







January 2018

Happy New Year!

Best Wishes for a Productive & Prosperous 2018

Neighborhood Leaders - Thank you for your continuous service to your neighborhood. As we welcome 2018, many of us have no doubt made resolutions to engage in new practices that will improve our lives. As you make plans remember to evaluate the work and function of your neighborhood organization and strive for continuous improvement – keep what works and change what needs improvement.

We hope that our partnership with your neighborhood organization will grow stronger. The City of Concord relies on its recognized neighborhood associations to help us make good, informed decisions that will positively



impact the quality of life in the City. As you work on various issues throughout the year, know that we are here to provide support and assistance. Simply reach out to your assigned neighborhood liaison or contact me directly (<u>jzarc@concordnc.gov</u> or 704-920-5298). Best Wishes for a prosperous 2018!!

Concord's Elected Officials

Last month, Concord's elected body changed – a new Mayor William C. "Bill" Dusch, and two newly elected City Council Members, JC McKenzie (District 4) and Terry Crawford (District 5) took office.

Mayor

William C. "Bill" Dusch

City Council

Samuel Leder - District 1 W. Brian King - District 2 Ella Mae Small - District 3 JC McKenzie - District 4 Terry Crawford - District 5 Jennifer Parsley - District 6 John Sweat, Jr. - District 7

Concord's Mayor and City Council are all elected at-large to four-year staggered



terms. Candidates for Mayor must reside in City Limits, and Candidates for City Council must within the district from which they run for office. The next municipal election will be in 2019 for District 1, 2, 6, and 7 City Council Members. To learn more about Concord's elected officials visit concordnc.gov.









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You are invited!

Concord Police Crime & Safety Briefing - January 25



On Thursday, January 25, 2018 the Concord Police Department will hold a Crime and Safety Briefing and the public is invited to attend. During the briefing the department will be presenting crime statistics for the entire city for 2017.

The meeting will be held at the Forest Hills UMC Ministry Center and will begin at 6:30 p.m. This is an opportunity for residents to interact directly with members of the Concord Police Department and receive information regarding their neighborhoods, so please attend.

If anyone attending is in need of special accommodations, please contact Sgt. Larry Hubbard or Captain Robert Ledwell @ 704-920-5000. **A map of all patrol districts is available at** concordnc.gov/police.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 2018 Holiday events

The Concord/Cabarrus MLK Celebration Committee invites community organizations and groups to participate in the 2018 MLK Holiday March which will be held on Monday January 15, 2018. Line-up begins at 11:30 at Barber Scotia College (Crowell Drive Parking Lot). Interested individuals or groups should complete the registration form or contact Betty Stocks, stocksb@concordnc.gov (704) 920-5010 for more information. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday is observed on the third Monday of January each year to pay honor to Dr. Martin Luther King. Click here for event more information.



Help STUFF the BUS with non-perishable food items to benefit the Opportunity House. Bring your donations to the MLK Plaza located at the Cabarrus Avenue Roundabout between 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on Monday January 15.

Make your reservation today!

Host your next meeting at one of the Fire Station Community Rooms.

Fire Stations 7, 8 and 9 have community rooms that are available for use for meetings. Reservations are required at least seven days in advance of the event. Use of the community room for neighborhood meetings is offered at no charge to Concord's recognized neighborhood organizations. All fire station community rooms have computer









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access/wireless internet and projection screens. Reservations can be made from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information, <u>click here</u> or call 704-920-5600.

Focus Group Participants Needed

Neighborhood Matching Grant Program



We're looking for neighborhood leaders to participate in a focus group to help inform the path forward for the City of Concord's Neighborhood Matching Grant Program. Focus group participates will review the current Neighborhood Matching Grant Program and brainstorm ideas to inform programmatic changes that may impact the application and funding process.

The ideal participant is a neighborhood leader who has assisted his/her neighborhood in any way with applying for a City of Concord

Neighborhood Matching Grant in the past 5 years. This could include brainstorming project ideas, attending the informational workshop, completing the funding request application or any similar task. Although this is the ideal participant, please know that this focus group is open to any neighborhood leader who is willing to commit time and effort towards helping improve the efficiency and intent of the City's Neighborhood Matching Grant Program. If you are interested in participating or would like to recommend someone from your neighborhood, please email jzarc@concordnc.gov or call (704) 920-5298. The Focus Group meeting dates and times will be established once we have focus group participants identified.

2018 Public Safety Academy

Applications are now available for the City of Concord's 14th Citizen Public Safety Academy. The course will allow citizens to learn about the functions of Concord's public safety departments, meet staff, and help evaluate services. The ten-week academy will begin January 30. Consecutive classes will be held each Tuesday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Class size is limited to 20, and <u>applications</u> are due January 23. For more information, visit <u>concordnc.gov</u>.









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Neighborhood Meeting Schedule

January 2

*Roberta Farms POA - Crossroads Church, 7PM

January 4

*Province Greene - 632 Weyburn Drive, 7PM

January 8

Oakleaf – Clubhouse, 6PM *Christenbury - Manor House, 7PM

January 9

- *Asheford Greene TBD, 7PM
- *Highland Creek Community Clubhouse, 7PM
- *Laurel Park Community Clubhouse, 6:30PM
- *Morris Glen Fire Station #9, 6:30PM

January 10

*Winding Walk - 10660 Fairwoods Dr, 10AM *Wyndham Place – 434 Wyndham Pl NE, 10AM Brandon Ridge – Fire Station #8, 7PM

January 11

City Council Meeting - City Hall, 6PM

*Covington HOA, Speedway Board Room, 6PM *Yates Meadows - Roberta United Methodist Church, 6:30PM

Monday, January 15

MLK Holiday, City offices closed

*Kings Crossing - Clubhouse, 7PM

*Oak Park - Community Clubhouse, 7PM

*The Woodlands – 5719 Woodridge Ct NW, 7PM Weddington Woods - Fire Station #7, 7PM

January 16

Planning & Zoning, 6PM

Silver Hill - Primitive Baptist Church, 6PM *Carriage Downs - Clubhouse, 7PM Lanstone HOA Annual Meeting, Fire Station #9, 7PM

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*Sheffield Manor - Clubhouse, 6:30PM

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Roberta Farms Annual Meeting, Crossroads Church Room 120, 7PM Logan Community Meeting - Logan Multi-Purpose Center, 6PM Moss Creek - Clubhouse, 6:30 PM

*Board Meeting

Don't see your upcoming meeting on this list? Click here and provide your updated information.

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