



Co. Westmeath Tourism Ltd. presents **“Springclean Westmeath!”**

**Free Seminars On Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February and Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March  
at Belvedere House, Mullingar at 6.30 pm**

*Are You Proud of Your Village? Are You Proud of Your Town?  
Could You Help Make Westmeath a Tidier Place?*

**Come along to the “Springclean Westmeath!” Seminars  
to find out more about what financial support is available, hear some expert advice  
and the stories of two National Tidy Towns Winners**

Co. Westmeath Tourism Ltd **“Springclean Westmeath!”** seminars will bring together in partnership Westmeath County Council, Belvedere House, Gardens & Park, Westmeath Community Development Ltd, Westmeath Volunteer Centre and editorial sponsors Westmeath Examiner and Westmeath Independent Newspapers and invited speakers.

“Springclean Westmeath!” Seminar Part One is part of the Aontas National Adult Learners Festival which takes place nationally throughout the last week in February. The theme for 23<sup>rd</sup> February is Green Learning Day which will be mirrored at the seminar. The theme of Green Learning will be continued at the second seminar on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March which will have a very practical focus.



### **National Tree Week -apply for trees!**

Belvedere House is co-ordinating applications from community groups, schools and tidy towns for bare root whips for planting sponsored by the Tree Council of Ireland for National Tree Week 6th - 13th March 2010. Apply by post to Belvedere House Gardens and Park, Mullingar Co. Westmeath or by email to [info@belvedere-house.ie](mailto:info@belvedere-house.ie)



*\* Spread the word!\**

Please inform others you think may be interested about the seminars.

The seminars are open to everyone already involved in Tidy Towns and also new people who might be interested in getting involved in an existing group or setting up their own.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Rhona Rogers, Co. Westmeath Tourism Ltd.  
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See seminar programmes below.



## Co. Westmeath Tourism Ltd **“Springclean Westmeath!” Seminar**

**Part 1 Date: Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February** at Belvedere House, Mullingar

**6.30 pm Registration and light Refreshments**

**7.00 pm Welcome Address** followed by Invited Speakers:

- “Tidy Up, Tidy Up!”: R. Rogers **Co. Westmeath Tourism Ltd.**
- “Westmeath County Council Supporting Cleaner Communities”: **Westmeath County Council**
- “Rural Development Programme Supporting Tidy Towns and Villages” Bernie Leavy, **Westmeath Community Development Ltd.**
- “Volunteers in your group and getting the best from them” Ian O’Flynn **Westmeath Volunteer Centre**
- Ballinahown - Westmeath Tidiest Village : PJ Hoey, **Chairman of Ballinahown Tidy Towns Committee**
- Emly, National Tidy Towns Award Winner : Sharon Heffernan **Chairwoman of Emly Tidy Towns**



“Springclean Westmeath!” is part of the Aontas Adult Learners Festival:

23<sup>rd</sup> February is “Green Learning Day” visit [www.aontas.ie](http://www.aontas.ie)

## Co. Westmeath Tourism Ltd **“Springclean Westmeath!” Seminar**

**Part 2 Date: Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March** at Belvedere House, Mullingar

**6.30 pm Registration and light Refreshments**

**7.00 pm Welcome Address** followed by Invited Speakers:

- “We have an idea! What now?” Ian O’Flynn **Westmeath Volunteer Centre**
- “Making the Most of Local Heritage – Natural and Built” Bernadette Solon **Westmeath County Council**
- ”Green Schools Explained” Lorraine Flanagan, **Green-Schools Development Officer, An Taisce**
- “Westmeath Wildflowers” : Sandro Caffola, **Design By Nature - Irish Wildflowers Growers**
- “Every Blooming Thing!” :John Smyth, **Belvedere Master Gardener**
- Ennis National Tidy Towns Award Winner - Ireland’s Tidiest Large Urban Centre, Noel Crowley, **Chairman Ennis Tidy Towns**

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