

NOTES

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Ann E. Wall, City Manager
DATE: September 22, 2021
SUBJECT: Materials for Your Information

Please find attached the following materials for your information:

1. A memo from Heather White, Recreation and Parks Superintendent, regarding Bites on the Bridge on Thursday, September 30th from 5:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. at the Town Common
2. A memo from Don Octigan, Director of Recreation and Parks, regarding upcoming fall Recreation and Parks events

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Attachments

To: Ann Wall, City Manager
From: Heather White, Recreation & Parks Superintendent
Date: September 22, 2021
Re: Bites on the Bridge

Recreation and Parks, in collaboration with the City Manager's Office, are hosting Bites on the Bridge- Paint It Purple Edition! Let's celebrate our Pirates during ECU's homecoming week. This Bites on the Bridge event will be held in partnership with The Junior League of Greenville.

The event will take place on Thursday, September 30, 2021 from 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at the Town Common and will include nine food trucks, a beer garden, lighted bridge dining, tailgate music, and a safe social atmosphere. The event will provide bridge dining and a grab-and-go option. We encourage attendees to bring their stadium chairs and portable tailgating tables if interested in lawn seating.

Specific safety and sanitation practices will be implemented and the event will abide by state restrictions to ensure participant's health and well-being.

Additional information can be found on-line at Greenvillenc.gov or by calling 252.329.4567. Recreation and Parks staff, along with the City Manager's Office, will promote the program throughout the community via social media and the City's webpage.

Please let me know if there are questions.

cc: Michael Cowin, Assistant City Manager
Don Octigan, Director of Recreation & Parks





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To: Ann Wall, City Manager
From: Don Octigan, Director of Recreation and Parks *DO*
Date: September 22, 2021
Re: Recreation and Parks Fall Events

Recreation and Parks staff are excited to offer various community events this fall, some of which were cancelled last year due to the pandemic. Staff are working to ensure events can be held safely by following the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services event protocol and monitoring guidance of local and state health officials.

Staff have partnered with community organizations to manage and implement events this fall. *Recreation and Parks Superintendent Heather White* and *Assistant Recreation and Parks Superintendent Chasity McCurdy* continue to seek other partners for various community outreach opportunities in the future. Planning is already underway for events and programs in 2022 which are sure to have a positive impact on the Greenville community.

Below is an overview of some of the upcoming events being organized by Recreation and Parks staff:

- Along with the Pitt County Arts Council at Emerge, Jaycee Park Center for Arts and Crafts staff are bringing the Youth Arts Festival back to the Town Common stage. This free event will bring visual artist demonstrations, various art activities, live music performers, musicians, & dancers on stage to showcase their many talents. The festival will be held on Saturday, October 23rd from 10:00am – 4:00pm at Town Common. This is a rain or shine event and is offered for ages 5-18.
- Jaycee Park Center for Arts and Crafts will host the 11th Annual Carter Williams Art Show and Fundraiser. This year's fundraiser will be open to the public for in-person sales on Saturday, October 2nd from 10:00am – 2:00pm at Jaycee Park Centers for Arts and Crafts. The fundraiser will continue with online sales through Friday, October 15th. The proceeds from this year's event will support The National Breast Cancer Foundation.

In an effort to activate the Greenfield Terrace Park, located at 120 Park Access Road, Recreation and Parks staff have planned various programs and events over the next year. Staff are also working with various community partners to excel in these efforts. Two of those events will take place this October:

- The Department has partnered with HeARToscope, a non-profit that focuses on the arts, to offer a free community event that will allow participants to complete an art project. This event will be held on Saturday, October 9th from 10:00 am – 2:00pm at the Barnes Ebron-Taft Community Building. All ages are encouraged to participate.
- On Friday, October 22nd, a real treat is coming to Greenfield Terrace Park with a Trunk-or-Treat event. Ages 12 and under are invited to the Barnes Ebron-Taft Community Building from 5:30pm - 7:30pm for a free community event featuring partnerships with Vidant Medical Center, ECU's National Pan-Hellenic Council, HeARToscope, and Pitt Community College. Trunk hosts will decorate their vehicles while

participants are encouraged to dress in costumes and fill their bags with goodies and prizes. Vidant Medical Center will also offer free COVID vaccinations for anyone interested.

There are many events and programs taking place throughout the City's park system and at various Recreation and Parks facilities this fall in addition to the ones mentioned above. For each program or event, specific safety and sanitation practices will be implemented to ensure participant's health and well-being.

Additional information regarding events and programs can be found on-line at Greenvillenc.gov or by calling 252.329.4567. Recreation and Parks staff will promote the events via social media, community partners, and the City's webpage.

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cc: Michael Cowin, Assistant City Manager