan	C. Hartis	W. Roper	A. Cortney
BELL RINGER	J. Byrd	A. Donovan D. Donovan	C. Hartis	W. Roper	A. Cortney
VESTRY PERSON	G. Jupin	V. Leath	T. Lowery	B. McPherson	P. Parsons
NURSERY	As needed	As needed	As needed	As needed	As needed

**\*\*\* IF YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO SERVE AND ARE UNABLE TO BE HERE, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO FIND A REPLACEMENT AND TO NOTIFY STACEY IN THE PARISH OFFICE OF WHO WILL FILL IN FOR YOU. IF THE OFFICE IS CLOSED, PLEASE CALL THE VESTRY PERSON ON DUTY FOR THE WEEK. Thank You!**

<u>BIRTHDAYS</u>			
07/01	Edward Bornemann	07/24	Jacob Rouser
07/01	Drew Cortney	07/25	Melanie Britt
07/03	Hansford Leake	07/27	Paul Steele
07/05	Lowri Rose Johnson	07/27	Sarah Elizabeth Campbell
07/06	Nancy Shanks	07/29	Cindy Reynolds
07/07	Patrick Keisler	07/29	Joy Cuomo
07/09	Nora Darby	07/29	Michael MacDowell
07/09	Angela Trujillo	07/30	Michael Jupin, Jr.
07/11	Mac Wheeler	07/31	Raeanne Kummer
07/12	Nannie Leake		
07/12	Luther Barringer	<u>MARRIAGES</u>	
07/15	Gloria Jupin	07/01	Bob & Janice McPherson
07/17	JoAnne Craddock	07/03	Norman & Gloria Batz
07/23	Christopher Hartis	07/05	Reginald & Valerie Leath
07/23	William Dean Ketelaar	07/09	Tom & Mother Beth Lilly
		07/09	Billy and Dona Richards
		07/22	Steven & Nicole Godinho

## In our Prayers for Healing and Strength:

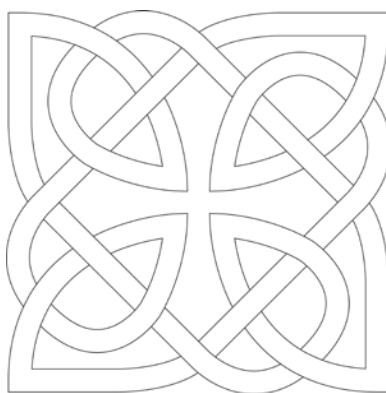
*Almighty God, comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. In your name we pray.*

Lorraine-Baker Neal, Jane Biggerstaff, Kristen Black, The Rev. Gus Boone, Marilyn Bornemann, Carol Campbell, Jason Call, Zelma Clemmons, Barbara Cobb, Harold & JoAnne Craddock, Joy Crosby, Charlie & Pat Dalton, Cassie DeSha, Lucy Echerd, Peggy Ervin, Don & JoAnne Flick, Jessy Fupril, Bill Guy, Chip Hardin, David Hawkins, Roberta Hungerford, Rachel Hunt, Fred Keisler, Mother Beth Lilly, Ann Lowery, Jacque Lowery & Family, Frank Lutz, Mac McRee, Stephen Ackley Ortiz, Sarah Palmer, John & Diane Paton, Margaret Alice Rader, Geraldine Reed, Cindy Reynolds, Barry Richardson, Anita Roper, Gloria Rumore, Joseph Rumore, Jacob Schmidt, Vivian Scott, Nancy Shanks, Forest Shook, Lawrence Shook, Edd Sigmon, John Sigmon, Cozette Sinclair, Hattie Spaulding, Betty Storey, Dorothy Steele, Frances Tate, Catherine Tucker, Michael William.

## For Those Who Have Died:

*Almighty God, look with pity upon the sorrows of your servants for whom we pray. Remember them, Lord, in mercy; nourish them with patience; comfort them with a sense of your goodness; lift up your countenance upon them; and give them peace; through Christ our Lord.*

Shirley Sudderth



## War-time Cake Recipe

This recipe came about because of food shortages during war times. Items like eggs, milk and butter were not easily available. So women of the era came up with the following recipe for cakes.

Mix together:

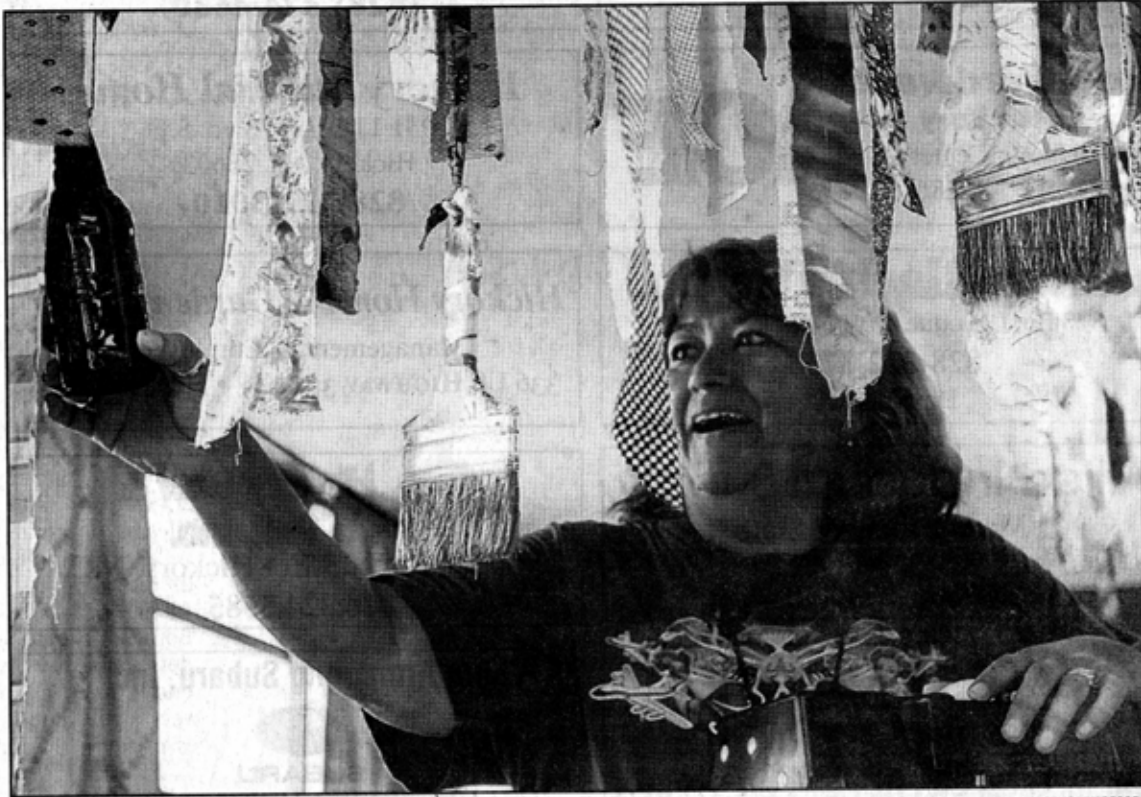
- 2 cups brown sugar
- 2 cups hot water
- 2 teaspoons shortening
- 1/2 cup to 3/4 cup raisins
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon cloves

Pre-heat oven to 350F. Grease a tube pan. Mix brown sugar, hot water, and shortening in a medium saucepan. Add the raisins, salt, cinnamon, and cloves. Mix and boil for 5 minutes after it first bubbles. Remove from the stove and let cool completely (very important)

After the mixture is cool, add 3 cups of flour and 1 teaspoon of baking soda that has been dissolved in a couple of teaspoons of hot water. Mix well. Pour into the pan and bake for 1 hour.

~Thanks to Joyce Collins

# FROM JUNK TO ART



JOHN M. SETZLER JR./HICKORY DAILY RECORD

Carol Ann Shook works on decorations at the ReSource Gallery & Warehouse on Friday.

## ReSource reuses junk to maintain ministry

BY AL STOUT  
Record Correspondent

### HICKORY

In a nondescript building in an almost forgotten part of Hickory, a spark of hope for homeless women could be reborn.

It is the ReSource Warehouse & Gallery and will become a unique fundraising generator for the Safe Harbor Rescue Mission.

The ReSource Warehouse and Gallery will open its doors to the public this Wednesday, June 1, at 11 a.m. But unlike most other fundraising consignment storefronts for non-profit organizations in town, the ReSource Warehouse & Gallery debuts with a very artistic bent.

"We take donations from anything people would ordinarily throw out on their curbs as trash," says Debbie Haynes, director for Safe Harbor Rescue Mission. "From that, we want to invite artists and teachers to come in and open their imaginations to creative possibilities."

While the doors to the gallery are open to "trash," the trash must have

### Want to go?

» The grand opening for the ReSource Warehouse & Gallery is Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at 451 11th St., NW, Hickory. That's on Old Lenoir Road.

» For more on Safe Harbor, go to [www.safeharborrescuemission.org](http://www.safeharborrescuemission.org).

not just artistic potential, but be friendly to the environment.

Old furniture, old books and anything metal fits a part of the bill along with rolls of fabric and paint.

Haynes' vision runs from turning plastic soda bottles into miniature greenhouses, old phone books into lampshades and credit cards into guitar picks. But the Gallery is much more. There are books, old furniture and shelves of fabric all around the store.

There is also space for art classes and even room for birthday parties with an artistic bent.

There are five upright pianos here decorated with everything decouped on them from Old Testament themes, to Ernest Hemingway to Johnny Mercer. And there is much

more. The Gallery will still be a great work in progress as it opens. But the future is wide open.

Safe Harbor Rescue and Missions is a nonprofit organization that provides shelter and job training for homeless women and women with substance abuse issues. It also provides shelter to 22 women.

"The ReSource Gallery is just not only a fundraising place for us," says Haynes, "but we also want to teach people how to be more artistically friendly with the things we would ordinarily just throw away."

She is employing this other theme for the Gallery under the theme of "reuse." This is the environmental side of the storefront. There is even an inspirational volume on the end tables entitled "Choose to Reuse," by Nikki and David Goldbeck.

"We want this to be a fun place," Haynes says.

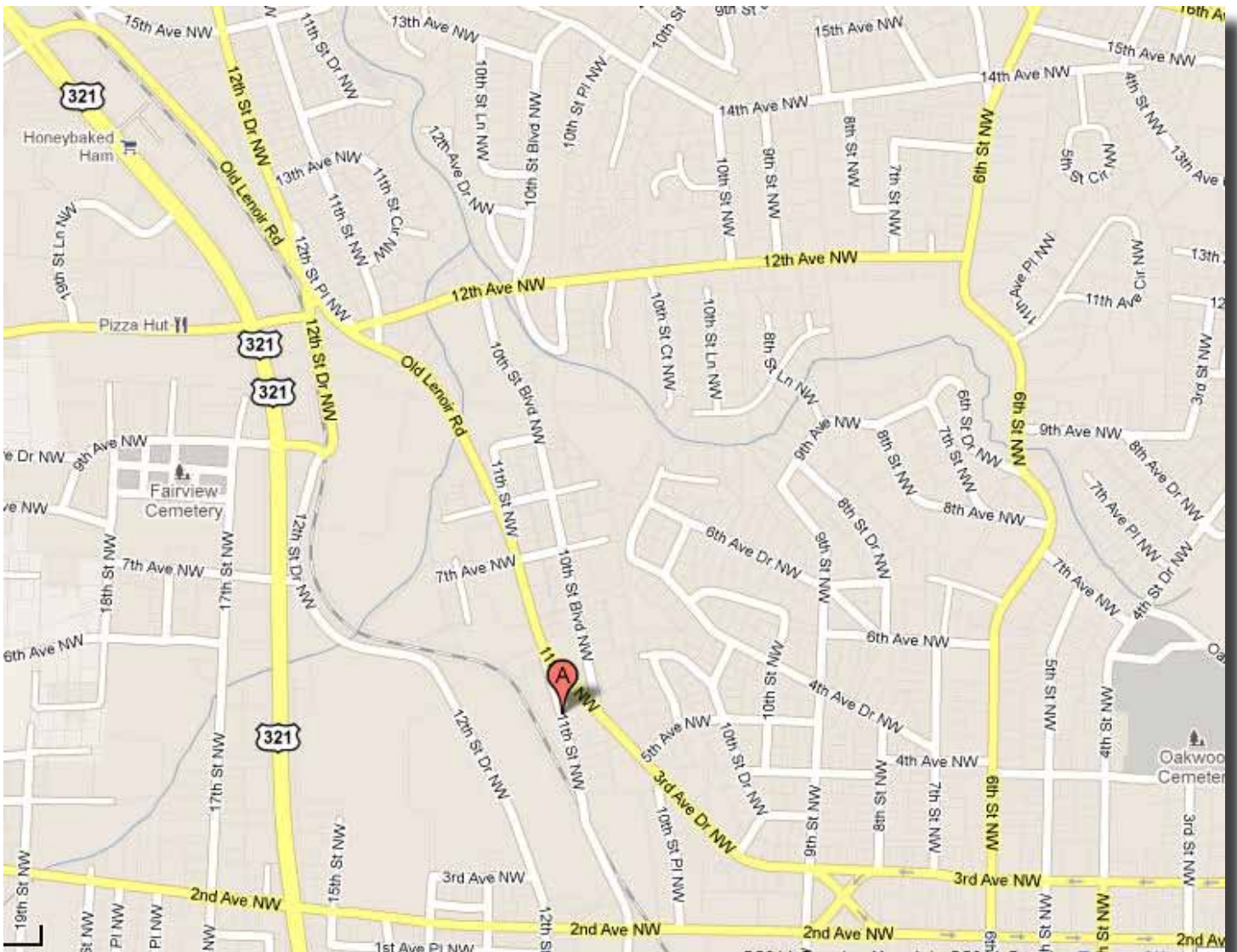
Outside the front glass door, a handwritten sign tells the entire mission statement for the ReSource Warehouse Gallery. "We consign vintage items, funky junk, art supplies and art w/ an element of reuse, by appointment. 256-2695."

**ReSource Warehouse & Gallery**  
**(a social enterprise of the Safe Harbor Rescue Mission)**  
**451 11th Street NW, Hickory, NC 28601**  
**256-2695**

**Hours:**  
**Tuesday-Thursday 11am - 6pm**  
**Saturday 10am - 5pm**

**Volunteer Opportunities**

- Teach art classes**
- Educate student visitors**
- Provide creative display assistance**
- Pick up and deliver donated items**
- Sort donations**
- Man the front counter and help with displays**
- Unload, clean and store incoming donated items**





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