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Spring Recycle Rodeo is May 7

The City is holding its Spring Recycle Rodeo from 8 am to 2 pm Saturday, May 7, at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, 1301 Alamance Church Rd. Guilford County residents may bring the following items for proper disposal:



Note: Document shredding is limited to five boxes per vehicle and on a first-come, first-served basis.

City Offices Closed May 30 and June 20

City offices and facilities close Monday, May 30, in observance of Memorial Day, and Monday, June 20, in observance of Juneteenth. Trash and recycling collections on those Mondays take place on the following Tuesdays, and Tuesdays collections take place on the following Wednesdays.

Upcoming Observations

From the City's Equity Calendar at www.greensboro-nc.gov/ EquityCalendar.

~ May recognizes Asian/Pacific American Heritage, Jewish American Heritage, Older Americans and National Military Appreciation

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City Administrative Changes Now in Place

City Manager Taiwo (Tai) Jaiyeoba recently added two key roles to the City's administrative team. Chris Wilson, who served as interim city manager, is now deputy city manager and April Albritton is the City's new assistant to the city manager. Read more at www. greensboro-nc.gov/AdminChanges.

Partnership Created to Help Migrating Birds

The City, in partnership with the T. Gilbert Pearson Audubon Society and local businesses, recently established a plan to help protect migrating birds that fly through

Greensboro during the spring and fall as well as conserve energy.



The

program, called "Lights Out," runs annually from March 15 to May 31 and from September 10 to November 30. This voluntary initiative asks the management of tall buildings and large facilities in Greensboro to turn off or block as many external and internal building lights as possible from 11 pm to 6 am during those dates. Learn more at www.greensboro-nc.gov/LightsOut.

Volunteer to Help Others Get it Right



According to City staff, about 35 percent of recycling collections in Greensboro is trash, not recyclables. The Field Operations Department wants to reduce recycling contamination and needs volunteers to help spread the word. Email GoGreen@greensboro-nc.gov to ask for more details.

GM911 is in the News

Guilford Metro 911 recently made news in three areas. First, it received its re-accreditation from the International Academy of Emergency Dispatch (IAED) as an Accredited Center for Emergency (ACE) Medical Dispatch. This is GM911's fifth re-accreditation and makes it the world's 134th medical ACE.

IAED also re-accredited GM911 for sixth time as an Accredited Center for Emergency (ACE) Fire Dispatch.

GM911 Executive Director Melanie Neal has completed the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials' Certified Public Safety Executive Program (CPE). She joins 171 CPEs in the world and only six in NC.

City Brings Artists to Downtown

Creative Greensboro recently selected work from 10 artists to feature on downtown digital kiosks through January 2023. Each artist received a \$500 honorarium and

will be featured on Creative Greensboro's website. On the right is "Mama Braiding," a mixed media work by Kym Cooper, one of the artists. Visit www.



creativegreensboro.com to see the art and learn more about the artists.

Celebrate Drinking Water Week

During National Drinking Water Week May 1-7, renew your appreciation for water and what it takes to deliver it to your tap 24/7. Learn more at www.greensboro-nc. gov/DrinkingWaterWeek.

Some of the folks getting the job done in Greensboro are engineers who design infrastructure, crews who fix water main breaks, and



lab technicians who ensure water safety and quality.

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~ June is Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning History Month and Caribbean American Heritage Month; June 20 is Juneteenth

Upcoming Events

Learn more about the events below by visiting www.greensboro-nc.gov/PRCalendar.

"The Sound of Music"

Auditions for this Creative Greensboro production are Monday and Tuesday, May 2-3, with performances set for June 23-26. Sign up to audition or buy tickets at www. creativegreensboro.com.

Opus Concert

The Choral Society of Greensboro performs a free Opus Concert at 6:30 pm Friday, May 6, at Christ United Methodist Church, 410 N. Holden Rd.

Trails Day



At this outdoor event, scheduled for 9 am to noon Saturday, June 4, at Country Park, 3905 Nathanael Greene Dr., you can join guided hikes and mountain bike rides, check out a BMX demo, try yoga by the lake and more. For details, visit www. greensboro-nc.gov/TrailsDay.

MUSEP

The summer 2022 season of Music for a Sunday Evening in the Park (MUSEP) begins June 5. Visit www.creativegreensboro. com for a schedule of bands and concert locations.

City Council News

City Council meetings begin at 5:30 pm on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/ CouncilMeetings for schedules, agendas, minutes, and videos. Also, visit City Council's Facebook page at bit.ly/3bclxR7.

Hurricane Season Brings Heavy Rain and Flooding



Hurricane season begins June 1 and while our area seldom is hit directly with these storms, it does sustain high winds, heavy rains and flooding. Just an inch of water can damage your property and flooded streets and streams are unpredictable and dangerous.

Be prepared by:

- ~ Identifying potential home hazards and learning how to secure or protect them before a flood occurs
- ~ Never assuming you can navigate flooded roads by walking or driving into floodwaters
- ~ Checking for home structural damages and never coming in contact with damaged gas, electric, or sewer lines
- ~ Listening for updates about flood conditions on a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Weather Radio, local television and radio stations, and online flood alert sites.

Fall Recreation Sports Registration Begins in June

Fall may seem a long time from now, but registration for Parks and Recreation fall sports leagues begin in June. Residents interested in youth football and cheerleading and adult softball and kickball should visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/sports for more information and to register.

What's Guilford Creek Week?

Guilford Creek Week, which is June 4-11, celebrates the importance, impact, and influence of creeks and waterways in Guilford County.

In the three years Creek Week has sponsored activities, more than 5,800 people have immersed themselves



in creative events. One annual favorite is collecting trash from local streams and streets; thousands of pounds have been picked up.

Want to get involved this year? Visit www.guilfordcreekweek.org for event details.

City Releases GSO2040 Implementation Update

The Planning Department's latest quarterly GSO2040 Comprehensive Plan report shows how a variety of City departments are making progress toward the plan's "Six Big Ideas." Read the report at www. greensboro-nc.gov/Statistics

A few examples highlighted in the report are:

~ Toyota is investing \$1.29 billion at the Greensboro-Randolph Megasite,



strengthening NC's position as a leader in the nation's growing clean energy economy.

~ Boom Supersonic is building a LEEDcertified manufacturing facility



at Piedmont Triad International Airport, which is expected to create more than 1,740 jobs and bring with it an investment of more than \$500 million.

~ The Downtown Greenway has received federal funding to begin construction of Phase 4 of the four-mile loop connecting neighborhoods, businesses, entertainment, sports facilities, and schools.

Departmental Annual Reports Available on New Web Page

Curious how your favorite City department fared last year in the areas of accomplishments, new programs, residents served, staffing changes, etc.? Check out www. greensboro-nc.gov/AnnualReports. As new reports are produced, they will be posted on this page in place of the previous year's reports.