

Help Little Pimmit Run Install a rain barrel or raingarden!

Benefits of Raingardens

Rain gardens, also known as bioretention areas, are attractive landscape features that allow rain water and snow melt to infiltrate into the ground. A layer of mulch and plants intercept water running off street, driveways, and rooftops, slowing its flow and removing pollutants before the water reaches local streams and the Potomac River, a drinking water supply for the region.



Raingarden at McKinley Elementary School

Raingardens for Homeowners Workshop

Come to this workshop to learn how to locate and design a raingarden for your yard. The workshop will include information on design, plant selection, and maintenance.

Saturday, March 27, 2009

9:30 am - 12:30 noon, includes an optional rain garden tour at the park

Green Spring Gardens Park, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria, VA 22312-1428

Workshop fee is \$20. Please call ahead to register at 703.642.5173

For more information on the workshop, check the web site at <http://www.novaregion.org/> (search for “raingarden”)

Co-sponsored by Fairfax County Park Authority - Green Spring Gardens Park

Registration Form for the 2010 Northern Virginia Rain Barrel Program

Rain barrels are containers that are connected to your downspouts to capture runoff from the roof. Rain barrels come in various sizes, ranging from 30 gallons to 100 gallons, and can be made of plastic or wood. You can also use a larger container to capture rainwater, such as a cistern.

Please select a workshop or distribution from the list below and write the number of barrels you wish to purchase. Remember, there is a limit of 2 barrels per household or participant.

Build Your Own Barrel Workshops: (\$50 per barrel)

_____ **Saturday March 6, 9:30 to 11:30 AM**

Frying Pan Farm Park, 2739 West Ox Road, Herndon, VA 20171.

_____ **Thursday April 8, 7:30 to 9:00 PM**

Williamsburg Middle School Cafeteria, 3600 N. Harrison St., Arlington, VA 22207.



Pre-made Barrel Distribution Date: (\$60 per barrel)

_____ **Saturday May 1, 1:00 to 4:00 PM**

Falls Church Property Yard, 7100 Gordons Rd., Falls Church, VA 22043.

Name: _____

Email*: _____

Phone Number*: _____

Address, including zip code:

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

*These are particularly important pieces of information so we can send you updates about the sessions, further information, and contact you quickly if needed.

Make check payable to NVSWCD. Mail form and check to Rain Barrel Program at 12055 Government Center Pkwy, Suite 905, Fairfax, VA 22035.

You can also register online at: <http://arlingtonenvironment.org/barrel.php>