

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND YOUR CITY



# INSIDE HIGH POINT

## September 2016

**The Library donates new materials to the Macedonia Family Resource Center.**

**We need YOU for the High Point Big Sweep!**

**The Mayor issues a proclamation for National Recovery Month.**

**The Fire Dept. receives international accreditation!**

**The PD was recognized as having the best designed Dodge Charger!**

**Local Foods, Local Places, the Library receives a grant from the Federal Government.**

# CITY HIGHLIGHT HIGH POINT PUBLIC LIBRARY



## MACEDONIA FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

On September 1, the High Point Library replaced numerous items from the Macedonia Family Resource Center's Technology Access Point Library. Educational & business support materials were all a part of those items. Many of the old books were well outdated and not very helpful for those seeking support. The following items were replaced; New World Book Encyclopedia's, ACT Prep, SAT Prep, Occupational Outlook, 2017 Ultimate Scholarships/Grants, ASVAB Practice, GED Test and a host of others.

Pridell L. McCormick, Executive Director of the Macedonia Family Resource Center, said, "The impact the replacement materials will have on the members of the community cannot be measured. We could not be more grateful to those at our High Point Public Library for their commitment and interest in serving our community."



# CITY OF HIGH POINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The High Point Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors met on September 7 at The BB&T Leadership Institute located in Piedmont Centre. Director Will Sutton welcomed the board and explained the history of the institute and how it has expanded its services over time. The institute primarily focuses on companies with \$50 million and up in sales through self-assessment, leadership development, coaching, consulting, decision making, conflict resolution, succession planning, and more.

In addition to regular business, the High Point EDC board welcomed its new liaison, Ray Gibbs, the Executive Director of Forward High Point, who was voted in unanimously.



# CITY OF HIGH POINT SAFETY AND HEALTH

## CITY EMPLOYEE WINS THE GOLD!

Jean Alexander has been working with Safety and Health participating in many programs they have offered including: *Weight Watcher's*, *Walk the Beach*, and *Summer Olympics for Employees*.

The City of High Point hosted their very own Summer Olympics for Employees. Each Employee had the opportunity to compete in:

- Sleep
- Fruit & Vegetable Intake
- Physical Activity
- Water Intake

While there were many participants, only one Employee managed to receive a **GOLD** medal in **ALL** four events!

Congratulations to Jean Alexander from the Material Recycling Facility!

Jean has lost over 30 pounds during the past 8 months and still losing!



**Local Foods, Local Places helps people create walkable, healthy, economically vibrant neighborhoods through local food enterprise. The White House Rural Council and six federal agencies selected 27 communities to participate in Local Foods, Local Places in 2016. A team of experts will help community members set goals and plan projects. Projects include farmer's markets, local food cooperatives, community gardens, and other food-related enterprises that can boost local economies and drive downtown and neighborhood revitalization. Local Foods, Local Places helps communities to implement their plans by accessing federal programs and attracting private investment. The City of High Point was fortunate enough to receive this grant and we have come up with some great ideas on how to bring the community together at the library.**



# CITY OF HIGH POINT CITY COUNCIL



## PROCLAMATION

**William S. Bencini, Jr., Mayor of the City of High Point, proclaimed the month of September 2016 as “NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH” in The City of High Point. He called upon the citizens of High Point to observe this month with appropriate programs, activities, and ceremonies to support this year’s Recovery Month theme: “Join the Voices for Recovery: Our Families, Our Stories, Our Recovery!”**

## PROCLAMATION...

**WHEREAS,** National Recovery Month has been celebrated every September since 1989 and is sponsored by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; and

**WHEREAS,** National Recovery Month raises awareness and increased understanding of substance abuse and mental illness issues. National Recovery Month spreads the positive message that behavioral health is essential to overall health and that people can recover; and

**WHEREAS,** National Recovery Month advocates for treatment for substance use disorders and mental health disorders by increasing awareness of the plights of addiction and the effectiveness of proper treatment; and

**WHEREAS,** National Recovery Month is a platform to celebrate people in all forms of recovery and those who serve them, inspiring others to seek recovery each year; and

**WHEREAS,** National Recovery Month emphasizes the importance of speaking out about recovery with this year’s theme, “Join the Voices for Recovery: Our Families, Our Stories, our Recovery!”; and

**WHEREAS,** National Recovery Month promotes recovery, behavioral health and one’s overall wellness and prevention of mental and/or substance use disorders, and that recovery is effective, and people recover in our area and around the nation;

**WHEREAS,** National Recovery Month encourages people with mental and/or substance use disorders to implement recovery plans, seek help for a problem, and guide those in need to appropriate treatment and services;

**WHEREAS,** National Recovery Month, in partnership with the long-term recovery, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), the White House Office of Behavioral Health and Wellness (OBHW), the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (NSAC), the National Center on Mental Health and Substance Abuse (NCMHSA), the National Center on Substance Abuse and Treatment (NCSAT), the National Center on Youth and Substance Abuse (NCYSA), the National Center on Women and Substance Abuse (NCWSA), the National Center on the Prevention of Suicide (NCPs), and Caring Services, Inc. of High Point invite all residents to observe National Recovery Month; and

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William S. Bencini, Jr., Mayor of the City of High Point, do hereby pro-



# CITY OF HIGH POINT HIGH POINT BIG SWEEP

[www.highpointnc.gov/BigSweep](http://www.highpointnc.gov/BigSweep)



HIGH POINT **2016**  
**big sweep**

**SATURDAY**  
**October 1<sup>st</sup>**

**9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.**

**High Point Insurance Center Parking Lot**  
**1300 East Hartley Drive**

*Cleanup supplies, food, and beverages provided.*

**Sign Up Today!**



# CITY OF HIGH POINT FLEET SERVICES

## BEST DESIGNED DODGE CHARGER

City of High Point employees, Fleet Director Gary Smith, Lt. Al Ferguson and Officer Brandon worked on the new Dodge Charger for the High Point Police Department. They were awarded "Best Dodge Charger" by Law and Order Magazine in their latest edition! The design of the cars includes the blue stripe which is an updated, more modern version of the stripe their cars carried for years. The badge was meticulously redrawn with greater detail and color for higher visibility. The word POLICE is displayed in bold 'High Point Blue' letters to match the stripe. Their shoulder patch and ghost graphic chevrons were added to the front and rear. Congratulations to the HPPD on their award and for being recognized in a national publication!

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**POLICE FLEET EXPO 2016**

**COVER STORY** 2016 Police Vehicle Design Contest

**BEST FORD PI SEDAN**  
Dunbar Police Department  
Dunbar, WV

Dunbar Police Department chose this design because of the way it looks and 'pops' during the day. They chose the black, grey, and white color scheme due to the old Dunbar High School colors. Reflective material was used; everyone in the department was instrumental in the design from the patrolman to the captain.

**JUDGES' COMMENTS:**  
We like the dark-to-light gradient on the POLICE lettering, and the white striping on the black is sharp. It's a clean, bold, and easy-to-read graphic design.

**BEST DODGE CHARGER**  
City of High Point Police Department  
High Point, NC

Gary Smith, Fleet Director; Lt. Al Ferguson; and Officer Brandon Land spearheaded the proposal. The blue stripe is an updated, more modern version of the stripe their cars carried for years. The badge was meticulously redrawn with greater detail and color for higher visibility. The word POLICE is displayed in bold 'High Point Blue' letters to match the stripe. Their shoulder patch and ghost graphic chevrons were added to the front and rear.

**JUDGES' COMMENTS:**  
The two-tone blue is a nice accent; the POLICE lettering is prominent. The chevrons on the back look like ghost graphics and we like the placement of the patch.

**BEST SUV**  
Village of New Knoxville Police Department  
Auglaize County, OH

The Village of New Knoxville Police Department replaced a 2006 Chevy Impala with a 2015 Ford Utility Police Interceptor. The graphics were picked and purchased through carreflections.com. They are made from a 3M vinyl. They have had a lot of positive feedback from the community on the new style and look of the police car.

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**BEST REAR WARNING**  
Eagle County Sheriff's Office  
Eagle, CO

Sheriff James Van Beek took office in January of 2015. He and his staff worked closely with a vehicle graphics supplier to come up with a new 'updated and fresh' look for the agency while remaining in touch with tradition. In recent years, they went with the 'low profile' or 'stealth chevrons' on the rear bumper for nighttime rear-end safety. They decided to go for more of a high-visibility look for the rear end to provide a higher level of safety.

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# HIGH POINT MUSEUM

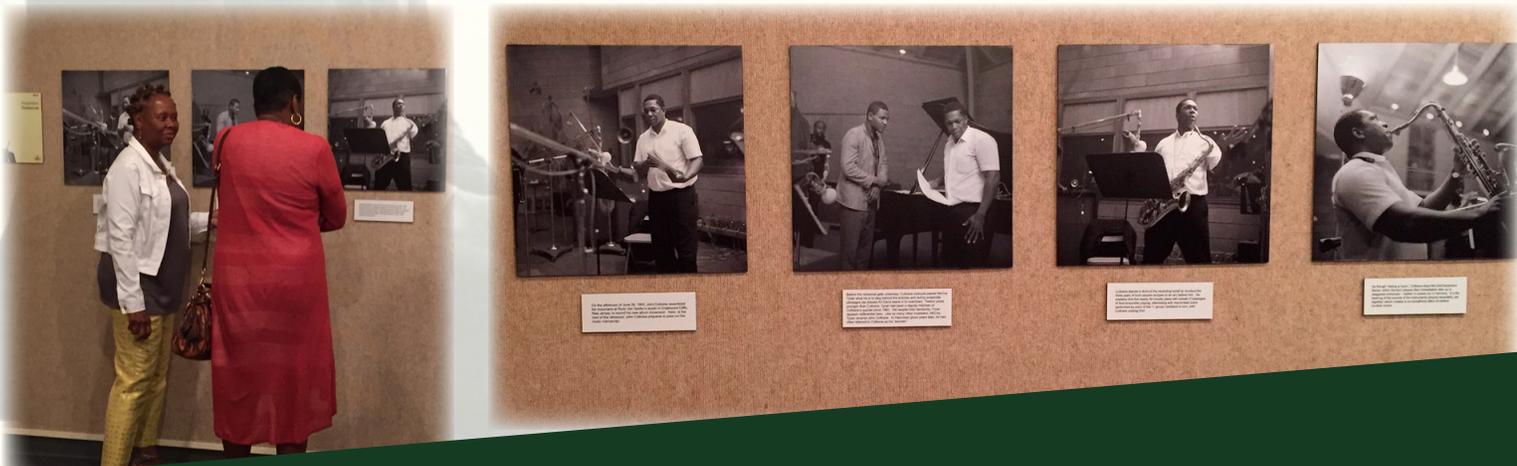
This year marks John Coltrane's 90th birthday, September 23, 1926, and the 50th anniversary of the release of his recording, *Ascension*. And to commemorate the High Point Museum opened a photographic exhibit: *John Coltrane's Ascension: Photographs by Chuck Stewart* Friday, September 2. A reception was held Friday, September 2 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. The exhibit will be on display until Saturday, November 19.

The recording session was shot by photographer Chuck Stewart. Some images were used for the album but others have never been published. The 20 photographs document four events during that day: the rehearsal, the first-take playback, the break and the second-take playback. Stewart did not take pictures during the actual recording.

*Ascension*, a powerful and controversial musical statement then, it is now considered a landmark in the development of jazz. Coltrane brought together a large ensemble for a studio session on June 28, 1965. They recorded only one song — a 40 minute long piece of music, divided over Side One and Side Two of a vinyl disc.

Stewart's 70-year career of documenting music history is legend. He is known as one of the top photographers in jazz, responsible for over 2,000 album covers, as well as publicity photos of hundreds of musicians at concerts, in clubs and recording studios. Most notable are his album covers for Impulse Records in the 1950s and 1960s, Stewart also is responsible for many of our iconic images of America's jazz musicians.

Funding for this exhibit provided by the Hayden-Harman Foundation



# CITY OF HIGH POINT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

## \$22,500

DOWN PAYMENT  
ASSISTANCE

# CORE CITY

## IN THE MARKET FOR A NEW HOME?

The City of High Point and the NC Housing Finance Agency both offer down payment assistance programs with the possibility of **\$22,500** in down payment assistance within the Core City area of High Point.



For more information & to apply:

[CLICK HERE](#)



# CITY OF HIGH POINT POLICE DEPARTMENT

## POLICE CHAPLAINS RESOLUTION

Office of the Mayor  
City of High Point  
North Carolina

### Resolution...

**WHEREAS,** Police Chaplains have supported the High Point Police Department as a volunteer program for 30 years; and,

**WHEREAS,** Police Chaplains are either Reserve Officers or Associate Reserve Officers and do not receive payment for their contributions; and,

**WHEREAS,** Police Chaplains are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week, developing monthly schedules to ensure coverage and availability to respond to assist the Police Department. This is in addition to their other full time responsibilities; and,

**WHEREAS,** Police Chaplains provide countless services to include counseling for officers and employees in the aftermath of tragic incidents as well as during troubling personal family matters and other issues that may arise; and,

**WHEREAS,** Police Chaplains assist in numerous death notifications by supporting our officers as they inform individuals upon the death of a loved one; and,

**WHEREAS,** Police Chaplains console and support these citizens during one of the most tragic days of their lives, helping them to understand the process and steps of what will come; and,

**WHEREAS,** Police Chaplains answer questions and assist families in making related arrangements while constantly monitoring them for their own safety and well-being; and,

**WHEREAS,** Police Chaplains support the community through their presence, serving as ambassadors for the Police Department as they provide support for law enforcement efforts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that it is the desire of the High Point City Council to present this resolution to our High Point Police Department to express appreciation for their unselfish devotion and service to the families in the High Point community.



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The City of High Point Police Department wants to thank the Police Chaplains for their 30 years of service as a volunteer organization. They are very important to the Department and are always on call! The Police Chaplains help officers deal with tragic situations and help with countless other services. They were recently recognized with a resolution by the Mayor at High Point City Council.



# CITY OF HIGH POINT FIRE DEPARTMENT



## HPFD RECEIVES ACCREDITATION

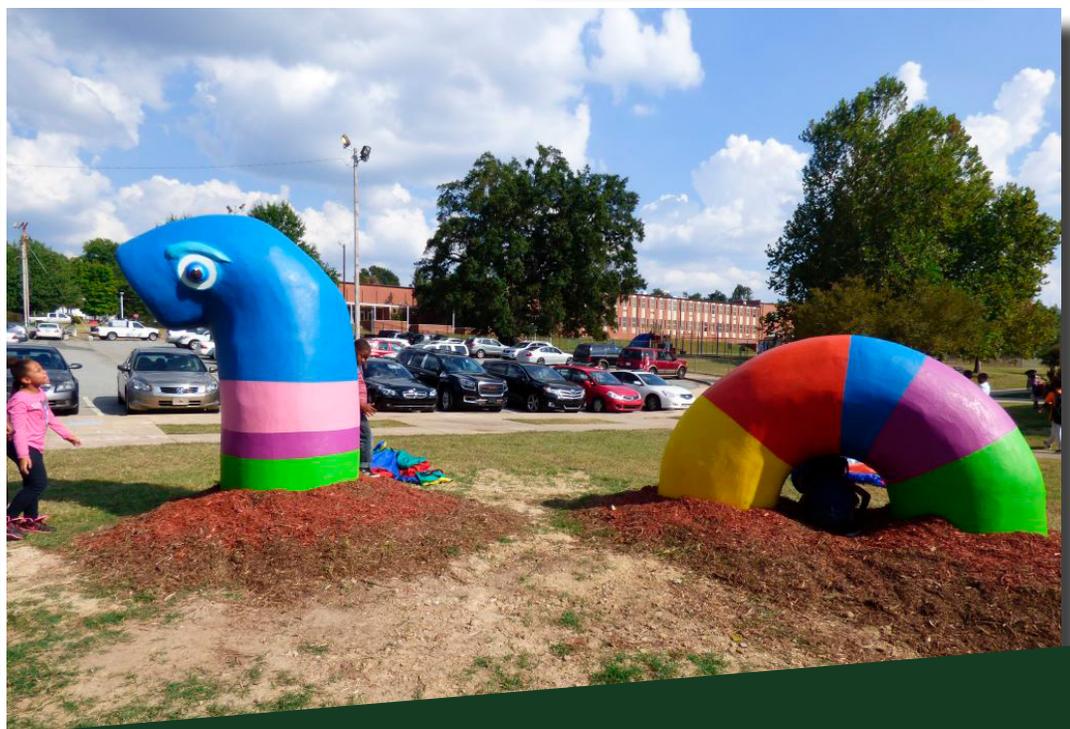
The High Point Fire Department has received Accredited Agency status with the Commission on Fire Accreditation International (CFAI) for meeting the criteria established through the CFAI's voluntary self-assessment and accreditation program. The HPFD is one of only 234 agencies to achieve Internationally Accredited Agency status with the CFAI and the Center for Public Safety Excellence, INC. (CPSE), and one of only 38 agencies to achieve both Accredited Agency status as well as an Insurance Services Office (ISO) 1 rating.

HPFD stated that the agency's achievement of Accredited Agency status "demonstrates the commitment of the agency to provide the highest quality of service to our community." HPFD also said, "We have also been able to use the Commission on Fire Accreditation International's process as a proactive mechanism to plan for the future of this agency and locate areas where we can improve on the quality of the services we provided."



# CITY OF HIGH POINT PARKS AND RECREATION

**“Wonder: Beauty from Unseen Places” is a \$12,000 35-foot-long molded concrete sculpture created by High Point artist Brian Davis. The creation is located in front of the Southside Recreation Center in Southside Park, home of a High Point Boys and Girls Club and adjacent to Fairview Elementary School and the Southwest Greenway. “Wonder” is the first in a planned series of public art along the Southwest Greenway being sponsored by the Southwest Renewal Foundation.**



# CITY OF HIGH POINT PUBLIC SERVICES

On August 19, the Public Services Department issued a Citywide Boil Water notice to the citizens of High Point. Residents and business owners responded with questions, concern and fear that our water system had been contaminated with traces of E. coli. Public Services set up a decision making room and worked with the Communications and Public Engagement Department as well as the City Manager's Office to create and execute a plan to ensure there were no problems and that there was clean, safe and drinkable water for everyone. The crews worked around the clock and determined that the incident which caused the alarm was isolated to an outside faucet at a private residence. The Boil Water notice was lifted at 5 p.m. the following day. The City wants to thank everyone involved for their hard work during this stressful time and we appreciate everyone's part in ensuring we have one of the best water systems in the state!



# CITY OF HIGH POINT PUBLIC SERVICES

## Are you sure your water is safe to drink? How do you know?

The boil water notice recently brought the critical nature of these questions into sharp focus for the City of High Point. There are over 80 professionals in the Public Services Department responsible for assuring the citizens' homes have fresh water. Lab Services tests every level of the process from the time water is collected from the lakes, before it is processed into clean drinking water to the time it is collected, cleaned and put back into rivers downstream for someone else to use. The state issues permits to operate our water and wastewater plants to use the water resources of North Carolina. These tests must be performed to confirm compliance and public health's safety 365 days a year.

Lab Services is the "CSI – Water" that looks for threats such as heavy metals, pathogens, and other things that could harm our water and wastewater. They recommend corrective action or enforcement if needed. In addition, they record the results and send these reports to the state every month for their review and approval.

Lab Services staff is trained in a wide range of science disciplines with various levels of experience and personal expertise. We have an excellent reputation in the state and national science community for achievement, integrity and efficient operations. Our staff are often sought in boards and advisory councils for many environmental matters that affect us all.



# HIGH POINT THEATRE



The Aluminum Show is the story of one man's incredible journey to a parallel universe – a futuristic planet made entirely of aluminum. Aluminum pipes come to life right before the audience's very eyes, transforming into imaginary, mysterious, and playful characters. Suitable for all ages & languages. Preview of show may be found by visiting [WWW.ALUMINUM-SHOW.COM](http://WWW.ALUMINUM-SHOW.COM)  
"An amazing visual show." BBC News, UK



**HPMKT**  
HIGH POINT MARKET

Invites You  
to be Our  
Guest!

To show our appreciation for all that you do, the High Point Market Authority would like to invite all City Employees to be our guest for The Aluminum Show, coming to the High Point Theatre on Monday evening, November 7, 2016.



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HIGH POINT MARKET



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