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Fitchburg Waterway Cleanups Set for April 1st, April 22nd

Pull on your boots, grab some gloves and head out to your nearest waterway this Saturday to pick up trash. Fitchburg's 2017 Waterway Cleanups are scheduled for Saturday, April 1st from 9am—11am and Sat., April 22nd from 10 am—noon, rain or shine. More details on the Waterway Cleanups are available at www.fitchburgwi.gov/stormwater. This year's cleanups are scheduled at the following locations:



Saturday, April 1, 9:00-11:00 am:

1. Dunn's Marsh – Meet at Apache Pond, 4523 Crescent Rd.
2. Highlands of Seminole – Meet on Yarmouth Greenway near intersection of McKee Rd (Hwy PD)
3. Swan Creek – Meet on the multi-use path near the intersection of Syene Rd and Ninebark Dr.
4. Quarry Hill – Meet at Quarry Hill Park at the ponds, 5425 Quarry Hill Dr.

Saturday, April 22, 10:00 am – noon

5. Seminole Forest – Meet at Seminole Pool, 5948 Schumann Dr.

Thank-you gifts and refreshments will be provided to participants. Please be aware that restrooms may not be available in the cleanup areas. Anyone interested in organizing an event in your neighborhood can contact Erika Kluetmeier, Sustainability Specialist, at erika.kluetmeier@fitchburgwi.gov or 270-4274. The city will provide supplies and pick up trash and recyclables after the event.

Fitchburg's April 5th Climate Forum Features Dane County Executive Joe Parisi

Join us on April 5th from 7-8:30 p.m. as we welcome Dane County Executive Joe Parisi to the Fitchburg Library to discuss Dane County's new initiatives to address climate change. A climate researcher from UW-Madison will kick off the event with a discussion on current and future climate conditions in Wisconsin as well as adaptation strategies. Parisi will highlight the new Office of Energy and Climate Change, the new Dane County Council on Climate Change, and efforts to expand renewable energy and energy efficiency in the county. This annual forum is being sponsored by the Resource Conservation Commission, and is one of a series of events to foster a dialog among Fitchburg community members on a range of sustainability issues.



Fitchburg Earth Month Activities Offer Ways to Get Involved and Celebrate the Earth

This April, it's Earth Day everyday in Fitchburg with many activities to celebrate the Earth! For more information on Earth Month events, visit: www.fitchburgwi.gov/2336/Green-Fitchburg-Events.

April 1st – 9-11 a.m., Waterway Cleanups, Swan Creek, Dunn's Marsh and Highlands of Seminole

April 5th – 7-8:30 p.m., Fitchburg Climate Forum with Dane County Executive Joe Parisi, Fitchburg Library

April 10th – 7 p.m., Citizen Science Monitoring, Fitchburg Library

April 20th – 10-11 a.m., Earth Day Party for Pre-Schoolers, Fitchburg Library

April 22nd – 8:00 a.m.-noon, Arbor Day and International Migratory Bird Day with live raptor program, McGaw Park

April 22nd – 8-11 a.m., Free Paper Shred Day, City Hall

April 22nd – 7-11 a.m., Electronics Recycling Collection, Surplus IT - 901 Watson Ave.

April 22nd – 8-11 a.m., MedDrop Collection of unwanted prescription medicines, Police Department entrance of City Hall

April 22nd – 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Bike Maintenance Workshop, Fitchburg Library

April 29th – 10 a.m., Invasive species and tree walk, McGaw Park Shelter



Spring Cleanup Day on April 22nd Features Paper Shredding, Electronics Recycling and Unwanted Med Disposal



Gather up old papers, electronics and meds and join us on Earth Day for the City of Fitchburg's spring cleanup events.

1. The city and Pellitteri Waste Systems will host a paper shredding event on Saturday, April 22nd from 8:00-11:00 a.m. **Please note our new location: City Hall parking lot, 5520 Lacy Rd.** This event provides **free** shredding and recycling to destroy **no more than five banker's boxes** of confidential paper documents.
2. The Fitchburg Police Department will collect unwanted prescription medications (MedDrop) between 8:00-11:00 a.m. Enter at the Police Department entrance of City Hall, 5520 Lacy Rd. The MedDrop box is open to residents from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.
3. Surplus IT, 901 Watson Ave, will collect old electronics for recycling from 7:00-11:00 a.m. Please note there is a fee for recycling certain items. Updated cost information will be available soon at: www.fitchburgwi.gov/solidwaste.

Community Calendar

1. April 18th, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Monona Terrace – Annual Nelson Institute Earth Day Conference: Hope and Renewal in the Age of Apocalypse, <http://www.nelson.wisc.edu/events/earth-day/>



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