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Hickory Trail Updates

The City of Hickory’s multiuse path system called the Hickory Trail celebrated two significant milestones last month.

OLLE Art Walk Groundbreaking

The City broke ground on the OLLE Art Walk, the fifth segment of the Hickory Trail that connects them all, on April 4. OLLE Art Walk (formerly referred to as Old Lenoir Walk and the Ninth Street NW Connector) will run approximately 2.4 miles along Ninth Street NW and Old Lenoir Road to create a critical link between the City Walk, Riverwalk, and Aviation Walk segments of the Hickory Trail.



Once a major thoroughfare into and out of the central business district of Hickory, Old Lenoir Road is now home to funky retail boutiques, a budding arts district, and a variety of businesses. This new section of trail is named after the OLLE Arts District, which derives its name from the first two letters of "Old" and "Lenoir"

from the road name, Old Lenoir Road. This area will be revitalized with the OLLE Art Walk, which is anticipated to be a catalyst for private investment and economic development along this corridor. With the hope of continuing to cultivate the arts in this area, the OLLE Art Walk plans to incorporate historical markers, public art pieces, and colorful murals along its path. The project is expected to take 24 months to complete.

Riverwalk Grand Opening

Hickory’s much anticipated Riverwalk is now open! The Hickory community gathered at the overwater bridge on April 4 for a ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate its grand opening.

The Riverwalk showcases one of Hickory’s most beautiful, natural assets — the Catawba River. The Riverwalk provides public access to Lake Hickory with an overwater bridge and a combination of waterfront and wooded trails, offering a variety of scenery and multiple vantage points to admire the beauty of the lake and the surrounding natural environments.

The Riverwalk connects existing and future amenities in the area, including the paved Geitner Trail greenway, mountain bike paths called the Lake Hickory Trails, future Deidra Lackey Memorial Park, future OLLE Art Walk, and the future pedestrian bridge across Lake Hickory to Caldwell County.



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HICKORY CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday, June 4 & 18
6 p.m.

Julian G. Whitener
Municipal Building (City Hall)
HickoryNC.gov

SUMMER TRACK SERIES

Thursdays, May 30 - June 22
Lenoir-Rhyne Track
RunSignUp.com

SAILS ORIGINAL MUSIC SERIES

Every Friday in May and June
7 p.m.
The Sails on the Square
HickoryNC.gov/SailsMusic

BIG BANG BOOM! FAMILY MUSIC SHOW

Wednesday, June 5
10 a.m.
Patrick Beaver Memorial Library

RIDGEVIEW FRIENDS BOOK SALE

Saturday, June 8
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Ridgeview Branch Library

JUNETEENTH FESTIVAL

Saturday, June 8
5:30-9 p.m.
Samuel William Davis, Sr.
Multipurpose Field

BRIGHT STAR THEATRE: GREECE LIGHTNING

Saturday, June 15
10-11 a.m.
Patrick Beaver Memorial Library

ENCHANTED EXPEDITIONS: A MAGICAL READING ADVENTURE

Tuesday, June 18
6-7 p.m.
Patrick Beaver Memorial Library

SPINNING SPOKES BIKE RODEO

Saturday, June 29
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Hickory City Park

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Riverwalk Overwater Bridge

Designed by renowned architect Miguel Rosales, the Riverwalk's overwater bridge is the longest inverted Fink truss bridge in North America.

The Riverwalk trail is designed for pedestrians and bicyclists. Therefore, fishing is not permitted from the bridge or other parts of the Riverwalk trail. Diving from the bridge and swimming in the area are also prohibited. The Riverwalk is open during Rotary-Geitner Park hours, which are 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. March through October and 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. November through February.

Visit www.hkytrail.com to find out all the details about the Hickory Trail and each individual segment, read FAQs and the trail rules, and view an interactive map of the trail system.

Dana Kaminske Named Communicator of the Year

City of Hickory Communications and Marketing Manager Dana Kaminske received the Chris Coulson Communicator of the Year Award from the North Carolina City and County Communicators (NC3C). This prestigious award was created in honor and memory of Chris Coulson, a founding member of NC3C. The award recognizes an NC3C member who demonstrates a passion for making a difference in the profession and in the lives of citizens. The Communicator of the Year is someone whose character, career, and service represent the highest standards and who excels in the practice of local government communications and/or has accomplished an outstanding one-time achievement.



Kaminske has worked for the City of Hickory since January 2012, when she joined the Office of Communications as the City's first Communications Specialist. She was promoted to Communications and Marketing Manager in October 2015. She manages the Office of Communications, overseeing the Life. Well Crafted. brand, public/media relations, and all marketing and communications strategies for internal and external audiences. She holds a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in Communications from Clarion University of Pennsylvania (PennWest Clarion).