



BUD Newsletter

Serving our Citizens

February 2014

2014 State of the Town

Last month, Mayor Harold Weinbrecht delivered the annual State of the Town Address.

Check it out on our YouTube Channel, www.youtube.com/TownofCaryChannel, or read the text version by searching "State of the Town" at www.townofcary.org.

The speech airs regularly on Cary TV 11 through the end of February.

Save the Date: Senior Health Fair

Our annual Health Fair is March 20 at the Cary Senior Center.

From 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m., get one-on-one time with local health and wellness experts, receive a free health screening and pharmacy consultation, and more!

Appointments are required for some screenings and can be booked by calling (919) 469-4081. Appropriate for ages 55+.

New Names, Spaces at Town Hall

On your next trip to Town Hall, note new names and locations for some of our more frequently visited departments.

The Engineering Department is now divided into Water Resources and Facilities Design & Transportation Services; both can be reached at (919) 469-4030 and are located on the second floor of Town Hall in the former Engineering space.

The Planning Department is now on the first floor next to Inspections & Permits. Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources has moved to the third floor. These departments have retained their phone num-

bers, (919) 469-4082 and (919) 469-4061 respectively.

A Town-wide reorganization launched by Town Manager Ben Shivar started in October with the goal of aligning departments and staff into functional focus areas for increased internal efficiencies and better service to the Cary community.

It will take the next few months to update signage, the Town's website and other communications tools to reflect the reorganization, and we appreciate your support.

"Reorg" at www.townofcary.org



Get Involved: Budget Input Month

This month we want your ideas as we begin to develop our Fiscal Year 2015 Budget, which identifies services and projects to be undertaken from July 2014 to June 2015.

Now through February 28, let us know what you think should be included.

- Email budgetinput@townofcary.org
- Call (919) 469-4307
- Post to www.facebook.com/TownofCaryNC
- Tweet @TownofCary and include #TOCBudget

You can also speak directly to Town Council at the February 13 and February 27 Town Council meetings.

All feedback will be collected and presented with the proposed budget in May.

(919) 462-3911 | "Budget Development" at www.townofcary.org



Temporary Changes at the Tap

Every March, we join neighboring municipalities in temporarily stopping the use of ammonia in our water treatment process. This disinfection process is a State-mandated practice to ensure safe drinking water.

Customers who use water for kidney dialysis, fish aquariums and other chlorine-sensitive uses should be aware the water may contain chlorine, ammonia, or a mixture of both from March 1-April 1, 2014.

(919) 469-4090 | "Switchover" at www.townofcary.org

BUD Bits

Our annual Loose Leaf Collection is over, but if you have a large amount of loose leaves for collection, call (919) 469-4090 to schedule a free pick-up before March 31.

Leaves in reusable containers and paper bags are also accepted as part of your weekly yard waste collection. Or, take them to the Citizen's Convenience Center for disposal at no charge. *"Yard Waste" at www.townofcary.org*

Is it your trash day? To ensure a smooth pick up, please have your carts/bins at the curb between dusk the day before your collection and 7 a.m. on collection day and away from light poles, mailboxes and fire hydrants. Once emptied, carts/bins should be removed by 6 a.m. the following day. *"Curbside Collection" at www.townofcary.org*

It's Library Lovers Month; when was the last time you fell in love with a good book? Visit www.wakegov.com for the nearest library, or consider donating your gently used books to help grow the library's catalog. *(919) 250-3971*

Top Table Tennis Players Compete in Cary



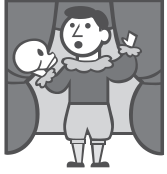
The best table tennis athletes from the United States and around the world will compete in the largest round-robin table tennis competition in the country March 14-16 at the annual Butterfly Cary Cup Table Tennis Championship.

Free for spectators, the tournament takes place at Bond Park Community Center. The Cary Cup is internationally recognized and sanctioned by the US Table Tennis Association as a four-star event.

Amateur and professional players are welcomed to participate in the event; registration closes March 12 or when the tournament is full.

(919) 462-3970 | "Cary Cup" at www.townofcary.org

Youth Theatre Scene Bursting with Opportunities



It's a busy time for Applause! Cary Youth Theatre and we're looking for children of all experience levels to get involved.

Beginning March 5, we'll accept reservations to audition or interview for our spring production of "Twelfth Night."

Auditions will be held March 17-18 for ages 8-18;

Design Team Interviews (ages 10-18) will be March 19 from 5-9 p.m. Email rachel.baranski@townofcary.org to book your spot.

Want to see our youth theatre in action? Don't miss its winter performance of "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court" February 28-March 2 at the Cary Arts Center.

(919) 469-4069 | "Applause" at www.townofcary.org

"Tree"mendous Arbor Day Fun



We're continuing the national tradition of celebrating the importance of trees with our Arbor Day Celebration in downtown Cary on March 15.

A special tree planting opens the event at 1 p.m., and there will be crafts and education booths to explore until 3 p.m. Attendees can receive a free tree to plant at home (while supplies last); our certified Arborist will be onsite with tips for proper planting.

(919) 469-4301 | "Spruce" at www.townofcary.org

Come Fly a Kite



Take advantage of the spring breeze at our annual Kite Festival March 22 at Bond Park.

Great entertainment for kids and adults, the Kite Festival showcases expert and amateur kite flyers and stunt kite demos. We'll have awards for various categories. It's free and open to the public to participate in or to simply observe.

Don't have a kite? Register via EZ-REG for one of our kid's kite building classes held prior to the festival.

(919) 469-4100 | "Kite Festival" at www.townofcary.org

Cultural Connection

A Day at the Circus! Featuring the Big Top Band (Mar. 7, 7:30 p.m., Cary Arts Center). (919)462-2055.

Marvelous Music Family Series: Billy Jonas Band (Mar. 16, 3 p.m., Cary Arts Center). (919)462-2055.

Marvelous Music Mainstage Series: Nebraska Theatre Caravan's The Fantasticks (Mar. 21, 7:30 p.m., Cary Arts Center). (919)462-2055.

For more fun in Cary, visit www.townofcary.org



Registration Open

When school's out, consider a Schoolz Out summer camp focused on sports, arts, nature, science and more!

Check out a full list of camps at www.townofcary.org or pick up a brochure at any staffed Town facility. Registration opens February 6.

(919) 469-4061 | "Program Brochure" at www.townofcary.org

Keep a Clear Easement

We routinely clear utility easements to prevent root penetration into sewer lines and causes blockages and overflows.

While we notify property owners in advance, we ask that you keep easements clear at all times.

(919) 469-4090 | "Easements" at www.townofcary.org

Are You Registered?



We regularly email information on over 21 different topics related to your Town government.

From downtown development to traffic and safety alerts to fun things to do and so much more, you can sign-up to receive details straight to your inbox.

Visit www.townofcary.org and click the green envelope to subscribe.

Fix a Leak Week: March 17-23

During EPA's Fix a Leak Week, March 17-23, we encourage you to log in and get to know your water use through our Aquastar Web Portal.

Understanding your household's typical water use patterns



can help you detect unusual usage and identify leaks that can be repaired. Through Aquastar, you can also set water usage text or email alerts to help manage your consumption.

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It'll cost just a bit more to use C-Tran's Fixed Route services. One-day passes are now \$2.50 and 31-day passes are now \$45. Door-to-Door service fees

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"Aquastar" at www.townofcary.org

Implements New Rates

have also increased. The rates go into effect following months of gathering citizen input and direction from Town Council.

(919) 469-4080 | "C-Tran" at www.townofcary.org



Book Your Season at Booth Amphitheatre

It won't be long before another concert season begins in Cary. Koka Booth Amphitheatre is busy gearing up for another summer of spectacular arts & entertainment.

Full season packs and mini-season ticket packs are on sale now.

Need to entertain in style? VIP

packages for four or six people include special parking, wait staff service, complimentary buffet at select events, access to the VIP café "no wait" bar and the opportunity to purchase additional prime view reserved seats through the VIP Ticketing team.

(919) 459-8319 | www.boothamphitheatre.com

HOT TIPS:



HOME SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

National fire data shows residential sprinkler systems reduce the risk of dying in a home fire by 80 percent. Sprinklers save lives and property by helping to keep fires small. Because the systems are fast-acting, they dramatically reduces the heat, flames and smoke produced by a fire, giving people more time to escape safely.

In a properly installed system, only the sprinklers closest to the fire will activate. Home sprinklers can be installed in a new or existing home, so if you are considering a remodel, consider incorporating this life-saving system.