

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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Early Voting Underway

Early Voting for the 2015 General Election began on Thursday, Oct. 22 and will continue through Saturday, Oct. 31.

Eligible individuals may register and vote during the one-stop early voting period at any of the 17 [early voting locations](#) throughout the County.

For more information, including a location map, directions, and hours of operation, visit the [Board of Elections Web page](#).

@meckcounty to Host Twitter Chat with Health Director about Breast and Cervical Cancer Screenings

On Tuesday, Oct. 27, the County ([@meckcounty](#) on Twitter) will host a Twitter chat about the Health Department's Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program featuring Health Director Dr. Marcus Plescia.

The Twitter chat will include topics like the importance of getting checked for breast and cervical cancer, barriers to getting checked and how to reach the most at risk populations.

Twitter Chat Details:

- When: Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2015, 3 p.m.-4 p.m.
- Where: Twitter – Follow [@meckcounty](#) and [#meckcheckchat](#) to participate
- Who: Mecklenburg County and County Health Director Dr. Marcus Plescia. This is an open chat so anyone interested in participating is welcome to join the conversation.

For more information contact Rebecca Carter at 980-314-2820 or Rebecca.Carter@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

DSS Wins Best Practice Award in Community Collaborations

Congratulations are in order for the Care Transitions Program at the Department of Social Services. It has won a Best Practice Award in the area of Community Collaboration, during the

annual North Carolina Association of County Directors of Social Services Institute on Oct. 22 in Hickory, NC.

The Care Transitions Program is an excellent example of how community collaboration can meaningfully address a shared concern and achieve an improved outcome for all involved. The program is designed to reduce 30 day readmissions to hospitals for individuals with comorbidity diagnoses such as congestive heart failure, diabetes and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease by providing social work and a bundled service package including transportation, in-home meals and aide services.

Earlier this year, the Care Transition Program also won a National Association of Counties Achievement Award. It's more great exposure for a great program.

For more information about this award, contact Darrell Cunningham at 980-314-6467 or Darrell.Cunningham@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

First Ward Park Set to Open Dec. 8

Let me be the first to invite you to the dedication ceremony for First Ward Park, your newest park in uptown Charlotte.

The ceremony, hosted by Park and Recreation, will take place on Dec. 8, 10:30 a.m. – noon, and will include light refreshments, musical presentations by area schools and brief remarks from local dignitaries. Parking will be available at 422 E. Ninth St.

After the dedication, join us from noon until 7 p.m. for music, hot chocolate and park tours. We'll turn on the park's holiday lights around 5 p.m.

The 4-acre park will enhance the outdoor recreational opportunities for nearby residents and students at UNC Charlotte Uptown and will host year-round programs and festivities. A larger grand opening celebration will take place next April.

If you plan to attend the dedication, please RSVP to Lori.Saylor@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Tuesday, Oct. 27, 3 p.m. – BOCC Special Budget/Public Policy Meeting, CMGC Room 267
- Wednesday, Nov. 4, 5 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Informal Session, CMGC CH14
- Wednesday, Nov. 4, 6 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Formal Session, CMGC Meeting Chamber

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