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Leadership Asheville Kicks Off 30th Anniversary Celebration at Annual Luncheon

Asheville, NC – Leaders from the government, private sector, and nonprofit communities gathered on Wednesday, September 14 to join Leadership Asheville in celebrating its 30th Anniversary at its third Annual Luncheon at the Renaissance Asheville Hotel. Over 250 attendees, many of them Leadership Asheville Program graduates, were on hand to listen to the keynote address given by Michelle Moog-Koussa, who told the story of her father’s invention of the synthesizer. Ms. Moog-Koussa also spoke about the Bob Moog Foundation, which is dedicated to promoting the important role music plays in the educational learning process among elementary aged children in Western North Carolina.

Leadership Asheville presented two awards at the luncheon. Their Community Trustee Award went to Richard Hurley, a recently retired LA Board member and a graduate of LA 2. Scott Higgins, Dean of the Graduate School at WCU presented the Western North Carolina Youth award to Maggie Lyons from Erwin High School.

Leadership Asheville is dedicated to enhancing community leadership by developing, connecting, and mobilizing citizens throughout the region. Leadership Asheville is made possible through the generous support of its Contributing Partners: The Grove Park Inn Resort & Spa, The University of North Carolina at Asheville, Volvo Construction Equipment North America, The Van Winkle Law Firm, Mission Health System, Nantahala Outdoor Center, Wachovia, Morosani & Associates, Blueprints for Business, T3 Creative Group, Magellan Strategy Group, and TD Bank.

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