Moving forward

Construction on the transit center at Takoma Langley Crossroads is well underway with completion expected this fall. The $34.8 million project will include 12 bus bays and serve an estimated 12,000 passengers with 12 Metro and local bus routes. It will also be a stop on the Purple Line, if that light-rail, cross-county project moves forward. Look for more on the transit center in the next issue of the Takoma Park Newsletter.

Police report shows decrease in violent crime, increase in larceny

Violent crime has decreased in Takoma Park over the last year, according to the Annual Crime Report released in late May. Overall crime, however, has increased, due in large part to a spike in vehicle-related thefts.

Violent crime

Statistics comparing 2014 to 2013 show one homicide in 2014, and one in 2013 – in other words, no change. There were 35 robberies in 2014, down by one from the 36 robberies in 2013. There were 17 assaults in 2014, down from 20 in 2013. There was one additional rape reported in 2014 for a total of three – though one of the rapes reported 2014 actually occurred the year before.

Property crime

Overall, there was a 26 percent increase in “Part 1 Crime,” which includes homicide, rape, robbery, assault, burglary, larceny and auto theft. Property crime shows the most dramatic increase, with larceny in the lead. Larceny – when one person takes the personal goods of another, for example a purse snatching or theft from auto – went up 42 percent, by far the largest increase across the types of crimes committed in Takoma Park last year. Incidents went from 302 in 2013 to 430 in 2014. Among those larcenies were 216 thefts from auto and thefts of auto parts.

Auto theft went up 26 percent, from 42 incidents to 53. Burglaries – which reflect breaking into a home with the intent to steal property – stayed the same, at 123 incidents.

Takoma Park Police Chief Alan Golberg says the police campaign to urge victims of thefts from auto to report crimes was successful.

Final budget lowers tax increase, retains staff salary adjustment

City property tax will increase slightly less than originally proposed, the city will make an additional contribution to the police pension fund and there will be no money for a proposed management position in the city manager’s office, or for a $50,000 boundary survey in the recently adopted city budget.

These are among the changes City Council made before approving the $29.5 million fiscal year 2016 budget on May 11.

Over two months of public hearings and biweekly budget meetings, City Council knocked off a half a cent from the original tax hike proposed by City Manager Suzanne Ludlow. She proposed a 59 cent per $100 of assessed property value, up from 57 cents in FY2015. The increase, the first that has been implemented in 13 years, will address several fiscal challenges the city faces: stalled municipal tax duplication funds from Montgomery County; a three-year property tax assessment cycle that reflects recession-level property values (and correspondingly low tax revenue); and staff compensation that requires significant increases in order to reach market levels.
OFFICIAL CITY GOVERNMENT MEETINGS – MAY 4 TO JUNE 8
TPCC: Takoma Park Community Center

CITY COUNCIL
City Council meeting, Monday, June 1, 7:30 p.m.*
City Council meeting, Monday, June 8, 7 p.m.
City Council meeting, Monday, June 15, 7:30 p.m.
City Council meeting, Monday, June 22, 7:30 p.m.
City Council meeting, Monday, July 6, 7:30 p.m.

Meetings take place in the TPCC auditorium, unless noted otherwise. *When public hearings or presentations are scheduled, meetings may begin at 7 p.m. Detailed agendas are always available for review online: www.takomaparkmd.gov/city/council/legendas

Notice of Proposed Administrative Regulations for Implementation and Enforcement of Takoma Park Code, Chapter 8.44 Filming and Photography

An administrative regulation is being proposed to implement Chapter 8.44 Filming and Photography. The regulation establishes a schedule of fees for permits and sets forth the procedures to appeal a permit denial. Pursuant to the requirements of the “Administrative Regulations Ordinance” (Authority: Chapter 2.12 “Administrative Regulations,” of the Takoma Park Code), notice of the City’s intention to adopt an administrative regulation must be publicly noted, allowing residents the opportunity to comment on the proposal. The proposed regulation is available for review online at www.takomaparkmd.gov/city. To obtain further information about the proposed regulation, contact Emily Cohen, management analyst, City Manager’s Office, 7500 Maple Ave., 301-891-7266, emilyc@takomaparkmd.gov. Written comments on the proposed regulation may be sent to the City Clerk, 7500 Maple Ave., Takoma Park, Md. 20912, or e-mailed to clerk@takomaparkmd.gov. The deadline for receipt of public comments is July 10, 2015.

CITY COUNCIL ACTION

CITY ELECTION – NOV. 3, 2015

The next city election for Mayor and Councilmembers will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2015. The Nominating Caucus will occur on Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2015. Complete election information may be viewed at www.elections.takomaparkmd.gov. Any resident thinking of running for office may contact Jesse Carpenter, city clerk, at jessie@takomaparkmd.gov or 301-891-7267 to receive preliminary information about qualifications and requirements.

ELECCIÓN MUNICIPAL – 3 DE NOVIEMBRE DE 2015

La próxima elección municipal se llevará a cabo el martes, 3 de noviembre de 2015. La Reunión Electoral se llevará a cabo el martes 29 de septiembre de 2015. Para más información sobre la la elección, visite la página web www.elections.takomaparkmd.gov. Si algún residente de Takoma Park está interesado en postularse para un cargo en estas elecciones se puede poner en contacto con Jesse Carpenter, Secretaría Municipal al 301-891-7267 o jessie@takomaparkmd.gov para recibir información preliminar sobre los requisitos.

ELECTIONS / ELECCIONES

PREPARE TO VOTE – REGISTER!

Voter registration information and forms are available online. Both U.S. citizens registered with the Montgomery County Board of Elections and non-U.S. Citizens registered with the City of Takoma Park are eligible to vote in City elections. View www.elections.takomaparkmd.gov for information.

PREPARE FOR VOTING – REGISTRESE!

Formularios para registrarse como votante están disponibles en línea. Residentes de Takoma Park que son ciudadanos Americanos y que están registrados con el condado de Montgomery para votar, pueden votar en estas elecciones municipal. También residentes de Takoma Park que no son ciudadanos Americanos y que están registrados para votar con la oficina de la Secretaría Municipal pueden votar en estas elecciones municipal. Para más información visite la página web www.elections.takomaparkmd.gov.

VACANCIES ON CITY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

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 City Manager Suzanne Ludlow, at 301-891-7229 or suzannel@takomaparkmd.gov at least 48 hours in advance.
Edible efficiency
A Takoma Park foodie weighs in on saving energy in the kitchen
By Jaime Rothbard

As Takoma Park continues to compete with 50 small to mid-size cities for the Georgetown Energy Prize, bringing food into the dialogue on energy efficiency creates an opportunity to rethink and expand how residents can all participate. Food is our most essential fuel, and consequently it’s the amount of fuel, energy and resources it takes to produce (and discard) food that makes it one of the most significant ways that we impact the environment. In much the same way, the types of foods we choose to consume have direct consequences that shape the direction of the food industry, as well as our own bodies.

The nutrition that is present or absent from our food greatly determines how we are able to show up in the world and contribute resourcefully. Rethinking what it means to be energy efficient by including food in the dialogue can spur more engagement and innovative thinking.

• According to Reuters, Americans throw away nearly half of all our food every year. That’s worth $2,275 for the average household.
• Food production is estimated to be responsible for 33% of the total global warming effect, according to SustainableTable.org
• The United States leads the world in energy waste. Different analyses have yielded anything from the range of wasting 38 percent of the energy we produce to 86 percent energy being wasted, according to the Energy Collective and Clean Technica.
• Food-related energy use accounts for 15 percent of our national energy budget, per the Center for Sustainable Systems.

By broadening our dialogue of energy efficiency to include food, we can expand our capacity to make daily impacts to reverse climate change. We have so many tools we can use! Looking at energy efficiency through the lens of food can help you see the interconnectedness between your inner world with the outer world. Engaging in this way can cultivate an inspired and optimistic worldview about what can be done to simultaneously impact your body while respecting our limited natural resources. Here are some new ways to rethink energy efficiency, food and fuel that you can begin using today.

Think like a Chopped competitor and act like you’re at Chipotle: Instead of relying on cookbooks to come up with meal ideas, plan your meals by taking an inventory of what’s in your kitchen. What perishable items are on the verge of going bad and need to be used right now? Separate them into foundations, toppings and condiments. Think along the lines of making bowls, salads, wraps and tacos. Just about anything can become a taco.

Rethink energy efficiency. Save energy and optimize radiant heat by using oven energy for multiple meals. If you know you want to bake one thing, think about how you can bake many things.

• If you want to bake potatoes for one meal, consider batch preparing all of the root veggies in your pantry while you’ve got a hot oven. Now you have plenty of “Chipotle fodder” so you can easily convert these into other meals throughout the week.
• Same goes for boiling potatoes and pasta. Make enough for at least one more meal that will feed your household.

Rethink how you cook. Instead of approaching meal preparation as one beginning-to-end activity, think about how you can prep foods for several meals simultaneously. For instance, while you are waiting for your morning coffee to brew, you can prep out some vegetables and store them in the fridge for when you get home from work. Or after frying bacon for breakfast, you can reuse (some of but not necessarily all) the fat by tossing a bag of baby spinach into the hot pan and covering it. In a few minutes you will have a much cleaner pan, plus sauteed greens for your lunch. Note: your body needs fat in order to absorb the fat-soluble vitamins in the spinach.

Rethink what it means to eat “superfoods.” You don’t have to buy expensive and exotic foods that travel half-way around the globe to reach your plate. There are simple preparation techniques you can use on easy-to-find ingredients can transform them into culinary gold. My favorite tip: Leave fresh minced garlic to rest for 10 minutes before adding it to a hot pan. This allows it to release copious amounts of allicin. Recent studies show this potent compound is the most aggressive antioxidant found to date. If you cook garlic immediately after chopping it, you lose this benefit.

Make your own popsicles: they taste better, and they don’t use up all that manufacturing, packaging and transportation energy. Plain juice in a paper cup can work, or use plastic molds and fun combinations of juice, yogurt, milk — get creative!

More energy efficient kitchen tips

From the editor

• Use the oven in the cooler hours of the day, to keep from overworking your air conditioner, use the grill for the same reason.
• Keep the refrigerator closed as much as possible, leave your lunch makings on the counter until you’re finished making lunch, for example, then open the fridge once to put them all back.
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RESOLUTION 2015-24
Adopted April 27
Grant Avenue Market

Authorize temporary partial closure of the unit block of Grant Avenue for the Grant Avenue Market on Sunday, May 10 and Sunday, Sept. 13 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

RESOLUTION 2015-25
Adopted April 27

Tree Commission Appointment

Providing for appointment of Denny May to the Tree Commission for a term to expire on Sept. 30, 2018

RESOLUTION 2015-26
Adopted April 27

Recognition of Sara Anne Daines

Recognizing Sara Anne Daines for her leadership and contributions in promoting the Arts and Humanities in Takoma Park

RESOLUTION 2015-27
Adopted May 11

Recreation Committee Reappointments

Providing for reappointment of Cindy Dyballa, Pat Rumbaugh, Ray Scannell and Cherewanda Oliver to the Recreation Committee. All terms will expire on April 30, 2017.

RESOLUTION 2015-28
Adopted May 11

Grants Review Committee Reappointments

Providing for reappointment of Akessa Allen and Gary Cardillo to terms expiring on April 30, 2018.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Takoma Park, Md., will hold a public hearing to consider an ordinance authorizing an amount not to exceed $1,365,000 of public debt (the “Bond(s)”) to be issued under the State of Maryland’s Local Government Infrastructure Financing Program, pursuant to the authority of Section 4-230 of the Housing and Community Development Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended. The purpose of this debt is to redeem certain outstanding indebtedness of the City of Takoma Park, which was issued to finance a portion of the costs of the Takoma Park Community Center project, to fund reserves and to pay the costs of issuance of the bonds.

The meeting will be held in the Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium, 7500 Maple Ave., Takoma Park, Md. at 7 p.m. on Monday, June 15, 2015.

Written public comments may be submitted to the City of Takoma Park in care of the City Clerk, 7500 Maple Ave, Takoma Park, Md. 20912 or via email at clerk@takomaparkmd.gov.

Additional Information for Residents:
The City Manager recommends this issuance of public debt to take advantage of an opportunity to refinance the Community Center bond that was issued in 2005. The current bond’s interest rate is 4 percent. It will gradually increase to 4.25 percent.

The new interest rate will be about 2.3 percent, but will not exceed 2.5 percent. The current loan balance is $1,538,500. The new loan will include a 2 percent re-funding fee of approximately $30,770.

This refinancing of the Community Center bond will result in anticipated savings of about $160,000 over 10 years.
New hair salon, reopened thrift shop update the Crossroads

There’s a new spot to get your hair done since America Hair Design opened at the beginning of May at 1011 University Blvd E, #101. This owner Miriam Lemus’s third salon in the area – her others are at Piney Branch Road and Flower Avenue, and 7984 New Hampshire Ave. just north of the Crossroads. The new shop occupies a renovated building, Lemus’s business is a family affair: She’ll be assisted by her son Danny Santa-Cruz.

Also look for a newly re-opened favorite, when the Salvation Army Thrift Store starts up again. After being shuttered for nearly two years, this popular stop for bargain hunters and browsers is scheduled to re-open June 13 at 7505 New Hampshire Ave. The store, which sports a complete facade, anchors the shopping center there, with neighboring businesses Ram’s Fast Tax Service, Claudette’s Braiding Gallery and Liberty State Insurance.

Also in April, A Plus Medical relocated to 7505 New Hampshire Ave., #314-B. Crown Insurance Agency relocated from 1017 University Blvd #201, to 1015 University Blvd #201. And IHOP got new siding and copper wrap on the exterior and has nearly finished interior renovations.

JAZZFEST

Takoma Park’s own Chuck Redd, an internationally acclaimed drummer and vibraphonist, will be a featured performer and will conduct one of the workshops. His swinging sounds have been featured on more than 75 recordings, and he’s toured with legends such as Dizzy Gillespie and Mel Torme.

Local enthusiasts can also look forward to the sounds of Veronneau, the Hokum Jazz Trio, the Nicole Saphos After Hours Duo, the Dave Kline Band, Flutevisions, Matt Wigler, the Uptown Vocal Jazz Quartet, the Mary Aloutte Quartet, the Lovejoy Group, and the acclaimed Takoma Park Middle School Jazz Ensemble.

JazzFest embraces a broad range of styles, both instrument and vocal: bossa nova and samba, swing, R&B and contemporary sounds, vintage sounds from the 20s and 30s – you’ll hear your favorites, and sounds that are new to you, too,” says Kroshuis.

Making its debut this year will be Brulee, a quintet with a sound that’s been described as “jazz-infused, Americana-marinated, alt-pop.” This band wowed the judges to win the 2015 Jazz Brawl, sponsored by JazzFest to showcase emerging new performers.

In addition to performances, JazzFest will provide a wide range of other activities, for a full day and evening of entertainment:

- Free drum and guitar workshops in the Olive Lounge, adjacent to festival activities.
- Crafts, clothes and collectibles from more than 60 local vendors.
- Food trucks and booths for every palate.
- An official after-party at Takoma Park Public restaurant, adjacent to festival tents.

And for those who can’t get enough jazz, JazzFest is again partnering with the American Film Institute. The AFI Silver Theater in downtown Silver Spring (three blocks from Red Line Metro) will show several jazz-themed movies in the week leading up to the big event.

The films are:
- “Keep On Keepin’ On,” about trumpeter Clark Terry, June 5.
- “Whiplash,” for which J.K. Simmons won an Academy Award, June 6, 7 and 10.

JazzFest is an all-volunteer community-based organization, supported by the Arts and Humanities Council of Montgomery County, the Maryland State Arts Council, the City of Takoma Park, Long and Foster Real Estate and the Takoma Foundation.

Taco Bell proposes move back to the Crossroads

After vacating space to make way for the Transit Center at Takoma Langley Crossroads, Taco Bell is proposing a comeback, this time on Holton Lane, a block south of its original location.

Plans are underway for a 40-seat Taco Bell at the corner of New Hampshire Avenue and Holton Lane, in what is currently a parking lot in front of ALDI’s supermarket. According to the Crossroads Development Authority, the eatery would include some outdoor seating on the Holton Lane side of the building, free wifi and a drive-through window. The drive-through would accommodate one car every two minutes during busy times, and according to Taco Bell consultants would have no effect on traffic flow on New Hampshire Avenue. The restaurant would also add islands of grass and trees to the existing ALDI’s parking lot.

A meeting to explain the proposal to the public was held at the Takoma Park Community Center in April, a mandatory requirement before the plans are formally submitted to the Montgomery County Planning Department. Once submitted, the Takoma Park City Council will have an opportunity to publicly weigh in on the proposal before it is reviewed by the Montgomery County Planning Board, likely in the fall.

BUILDING COMMUNITY

It’s Crossing Guard Appreciation Day June 2, an opportunity say, “Thanks!” to the folks who keep our children safe. From left, Takoma Park crossing guards Pamela Sprouse, Emma Garcia de Reyes, Sandy Guarranti, Ethel Suton, Lahyia Coles (supervisor), Doris Rodgers, Liz James, Jonah Campbell and Carolyn Pinhard. Not pictured, Harriet Suton. In addition to the city guards, Takoma Park Middle School will also recognize Diane Webster, the Montgomery County Crossing Guard posted at Piney Branch and Ray Drive.

Showing the love for local crossing guards

On Crossing Guard Appreciation Day, June 2, the PTAs at Takoma Park and Pinney Branch Elementary schools and Takoma Park Middle School have joined forces with the City of Takoma Park Safe Routes to School Program (SRTS) to make it easy for families to demonstrate their appreciation for these important members of our community. Families are urged to take a few moments on their way to school in the morning to personally thank the guards and offer tokens of appreciation. Tables will be set up near each crossing guard to receive cards, flowers or treats, and carry on an appreciation day tradition that dates back to 2009.

“Crossing guards are essential. I would not allow my child to walk without crossing guards,” reported one parent on the Safe routes to school survey. Many communities have similar appreciation day traditions that dates back to 2009.

In addition to standing at their posts, Takoma Park’s guards assist SRTS with the bike rodeos and crosswalk activities in the schools and at community events, educating students about safe practices while walking and biking to school. One guard overheard a student share the strategies with her parent on the way to school: She taught her mother the song she learned from the crossing guard in the classroom, “Walk in the middle of the crosswalk! (clap, clap) Now you sing it Mom and Dad!”
Third Thursday Poetry Reading - bring a poem to share!
Thursday, June 18, 7:30 p.m.
Takoma Park Community Center
Free

The popular "Third Thursday" poetry series, hosted by Takoma Park poet laureate Merrill Leffler, features the work of a wide range of poets from across the region. The series has featured words from local folk artist and poet Greta Ehrig, poet and scientist Bill Rivera, and many others. The June reading is a community reading - open to all who write, love and aren't too shy to share their poetry.

Film Screening - Romantic Warriors III: Canterbury Tales
Thursday, June 21, 7:30 p.m.
Takoma Park Community Center
Free

A new documentary explores the history and development of the Canterbury Scene, a sub-genre of progressive rock music, and its influence on contemporary bands, from United Kingdom band Soft Machine Legacy to the Spanish band Planeta Imaginario. Progressive rock, also known as prog rock or prog, is a subgenre of rock music that originated in the United Kingdom with further developments in Germany.

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FOODIE

The Taco Bell is owned by Texas-based franchise restaurant company MUY! Companies, which also owns Wendy's and Pizza Hut locations. Representatives of the company presented their plans to the Crossroads Development Authority meeting of local businesses in May. Some concern has been expressed by residential neighbors regarding traffic and litter around a new restaurant, as well as the drive-through aspect of the project in an area slated for more pedestrian-friendly development. City Council discussed the development standards affecting the Takoma Langley Crossroads area on May 26, including the City's role and involvement in the development review process. The discussion can be accessed at www.takomaparkmd.gov/citycouncil/meetings.

MUY! hopes to break ground on the Taco Bell project later this year.

Azalea City Release Concert
Thursday, June 25, 7:30 p.m.
Takoma Park Community Center
$10 donation suggested

Azalea City Recordings can't be stopped. Following the completion of its fifth sampler CD, studio musicians will play a release concert at the Takoma Park Community Center. (A previous concert scheduled this past February was cancelled due to snow.) The evening includes performances by Jesse Paleidofsky, Blue Moon Cowgirls, Ruthie and the Wranglers, Bill Starks, the Patty Reese Band (shown left) and Dovetail Ensemble.

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Re-think water catchment — from your faucet! Strategize your clean-up by keeping a large pot of water in your sink, preferably one you recently boiled pasta or cleaned veggies in, and re-use the water several times before dumping it. You can toss dirty utensils into it as you continue to cook your meal. After eating, let dishes and silverware soak briefly in the pot to remove debris instead of pre-rinsing them under the faucet. Now you can load your dishwasher and use the shortest cycle to sanitize your dishes after the dishwasher is completely full.

• Sequence tasks so that you can soak dirty dishes instead of expending energy to scrub them.
• Reduce water wasting by soaking vegetables in a natural cleaning solution of water and white vinegar instead of running the water faucet in a constant stream.
• When pre-cleaning dishes in your washer, sequence tasks so that you can soak dirty dishes instead of expending energy to scrub them.

Rethink what it means to eat local. If you aren't lucky enough to have gardening space (or time) you can still cultivate massively nutritious foods in your own kitchen. By harnessing natural processes, you can soak and sprout beans and seeds on your counter in a couple days time, which boosts their nutritional potency. If you love kombucha and artisan-crafted sauerkraut, you may be astonished to learn that these items are very easy to make. Be your own alchemist!

Rethink “Food is Love.” Most of us enjoy indulging our senses from time to time. Foodie culture has taken indulgence to new and sometimes downright ridiculous heights from presenting absurdly rich concoctions to broadcasting food as a competitor sport. I believe this can obscure our relationship with food. Next time you plan to treat yourself, show love by making the treat yourself and sharing with your people.
• Learning how to make your favorite treats will give you control over the ingredients.
• Savoring food while sharing it amongst people you care about will lessen the odds that you overindulge, and it will keep the pleasure you experience within a greater context than sensory.
• Hosting a dinner party is more cost-effective than footing the bill at your favorite restaurant. It won’t be as expertly crafted, but you will learn more each time and it can be a wonderful expression of your affection. And that’s priceless.

Jaime Rothbard, aka the Foodie Alchemist, is a nutrition coach, licensed massage therapist, mosaic artist and home cooks who loves all things food. After 10 years of travel on three different continents studying and developing simple tools and practices for self-healing, she recently settled into Takoma Park with her family. You can follow her at www.foodiealchemist.com, or as she works to transform her home into a permaculture homestead. Get tips on how to transform your own food journey and check out her eBook, “Fast Fuel,” at www.foodiealchemist.com.
**TEENS**

**TP residents $60**

Recreation Department. Volunteer coaches will host a baseball glove. All teams will be formed by the Recreation Department. Welcome. Participants must bring their own experience is necessary as all skill levels are welcome. This coed league allows girls and boys to have fun while learning the basic fundamentals of baseball. Emphasis will be on fun, learning and on special events for an amazing time. TP Community Center Teen Lounge Monday – Friday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. July 6 – 24 TP residents $25 per day Non-residents $25 per day **DROP IN**

Teen Lounge

**Ages 13 – 17**

Teens are welcome to become members to gain access to two 50-inch and one 70-inch LED Smart TV. We also have X-Box One and Wii games, workstations, board games and comfy sitting areas for socializing with friends. Come join us after school for fun and laughs and on special events for an amazing time. TP Community Center Teen Lounge Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 3-7 p.m. Tuesday 3-6 p.m. Ongoing Saturday and Sunday: closed Free **Teen Night**

**Ages 12 – 17**

The Takoma Park Recreation Center provides high quality, affordable, safe and fun activities for teens. Come on out to a night of games, activities and more. Bring your friends for a cheap night out of the house. TP Recreation Center Ongoing, second and fourth Fridays 7:15 – 8:30 p.m. Free with membership card

**ADULTS**

**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 great music. The music ranges from oldies to jazz to the newest pop tunes. TP Recreation Center gymnasium Mondays and Wednesdays, 7-8 p.m. (on-going) Saturdays, 8 - 9 a.m. (on-going) $45 Per Month EFT (Easy Fitness Ticket)

**TRIPS**

Country Store Museum and Rock Hill Orchard, Mount Airy, Md. **Ages 55 and older**

Visit a fun historic building filled with thousands of “old store” items including a turn of the century oak and marble soda fountain, a candy department, a pharmacy and colorful cabinets filled with products. The curator tells lively stories about the museum and the town’s history. Explore the historic town and shops. Rain or shine. Online or in-person registration is required by June 9. TP Community Center Recreation office Thursday, June 11, 8:45 a.m. – 4 p.m. $8 per person admission, pay at the door. No cost for transportation.

**REGISTRATION UNDERWAY FOR SUMMER CAMPS**

A full listing of our campus offerings is in the 2015 summer camp guide or online at www.takomaparkmd.gov/recreation. Please visit the following websites if you are interested in registering for the following summer camps:


**FOREVER YOUNG: 55 PLUS**

**DROP IN**

Blood Pressure Screening and Bingo **Ages 55 and older**

Adventist Healthcare will be doing a free monthly blood pressure screening. After, try your luck and win a prize. TP Community Center senior room Thursday, June 25 Blood pressure screening, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Bingo, noon – 2 p.m. Free **SPORTS/FITNESS/HEALTH**

Senior Free Fitness Pass **Ages 55 Plus**

A pass for seniors 55 and over who would like to use the Takoma Park Recreation Center fitness room. Registration is open. Register any time at the Recreation Center on New Hampshire Avenue or the Community Center on Maple Avenue. TP Recreation Center fitness room Ongoing Mondays – Fridays, 2:30 – 9 p.m. Ongoing Saturdays, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Free **Basic Dog Manners**

Ages 6 months – 6 years Whether you have a “teen” emerging from puppyhood, or an adult dog that needs some training, this class is for you. Using positive reinforcement, we will teach your dog foundation behaviors (sit, down, stay, heel, etc.), leash manners (not pulling, passing dogs and people), and polite greetings. Dogs should be friendly toward dogs and people. No pinch, prong, choke or electronic collars in the classroom. To register for dog classes please visit: rewardsdogtraining.com or call 240-462-8045.

TP residents $25 Non-residents $35

**PETS**

Instructor Joyce Lockh große an an intense session of Dog Obedience training.

**Build your dog’s basic skills and take**

*E-Z League Summer Basketball*  
**Fifth grade — 12th grade**

This program provides a positive venue for youth to express themselves through the game of basketball. Teams will be guaranteed six games and each participant will receive a Y.E.S. League t-shirt.

Piney Branch Elementary School Gym Middle School Division (Grades 5 – 8) Tuesdays, June 23 – Aug. 4 Games will be played at either 6 or 7 p.m. High School Division (Grades 9 – 12) Wednesdays, June 24 – Aug. 4 Games will be played at either 6 or 7 p.m. TP residents $25 Non-residents $35
Cheerleading, step and dance keep things moving at the Community Center

For the past nine months Linda Marshall, owner of Maryland Cheer Chargers Inc., has been teaching weekly dance classes to the children of the Afternoon Addition program at the Takoma Park Community Center. Now they are ready to show off what they’ve learned – and many hope to learn more at summer camps right in Takoma Park.

This dance program, one of many clubs at the Community Center, covers a wide variety of movement styles, including ballet, hip-hop, step (a percussive, stomping and clapping dance) and modern dance as well as some cheer-style moves. The show, scheduled for June 5, will involve a performance for parents, peers and staff at the Takoma Park Community Center auditorium.

Maryland Cheer Chargers Inc. (MCC), is a local, family-owned and operated organization. Founded by husband and wife Maurice and Linda L. Marshall in 2010, it is designed to encourage youth fitness awareness through cheer, dance and step programs. Prior to 2010, Linda volunteered for 15 years on the Glenarden Boys and Girls Club Executive Board as vice president and cheerleading coach. It was through that experience she decided to form her own competitive cheer, dance and step organization. Since its inception in 2010, MCC has grown from one single program to multiple locations in Prince George’s and Montgomery Counties.

Linda Marshall, along with her coaches and instructors, will run the Recreation Department’s dance camps and cheerleading/step camps this summer at the Takoma Park Community Center. The camps are available for both girls and boys ages 6 to 12.

Registration for the camps is at www.marylandcheерchargers.org.

THUNDERBOLTS 2015 SEASON HOME SCHEDULE

The Silver Spring-Takoma Thunderbolts play in the Cal Ripken Collegiate Baseball League, a wooden bat league composed of ten teams in Virginia, D.C. and Maryland. Top college players are recruited to play for the team with players from outside our area staying with host families in Takoma Park and Silver Spring. If you are interested in hosting a player, call 301-270-0794.

The team also runs SUMMER BASEBALL CAMPS in June and July for boys and girls 7 to 15. Instruction is from Doug Remer, the Thunderbolts head coach, assisted by T-Bolts coaches and players. Emphasis is on fundamentals, baseball values and discipline, conditioning and healthy lifestyle choices. Each camp session is limited to 50 campers. After camp, campers can attend T-Bolts games where they can cheer on their coaches! We provide bats, balls and equipment. Campers bring their own gloves and lunch. Each camper gets a Thunderbolts T-Shirt. The WEEK LONG CAMPS are June 15-19, June 22-26, June 29-July 2 (no camp July 3), July 6-10, and July 13-17 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Blair High School, 51 E. University Blvd., Silver Spring. The cost is $205 per week except for week of July 4, which is $250.

THREE-DAY SPECIAL CAMPS for kids ages 11-16 provide intensive training from Thunderbolts coaches and players on batting (Day 1), pitching and catching (Day 2), and the camper’s choice of an expanded session on pitching or catching (Day 3). There will be a 3 to 1 camper to counselor ratio. The dates are June 15-17, June 22-24, and June 29-July 1, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Price is $250 for each three-day session. The location for these camps is also Blair High School.

Go to the T-Bolts website, www.tbolts.org, for early bird, sibling, and multi-year discount information, refund policy and application forms. For questions, call (301) 270-0794.

SUMMER BASEBALL CAMPS

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Home games are at Montgomery Blair Baseball Stadium 51 East University Blvd., Silver Spring, Md. at Four Corners.

$5 adults, $2 children under 18 Youth baseball and softball players in uniform and children under the age of 5 get in free Monday through Saturday, 7 p.m. start time; Sunday 6 p.m.

Check www.tbolts.org for updates.

For complete listings, see takomaparkmd.gov/recreation

REC NEWS

REGISTRATION UNDERWAY FOR EXTENDED CARE FOR THE 2015 – 2016 SCHOOL YEAR

Afternoon Addition Grades K – 5

Emphasis is on providing leisure and recreation programs utilizing our facilities to include the computer learning center, dance studio, art room, game room, athletic fields, library and more. We have some exciting activities planned this year including: drama, music, art, special guest artists, study time and playtime that will enlighten, empower and enrich minds and imaginations.

TP Community Center Azalea Room
Monday – Friday, Aug. 31 – June 17 3:30 – 6:30 p.m.
TP residents $210/month
Non-residents $260/month

After The Bell starts at Takoma Park Recreation Center (7215 New Hampshire Ave.) on Aug. 31. This after-school childcare program provides a safe environment for Montgomery County Public Schools students in grades K-5. Participants will engage in daily indoor/outdoor group activities like arts and crafts, sports, board games and free play, enjoy special events, and have a snack and homework time. Transportation will not be provided by the Recreation Department; contact MCPS Transportation, 301-840-8130, to change your bus route to New Hampshire Towers and Recreation staff will meet children at the bus stop. After the Bell will not operate on days MCPS is closed. For more information contact Jurrel Cottman at 301-891-7289 or jurrel@takomaparkmd.gov.

Family Outdoor Movie Night
Get ready for another Family Outdoor Movie Night. The movie will start at dusk at Ed Wilhelm Field (behind Piney Branch Elementary School). Bring your lawn chair or blanket and enjoy a movie under the stars with your family. The movie will be a family friendly G or PG rated favorite. Food and drinks will be available, including a bag of popcorn per person. Due to limited parking, walking is encouraged. Visit our website takomaparkmd.gov/recreation to vote on the movie.

Ed Wilhelm Field
Saturday, June 6, dusk

For more information call 301-891-7290

Instructors and part-time staff needed (to teach ages 11 — 17)

Seasonal, year round, flexible, afternoon/evening available

The Team Program is seeking instructors to facilitate a variety of classes for ages 13 — 17. Current instruction is needed for drama, SAT prep — math portion, job training, art, fitness, computer skills, etc. Also looking for energetic part-time staff to work with teens ages 11 — 17 during the month of July from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Available employment opportunities are available for Teen Lounge staff, programming activities, plan/attend field trips, etc from 2:30 – 7 p.m. Monday through Friday. Apply online at www.takomaparkmd.gov/hr/careers. For more information, please contact Leancia Monfort at leancia@takomaparkmd.gov.
Summer reading success depends on choice

Researchers have a one-word solution for parents concerned about keeping their children reading during the summer — “choice.” A recent study done by the University of Rochester Medical Center showed that kids who were allowed to choose their own summer reading had better reading scores when they returned to school in the fall than those who were given assigned summer reading.

This finding, unveiled last month at the Pediatric Academic Societies meeting, is especially important because it is a way to counteract the “summer slide” experienced by many kids. Previous studies have shown that “summer slide” accounts for nearly three-quarters of the reading achievement gap between low-income children and those who are more financially well-off.

Choice is the foundation of our Summer Quest reading program

The power of letting kids choose their own reading isn’t a surprise to librarians. We have long touted the idea of choice as a way to keep kids interested in books and reading over the summer because we see how well it works.

In fact, choice is the foundation of our library’s Summer Quest summer reading program. Kids start our program by choosing a Summer Quest character. As part of Summer Quest, kids roll a die at a couple of points to choose their next reading challenge, and they also must choose between two different paths as they move through the story. Most important of all is the fact that kids themselves choose which books to read as they fulfill the 10 different Summer Quest reading challenges.

Our Summer Quest program, now entering its second decade, is unique in Maryland. We are the only library in the state to create our own summer reading program, thanks to the generosity of our Friends of the Library. Each year Dave Burbank, a library assistant and our artist-in-residence, writes a Summer Quest story — with the reading challenges embedded in it — and also draws a gameboard. This year’s Summer Quest theme is “The River of Time,” and the story will take young readers on a thrilling ride through past, present and future as they complete the 10 reading challenges embedded into the tale.

Here’s how our Summer Quest program works: Kids first pick a character from the array of bookmark-sized characters drawn by Burbank — or they can choose to draw their own. Each character comes in two sizes, we keep the larger character, and kids take home the smaller one. Kids are asked to name their characters, and they can add color and details to their character if they want.

As they register for the program, kids are given a packet that includes the Summer Quest story plus a cardboard gameboard. As kids complete each of the 10 reading challenges, they can move their small Summer Quest character along their own gameboard, and we move their large Summer Quest character along a giant gameboard in the children’s room.

All ages are welcome to participate — we’ve had adult participants who’ve used the Summer Quest reading challenges to guide their reading of adult books for the summer.

There’s just one main rule in Summer Quest: books read for Summer Quest must be checked out from our library. Each of the reading challenges is designed to give kids maximum choice. One of my favorite challenges each year is “Read a book that shows you how to make or do something, and then make or do it.” Some kids learn about origami, others build bird houses, still others master a new recipe. It’s all up to them.

Kids also choose how they want to tackle the Summer Quest program itself. Some want to be among the first to finish, so they read as fast as they can. Others take a more leisurely approach and decide they want to read only long books.

This year, our official Summer Quest Kick-off is Monday, June 8 at 7 p.m. Burbank will make a brief presentation focused on this year’s theme, and then kids can pick their characters and register for Summer Quest. If you can’t make it to the June 8 program, however, don’t worry — kids can sign up any time during the summer.

We conclude Summer Quest in early September with a party to celebrate another great summer of reading. We’ll talk about the books we loved, and those we loathed, and we’ll discuss possible themes for next year’s Summer Quest. Of course, there will be cupcakes and lemonade, and everyone will leave with a free book or two.

Please plan to join us this summer for Summer Quest!
Book Sale a Sunny Success

Despite the threat of rain, the skies remained sunny, and the Friends of the Library spring book sale was well attended, netting more than $2,200, to be used by the Friends for Library programs and services. Many thanks to those who made the sale possible: Co-ordinators Merrill Liebler and Patti Mallin, Walter Mulbry, Mary Rein, Sylvie Shafer, Nancy and Dan Kunkel, Pat Hanahan, Maurice Belanger, Tim Rahn, Sherelyn and Jerry Ernst, Barbara Natanson, Suzanne Morgan, Amy Beal, Sam McCollin, Pam Coffey, Rebekah Zanditon, Pat MacMahon, Sierra Grey-Coker, Abby Alcott, Emily Koechlin, Meg Smolinski, Camden Roberts, Joe Scorda, Walker Latimore and Denna Drummond of the Department of Public Works, Librarian Kati Nolfi, and especially Dave Burbank of the Library staff, who sorted and transported myriad ads of donated books for many months before the sale.

into the Jewish community and the ferment of early Zionist politics.” “For those today who find Zionism difficult to understand, Eliot’s depiction of its origins is evocative and powerful,” the Guardian also writes. “The character Mordecai both describes and embodies the wandering Jew, forever an alien in a foreign land, never at home, a people who kept and enlarged their spiritual store at the very time when they were hunted with a hatred so fierce as the forest fires that chase the wild beast from its covert.”

All are welcome to attend the Friends’ book discussions. Contact the Library for announcements of meeting dates and locations for “Daniel Deronda.” Copies of the selections by George Eliot and Tim Winton are available for borrowing.

BUDGET

In its FY16 Budget, the Takoma Park City Council has provided the opportunity for significant improvements to the Library facility by approving funds for detailed design development focused on options for renovation and possible building expansion. This summer council members will consider whether to move forward, and deliberate on which of the proposed design options to pursue. Please check out a new webpage at www.takomaparkmd.gov which will provide links to key documentation, and report future discussion and decision-making.

Library Renovation Updates

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“I’ve never worked with a budget this tight.”

— City Manager
Suzanne Ludlow

Other aspects of the budget remained as proposed. Staff salaries were a big focus this year after a staff compensation and classification study last year showed Takoma Park lagging behind market rates, with many staff members being underpaid. The new budget will pay a partial increase to staff being paid more than 15 percent below market level, so that their salary is only 7 percent lower than it should be for FY17. Staff will get raised halfway to what they should be paid in FY17 during the FY16 year, with the remaining increase scheduled to take place in FY17. Total cost of bringing staff salaries up to market level is about $2 million, over three years.

The city will also continue to make infrastructure and facility improvements on roads, sidewalks and stormwater management. Projects include the Flower Avenue Green Street Project, improvements at the New Hampshire/Ethan Allen intersection, and detailed design and engineering work for renovation of the Library. Two park projects will be underway: playground construction at Sligo Mill Overlook Park and a dog park on city-owned land near the Darwin Avenue parking lot.

Planning for future improvements in the Police Department, at the Public Works complex and at the Hellner Community Center are on a multi-year schedule, with some planning work regarding the Police Department scheduled for FY16. Renovation of the Library could begin as early as FY17.
Part One Crime Comparison 2013-2014, Takoma Park

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More than 200 households – representing a full 4 percent of the city’s single family homes – have signed up for Takoma Park’s Neighborhood Energy Challenge, and are working towards their Green Home Certification since the Challenge launched earlier this year. That’s real progress, and it is only the beginning. Here are some of the other accomplishments the city has chalked up as it works toward winning the Georgetown University Energy Prize, a $5 million grant that could boost Takoma Park’s energy profile even higher:

- The first data submission to the Georgetown University Energy Prize (GUEP) team was completed. It establishes the city’s baseline, which is what Takoma Park will be judged against for the next two years. Data will be shared at takomaparkmd.gov/sustainability once it is evaluated and approved by the GUEP team.
- Two out of the six City Council members have had an energy audit as of May 18. Council members Tim Male (Ward 2) and Kate Stewart (Ward 3) wonder who will get Green Home Certified first?
- Neighborhood Energy Challenge teams have formed in every ward, but not all neighborhoods have signed up yet for a chance at the $52,000 prize. That prize will go to the neighborhood with the most participation and homes (including rentals) getting Green Home Certified, with actual energy savings to show for it. Want to start or join a team? Email ginam@takomaparkmd.gov.
- Between Pepco, Washington Gas, City of Takoma Park, and Montgomery County, there are more than $3,580 in rebates available for individual home owners. Get yours before the money is gone! Email ginam@takomaparkmd.gov for details.

The best way to start participating in this drive to save energy is to get a Comprehensive Energy Audit of your home. The city will even reimburse you the $100 cost! For a list of preferred contractors, go to http://tinyurl.com/preferredcontractors.

Council Member Kate Stewart (Ward 3) checks out the draft at the top of her chimney – a common place for cold air to sneak into a warm home in winter, and vice versa in summer. She and Councilmember Tim Male are the first councilmembers to get their home energy audits.

Councilmember Tim Male (Ward 2) watches as a technician checks one of the many spots – this one behind the stove – where a home loses its ideal temperature, causing more energy use as residents turn on air conditioning or heat to stay comfortable. Male had his energy audit last month, and hopes his neighbors will follow suit.

By Gina Mathias

Energy Challenge charges forward

Takoma Park is officially a Tree City. So we all know what summer storms can mean: downed trees, downed power lines and no electricity, sometimes for days.

But storms also bring hazards that have nothing to do with the tree canopy. And while many of Takoma Park’s nature lovers run to their front porches at the first rumble of thunder, ready to watch in wonder as lightning paints the sky – don’t do it. That beautiful summer storm can also be dangerous.

Here’s how you can stay safe.

Be prepared

- Secure outdoor objects that can blow away or cause damage – otherwise that lawn chair, or the empty kiddie pool may wind up half a block away.
- Postpone/halt outdoor activities. The Takoma Park Recreation Department carefully monitors Doppler radar and other weather reports to keep outdoor events and activities safe, clearing playing fields in case of lightning, for example. If you’re not sure whether your outdoor activity is going to be canceled, call the department’s inclement weather hotline, 301-891-7101 ext. 5605.
- Get inside a home, building, or hard-top automobile (not a convertible); although you can be injured if lightning strikes your car, you are much safer inside a vehicle than outside.
- Contrary to popular belief, rubber-soled shoes and rubber tires provide no protection from lightning. However, the steel frame of a hard-topped vehicle provides increased protection if you are not touching metal.
- Close windows and secure outside doors. If your house has outside window shutters, make sure these are secured. Close window blinds, shades or curtains.
- Unplug any electronic equipment well before the storm arrives. (Yes, this includes cell phone, computer and other chargers!) A fried modem or router can put you off the internet for days.
- Unplug appliances and other electrical items, and turn off air conditioners. Power surges from lightning can cause serious damage. No AC means it will be very hot in the house – but that is better than cool, drenched and in danger.

Once the storm has arrived

- Avoid contact with corded phones and devices including those plugged into electric outlets for recharging. Cordless and wireless phones not connected to wall outlets are OK to use.
- Avoid contact with electrical equipment or cords.
- Avoid contact with plumbing. Do not wash your hands, do not take a shower, do not wash dishes and do not do laundry. Plumbing and bathroom fixtures can conduct electricity.
- Stay away from windows and doors, and stay off porches.
- Do not lie on concrete floors and do not lean against concrete walls.
- Avoid natural lightning rods such as a tall, isolated tree in an open area.
- Avoid hilltops, open fields, the beach or a boat on the water.
- Avoid isolated sheds or other small structures in open areas. Instead, take shelter in a sturdy building.
- Avoid contact with anything metal—lawn tractors, farm equipment, motorcycles, golf carts, golf clubs and bicycles.
- If you are driving, try to safely exit the roadway and park. Stay in the vehicle and turn on the emergency flashers until the heavy rain ends. Avoid touching metal or other surfaces that conduct electricity in and outside the vehicle.
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PUBLIC MEETINGS / OF NOTE
City Council
City Council Meeting, Monday, June 1, 7:30 p.m.*
City Council Meeting, Monday, June 8, 7:30 p.m.
City Council Meeting, Monday, June 15, 7:30 p.m.
City Council Meeting, Monday, June 22, 7:30 p.m.
TPCC Auditorium
*A full copy of the Annual Report can be found at www.takomaparkmd.gov/city/council/agendas.

Fourth of July
Friday, July 3
Trash, recycling and food-waste collection will be moved to Thursday, July 2

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
240-450-2802 or educare_ssv@yahoo.com
www.educaresupportservices.org

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES
Kid’s Night Out
First and third Fridays, 7:15 – 8:30 p.m.
Takoma Park Recreation Center
Fun and games for kids
See page 6 for details

Teen Night
Second and fourth Fridays, 7:15 – 8:30 p.m.
Takoma Park Recreation Center
Games and activities just for teens
See page 6 for details

Takoma Park Farmers Market
Sundays, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Year-round
Laurel and Carroll avenues in Old Town
Locally grown produce, baked goods, meats, cheeses

Crossroads Farmers Market
Wednesdays, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Behind Expo Market at 1021 University Blvd.
Locally grown fresh fruit, vegetables and herbs
plus pupusas and other prepared food

Food Truck Fridays
Fridays, 5 – 8 p.m.

POLICE REPORT
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JUNE ’15

Prevention Plan. Designed to reduce un-intentional, life-threatening poisonings related to the ingestion of opioids, including not just heroin but prescription analgesics like Fentanyl, the plan helps prevent deaths by restoring breathing. Fifteen members of the police department have been trained to use Naloxone.

The chief, who delivered a preliminary crime report to the City Council in April while the nation was still reeling from the deaths of unarmed black men in police custody, also addressed the sensitive issue of police reform. He noted high marks for the Takoma Park Police Department’s officers on resident surveys, but said in his report, “We cannot sit on our laurels, and must continue to build partnerships and trust with our constituents.” To that end, the department has begun a body-worn camera pilot program as well as a Police Explorer Program for young people participating in the city’s summer jobs program in the coming fiscal year. That program is designed to promote strong understanding and support between police and the community.

It is also interesting to note that City Council added $10,000 to the recently approved budget for an outside consultant to evaluate police and community engagement — an attempt to identify what Takoma Park does well, and what lessons the city can learn from cities confronting racial conflict.

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