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Music in the Park

Tams - Friday, July 7, 2023

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm • Historic Georgetown

Konnection - Friday, August 4, 2023

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm • Historic Georgetown

ACE Party Band - Friday, September 1, 2023

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm • Historic Georgetown



Georgetown Farmers Market

122 Screven St • Georgetown, SC 29440 | Sat: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

This farmers market accepts:

- Credit cards
- WIC2 Farmers Market Nutrition Program (FMNP)
- WIC2 Cash value vouchers
- Senior Farmers Markets Nutrition Program (SFMNP)
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

Notice to Tenants

Please pay all balances and rent on time to avoid late fees and possible eviction filings. Check your mail daily (if possible) to receive any important information from the office. Please come prepared with all required documents for scheduled appointments.

Thank you for your continued patience as we progress with our parking lot improvements. We apologize for any inconvenience.



Spring Children's Books!



Summer Sun Risin'

- W. Nikola-Lisa, Don Tate

The Wonders of Summer

- Kealy Conner Lonning

Summer Vacation, Here I Come!

- D.J. Steinberg, John Joven

I See Summer

- Charles Ghigna, Agnieszka Malgorzata Jatkovska

Sun, Sun

- Brad Gray, Aleandra Tillard

The Very Hungry Caterpillar's First Summer

- Eric Carle

Wild Summer: Life in the Heat

- Sean Taylor, Alex Moss, Cinyee Chiu

Blackout

- John Rocco

A Lullaby of Summer Things

- Natalie Ziarnik, Madeline Valentine

My Awesome Summer by P. Mantis

- Paul Meisel

Tea with Mom

Our 1st annual Tea with Mom was a great success! Our afterschool children took great pleasure in honoring their mothers for Mother's Day. The moms did absolutely nothing and relaxed to soft music as they enjoyed each other's company while their food, drink, and dessert were served. Once they were done eating, their children removed their dishes. The delightful meal was graciously prepared by GHA's Resident Chef Akeyba Wynn and her daughter Victoria. They prepared everything from the main entree, to cold and hot tea, and dessert.

After the completion of the meal, the children presented their moms with cards made by them and gifts donated by GHA's director.

Thank you so much to Akeyba and Victoria for making this all possible!
Thank you to GHA director, Alissa Collington- we couldn't have done it without you!
See you next year!



Summer Animal Facts

- Animals love the summer because they have plenty of food to eat.
- In the summer, animals don't need as much shelter from bad weather like floods or snow.
- Many animals spend summer raising their babies.
- Summer is the only time you can see lightning bugs glowing! The rest of the year, they hide underground.
- One special type of lightning bug glows blue-green! It's called a ghost firefly.
- Crickets make different chirping noises depending on the temperature. They chirp faster when it's hotter.
- Baby sea turtles hatch in June and July. They usually wait until nighttime to leave their nest and head for the water.



Summertime Fun Facts

Summer is identified by the calendar, the relationship between the earth and the sun, and how humans interact with warmer weather. Kids will love learning about the summer solstice and the changing seasons.

- The first day of summer is the summer solstice. This happens in June every year.
- The summer solstice has the most daylight and the shortest nighttime.
- The name summer solstice means "stilled," "standing," or "stopped" sun.
- When it is summer in the northern hemisphere, it is winter in the southern hemisphere.
- The sun appears higher in the sky in the summertime.
- In the northern hemisphere, summer is characterized by hot days, rolling thunderstorms, and even damp humidity. Kids can learn to recognize the sensory experiences of summertime weather.
- July is the hottest month of the year.
- The hottest part of the day is between 11:00 am and 3:00 pm.
- Summertime has lots of special weather, not just hot temperatures and sunshine.
- Many places are very humid in summer. This is when there is lots of moisture in the air.
- July has the most lightning storms.
- Fire season starts in July too. This is when wildfires are most likely to spread.

- Sunlight helps your body make Vitamin D. It also gives you a "feel good" chemical in the brain called serotonin.
- In 1816, ash and dust from a giant volcano eruption changed the weather. It was called "the year with no summer" because the temperatures and weather were like winter.

HVAC Units

- Do not use bleach to clean the cold air return.
- AC should NOT be lower than 70 degrees.
- Heat should not be higher than 75 degrees.
- Leave the fan on 'Auto'.
- Never use the 'emergency heat' setting.

Damages can occur from setting the air conditioning too low:

- Can you afford a high utility bill?
- Leaving windows and doors open while unit is running.
- Clogged filters.
- Turning unit off and on.
- Remember: hot air rises and cool air falls.

If you do not follow these guidelines, you will run the risk of damaging the property.



Always leave the fan set to AUTO.





UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY

- 1 – RENT, RETRORENT & REPAYMENT AGREEMENTS DUE
- 4 – Independence Day, GHA Office closed
- 6 – LATE CHARGES ADDED (morning)
- 11 – Board of Commissioners meeting 6:00 pm
- 15 – MAGISTRATE (for anyone who hasn't paid their bill)
- 20 – Resident Council Meeting 5:30 pm
- 27 – GHA office closed to the public

AUGUST

- 1 – RENT, RETRORENT & REPAYMENT AGREEMENTS DUE
- 6 – LATE CHARGES ADDED (morning)
- 8 – Board of Commissioners meeting 6:00 pm
- 15 – MAGISTRATE (for anyone who hasn't paid their bill)
- 17 – Resident Council Meeting 5:30 pm
- 24 – GHA office closed to the public

SEPTEMBER

- 1 – RENT, RETRORENT & REPAYMENT AGREEMENTS DUE
- 4 – Labor Day, GHA Office closed
- 6 – LATE CHARGES ADDED (morning)
- 12 – Board of Commissioners meeting 6:00 pm
- 15 – MAGISTRATE (for anyone who hasn't paid their bill)
- 21 – Resident Council Meeting 5:30 pm
- 25 - 28 – GHA office closed to the public

OCTOBER

- 1 – RENT, RETRORENT & REPAYMENT AGREEMENTS DUE
- 6 – LATE CHARGES ADDED (morning)
- 10 – Board of Commissioners meeting 6:00 pm
- 15 – MAGISTRATE (for anyone who hasn't paid their bill)
- 19 – Resident Council Meeting 5:30 pm
- 26 – GHA office closed to the public

Summer Safety Tips: For Kids Who Love Outside

- ❑ Apply sunscreen with SPF 15 or greater to reduce the intensity of UV rays that cause sunburns. Apply it 15 to 30 minutes before sun exposure.
- ❑ Drink plenty of water and fluids when you go outside to avoid dehydration and keep them refueled.
- ❑ Limit sun exposure, especially between the hours of 10 am and 2 pm. UV rays are strongest at these times, especially during summer.
- ❑ Take time to ensure outdoor play areas around your home are safe- protect children from injuries in their own backyard.
- ❑ When you're out on the trail- whether hiking, camping, or hunting- protect yourself from mosquitoes and other bugs by using insect and tick repellent.
- ❑ Drowning is among the leading causes of accidental death in children. Enroll your kid in a swimming survival program or always supervise them.
- ❑ Nothing protects your child better than your presence. One of the surest ways to protect your children outdoors is to provide adult supervision by keeping an eye on your children. You can step in before injuries occur or respond quickly if problems arise.



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