

Mecklenburg County Manager's "Board Bulletin"

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BOARD BULLETIN

An update to the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners from the County Manager

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NACo Wrap Up

I would like to thank the more than 160 volunteers who helped make the National Association of Counties (NACo) annual conference a tremendous success.

The conference, which drew thousands, provided county officials with a great opportunity to vote on NACo's policies related to federal legislation and regulation, learn about innovative county programs, find out about issues affecting counties across the country and view products and services from participating companies and exhibitors.

Mecklenburg County Participates in the Race to the Beach Challenge

Mecklenburg County will once again participate as a partner in the Race to the Beach Clean Commute Challenge July 13 through August 23.

The challenge, which is open to open to City and County employees and the public, encourages commuters in the Charlotte metro region to seek alternatives to driving alone to work. Their efforts help reduce air pollution and earn them a chance to win great prizes, such as a weekend getaway to the beach.

The biggest air quality problem in the Charlotte region is ground-level ozone (the main ingredient in "smog"). It mainly comes from tailpipe emissions of cars and trucks. In large quantities, this pollutant can make our air "unhealthy" to breathe.

Even with cleaner cars and other new technology, our air could get worse as our population grows, endangering our health and reducing our quality of life. The good news is that all of us have the power to improve air quality through our actions.

For more information, visit www.RaceToTheBeach.com.

Groundbreaking Set for Friendship Sportsplex

On Thursday, Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation will officially break ground on phase I of

the Friendship Sportsplex near Friendship Missionary Baptist Church. The ceremony will take place at 10 a.m. near McAllister Drive and Missionary Ave.

This project will serve as a unique public-private partnership between Park and Rec and the church and will offer several amenities including softball fields, a picnic shelter and playground equipment.

Phase 1 is expected to be finished by 2016 with fields opening in 2017.

Employee Fest 2015

Mecklenburg County's Employee Fest 2015 will take place on Thursday, Oct. 8 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Freedom Park.

Similar to last year's event, Employee Fest 2015 will be a celebration of staff's hard work and will include recognition of Customer Service Heroes of the Year, Team of the Year and Employee of the Year.

Employee Fest 2015 will also feature diverse performances and interactive games throughout the day.

More information will be provided in the coming months.

CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Monday, July 27, noon – County Manager Dena R. Diorio will speak at the North Rotary meeting at Byron's South End, 101 W. Worthington Ave. Charlotte
- Tuesday, Aug. 4, 5-6 – BOCC Regular Meeting, Informal Session, CMGC CH14
- Tuesday, Aug. 4, 6 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Formal Session, CMGC Meeting Chamber

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