

Mooresville Veterans Celebration 2017

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For the fourth consecutive year, the Town will host a Mooresville Veterans Celebration in honor of Veterans Day. This year's lineup features a week of enjoyment dedicated to veterans past and present.

Activities begin on Monday, November 6 with a special P.O.W. procession and flag ceremony. Beginning at 9 a.m. in front of Richard's Coffee Shop on Main Street, the public is invited to participate in a procession to Town Hall. Once at Town Hall, there will be a brief ceremony honoring P.O.W. veterans.

On Thursday, November 9 a Veterans Experience Action Center will be held at The Charles Mack Citizen Center. From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., veterans will have the chance to speak to Veterans Affairs staff and other community partners about assistance with their benefits. Over the last two years over \$1,000,000 in claims have been awarded.

Saturday, November 11 concludes the week's festivities with a day of activities for all ages. The day begins with a flag ceremony at Glenwood Cemetery promptly

at 11 a.m. At noon, a parade will begin at the intersection of McLelland Avenue and South Main Street. The parade will proceed north ending at Town Hall. Female veterans will be grand marshals of the parade this year.

Participants in the parade will include classic cars, military vehicles, including trucks, trailers, jeeps and personnel carriers, Boy Scout troops, Patriot Guard Riders, high school marching bands and much more. Immediately following the parade many of the classic cars and military vehicles will be parked and on display at Town Hall.

Once at Town Hall, a free lunch will be provided and there will be a special ceremony to honor this year's parade grand marshals. Also at Town Hall, a tribute concert to all veterans featuring Throwback Thursday will conclude the day's activities.

For more information on this year's veterans celebration activities, visit MooresvilleVeteransCelebration.com



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Everyone knows about the water cycle. You've seen the diagrams that show water evaporating from the ocean (or any other body of water) creating clouds. The clouds then blow across the land and drop rain, snow and other precipitation, watering the soil. The water not absorbed into the earth makes its way to streams and eventually back to the ocean. This is commonly referred to as Nature's Water Cycle.

But what many people may not know is the Human Water Cycle. This is the water cycle we, as humans, use to move water from rivers, streams and oceans into water treatment plants where it is filtered, treated and made safe for human consumption.

The treated water is then pumped into a potable water system, a series of pipes and tanks, for people to use for drinking, cleaning, cooking, irrigation, fire protection, etc.

The majority of this water, after being used, goes into a sanitary sewer or stormwater system, which is a completely different set of pipes and pumps. This system isolates the used water, which is now sewage and can be toxic, from the natural environment so the environment is not contaminated.

From the sanitary sewer or stormwater system, the water goes to a wastewater treatment plant, where the sewer water is processed and cleaned. This water is then sent back into the natural environment, cleaner than it was when first taken out to be processed at the water treatment plant. It's also ready to be used again in the next water system!

Keep in mind these water and wastewater treatment plants are specially designed by highly trained people to make our water clean and safe. Once operational, it takes another set of highly trained individuals to run these plants and make sure nothing goes wrong.

Both the Nature's Water Cycle and the Human Water Cycle are important. Negative impacts from nature's cycle we commonly see happen as droughts or floods. We have all seen or experienced these impacts to differing degrees.

The other cycle, the human cycle, is not natural. While we often use natural processes to do some of the work, it takes detailed planning, a depth of understanding, years of training, education and most of all it takes uncompromising, conscientious work by a group of people known as public utility employees.

These men and women are not flashy, they are just people who know the communities they live and work in rely on them for the basic necessity of life – water! Here in the United States we assume that clean water will always be there, but if you go to other parts of the world you will find that's not the case.

Water is a precious resource we often take for granted. To show how precious a resource water is consider this...only 3% of all the water on earth is drinkable, yet somehow this water is able to sustain life for over seven billion people.

Let us not forget those people who provide for us this basic necessity of life, and those who protect the environment by purifying this necessity once we contaminate it. Remember these folks the next time you drink a glass of cold, clean water.

If you see these employees out and about working in town, please thank them for their dedication, providing us with this life giving substance and for guarding our environment!

-Public Utilities Department

Please send any questions or suggestions for a future issue to the address below:

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November Library Programs 2017

November offers activities and programs for all ages at the Mooresville Public Library. These are led by Town staff or professionals in the career field. Please note, some events require prior registration.

Adult Activities

Senior Appreciation Day

November 3 @ 9:30 a.m.

Seniors are invited to come for light breakfast refreshments and watch the newly released movie, Churchill (PG).

Crafterdark: Yarn Wreaths

November 7 @ 6:00 p.m.

Create your own yarn wreath just in time for the Autumn season. Program will be in the Selma Burke Room. Registration required.

Non-Fiction Book Club

November 22 @ 10:00 a.m.

Join our group discussion of Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and The Birth of the FBI by David Grann. The library will provide a copy of the book for you to check out. Registration required.

Zentangle Holiday Cards

November 27 @ 2:00 p.m.

Create your own holiday cards using Zentangle techniques. No prior knowledge is required. This program will be in the Selma Burke Room.

Youth Activities

After School Lego Club

November 7 @ 6:00 p.m.

Use your imagination to create with Legos. This program is for children in grades K-7. This program supports STEM learning.

Tween Time: Game Challenges

November 8 @ 4:00 p.m.

Have fun trying to complete game challenges in a minute or less. Program is for children in grades 4-7. Registration required.

Thankful Turkey Fun

November 9 @ 1:00 p.m. & November 17 @ 11:00 a.m.

Listen to a holiday story then make a thankful turkey to take home. Program is for children 3-6 years old. Registration required.

For more information about these programs or any event at the library, call 704-664-2927.

News in Brief



Speaker's Bureau The Town welcomes invitations from neighborhood and HOA groups to answer questions related to land use, future growth, public safety, sanitation services or recreation programs provided by the Town. If you have an HOA or neighborhood group that meets regularly and wishes to host a Town staff member, please contact Kim Sellers, Public Information Officer, at 704-799-4011 or ksellers@ci.mooresville.nc.us to schedule a date and time to meet.

Working Fingers Craft Show – November 4

This year marks the 41st Annual Working Fingers Craft Show. Enjoy this hand-made holiday market featuring the best local and regional artists, crafters and bakers at The Charles Mack Citizen Center on Saturday, November 4 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free and the event is open to the public.

November Holiday Schedule Town offices and facilities will be closed for the Veterans Day holiday on Friday, November 10. There will be no delays for residential sanitation and recycling customers that week.

Also, Town offices and facilities will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24. Sanitation and recycling services will be delayed one day for Thursday residential customers only.

Christmas Parade – November 21 The 73rd annual Mooresville Christmas Parade will be held on Tuesday, November 21 beginning at 3:30 p.m.

The parade will begin at the intersection of Statesville Avenue & Main Street, travel south along Main Street, and end at Merino's Home Furnishings.

This free event is open to the public.



For more information about the 2017 parade, call 704-213-8775 or visit www.MooresvilleChristmasParade.com.

Overdue Library Books – Never Too Late

It's never too late to turn in overdue library books, CDs or DVDs. When items are returned, the library is able to purchase new material instead of replacing items never returned. You don't have to go inside the library. Patrons can drop overdue materials in the return boxes located outside the main entrance doors.

For more information, call 704-664-2924 or visit www.MooresvilleLibrary.org.

Thanksgiving Turkey Safety

Statistically, Thanksgiving is one of the most observed holidays in the United States every year. This food-focused holiday, however, brings the potential for food-borne illnesses. Follow these tips to prevent sickness or injury:

1) Defrost the Turkey Properly Thaw in the refrigerator (every 4-5 lbs. needs one day to thaw). Submerge the turkey in leak-proof packaging in cold water (30 minutes per pound).

2) Cook Immediately After Thawing Avoid slow or partial cooking, and maintain a cooking temperature of at least 165 degrees.

3) Don't Carve Right Away Give the juices time to settle before carving the turkey. On aver-

age, 20 minutes is recommended. This also gives the turkey time to cool.

4) Serve & Store Properly When serving, keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold. Refrigerate leftovers promptly (no more than two hours after food has been served).

5) Three Day Rule Leftovers should be eaten within three days of first being served. The risk for food-borne illness increases significantly when consuming food more than three days old.

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

MARK
YOUR
CALENDAR

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

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

NOVEMBER 10
VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY
TOWN OFFICES CLOSED

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

NOVEMBER 20
WATER BILLS DUE

NOVEMBER 23 & 24
THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
TOWN OFFICES CLOSED

Leaf Collection Around Town

The Town collects more than 1,000 tons of leaves every year. As a reminder, yard debris, including loose leaves, are collected the day after your garbage. Mooresville residents can rake leaves to the curb for automated pick-up - DO NOT bag your leaves. The only object that can be mixed with loose leaves is grass clippings. Piles containing brush, branches, dirt, brick concrete or rocks will NOT be collected.

Leaf removal is important, especially for newly seeded lawns. Young grass without light will die more quickly than established turf. Leaves that remain on fescue seedlings can also increase rot conditions by creating a dark, damp climate. Leaf removal should be done on a regular basis (every 7 - 10 days) as opposed to waiting until all the leaves have fallen and collecting them all at once.

While young grass is still around, you're better off using a blower to remove leaves, since a rake can injure the young grass or remove seedlings from the soil.



For more information, contact the Town's Sanitation Department at 704-664-4278.