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Stay Posted on City Government Service Changes this Winter



To stay up-to-date on changes to City government services and operations during harsh winter weather, visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/WinterClosings.

On this page you will find a link to an interactive map that shows where snow plows are throughout Greensboro, a link to a snow removal FAQ video, and links to the City's official Facebook and Twitter sites. Also on this Web page are links to the local television stations City staff call to report City government closings and delayed openings.

City's Holiday Schedule for 2018 Posted Online

Visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/CityHolidaySchedule to see what dates are official City government holidays for the new year. City offices, facilities, and services are affected by government holidays. Questions? Call the City's Contact Center at 336-373-CITY (2489).

Still Need a 2018 Trash/Recycling Schedule?

Visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/Schedule and type in your home address to get a link to your week's trash/recycling collection schedule for 2018. Also, visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/HolidaySchedule

for holiday collection changes.

City Government is Triad's Healthiest Employer

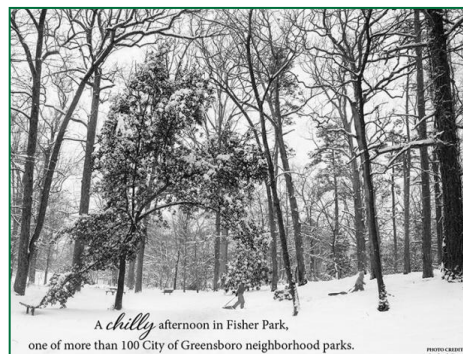
The City of Greensboro is one of 16 employers across the Triad to receive the Triad's 2017 Healthiest Employers Award and is ranked first in the large employers category (1,000-3,000 employees).



Triad Business Journal, who sponsors the awards, works with Healthiest Employer LLC to provide unbiased wellness information to employers.

Greensboro was lauded for its Health Rewards program that tracks employee participation and offers cash and paid time off benefits for completing annual health assessments, biometric screenings and preventive visits, attending educational programs, and participating in fitness regimens.

Parks & Rec 2018 Fundraising Calendar Now on Sale



A chilly afternoon in Fisher Park, one of more than 100 City of Greensboro neighborhood parks.

Attend a City Council Meeting

Greensboro City Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesdays beginning at 5:30 pm in the Council Chamber of the Melvin Municipal Office Building, 300 W. Washington St., unless otherwise noted. Meetings are open to the public and air live on Greensboro Television Network. For the Council's full 2018 meeting schedule, visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/CouncilMeetings.

Library Hosts Events for African American History Month

In honor of February being national African



American History Month, the City libraries are hosting several special events such as Discovering African American Inventors, Freedom on the Menu, and Harlem Renaissance. For a complete schedule, visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/Library and click on the Calendar of Events link.

Senior Games & SilverArts Registration Begins February

Registration for the 2018 Greater Greensboro Senior Games and SilverArts begins in February for seniors 50 years old and over in Guilford County and surrounding areas. Competition includes a variety of sporting events as well as the performing, literary, heritage and visual arts.

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The 2018 Friends of Greensboro Parks and Recreation Foundation fundraising calendar is now on sale online at www.paypal.me/2018ParkCalendar/15 or in person from 9 am to 4:45 pm weekdays at the Parks and Recreation office, 1001 Fourth St.

The calendar costs \$12. An additional \$3 is added for shipping costs when purchased online.

Money raised through sales will provide financial assistance for children to participate in parks and recreation programs.

Adult Kickball/Softball & Youth Baseball Registration Underway



Time to get your team ready for spring coed kickball, men's and woman's softball leagues, and youth baseball for children 4-14. For adult

leagues, you must be 18 to play. Registration for each league ends in February or when the leagues are filled. Visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/Athletics for more details.

Made in GSO Feature

Each month, At Your Service will publish a feature from "Made in Greensboro," a photo series and social media campaign that celebrates local entrepreneurs, creative professionals, community builders, and the next generation of leaders. Launched in 2015, the campaign is a joint effort of Action Greensboro and the City. Learn more at www.madeingso.com.

Sometimes, an unexpected change in careers brings upon greatness. In Felix Semper's case, it has brought him international artistic success and the attention of celebrities.

Born in Cuba and raised in Spain, Semper is an electrician by trade and was a Greensboro custom home builder when the housing crisis hit in 2008. He had close to \$5 million in property built under his business Semper Homes, and they weren't selling because the banks weren't lending.

"I had very little choice but to go under, which was tough. I had to start all over again. I had to reinvent myself. So I went back to what my passion was, which was art," Semper says.

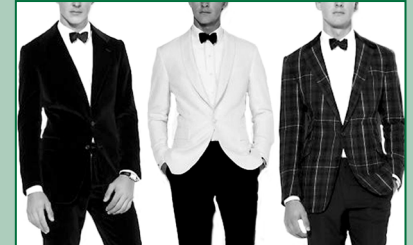
He had always been creative and artistic. He loved to sketch. So he started teaching himself how to paint. Soon, Semper was selling the paintings and opened a studio in Revolution Mills.

"Everybody was telling me, 'You are crazy. It's cute being an artist. It's romantic, but you are going to be a van Gogh and cut your ear off. It's tough to be an artist.' I said, 'I don't care if I live under a bridge, I am going to be an artist.'"



Registration packets are available at Smith Senior Center, 2401 Fairview St., by phone at 336-373-7564, or at www.greensboro-nc.gov/SeniorGames. Interested in volunteering? Call the center.

Camille's Closet/Theo's Threads Accepting Donations February 12



In case you need an excuse to clean out your closet, the Greensboro Youth Council (GYC) is accepting donations of gently used formalwear and accessories beginning February 12.

The items will help fill the aisles of GYC's pop-up shops, Camille's Closet and Theo's Threads, which provide free clothing to any Guilford County high school student in need of attire for the upcoming prom season. The pop-up shops will open April 12-14.

GYC is in need of dresses, tuxedos, suits, dress shirts, dress shoes, purses and jewelry. For more information about where to donate items or shop hours and locations, visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/CamillesCloset.

Library Winter Events Calendar Now Online

The weather outside may be frightful, but inside City public libraries the activities offered are so delightful.



Visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/Library to find out what your local branch has to offer in arts and crafts, story times, family fun, movies, and after-school events – all of which are free.



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