

Library Offers Fun For All Ages

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The Town of Mooresville offers an assortment of recreational activities through parks, sports fields, recreation centers and downtown citizen center. The Town's most visited facility, however, is the Mooresville Public Library. The Mooresville Public Library averages over 20,000 patron visits every month. This does not include online usage, where many of the library's services and information are available.

Several of the most popular library programs are offered every month, and there is a program for every age. Library programs also include appealing activities for many interests, and they are all free of charge.

Among the newest and most popular programs is Coffee and Coloring for Grown-Ups. Every Tuesday at 2 p.m., adults are invited for a relaxing activity, coffee and conversation.

Another popular program is the Knitting Group, which meets every Thursday at 2 p.m. All ages and experience levels are welcome in this course to create, share and enjoy new crafts.

A third specialty program offered at the library is Reading with Baron. Entering its third year, the youth services department offers children the chance to read to Baron, a long-haired German Shepherd who is a certified therapy dog. Baron visits the library for an hour every Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 p.m.

Specialty programs in February include:

Stay & Play - February 3 & 24 at 10:30 a.m.

Drop in with your little one for free play time. Enjoy the tunnel, stepping stones, kitchen and lots more. For children ages Birth - 3 years.

Love is in the Air - February 10 at 11 a.m.

Make fun Valentine's Day crafts including a hearts, bumble bees and more. For children ages 3 - 5, and registration is required for this event.



Going to the Dogs - February 14 at 11 a.m.

Meet other dog lovers and participate in dog-themed activities, such as making homemade treats and toys for your furry friend. Open to adults.

Learn & Play Sensory Story Time - February 18 at 11 a.m.

A 30 minute interactive program designed for children ages 2 - 10 with developmental disabilities and challenges (all inclusive). A parent/guardian/caretaker must be present. Registration is required.

Acts of Kindness Club - February 21 at 4:30 p.m.

Create simple projects for others in the community (assisted living center, humane society, etc.). For children in graded K - 7th, and registration is required.

Create & Learn - February 28 at 10 a.m.

This activity is for adults with special needs or learning disabilities. Have fun and make new friends while exploring different creative activities.

For more information on any of these or other programs offered at the library, call 704-664-2927.



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FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

Blessings in a Time of Transition



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704-663-1026

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704-799-4070

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704-664-1338

GOLF COURSE
704-663-2539

LIBRARY
704-664-2927

PLANNING
704-662-7040

POLICE (NON-EMERGENCY)
704-664-3311

SANITATION
704-664-4278

SELMA BURKE CENTER
704-799-4035

TALBERT RECREATION CENTER
704-799-4281

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704-663-2670

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704-663-3800

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704-662-7040

With 2017 in full swing, our country seems to be in a period of transition at all levels. On January 1, Roy Cooper was sworn in as the next Governor of North Carolina and three weeks later Donald Trump was sworn in as the 45th president of the United States. This article will not delve into political views, but rather focus on the blessings that we, as citizens of the Town of Mooresville, have.

One of those blessings is the quality of people leading Mooresville through the transition to a new Town Manager. As Deputy Town Manager Angel Wright-Lanier mentioned in last month's article, Mooresville was fortunate to have a man with Erskine's experience, vision and passion for his local government and community. Erskine's legacy will be seen for generations to come in all areas of Mooresville.

As we are now in the interim process, the Mooresville community is privileged to have a highly-qualified person to maintain Town business while the Town Board continues the search for a successor.

David Treme is the Interim Town Manager, and he shares Erskine's passion for public service. He was the City Manager of Salisbury for more than 25 years. He currently serves as a Senior Advisor for the North Carolina City/County Management Association and the International City/County Management Association.

He believes community service and community involvement go beyond the work we do as public servants. This belief is exemplified by David's involvement in the United Way, Salvation Army and Rowan Christian Assembly Church. His focus is on maintaining the strong customer service the Town already has and introducing his servant leadership model.

We, as a Town, are not only fortunate from a leadership standpoint, but also with the great projects that make Mooresville an ideal place to live, work and play. The golf club clubhouse is set to be finished in April, and combined with the course itself these will be tremendous assets to the community.

From an economic development standpoint, the new industrial park is open and has its first tenant,

Maclean-Fogg, with additional acreage available for future businesses.

Development continues to be strong with several new residential subdivisions and restaurants currently under construction. The Town is in the process of constructing the Patterson/Bell Street and Mooresville School Network Sidewalk and Utility projects.

The Town will soon be involved in the construction of several transportation projects at 115/150, Faith Road/115, 150/801 and Statesville Avenue/Main Street. Also this year a large community project in the Mill Village will improve road and utility infrastructure in the area.

Mooresville is similar to our state and country as we both seem to be in a state of transition. However, unlike most places, Mooresville is blessed because during these periods we have leaders in place that see a long-term vision for the Town.

I'm confident the next Town Manager will pick up where Erskine and David leave off. I wish you all a year that focuses on the many blessings that living in Mooresville provides.

Ryan Rase
Deputy Town Manager

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Indoor Concert Series 2017

The 2017 Music on Main Indoor Concert Series has arrived! From February through April, a different act will take the Joe V. Knox Auditorium stage at The Charles Mack Citizen Center. All concerts begin at 6:30 p.m., and ticket prices are \$20 for adult (14+) general admission, \$10 for children (under 14) general admission and \$40 for V.I.P. tickets and meet & greet passes.

February 18 - Chicago Reloaded

Chicago Reloaded is a tribute to "Chicago" – one of the longest running and most successful pop/rock groups in history with record sales topping 100,000,000 including 21 top 10 singles, five consecutive number one albums, 11 number one singles, and five gold singles. Chicago Reloaded comprises a unique blend of talented and seasoned musicians from all over the Charlotte and Piedmont Triad areas, who have joined forces with the common goal of accurately replicating the timeless music of "Chicago" – the soundtrack to great memories for so many people.

March 18 - Daniel D.

A contemporary violinist, Daniel D. crosses many genres from Hip-Hop, Jazz, RB, and Inspirational. He is more than an entertainer. He is a true performer who leaves his audience mesmerized and in awe. He graduated from Charleston School of the Arts and immediately went on tour. He has produced five albums with his most recent single making it to the top 50 of the Indie Charts.

April 15 - Stephen Freeman as Elvis

Freeman's tribute to Elvis Presley started professionally in 1998 and he has since performed in theaters all over the country, including multiple cruise ship performances. Freeman has also written, produced and starred in two plays about the life of Elvis. His "Tribute to Elvis" band has opened for Charlie Daniels and Lee Brice, and in 2009 Freeman won the Ultimate Elvis Tribute Artist Contest at Harrah's Cherokee Casino.

For more information about the performances or the Music on Main Indoor Concert Series, call 704-663-7026 or visit cmccmooreville.com.

News in Brief



Kids' Night Out – February 3 The Town's Cultural & Recreation Services is offering "Kids' Night Out," an evening of fun created just for children ages 5-13, on Friday, February 3. Hosted at the Selma Burke Center from 5:30 – 9 p.m. and for \$5 per child, Kids' Night Out offers food, drinks, snacks, gym activities and more for all to enjoy.

For more information, call 704-663-7026 or visit www.MooresvilleRecreation.org.

Mooresville Community Children's Theatre The Mooresville Community Children's Theatre brings "The Knight at Dawn" to the The Charles Mack Center February 3 - 5 and 10 - 12. Friday and Saturday performances will be at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m..



Ticket prices are \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors (62+) and \$10 for students (3- 18). For more information, visit www.MooresvilleChildrensTheatre.org.

Movies on Main – February 14 The Movies on Main film series continues Tuesday, February 14 at 7 p.m. with "Wizard of Oz." This classic tale features a young girl and her dog swept away during a tornado to the magical land of Oz.

The Movies on Main film series continues with one movie each month through May. All showings are at The Charles Mack Citizen Center, are appropriate for any age, and FREE of charge. For more information, visit cmccmooreville.com.

No Agenda Needed – February 28 The Town will hold the next "No Agenda Needed" community chat session on Tuesday, February 28 from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Brooklyn Brothers. These events give residents an opportunity to meet and talk with Town elected officials and staff. For more information, contact Kim Sellers, Public Information Officer, at ksellers@ci.mooreville.nc.us.

Volunteer Spotlight Each month, one individual is highlighted for his/her service to the Town through our volunteer program. This month's spotlight is David Conrad, chaplain of the Mooresville Police Department.

"I made a promise that I would spend my life blessing and helping all that the Holy Spirit led me to do. The opportunity came open for me to serve as chaplain in the Mooresville Police Department. Remembering a close friend who was a policeman, I realized this was what God wanted me to do."



Public Safety Academies 2017



Beginning in March, Mooresville Fire-Rescue and the Mooresville Police Department will again offer free academies for local residents to learn more about these respective departments. The classes will include a mixed format including hands-on activities and demonstrations, and provide attendees with a greater understanding of public safety officials in Mooresville.

Citizens Fire Academy

Mooresville Fire-Rescue's (MFR) Citizens Fire Academy is a 10 week program designed to give participants a better grasp of the daily activities of MFR. Beginning Thursday, March 16, classes will continue each Thursday night from 6 – 9 p.m. Classes will include lectures, live demonstrations, CPR certification and several participant involvement opportunities.

The program is FREE and open to anyone at least 18 years old who lives or works in Mooresville. Applications are available on the Town's website, ci.mooresville.nc.us, or at any Mooresville Fire-Rescue station.

For more information, call Mooresville Fire-Rescue at 704-664-1338.

Citizens Police Academy

The Mooresville Police Department's Citizens Police Academy will begin on Tuesday, March 7. This 10 week course is designed to give residents and business owners a glimpse into the life of a police officer.

Meetings will involve classroom presentations, simulations and interactive, hands-on activities. One of the main goals of this academy is to promote awareness, understanding and trust within community partners.

Class orientation begins on Tuesday, March 7 from 6:30 - 9 p.m. and classes run through the beginning of May with a graduation ceremony. Anyone interested should make plans to attend all classes. The Academy is open to Mooresville residents and business owners who are at least 18 years old. Applications are available at the Mooresville Police Department, 750 West Iredell Avenue, or on the Town's website.

For more information, call the Mooresville Police Department at 704-664-3311.

MARK
YOUR
CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 6
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWN HALL @ 6:00 P.M.

FEBRUARY 9
PLANNING BOARD
TOWN HALL @ 6:00 P.M.

FEBRUARY 14
MOVIES ON MAIN
CMCC @ 7:00 P.M.

FEBRUARY 16 & 17
TOWN BOARD RETREAT
WINSTON-SALEM

FEBRUARY 18
MUSIC ON MAIN
CMCC @ 6:30 P.M.

FEBRUARY 20
WATER BILLS DUE

FEBRUARY 20
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWN HALL @ 6:00 P.M.