

#### Serving our Citizens

#### **April 2016**

## **ReadyWake For Emergencies**

Visit www.readywake.com and register to receive emergency, non-weather related alerts by phone, text or email. alerts by phone, text or email. Wake County manages this real-time notification system that's open to all who live in a municipality that's either totally or partially within the county, including our town. We'll use the system to no-tify our subscribers when there's a threat to life health there's a threat to life, health or property including hazmat situations, urgent information related to police, fire or pub-lic health, water main breaks other utility information or such as boil water notices. Sign up by October 1 to par-ticipate in our first annual townwide system notification test.

#### "Ready Cary" at www.townofcary.org

#### **ADA Transition** Plan

Come see us at our public meeting about our Americans with Disabilities Transition Plan. We'll be at our Bond Park Community Center on April 25 from 5-7 p.m. For more about the Plan or other ways to give input, search "ADA Transition at www.townofcary.org. Plan"

#### (919) 380-2785

## Cary's Green Neighborhoods

This spring we kicked off our year-long environmental stewardship effort: the Cary Green Neighborhood Project. Eight neighborhoods are participating in this first-of-its-kind community initiative that's supported with grant funding from the Wells Fargo Foundation.

Under the project, neighbors, friends and families residing in the participating neighborhoods are working togeth-er to adopt simple and fun green actions in their homes and neighborhoods to reduce their environmental impact, re-

store local ecosystems and build even healthier communities. At the conclusion of the year-long project, neighborhoods will be recognized for their efforts to protect our environment.

#### "Cary Green Neighborhood Project" at www.townofcary.org (919) 469-4030

## Smell the Herbs Color on Canvas

On May 7 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. drop by the Page-Walker Arts canvasses during our En Plein & History Center for a perenni- Air: Paint the Town on May 7 al favorite, our Herbfest. Stroll from from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Come featuring herbs, perennials, as artists take to sites through-other native plants and items out Cary where they'll capture related to gardening. Be sure our town's history, culture, to arrive in time to participate in changing landscape and sce-

"Herbfest" at www.townofcary.org (919) 469-4061

### **Public Safety Day**

Celebrate Public Safety Day with us in downtown Carv on May 15 from 12-3 p.m. This annual free event helps us promote awareness, safe-ty and neighborhood unity.

Be a part of local colors on the grounds and visit booths offer inspiration and admiration the popular butterfly releases. nic views. To boot, you'll get a "Herbfast" at it is created giving you an advantage as we cast votes on our People's Choice Award winner.

#### "En Plein Air" at www.townofcary.org (919) 460-4972

## Trucks in Town

Our food truck rodeo, the Chatham Street Chowdown, returns! Come join the fun on April 17 from 12-4:30 p.m. along Chatham Street in downtown Cary! You'll find over a dozen of your favorite food trucks along with a beer and wine garden with seating and local musicians. Watch for future Chowdowns in June, July and October.

#### "Chatham Street Chowdown" at www.townofcary.org (919) 462-2061

## 23 and Counting

April 30 marks our 23rd year of Spring Daze, which features the best of our state's arts and crafts community! Celebrate with us from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. in our Bond Park. You'll find over 180 North Carolina artists, entertainment on four stages, a variety of food and our annual Earth Day Celebration.

> "Spring Daze" at www.townofcary.org (919) 469-4061

# Lively Lunch Our Live at Lunch returns

on April 28 with the George Knott Duo; you'll find the event in a new home, however. All performances take spring place at Ivey Ellington House, W. 135 Chatham Street, from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. My Cousin Skinny Duo makes an appearance on May 5, followed by the Hank Smith Duo on May 12, Chris Overstreet on May 19 and Peter Lamb & Mark Wells on May 26. Bring your lunch from home or one of our downtown restaurants and join us for some mid-day music!

> "Live at Lunch" at www.townofcary.org



What were we thinking when we printed an incorrect date for our very exciting Carpenter Park dedication? We look forward to seeing you as we unveil our newest park on June 11 at 10 a.m., and **not** on April 23 as we wrote previously.

> "Carpenter Park" at www.townofcary.org (919) 460-4973





### Ready, Set, Water

Give your automatic irrigation system an annual check-up. Set your control box to water following our Alternate Day Watering (ADW) Ordinance and your rain sensor on "activate." While our ADW schedule also applies to sprinklers, it does not apply to systems using reclaimed, pond or well water.

"Alternate Day Watering" at www.townofcary.org

### Love Films?

Learn to love film in a new way with our Frame by Frame of Cinema Studies at The Cary ali Theater. Hosted by Modern School of Film's founder Robert Milazzo. On April 26 at 7 p.m. we'll screen Mean Streets during and after which Milazzo will lead an in-depth, active deconstruction and group discussion.

This deconstruction was created with our cinephiles in mind and lets the audience delve deeper into the art and craft of film. The active deconstruction format will allow Milazzo to stop the film at points and lead discussions about the techniques used in the film. Take advantage of this opportunity to explore the depth and breadth of film as an art form and see films you love in a different light!

### www.thecarytheater.com (919) 462-2051



Watch your Town government at work on Time Warner Cable Channel 11 or AT&T U-verse Channel 99. Navigate to the Cary TV 11 logo on www.townofcary.org for roundthe-clock local programming.

**Cool Cars** Spend a day enjoying cars of yesteryear as they come alive and rule the roads at our

Wheels on Academy. If you've got a whip you're eager to show off, register by May 13 to do so.

If spectating is more your speed, spend May 21 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. along North Academy Street and our Town Hall Campus where you'll find beautiful classics taking their places next to some more contemporary hotrods. There'll also be entertainment, food, and fun for the entire family!

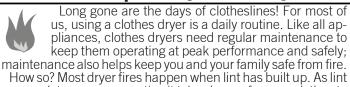
> Wheels on Academy" at www.townofcary.org (919) 469-4061

### Plant Exchange

Need some new greenery in your life to help clean the air around you? Register - it's required - for our Senior Center Plant Exchange on May 14 at 9:15. Bring your labeled plants in bags or pots to our Senior Center and exchange them for others you prefer to have. And if you have plants you'd like to drop off beforehand, please do so from 8:30-9 a.m. that morning.

> "Cary Senior Center" at www.townofcary.org (919) 469-4081

## Hot Tips: Dryer Safety



accumulates, you may notice it takes longer for your clothes to dry. To avoid lint build up, at least once a year clean out the air exhaust vent pipe that connects your dryer to the exterior; you can also hire a dryer lint removal service to do it for you. In addition, get into the habit of cleaning your lint screen before pushing the start button for every load and never use your dryer without the lint filter in place

> "Public Education" at www.townofcary.org (919) 460-4958

#### April Showers Bring ... Did you know rain washes

Did you know rain washes chemicals and other pollutants from our streets into the storm drains and subsequently our waterways? Help protect our waterways by applying fertilizer according to directions and not immediately prior to rain. Sweep grass clippings and excess fertilizer from sidewalks, driveways and the street back onto the lawn.

"Stormwater Education" at www.townofcary.org (919) 469 4090

### Catch the Rhythm

May 14 from 12-6:30 p.m., North Academy Street will be filled with Latino culture at the annual Ritmo Latino Festival. Head downtown for live music, vendors, artists, Latin foods, dance lessons for adults and activities for children.

> "Ritmo Latino" at www.townofcary.org (919) 469-4061

## Keep It Clean

We're talking about your meter box! While we no longer need to visit your water meter monthly to read it, from time to time we need to get to it for maintenance or if there's a water emergency. You can help us with this by periodically trimming trees, bushes, plants, grass and removing objects that are covering the meter such as mulch.

And while we're talking about access, if you need to get to the meter box, do know that meter lids house the radio and transmitter that have wires connected to the meter. If you remove that lid, be careful not to pull the wires loose.

(919) 469-4090



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Triangle Youth String Orchestra: Children's Concert (May 1, 3 p.m., Cary Arts Center). (919) 462-2055

The Really Terrible Orchestra of the Triangle (RTOOT): Dance, Dance, Dance (May 16, 7:30 p.m., Cary Arts Center). (919) 462-2055

Polka Night with Polka Plus Band (May 20, 7 p.m., Page-Walker Arts & History Center). (919) 460-4963

Cary Town Band: Surprise, Surprise (May 20, 7:30 p.m., Cary Arts Center). (919) 469-4069

Visit www.townofcary.org and Twitter @TOC\_Fun for more

## Spring Clean

Don't miss our Reuse Rodeo on May 14, a one-stop drop off from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at 400 James Jackson Ave. We'll have volunteers available to help unload and sort your unwanted items that we'll donate to local charities. We'll be "upcycling" toys,

We'll be "upcycling" toys, books, clothes, furniture, housewares, electronics, hardware and a long list of items that typically aren't accepted for donation elsewhere.

> "Reuse Rodeo" at www.townofcary.org (919) 469-4301

### Web Progress

We continue to work on our website overhaul with the goal of unveiling it by year end. We couldn't have done it without the hundreds of you who've been helping us. We've got another opportunity for you to get involved. Visit www.caryhaveyoursay.com where you'll find sneak peeks of design elements. features

of design elements, features and more. Take a look and let us know what you think about the designs. Your comments will help us as we finalize the look and feel of your new site.

*"Website Overhaul" at www.townofcary.org*