

# town voice

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## MEETINGS THIS MONTH

### December 2 and 16

#### *Agenda Briefings*

The Board of Commissioners will hold virtual agenda briefings before their regular meetings on December 2 and 16 at 8:30 a.m.

The meeting may be viewed at [mooresvillenc.gov/live](https://mooresvillenc.gov/live).

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### December 5 and 19

#### *Board of Commissioners Meetings*

The Board of Commissioners will meet December 5 and 19 at Town Hall, 413 North Main Street, at 6 p.m.

The meetings may also be viewed virtually at [mooresvillenc.gov/live](https://mooresvillenc.gov/live).

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### December 6

#### *Planning Board*

The Planning Board will hold its monthly meeting on December 6 at Town Hall, 413 North Main Street, at 6 p.m.

## Mooreville to Open Renovated Skate Park

The Town of Mooresville will open its renovated skate park on December 3 at 748 W. Iredell Avenue, providing Town residents and the surrounding area access to the largest skate park in the Carolinas and Mid-Atlantic.

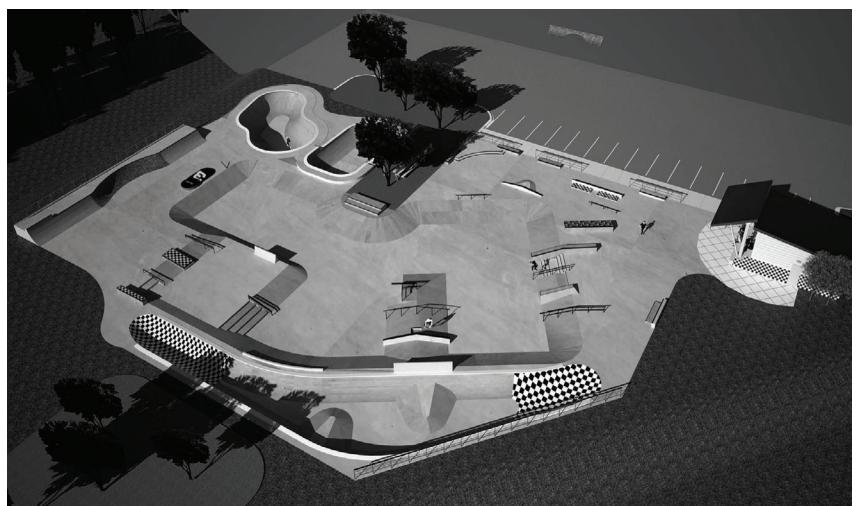
Town of Mooresville Parks & Recreation built the initial skate park in 2008 for \$436,000. It was a fenced concrete pad with rails, boxes, ledges, and used metal ramps. Phase 2 was supposed to add concrete bowls and an urban street course, but the Town halted the project when the recession hit the U.S. The Town repaired the former skate park several times during its 12-year lifespan and ultimately decided to tear it down and build a new one.

In February 2022, Mooresville Board of Commissioners unanimously approved spending \$2.8 million to redesign, construct, renovate and improve the skate park on the same site on W. Iredell Avenue.

The Town sent the community a 40-question survey about the design of the new skate park. Their input helped the Town determine what type of park to build and what it should include – new bowls, new ramps, and an artistic nod to NASCAR's presence in Mooresville. Skate boarders and their families will now have access to bathrooms, water fountains, lights, and a shaded viewing area, which were not offered at the previous park.

The Town did run into some hardships during construction. Parks & Recreation Assistant Director Darrin Hucks says the Coronavirus Pandemic led to more expensive material and difficulty finding materials.

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# Happening Around Town

## **A Classic Christmas in Mooresville**

*December 9 | 6-9 p.m.*

Downtown Mooresville

Join us for the annual Classic Christmas in Mooresville. Activities on Main Street and in Liberty Park include carolers, iceless skating, balloon art, wagon rides, food trucks, a life-sized snow globe, live musical performances, a Christmas village for last minute shopping, and of course, a visit from Santa Claus.

## **An Evening Of Holiday Classics with the Charlotte Symphony**

*December 11 | 7:30 p.m.*

Mooresville Performing Arts Center

The Mooresville Performing Arts Center is proud to present An Evening of Holiday Classics with the Charlotte Symphony!

The premier orchestra of Charlotte makes its inaugural trip to Mooresville to present a classic holiday concert.

For tickets and more information visit [ourtownstage.com](http://ourtownstage.com) or [mooresvillepac.com](http://mooresvillepac.com).

## **New Year's Eve Fireworks Spectacular**

*December 31 | 4-7:30 p.m.*

Langtree Village | 120 Langtree Village Drive, Mooresville

Ring in the new year with the first official celebration of the Mooresville 150th anniversary. Enjoy this all-American, family friendly event with the entire community, including the largest fireworks celebration this town has ever seen. There will be food and beer vendors, along with many family activities. Fireworks start promptly at 7 p.m.

Two shuttles provided: The Cove Church parking lot, 197 Langtree Road, and Merino Mills parking lot, 500 S. Main Street.

## **One Night In Memphis**

*January 21 | 7 p.m.*

Charles Mack Citizen Center | Joe V. Knox Auditorium

Mooresville Arts & Events is excited to bring One Night in Memphis® at the Joe V. Knox Auditorium in the Charles Mack Citizen Center January 21, 2023.

Created and directed by John Mueller is the number one booked and critically acclaimed tribute to legendary Sun Records recording artists Carl Perkins, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis and Elvis Presley performed live and starring former cast members of the Broadway smash, "Million Dollar Quartet."

Be a witness to and experience rock and roll royalty with the music and talent that has stood the test of time. True American music featuring acclaimed national talent guaranteed to get you rocking and rolling with authentic rockabilly, country, gospel, and 1950's rock and roll.

Enjoy this blast from the past on January 21, 2023 doors open at 6 p.m. show starts at 7 p.m. For more information or tickets visit [ourtownstage.com](http://ourtownstage.com).

## Beautification Award

The Beautification Committee recently presented the Beautification Award to Jodee Volk and Earl Tuller at 151 Cedar Street for the front yard and new porch which gave their home a new fresh look. The award was presented by Mickie Hager.



## Goats at Liberty Park

20 goats are currently eating foliage along the stream banks from Iredell Ave. to Center Ave. as part of the Liberty Park Phase II project. This prevents herbicides and pesticides from absorbing into soils and entering streams. A goat can eat up to 22 hours a day and eats anything up to 4 feet tall. The goats are onsite through December and will return in the spring to finish up. Phase II is expected to be complete in Summer 2023.

## Community Resources Available Online

New to the area or interested in a handy guide for resources in the Mooresville area? Scan the QR code below or visit **[MooresvilleResources.org](http://MooresvilleResources.org)** to learn more!



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# Mooresville Public Library Events

## Winter Reading BINGO Challenge December 1-30

Looking for some winter reading inspiration? Want to expand your literary horizons? Participate in our Winter Reading Book Bingo Challenge!! Print off or pick up your BINGO sheet anytime between December 1 and January 31 to participate. Fun for all ages! Questions? Call the library at 704-664-2927.

## Recipe and Sweets Exchange December 3 | 1-2 p.m.

Join us for a holiday recipe and sweets exchange. Please make 2 dozen of your favorite treats and bring 24 copies of your recipe to exchange with other Mooresville Library patrons.

## NC Works at MPL December 6 | 2-4 p.m.

NC Works will be at the library on the first Tuesday of the month to assist patrons with resumes and job search questions, one-on-one from 2-4 p.m. in the Reference Department.



## Speaker Series - John Hart December 15 | 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Come join us to meet and listen to author, John Hart, talk about his journey to becoming a best-selling novelist!! John will be available to sign books after the event.

## Teen Cosplay December 17 | 1-3 p.m.

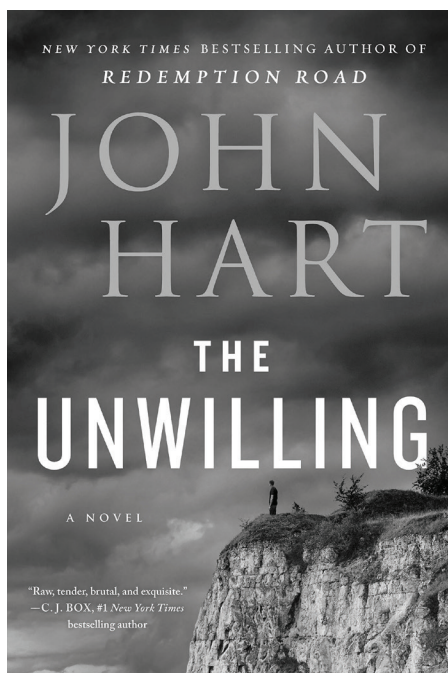
Join other teen cosplay fans who want to make items, explore, and learn about cosplay. Questions? Contact Megan Mosher at [mmosher@moorevillenc.gov](mailto:mmosher@moorevillenc.gov).

## Sensory Friendly Visits with Mrs. Claus December 12, 13, 14 | 6-7 p.m.

Children with developmental differences or sensory sensitivities can visit with Mrs. Claus in a relaxed environment without interruption for 15 minute increments. Self-directed activities will be available while waiting for your visit. Participants are invited to take photos. This program is limited to four families per session and will run on three consecutive nights.

Registration Required\* Please register as a family and list the total number that will be attending the event. We ask that you arrive 5 minutes early to check in for the event.

**Find more information and events at [moorevillenc.gov](http://moorevillenc.gov)!**



## Holiday Light Safety Tips

Mooresville Fire-Rescue wants you to have a safe holiday season! As you are decorating for the festivities, take a few moments to review the below tips for light safety. Remember, lights can short and start a fire.

- Whether on a tree or on a home, use only lights tested for safety.
- Check each set of lights—new or old—for broken, cracked sockets, frayed wires, and loose connections.
- Throw away damaged sets or repair them before using.
- Turn off all lights on trees and other decorations when you go to bed and leave the house.
- Never use electric lights on a metallic tree.
- Secure outdoor lights to trees, house, walls, or other firm supports to protect from wind damage.
- Do not use more than three standard-size sets of lights per single extension cord.

Discover more holiday safety tips on Mooresville Fire-Rescue's Facebook page. As always, if you smell smoke or suspect a fire, call 911!

## DEPARTMENT PHONE NUMBERS

Business Office  
704-663-3800

Employment/Human  
Resources  
704-799-4070

Fire (Non-Emergency)  
704-664-1338

Golf Course  
704-663-2539

Winnie Hooper Center  
704-663-0033

Library  
704-664-2927

Charles Mack Citizen  
Center  
704-662-3334

Planning  
704-662-7040

Police (Non-Emergency)  
704-664-3311

Recreation  
704-663-7026

Sanitation  
704-664-4278

Selma Burke Center  
704-799-4035

War Memorial  
704-663-2670

Water  
704-663-3800

Zoning  
704-662-7040

# FOG-Fats, Oils, & Grease

FOG is an industry term for Fats, Oils & Grease. It includes fats and oils used to cook and prepare food. FOG is a solid/viscous substance that can create an obstruction in the sewer system if not properly disposed of. FOG discharged by residential, commercial, institutional, and industrial users presents a significant problem for the Town's wastewater collection and treatment system.

When grease is washed down the drain, it sticks to the inside of sewer pipes (both on your property and in the streets.) Over time, it builds up and can block an entire pipe. FOG can cause serious damage to the sewage system, your property, and that of your neighbors, as well as damage to streets and waterways from sewage overflows. Cleanup can be very costly. For more information, contact [FOG@moorevillenc.gov](mailto:FOG@moorevillenc.gov).

## Do This

- Scrape all food and leftover grease into the trash, never the sink.
- Recycle large amounts of used cooking oil at the Iredell County Transfer Station.
- Wipe pots, pans, and dishes with dry paper towels before rinsing/washing them.
- Pour cooled FOG into a can with a tight lid (coffee can) and dispose of it in the garbage.
- Talk to friends and family about FOG in the sewer system and help them become proactive in preventing sewer blockages.

## Do Not Do This

- Do not pour FOG down the sink drain or toilet.
- Do not use hot water to wash grease down the drain. When the water cools, FOG will solidify and clog the pipes.
- Do not rely on additives or detergents to dissolve grease. They only disperse it down the line to recollect and cause more problems.
- Do not put grease or greasy food into the garbage disposal.
- Never pour grease or oil into the storm drains or on the ground.

## ELECTED OFFICIALS

Miles Atkins  
Mayor

Eddie Dingler  
Ward I  
Commissioner

Thurman Houston  
Ward II  
Commissioner

Tommy DeWeese  
Ward III  
Commissioner

Lisa Qualls  
Ward IV  
Commissioner,  
Mayor Pro Tem

Gary West  
At-Large  
Commissioner

Bobby Compton  
At-Large  
Commissioner

## TOWN OFFICIALS

Randy Hemann  
Town Manager

Beau Falgout  
Asst. Town Manager

Ryan Rase  
Asst. Town Manager

Sharon Crawford  
Town Attorney

Genevieve Glaser  
Town Clerk

# Mooresville to Open Renovated Skate Park

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Hucks says the new skate park could impact local businesses.

"It will allow us to serve the area's skaters and also offer the opportunity to bring in events that will provide an economic impact to Mooresville," said Hucks.

The new park impacts residents in Iredell County as well as neighboring counties. The closest skate parks are more than 30 minutes away in Charlotte, Denver, Hickory, and Lexington.

The skate park will be open to the public daily (starting December 3) from sunrise until 10 p.m., unless otherwise posted.

## Skate Park Grand Reopening

December 3 | noon-4 p.m.  
748 W. Iredell Avenue