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WNC Magazine's Home & Garden Issue Out Now Western North Carolina is Growing and Going Green

March 6, 2009 – Asheville, North Carolina – *WNC Magazine* proudly celebrates its second anniversary and Home & Garden issue, on newsstands now. Explore new trends in environmentally friendly living and home design in "Green Revival" while learning how homeowners are living large in smaller spaces in "Less Means More". This month's bonus eco-friendly home section is chock-full of ideas and resources for homes of all sorts.

In "Less Means More," visit three Western North Carolina households that have embraced the idea of emphasizing a home's character over its size. From a downtown loft to a cozy custom-built home set in the woods, each of these dwellings measure less than 1600 square feet.

Get some easy ideas to green your living space with this month's eco-friendly home and garden section. "Green Revival" tours a 1920s home in West Asheville renovated with style and sustainability in mind. Three interior designers provide top-notch ideas for stylish and eco-conscious furnishing and amenity updates.

Since Western North Carolina leads the region in green-built homes, this month's Sustainability section examines how real estate appraisers are learning to assess the added value of energy-efficiency and sustainable materials while tackling the problems with putting a price tag on green housing.

In "Four Lanes to the Future", writer Jess Clark dissects the concerns over the widening of US-19 from Interstate 26 to Boone. Learn more about how Madison, Yancey, Mitchell, Avery and Watauga counties are planning for growth and its consequences.

Also this issue, travel to downtown Tryon where small-town allure melds perfectly with cosmopolitan convenience. The Food Review heads to Spindale to sample creations of Chef Robin Healey at Restaurant M2 (M Squared), and join a Waynesville family for their Sunday supper of native Romanian dishes.

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WNC is a lifestyle magazine celebrating the unique people and cultures; arts, crafts and architecture; history; and food-ways of Western North Carolina. Each issue includes features on current issues facing residents; profiles on intriguing locals; and regular departments highlighting gorgeous homes, great weekend escapes, outdoor adventures, a calendar of regional events, and a comprehensive dining guide. Please visit www.wncmagazine.com to learn more.

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