

a new
place
to
play

Land clearing is under way for North Main Athletic Complex, a 42-acre multi-sport facility that will help take our parks and recreation offerings to the next level.

The complex will be built in multiple phases, starting with lighted tennis courts and synthetic turf soccer fields that open next year.

An 1,800-seat multi-sport stadium is scheduled for completion in 2015. Other facilities may follow the second phase of the project.

The athletic complex is going on land that the Town purchased from Wake County. It is between Main Street and N.C. 55 Bypass, about a mile north of downtown.

Wake County had intended to use the site as a source of dirt for operations at the South Wake Landfill nearby.

Instead of a destination for dirt-hauling

trucks, the property will be a venue for sports and other community events.

Most of the stadium usage will be for the Town's athletic programs. The Coastal Plain League, a summer league for college baseball players, will have access a fourth of the time. Holly Springs will have its own team.

The soccer fields and tennis courts are funded with \$4 million in bonds that Holly Springs voters approved in 2011.

Work on the North Main Athletic Complex is under way. Soccer fields and tennis courts are scheduled for completion next year, with the stadium set to open in 2015.

Funding for the \$5.5 million second phase includes \$1.5 million in bonds for restrooms, concession area, turf and lights for the entire complex. Through partnerships with athletic organizations, we can offset roughly half of the remaining cost of phase 2.

We're also seeking a share of county hotel and prepared food and beverage taxes to help pay for the complex. Naming rights opportunities also are being explored.

For more information, see North Main Athletic Complex under Quick Clicks on the home page of www.hollyspringsnc.us.



festival
on the
farm

HOLLYFEST

Saturday, Oct. 26, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Sugg Farm Park, 2401 Grigsby Ave.

Enjoy food, music, games, crafts and more at HollyFest, our fall celebration, on Saturday, Oct. 26 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

This year's HollyFest is at a new location— Sugg Farm Park at 2401 Grigsby Ave.

Highlights will include a cornhole tournament, pumpkin-carving contest, inflatables, and rides for kids. HollyFest also will have Business Expo and booths for arts and crafts and for nonprofit groups.

"We'll have plenty of parking available and a new festival layout," said festival coordinator Julie Meder. "Those who haven't been there will have a chance to see what Sugg Farm has to offer."

October 2013

calendar

Tues., Oct. 1	Puppet Theater, 11am, CC Town Council, 7pm, TH
Wed., Oct. 2	Senior Bingo, 1pm, BL
Fri., Oct. 4	Family Fun Night, 6pm, BL Community Band, 7:30pm, CC
Sat., Oct. 5	Farmers Market, 8:30am Bass Lake Day, 2pm, BL
Mon., Oct. 7	Movie, 10am, CC (weekly)
Tues., Oct. 8	Discovering Nature, 10am, BL Senior Bunco, 2pm, CC
Wed., Oct. 9	Garden Club, 7pm, BL
Thurs., Oct. 10	Kid Creations, 10am, CC Recreation Board, 7pm, TH
Fri., Oct. 11	Family Bingo, 7pm, BL Clean Comedy, 7:30pm, CC
Sat., Oct. 12	Farmers Market, 8:30am Kitchen Connections, 10am, CC
Sun., Oct. 13	"Spook-Tacular", 6pm, BL
Tues., Oct. 15	Puppet Theater, 11am, CC Town Council, 7pm, TH
Wed., Oct. 16	Senior Bingo, 1pm, BL
Fri., Oct. 18	Hunter Safety Workshop, BL
Sat., Oct. 19	Hunter Safety Workshop, BL Art Reception, 6pm, CC Concert, 7:30pm, CC
Sun., Oct. 20	Halloween Make & Take, BL
Tues., Oct. 22	Planning Board, 7pm, TH
Thurs., Oct. 24	Explore-a-Story, 10am, BL Bunco Night, 6:30pm, CC
Fri., Oct. 25	Utility Bills Due 60 Seconds or Less, 7pm, BL
Sat., Oct. 26	HollyFest, 10am, Sugg Farm

Bass Lake (BL) Hunt Center (HC)
Town Hall (TH) Cultural Center (CC)

choosing our leaders

Holly Springs voters will choose a mayor and three Town Council members on Tuesday, Nov. 5.

The mayoral candidates are Vinnie DeBenedetto and Dick Sears.

Ten candidates are competing for three seats on the council. The other two seats are up for election in 2015.

The council candidates are Cleve Bardin; Jimmy Cobb; Hank Dickson; Gerald Holleman; Timothy Howard; Teshor J. Oates; Tom O'Brien; Anthony Perna; Arthur (Pete) Utley, Jr.; and Linda Hunt Williams.

Mayoral and Town Council candidates do

not run as members of a political party. Oct. 11 is the deadline to register to vote in the Nov. 5 election.

Polls will open at 6:30 a.m. on Election Day and close at 7:30 p.m.

Visit wakegov.com for information on voting in the Nov. 5 Town elections.

Early voting begins Oct. 17 at the Wake County Board of Elections. There are no early voting sites in Holly Springs this election.

Those choosing to cast an absentee ballot have until Oct. 29 to request a ballot from the Elections Board.

Visit wakegov.com and see Elections or Board of Elections for instructions on registration and voting, sample ballots, and more information on how to participate.

Bass Lake Day Sat., Oct. 5



Enjoy live music and all sorts of interactive displays and exhibits promoting environmental education at Bass Lake Day on Saturday, Oct. 5 from 2-6 p.m.

Admission is free. Everyone is invited. This is an event for people of all ages.

Bass Lake Day is our Parks and Recreation Department's annual environmental education festival.

This celebration of nature is held on the first Saturday of each October.

Call (919) 557-2496 for more details.

road workings

Learn about plans for completing Interstate 540 from Holly Springs to Knightdale at a meeting Wednesday, Oct. 16 from 6-9 p.m. at Holly Springs High School.

The state Department of Transportation is holding this open house to discuss potential alignments for the extension of I-540.

This is a chance to tell state officials about the impact of various possible routes.

Visit ncdot.gov/projects/complete540 for more information on the project.

On another transportation matter, the Town and DOT are studying the intersection of N.C. 55 and Avent Ferry Road.

The goal is short-term improvements such as lane additions or other changes to reduce congestion at this traffic hot spot.

For more on state and on Town transportation projects, visit the Engineering Department section of www.hollyspringsnc.us or call (919) 557-3938.

a 4-mile run and lots of fun

Registration continues for the Holly Springs 4 at 4 race, which will be held on Oct. 12.

The 4-mile race starts at 4 p.m., beginning and ending in downtown Holly Springs. Runners can register online by visiting www.sportoften.com.

Registration is \$35. After Oct. 9, the entry fee for the 4 at 4 increases to \$40.

The event includes the Primrose Kids' Trot so that people of all ages can participate.

Registration is in progress for the Holly Springs 4 at 4 race on Oct. 12.

After the 4 at 4, local businesses and sponsors will provide live entertainment, food and beverages.

Contact David Mallard of our Parks and Recreation staff at (919) 557-9602 with questions.

guidelines for ghouls and goblins

We do not alter the date for Halloween, regardless of the day of the week. This year, it falls on Thursday.

Even so, we suggest that if you take the kids out trick-or-treating that you wrap up by 9 p.m. Residents who do not want to participate are asked to leave their porch lights off. Trick-or-treaters should respect those

residents' wishes and bypass their homes.

Trick-or-treating should be restricted to children under 13. A responsible older person ought to accompany them. Teenagers are asked to refrain from trick-or-treating. Those who do should not wear masks.

Report any suspicious activity to our Police Department at (919) 557-9111.

GET FRESH - BUY LOCAL!

Saturdays Thru Oct. 12th
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Downtown Holly Springs across from Town Hall

Start your Saturdays with us!
Come fill your baskets each Saturday with farm-fresh produce and stay for family-friendly events!

October 5 Farm-to-Table Chef Series
10 a.m. - Cooking Demonstration

October 12 4th Annual Chili Cook-Off
9 a.m. - Let the Tasting Begin!
12:15 - Award Presentation

Join the fun!
Think you have the best chili in Holly Springs? This friendly cooking competition is fun for everyone!

Make your award winning chili and enter in one of two categories: Amateur or Professional.

Celebrity judges will be on hand to award a grand prize in each category. Your friends & neighbors will be there to sample all the chili and declare the People's Choice Award.

Visit www.HSFarmersMarket.com for event info

The Farmers Market is managed and operated by the Town of Holly Springs Department of Planning & Zoning

volunteering to serve

Our Planning and Zoning staff is gathering applications for two volunteer boards that the Town Council appoints to help with recommendations on development.

Applications to the Planning Board and the Board of Adjustment are due by Monday, Oct. 24.

The Town Council will make appointments to the Planning Board and Board of Adjustment at its Dec. 3 regularly-scheduled meeting for the 2014-2016 term.

Visit www.hollyspringsnc.us/planning for more information about the boards and an application. You can also call Planning and Zoning at (919) 557-3908.