



## NEWS RELEASE

### **2017 YARD OF THE MONTH AWARD** ***Deadline for First Award of the Season is May 15***

Herndon, VA (April 18, 2017) – Springtime’s rejuvenating spirit is in the air – and the Town of Herndon’s Yard of the Month award season is officially under way.

Yard of the Month is an opportunity to recognize the efforts of town residents whose yards contribute to the beautification of the town and its neighborhoods. Citizens may nominate their own or their neighbors’ yards for the award. Winners receive gift certificates from Meadows Farms and are recognized by the Mayor and Town Council at public meetings.

The criteria for Yard of the Month Award selection includes the following: yards are generally free of trash and clutter; grass, trees, shrubs and plants are well-cared for and aesthetically pleasing; rocks, logs, short fences or other decorative elements are in good condition and neatly placed; and flowers and other vegetation are well-landscaped and make good use of color.

Nominations for the June Yard of the Month Award are due May 15. The deadline for the July award is June 15.

Judges for the Yard of the Month Awards program are members of the Town of Herndon’s Cultivating Community committee, a group of citizen volunteers formed to encourage beautification and to enrich the quality of life in the town’s neighborhoods.

Nominations can be submitted online at [herndon-va.gov/CultivatingCommunity](http://herndon-va.gov/CultivatingCommunity). Forms are also available at the Herndon Municipal Center and the Herndon Community Center. For more information, call 703-435-6800 X2084 or email [information@herndon-va.gov](mailto:information@herndon-va.gov).

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