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Rain Barrel Workshop

Interested in saving money on your water bill, concerned about the quality of your local stream, trying to store rain water for use in your yard or garden? Build a rain barrel! The Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District will be sponsoring a build-your-own rain barrel workshop on **August 4, 2008 at 7 p.m.** at the Sully District Governmental Center. Registration is required and a materials fee of \$50 will be charged. Rain barrels can be attached to your downspout to collect water flowing from your roof. Each barrel holds approximately 50 gallons of harvested rain water that can be used around the home for many household needs! For registration information visit, www.arlingtonenvironment.org/barrel.htm or contact Taylor Beach at 703-324-1428 or taylor.beach@fairfaxcounty.gov. Limit: 2 rain barrels per household.

Education Forum on Lyme Disease

Washington, D.C. – Rep. Frank Wolf (R-10th) will host a free forum to educate area residents about ticks and Lyme disease at the Loudoun County School Board office (21000 Education Ct., Ashburn, VA 20148) at 7 p.m., **Tuesday, August 5.**

Dr. David Goodfriend, director of the Loudoun County Health Department; Dr. Jorge Arias, manager of the disease carrying insect program for the Fairfax County Health Department, and Dr. Samuel Shor, associate clinical professor, George Washington University Health Care Sciences, are scheduled to speak.

Health officials in the region have reported an increase in the number of cases of Lyme disease in recent years. The black-legged tick, also known as the deer tick, is responsible for transmitting the bacteria that

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causes Lyme disease, which is characterized by such varied symptoms as a bull's-eye-shaped rash, fever and fatigue.

The forum will address how to check for and protect yourself from ticks, what to do if you find one, and the symptoms of acute Lyme disease and its treatment.

For more information about the forum, contact Wolf's Washington office at (202) 225-5136.

New Voter Registration Cards Recently Mailed

The Fairfax County Office of Elections recently mailed new voter registration cards to every active voter . This was done to give the voter complete updated information for their polling location this November. It was also done to remove social security numbers from the cards, which have been replaced with a unique voter identification number. If you did not receive a card or if your new card contains incorrect information, please contact the Office of Elections at 703-222-0776.



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