

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND YOUR CITY



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OCTOBER 2016

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The Main Street Project is about to start.

High Point Electric sends help to South Carolina in response to Hurricane Matthew!

The Finance Department receives special recognition!

CITY HIGHLIGHT

ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

HELPING TO RESTORE POWER

Sixteen members of the City of High Point's Electric Department headed to South Carolina to help restore power after Hurricane Matthew. After completing line work here in our own City, the crews left around 6p.m. on Saturday, October 8. They encountered multiple obstacles such as flooding, down trees and heavy rains. The normal 4-hour trip to the Myrtle Beach Area took over 8 hours. They cut downed trees and forged on to reach their destination. They stayed as long as possible to help restore power to those without. A big thank you to those who are helping our friends and neighbors to the south!



CITY OF HIGH POINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

“Excellence in Economic Development”

The Guilford County Economic Development Alliance – formed about 11 months ago by three local governments and two economic development agencies – has been recognized by the International Economic Development Council. GCEDA received an “Excellence in Economic Development Award” in the Regionalism and Cross-Border Collaboration category.

EDC HOLDS THEIR BOARD MEETING AT THE LIBRARY

The High Point Economic Development Corporation had their monthly board meeting at the High Point Public Library’s new business center. The Library staff made a presentation to the board on how they are using their knowledge and technology to help the community start, grow and sustain local small businesses here in High Point.



CITY OF HIGH POINT FINANCIAL SERVICES



ACHIEVEMENT FOR EXCELLENCE

The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting has been awarded to the City of High Point by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for its comprehensive annual financial report. The certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government organization and its management. Congratulations to the Financial Services Department of the City of High Point for this honor and achievement!

ARTS AND EDUCATION PLAZA IS OPEN

If you have driven by the Library lately, you may have noticed the construction going on! The Arts and Education Plaza is now completed and had its grand opening on October 21. A ribbon cutting ceremony, magic and music took place while people got to enjoy the venue for the first time. A lot of hard work, time and effort went into this new area and the Library is excited to open it up to the community!



CITY OF HIGH POINT HUMAN RELATIONS



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CITY OF HIGH POINT HIGH POINT BIG SWEEP

High Point
big sweep

The High Point Big Sweep Campaign was a successful event again this year! We had a total of 634 participants that came out on a beautiful Saturday morning to help clean up our great city. Throughout the morning 8,100 pounds of garbage, 1,100 pounds of recycling and 75 tires were collected! We had four times the amount of volunteers from last year and six times the amount of garbage and recycling! Thanks to all the volunteers, garbage crews and everyone who participated in such a great event!



HIGH POINT MUSEUM



LITTLE RED SCHOOLHOUSE

The Little Red Schoolhouse was moved Oct. 4 to its permanent location on the High Point Museum campus. There's still work to be done – including foundation, roof, flooring, painting and landscaping. Once all the work is completed the staff of the High Point Museum will use the facility for educational purposes and tour space. The High Point Historical Society is still working to raise funds to complete the restoration of the Little Red Schoolhouse. Anyone interested in donating can do so online or contact the High Point Museum at (336) 885-1859.



HISTORY ROCKS!



The sixth annual History Rocks! was held Saturday, Oct. 1. Three musicians (Brandon Snow, Lakota John Locklear and High Point's Tange Lomax) performed. High Point Police Department participated with a K9 demonstration, McGruff the Crime Dog, brought the bearcat and several officers on hand to talk with the community. We had approximately 300 people and raised over \$2,000 for the High Point Historical Society's Adopt-an-Artifact program.



CITY OF HIGH POINT FLEET SERVICES

NEW POLICE CAR WRAP



October was Breast Cancer Awareness month and during this time Fleet Services and the High Point Police Department rolled out their latest car. The pink paint scheme displayed by the police department's Dodge Charger is in support of Breast Cancer Awareness and in honor of those who have fought this disease and those who may have to fight breast cancer in the future! Let us know if you see it out on the road.



CITY OF HIGH POINT CONNECT HP

Connect HP, formerly known as the City of High Point's "Millennial Task Force," hosted the first-ever Plant the Greenway Day for the High Point Greenway. Volunteers spent the afternoon planting fruit trees and native flowers, which will result in increased biodiversity in High Point. The dozen young professionals who make up Connect HP chose this as its inaugural event for three reasons: First, Greenway space is an important factor in retaining and attracting young professionals to an area; Second, it helps the City of High Point meet its goal to Keep High Point Beautiful, and Third, it will help relieve the area's hunger problem through the planting of edible plants. Thanks to the volunteers and city employees who helped make this event a success!

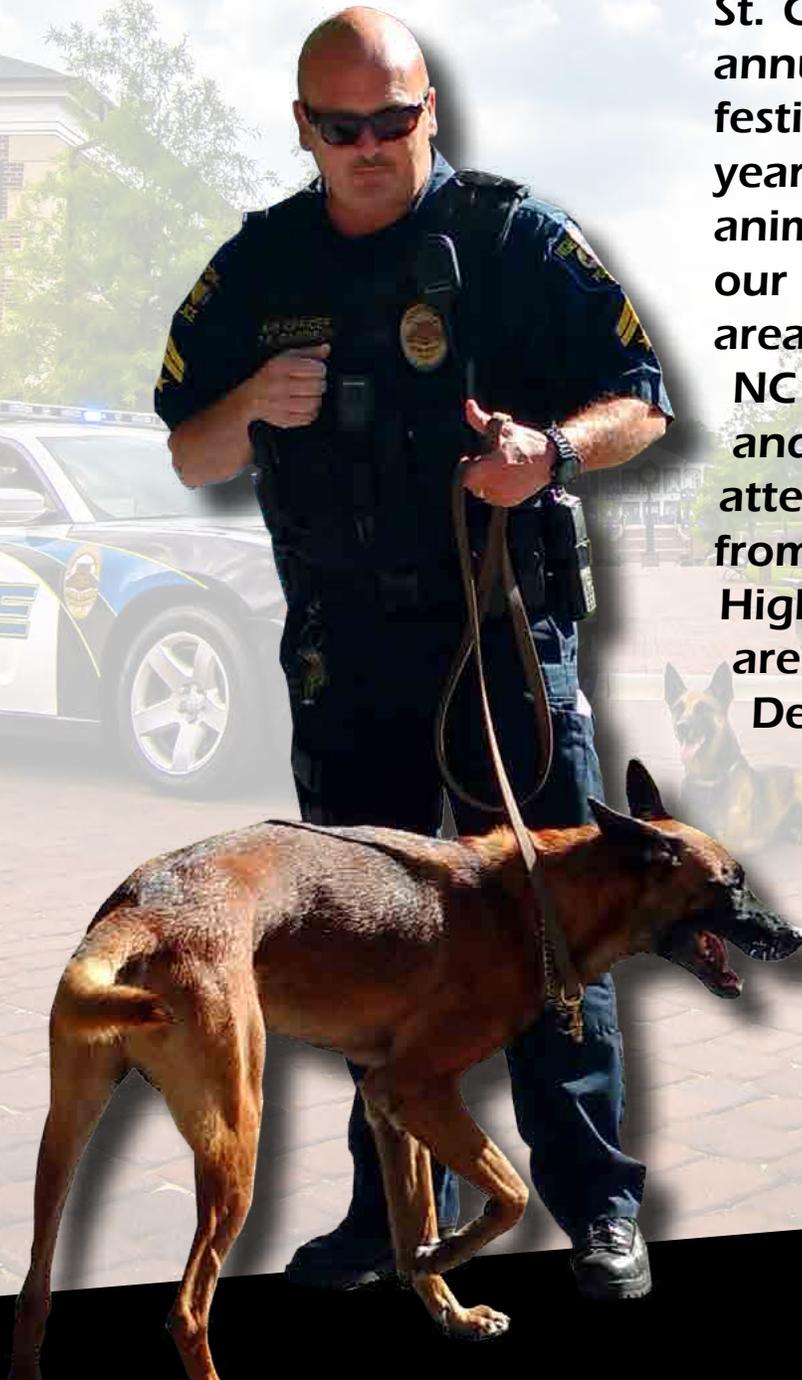




CITY OF HIGH POINT POLICE DEPARTMENT

K-9

St. Christopher's Church had its annual Blessing of the Animals festival this month. This is a yearly event that celebrates animals and the part they play in our lives. Representatives from area animal rescue groups, the NC Search and Rescue team and our own K-9 unit were in attendance. Officer Garrison from the PD talked about what High Point K-9's do, how they are trained, and how the Department utilizes them daily.



CITY OF HIGH POINT FIRE DEPARTMENT



PINK CARES

Pink Cares was formed as an organization to be exclusively charitable and educational in the field of life-altering diseases and disabilities. Members of the High Point Fire Department and members of the community volunteer their time to raise funds, attend events and allocate resources to people within our communities needing assistance with medical, pharmaceutical and hardship needs. Be on the lookout this month and throughout the year for the Pink Cares Fire Truck and help support this great cause!





CITY OF HIGH POINT PARKS AND RECREATION

Our Miracle League players got a special treat during their Skills Night earlier this month: a visit from Corey Kimber, who played baseball for the San Diego Padres! Corey loves working with kids and helping them love the game of baseball as much as he does. Special thanks to Corey and all the wonderful volunteers from the traveling baseball team WM9 for a great evening of fun and learning. The Miracle League of High Point is in need of volunteer assistant coaches. If you are interested in volunteering, please call (336) 883-3469 to learn more.



NEW SIGNS

Parks and Recreation has started the process of updating signs at each city-owned park. You can see here an outdated sign at Armstrong Park which has been replaced by a more modern, updated sign. The signs are easily viewed and branded with the City logo! Let us know if you see one of these new signs in a park near you!

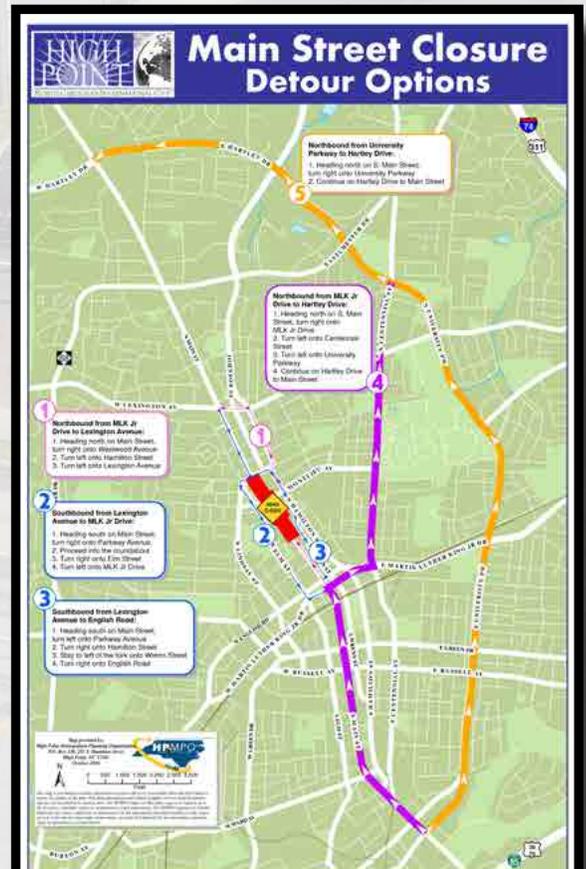
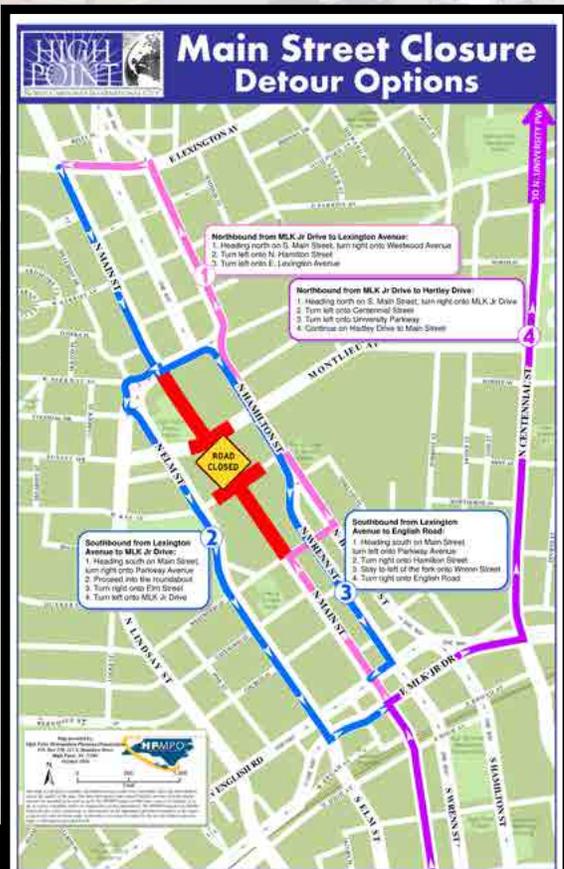


CITY OF HIGH POINT MAIN STREET PROJECT



THE MAIN STREET PROJECT

The City of High Point will begin work on a portion of Main Street beginning November 2. The work will stretch from Parkway Avenue to Westwood Avenue. The City of High Point and the Chamber of Commerce are working together with community partners to minimize impact to the surrounding businesses. Motorists will see signage in this area, directing them to all the businesses that are open. We encourage everyone to help support the Main Street businesses that are affected throughout this project. VISIT www.highpointnc.gov/mainstreetproject for more information!



CITY OF HIGH POINT PUBLIC SERVICES

FALL '16 FURNITURE MARKET!

The Environmental Services Division was collecting trash and loose cardboard from showrooms and businesses in the downtown area day and night.

The Material Recovery Division worked 24 hours a day to sort and separate cardboard and other recyclables collected from downtown. We have already shipped out 282 tons of cardboard and are anticipating over 500 tons again now that Market is over!



HIGH POINT THEATRE



The Aluminum Show Monday, November 7, 2016 – 7:30 PM \$20/\$25

A magical, mystery-filled creation where aluminum pipes come to life, transforming into imaginary, mysterious, and playful characters. *Suitable for all ages and all languages.

An Evening with George Winston Friday, November 11, 2016 – 8:00 PM \$35/\$30

Inspired by the seasons, Winston's concerts feature songs from his seasonal favorites "Autumn," "December," "Winter Into Spring," and "Summer," as well as Peanuts pieces from his Vince Guaraldi tribute albums. *Please join us in support of a local food bank by bringing a donation of canned food to the concert.



City of High Point residents and City employees receive a \$5 discount off each ticket for performances in our "Passport to Entertainment" professional artist's series. Contact the Theatre box office at (336) 887-3001 for more information.

Additional events scheduled for November include:

Nov. 4 – Opening ceremony for Special Olympics in the Mendenhall Transportation Terminal.

Nov. 5 – Go Far in the Mendenhall Transportation Terminal.

Nov. 5 – Film premier "March on the All American City" in the Theatre auditorium.

Nov. 18-20 – Bishop McGuinness High School presents "Miracle on 34th Street".

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