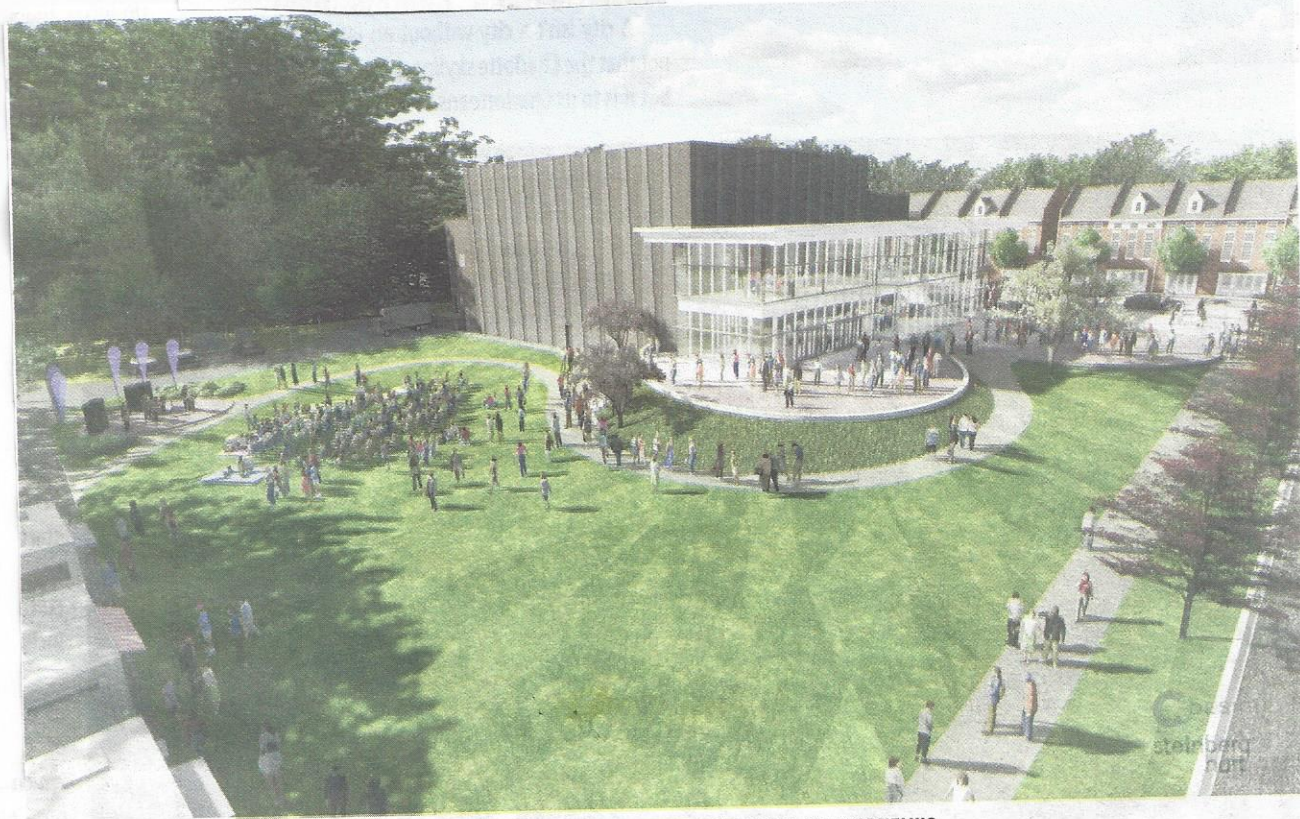


For Cain Center executive director Justin Dionne, the completion of the center will mean more for Lake Norman residents than just a place to go for a show and art.

"We want to add and enhance and accentuate the culture of what it means to be here in the Lake Norman area, and here in this Metrolina region of the piedmont," Dionne told Queen City Nerve. "Sure, on the base level, will this give people less of a commute to get to see an artistic performance? Yeah, that's the skin deep, if you will. But deeper than that,



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Most Exciting Arts Development Outside 485: Cain Center for the Arts

The town of Cornelius keeps moving closer to seeing its new multimillion-dollar venue, gallery and educational center come to fruition. The Cain Center for the Arts will be the anchor for the north-Mecklenburg town's new arts district, which has been in the works since 2013.

In 2018, the Cain Center board of directors and leadership launched the quiet phase of a \$25 million campaign for the center, which will be located at the intersection of Catawba Avenue and Milling Way, next door to the Cornelius Town Hall and near N.C. Highway 115.

As this paper went to print, the campaign had raised about \$17.25 million toward the \$25-million goal.

our goal is to create a place where people can really enjoy community, they can grow community."