CARY MAGAZINE

CARY • APEX • MORRISVILLE



2024 MEDIA GUIDE

CELEBRATING 20 YEARS IN THE COMMUNITY!













What sets us apart?

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AWARD-WINNING CONTENT AND DESIGN

ORIGINAL EDITORIAL

We don't use wires or syndicates.

All *Cary Magazine* articles are uniquely tailored to our readership.

EYE-CATCHING PHOTOGRAPHY

IN-DEMAND ISSUES

150+ free pickup locations

MAGGY AWARDS

Our most anticipated yearly feature, the reader-selected Maggy Awards!

DIGITAL PRESENCE

CaryMagazine.com: Features, Food & Dining, Photo Galleries, Events.

Social Media: Facebook, Instagram, X/Twitter, Pinterest.

Every issue is available online and can be downloaded for free.

BRANDED EVENTS

Women of Western Wake Forum, Movers & Shakers, Maggy Awards Party and more!

FULLY IN-HOUSE

From designers to writers and social media to circulation, *Cary Magazine* is produced by full time employees!

READER INTERACTION

Reader surveys, contests, events and social media engagement — we constantly seek input from our readers!

WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER

53,000+ subscribers

PRINT QUALITY

The highest industry standards to ensure vibrant photography and advertisements.









125,000+

READERS PER ISSUE VIA 25,000+ COPIES DISTRIBUTED

18,000 AVAILABLE FOR READER PICKUP 7,000 MAILED DIRECTLY TO LOCAL BUSINESSES



Morrisville

CONNECTING WESTERN WAKE COUNTY

Raleigh



99%

PICKUP RATE EACH ISSUE



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93%

OF READERS FEEL MORE CONNECTED TO THE WESTERN WAKE COMMUNITY BY READING *CARY MAGAZINE*.

CARY MAGAZINE IS AVAILABLE FREE AT

150+ locations

- Raleigh Executive Jetway
 Wegmans
 Whole Foods
- Harris Teeter Food Lion Fenton SAS The Umstead Hotel & Spa
- NC Farmers Market
 Area chambers of commerce
 Restaurants
 - New Neighbor Welcome Service The Mayton Inn
 - Local shopping centers Area public libraries and more!

View complete list at

CaryMagazine.com/pickup-locations

Interested in distributing Cary Magazine at your business? Contact the Circulation Department at (919) 674-6020.





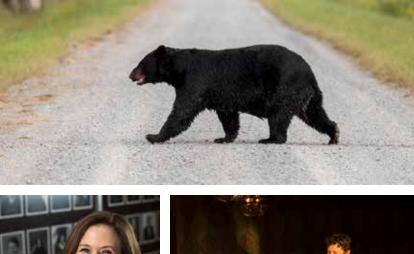




















percent

OF READERS HAVE TAKEN ACTION AS A RESULT OF READING CARY MAGAZINE.

MOST COMMONLY:

- CHOSEN A RESTAURANT
- GONE TO THE WEBSITE OF A BUSINESS
- MADE BANKING OR INVESTMENT DECISIONS
 - MADE A PURCHASE
 - HIRED A SERVICE PROVIDER

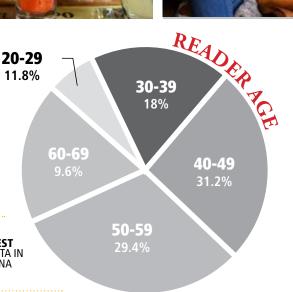




WOMEN READERS

CARY

HAS THE **HIGHEST** INCOME PER CAPITA IN NORTH CAROLINA





OF READERS HAVE A BACHELOR'S DEGREE

HAVE ADVANCED **DEGREES**



OF READERS ARE MORE LIKELY TO DO BUSINESS WITH A COMPANY THAT ADVERTISES IN CARY MAGAZINE.



HOME VALUED AT \$600,000 AND ABOVE

OF READERS OWN A VACATION HOME

HAVE MORE THAN \$150,000 IN TOTAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME

2024 Rates & Specs

Ad Size	1X	3X	6X	9X
Full Page	\$2,600	\$2,445	\$2,235	\$2,080
2/3 Page	\$2,350	\$2,185	\$2,030	\$1,825
1/2 Page	\$1,575	\$1,400	\$1,250	\$1,100
1/3 Page	\$935	\$830	\$780	\$705
Dining Guide	Annual Commitment Required			\$395

PREMIUM PLACEMENTS

Inserts, gatefolds, stickers and premium pages can be quoted upon request by your advertising executive.

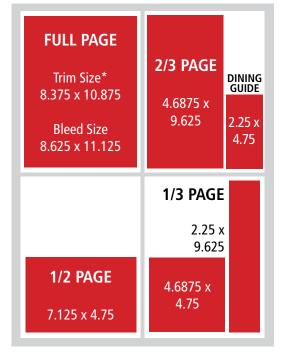
FILE SPECIFICATIONS

Ads must be submitted as a high-resolution (300 dpi), CMYK Adobe PDF (exported using the PDF/X-1a:2001 setting) or a high-resolution TIFF.

All full-page ads must be submitted at bleed size. Keep live matter 0.375" from all sides that bleed, 0.25" from trim.

All images must be saved as CMYK at 300 dpi. **No spot colors, RGB, LAB, or INDEX color elements; these must be converted for publication.** If color is critical, a certified color accurate proof can be submitted. We cannot be responsible for color variations and quality on files submitted not following these guidelines.

No advertisements may be canceled after the published deadline dates. All finished art is due on or before the material deadline.



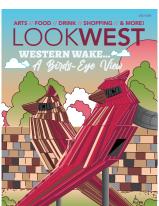
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Annual Relocation Guide



LOOKWEST

an introduction to western wake

In *Look West*, readers can discover all that Western Wake County has to offer — whether they are thinking about settling here, new arrivals, or long-time residents. This special interest publication includes an overview of the five vibrant towns in the area, a taste of the restaurant scene, activities and events. Published in July, *Look West* is mailed to potential transplants to the area and distributed via local real estate agents and developments. It is available at area travel destinations and events, hotels, and all five Chambers of Commerce. The publication is also distributed to newcomers by HR managers at local corporations.









SITE TRAFFIC PROFILE:

28,000+

UNIQUE VISITORS PER MONTH

Digital Media

CARYMAGAZINE.COM

Find all of the content from each issue and e-newsletter online, as well as additional features, contests and videos. Nominations and voting for the popular Maggy Awards are also conducted on CaryMagazine.com. Every eNewsletter story contains a synopsis with links to the full story online, driving ensuring website traffic!

DIGITAL AD SIZES

Leaderboard: \$750 per month Specs: 728x90 and 320x50

Medium Rectangle: \$500 per month

Specs: 300x250





RIGHT PERSON | RIGHT MESSAGE | RIGHT TIME

Cherokee's unique **Digital Audience Extension** programs focus on reaching your ideal audience wherever they may be on the internet.

TACTICS USED TO REACH YOUR DIGITAL CONSUMER:

Audience Curation

Site Re-targeting

Keyword Re-targeting

Geo-Fencing

Geo-Targeting

Starting at \$750/mo for 50,000 impressions.

Digital Media

E-NEWSLETTER

Cary Magazine publishes a bi-weekly e-newsletter every Tuesday & Thursday with more than 53,000 opted in subscribers. Each newsletter delivers timely, relevant and engaging news, stories and events to residents throughout Western Wake County.

DIGITAL FILE SPECIFICATIONS

Cary Magazine e-newsletter ads accept the following file types: jpg, gif — animated or static.

The recommended file size is 40 KB. Files may be no larger than 700 KB.

E-NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

Tuesday <u>or</u> Thursday

Leaderboard \$750/month

580x72

\$500/month

Sponsored Content

\$300/each





CUSTOM EMAIL MARKETING

Cary Magazine can create custom advertising emails to be delivered once a week to our more than **36,000** subscribers. Custom emails are a great alternative to traditional direct mail marketing. **\$850** per email

Live Events

Cary Magazine events offer an exciting avenue to connect the magazine brand and event sponsors with the community in person. Each can't-miss event has a unique audience and accompanying sponsorship opportunities.



THE MAGGY AWARDS PARTY

The coveted *Cary Magazine* Maggy Awards have long been one of Western Wake's most popular and defining competitions. To share the excitement with the nominees and the community, we host a live event to celebrate the Maggy Award winners. Sponsorship opportunities will be available for this event.











MOVERS & SHAKERS CELEBRATION

This business networking event recognizes and celebrates the contributions of individuals who make Western Wake a better place to live, work and play. Nominated by friends, family and colleagues, the Movers & Shakers honorees influence our community in the present and in years to come.







WOMEN OF WESTERN WAKE FORUM



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Now in its 16th year, the Women of Western Wake Forum continues to be a sellout event. This refined and informative event allows readers to meet the Women of Western Wake honored in *Cary Magazine* and mingle with hundreds of area professionals. The morning session begins with breakfast and a keynote address, followed by professional workshops. A pre-lunch networking session complete with a headshot cafe launches the afternoon events, which include a three-course meal and a panel discussion showcasing the year's honorees.





Editorial Calendar

20th Anniversary Issue!

JAN/FEB

AD SPACE: 11/29 AD MATERIALS: 12/5

The Health & Seniors Issue Top Dentists

Premier Practices*
Retire in Style*

MARCH

AD SPACE: 1/30 AD MATERIALS: 2/6

Adventure & Outdoors

Regional Travel Summer Camp Guide Great Escapes*

APRIL

AD SPACE: 3/1 AD MATERIALS: 3/8

Maggy Awards: The Best

of Western Wake Services Spotlight*

MAY

AD SPACE: 4/4 AD MATERIALS: 4/11

Art, Music & Culture

Spring Fashion 2024 Graduates!

JUNE/JULY

AD SPACE: 5/1 AD MATERIALS: 5/8

Summer Fun

2024 Movers & Shakers Notable Teens Power Professionals*

AUGUST

AD SPACE: 7/3 AD MATERIALS: 7/10

The Food Issue!

Day Trips Worth the Drive Foodie Favorites*

SEPTEMBER

AD SPACE: 7/31 AD MATERIALS: 8/7

The Women's Issue 2024 Women of Western Wake

Fall Fashion
We Know Western Wake*

OCTOBER

AD SPACE: 9/2 AD MATERIALS: 9/9

Homes & Interiors

Design & Decor Pet Parade Agent Profiles* Great Places to Live*

NOV/DEC

AD SPACE: 10/2 AD MATERIALS: 10/9

The Holiday Issue!

Holiday Entertaining Year in Pictures Holiday Gift Guide Excellence in Education*

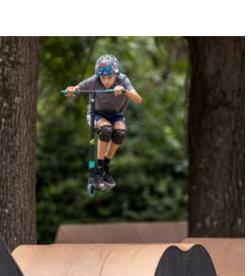
* INDICATES ADVERTORIAL SECTIONS

IN EVERY ISSUE

Happenings Garden Adventurer Liquid Assets Things to Do On Trend Non-Profit Spotlight Small Business Spotlight Restaurant Profile

ADVERTORIAL SECTIONS

SEE THE FOLLOWING PAGES FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADVERTORIAL ADVERTISING.













Special Advertising Sections































About Us

Publisher of *Cary Magazine*, Cherokee Media Group is a full-service media company based in Cary, NC

CMG specializes in print and digital media, custom publishing, event and meeting planning, public relations, digital marketing and photography. Whether it's developing a new brand for your business, a comprehensive advertising and marketing plan, crisis communications or print and digital collateral — our single purpose is to help your company or organization achieve success by sharing your story with the audiences that matter most to you.

Cherokee Media Group, its parent company, S&A Cherokee, and sister company, S&A Communications, have received numerous awards and recognitions, including being named to the Inc. 5000 list of

to the Inc. 5000 list of the fastest-growing privately held companies in America, receiving the Fast 50 Award from the CHEROKEE MEDIA GROUP



Triangle Business Journal and being recognized by Publishing Executive magazine as one of the Best Magazine Publishing Companies to Work For in 2009. S&A Cherokee was named the 2010 Small Business of the Year by the Cary Chamber of Commerce and won the 2010 Entrepreneurial Summit Award from the Garner Chamber of Commerce.









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