August 2016 Serving our Citizens

Comments on **Changing Specs?**

Between August 1-September 23, view and provide feedback online for the 2016 proposed updates to the Town's Standard Specifications and Details. These standards are referenced in designing our streets and water, sewer and storm drainage systems and are periodically updated.

You can also submit comments in person September 7, from 5-7 p.m. at the Herb Young Community Center. Don't miss your opportunity to comment and provide input.

"Proposed Specifications" at www.townofcary.org

Double Days of Lazy Daze

Don't miss this year's two-day Lazy Daze Arts & Crafts Festival as we celebrate its 40th anniversary August 27, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. and August 28, 12:30-5 p.m.

The festival will remain on Cary's Town Hall Campus this year as the Academy Street improvement project continues.

> "Lazy Daze" at www.townofcary.org

It's Official! We Have a New Town Manager!

As everyone knows, former Town Manager Ben Shivar retired last fall after more than 39 years of public service. The search for a new manager was longer than anyone anticipated. Cary is a very special place, and finding our next Town Manager is one of the most important decisions Town Council would make.

Council considered over 80 applicants from across the nation and conducted face-to-face interviews with nearly a dozen as they worked to find just the right person to take us into the future. Of that group of talented individuals, Council found one candidate with the education, experience, personality and heart to be our next Town Manager. That person is Sean R. Stegall, the manager of Elgin, Illinois since 2009. His first day in Cary is August 4.

Along with his nearly 20 years of government experience, plus work in the private sector, Sean has a bachelor's degree in political science as well as a master's degree in public administration. And he's no stranger to Cary. His wife's family has a place at the beach, and Sean has been stopping in Cary along the way for years. Look for updates for opportunities to join us in welcoming him and his family to our community.

Take a Look Around the Loop

Cary Art Loop's Final Fridays highlights Triangle arts & culture in the Cary area offering extended hours for participating art galleries, restaurants, coffee houses and other businesses that showcase visual arts, music and more!

Look for entertainment hubs between downtown Cary venues on August 26 from 6-9 p.m., and enjoy visual art, entertainment and all-around fun!

The NCSCA Boy's Coaches Kickoff Classic Invitation is August 26, 4 p.m. and August 27, 9 a.m. and features top high school soccer teams from around the state. "WakeMed Soccer Park" at www.townofcary.org

Watch the action as Cary's professional men's soccer team takes on Jacksonville Armada, September 3; Ottawa Fury FC, September 10; Edmonton, September 24. All games are at 7:30 p.m. at WakeMed Soccer Park. "WakeMed Soccer Park" at www.townofcary.org

The Adidas Cross Country Challenge takes place September 16 at 4 p.m. and September 17 at 8 a.m. at WakeMed Soccer Park. The Challenge is the premier early season college cross country meet in North Carolina. "WakeMed Soccer Park" at www.townofcary.

James Bonk Collegiate Invitational, September 16-18, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. "Cary Tennis Park" at www.townofcary.org

Annual HSA Nominations

Know a Carv citizen who is over 21 that deserves to be recognized? We're looking for folks who demonstrate leadership, integrity and are respected by their peers for our Hometown Spirit Award. Nominees should also do at least one of the following:

- help fellow Cary citizens;
- demonstrate hospitality;
- promote and preserve traditional American pastimes;
- work to preserve traditions and our small-town atmosphere;
- support locally-owned businesses;

 and demonstrate patriotism. For complete criteria and eligi-

bility, or to nominate someone for the award, visit www.townofcary. org. Forms are accepted through 5 p.m. on September 23

For questions, call (919) 460-4941 or email virginia.johnson@ townofcary.org.

> "Hometown Spirit Award" at www.townofcary.org

Cary It Green

Holiday Collection

Town offices are closed for Labor Day, Monday, September 5, but you should follow your regular schedule for solid waste, yard waste and recycling collection. Our Citizens Convenience Center is open Labor Day, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

"Holiday Collection" at www.townofcary.org

Take Mondays Off

Every Monday is a holiday for automated irrigation and sprinklers. Though there's no time off for handheld devices and drip irrigation, use as needed.

"Beat the Peak" at www.townofcary.org

Recycling

Plastic bags may come in all shapes, colors and sizes, but none are accepted in our recycling program. When gardening, be sure to put plastic bags and wrap from mulch, soil or seed into your trash, not your recycling cart.

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

For Seniors

The Cary Senior Center and the Fine Arts League of Cary is hosting the 14th Annual Senior Art Exhibition, August 26 from 3-6 p.m. at the Cary Senior Center. This exhibit will feature two-dimensional art made by local residents 55 and older. For more, call (919) 469-4081.

The Annual Waterfront Picnic is September 16, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Bond Park Boathouse. Enjoy a delicious, catered lunch for only \$10/person, then stick around and socialize. Register by September 8. Events are for Cary residents age 55 and older.

> "Waterfront Picnic" at www.townofcary.org

Celebrate 25 with HYCC!

August 28 through September 1, Herbert C. Young Community Center celebrates 25 years! Located in the heart of downtown Cary, the facility has served our Town and citizens as a center of activity for a quarter century. Join us at Lazy Daze Arts & Crafts Festival to kick off a week-long celebration in HYCC's honor and enjoy these daily specials:

- Sunday, August 28, 12:30 p.m. Stop by and celebrate with us! Refreshments served.
- Monday, August 29 FREE Pickleball (9:30 a.m.); Line Dancing (7 p.m.)
- Tuesday, August 30 FREE Cardio Fit (9:30 a.m.); Seniors in Motion (10:45 a.m.); 20/20/20 (6 p.m.) Pilates (6 p.m.);
- Ninjutsu demo (7:15 p.m.)

 Wednesday, August 31 FREE Open Gym Adult basketball (noon); Youth basketball (3:30 p.m.); Table Tennis (6 p.m.)
- Thursday, September 1 Customer Appreciation! Refreshments served from 11 a.m; FREE Zumba (7:15 p.m.)

Ride that Hog Safely in Cary

Summer's here, and it's time to roll! Our Traffic Safety Team atre is holding Auditions and is offering monthly motorcycle Design Team Interviews for safety presentations. Spend HOLES by Louis Sachar. Design eight hours with qualified Bike-Safe Assessors who'll evaluate your riding skills on the open road and spend classroom time discussing key motorcycle safety tips. Bring your properly registered street-legal motorcycle, legal helmet and eye protection along with a current driver's license with motorcycle endorsement or motorcycle learner's permit and proof of insurance. Next class is August 27. Register at www.bikesafenc.com.

Applause! Fall Show

Applause! Cary Youth The-Team Interviews are September 6, 5-9 p.m., and Auditions are September 7, 5-9 p.m., both at the Cary Arts Center. The auditions and interviews are open to ages 13-18. No experience is necessary, but pre-registration is required. To schedule an appointment, email rachel. baranski@townofcary.org ginning August 24.

"Applause" at www.townofcary.org (919) 465-4792

15 Years of Middle Creek Fun

Middle Creek Community Center celebrates 15 years with an open house, September 11 from 4-6 p.m. Meet our instructors and try your hand at fencing, basketball, jazz dance, fitness classes and more! Or, maybe win a free class or birthday party! All MCCC class registrations during open house receive a 20-percent discount.

> "Middle Creek Community Center" at www.townofcary.org

Hot Tips: Severe Weather

Severe weather is one of the greatest threats to our community. We can't prevent the occurrences, but we can reduce their impacts on our lives. Take some steps to prepare your family: Be informed. Visit www.readync.org or download the free, smartphone app to learn about hazards we face in North Carolina. Or, find the number to report power outages.

Make a plan. Where would you go if you had to evacuate? How would you contact family members? And remember to make contingency plans for your pets.

Prepare an emergency kit. Only you know your family's specific needs. Your kit should be portable and able to sustain your family and pets for at least 72 hours.

Get involved. Look into taking a free CERT class offered by our Fire Department. You'll learn how to prepare your household and help those around you. "CERT" at www.townofcary.org or (919) 460-4958.

Sister Cities' Gathering

On September 9 at 7 p.m., at the Page-Walker Arts & History Center, join the Sister Cities Association of Cary and International Focus for an engaging dinner program designed to encourage dialogue about the Triangle's cultural diversity and ways citizens can make a difference by engaging with other cultures one group, one person at a time. Panelists for the Building Cultural Bridges Across Our Community: 2016 Citizen Diplomacy Dinner to be announced.

"Building Cultural Bridges" at www.townofcary.org (919) 460-4963

Cary Tennis Park

We'll host the Cary Tennis September Championships 10-18 at the Cary Tennis Park. Watch the excitement as ATP professional tennis players from around the world compete for \$50,000 in prize money. Match times varv.

> "Cary Tennis" at www.townofcary.org (919) 462-2061

@ Koka Booth

September 15, 7 p.m. The Lumineers: The Cleopatra World Tour

September 17, 9 a.m. 3rd Annual Dragon Boat Festival

boothamphitheatre.com (919) 462-2025

Think You Know About Cary?

Join us September 17 at the Page-Walker Arts & History Center from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. for the Cary Scavenger Hunt, an adventure that will test your knowledge of Cary-its food, history, shopping, sports and much more! Teams of four compete to see who can figure out the answers to our clue

"Cary Scavenger Hunt" at www.townofcary.org (919) 244-6463

Cultural Connection

Cary Youth Video Celebration & Retrospective (September 7, 7 p.m.; The Cary Theater). (919) 462-2051.

Town of Cary & Six String presents The Claire Lynch **Trio** (September 10, 8 p.m.) Cary Arts Center). (919) 462-2055.

Marvelous Music Series: The Fabulous Equinox Orchestra (September 17, 7:30 p.m., Cary Arts Center). (919) 462-2055.

Visit www.townofcary.org and Twitter @TOC_Fun for more

National Public Lands Day

We invite you to get out, get involved and get dirty for National Public Lands Day, September 24 from 9:30 a.m.-noon. Join forces with your friends, family and neighbors to maintain the trails and resources at Hemlock Bluffs Nature Preserve. Meet at the Stevens Nature Center in Cary. Lunch to follow for registered volunteers provided by the Friends of Hemlock Bluffs.

"Hemlock Bluffs" at www.townofcary.org (919) 387-5980

@ The Cary

September 16, 8 p.m. Comics Michael Harrison and Ben Jones are coming to The Cary. Michael Harrison's natural talent and infectious energy has supplied him with a strong following all over North America and earned him first place at the Hamilton Great Canadian Laugh-off as well as a special on the Comedy Network. Ben Jones combines well-written material and a dark sense of humor with a charisma that allows him to get away with almost anything.

book questions and come back bringing home the most points. September 23, 8 p.m. Celebration of NC Songwriters presented by Six String.

> thecarytheater.com (919) 462-2051