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WHAT'S NEW?

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LABOR DAY

Monday, Sept. 2

City offices closed

YARD WASTE

No collection Monday, Sept. 2





Washington Adventist Hospital is making plans to leave Takoma Park, hoping to transfer the bulk of its services to White Oak while leaving some services on its current campus. To that end, Community Clinics, Inc. will open a walk-in clinic in November. At left, a young boy visits a sister location. Community Clinics operates at seven sites in the area.

Community Clinic brings services to WAH property

Adventist's move would leave some services in place

By Virginia Myers

Washington Adventist Hospital has finalized the framework for its proposed move out of Takoma Park. Although most of the proposal hinges on approval from the state, one piece is already moving forward: a walk-in clinic operated by Community Clinics, Inc., expected to open in November.

With the required application for the move, called a Certificate of Need, due to the Maryland Health Care Commission Oct. 4, the hospital has proposed to move most services to a new location in White Oak, but leave rehabilitation, a 24-7 walk-in clinic, lab and xray services and existing doctors' offices in Takoma Park. In addition, the hospital

COMMUNITY CLINIC Page 15

Residents set to nominate city council, mayoral candidates

By Virginia Myers

If there was ever an opportunity to show that residents of Takoma Park are active in their community and involved in the most local of politics, it is the nominating caucus. The event, held five weeks before the bi-annual city council elections, is one of the most hands-on demonstrations of democracy in the city election system.

On the night of the caucus, held this year at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 1, potential candidates, their supporters and the voting public will gather at the Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium to select candidates for the election. Nominations for each of the six positions on City Council plus the mayor's seat will be accepted.

Any registered voter of Takoma Park may nominate a candidate for the office of mayor. If that nomination is seconded by another qualified voter, the individual's nomination is complete. Other supporters

NOMINATING CAUCUS Page 15

Commuter route gets sidewalk

Erskine Street slated for walkway and traffic calming measures

The City Council voted unanimously on July 22 to approve installation of a sidewalk and additional traffic calming measures along Erskine Street, a well-used route from the bus stop on New Hampshire Avenue into Takoma Park neighborhoods east of the avenue.

A petition for traffic calming measures came from residents after a community review of new sidewalk installation was previously discussed with the neighborhood. The sidewalks were not universally supported. Some neighbors worried over the aesthetics and environmental impact of installing walkways over trees roots. Even though the sidewalk location is within the city's right of way, some adjacent residents felt they had maintained that property as part of their lot for years and were concerned about the loss of it to sidewalk.

But Councilmember Fred Schwartz, noting the high number of pedestrians and significant, if not heavy, vehicular traffic into the neighborhood, insisted that pedestrian safety trumped such concerns. "It's unconscionable to be standing here talking about the preservation of plants and grass when we're risking the lives of human beings who are trying to walk on that street where there is no place to walk," he said, before voting with his colleagues to approve the sidewalks.

The ruling was also controversial because of its timing. The Council had established a process for new sidewalk requests that requires community input and majority support. The process was determined to not apply in this case, because the City had already started the design process for new sidewalks in New Hampshire Gardens and Hillwood Manor before the process was established. The new requirements call for a community vote from residents who live on the affected street and one block in each direction of a potential sidewalk location. Residents on Erksine and adjoining streets did have opportunity to comment, however, at two meetings held to review the traffic calming designs in May and June as well as at a public hearing June 18.

The proposed sidewalks will be five feet wide in most places, except where they will need to be reduced to no less than three feet to get around obstacles. The standards for the sidewalk will be in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements, among other considerations. The City engineer must also develop a stormwater management plan for the project. Construction is expected to take place

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Labor Day weekend, the Co-op will be introducing over two dozen locally produced artisanal cheeses. 99

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City Council & Committee

Official City Government Meetings* TPCC: Takoma Park Community Center

CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday, Sept. 3, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 16, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 23, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 30, 7:30 p.m. **TPCC Auditorium**

VOTING TASK FORCE

Wednesday, Sept. 4, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 18, 7 p.m.

BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Tuesday, Sept. 24, 7:30 p.m. **TPCC Council Conference Room**

FACADE ADVISORY BOARD

Tuesday, Sept. 10, 6:30 p.m. TPCC Hydrangea Room

TREE COMMISSION

Tuesday, Sept. 10, 6:30 p.m. **TPCC Atrium Room**

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Thursday, Sept. 12, 7:30 p.m. TPCC Hydrangea Room

COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

Monday, Sept. 16, 7 p.m. TPCC Hydrangea Room

ARTS AND HUMANITIES COMMISSION

Tuesday, Sept. 24, 7 p.m. TPCC Hydrangea Room

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

Thursday, Sept. 26, 7:30 p.m. **TPCC Azalea Room**

*All meetings are open to the public unless noted otherwise. Additional meetings may be scheduled after the Takoma Park Newsletter deadline. For the most up to date information, check www.takomaparkmd.gov/committees/ calendar. Most meetings are held in the Takoma Park Community Center – Sam Abbott Citizens' Center, 7500 Maple Ave. (TPCC). Individuals interested in receiving a weekly Council agenda and calendar update by e-mail should contact the City Clerk at 301-891-7267 or clerk@ takomaparkmd.gov.

Notice on ADA Compliance

The City of Takoma Park is committed to ensuring that individuals with disabilities are able to fully participate in public meetings. Anyone planning to attend a City of Takoma Park public meeting or public hearing, and who wishes to receive auxiliary aids, services or accommodations is invited to contact the Deputy City Manager at 301-891-7229 or suzannel@takomaparkmd.gov at least 48 hours in advance.

CityCouncilAction

All actions take place in scheduled legislative meetings of the City Council. Only negative votes and abstentions/recusals are noted. Adopted legislation is available for review online at www.takomaparkmd.gov. For additional information, contact the City clerk at jessiec@takomaparkmd.gov.

RESOLUTION 2013-48

Adopted July 22

Setting Forth Dates for the City Council Summer

The resolution establishes the dates for the Council's recess as July 23 – September 2.

RESOLUTION 2013-49

Adopted July 22

Providing for an Appointment to the Tree

The resolution appoints Colleen Cordes, Ward 1, to the Tree Commission for a term to expire on September 30, 2014.

RESOLUTION 2013-50

Adopted July 22

Approving the Volunteer Home Repair Program of Rebuilding Together Montgomery County for Purposes of Receiving Community Investment Tax

The resolution approves the volunteer home repair project to be undertaken by Rebuilding Together Montgomery County and supports its application for Community Investment Tax Credits.

RESOLUTION 2013-51

Adopted July 22

Authorizing Execution of a Grant Agreement with

The resolution approves the award of \$20,000 to CHEER (Community Health and Empowerment through Education and Research) for a proposed Takoma Park Community Improvement Process focused on the health care needs and opportunities for Takoma Park low-income residents.

RESOLUTION 2013-52

Adopted July 22

Authorizing Execution of a Grant Agreement with the Crossroads Community Food Network

The resolution approves the award of \$30,000 to the Crossroads Community Food Network for its FY 2014 nutrition and educational programming.

RESOLUTION 2013-53

Adopted July 22

Authorizing Execution of a Grant Agreement with **EduCare Support Services**

The resolution approves the award of \$40,000 to EduCare Support Services, Inc. for its FY 2014 Mobile Food Pantry project.

RESOLUTION 2013-54

Adopted July 22

Authorizing Execution of a Grant Agreement with the Takoma Park Presbyterian Church

The resolution approves the award of grant funds in the amount of \$30,000 to Takoma Park Presbyterian Church for its FY 2014 Takoma Park Community Kitchen

RESOLUTION 2013-55

Adopted July 22

Authorizing Execution of a Grant Agreement with the Takoma/Langley Crossroads Development

The resolution approves an award of grant funds in the amount of \$4,615 to the Takoma/Langley CDA for its FY 2014 gateway beautification

RESOLUTION 2013-56

Adopted July 22

Authorizing Execution of a Grant Agreement with the ECDC/Enterprise Development Group

The resolution approves an award of grant funds in the amount of \$15,000 to the Ethiopian Community Development Council/ Enterprise Development Group for its FY 2014 Microenterprise Loan Program. (Schultz abstained)

RESOLUTION 2013-57

Adopted July 22

Authorizing Submission of Community Legacy Application

The resolution endorses the submission of the City's FY 2014 Community Legacy application and request for financial assistance in the form of a grant of up to \$450,000 for three projects: the

RESIDENTIAL STREETSCAPE TASK FORCE TO BE APPOINTED BY THE **CITY COUNCIL**

On June 3, an ad hoc group of Takoma Park residents presented recommendations on development of a residential streetscape policy for the City. The presentation is available for review online at http://bit.ly/1eKIW6I. As a follow up to the presentation, the City Council agreed to seek volunteers to serve on a temporary task force to review guidelines for residential streetscapes and make recommendations to the Council.

Interested residents may contact Jessie Carpenter at jessiec@takomaparkmd. gov or find an application form online at www.takomaparkmd.gov.

Flower Avenue Streetscape Amenities Project; The New Ave Signage Project, and the Old Takoma Business Association Revolving Loan Fund.

ORDINANCE 2013-25

Adopted July 22 (first reading July 8; second reading July 22)

Amending Takoma Park Code, Title 6 Housing The ordinance amends every chapter of Title 6 (Housing) of the Takoma Park Code to address issues that have arisen since the Code was last amended, to comply with changing state legislation, and to increase participation of local tenants in the electoral process.

ORDINANCE 2013-26

Adopted July 22 (first reading July 8; second reading July 22)

Amending Takoma Park Code, Title 7, Purchasing, Chapter 7.08 Living Wage Ordinance The ordinance amends Takoma Park Code, Title

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES ON CITY BOARDS. COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

Arts and Humanities Commission (vacancies)

Commission on Landlord-Tenant Affairs (landlords or property managers needed)

Committee on the Environment (vacancies)

Emergency Preparedness Committee (vacancies)

Ethics Commission (one vacancy)

Nuclear-Free Takoma Park Committee (vacancies) Recognition Task Force – short term Commitment (vacancies)

Recreation Committee (vacancies)

Safe Roadways Committee – newly reestablished (vacancies)

Task Force on Voting (vacancies)

Tree Commission (terms expire September 30)

View information at www.takomaparkmd.gov/bcc for complete information or to apply. For questions, contact Jessie Carpenter, City Clerk, at 301-891-7267 or jessiec@takomaparkmd.gov.

MAYOR'S OFFICE HOURS

Mayor Williams welcomes comments and suggestions. Community members are invited to meet with him

during his office hours on Tuesdays:

2-5 p.m. by appointment

5 – 6 p.m. drop-in hours

(check in at the information desk and let the receptionist know you are here to see the Mavor)

6-7 p.m. by appointment

The office hours may change on weeks when Monday is a holiday. For additional information or to make an appointment, contact Executive Assistant Peggye Washington at peggyew@takomaparkmd.gov or 301-891-7230.

Takoma Park showcased in new film

Local movie maker releases American Milkshake this month

By Rick Henry

he new indie comedy film, "American Milkshake" and the City of Takoma Park are deeply linked — physically, emotionally and culturally.

Local viewers who tune in to the movie, opening in select theatres in Los Angeles and New York and nationally on Video on Demand (VOD) on Sept. 6, will likely recognize the scenery because the movie was filmed in and around Takoma Park. They may also recognize the key name in the opening credits, because David Andalman, the movie's co-writer, co-director and co-producer grew up in Takoma Park.

The plot and the experiences of the main character may also be familiar. "American Milkshake" is loosely based on Andalman's experience growing up in Takoma Park and attending Montgomery Blair High School in the 1990s. It tells the story of a white teenager who dreams of making the basketball squad and getting one step closer to being what he is not – black. It's an experience that the 34-year-old Andalman, who was a member of the Blair basketball team, says was shared by lots of suburban white teenagers of that time, including some in Takoma Park.

"That desire (to be black) was not unique to me, it was an experience millions of kids had," he says. "The mid-90s was the time that hip-hop culture was sweeping the nation, with Dr. Dre, Tupac etc...

"Even growing up in a liberal town like Takoma Park, where you are told you can be anything you want, that [being black] was the one thing you could not be." The concept, and Andalman's sense of humor, provides a way into a conversation about race – "never an easy subject," he says.

Having used his experience growing up in Takoma Park as the basis for the film, Andalman decided to literally use the city as the set. Last year he filmed the movie entirely in the city and the surrounding area, with local residents serving as actors, extras, crew, and even innkeepers for some of the cast and crew.

"Because I grew up there, I wanted to film the movie there," he says. "In some ways, the whole community made this movie."

Marika Munro, who co-wrote, directed and produced the film with Andalman, calls the support of local residents "amazing."

"We had to fill a gym with people for a scene and people in the community rallied people to come out on short notice. So if you see the movie, you are likely to see some of your neighbors."

One familiar face will be Bradley Williams, sports coordinator for the Takoma Park Recreation Department and a friend of Andalman's since middle school. Williams plays a basketball coach in the movie and also served as one of Andalman's main goto people for a variety of tasks, including recruiting many members of the cast.

"At the time they were shooting the movie, I was working with teens at the Recreation Department, so I recruited a lot of them to appear in the movie," says Williams.

Andalman relied on the city for more



Awkward high school moments are magnified by Jolie's desire to fit in with the rest of the basketball team. Jolie, played by actor Tyler Ross, was inspired by film director David Andalman's experiences growing up in Takoma Park.

Photo courtesy Ian Bloom

than just talent.

"We had businesses that allowed us to shoot in their stores and residents who let use their houses," he says. Among them was David Aaronson, an old family friend of Andalman and his parents, Martha Bergmark and Elliott Andalman. Aaronson agreed to let the film crew use his house at 312 Tulip Avenue. They created a set inside the house, spent two days filming, and used the location as one of the film's main exteriors as well.

"Since the film was set in the 90s, they were looking for an older-looking house and liked the look of mine," said Aaronson. "It will be nice to have the house in the film for people to see."

Another landmark is Peter's Sub Shop on Maple Avenue, across the street from Piney Branch Elementary. Called Mr. Lee's in the film, the shop was where students congregated after school during Andalman's days at the old Blair High School, which was then located at the intersection of Wayne Avenue and Dale Drive (it is now the Silver Spring International School). The shop plays a central role in the film.

Andalman said that beyond recognizing their neighbors and specific locations, he thinks viewers from Takoma Park will recognize an overall Takoma Park vibe. "The movie is very Takoma Park, even in the adult characters," he says. "They were the generation that came about wanting to change the world and in the movie and still today, they are adjusting to settling in."

Growing up in the city not only provided Andalman with inspiration for the film (in

fact, "American Milkshake" is an outgrowth of an earlier short film he made called "Takoma Park"), it played a huge role in setting him on the career path to being a filmmaker. He and some friends started a film club at Blair, but what really helped cultivate his interest in film was the now-shuttered Video Americain video store in the heart of the city on Carroll Avenue.

"It was so unique because it was organized by director and country so you could really go and explore historical threads and learn a lot about film," he says.

Andalman parlayed his early tinkering at Blair and his cinema exploration at Video Americain into a minor in cinema studies at Oberlin College. Oberlin had an affiliation with the Tisch School in New York and during select terms, Andalman would head to Tisch to hone his craft and develop a network

One of the people in that network was Munro, an artist who was transitioning to filmmaking. "I loved 'Takoma Park,' the short film he made, and when he told me he had a feature script for it, I decided to work with him on it," says Munro.

The partnership has been a productive one. They finished the film within a year and kept the budget under \$500,000. The film was selected for the prestigious Sundance Film Festival and was then picked up for distribution by Phase 4 Films, which is partnered with indie film hero Kevin Smith, the director of "Clerks" and "Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back," among other movies. Phase 4 Films has a Kevin Smith Movie Club banner under which they release se-

lect films approved by Smith.

"I love American Milkshake!" he wrote in a statement about the film. "They have fun at the fat guy's expense. As a guy who shopped at Oak Tree for most of the 90s, the yearnin'-to-be-urban main character brought so vividly to life by Tyler Ross really hit home with me. Shareeka Epps dazzles as the long-suffering sorta-girlfriend, quietly commanding the screen like she did in 'Half Nelson.' Packed with laughs and the benefit of hindsight, this realistic high school indie reminded me of the best entries in that genre — a sort of 'Welcome to the Dollhouse' for fly guys. We're hyped 'cause we're amped to bring David Andalman and Mariko Munro's 'Milkshake' to the Kevin Smith Movie Club!"

Andalman and Munro are already at work on their next feature, a "dark comedy," says Andalman, they hope to have in preproduction this fall.

But for now, they are focusing on the release of "American Milkshake" — a release they are hoping includes a screening in the Takoma Park/D.C. metro area, although none is currently scheduled.

"We definitely want to do a screening in D.C. but right now it's one step at a time," said Andalman, noting the Sept. 6 release date.

"American Milkshake" stars Tyler Ross, Shareeka Epps (*Half Nelson*), Georgia Ford (daughter of Harrison), Eshan Bay and many, many residents of Takoma Park. It is available via VOD on Sept. 6. To view a trailer visit www.deadline.com/2013/07/video-hot-trailer-american-milkshake.

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Compost program expands this fall

Takoma Park's pilot food waste collection program has been a success with more than 50 tons of waste diverted from the county incinerator in the program's first six months. The city received coverage in the *Washington Post* in March and the program results have been presented to numerous forums with interest from other jurisdictions about the program.

The city began collecting food waste from 365 Takoma Park households in February of this year. Participants, who registered online for the program, received a 5-gallon bucket with lid, compostable plastic bags and instructional information. Once collected, the material is composted at Chesapeake Compost Works at Baltimore.

On average, each participating household put out 11 pounds of food waste per week. Initial evaluation data indicates that adding food waste to the City's solid waste collection service could reduce the quantity of trash requiring disposal by about 10 percent, considering a participation rate of about 30 percent.

The Department is planning to expand the pilot program to include 500 households this fall. The

Streets Eligible for Compost Pilot Program			Kennebec Ave.	Poplar Ave.	l
1st Ave.	Cherry Ave.	Flower Ave.	Larch Ave.	Prince Georges Ave.	
2nd Ave.	Chestnut Ave.	Freemont Ave.	Laurel Ave.	Ray Ave.	
4th Ave.	Chicago Ave.	Geneva Ave.	Lee Ave.	Ritchie Ave.	
5th Ave.	Circle Ave.	Glaizewood Ave.	Lincoln Ave.	Roanoke Ave.	
Albany Ave.	Cleveland Ave.	Glengarry Place	Linden Circle	Sheridan Ave.	
Alfred Drive	Cockerille Ave.	Grant Ave.	Manor Circle	Sherman Ave.	
Allegheny Ave.	Colby Ave.	Gude Ave.	Maple Ave.	Sligo Creek Pkwy,	
Aspen Ave.	Columbia Ave.	Hancock Ave.	Maplewood Ave.	Sligo Mill Road	
Auburn Ave.	Conway Ave.	Hayward Ave.	Margaret Drive	Spring Ave.	
Austin Place	Crescent PI	Heather Ave.	Mississippi Ave.	Spruce Ave.	
Baltimore Ave.	Darwin Ave.	Hickory Ave.	Montgomery Ave.	Sycamore Ave.	
Barclay Ave.	Devonshire Rd.	Highland Ave.	New Hampshire	Takoma Ave.	
Beech Ave.	Dogwood Ave.	Hilltop Road	Ave.		
Belford Dr	Domer Ave.	Hodges Lane	New York Ave.	Tulip Ave.	
Birch Ave.	Dundalk Road	Holly Ave.	Niagara Ct	Valley View Ave.	
Boston Ave.	Eastern Ave.	Holt Pl	Orchard Ave.	Wabash Ave.	
Boundary Ave.	Eastridge Ave.	Houston Ave.	Oswego Ave.	Walnut Ave.	
Boyd Ave.	Elm Ave.	Hudson Ave.	Park Ave.	Westmoreland Ave.	
Buffalo Ave.	Elwyn Court	Jackson Ave.	Philadelphia Ave.	Willow Ave.	
Carroll Ave.	Erie Ave.	Jefferson Ave.	Pine Ave.	Winchester Ave.	

Kansas Lane

expansion area will be offered to a section of the Tuesday and Wednesday trash routes. A list of streets where the program will be offered is listed above.

Ethan Allen Ave.

Cedar Ave.

Residents in the pilot areas will receive a mailing from the city notifying them of the program in September. An online sign-up will be available and will include information about the collection and what items can be included.

Participant Feedback

Responses received to an online survey of participants indicated that the program was well received. Ninety one percent reported putting their container out weekly, 95 percent reported they have less trash as a result of their participation and 74 percent felt the container size was just right. Sixty one percent of the respondents said they did not previously compost in their backyard and 39 percent said they did.

Piney Branch Road Woodland Ave.

City adopts revised housing code

On July 22, the City Council adopted a revised housing code which became effective Aug. 11. Many of the changes are minor and intended to clarify parts of the code that were vague or confusing. There are a few major changes, which are summarized below:

Owner-occupied group home registration – (Chapter 6.08)

If you own and occupy a home and rent out space, either in the main section of the house or in a basement which does not have cooking facilities, you will need to register your property with the city by June 30, 2014 as an owner-occupied group home. Registration is \$50 for a three-year period and includes the cost of an inspection that determines that there are no major life safety concerns at the time of registration.

New requirements for landlords regarding political elections and voters—(Chapter 6.04)

If you are a landlord and own a rental property that has a locked front door, you are now required to allow candidates for political office to enter residential buildings to canvas tenants during the 90-day period prior to a primary, general or special election. This section was adopted by the council because of low tenant turnout at elections. The provision requires landlords to provide access to candidates who request it through the proscribed process. Additionally,

landlords must provide city-supplied voter registration forms and information about city voting age requirements to all new tenants (Chapter 16.080).

Lease requirements – (Chapter 6.16.060, 050 and 060)

Takoma Park has a standard lease form which contains all the provisions of the city's code, however many landlords continue to use the Montgomery County GCARR lease, which does not include many of the correct citations or provisions for Takoma Park. A landlord must now include provisions of the utility transfer and entry sections of the code in the lease, so that tenants are more informed about these issues when they sign a lease form at the beginning of their tenancy. A revised standard lease that includes all the changes will soon be available on the city's website.

Rent stabilization – (Chapter 6.20)

All two-unit rental properties where the owner lives in one unit and rents the other are now exempt from the rent stabilization law with no application required (6.20.030). Additionally, there is now a process for increasing or decreasing the rent of a rental unit if the size of the unit is expanded or decreased by more than 10 percent of the floor space. This requires the landlord to submit the plan in writing to the Department of Housing and Community Development for approval prior to the renovation (6.20.040).

Tenant rights – exterminations – (6.16.090)

A landlord cannot charge a tenant for extermination services, however a tenant must adhere to the requirements established in an extermination process.

Sale of a rental property – (Chapters 6.28 and 6.32)

The point of sale inspection was eliminated from the code, because all properties now are required to have an annual inspection unless the department has given the owner a biennial license (inspection every two years). Additionally, the city is now included as an entity that can purchase a rental property that is being sold, only after a tenant or tenant association declines their right to purchase.

Violations and enforcement – (Chapter 6.40)

All violations of the Chapter 6.12 Property Maintenance Code now are considered Class A municipal infractions, which carry a \$500 fine for each violation.

The new code will soon be codified and available on the Takoma Park website, www.takomaparkmd.gov. However if you have any questions about the code or the changes, please call 301-891-7119 and you will be directed to the person who can best answer your question.

CITY COUNCIL ACTION

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7, Chapter 7.08, Article 5, Living Wage Requirement to repeal the exemption for contractors and subcontractors having fewer than 10 employees.

ORDINANCE 2013-27

Adopted July 22 (first reading July 8; second reading July 22) Adopting a Wage Adjustment for Staff Not Covered by a Collective Bargaining Agreement

The ordinance establishes a FY 2014 wage adjustment for employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement. The adjustment is based on the Department of Labor Wage and Salaries Employment Cost Index for State and Local Government as of December 2012 which shows an annual market increase for wages of 1.1%.

ORDINANCE 2013-28

Amending Takoma Park Code, Title 14, Health and Safety, by adding Chapter 14.04.28 Restricted Pesticides (Safe Grow Zone Act)

The ordinance adds restrictions on the use of pesticides on public and private property within the City. The Chapter establishes public education requirements and phases in restrictions on the use of harmful pesticides for lawn care. It establishes an administrative framework for the implementation of educational steps, restrictions and enforcement.

Adopted July 22 (first reading July 15; second reading July 22)

ORDINANCE 2013-29

Adopted July 22 (first reading July 15; second reading July 22) Authorizing Installation of Erskine Street Traffic Calming

The ordinance authorizes installation of a speed hump on Erskine Street between 13th Avenue and 13th Place; location of a curb bump out on the north side of Erskine Street across from the intersection with 13th Place; replacement of the existing speed hump located on Erskine Street between 13th Place and 14th Avenue with the county standard speed hump; and, installation of a sidewalk along the south side of Erskine Street from 13th Avenue to the City line.

ORDINANCE 2013-30

Adopted July 22 (first reading 15; second reading July 22)
Authorizing FY 2014 Budget Amendment No. 1

The ordinance authorizes the first amendment to the FY 2014 budget.

ORDINANCE 2013-31

Adopted July 22

Awarding a Contract for HVAC Improvements at the Community Center

The ordinance authorizes the City Manager to enter into a contract with Summer Winter Automation for the installation of return ducts on roof top units serving a portion of the third floor of the Community Center at a cost of \$15,900.

ORDINANCE 2013-32

Adopted July 22

Authorizing Purchase of Replacement Mobile Computers for the Police Department

The ordinance authorizes the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Advanced Computer Concepts for the purchase of six Panasonic Tough Book 31 computers at a total cost of \$16,464.

ORDINANCE 2013-33

Adopted July 22

Awarding a Contract for Election Services

The ordinance authorizes the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Elections Systems and Software, LLC to provide election services and equipment for the 2013 City election in an amount not to exceed \$24,000.

ORDINANCE 2013-34

Adopted July 22

Awarding a Contract to Arbor Care for Citywide Tree Removal and Maintenance

The ordinance authorizes the City Manager to enter into a contract with Arbor Care Tree Service for tree removal, maintenance pruning, invasive plant control and pest and disease treatment.

ORDINANCE 2013-35

Adopted July 22

Awarding a Contract to Excel Tree Service for Citywide Tree Removal and Maintenance

The ordinance authorizes the City Manager to enter into a contract with Excel Tree Service for tree removal, maintenance pruning, invasive plant control, and pest and disease treatment.

ORDINANCE 2013-36

Adopted July 22

Awarding a Contract to Mead Tree and Turf for Citywide Tree Removal and Maintenance

The ordinance authorizes the City Manager to enter into a contract with Mead Tree and Turf for tree removal, maintenance pruning, invasive plant control and pest and disease treatment.

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Mexican dance troupes from across the country will celebrate Mexican Independence at the Community Center Sept. 14.

Music, dance celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month

MEXICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY DANCE CELEBRATION

Saturday, Sept. 14, 7:30 p.m. **RHYTHM AND SONG: A LATIN AMERICAN MUSIC JOURNEY**

Saturday, Oct. 4, 2 p.m.

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month at the Takoma Park Community Center with performances by traditional Mexican folk dance groups and choral music sung in Spanish by the Rockville-based Coral

Hispanic Heritage Month runs from

Sept. 15 to Oct. 15 and provides the opportunity to recognize Americans whose ancestors come from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South Amer-

The Sept. 14 event features Mexican folk dance troupes from across the country. Dancers will mingle with audience members prior to the show so that attendees can see their colorful costumes up close. With Mexican Independence Day on Sept. 16, the event will surely be lively.

The concert by Coral Cantigas on Saturday, Oct. 4 will include an interactive

sing-along, appropriate for all ages, featuring rhythms and dances from the Spanish

Coral Cantigas is lead by conductor Diana Sáez, a specialist in the field of Latin American music. Cantigas has performed at the Kennedy Center, a host of festivals, museums and embassies, as well as on international tours in Argentina, Venezuela and Puerto Rico.

This event is part of the We are Takoma series, sponsored by the City of Takoma Park Arts and Humanities Commission.

Sunday, Sept. 22, 2 - 4 p.m.

Honoring Takoma Park's tradition of mosaic, Rachna Rihkye will hold a kids' workshop to explore this ancient art. Her book, "The Mosaic Community," documents the stories of the Takoma Park children who came together to create a mosaic on the library's wall.

The event will also feature artists who worked on the Takoma Park Library's mosaic, including the mural's designer Arturo Ho. This interactive workshop will explore the experience of living in Takoma Park through participants' eyes, and participants will learn how to make their own mosaics.

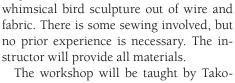
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EXPRESSING TAKOMA PARK STORIES THROUGH MOSAIC

Takoma Park Community Center

Azalea Room

This event is part of the We are Takoma series, sponsored by the City of Takoma Park Arts and Humanities Com-



In this low-key, fun workshop, each participant will create a small, colorful and

Takoma Park Community Center Art Room

FIBER ARTS WORKSHOP **EXPLORES WHIMSY** Sunday, Sept. 8, 12:30 - 4:30 p.m.

\$10 materials fee

ma Park artist Maria Simonsson, a selftaught artist who has worked with textiles her whole life, in some form or other. She found her perfect medium when discovering the traditional African technique of wrapping a wire armature with layers of cloth strips and then embellishing it with stitching, embroidery, beading or the addition of found objects, thereby creating three-dimensional objects. She has been developing this technique ever since, adapting it to whimsical figures as well as many forms of vessels.

Born and raised in Sweden, the joy of color and pattern of the folk traditions of Scandinavia have also influenced Simonsson's art. She explores shapes and textures in addition to color and pattern in her work. She is currently experimenting with dyeing and printing her own fabrics and creating two dimensional wall pieces.

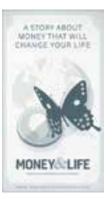
Simonsson has taught workshops at the Smithsonian Institution among other places, and has been a juried artist at the Torpedo Factory since 2002. Her studio is in the D.C. Arts Center in Takoma Park.

This event is part of the We are Takoma series, sponsored by the City of Takoma Park Arts and Humanities Commission.

DOCUMENTARY EXPLORES THE MEANING OF MONEY **AND EXCHANGE**

Thursday, Sept. 12, 7:30 p.m. **Takoma Park Community Center**

documentary Money & Life comes to Takoma Park on a national tour, screening on Thursday, Sept. 8 to explore the origins of money and the current economic crisis. Through expert interviews, dynamic animation and an original music score the filmmakers present the



current economic crisis not as a disaster, but as an opportunity.

Among the questions to explore: How can we move beyond being merely consumers, debtors and creditors, and put money in service to what we really care about as citizens, as human beings? Can we design a monetary circulation system that fosters democratic equality? What responsibilities should a corporate charter convey? What does it really mean to "make

Susan Belchamber, one of the film's producers, will lead a discussion following the screening.

This event is part of the We are Takoma series, sponsored by the City of Takoma Park Arts and Humanities Commission.

MADE IN TAKOMA PARK

New exhibit features home grown talent

Opening reception Thursday, Sept. 12, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Takoma Park Community Center

Exhibit runs Sept. 12 - Nov. 8

Takoma Park artist Karen Abromaitis is among four Azalea City artists – that is, artists who live and work in Takoma Park – to present their work in the Community Center this month. Abromaitis, a potter, calls her art-making "magical." Her artist statement explains:

Being a maker of objects is immensely satisfying to me. There is magic in having materials move in response to my hands and my imagination, magic in exploring the ephemeral and conceptual and manifesting it in time and space. The vessel form intrigues me. After many years of creating ceramic vessels for food and drink, I'm currently fascinated by what else a vessel might contain. Light, dreams, and ideas are now a part of what I make

So why do I make both functional and



Place Memory, Karen Abromaitis

decorative work? Window bowls are divas—they are elegant and formal, fussy and temperamental, they challenge me and try my patience and I love them for that. Window bowls are the black tie dinner. My functional work is the pizza and beer-total comfort food. It's soothing for me to throw board after board of neatly matching pots to line up on the shelves. There's a rhythm of concentration and execution that keeps me clicking along.

Abromaitis' fellow exhibitors are Lindsay Abromaitis-Smith (sculpture), Sheila Blake (pastels on paper) and John Guernsey (Etching & Acrylic).

This event is part of the We are Takoma series, sponsored by the City of Ta-

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TOTS/YOUTH

CLASSES

Let's Pretend

Ages 2 1/2 - 5

Preschoolers love to exercise their imaginations through pretend play. Let's Pretend class members will develop this natural creative behavior through dramatic readings, improv, sensory exploration, physical experimentation, imagination exercises, singing/movement, props and games. We will warm up (like real actors), read a story, engage in exercises and experiments based on the story, and finally perform the story.

TP Community Center Auditorium Thursdays, Sept. 19 - Nov. 7, 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. TP residents \$110 Non-residents \$130

My Special Grown-up and Me

Ages 3 - 6

Welcoming new and returning students to a friendly and entertaining introduction to the arts class which explores colors, textures and the joy of creativity with a variety of fun projects including all basic forms of art: painting, printing, sculpting, molding, gluing, sewing and cutting.

TP Community Center Art Studio

Fridays, Sept. 13 - Dec. 6, 10 – 11 a.m.

TP residents \$39 Non-residents \$49

SPORTS/FITNESS/HEALTH

Kung Fu

Ages 4 - 16

This ancient form of self-defense provides physical and mental exercise which could help the students defend themselves by strengthening hand-eye coordination. The student will gain physical fitness, mental and spiritual strength. There is a one-time, non-refundable fee of \$50 paid to the instructor at the first class for uniform.

TP Community Center Dance Studio Saturdays, Sept. 21 - Dec. 14 Beginners: 10:15 - 11:15 a.m. Advanced: 11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. TP residents \$120 Non-residents \$140

Outdoor Street Hockey

Ages 7 - 13

This sport is based on ice hockey, but is played on foot and with a special ball made especially for pavement. Street hockey can enhance your child's motor skills and concentration while instilling the art of sportsmanship. Games take place on the outdoor basketball court, next to Takoma Park Community Center.

TP Community Center outdoor basketball court Thursdays, Sept. 26 - Oct. 24, 3:45 - 4:45 p.m. TP residents Free, but registration is required



Takoma Plays will sponsor another Play Day on Sept. 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Takoma Park Middle School. The organization, assisted by the Takoma Park Recreation Department, sponsors several play events each year, like this one held this past winter. The events include fun for all ages, with games, dressup, dancing, music and more. All residents are welcome.

Photo by Jay Kelle

For a full listing of Takoma Park Recreation Department programs, activities and classes, please visit us online at www.takomaparkmd.gov/ recreation and click on our Fall Guide. For more information call 301-891-7290

Non-residents \$10

Youth Tennis Clinic

Ages 7 - 9 and 10 - 13

This program gives youth the opportunity to learn and nurture their tennis skills. Structured tennis instruction is an excellent vehicle for building character, developing discipline and promoting physical fitness. Please bring your own racquet and a water bottle. If you do not own a racquet, the Recreation Department will provide one for the clinic.

Takoma Park Middle School tennis courts

Ages 10 - 13: Tuesdays, Sept. 17 - Oct. 15 4:45 - 5:45 p.m. TP residents \$25 Non-residents \$35

TEENS

EDUCATION/DEVELOPMENT

Charm School

Ages 13 - 17

Teens are cordially invited to attend a free 8-week Charm School course. Classes will include positive life skills, grooming and style, respect and manners, appreciation, dating with dignity, conversation skills and public speaking, workplace dynamics, and etiquette for social events. Following the course we will use our new skills to dine out at a fancy restaurant in the area.

TP Community Center Hydrangea Room Wednesdays, Sept. 11 - Oct. 30, 4 - 5 p.m. TP residents Free Non-residents \$10

Illumination: Photography for Beginners, Part 1

Ages 12 - 18

You have the power this fall to tell the world your story using your voice, your eye and your images. Harness the power of photography and self-expression in this two-part class designed to teach you about yourself and your camera. You will explore shooting on location, experiment with creative techniques and develop your eye. No experience necessary. Must bring own digital camera to class; point and shoot or DSLR format.

TP Community Center Hydrangea Room Tuesdays, Sept. 10 - Oct. 15, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. TP residents Free Non-residents \$25

Job Training: Resume Writing and Mock Interviews

Ages 12 - 17

It is sometimes difficult for young adults with little education or training to secure a job that will allow them to be financially independent. This training will help teens understand the format of a resume, participate in mock interviews and receive evaluations from instructors.

TP Community Center Teen Lounge Mondays, Sept. 16 - Oct. 21, 3 - 4 p.m. TP residents Free Non-residents \$10

Rotating MAC Software Instruction for Teens

Ages 12-17

Interested in getting to know your Mac just a little better? Would you like to learn how to create sketches digitally? How about create your own music with Garage Band, then make your own video

with Final Cut Pro? Each class session will cover different software, including Inkscape, Final Cut Pro, Motion, Google Sketchup and Garage Band. TP Community Center Multi-Media Lab Mondays, Sept. 9 - Oct. 7, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. TP residents Free Non-residents \$20

SAT Preparation: Reading and Writing

Ages 13 - 17

This course will cover the critical reading and writing sections applicable to the SAT test. Students will learn valuable test-taking strategies and knowledge-building strategies to help improve their scores. When students complete the course, they'll be able to organize thoughts for a timed essay, interpret selected reading passages, understand diverse vocabulary, determine the necessary skills for each test question and more.

TP Community Center Lilac Room Mondays, Sept. 9 - Oct. 14, 7 - 8 p.m. TP residents Free Non-residents \$10

DANCE

Let Your Emotions Be Your Rhythm - Teen Dance Program

Ages 12-17

The Teen Dance Program (Let Your Emotions Be Your Rhythm) will educate teens on alternative and creative methods to displace their emotions and teach team work and bonding skills through dance, workshops and open discussions. By the end of the session every member will have learned new therapeutic movements, dance techniques, routines and more about themselves as individuals.

TP Community Center Dance Studio
Tuesdays, Sept. 10 - Dec. 12, 3 - 5 p.m.
TP residents Free
Non-residents \$20

ADULT

ART

Ceramics

Ages 16 and older

Receive instruction on using the potters' wheel. Participants will make cups, bowls and dishes. Tools and other materials provided. There is a \$15 materials fee due to the instructor on the first day of class.

TP Community Center Art Studio Wednesdays, 6 - 8 p.m., Oct. 2 - Nov. 20 TP residents \$80 Non-residents \$100

Ceramics

Ages 16 and older

Come make bowls, vases, mosaics, tiles, sculpture heads, clay animals and more. Your imagination is your only limit. All glazes are food safe. Tools and other materials provided. There is a \$15 materials fee due to the instructor on the first day of class. TP Community Center Art Studio Fridays, Oct. 4 - Nov. 22, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. TP residents \$80 Non-residents \$100

EDUCATION/DEVELOPMENT

GRE Crash Course

Ages 18 and older

Dreaming of graduate school but dreading the GRE? Unsure of how to get started? The GRE Crash Course is designed for students who need a jump start on studying, guidance on how to get started, or a math refresher. Course book: "GRE Math Simplified with Video Solutions." Materials fee (book) of \$25 paid to the instructor on the first day of class.

TP Community Center Azalea Room Saturday, Oct. 5, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. TP residents \$50 Non-residents \$60

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WASHINGTON ADVENTIST HOSPITAL HEALTH FAIR

Emphasis on 55+ health • All ages welcome!



- Free health screenings Blood pressure, grip strength, bone density, and many more
- Free information Stroke awareness, diabetes care, heart care, mental health, nutrition and other important health issues

- Free flu shots for Medicare Part B patients (please bring your card with you) \$25 flu shots for all other attendees
- Free information Talk to a Washington Adventist Hospital representative, have your questions answered, find out the latest news
- Free Recreation Department program information - Live fitness class demos, door prizes and give aways
- Free "Forever Young" T-Shirts to the first 50 adult attendees (55 plus)
- Visit with your TPSS Co-op representative for nutrition information and free healthy snack samples, natural and good for you

DROP-IN, NO APPOINTMENT REQUIRED

TP Community Center Azalea Room • Wednesday, Sept, 18, 3 - 7 p.m.

For more information, contact Paula Lisowski, senior programs manager at 301-891-7280 or paulal@takomaparkmd.gov.



SUNDAY, **SEPTEMBER 8th**













Sunday, Sept 8, 2013 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. **Takoma Park Middle School** 7611 Piney Branch Road Takoma Park, MD

Free shuttles from Takoma metro and Montgomery College's east garage, 7730 Fenton Street Silver Spring, MD (entrance on King Street) Shuttles will run from from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Festival day

Sponsored by



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FOR MORE INFORMATON VISIT TPFF.ORG



Music and dance on six stages, dancing, special activities for kids, juried craft show, and international food.

All-day fun for the whole family, rain or shine! Please no dogs except service dogs. On-site parking limited to disablity placard only.

allfree



Sunday, September 8, 2013 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Takoma Park Middle School 7511 Piney Branch Road Takoma Park, MD



MELCOMEI

Come celebrate the diversity and creativity of our community at the 36th annual Takoma Park Folk Festival. From singer-songwriters to ensemble groups, from emerging artists and teens to familiar faces on the regional folk scene, the 2013 Festival will host more than 50 performances. Our six stages will present music and dance traditions that stretch across centuries and cultures.

History

Initiated as a fundraiser to save the Takoma Theatre in 1978, the Festival has grown over the years to include multiple stages and roving acts, a juried craft show, international foods and representatives from local community organizations. True to its roots, the Festival is free and family-friendly, and it continues to have a charitable mission by supporting local youth organizations that provide volunteers.

Takoma Park Middle School provides a great setting. Kids can safely ramble and play games organized by the Cub Scouts. Enjoy performances indoors and outside. Bring a picnic or buy food and treats from our vendors. The Festival complements a vibrant, year-'round music scene in the area, and many Takoma Park residents cite a visit to the Festival as the reason they chose to live here.

Performance

The Festival kicks off at 10:30 a.m. with the D.C. Labor Chorus leading a singing procession, and it continues until 6:30 p.m. (stage performances end at 6 p.m.). Check the schedule for performance specifics at our six stages.

New this year, dancing will move outside and will be at or near our outdoor stages. For the second year, the Field Stage will be atop the hill near Piney

Branch Road in a shadier location that provides better interaction between performers and the audience. For Festival visitors with children and teens, the Grassy Nook area will likely remain a focal point for the day.

Craft Show and Sale

For many people, a visit to our juried craft show and sale is a Festival highlight. We will have nearly 30 crafters this year, featuring original, hand-made crafts in wood, glass, clay, metal, fiber and paper. Near the crafts area will be a booth for purchasing recordings and other merchandise from our performers.

Community Tables

The Festival embraces many other non-profit organizations doing wonderful work in our community, so we have set aside space for nearly 100 community tables across the Festival grounds. Please visit with these groups and learn about how you can support their activities in education, the environment, art, human rights, animal protection, youth services and much more.

Access and Safety

The Festival is located at Takoma Park Middle School. We have no general onsite parking and only limited parking for people with disabilities. Neighborhood parking is sparse, too. Please walk or ride a bike or shuttle to the Festival.

We operate two FREE shuttle buses all day. Park in the Montgomery College East Garage at Fenton and King Streets or at the Takoma Metro Station, and ride to the Festival in air-conditioned comfort on our free shuttles.

Washington Adventist Hospital returns as our First Aid provider this year. We ask that you leave your dog at home. Certified guide dogs are welcome.

— Colleen Clay, TPFF Chair



No festival is complete without great food! Enjoy a wide selection of food and treats from these loyal local vendors. Most will be located on the lawn in front of the school.



Ben and Jerry's

Ice Cream

Carmen's Italian Ice

Italian Ice

CynCole's Catering

Jerk Chicken, Rice with Vegetables, Fried Plantains, Lemonade

Delights of the Garden

Vegetarian

East Fresh

Fruit Smoothies, Lemonade, Limeade, Thai Iced Tea

Food Corner & Grill

Teriyaki, Pad Thai, Egg Rolls, Lo Mein

Harry's Fresh Squeezed Juices

Lemonade, Lime Fizz



Hoffman's Quality Meats

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Pulled Pork, Sausage Sizzler, Beef Jerky

Island Grill

Jerk Chicken, Curry Chicken, Beef Kielbasa, Conch Fritters, Spicy Beef Patties

Little Olive

Moussaka, Spanakopita, Greek Salad, Grape Leaves, Baklava, Iced Coffee, Ginger Tea

Nittaya's Grill

Chicken Teriyaki, Fried Rice, Fish Sandwich, Lemonade

R.J. Cafe

Tandoori Chicken Platter, Vegetable Biryani, Spinach and Potato Masala

Rita's Concessions

Sausage Steak, Gyros, Hot Dogs, Funnel Cake, Grilled Chicken, Taco Bowls, Onions

Saleh's Treats

Chicken Kabob, Hummus, Chicken and Beef Shawarmas, Grape Leaves

Sherri's Fun Foods

Crab Cake Sandwich, Lemonade, Iced Tea

The Chicken Smells Good

Chicken Wrap, Red Beans and Rice, Veg Pasta, Cheese Fries, Chicken Kabob

TK Grill

Chicken Teriyaki, Egg Roll, Veggie Noodles, Veggie Fried Rice



JURIED CRAFT SHOW AND SALE

The crafts area is located on the basketball courts.

A tent with performers' music and merchandise also will be in the area.

CLAY

Karin Abromaitis

Functional stoneware pottery for kitchen and home

Desiree Darden

Functional stoneware

Mea Rhee/Good Elephant Pottery Handmade functional pottery

FIBER

Barbara Berman/Craftibarb

Original totebags

lise Daehler/I Sew Totes

Quilted totebags, quilts, wall hangings, and more

Clydelle and Alfred Griffin Handmade Especially For You

Handmade skirts, scarves, and purses

Steven Holmberg/Tiedyeclothing

Hand-dyed clothing in vibrant contemporary designs

Patricia Peerzada/Roc the Bloc

Original hand-printed clothing

Maria Stroffolino/Britecloth Tie Dye

Tie-dyed clothing and accessories

Laurie Summers

Woven wall hangings and pillows

FOOD

George Meyer/BeeGeorgeHoney
Honey

Honey

JEWELRY

Barbara S. Cromer

Barbara Cromer Artisan Jewelry Jewelry in silver, vermeil, and gold, accented with stones, crystals, beads,

Nancy Kahn DeMulder/By Jewelartist

Fine jewelry in sterling silver and/or 14-kt gold with gemstones, pearls, and beads

Sarah Lindsey Holmes Zara Handcrafted Jewelry

Necklaces, earrings, bracelets in silver, copper, bronze

Arelle Hughes/Arelle Hughes Designs

Handmade jewelry that incorporates photographs, crochet, knotting, and wire-wrapping

Tamara Mariner

Toe rings with inset crystals

Jackie Swartz/JSS Designs

Jewelry made from handcrafted beads of polymer clay, with silver and crystals

Nathaniel Williamson

Silver jewelry

MIXED MEDIA

Rebecca Jones

Mixed-media wall pieces, prints, and note cards

Percy Medina/Gourd Art

Hand-carved, burned, and decorated gourds

PAINTING

Letitia Lee/LEEMEE Art and Design

Original paintings

PAPER

Jine Yang/Paper Fantasies

Drawing and paper sculptures, combined with quilling

PRINTS

Fred King/Fred King, Cards and Prints

Photographic note cards and prints

Keith Patterson/Moon Graphics

Watercolors, block-print greeting cards, and children's books

SOAP

Michelle Burns/Mystic Water Soap

Soap and other bath products made from natural products through traditional methods

WOOD

Allen Cady/Craftworks

Chairs, bread boards, curved benches

Nicholas Phillips/Affine Creations

Hand-crafted wood boxes, cutting boards, sushi plates, and more

Tom Yates/Wild Wood Studio

Carved and assembled wood sculptures

COURTESIES

To make everyone's day at the Festival joyful and safe, we ask that you follow a few rules:

- No food or beverages inside the school. Enjoy our shaded picnic area near the Grove Stage.
- Please don't talk loudly or make phone calls during performances.
- Performers have asked that they not be videotaped or recorded without their permission.
- No smoking on school grounds. It's the law!
- No pets. Only service dogs are permitted on school grounds.
- Help clean up. Place trash and recyclables in proper containers. If you can stay for a few minutes after 6 p.m. to help us clear the site, that's even better!

Support the Pestivali



Your donations keep the Takoma Park Folk Festival strong! Get your TPFF sticker from our colorfully attired Bucket Brigadiers or at the information tables.

rrin plan

If performances must be moved indoors because of rain, the stages will shift as follows:

ABBOTT STAGE remains in the Auxiliary Gym

WORLD STAGE remains in the Cafetorium

FIELD STAGE moves to the Main Gym

GRASSY NOOK moves to Room 102

GROVE STAGE moves to Room 106 **SEVENTH HEAVEN** moves to Room 120

Beneficiaries

A portion of the proceeds from the Takoma Park Folk Festival will be distributed to youth-oriented organizations in our community. Youth members and parents from these groups work to help make the Festival a success.

Among this year's beneficiary groups are: AmeriCorps NCCC, Blair After-Prom Committee, Blair Crew, Blair Poms, Blair Youth Leadership, Boy Scout Troop 97, Cub Scout Pack 33, Friends of Sligo Creek, Girl Scout Troop 5831 and God Glorified Church of God in Christ.













71/2 folldore Society





Finn Family

organizing folks

Chair: Colleen Clay

Community Tables: Karen Elrich

Crafts: Laurie Summers, Chair Gina Gaspin, Janet Stollnitz

Fundraising: Pam Larson

Bucket Brigade: Vicki Choitz

Logistics: Scott Gilkeson, Chair Construction: Paul Crumrine Food Vendors: Walter Mulbry Groundskeeping: Nancy Nickell Setup and Tear-down:

> Gary Cardillo, George French

Shuttle Buses:

Diana Kohn, Nancy Nickell

Performer Hospitality:Karen Vernon

Program:

Judy Oliver, Chair **Roving Performers:** Catherine Chapman **Sound Coordinator:** Art Isaacs

Publicity:

Kevin Adler, Janie Meneely, Nancy Nickell, Janet Stollnitz, Kathy Westra

T-shirt Design: A.J. Campbell

STAGE FOLKS

Field Stage

Coordinators: Derek Hill,
Rob Hinkal
MCs: Les Hatley, Rob Hinkal,
Joe Scala
Stage Managers: Derek Hill,
Bruce Krohmer
Sound Engineers:
Andrew Roberts, Collin
O'Loughlin, Kyle Unnewehr

Grove Stage

Coordinators: Scott Moore,
Susie Markland
MCs: Steve Gnadt, Ron Goad
Stage Managers: Richard Weil,
David Spitzer
Sound Engineers:
Kirby Yarbrough,
Granger Helvey

Abbott Stage

Coordinators: Fred Stollnitz, Jennifer Woods MCs: Jennifer Woods, Mary Cliff Stage Manager: Charlie Baum Sound Engineer: Flawn Williams

World Stage

Coordinator: Roger Strouse
MCs: Ruth Katz, Rachel Kaufman,
Deborah Thornton
Stage Managers: Steve Whitney,
Roger Strouse
Sound Engineers: Trevor Higgins,
Dave Richardson

Grassy Nook Stage

Coordinators, MCs, and Stage Managers: Marika Partridge, Bobbi Kittner Sound Engineer: Ben Majchrzak

Seventh Heaven Stage

Coordinators and Stage
Managers: Mark Sylvester,
Scott Holland
MCs: Casey Willson,
Meg Kinghorn
Sound Engineers: Art Isaacs,
Charlie Pilzer

First Aid







Sign-Language interpretation
Volunteer interpreters are provided by Capital Sign Language
(capitalsignlanguage.com) and First Chair Interpreted Productions
(firstchairinterpreters.com) at no cost. We extend our appreciation to CSL's
Judi Rockhill and FCIP's Kevin Dyels for coordinating this service, as well as to
each interpreter this year.

Roving the Festival: Banjo Man Frank Cassel, Foggy Bottom Morris Men, Arlington Northwest Morris Women, Rock Creek Morris Women, Hicks with Sticks and Cutting Edge Sword Dance.



Takoma Park Middle School performer & volunteer



Abbott Stage

Traditional, labor & maritime songs

Festival Sales Shuttle bus of∙®o Bike racks Bathroom Food Stages ATM ATM Picnic area (?)Information

Community

Fun for kids

Tables

Crafts





shuttle bus to Takoma Metro & Montgomery College East Garage, Only handicap parking on site.





Grassy Nook Performances by and for kids and teens

Grant Ave.

Branch Road

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10:30-11:00 Field **DC LABOR** CHORUS Fifth Estate Communications & Focus Music will lead a singing procession

Cousin John Band 11-12 Four-piece blues/roots original music, mostly acoustic, with lots of harmony

The Honest Mistakes Mid-power pop, rife with lyrical 12-1 trickery

Driven to Clarity Soul-tinged joyous rock

Urban Funk 2-3 Smooth and funky jazz with a mix of originals and covers

ilyAIMY Award-winning acoustic rock-folk

50 Man Machine 4-5 Eclectic mix of reggae, Celtic, folk, Caribbean and alternative rock with pop sensibilities

Eli August & The Abandoned Buildings Romantic, dark, and earthy Americana

Grove

Fifth Estate Communications

the grandsons, Jr. Upbeat mix of musical styles for kids and adults

The 9
Justin Trawick presents an all-star lineup of nine area singer-

Avril Smith and Big ChimneyRock and pop with bluegrass and old-time feel

Siobhan Quinn and Michael Bowers
Beautiful and gritty
songs with seamles
harmonies

Dynamic mix of folk, country, gospel and

We're About 9 Musical prowess, careful writing, engaging presence, dynamic vocals

Abbott

Sponsor: Folklore Society of Greater Washington

D. C. Labor Chorus Songs celebrating working people for all to sing along

11:45 Lisa Null Irish-American songs of hard times, hard work and resistance

12:30 Conjure Woman Blues, roots, Americana music

1:15 Blue Panamuse Blues and swing from the Golden Age of radio drumming

George Stephens & Kathy Westra Traditional and

contemporary songs from North América, Britain and

2:45 West Market Trio Bluegrass/folk trio

3:30 Bob Clayton American traditional songs and originals

4:15 The Fiddle Oaks Old-time/bluegrass/folk Flashy Spanish dance standards

Washington Revels Maritime Voices Songs of the sea and

World

Sponsor: Airshow Mastering

Trio Sefardi Songs of the Spanish Jews (Sephardim)

Music Pilgrim Trio Klezmer, Gypsy, Russian jazz and more

Mark H Rooney A dynamic blend of traditional and contemporary Japanese

Kamel Zennia North African folk, rock and blues with a Berber twist

Sudrabavots Latvian a capella ensemble, joined by friends with

instruments

Furia Flamenca

Tierra Morena Afro-Andean-Latino music fusion

Grassy Nook

Sponsor: Finn Family Group: Meg Finn, Dan Metcalf, & Long & Foster/Takoma Park: Robbi Kimball

Death Cupcake Original music with killer frosting

11:30 Ruby Kules Piano, uke, guitar (age 13)

Pat Clark Montgomery College freshman with guitar

12:30 What Are We? Original duo with ukes, guitars, and vocals

Anna Savage Soulful girl with guitar

1:30 Minunedo Ambient folk from Columbia, MD

2:00 Stunahzz The 2013 Sligo Creek Hedge School Irish Teen Band

3:00 Chloe Antulov Encore from awardwinning singer songwriter

3:30 Sheltered Turtle Pianistic, percussive finger-style acoustic guitar

4:00 Davison D.C. siblings with songs, guitars, kazoos, and personality

5:00 Marenje Marimba Ensemble High-energy trad Zimbabwean music

7th Heaven

Sponsor: Strathmore

11:15 Drum Circle with Stream Ohrstrom

QueenEarth Singer-songwriter, guitarist, beatboxer

12:30 Katie and Joe Acoustic songwriting duo from Baltimore

Courtney Dowe Local protest singersongwriter and homegrown troubadour

1:30 Lulu's Fate Traditional Appalachian songs and string-band tunes with three-part harmon

2:15 Marshall Artz Folk and blues acoustic duo

Woody Lissauer Virtuoso guitarist/ songwriter

Daisy Castro Gypsy jazz violin

Mary Battiata & Little Pink Alt-country folk rock

RECREATION

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ENVIRONMENTAL

Extending Your Growing Season - All Year Long

Ages 16 and older

The pleasure of growing your own food doesn't have to stop just because the weather is getting cooler. In this class we'll learn about the many crops that prefer cool temperatures and the various methods that can be implemented for insulating and growing healthy, delicious food all four seasons. TP Community Center Art Studio Saturday, Oct. 12, 10 - 11:30 a.m. TP residents \$35 Non-residents \$45

SPORTS/FITNESS/HEALTH

Jazzercise

Ages 16 and older

Jazzercise is the art of Jazz combined with the science of exercise physiology. Each 60-70 minute class includes easy-to-follow, fun, aerobic dance routines, weights for muscle strength and stretching exercises, all to the beat of music from oldies to jazz to the newest pop tunes.

TP Recreation Center Gymnasium

Mondays and Wednesdays (on-going), 7 - 8 p.m.

Saturdays, 8 - 9 a.m. (on-going)

\$45 pe rmonth EFT (Easy Fitness Ticket)

\$110/8 week pass

\$30 joining fee required for EFT and/or 8 week pass \$15 drop-in (with \$20 fee)

Ladies' Boot Camp

Ages 16 and older

A total body program that includes a circuit of drills such as jumping jacks, running, push-ups, squats, crunches and weight training. A challenging workout within a quick hour. Eight weeks.

TP Recreation Center Gymnasium

Tuesdays and Thursdays, Sept. 10 - Oct. 31 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

\$85

Pilates I

Ages 16 and older

A fun and invigorating workout that teaches controlled movements utilizing the body's "core" - abdomen, back, and hips. Pilates improves core control, coordination, standing alignment and balance with mat exercises. Pilates is the ultimate mind-body exercise for anyone who wants to tone, streamline and realign the body.

TP Recreation Center front meeting room Wednesdays, Sept. 11 - Oct. 16, 6 - 7 p.m. \$60

Pilates II

Ages 16 and older

Strengthen your abdominals as well as your glutes, back and shoulders. We build long, lean muscles using a variety of tools and approaches. A challenging workout that is surprisingly enjoyable. Gain a stronger, more flexible core and better posture that will benefit you 24 hours a day. Participants are required to bring a mat and their own three-pound weights.

TP Recreation Center front meeting room Tuesdays, Sept. 10 - Oct. 15, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. \$60

Zumba

Ages 16 and older

An exhilarating, effective, easy-to-follow, Latininspired, calorie-burning dance fitness program, Zumba fuses hypnotic Latin rhythms and easyto-follow moves to create a one-of-a-kind fitness program. Co-sponsored by the Montgomery County Recreation Department.

TP Recreation Center front meeting room

Sept. 11 - Oct. 5, 6 - 7 p.m.

Wednesdays, 6 – 6:55 p.m.

Saturdays, 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

\$40/4 weeks (session)

\$10 (Drop-in)

TELEVISION/VIDEO

Video Editing with Final Cut Pro - Beginners

Ages 25 and older

Introduction to video editing using Apple's latest version of Final Cut Pro. Participants will learn the general interface, keyboard shortcuts and all pertinent terminology. Learn how to create and organize projects, log and capture video, add transitions and effects, basic text manipulation and time line based storytelling.

TP Community Center Multi Media Lab Mondays and Wednesdays, Oct. 7 - 23 6 - 7:30 p.m. TP residents \$85

Video Editing with Final Cut Pro - Intermediate

Ages 12 and older

Non-residents \$95

This course involves a brief review of some Final Cut Pro interface basics. The course will cover some of the more advanced concepts in Final Cut Pro such as key framing, motion effects, color correction, composition, filters, slow motion and graphic manipulation.

TP Community Center Multi Media Lab

Mondays and Wednesdays, Oct. 7 - 23

7:45 - 9:15 p.m. TP residents \$110

Non-residents \$130

BACK TO SCHOOL SUMMER BLOWOUT TEEN ONLY DANCE

Ages 11 - 17

EXCLUSIVE TEEN ONLY EVENT!

School is back in session and we're excited! Come celebrate and start this new school year off right. This is one end-of-the-summer bash you don't want to miss!

Special Invite to Junior High and High School Students (under age 18)

DRESS CODE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED No Sagging Pants. No Backpacks. No Purses. Enjoy the DJ and refreshments.

Student ID Required

TP Recreation Center Gym

Fri, Sept. 13, 8 p.m. - midnight • Free

DOGGIE TRICKS AND GAMES

Dogs of any age

In this series of one-day sessions, we will show you a variety of new activities your family can enjoy with your dog. Some of the things we intend to cover are hide and seek, tricks, put the toy away, pick the toy, fetch, Frisbee, agility ground work and maybe even bowling and basketball. If you have any obedience issues you do not know how to resolve, our trainer will work with you on that too.

Heffner Park Community Center Next Sessions:

Saturday, Sept. 21, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. TP residents \$20/per dog Non- residents \$30/per dog



FOREVER YOUNG: 55 PLUS

EDUCATION/DEVELOPMENT

Intermediate Knitting Class

Ages 55 plus

Go beyond scarves. Review stitches and techniques and get help with your hat, sweater or other garment. Bring your pattern, yarn and needles to class. Come to the "Needlework Get-together" on any of the following dates prior to the start of class for instructor's review of your project selection:

Sept. 9, 16, or 23. In-person registration is required.

TP Community Center Senior Room.

Mondays, Sept. 30 - Oct. 28, 10 a.m. - noon Free

Introduction to Smart Phones

Ages 55 plus

An introduction to Smart Phones (iPhone, Android, Windows phone) and Tablets (iPads, Galaxy, Kindle Fire, etc.). Each two-hour workshop covers brand comparison, basic operation, taking photos/video, browsing the Internet and much more. Participants are encouraged to bring their own devices (and questions) for a more hands-on experience. Choose the day that's convenient for you. Instructor: John Pitt. In person registration is required.

TP Community Center Lilac Room

Class I: Wednesday, Sept. 11, 10 a.m. - noon OR Class II: Saturday, Sept. 14, noon - 2 p.m.

HEALTH/FITNESS

Self-Help Reflexology

Ages 55 plus

Participants learn how to create better health and well-being by applying pressure to reflex points on the body to help reduce pain, enhance circulation, lower stress and induce relaxation. Three one-hour classes: first class, the hands; second class, the ears; third class, the feet. Instructor: Maebelle Algee. In-person registration is required.

TP Community Center Senior Room Wednesdays, Sept. 4, 11 and 18, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Free

Tai Chi Shibashi

Ages 55 plus

The 18 Healing Movements of Shibashi, a soft form of Tai-Chi, uses a gentle approach, one movement blending into the next, and helps the body become limber while encouraging relaxation, leaving students rejuvenated, calm and focused. Instructor: Elisabeth Larson. In-person registration is required. TP Community Center Dance Studio

Thursdays, Oct. 3 - Nov. 7, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Free

TRIPS

The Anderson House, Washington, D.C.

Ages 55 and older

Experience the history and splendor of Washington,

D.C.'s Gilded Age as we tour the home of Larz Anderson, an American diplomat. Anderson House, a beautiful National Historic Landmark on Embassy Row, contains a fabulous collection of fine and decorative arts. Bring spending money for lunch at a local eatery. In-person registration is required. Rain or shine. Bus pick up at Franklin Apartments, Mapleview Apartments, and Victory Tower only.

Meet at TP Community Center Thursday, Sept. 12, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Free admission. No cost for transportation.

Historic Easton

Ages 55 and older

Talbott County Historical Society's campus, in downtown Easton, includes a museum with a collection of more than 10,000 objects, three historic houses, the studio home of noted architect H. Chandless Forman and much more. We will tour these sites, as well as sites related to Frederick Douglass' life in Talbott County. Bring spending money for lunch at a local eatery. Lots of walking, and some stairs. Rain or shine. Bus pick up at Franklin Apartments, Mapleview Apartments, and Victory Tower only. In-person registration is required. No cost for transportation. Please note: Historic sites not accessible by wheelchair.

Meet at TP Community Center

Tuesday, Sept. 17, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. (note extended time)

\$5 per person, bring with you on Sept. 17

WORKSHOPS

AARP Driver Safety Program

Ages 55 and older

The AARP Driver Safety Program, the nation's largest classroom refresher course for drivers 50 and older, is designed to help tune up driving skills, explain safe driving strategies and cover the latest State of Maryland rules of the road. Some Maryland insurance companies may offer discounts to drivers who take this course. Check with your agency. In-person registration is required. Bring your check (payable to AARP), AARP Card and driver's license to class.

TP Community Center Hydrangea Room Saturday, Oct, 5, noon - 4:30 p.m. \$12 for AARP members \$14 for Non-members

Got Clutter? Get Organized

Ages 55 plus

Judy Tiger, professional organizer and owner of D.C.-based Just That Simple, will share her top tips on taming clutter. Whether your challenge is papers, clothes, photos, memorabilia, books, the pantry, the attic, the basement or the garage, you'll learn from her personalized, nonjudgmental and soothing approach to 'stuff.' As Tiger says, "Clutter can be overwhelming and stressful. But a few 'simple' steps can change chaos to calm." In-person registration is required.

TP Community Center Senior Room Wednesday, Oct. 2, 1 - 2 p.m.

Free

CALENDAR

Circle Time

Every Tuesday Two times: 10 a.m. OR 11 a.m.

Spanish Circle Time

Every Thursday 10:30 a.m. with Señora Geiza

Arts and Literacy Fun

Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24 and Oct. 1 Senior Girl Scout Allison Kempe leads five special programs for kids ages 4 – 8. Registration required; to register, go to www.tinyurl.com/tplibraryevents or call 301-891-7259.

Petites Chanson/French Circle Time

Saturday, Sept. 7, 10:30 a.m.
Singing and rhyming in French with
Madame Marie
Registration highly encouraged so
participants can be updated with
upcoming program dates.
To register, go to www.tinyurl.com/
tplibraryevents or call 301-891-7259.

Bedtime Stories

Monday, Sept. 9, 7 p.m. Come in pjs; great for babies, toddlers, preschoolers and their grown-ups

Comics Jam

Tuesday, Sept. 10, 4 p.m. Comics guru Dave Burbank runs this monthly comics book club. No registration required

Fashion Design Program

Sunday, Sept. 15, 3 p.m.
New librarian, Ms. Kati, helps
fashionistas ages 10 and up design cool
new looks with paper, markers and more.
No registration required

Friends of the Library Board Meeting Tuesday, Sept. 17, 7:45 p.m.

Summer Quest Wrap-Up Party

Thursday, Sept. 19, 7 p.m.
Come celebrate the end of another successful Summer Quest
Registration highly encouraged to ensure adequate cupcakes.
To register, go to www.tinyurl.com/tplibraryevents or call 301-891-7259

College Bound Speakers Series

Tuesday Oct. 1, 7:30 p.m Dr. Herm Davis discusses college financing (see article)

College Bound Speakers Series

Tuesday Oct. 8, 7:30 p.m.
Dr. Lori Potts-Dupre discusses college choice
(see article)

If you are interested in the Takoma Park Library, and would like to help in planning its future, you are invited to participate in a series of focused community conversations this coming

We will be seeking answers to these questions:

- What role does the Takoma Park Library play in the lives of Takoma Park residents?
- What does the community see as the strengths of the Library today?
- What is the Takoma Park community's vision for library service, and what changes are needed to insure that the Library continues to support that vision in the future?

For further information, please contact Library Director Ellen Robbins at ellenr@ takomaparkmd.gov.

LIBRARY

Reference materials available to kick off school year

By Karen MacPherson

Now that schools are back in session, residents will want to keep in mind some of the online resources offered by the Library to help make learning easier for all ages.

We've got online books and databases of all types: newspapers and magazines; encyclopedias and dictionaries; career guidance and test preparation; health information and history facts, etc. All of these resources can be easily accessed – 24 hours a day, seven days a week — via our website, www.takomapark.info/library, or through the reference link on the left of most of our web pages or via the "Online Resources" button on our mobile site

Here's a brief summary of our online resources, a number of which are new. (Note: some of the resources require a library card):

Magazines, newspapers and journals: Read hundreds of magazines, journals and newspapers via EbscoHost and eLibrary and enjoy National Geographic magazines from 1888-Present.

Dictionaries and general encyclopedias: Check out such resources as the Oxford Dictionary and Thesaurus, the incomparable Oxford English Dictionary, Encyclopedia Britannica (including Britannica editions in French, Spanish, Korean, Japanese and Chinese), and the World Book.

Subject encyclopedias: We offer several hundred e-reference volumes on all kinds of subjects for kids and adults. Each article or chapter can be downloaded as either text or mp3. Don't forget that we also offer print versions of many of these volumes as well. Also check out the Oxford



Reference database.

College and Career: Find information on college planning and financial aid, internships, apprenticeships, resume preparation, cover letters and interviews. In addition, our Testing and Education Resource Center materials provide help for studying for more than 60 exams required for college admission, graduate schools, the military and a variety of jobs.

Health: There's a wealth of solid information about medical and preventive care in our Health Reference Center.

History: This section offers databases focused on American history, African-American history and American Indian history. There's also the World News Digest, from 1940 - present, which presents a day by day, year by year look at history through news stories.

Language Learning: Our resources include Little Pim for children through age 6, and Mango for older kids and adults.

For Children: We offer a host of resources specifically geared to children, including World Book Online for Kids (elementary school), World Book Discover (middle school), Britannica Smart Math, encyclopedias in French and Spanish, National Geographic for Kids (both books and magazines), the Gale Reference collection (which includes the DK Eyewitness books for kids) and the Early Learning Center at World Book (for very young children).

In addition to checking out these online resources, don't forget our extensive collection of reference sources in print, including many beautiful, new, just-plainfun-to-read, multi-volume sets. They fill an entire room. Come in and browse!

The Scoop on colleges in 2013

Now is the time to reserve your spot for the popular College Bound Speakers' series at the Library. This informative series of workshops is for college bound high school students and their parents.

Dr. Herm Davis will kick off the series on Tuesday, Oct. 1 with his indepth discussion of college financing issues. He will address the financial aid

timetable, scholarships, loans, workstudy, college savings plans, the FAFSA application and more. One of the nation's foremost college aid authorities, Davis heads the National College Scholarship Foundation and directs College Financial Aid Counseling and Education Services. He is also a consultant

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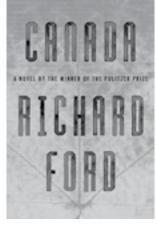
Focus on Richard Ford's "Canada"

By Tim Rahn

The FTPML bimonthly book group gathers on Wednesday, Oct. 23 to discuss "Canada," the award-winning novel by Richard Ford. The discussion begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Takoma Park Community Center, and all interested residents are welcome.

Fiction is about the "consequences of human nature, human action, not just action," Ford told Stephen Colbert in a June 2012 interview. Ford added that while it took him three years to write "Canada," he had had the story in mind since 1989.

Using the voice of a first person narrator, "Canada" tells the story of human nature in its many forms. In the first part of the novel, narrator Dell Parsons, 15, watches his parents bumble a bank robbery, which effectively orphans him with his twin sis-



ter, Berner. The sec-

ond part of the novel finds Dell in Canada, placed in a newly tenuous situation with a fugitive from America. After being drawn into

this man's plans, he witnesses a horrific act and learns more from the consequences of man's nature and acts.

In addition to these themes, Ford's characters are rendered with a detached sense of detail that makes them believ-

able. He depicts the plains of Montana and Saskatchewan as a place both empty, yet rich with life when examined closely.

Labeled with Raymond Carver, Tobias Wolff and others of his generation as "dirty realists," Ford uses his novels to look into the lives of the lower middle class and see how they adjust to the world. He is the only novelist to win the Pulitzer Prize and PEN/Faulkner Award for a novel, in 1995 for "Independence Day." In 2013, Canada was awarded the Andrew Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Fiction.

[We regret that a number of people missed the long-anticipated discussion of Elizabeth Bowen's "Death of the Heart," due to an unexpected schedule change. If you are interested in attending an informal discussion of this work on a new date, please contact Ellen Robbins at the Library ellenr@takomaparkmd.gov.

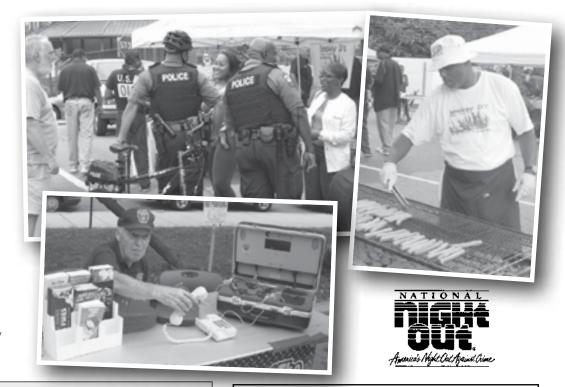
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National Night Out

Takoma Park Police officers mingled with residents at annual National Night Out festivities on Maple Avenue last month, distributing crime prevention information, meeting community members and promoting safety. Clockwise from left, Sgt. Kurt Gilbert gets to know one of our youngest residents; Gilbert and Capt. Tyrone Collington greet friends and neighbors; Daryl Perry from Smokey D's staffs the grill; and Volunteer Fire Department Chief Jim Jarboe demonstrates safety tips.

Photos by Cathy Plevy



LIBRARY BRIEFS

New twist on arts and literacy

Kids ages 4 to 8 are invited to participate in some unique programs combining books, crafts, music, dance and more. Titled "Arts and Literacy Fun," the programs were designed by high school senior Allison Kempe as a way to earn the Girl Scouts' prestigious Gold Award. At each program, children will read a book and then do some related literacy and arts projects; all materials will be provided. Children can do any number of programs, but initial registration is required so we can keep track of participants. Each program will last approximately 45 minutes to one hour. To register, go to www.tinyurl.com/tplibraryevents or call us at 301-891-7259.

Summer Quest Celebration

Come celebrate the end of another successful Summer Quest summer reading program on Thursday, Sept. 19 at 7 p.m. at our annual End of Summer Quest party! We'll talk about books we enjoyed (or didn't!) and discuss ideas for next year's Summer Quest. We'll finish with cupcakes and lemonade, and all participants will go home with a new book or two. Registration is highly encouraged so we can be sure to have enough cupcakes for all. To register, go to www.tinyurl.com/tplibraryevents or call us at 301-891-7259. A huge thanks to the Friends of the Takoma Park Maryland Library for sponsoring our Summer Quest program and all related activities.

Online learning

This fall, we're following two "MOOCs" -- Massive Open Online Courses. They are "Ideas of the 20th Century," an interdisciplinary course presented by University of Texas/ Austin (beginning Sept. 15) and "Fantasy and Science Fiction: The Human Mind, Our Modern World," presented by the University of Michigan (beginning Oct. 15). These distance learning courses are free, and you follow them at your own pace in your own space. What we do at the library is gather together once a week on Sunday afternoons to "close the distance" on these distance learning classes

to discuss what we have been learning on our own. Come join us for some wonderful discussions! If you have any questions about signing up for the MOOC classes or our «Closing the Distance» program, just give us a call at 301-891-7259.

Fashion calling

Calling all Fashionistas ages 10 and up! Our new librarian, Ms. Kati, is ready to help you create some special new looks at our Fashion Design program on Sunday, Sept. 15, at 3 p.m. We'll provide the paper (including a variety of model templates), markers and other materials – you provide the creativity. No registration required.

Friends to Tackle Proust

Beginning in October, the Friends of the Library "Big Book" group will tackle selected volumes of Marcel Proust's monumental work "Remembrance of Things Past," described by the critic Andre Maurois as "one of the greatest works of the imagination of all time."

New York Times reviewer Peter Brooks wrote: "In the [91] years since Marcel Proust's death, 'In Search of Lost Time' has come to seem ever more indispensable. It's remarkable that this 3,000-page novel, initially dismissed by many as the work of a self-indulgent neurotic dilettante, has become the crucial modernist work, overtopping the books of even such giants as Joyce and Mann. Proust has moved from avant-garde to mainstream, perhaps because he pioneered in the exploration of questions that have come to preoccupy our culture – childhood affect, social deception, sexual obsession, sadomasochism, possessive jealousy, the wiles of memory and the ways in which these all lead to a passionate quest to know. It's not at present Proust the aesthete that engages us so much as Proust the anguished exponent of the drives and frustrations of love."

Look for our discussion schedule soon, which will begin with a lecture by a noted scholar of Proust's work. We will most likely be discussing Books 1 and 7, which the Library will have available in different editions. If you wish to keep one for more than three weeks, we recommend you purchase your own copy All are welcome to join the Friends Reading Group discussions.

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for Peterson's financial publications and author of "College Financial Aid for Dummies."

Dr. Lori Potts-Dupre will continue the series on Tuesday, Oct. 8, with her overview of the college selection process. Selecting a college is like selecting a new home for four years. Which schools might provide the right fit – academically, academically, financially and personally – for you? Topics include: what colleges are like in 2013, sorting out your

personal criteria and goals, and how the admissions process really works. Potts-Dupre is a Certified Educational Planner, and has had a private counseling practice in Takoma Park since 1997. She has evaluated more than 350 colleges nationwide.

On Tuesday Oct. 22, Dr. Lorie Ness will conclude the series a workshop entitled "Taking the Plunge Without Drowning: Tips for Thriving During the Transition to College." This seminar is designed to help future college students and their families successfully navigate the transition to college. She will demystify the process

by preparing prospective students and parents for the changes related to a student's social life, emotional adjustment, academic environment, living situation and family structure. Ness is a clinical psychologist in Silver Spring, offering individual, couples and family therapy.

The College Bound Speakers Series is presented by the Takoma Park Maryland Library with support from the Friends of the Library. Please pre-register by calling 301-891-7259, or on-line at www.tinyurl.com/tplibraryevents.



THE FIREHOUSE REPORT

By Jim Jarboe

As of July 31, the Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department and the personnel of the Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service assigned to the station have responded to 358 fire-related incidents in 2013. The department addressed or assisted with 1,630 rescue or ambulance-related incidents for a total of 1,988. Totals for 2012 were 368 and 1,835, representing a decrease of 215 incidents.

During the month of July 2013, the Takoma Park volunteers put in a total of 1,469.5 hours of standby time at the station, compared to 1,654 in July 2012. Grand totals as of July 2013 is 8,209.5 hours, compared to 7,910.5 hours in 2012, an increase of 299 hours.

Maryland Fire Deaths Update

The Maryland State Fire Marshal Office reported as Aug. 13, 2013, 45 people have died in fires, as compared to 29 in 2012. Your best defense is to have working smoke alarms on all levels of the home. Test them monthly, and have a family escape plan.



Takoma Park VFD at the Fair

Takoma Park's local firefighters were on hand at the Montgomery County Fair, staffing emergency apparatus, promoting fire safety education and showing the new fire engine (tools and equipment). Top, from left, Enrique Alfaro, Marc Anastasi, Andrew Willey; bottom, from left, Glenn Butts, Rusty Willey, Tucker O'Brien, Fire Chief Tom Musgrove, Mike Livingston, Adam Bearne, Jorge Alfaro and President Elmer Hamm. Not pictured: Jim Jarboe.

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TUESDAY, OCT. 1, 7:30 P.M. - Nominating Caucus, Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium, 7500 Maple Ave.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 16 THROUGH ELECTION DAY – In person voter registration at the City Clerk's Office, 3rd Floor, Takoma Park Community Center, 7500 Maple Ave.

TUESDAY, OCT. 29, 4 P.M. - Last day to apply to the City Clerk for an absentee ballot by mail.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 30 – SUNDAY, NOV. 3 – Early Voting at the Takoma Park Community Center, 7500 Maple Ave., hours to be announced.

TUESDAY, NOV. 5 – **ELECTION DAY,** Polls open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Takoma Park Community Center, 7500 Maple Ave.. Absentee ballots must be received by the City Clerk prior to the closing of the polls.

MONDAY, NOV. 18, 7:30 P.M. - Inauguration - Mayor and Council Members take office, Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium, 7500 Maple Ave.

Notice of 2013 nominating caucus

(To accept nominations of candidates for Mayor and City Councilmember for the November 5, 2013 City election)

The Nominating Caucus will convene at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 1, to accept nominations of candidates for Mayor and Councilmember. The meeting will take place in the Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium, 7500 Maple Ave., Takoma Park, Md. Only registered Takoma Park voters may participate in the Nominating Caucus. Residents may register on site before the meeting is called to order.

Nominations of candidates for Mayor shall be made on motion by any qualified voter of the city, and if such nomination is seconded by a qualified voter of the City, the person so nominated shall be considered a candidate. Nomination of each candidate for Councilmember shall be made on motion of any qualified voter of her/his

ward, and if such nomination is seconded by a qualified voter of his/her ward, the person so nominated shall be considered a candidate. Any nominated candidate may decline a nomination during the nomination meeting. A person may only accept a nomination of one city office. The name of each person nominated for the office of Mayor and Councilmember shall be placed upon the official ballot unless he/she shall file a declination with the City Clerk within three (3) days after his/her nomination.

Any person nominated as a candidate must meet the qualifications of the office for which she/he is nominated.

Thinking about running for office in Takoma Park?

Contact Jessie Carpenter, City Clerk, 301-891-7267 or review the information at www.takomaparkmd.gov.

TAKOMA PARK ELECTIONS 101

How to register, vote, or run for office in the City of Takoma Park

Running for Office – the Nominating

In Takoma Park, all members of the City Council and the Mayor are elected to two-year terms. Elections take place in November of every odd-numbered year. Takoma Park has a mayor, elected at large, and six city councilmembers, one from each of the city's six wards.

Takoma Park's election season officially begins with the nominating caucus held on a Tuesday evening five weeks before an election. This year's caucus falls on Tuesday, Oct. 1. On the night of the caucus, potential candidates, their supporters, and the voting public gather in the Takoma Park Auditorium to nominate candidates for mayor and city council.

Any registered voter of Takoma Park may nominate a candidate for the office of mayor. If that nomination is seconded by another qualified voter, the individual's nomination is complete. Other supporters may also second the nomination. Speakers have no more than three minutes each to place a name in nomination or second a nomination.

Candidates do not speak the night of the caucus.

After the nominations for mayor, nominations are taken for city councilmember. The process is the same as for mayoral nominations, but the person putting a name in nomination for a councilmember or seconding a nomination must reside in the ward of the candidate.

All those nominated will have their names placed on the ballot for the November 5 election, assuming they meet the qualifications for candidacy.

Voter Registration

All residents of Takoma Park who are at least 16 years old and who do not claim the right to vote elsewhere can vote in this November's elections. Every voter must registered to vote. Takoma Park has election day registration, but we recommend that all eligible voters register before then. If you are already registered, you do not need to do anything further.

Most residents are able to register us-

ing the state registration form, which will also register you to vote in state and national elections. Some residents must use a city registration form and will not be eligible to vote in state and national elections.

Generally, you can register using the State of Maryland form as long as you meet all of these conditions: you are a U.S. citizen, you are at least age 16, you do not claim the right to vote elsewhere, and you are not incarcerated or under supervision due to a felony conviction

Those residents eligible to vote in Takoma Park elections but not eligible to register with the State of Maryland may use the City of Takoma Park form. Typically, this includes residents who are not United States citizens or who are under supervision or on parole due to a felony conviction. Residents who are not yet 16 but wish to prepare for voting in Takoma Park elections may register using the City form once they are 14 years of age.

Voting

Takoma Park encourages all residents to vote and provides several options for voting: 1) election day voting on Tuesday, Nov. 5, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., at the Takoma Park Community Center; 2) early voting on the Wednesday through Sunday before election day; 3) voting by mail (or absentee voting).

Additional information on running for office, the nominating caucus, registration, voting, or any other facet of the election is available at www.takomaparkmd.gov or by contacting the City Clerk's Office at 301-891-7267.

Election Judges Needed

The Takoma Park Board of Elections is seeking qualified voters to serve as election judges. This year, there will be a variety of opportunities for early voting judges, election day judges, and election day closing judges. Details and application forms are available at takomaparkmd. gov or by calling 301-891-7214. The deadline for applications is Oct. 4, 2013

Reunión electoral del 2013

(Para aceptar nominaciones de candidatos para el puesto de alcalde y miembros del consejo para las elecciones el 5 de Noviembre del 2013)

La Reunión Electoral empezará a las 7:30 p.m. el Martes, 1 de Octubre. Se aceptará nominaciones de candidatos para el puesto de Alcalde y Miembros del Consejo en el Auditorio del Centro Comunitario de Takoma Park, 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland. Solamente votantes calificados en Takoma Park podrán participar en la reunión. Los residentes de Takoma Park

podrán registrarse para votar antes que comienze la reunion.

Nominaciones de candidatos para el puesto de Alcalde se hará con una moción hecho por cualquier votante calificado en la Ciudad, y si la nominación es apoyada por un segundo votante calificado en la ciudad Takoma Park, la persona nominada será considerada como candidato. Nominaciones de cada candidato para Miembro del Consejo se hará con una moción por cualquier votante calificado en el distrito de tal candidato.

Cualquier candidato nominado podrá rechazar una nominación durante la reunión. La person nominada podrá aceptar solamente una nominación de un sólo puesto. El nombre da cada persona que satisface los requisitos y que

sea nominado por el puesto de Alcalde y Miembro del Consejo será nombrado en la boleta oficial a menos que esa persona entregue una carta por escrito rechazando la nominación a la Oficina de la Sectretaría Municipal dentro de los 3 días después de su nominación.

Cualquier persona nominado como candidato para el puesto de Alcalde o Miembro del Consejo tendrá que satisfacer los requisitos de tal puesto.

¿Está interesado en ser Alcalde o Miembro del Consejo?

Pongase en contacto con la Oficina de la Sectretaría Municipal al 301-891-7214 o vea la información en la página web www.takomaparkmd.gov.

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Se Busca Votantes para Servir como Jurado

La Ciudad de Takoma Park esta buscando votantes calificados para servir como jurado. Este año sera necesario contar con jurados para la votación temprana, para el día de las elecciones y para el cierre de las elecciones. Detalles y formularios están disponibles por internet en la pagina web www.takomaparkmd.gov o llame al 301-891-7214. La fecha limite para entrgar aplicaiones el el 4 de Octubre del 2013.

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Calendario de las Elecciones Municipal del 2013

MARTES 1 DE OCTUBRE, 7:30 P.M. – Reunión Electoral, Auditorio del Centro Comunitario de Takoma Park, 7500 Maple Avenue.

INICIO EL MIÉRCOLES 16 DE OCTUBRE HASTA EL DÍA DE LAS ELECCIONES –

Presentarse en persona para registrarse para votar en la Oficina de la Secretaría Municipal, 3r piso, en el Centro Comunitario de Takoma, 7500 Maple Avenue.

MARTES 29 DE OCTUBRE, 4 P.M. – Es la fecha limite para solicitar por correo una boleta electoral de voto en ausencia. Puede solicitar en la Oficina de la Secretaria Municipal, 3r piso, en el Centro Comunitario de Takoma, 7500 Maple Avenue.

MIERCOLES, 30 DE OCTUBRE HASTA EL DOMINGO, 3 DE NOVIEMBRE — Se permitirá votar antes del día de las elecciones en el Centro Comunitario de Takoma Park, 7500 Maple Avenue. El horario se anunciará posteriormente.

MARTES 5 DE NOVIEMBRE — Día de las Elecciones, las cabinas (urnas) electorales estarán abiertas de 7 a.m. a 8 p.m. en el Centro Comunitario de Takoma Park, 7500 Maple Avenue. Asimismo es la fecha limite para recibir las boletas electorales de votos en ausencia hasta las 8 p.m.

LUNES, 18 DE NOVIEMBRE, 7:30 P.M. – Inaguración – Alcalde y Miembros del Concejo oficialmente tomarán su puesto, Centro Comunitario de Takoma Park, 7500 Maple Avenue

LAS ELECCIONES DE LA CIUDAD DE TAKOMA PARK

Como registrarse para votar, votar en las elecciones o postularse para el puesto de alcalde o miembro del consejo en la Ciudad de Takoma Park

Postularse para el Puesto de Alcalde o Miembro del Consejo – la Reunión Electoral

En la Ciudad de Takoma Park, se elije los Miembros del Consejo y el Alcalde por un termino de dos años. Las elecciones se lleva a cabo en el mes de Noviembre cada año impar. La Ciudad de Takoma Park tiene un Alcalde elejido por los residentes calificados de la Ciudad de Takoma Park y sies Miembros del Consejo, cada uno representando uno de los distrito de Takoma Park.

El tiempo de las elecciones comienza oficialmente con la reunión electoral que se lleva a cabo el Martes por la noche, cinco semanas antes del día de las elecciones. Este año la Reunión Electoral cae el Martes, 1 de Octubre. [La noche de la Reunión Electoral, candidatos potenciales, los residentes que los apoya y el public en general se reunirán en el auditorio de Takoma Park para la nominación de algun candidato(s) para el puesto de Alcalde y Miembro del Consejo.]

Cualquier votante calificado en Takoma Park puede nominar a un candidato para el puesto de Alcalde. Se completa la nominación si esa nominación es apoyada por otro votante calificado.

Más de un solo votante calificado puede apoyar una nominación. Se permite solo tres minutos para anunciar su apoyo de un candidato.

Los candidatos no se dirigirán al public la noche de la Reunión Electoral.

Después de las nominaciones para el puesto de Alcalde, se harán las nominaciones para el puesto del los Miembros del Consejo. El proceso será igual, pero el residente de Takoma Park tendrá que ser residente del distrito del candidato.

El nombre da cada persona que satisface los requisitos y que sea nominado por el puesto de Alcalde y Miembro del Consejo será nombrado en la boleta official para las elecciones el 5 de Noviembre.

Registro del Votante

Todos los residentes de Takoma Park que tienen por lo menos 16 años de edad y que no esta registrado en otra parte, puede votar en las elecciones en Noviembre. Todos los que desean votar tienen que registrarse para votar. Se puede registrar el mismo día de las elecciones, pero se recomienda registrarse antes del día de las elecciones. No tiene que hacer nada más si ya esta registrado para votar.

La mayoria de residentes pueden registrarse para votar usando la aplicación del estado de Maryland que le permite votar en las elecciones del estado y las elecciones nacionales. Algunos residentes solo pueden registrarse para votar usando la aplicación de la Ciudad de Takoma Park. Registrandose con la aplicación de Takoma Park solo le permite votar en las elecciones de Takoma Park y no las elecciones del estado o las elecciones nacionales.

Generalmente, si satisfice los requisitos, se puede registrar usando la aplicación del Estado de Maryland: es cuidadano Americano, tiene por lo menos 16 años de edad, no esta registrado para votar en otra parte y no esta encarceldo o bajo libertad condicional por ser condenado por un delito.

Los residentes que califican para votar en las elecciones de Takoma Park pero no califican para registrarse para votar en el Estado de Maryland pueden usar la aplicación de la Ciudad de Takoma Park. Esto normalmente incluye residentes de Takoma Park que no son ciudadanos Americanos o residentes que están bajo libertad condicional por ser condenado por un delito. Residentes que tienen por lo menos 14 años de edad pueden registrarse para votar para prepararse para votar cuando cumple los 16 años de edad.

Votando

La Ciudad de Takoma Park quiere animar a los residentes que voten en las elecciones municipales y proporciona varias oportunidades para votar: 1) vote el día de las elecciones el 5 de Noviembre de 7 a.m. a 8 p.m. en el Centro Comunitario de Takoma Park; 2) vote temprano –de Miercoles a Domingo antes de las elecciones; 3) vote por correo (o vote con una boleta para votantes ausentes).

Información adicional sobre el puesto de Alcalde y Miembros del Consejo, la Reunión Electoral o cualquier otra cosa sobre las elecciones de Takoma Park se puede encontrar en la página web www.takomaparkmd.gov o puede ponerse en contacto con la Oficina de la Secretaría Municipal al 301-891-7214

NOMINATING CAUCUS

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may also second the nomination. Speakers have no more than three minutes each to place a name in nomination or second a nomination.

Candidates do not speak the night of the caucus.

After the nominations for mayor, nominations are taken for city councilmembers. The process is the same as for mayoral nominations, but the person putting a name in nomination for a councilmember or seconding a nomination must re-

side in the ward of the candidate.

All those nominated will have their names placed on the ballot for the November 5 election, assuming they meet the qualifications for candidacy.

Only registered Takoma Park voters may participate in the Nominating Caucus, though anyone can come and observe. Residents may register on site before the meeting is called to order.

For more on the process, and for information about the elections calendar, election judges and more, see pages 10 and 11

COMMUNITY CLINIC

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is hoping to maintain a wound care clinic on the current site, and will propose that behavioral health services remain as well. Obstetrics would move to White Oak, but on a delayed schedule, so that Takoma Park would continue to maintain those services indefinitely.

The news came at a July 22 City Council meeting, where Washington Adventist Hospital President Joyce Newmyer outlined the plan just before filing a letter of intent on Aug. 2. She also noted that the hospital facility will be undergoing millions of dollars in infrastructure upgrades, and that she anticipates the nearby Washington Adventist University will lease thousands of square feet of space there for education, office and administrative use.

The new Certificate of Need application follows the withdrawal of an earlier application filed in 2009. That application, delayed due to the death of the health commissioner in charge of the case, was recommended for denial by the hearing examiner in September 2012 due to concern over the viability of the proposal, especially regarding financial resources to pay for both relocation and maintenance/establishment of a health campus in Takoma Park. Also at issue is the impact the move would have on existing providers, including hospitals closer to the White Oak area.

Washington Adventist has been trying to move out of Takoma Park so that it can expand beyond the boundaries of the residential neighborhood where it is currently located. City councilmembers and other City residents have urged the hospital to avoid abandoning Takoma Park's health care needs by leaving behind primary and urgent care facilities, even if the main hospital moves away.

Establishing a clinic

The clinic at the hospital campus would open with two primary care providers and support staff, then expand to five providers in 2014, after renovations are completed on a larger space. Services will focus on people who are discharged from emergency rooms and need follow-up care for chronic illness. The idea, says Jose Luis Diaz, communications and marketing director for Community Clinics, Inc., is to keep patients from having to return to the emergency room by providing education, prevention and maintenance care around conditions such as diabetes, high blood



The Community Clinic at the WAH campus will focus on health maintenance for people with chronic disease like high blood pressure and diabetes.

pressure, high cholesterol and obesity. He expects the clinic to serve about 5,400 patients each year.

Community Clinics Inc. already operates one site in Takoma Park, at University Boulevard and New Hampshire Avenue. It is one of the busiest of its seven locations in Prince George's and Montgomery counties, with 12 to 16 providers serving about 7,000 adults and children each year with primary care. The clinics accept all patients regardless of ability to pay, and use a sliding scale to determine payment.

Community Clinics, established in 1972, serves 17,000 to 18,000 patients annually, and is the designated provider for WIC (Women Infants and Children) programs for the state of Maryland, serving an additional 30,000 low-income families with health services specific to that population. Staff reflect the diverse population they serve, says Diaz, who notes the physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, counselors and assistants, even finance personnel come from 28 different countries and speak 23 different languages. "We not only understand the limitations of having a language barrier," he says. "We also adapt the way we provide information based on our understanding of their culture."

One example: nutrition classes are centered around the cuisine of patients' ethnicity, so they are relevant and practical. Another: the separation and respect of gender in the Muslim community is maintained by Muslim staff who can serve that population with sensitivity.

"At the end of the day we really are all about the patient," says Diaz. "We want to be sure people feel safe and comfortable and well cared for at our facilities."

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Controlling mosquito invasions

During the summer months, mosquitos can become a major nuisance in our area. In order to cut down on the number of mosquitos in your yard, the main thing to do is eliminate mosquito breeding grounds.

All mosquitos require standing water

in which to breed, so it is important to remove containers that will allow water to pool like tires, buckets and barrels. They do not need much water to breed, so even overturned garbage lids and children's toys can become a mosquito haven. It also helps to turn canoes or boats over, and empty any water that collects on tarps or covers or arrange them so that the water will drain off. It is also recommended that you empty your bird bath and pet dishes once a week, and flush water from the bottom of plant holders once or twice a week. Standing water in gutters can also become a problem, so ensure that your gutters are clear. By following these steps, you can help rid your community of mosquito breeding grounds and enjoy your yard without having to deal with mosquitos.

Do you have an item for the City calendar?

Do you have an item for the City calendar? Let us know if you have a non-profit event that would be of interest to City of Takoma Park residents, and we'll consider it for inclusion in the calendar. Deadline for the October issue is Sept. 16, and the newsletter will be distributed beginning Sept. 27. To submit calendar items, email tpnewseditor@takomaparkmd.gov.

"TP Community Center" is the Takoma Park Community Center, 7500 Maple Ave., Takoma Park. All addresses are in Takoma Park unless otherwise noted.

PUBLIC MEETINGS / OF NOTE

City Council

Tuesday, Sept. 3, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 16, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 23, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 30, 7:30 p.m.

Takoma Park emergency food pantry

First Saturdays, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Grace United Methodist Church, 7001 New Hampshire Ave.

Bi-weekly and monthly food supplements for needy families 240-450-2092 or educare_ss@yahoo.com www.educaresupportservices.org

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Takoma Park Play Day

Saturday, Sept. 28, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Takoma Park Middle School

Crossroads Farmers Market

Wednesdays, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. 7676 New Hampshire Ave. New lunchtime hours, new vendors Produce, meats, cheeses, eggs, baked goods, prepared foods

Takoma Park Farmers Market

Every Sunday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Laurel and Carroll avenues in Old Town Locally grown produce, baked goods, meats, cheeses

MarVa Harvest produce stand

Every Saturday, noon to 3 p.m. 7777 Maple Ave. Local, sustainably grown produce

Food Truck Fridays

Takoma Junction, next to TPSS Co-op, 201 Ethan

Trohv, 232 Carroll Street, NW Various food vendors

ARTS AND LITERATURE

Jazz Jam

Open mic for jazz musicians Tuesdays, 7 – 10 p.m. Takoma Station, 6914 4th St. N.W.

Takoma Spark House Jam

Wednesdays after 8 p.m., ongoing 7206 Carroll Ave. across from the firehouse Bring an instrument or sit back and listen

Fiber Arts Workshop with Maria Simonsson

Sunday, Sept. 8, 12:30 – 4:30 p.m. Art Room in the Takoma Park Community Center \$10 materials fee www.TakomaParkMd.gov/arts

Takoma Park Folk Festival

Saturday, Sept. 8, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Takoma Park Middle School See insert

Made in Takoma Park – Exhibit Opening

Featuring Karen Abromaitis, Lindsay Abromaitis-Smith, Sheila Blake, John Guernsey Thursday, Sept. 12, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. Galleries at the Takoma Park Community Center Free www.TakomaParkMd.gov/arts

Money and Life Film Screening

www.TakomaParkMd.gov/arts

Documentary and discussion - rethinking the economic crisis as an opportunity Thursday, Sept. 12, 7:30 p.m. Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium

Mexican Independence Day Dance Celebration

Saturday, Sept. 14, 7:30 p.m. Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium Free

www.TakomaParkMd.gov/arts

3rd Thursday Poetry

First reading of the 2013-2014 season Thursday, Sept. 19, 7:30 p.m. Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium

U-liners and Emma's Revolution Concert

Saturday, Sept. 21, 7:30 p.m. Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium

Book talk and workshop about the library

With Rachna Rikhye and Arturo Ho – for children and their parents

Sunday, Sept. 22, 2 - 4 p.m. Azalea Room in the Takoma Park Community Center

www.TakomaParkMd.gov/arts

FOREVER YOUNG

Ages 55 and older

The Anderson House, Washington, D.C.

Ages 55 and older Thursday, Sept. 12, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Trip to historic landmark includes transporation See page 6 for details

Historic Easton

Ages 55 and older Tuesday, Sept. 17, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Trip to Eastern Shore town includes transportation See page 6 for details

Washington Adventist Hospital Health Fair

Emphasizes issues for people ages 55 and older Wednesday, Sept, 18, 3 - 7 p.m. Screenings, information and more See page 6 for details

Tree walk highlights local canopy

Join your neighbors and members of Takoma Park's Tree Commission on Saturday, Sept. 7, from 10:30 a.m. - noon, in a free Tree Tour of Ward 3 to learn about the importance of the urban canopy and what you can do to help sustain it.

The tour will highlight how the tree canopy contributes to the environmental quality and beauty of Takoma Park's homes and neighborhoods, with discussion of benefits such as increased home values, wildlife food and habitat, storm water management and reduced energy consumption. Commissioners will point out trees of particular interest and opportunities for planting new trees, and participants will have the opportunity to ask questions about the care and maintenance of existing trees.

The Tree Tour will begin at 10:30 a.m. at the corner of Hancock and Sheridan avenues (near the rain garden and Opal Daniels Park) and will walk along Sheridan, Hancock and Sherman, ending back at Opal Daniels Park, where light refreshments will be served.

For more information, contact the Tree Commission at treecommission@takomaparkmd.gov.

COMMUTER ROUTE

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Along with the sidewalks, Erskine will also get an additional speed bump between 13th Avenue and 13th Place. An existing speed hump between 13th Place and 14th Avenue will be replaced with the County standard speed hump, which is gentler, and the existing speed hump between 14th and 15th avenues will be moved to within the City limits (closer to New Hampshire Avenue). In addition a curb bump out will be installed on the north side of Erskine Street across from the intersection with 13th Place.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Discount Trees Available to Beautify Yards, Replace the Canopy

The season is right to plant trees, and in Takoma Park that means residents can help replenish the aging tree canopy in the City. As last year, there is an added incentive of the City paying \$100 towards the cost of the first tree purchased (unless it is a replacement tree required as part of a Tree Removal permit). Residents can add a tree to their yards for just \$95 plus 6 percent sales tax, a total of \$100.70. Add a second tree and the bill is still only \$307.40, planted and guaranteed for one year.

Established discounts still apply as well, through the City's annual bulk buy tree sale. As a purchasing agent with Arbor Landscapers, the City is making five species available at wholesale prices. White Oak, Willow Oak, Black Gum, American Linden and Sycamore—all native shade trees that usually retail for about \$350—are available to residents at \$195, installed. Each has a 2-inch diameter.

Sale dates run through Nov. 1

ORDER FORM

Please include check, including tax, written to the City of Takoma Park and be sure to draw a map of the property and locations for installation (see order form). Submit to Todd Bolton, Takoma Park Department of Public Works, 31 Oswego Ave., Silver Spring, Md., 20910 by close of business Oct. 10.

Someone will be in touch regarding installation dates.

Name	
Address	
Phone	
Please include a map of property/tree installation locations.	
White Oak \$195 · Willow Oak \$195 · Black Gum \$195 American Linden \$195 · Sycamore \$195	;
+ 6% sales tax	
Total	

