



As we honor our vets, take a moment to thank our Town employees and their families for the sacrifices they have made to assure our freedom. We are proud of our military and their families — past, present and future. We thank you for the tremendous sacrifices you have made to defend us and our freedoms that we all too often take for granted.

## THANK YOU TOWN OF MINT HILL OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES FOR YOUR SERVICE

Lloyd Austin  
Ted Biggers  
Brandon Bostwick  
James Bristol  
Michael Gainey  
Tim Garner  
Billy Gilman  
Joseph Hatley  
Albert Leath  
Tim Ledford

Bobby Long  
Michael Maness  
Keith Mickovic  
Justin Neal  
Don Peterson  
Carlos Soto-Alicea  
Roddy Tomberlin  
Garrett Trussell  
Kevin White  
Grant Whitehouse



### Town Hall will be Closed

**Veterans Day**  
November 11

**Thanksgiving Holiday**  
November 26-27, 2014

**Christmas Holiday**  
December 25-26, 2014

**New Year**  
January 1, 2015



### Holiday Garbage Schedule

Thursday households will receive trash and recycling services one day delayed.

**Thanksgiving Day - Thursday, November 27**  
**Christmas Day - Thursday, December 25**  
**New Year's Day - Thursday, January 1**

**Note:** Yard debris pickup will vary during the week of a holiday. Please have your yard debris to the curb by 7:00 AM on Monday. No yard debris pickup December 29 - January 2.



# Mayor's Message

Mayor Ted H. Biggers, Jr.

I would like to wish all Mint Hill Citizens a healthy and happy holiday season. Please join my wife Liz and I on Thursday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m. for our 30th Annual Christmas Tree Lighting. All of us at Town Hall, along with our spouses, are looking forward to serving you refreshments of hot chocolate, cider, and an assortment of holiday treats. In addition, my good friend Santa Claus has been invited for photo opportunities with the kids, so bring your cameras.

Construction on our two new grocery stores should be completed by the end of the year, weather permitting. Our community is fortunate to have Bi-Lo, Food Lion, Harris-Teeter, and soon Aldi and Publix for your choice of groceries. As you are shopping for your holiday feast, consider picking up an extra can or two of food to donate to a local food pantry. Many of our schools and churches have holiday food drives.

This month we salute all veterans of the United States Armed Forces. The Town will honor over 300 of our men and women at our Annual Veterans Day Breakfast. Each and every one of them answered the call to defend our freedom at all costs. For that we are forever grateful. President John F. Kennedy once said on Veterans Day, "As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that our highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them." If you are a Mint Hill veteran and have not registered with the Town, please call

704-545-9726 and do so today. We would like to thank the Mint Hill Chamber of Commerce as well as all the other organizations, businesses, and individuals that help make this event such a tremendous success.

The Mint Hill Chamber of Commerce & Carolina HealthCare System are proud to sponsor the Annual Senior Citizen Christmas Party on Saturday, December 6 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Independence High School. Live music, entertainment, lunch and prizes will be available as we celebrate our seniors and the holiday season. This event is open to area seniors over 65 and free of charge.

Thanksgiving and Christmas are special times for families to enjoy the abundance of resources our great country affords us. This should also be a season of giving. Please remember those in our society who may be struggling during the holidays. Find a way for you and your family to share the holiday spirit with others.

I am most grateful to be living in this great country and proud to call Mint Hill home.

Give thanks, Merry Christmas, Happy New Year,

*Ted Biggers*



## Fall Leaf Pick-up Regulations

Leaves in clear plastic bags (10 bag limit) may be put at your curb for pick up on your regular garbage pick-up day. Limbs and brush should be separated from other waste. These should be left not more than 5 feet in length and not over 6 inches in diameter. Never place more than one pile of limbs or brush, approximately 4 feet high by 4 feet wide and 5 feet in length, at the curb each week. Questions, call Town Hall 704-545-9726.

## Stream Restoration Public Meeting

A butterfly seems to hang in the air as it floats through the Stevens Creek Nature Preserve. High in the tree branches, birds chirp. Deer move quietly in the shadows. And almost as quietly, Stevens Creek flows eastward, soon to pass under I-485 and out of Mecklenburg County.

Stevens Creek is badly eroded. Development between Lawyers and Idlewild Roads sends ever-increasing amounts of water into the stream channel. The fast-moving water eats away at the banks, filling the creek water with dirt particles and making the creek banks unstable.

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services wants your input on a proposal to repair the erosion damage and improve the water quality in Stevens Creek.

The proposed project would repair and restore about two miles of Stevens Creek and a tributary that runs along Yarmouth Road. Goals of the project include improved water quality and stable creek banks. At the meeting residents can ask questions about easements, construction traffic and benefits to individual property owners and the entire community. For information, contact David Kroening of Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services at 704-336-5448.

Storm Water Services has restored approximately 15 miles of stream throughout Charlotte-Mecklenburg since 2002, including projects on Little Sugar Creek, McAlpine Creek and McDowell Creek.

### **PUBLIC MEETING**

November 20, 2014  
6:30 p.m.  
Mint Hill Town Hall  
4430 Mint Hill Village Lane  
Mint Hill, NC 28227

## **PARTF Update**

In January, many of our citizens came together to support the NC Parks and Recreation Trust Fund (PARTF) Grant Application to acquire



undeveloped land for future parks and recreation development in Mint Hill. State officials announced in September that the Town was awarded \$335,000 for the Brief Road land acquisition.

The Town is currently in the process of acquiring the land and developing plans for a future all purpose park.



## **Holiday Crime Prevention Tips**

- Keep your doors locked and all valuables hidden from view, preferably locked away in your trunk.
- Never leave your purse in your vehicle.
- If you use a wireless device to open and lock your car doors, check the vehicle before you walk away.
- Keep your keys in your hands to be used as a defense weapon in the event someone tries to rob or assault you.
- Prior to entering your vehicle, check to make sure no one is hiding INSIDE your vehicle.
- For additional security, park in a well lighted area and don't shop alone.
- Lock your car doors upon re-entry to your vehicle.
- Use credit or debit cards to purchase your gifts so you don't have to carry a lot of cash.



## Deputy Town Clerk Retires



They say that everyone and everything is six or fewer steps away, by way of introduction, from any other person in the world. Well that is definitely the case here in Mint Hill with Deputy Town Clerk Doris Miller. If you've attended a Planning Board, Board of Adjustment or Parks and Recreation meeting; if you've come into or called Town Hall, made a park reservation or had a problem with your garbage, you have talked to Doris. Doris will retire from the Town of Mint Hill on November 26 after almost 30 years of service to the Town.

Doris intends to spend more time with her children and grandchildren traveling in her new RV. We wish her the best in this next phase of her life.



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Veterans Day Breakfast

Saturday, November 8, 2014

If you are a Mint Hill veteran residing in Mint Hill and have not received an invitation, please call Town Hall at 704-545-9726 to be added to the guest list. Because of the large turnout for this event, attendance is limited to veterans only.



### 30th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony

Thursday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m.

Town Hall, 4430 Mint Hill Village Lane



### Senior Citizens Christmas Party

Saturday, December 6th at 11:00 a.m.

For more information, please call the Mint Hill Chamber of Commerce office at 704-573-8282.

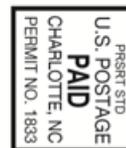
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**Christmas Party**  
Saturday  
December 6th  
11 am - 1 pm



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Have Questions?  
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