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## From the Mayor's Desk



Thanks for reading the newest issue of our FYI Salem newsletter!

Summer is in full swing here in Salem and in this issue find out more about our summer playground program at Mary Jane Lee park and Furlong park. Salem's Park and Recreation Department has a large variety of programs, events, classes, and leagues throughout the summer. Find out more about all of them at [www.salem.com/recreation](http://www.salem.com/recreation).

We also have information in this issue of the newsletter about our ongoing "mode shift" participatory budgeting initiative. Submit your ideas

before July 16 and then vote on them in August. Find out more at [www.salem.com/shift](http://www.salem.com/shift).

We have a couple of important "housekeeping" announcements. First, the annual application period for reserved parking spaces in both the Museum Place and South Harbor Garages is now open through August 10. Also, read more inside about the start of construction in Riley Plaza on the new hotel and mixed-use building; be aware that there will likely be traffic and pedestrian impacts as that work is undertaken.

We've included a link in this issue to a Frequently Asked Questions document about the proposed high-speed internet network from SiFi. This proposal would offer up to gigabyte internet to residents and businesses across the community. The network would be installed largely by micro-trenching, less than 1" wide, over the course of the next couple of years.

Finally, flip to the last page for details about the Salem Summer Eats program. Any Salem child under the age of 18 can show up at any of the sites and times listed to enjoy free breakfast, lunch, or dinner. No ID or registration is required. This summer, let's all do what we can to make sure no child in Salem goes hungry!

You can also find out more about the recently published Community Food Assessment by attending the July 16, 7pm presentation at City Hall Annex, 98 Washington Street, and read the report itself at <https://www.salem.com/mass-motion-salem/files/salem-community-food-assessment>.

Thanks again for reading this issue of FYI Salem! Please share it with friends and neighbors, and encourage them to subscribe to receive it directly by signing up at [www.salem.com/subscribe](http://www.salem.com/subscribe).

Kim Driscoll  
Mayor  
City of Salem

# Summer Playground Programs



Salem Park and Recreation Department will be providing park instructors to coordinate supervised activities at the Mary Jane Lee and Furlong Playgrounds this summer.

Instructors will be at both playgrounds from 9:00am – 12:00pm and 1:00-4:00pm each day. Both playgrounds will be staffed from July 2nd – Friday, August 17th . Playgrounds will be closed on Wednesday, July 4th . Children are allowed to come and go at their discretion and participate in any desired activity.

This is a drop-in program, therefore there is no pre registration required. We do ask parents to fill out an emergency contact informational form on the first day the child attends.

## Mode Shift Salem

Mayor Kim Driscoll has announced that the City of Salem has launched a “mode shift” participatory budgeting program, where residents propose projects to encourage alternative transportation and then vote on those projects. The projects with the most votes will be advanced to implementation this fall.

The program is funded by \$30,000 that the City received from the Commonwealth through a state charge assessed on ride-share services like Uber and Lyft in 2017. Per the state law, ten cents from each such ride is being distributed proportionately to each city and town based on the number of rides that originated in that community.

Residents are encouraged to submit their proposed ideas to [shift@salem.com](mailto:shift@salem.com) before the deadline of July 16. Only one proposal will be accepted per person. Once all proposals are submitted, the City will review them, combining similar proposals and eliminating those that do not match the program or statutory requirements.

The final proposals will appear on a ballot and every Salem resident will be invited to vote for the proposal of their choice. Residents will only be able to vote once per person and will be able to do so either online at [www.salem.com/shift](http://www.salem.com/shift) or in person during City business hours in the Mayor’s Office at City Hall, 93 Washington Street. Voting will last from August 1 until August 31, after which point the proposals will be sorted by the most number of votes and awarded funding in that order until the full \$30,000 is utilized. Full program details are available at [www.salem.com/shift](http://www.salem.com/shift).

“In the future we may opt to put these dollars to specific programs like a shuttle service or bike share,” said Mayor Driscoll. “This year, however, we thought it would be great to galvanize some public engagement and enthusiasm around alternative transit options. I hope anyone with a concept or idea about how to encourage mode shift in transportation here in Salem – whether it’s a capital project, an educational effort, or a new program – will submit their proposal to go onto the ballot. And I encourage all residents to vote for the project of their choice.”

# Mode Shift SALEM

Imagine > Vote > Shift

[www.salem.com/shift](http://www.salem.com/shift)

# Reserved Parking Spaces



Application forms are now available for those interested in applying for a reserved parking space in either the Museum Place garage or South Harbor garage. There are 30 spaces available in the Museum Place garage and 20 available in the South Harbor garage. Spaces are \$1,500 per year in both garages.

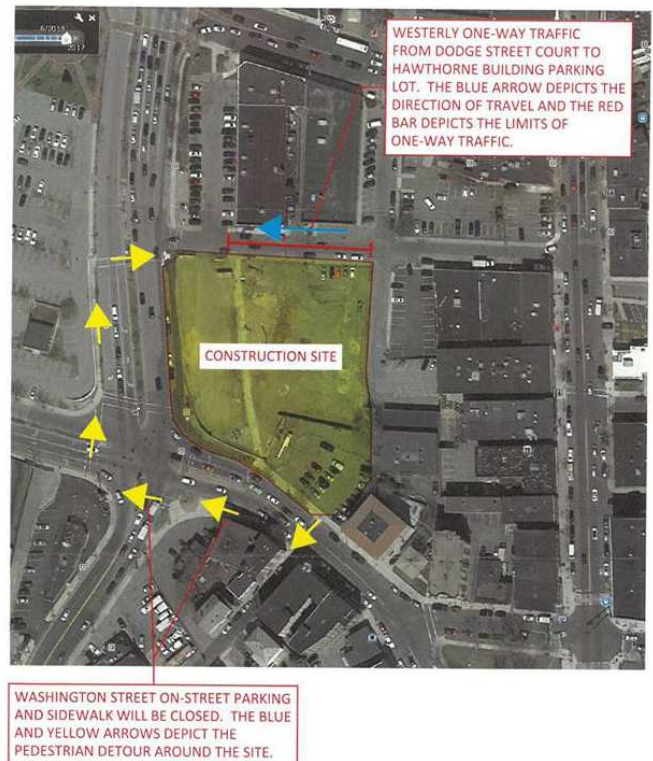
Applications are due back by noon on August 10. There is a limit of one application per person and only one space will be available per application. If there are more applications than available spaces in either garage, the City will hold a lottery to randomly draw the successful applicants. The lottery, if necessary, will be held at noon on August 14 at City Hall in the

City Council chambers. Those who receive a space must make payment and sign the reserved space agreement by August 31 in order to receive their permit.

## Riley Plaza Construction

Construction work on the mixed-use development, including the new Hampton Inn hotel, at the Washington Street and Dodge Street corner in Riley Plaza is scheduled to commence on July 16, 2018. Construction is estimated to take about two years. Given the size of the project and the proximity to the public way, please take note of the following when construction is in full-swing.

- The Washington Street sidewalk may be closed, and pedestrians will be detoured to the westerly side of the street at various phases of construction.
- Dodge Street may be closed or limited to one-way traffic moving westerly from Dodge Street Court to the Hawthorne Building parking lot at various phases of construction.
- Public on-street parking along the construction site may be closed at various phases of construction."



## SiFi FAQ



The City is finalizing an agreement with the company SiFi Networks, which is proposing to install a high-speed fiber internet network in the community. To find out more about SiFi, the proposals, and what it could mean for you, check on the Frequently Asked Questions document online now at [www.salem.com/mayors-office/news/sifi-high-speed-fiber-network](http://www.salem.com/mayors-office/news/sifi-high-speed-fiber-network).





**July 9 - August 9, 2018**

### **SCHOOLS**

**Bates Elementary School**  
52 Liberty Hill Road  
Breakfast: 8:00 - 9:00 am  
Lunch: 11:00 am - 12:30 pm  
Monday - Friday

**Bentley Academy Charter School**  
25 Memorial Drive  
Breakfast: 8:30 - 9:30 am  
Lunch: 11:30 - 12:30 pm  
Monday - Thursday

**Salem High School**  
77 Willson Street  
Breakfast: 8:00 - 9:15 am  
Lunch: 11:30 - 12:30 pm  
Monday - Friday

### **COMMUNITY SITES**

**Pequot Highlands**  
12 First Street  
Lunch: 12:00 - 1:00 pm  
Monday - Friday

**Rainbow Terrace @ Basketball Court**  
Loring & Rainbow Terrace  
Lunch: 11:00 - 11:30 pm  
Monday - Friday

**Plummer OnPoint**  
Leavitt & Congress Streets  
**Suppers on the Grill:**  
4:00 - 6:00 pm  
Tuesday - Friday

Summer meals are provided free of charge to children and teens 18 and under.

No registration or I.D. necessary.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



**9-Julio al 9-Agosto de 2018**

### **Escuelas**

**Bates Elementary School**  
52 Liberty Hill Road  
Desayuno: 8:00 - 9:00 am  
Almuerzo: 11:00 - 12:30 pm  
Lunes - Viernes

**Bentley Academy Charter School**  
25 Memorial Drive  
Desayuno: 8:30 - 9:30 am  
Almuerzo: 11:30 - 12:30 pm  
Lunes - Jueves

**Salem High School**  
77 Willson Street  
Desayuno: 8:00 - 9:15 am  
Almuerzo: 11:30 - 12:30 pm  
Lunes - Viernes

### **Sitios Comunitarios**

**Pequot Highlands**  
12 First Street  
Almuerzo: 12:00 - 1:00 pm  
Lunes - Viernes

**Rainbow Terrace @ Basketball Court**  
Loring & Rainbow Terrace  
Almuerzo: 11:00 - 11:30 pm  
Lunes - Viernes

**Plummer OnPoint**  
Leavitt & Congress Streets  
**Las Cenas en la Parrilla:**  
4:00 - 6:00 pm  
Martes - Viernes

Las comidas en el verano son gratis para niños y jóvenes menores de 18 años.

No es necesario inscribirse o mostrar identificación.

Esta institución es un empleador que ofrece igualdad de oportunidades.

