

## MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

FROM: Alfred D. Lott  
City Manager

SUBJECT: *Status Report* DATE: April 27, 2017

### *Status Report*

1. Status Report - Rain Barrel Workshop

On Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, the Planning Department and the Bowie Lions Club held the annual Rain Barrel workshop at City Hall, with five residents in attendance. The Lions Club sold four rain barrels, taking the total number sold to nearly 500. The number of registered rain barrels in the City is now at 260 barrels. The Lions will continue having their booth at the Farmer's Market each weekend starting May 21<sup>st</sup> when it opens. Residents can also purchase a rain barrel by calling or email the Lions directly.

2. Earth Day Weekend Event Results

There were two great events held in Bowie over the weekend to celebrate Earth Day. On Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at the Bowie Center for the Performing Arts (BCPA), Dr. Doug Tallamy had a presentation on how homeowners and communities can landscape with and for nature. The event was hosted by the Prince George's Soil Conservation District, Bowie-Crofton Garden Club, and City of Bowie Environmental Advisory Committee. There were about 240 people in attendance. On Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at the BCPA, Bowie's Green Team hosted their third Annual Earth Day Concert & Art Exhibit that had live musical performances and Earth Day inspired artwork on display; approximately 175 people in attendance.

3. 2017 Bowie-Crofton Garden Club and Green Team Spring Plant Sale

Get ready for spring! Come to the annual spring plant sale hosted by the Bowie-Crofton Garden Club and the Bowie Green Team. It will take place this Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> from 8AM to noon at the Bowie Library parking lot (Rt. 450 and Belair Drive). This year the sale will feature a new selection of native plants and pollinator plants to support birds, bees, and butterflies. Also available will be houseplants, herbs, annuals, perennials, vegetable plants,

and shrubs. Special activities are planned for children, and Master Gardeners will be available. Visit [www.bcgardenclub.org](http://www.bcgardenclub.org) for more information.

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