Too often, unused prescription drugs find their way into the wrong hands. That’s dangerous and often tragic. According to the DEA, the non-medical use of prescription drugs ranks second only to marijuana as the most common form of drug abuse in America and the CDC says more than 1,000 people are treated every day in emergency departments for misusing prescription opioids.

To help keep your home safe and clean, the Town of Cary will be accepting unused or expired medications at six locations on April 28 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Spring Daze
Fred G. Bond Metro Park
Cary Police Department
120 Wilkinson Ave.

Christ the King Lutheran Church
600 Walnut St.
Walgreens
1210 Kildaire Farm Rd.
Walgreens
3441 Kildaire Farm Rd.
Walgreens
10210 Green Level Church Rd.

It is recommended you scratch out all identifying information on the prescription drug container to make it unreadable. This will help to protect your identity and the privacy of your personal health information. We also ask that you don’t flush unused and expired medication as it can be harmful to the water supply. You can drop off unused and expired medication at the Town’s Drop-Box inside of the Cary Police Department year-round.

"Operation Medicine Drop" at www.townofcary.org

Don’t Be the Dealer

There are over 80 miles of greenways throughout Cary, and this May the Town is inviting citizens to get on their bikes, get active and have fun. For National Bike Month, there will be events, rides, promotions, and classes for all levels of cyclists, from the new rider to the experienced commuter.

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Explore Cary on Two Wheels for Bike Month

“Bike Cary” at www.townofcary.org

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Spring in Full Swing at Cary Facilities

Spring is the most excitement-packed season at Cary Parks, Recreations and Cultural Resources facilities.

Cary Tennis Park (CTP) is excited to host the ACC Men’s and Women’s Tennis Championships April 25-29! May 5 & 6, CTP is hosting a beginner level, USTA-sanctioned tournament for junior tennis players—Cinco de Mayo Futures! On May 10, CTP honors all seniors during Senior Appreciation Day.

Join us as we celebrate 25 years of our Spring Daze Arts & Crafts Festival in Fred G. Bond Metro Park on Saturday, April 28. Spring Daze features over 170 North Carolina artists, entertainment on four stages, delicious festival food and Cary’s annual Earth Day Celebration. During Spring Daze, the Bond Park Challenge Course and Boathouse will be open for a day of fun and adventure.

Enjoy short, informal presentations and engaging discussions with theater professionals at the Page-Walker Arts & History Center on May 1 at The Cary Theater. Best suited for adults/young adults; for fun, entertainment, and a delicious Theater. Best suited for adults/young adults; fun, entertainment, and a delicious Soup and Sandwich Lunch! Register by April 20 online at EZ-REG. For ages 55 and up. Later that evening at 7 p.m., enjoy a performance from the SAS Show Choir, Vocal Motion! Register by April 28.

Visit with the artists as they paint the Town all day on May 5 at our 5th Annual En Plein Air (Paint the Town) event! Artists are invited to paint a part of downtown Cary’s history, culture and changing landscapes as well as scenic views from Cary’s parks and greenways. Then, on June 1, enjoy music and refreshments at the Art Auction and Gala held at the Cary Arts Center. You can even bid on a work of art! Cary Citizen & the Town of Cary present Fest in the West on May 5 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Town’s USA Baseball Complex at Thomas Brooks Park. Enjoy a food truck rodeo, live music, a beer garden, arts and crafts, pie eating contests, a kid’s zone, a petting zoo and more! Rain date: May 6.

Stroll the grounds, tour the herb gardens, visit booths selling herbs, crafts and garden products and more! Join us for the Friends of Page-Walker Herb Fest on May 5 at the Page-Walker Arts & History Center garden. Free fun for all ages! Returning this year will be the popular butterfly releases. This event is held rain or shine.

Join us for the Ritmo Latino Festival on May 12 at Town Hall. Enjoy live Latino music, dance, craft vendors, food, activities for children and other opportunities to share in the richness of Latino culture.

Applause! Cary Youth Theatre presents YO, VIKINGS! Friday-Sunday, May 18-20 at Cary Arts Center. The story of fifth grader Emma Katz (the fiercest Viking in Swarthmore, PA), and her quest for real adventure. Book and lyrics by Marcus Stevens and music by Sam Willmott; based on the book by Judith Byron Schachner. Join us as Academy Street and Downtown Park become enlivened with entertainment, food and fun on May 19 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. for the 7th Annual Wheels on Academy and Touch-A-Truck Show featuring Public Safety Day! Enjoy the cars of yesteryear as they come alive again and rule the road along with some of today’s modern hotrods and exotic cars. Children will be allowed to touch, climb on and ask operators questions about their favorite vehicles and heavy machinery.

“Recreation & Enjoyment” at www.townofcary.org

Stay Safe at the Fire Pit

Sitting under the stars by a cracking fire has its appeal. It’s where stories are told, sing-a-longs happen, and meals are cooked over an open flame. But campfire mishaps can cause injuries. With a few safety tips, you can prevent these accidents.

In the Town of Cary, recreational fires and the use of fireplaces and fire pits are regulated by the North Carolina Fire Prevention Code. Recreational fires are three feet or less in diameter and two feet or less in height for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth or similar purposes. They must be at least 25 feet from a structure or combustible material. Portable fire pits must be used in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions and must not be operated within 15 feet of a structure or combustible material. Recreational fires and fire pits cannot be used to burn rubbish or yard waste. Open burning, bonfires or similar purposes. They must be at least 25 feet from a structure or combustible material. Portable fire pits must be used in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions and must not be operated within 15 feet of a structure or combustible material. Recreational fires and fire pits cannot be used to burn rubbish or yard waste. Open burning, bonfires and fire must not be operated within 15 feet of a structure or combustible material. Recreational fires and fire pits cannot be used to burn rubbish or yard waste. Open burning, bonfires and fire can be safely used with the manufacturer’s instructions and must not be operated within 15 feet of a structure or combustible material. Recreational fires and fire pits cannot be used to burn rubbish or yard waste. Open burning, bonfires and land clearing require permits from the Town of Cary. Outdoor Fire Tips:

Avoid burning on windy, dry days. It is easier for open burning to spread out of control when it is windy and dry. Watch children while the fire is burning. Never let children or pets play or stand too close to the fire. Never use gasoline or other flammable or combustible liquids. Always have a hose, bucket of water, or shovel and dirt or sand nearby to put out the fire. Make sure to put it completely out before leaving the site.

Fire Safety at www.townofcary.org

Cary It Green

Alternate Day Watering

When starting up your automatic irrigation system, be sure to check for leaks and misdirected spray heads. Set your control box to water as needed following our Alternate Day Watering (ADW) Ordinance and your rain sensor on “activate.” While our ADW schedule also applies to hose sprinklers, it does not apply to systems using reclaimed, pond or well water.

“Alternate Day Watering” at www.townofcary.org

Convenience Center Reminder

Whether it’s trash, yard waste or items to be recycled, unloading from box trucks is prohibited at the Citizens Convenience Center. Do you have a landscaper who tends to your lawn and garden? If you do, remember that contractors can’t use our Citizen’s Convenience Center for yard waste disposal. They’ll need to take it to a facility that accepts contractor waste.

“Convenience Center” at www.townofcary.org

Cultural Connection

Marvelous Music Series presents Loren and Mark Cary Arts Center May 11 | 7:30 p.m.

Cary Players presents Neil Simon’s Plaza Suite Cary Arts Center April 27-28 May 4-5 | 7:30 p.m.

Cary Arts Center April 29 & May 6 | 3 p.m.

Pedal Boats and Soda Floats Bond Park Boathouse May 12 | 5 p.m.

The Monitors Bond Park’s Sertoma Amphitheatre May 12 | 7-9 p.m.

23rd Annual Yankovic Day Page-Walker Arts & History Center Garden May 18 | 7-8:30 p.m.

Plant Exchange Cary Senior Center May 19 | 8:30 a.m.

Live at Folsom Prison – A Johnny Cash Weekend Tribute The Cary Theater May 17-19

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