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To Market

Beginning April 1, shop the Cary Downtown Farmers Market, 135 Chatham St. The Market’s open rain or shine Saturdays from 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. through November 18. Pick up local produce, meats, eggs, fresh cut flowers and fresh butter, locally roasted coffee, fresh baked goods and handmade local crafts. Each week the Market also hosts live music and special events for all ages!

www.caryfarmersmarket.com

Cary It Green

Spring Litter Sweep
Help keep Cary clean and green by removing litter from our streets, trails, parks and neighborhoods April 1 at our Litter Sweep. This is a great activity for families, groups and individuals; hundreds of volunteers collect thousands of pounds of litter.

Join us at an existing site or suggest a site of your own; either way the Town provides all the tools and supplies. If you’re 15 or younger, you’ll need to be accompanied by an adult. Be certain to register, as it’s required to participate in one of four shifts, at one of four predetermined locations. “Spruce” or (919) 469-4301

Compost Bin Sale
You can reduce waste and grow your greenest garden with home composting! From April 7 - May 7 through our online compost bin sale, order an 82 gallon backyard bin below wholesale. For $45 turn your kitchen scraps into rich, organic fertilizer. Not sure what to do? Each bin comes with a manual to get you started learning about Mother Nature’s original recycling! “Compost Bin Sale” or (919) 469-4301

Holiday Schedule
Our offices are closed April 14; however, garbage, recycling and yard waste will be collected as regularly scheduled. The Citizen’s Convenience Center will be open April 14, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. “Holiday Schedule” or (919) 469-4090

April Showers ...
While they can be beneficial for your lawn, they can also wash chemicals into our storm drains that empty into streams. Protect our waterways by applying pre-emergent products and fertilizer according to directions and sweeping it from driveways and sidewalks onto the lawn. “Stormwater Education” or (919) 469-4030

Leak Alert
When your water use exceeds your expectations, you can receive an email or text notification. Set either “Tiered Alerts” or “Daily Alerts by Gallon” through your Aquastar account; sign in through DigiPay. “Aquastar Alerts” or (919) 469-4050

Home Escape Plan
With temperatures warming, it’s a great time to make a home escape plan and practice an out-of-doors fire drill. To do so, draw a map of each level of your house; be certain to indicate all doors and windows. Next, identify two ways out of every room if possible. Discuss the plan with everyone in your household. Finally, designate an outside meeting place – a tree, light pole or mailbox where you’ll all gather after getting out of your home.

During your fire drill, push the smoke alarm button. Practice getting low, closing the door as you leave a room and crawling out of your home quickly. Everyone should meet at your outside meeting place. Take the time to plan, prepare and practice; it could save your life!