Building the Dream: Affordable Housing in Wake County
Jan. 18 | 9 a.m.-Noon
Cary Arts Center
In 1966, MLK began an organization called the Chicago Freedom Movement to call attention to the poor conditions under which many were forced to live. This movement laid the groundwork for what would become the country’s Fair Housing Act. Join us as we bring together government leaders, builders and policy makers to address the issue of affordable housing in Wake County.

Remembering the Leaders of the Dream
Jan. 19 | 10-11:30 a.m.
Cary Arts Center
Hear award-winning author Willa Brigham as she shares stories about some of the key leaders of the Civil Rights Movement. Ages 4-10

“Wilmington On Fire”
Jan. 19 | 2 p.m.
Cary Arts Center
“Wilmington On Fire” is a film about the Wilmington Massacre of 1898, an attack on the African-American community that left countless dead or exiled from the city.

Celebrating the Dream
Jan. 19 | 8 p.m.
Cary Arts Center
An evening of music featuring the Pleasant Grove Church Gospel Choir, harpist Winifred Garrett, and the North Carolina Central University Vocal Jazz Ensemble.

The Cary Theater presents:
Al: My Brother
Jan. 20 | 2 p.m.
The Cary Theatre
Al: My Brother is a documentary about the life of white civil rights activist and attorney Alan McSurely and his more than 50 year battle against racism.

MLK Day of Service
Jan. 21
10 a.m.-Noon & 2-4 p.m.
Good Hope Farm
Take time to give back by helping prepare the soil of our urban agriculture and historic site. Registration is required. Volunteers ages 15 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Be prepared to get dirty!

And the Hometown Spirit Award Winner is...
Guy Mendenhall, Cary High School’s longtime athletic director. Among his many contributions to Cary, Guy is a charter member of the Cary High School Sports Hall of Fame, and he helped fundraising for the Cary Senior Center before serving on its board of directors.
The Hometown Spirit Award is bestowed annually on a Cary citizen who enhances the quality of life in Cary by preserving, promoting and carrying out positive and quantifiable, traditional, small-town community values and traits, including helping out neighbors and Cary citizens, promoting a sense of community and more.

For more information about Guy, the Hometown Spirit Award and its criteria, search “Hometown Spirit” at www.townofcary.org

Join us as we celebrate the life, work and vision of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with programs that are free and open to the public. For more information, search “MLK” at www.townofcary.org
First Walk of the New Year
On Jan. 1 at 10 a.m., take a healthy walk with us on the White Oak Creek Greenway! Parking will be available at White Oak Park.
“First Walk” at www.townofcary.org

Green Movie Series
Join us for three movies about sustainability in 2019. In January, we have a double feature exploring happiness and minimalism!
www.thecarytheater.com

Join us in the Garden!
Grow green in 2019 by renting a plot in the Carpenter Park Community Garden for only $33 a year! Space is limited; applications are due by 5 p.m. on Feb. 15.
“Carpenter Park Garden” at www.townofcary.org

Cary Parkway/High House Road
Construction at the intersection of Cary Parkway and High House Road is wrapping up! Newly constructed lanes are expected to open by the end of 2018. Installation of new, permanent traffic signals will be complete in the spring.
“Cary Parkway” at www.townofcary.org

Compost Your Holiday Greenery
Here are two ways to compost your greenery this season. Never include artificial materials like lights, wire and ornaments:
• Place Christmas trees and other natural decorations at the curb by 7 a.m. for your weekly yard waste collection.
• Leave trees in the designated yard waste area at the Citizen’s Convenience Center, 313 N. Dixon Ave., during operating hours.
“Christmas Tree Collection” at www.townofcary.org

Holiday Collection Changes
The weeks of Dec. 24 and Dec. 31, curbside garbage, recycling and yard waste collection for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday will move one day later for Christmas and New Year’s Day. Our Citizen’s Convenience Center is closed Dec. 25 and Jan. 1. The week of Jan. 21, all collections will move one day later for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.
“Holiday Schedule” at www.townofcary.org

Out with the Old
Old appliances, like a refrigerator, must be kept out of the landfill. Drop it off at the Citizen’s Convenience Center so it can be recycled. You can also contact us at services.townofcary.org or (919) 469-4090 to schedule curbside pickup; fees may apply. Please secure doors on appliances. If your appliance works, consider donating it to a charity for reuse.
“Appliance Recycling” at www.townofcary.org

24th Annual Kwanzaa Celebration
Dec. 29 | 11 a.m.-5 p.m.
Cary Arts Center
During Kwanzaa, people are invited to ponder Nguzo Saba, seven powerful principles derived from African heritage, as a means of taking stock, celebrating achievements and entering the future refreshed and renewed.
“Kwanzaa” at www.townofcary.org

Three Kings Day
Jan. 5 | 1-4 p.m.
Cary Town Hall
Cary’s event includes dancing, music, food and a colorful parade featuring members of different Latino cultures.
“Three Kings Day” at www.townofcary.org

Chinese Lantern Festival
Through Jan. 13 | 6-10 p.m.
Koka Booth Amphitheatre
Don’t miss your chance to see the popular venue transformed into a magnificent setting with thousands of lights! Plan for 45-75 minutes to view all light displays and enjoy live cultural performances.
www.boothamphitheatre.com

New Year, New You
Are you in a post-holiday slump? Get back into the saddle with free fitness classes Jan. 2-8 at any of our three community centers, the Cary Senior Center, or The Hive. All classes are dedicated to helping you achieve a more balanced life in 2019!
“New Year, New You” at www.townofcary.org

“A Motown Christmas”
Dec. 28 | 8 p.m.
Dec. 29 & 30 | 3 p.m.
Cary Arts Center
“Cary Arts Center” at www.townofcary.org

The Friends of Page-Walker Concert Series: “Symphony Spotlight”
Jan. 20 | 4 p.m.
Page-Walker Arts & History Center
“Concerts” at www.townofcary.org

The Next Generation Leahy
Jan. 26 | 7:30 p.m.
Cary Arts Center
“Mainstage Series” at www.townofcary.org

Applause! Auditions
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