



Bicycling and Greenways E-Newsletter

6th Edition - September 11, 2010

The City of Greenville has been designated a Bronze "Bicycle Friendly Community" by the League of American Bicyclists and is actively pursuing several bicycling and greenway trail projects. Our E-Newsletter provides updates and information about our ongoing efforts to encourage bicycling and walking for recreation and transportation. You've received this e-newsletter because you've either signed up on the City's Website, requested information in the past regarding bicycling or greenway projects or signed-up at one of our recent [Bikeville](#) events. [Brian Graham](#) and [Andrew Meeker](#) use this format to provide periodic updates from the City about various bicycle infrastructure and greenway projects and events. You can expect to receive at least one update every month, perhaps more, but we won't bombard you. We look forward to sharing a lot of exciting news with you as we work to make the City of Greenville a more bicycle and pedestrian friendly community!

Traffic Skills 101 Course

Sept. 30, Oct. 7 & Oct. 9

Traffic Skills 101 is part of the League of American Bicyclists [Smart Cycling](#) curriculum and offers participants both classroom and on-the-bike knowledge. It provides new and experienced bicyclists the confidence they need to ride safely and legally in traffic or on the trail. The course covers bicycle safety checks, fixing a flat, on-bike skills, and crash avoidance techniques. Four, nationally certified, League Cycling Instructors will host this 9-hour course, in 3 convenience three-hour sessions on the evenings of September 30th, October 7th and the morning of October 9th. Participants will receive a student manual, diploma *and* a [Bikeville](#) t-shirt! Check out [Bikeville's website](#) for more information and to register.

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 Thursday, September 30th from 6:15pm-9:15pm
 Thursday, October 7th from 6:15pm-9:15pm
 Saturday, October 9th from 8am-11am
*Registrants must attend all three sessions to receive diploma.

where City of Greenville's Department of Public Works
 360 S. Hudson Street
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why To further develop the skills, knowledge, and experience to safely negotiate a bicycle in traffic.

cost \$50 registration includes a student manual, diploma, and Bikeville t-shirt. All proceeds go to the City of Greenville's Bicycle Friendly Community Initiative, Bikeville.

conditions Helmet and bicycle are mandatory. Course is limited to 20 participants and registration is non-refundable.



www.bikeville.org

register @ www.bikeville.org/ts101





Greenway Update

McDaniel Ave. Bypass Bridge - Cleveland Park

Last week bridge contractors began driving piles that will support the pre-fabricated bridge structure, work that will continue into the beginning of next week. We are expecting to set a 118-foot bridge and 54' ramp as soon as the foundations are ready. However, additional work is required like surfacing the bridge, constructing retaining walls and hand rail it will likely be well into October before we are able to open the bridge to bicyclists and pedestrians. We will, of course, keep you updated!



Upcoming Events

Free Bicycle Maintenance Class

September 15 @ 6:30 p.m.

The Great Escape Greenville has begun offering Free Bike Maintenance classes. The next class is scheduled for September 15th. Sign-up now, these classes fill-up! Classes are from 6:30pm -8:00pm. All classes take place at the Great Escape Bike Shop on Laurens Road. Maintenance issues covered include basic flat repair, Pre-Ride bike checks, how to keep your bike in good running condition, and other bike maintenance fundamentals. They ask that you bring your bike and they will supply the tools, equipment, knowledge, and refreshments. Call 864-235-8320 to reserve a spot or [Click here](#) to visit their website for more details.

Lunchtime Greenway Bicycle Ride

Friday, September 17 @ 12:00 p.m.

Our next ride will meet at the Caine Halter YMCA on Cleveland Street. [Click here](#) for more details and directions. Meet special guest ride leader, Officer M.D. Nelson of the Greenville Police Department near the entrance to the YMCA. This ride is a great opportunity to get out of the office, enjoy some fresh air and get some exercise on a Friday afternoon. All levels of bicyclists are encouraged to attend-- the pace is easy and no rider will be left behind. Families welcome. Helmets encouraged.

USA Cycling Pro Championships - Next Weekend!!

September 18 & 19, 2010

The [USA Professional Cycling Championships](#) returns to Greenville for a fifth consecutive year on September 18-19th. The Championship weekend features the USA Cycling Professional Time Trial Championship on Saturday at CU-ICAR and the USA Cycling Professional Road Race Championship on Sunday, which starts and finishes in downtown Greenville. Bikeville will once again offer free bike valet parking at the event on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Main Street.

Critical Cruise

Friday, September 24th @ 5:30p.m.

Bikeville hosts a monthly Critical Cruise Bike Ride on the last Friday of every month. This month's ride departs from in-front of the [West Washington Street Deck](#) next to Barley's. The rides are very casual, respectful, and lawful. We celebrate bicycling and bicyclists' right to the road. This community bike ride is open to all riders, bikes, and skill levels. The ride is typically 1-hour long and features several of Greenville's bicycle friendly streets. We will be riding with and in traffic, so come prepared to follow the rules of the road, have fun, and learn about Greenville's expanding bicycle infrastructure and culture. ***If raining, the ride is cancelled.

Visit www.bikeville.org or www.greenvillesc.gov/ParksRec/Trails for additional resources and information

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