

Budget Town Hall This Saturday

City Manager Wyatt Shields will hold a Town Hall meeting this Saturday, March 20 to discuss his proposed budget for fiscal year 2011 (July 1, 2010-June 30, 2011). City residents and taxpayers are encouraged to attend and voice their opinions. The meeting gets underway at 10 a.m. in the Community Center.

Copies of the proposed budget and Capital Improvements Program are available on the City Web site, www.fallschurchva.gov, and at the Mary Riley Styles Public Library, 120 N. Virginia Ave.

FY11 Budget Schedule

- March 20:** Budget Town Hall
- March 22:** 1st Public Hearing
- April 10:** Budget Town Hall
- April 12:** 2nd Public Hearing
- April 26:** 3rd Public Hearing and FY 11 Budget Adoption

View the complete schedule, including work sessions and meeting locations and times, at www.fallschurchva.gov.

E-mail Budget Comments

Send general government budget suggestions to budget@fallschurchva.gov. Correspondence submitted to this e-mail will be reviewed by the City and considered for the FY11 Budget.

Beautify Your Yard With a Free Street Tree

City residents, would you like to add value to your property with a free tree? The Neighborhood Tree Program (NTP) has two upcoming planting events on March 20 and April 10 at which volunteers will plant trees. If you would like a tree planted in your yard please contact the City Arborist at 703-248-5183 (TTY 711) or jedwards@fallschurchva.gov.

The tree will be planted in the City's right-of-way or within 15 feet of the street. There are many types of trees from which to choose.

Volunteer with the Neighborhood Tree Program

The NTP works to reduce summer temperatures and storm water runoff, improve air quality, beautify neighborhoods and increase property values by 20 percent in the community. This is accomplished by the simple act of planting trees!

The NTP was initiated by the Village Preservation and Improvement Society in 2000 and continues to be run by citizen volunteers working in partnership with the Urban Forestry Division. Volunteers raise money to purchase trees and then plant them in the City right-of-way in residential neighborhoods. To see one example of past NTP efforts, take a walk down Randolph Street and enjoy all the fringe trees.

To volunteer for the NTP, call Seth Heminway at 703-536-3049 or e-mail heminway.seth@gmail.com.

Celtic Music Concert at Cherry Hill Farmhouse Saturday, March 27

Enjoy a lively evening of Irish music at Cherry Hill Farmhouse, 312 Park Ave., on Saturday, March 27 at 8 p.m. Musicians from the band Poirt o'Call will perform on banjo, mandolin, fiddle, flute, concertina, and guitar in the intimate atmosphere of the Farmhouse parlor. Tickets are available in advance at the Community Center, 223 Little Falls St., for \$12; and at the door for \$14. For more information, call 703-248-5171 (TTY 711).

Free Rape Aggression Defense Class for Women

The Police Department is offering a free Rape Aggression Defense (R.A.D.) program of realistic self-defense tactics and techniques for women, 12 years of age and older. The course is offered in four, three-hour sessions. Classes will be held at St. James School (830 W. Broad St.) on April 5, 7, 12, and 14, from 6-9 p.m. Participants are required to attend all four sessions.



The R.A.D. System is a comprehensive, women-only course that addresses awareness, prevention, risk reduction, risk avoidance, and the basics of hands-on self-defense training. R.A.D. is not a martial arts program. Nationally certified R.A.D. instructors from the City Police Department teach the course.

The registration deadline is March 27. For more information and to register, e-mail ksdempsey@verizon.net or call 703-248-5061.

Spring into Fun at the Community Center

Registration for spring break camps is underway. Camps are open to youths, age 3 to 18, and include dance, multi-sport, basketball, acting, science, golf, fencing, science workshops and robotics! There's also a week of fun trips just for middle school students. Outings include trips for swimming, horseback riding, ice skating and visiting Dave and Busters and Central Park Fun Land. Camps run from March 29-April 2.

For the first time, there will be a Super Spring Camp offered for students who are on break the week of April 5-9. This camp will include arts and crafts, sports and games.

View the full listing of camps in the 2010 Winter Spring Brochure online at www.fallschurchva.gov.

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Register for the W&OD Trail 5K Saturday, March 27

Attention runners – the City of Falls Church invites you to lace up your running shoes for the W&OD Trail 5K, on Saturday, March 27 at 4 p.m. The race starts and finishes at the Masonic Lodge, located at 411 Little Falls St. Register online at www.mc-coop.org/wod. For more information, contact Roger Neighborgall at 703-819-7047 or racedirector@att.net.

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- 18 City Council Budget Work Session, 7:30 p.m.
 - Environmental Services Council, 7:30 p.m.
 - 20 Farmers' Market, 9 a.m. - noon
 - 22 Budget Town Hall, 10 a.m.
 - Yard Waste, Bundled Brush and Special Collections City Meals Tax Due (Commissioner of the Revenue) City Council, 7:30 p.m.
 - 23 Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court in Session
 - 24 General District Court in Session
 - 25 City Council Budget Work Session, 7:30 p.m.
 - 27 Farmers' Market, 9 a.m. - noon

Questions or Comments?

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