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Did You Know?

Christmas and New Year's Trash/Recycling Schedule

City offices, buildings and facilities are closed Monday, December 26, and Tuesday, December 27, in observance of Christmas. City offices are also closed Monday, January 2, 2012, in observance of New Year's. In observance of Christmas no garbage, recycling, bulk trash, yard waste, and appliance collections take place on December 26. That day's collections take place on Tuesday, December 27, and Tuesday's collections take place on Wednesday, December 28. In observance of New Year's

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City Council Recap

Council resolutions rename Greensboro Boxing Club and proclaim "Buy Local Month"

On December 13, during its last formal meeting of 2011, Greensboro City Council diligently worked through a busy agenda. Among the items that Council approved was a resolution renaming the Greensboro Boxing Club at the Lindley Recreation Center to the Coach Al Lowe Boxing Club. Lowe founded the club and has served as a mentor to City residents and visitors to Lindley Recreation Center for the last 35-plus years. In addition, Council approved a resolution proclaiming November 15 through December 31 as "Buy Local Month" to encourage Greensboro residents to support local businesses during the holiday shopping season.

In other action, Council unanimously voted to move the speakers from the floor portion of the agenda from the end of the meeting to the beginning of the meeting to give residents the opportunity to speak on non-agenda items. The 30-minute speakers from the floor session will now be scheduled shortly after the opening of the meeting and prior to the Council's consent agenda items.

City Council will next meet on Tuesday, January 17, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chamber of the Melvin Municipal Office Building, 300 W. Washington St. Residents are invited to attend the meeting in person, or watch live [online](#) or on Time Warner Cable Channel 13.

Downtown Greenway Campaign Hits Major Fundraising Milestone

City greenway campaign gets closer to reaching its goal

no garbage, recycling, bulk trash, yard waste, and appliance collections take place Monday, January 2, 2012. Monday's collections take place Tuesday, January 3, and Tuesday's collections take place Wednesday, January 4.

Second Phase of Loose Leaf Collection Program Underway

The second phase of the City's annual Loose Leaf Collection program is underway. Leaves curbside today will be picked up by January 27, 2012. To determine your leaf collection status, view the [interactive map](#).

National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day is December 21

On December 21, join the community for a walk to honor those who passed away in 2011. The walk begins at 4:45 pm at the Interactive Resource Center, 407 E. Washington St., and ends at 6 pm at Grace Community Church, 643 W. Lee St. A memorial service begins at 6:15 pm.

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Downtown Greenway

The Downtown Greenway is one step closer to achieving its major gifts goal of \$2.5 million, thanks to three pledges totaling \$1 million from Lincoln Financial Foundation, Lorillard Tobacco Company, and VF Corporation.

Lincoln Financial has pledged \$500,000 toward the completion of the Downtown Greenway, which is the largest single donation the major gifts effort has seen to date. Joining Lincoln Financial in contributing is Lorillard Tobacco Company, which has pledged \$250,000. And, VF Corporation has also pledged \$250,000 to support the Downtown Greenway.

The total cost for the four-mile loop around downtown is estimated at \$26 million. Some \$15.5 million has already been raised from public and private sources, almost \$8 million from the public sector and close to \$7.5 million from the private sector.

The Downtown Greenway is expected to increase property values downtown and help grow the total tax value of downtown real estate, as well as make downtown more attractive to businesses. Construction of Phase 1A of the Downtown Greenway, which is slated for completion in March 2012, has created 25 local jobs.

For additional information about the Downtown Greenway and how to contribute, contact [Dabney Sanders](#) at 387-8353,

CAPRA Announces Re-accreditation for Greensboro Parks and Recreation

Parks and Recreation meets CAPRA standards

The Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA) has officially re-accredited the Greensboro Parks and Recreation Department. The CAPRA committee announced this distinguished accomplishment at the National Recreation and Park Association Annual Congress in Atlanta, GA in November.

CAPRA has established 140 standards as best practices for park and

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recreation management and operations. The department submitted evidence of compliance for all 140 standards and had to comply with 36 fundamental standards and meet 85 percent of the remaining standards. Every five years, the department undergoes a full review of the standards to remain accredited. The department was originally accredited in 2006.

2012 - 2013 City Holiday Trash Schedule

City collection holiday schedule for 2012 - 2013

No collection on New Year's Day - Monday, Jan. 2

Monday's collection is on Tuesday, Jan. 3

Tuesday's collection is on Wednesday, Jan. 4

No collection on MLK Birthday - Monday, Jan. 16

Monday's collection is on Tuesday, January 17

Tuesday's collection is on Wednesday, January 18

No collection on Good Friday - Friday, April 6

Thursday's collection is on Wednesday, April 4

Friday's collection is on Thursday, April 5

No collection on Memorial Day - Monday, May 28

Monday's collection is on Tuesday, May 29

Tuesday's collection is on Wednesday, May 30

No collection on Labor Day - Monday, September 3

Monday's collection is on Tuesday, September 4

Tuesday's collection is on Wednesday, September 5

No collection on Thanksgiving Day 2013 - Thursday, November 22

Thursday's collection is on Wednesday, November 21

Friday's collection remains the same

No collection on Christmas Day 2013 - Tuesday, December 25

Monday's collection remains the same

Tuesday's collection is on Wednesday, December 26

No collection on New Year's Day 2013 - Tuesday, January 1

Tuesday's collection is on Monday, December 31