

8th Annual Forest Landowners' Retreat

Holiday Lake 4-H Center, March 17-19, 2017

Thank you for registering for the Forest Landowners' Retreat! After reviewing this information, if you have any questions about this event, please contact Ellen Powell at 434-220-9083 or Jen Gagnon at 540-231-6391.

Persons with disabilities who will require any special accommodations or assistance to participate in this retreat should discuss their needs with Jen as soon as possible.

Dates

March 17-19, 2017 (Begins Friday after dinner, ends Sunday after lunch)

Location

The retreat will be held at Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center located in the Appomattox-Buckingham State Forest, nine miles east of Appomattox off Route 24 in the heart of Central Virginia. A map and directions are included in this mailing. (Use computer mapping resources at your own risk - they have been known to get people lost when they try to find the 4-H Center!)

Arrival and Departure

Check-in for those lodging on site is Friday, March 17, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. Please eat before you arrive, as no meals will be served on Friday, and the closest restaurants are in Appomattox or the Dillwyn area. Those commuting or lodging off site should plan to arrive Saturday morning by 7:15 AM for breakfast. The program ends Sunday, March 19, immediately after lunch.

Lodging

Males and females attending singly will be housed in separate bunkhouses. Couples will be assigned to individual lodging cabins, on a first-come, first-served basis. When they are full, we'll have to split couples into the single sex bunkhouses. ALL beds are single-sized. **Linens, pillows, and towels are NOT provided for this event, so please bring your own, along with personal toiletry items.** The buildings we use are heated, but a blanket or sleeping bag is a wise choice in case the weather is cooler.

Meals

The following meals are included in the program: Saturday breakfast, lunch, and dinner; Sunday breakfast and lunch.

Activities

A schedule (subject to minor changes) is included on the last page. There will be some walking on the Saturday field trip, but walks will not be long or strenuous.

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What to Bring:

- Comfortable clothes, including something suitable for walking in the woods. Please check the weather forecast and bring appropriate clothes for the weather, including rain gear if needed.
- Closed-toed shoes or boots
- Pillow; sheets and blankets for single bed, or sleeping bag
- Towel(s)
- Toiletry articles: soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothbrush, shower shoes, etc.
- Any medications you require
- Flashlight
- Sunscreen
- Insect repellent

What NOT to bring:

- Pets
- Firearms or ammunition
- Unnecessary valuables (*Holiday Lake 4-H Center and the program presenters are NOT responsible for lost or stolen items.*)

Smoking

Smoking is allowed in designated areas only and is not allowed in any of the buildings.

Communication

There is no cell-phone reception at the 4-H Center, but texting sometimes works. Driving toward Appomattox or Buckingham will eventually get you a phone signal. There is free wireless Internet service in the dining hall. If someone needs to reach you in an emergency, the 4-H Center's phone number is 434-248-5444. A 4-H Center staff member gets phone messages on weekends and can get a message to you.

Medical Issues

Please complete the enclosed medical form and bring it with you. You may place the form in an envelope labeled with your name, to remain sealed unless there is an emergency. However, if you do have a condition we may need to know about ahead of time, please let us know during registration.

THANK YOU, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU!

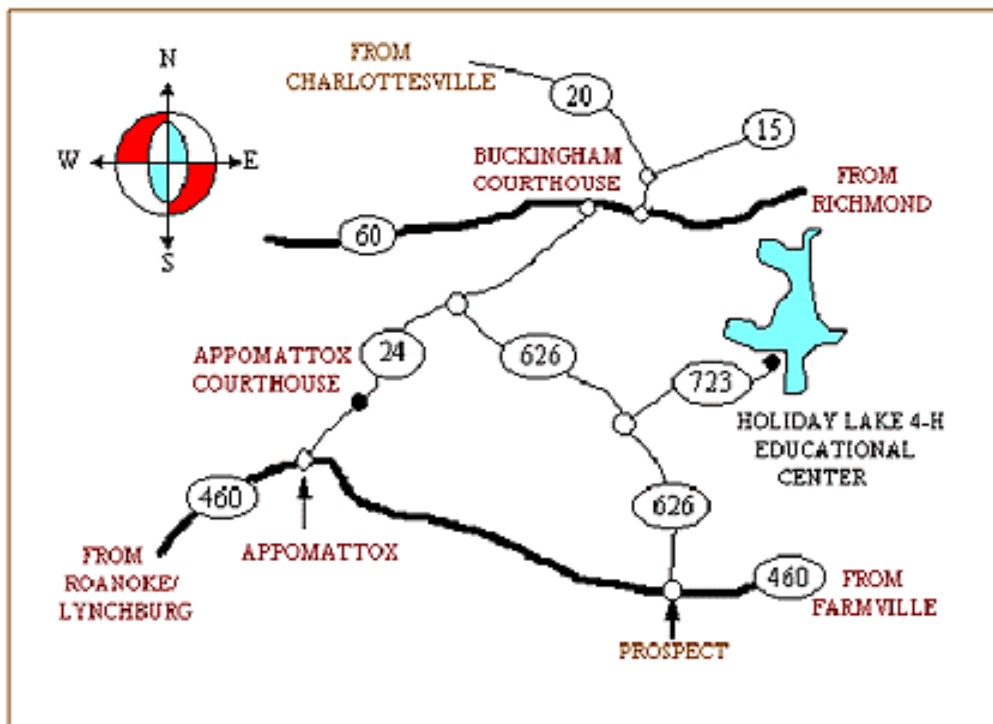
Directions to Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center

From Lynchburg/Roanoke: take 460 East to Appomattox, turn left onto Rt. 24 East toward Appomattox Courthouse, drive 7 miles, turn right onto Rt. 626, drive 5 miles to Rt. 723. The Center is at the end of Rt. 723.

From Richmond: Take Rt. 60 West past Buckingham Courthouse, turn left onto Rt. 24, drive 10 miles, turn left onto Rt. 626, drive 5 miles to Rt. 723. The Center is at the end of Rt. 723.

From Charlottesville: Take Rt. 20 South turn right onto Rt. 15 South, drive 1 mile, turn right onto Route 60 West past Buckingham Courthouse, turn left onto Rt. 24, drive 10 miles, turn left onto Rt. 626, drive 5 miles to Rt. 723. The Center is at the end of Rt. 723.

From Farmville: take Rt. 460 West to Prospect, turn right onto Rt. 626 follow Rt. 626 10 miles, turn right onto Rt. 723. The Center is at the end of Rt. 723.



**Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center Adult Programs
Health/Emergency/Photo Release Form**
(*Please bring with you to the program)

Event/ Date: Forest Landowners' Retreat, March 17-19, 2017

Name _____ Male ____ Female ____

Telephone # (_____) _____ Email _____

Address _____

1. Do you have any health conditions or special circumstances we should be aware of? Please include any medications, allergies, or chronic illnesses:

2. Please list any special dietary needs: _____

3. Whom should we notify in case of an accident or emergency?

Name _____ Relationship _____

Address _____

Telephone # (_____) _____

4. Please provide the name of your health/ accident insurance carrier(s) and the appropriate policy certificate number(s):

Name of Carrier _____

Policy # _____

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Photo Release

The program sponsors occasionally use photos of programs for promotional use and reporting. If you do **not** wish to have pictures of you used in this manner, please check here: _____

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Holiday Lake 4-H Center, Appomattox, VA

Friday, Mar. 17

6:00 – 7:30 PM

Check-in for on-site lodgers; NOTE: No meal served tonight

Saturday, Mar. 18

7:15 – 8:00 AM

BREAKFAST

8:00 – 8:15 AM

Welcome and introductions – Ellen Powell, VDOF

8:15 – 8:30 AM

Welcome to the Woods – Jennifer Gagnon, VT

8:30 – 9:30 AM

Working with Your Area Forester – Rick Butler, VDOF

9:30 – 9:45 AM

BREAK

9:45 – 10:45 AM

What to Expect from a Timber Sale and Harvest – Bill
Blue Chip Forestry

Braford,

10:45 – 11:45 AM

Making Dollars and Sense of Growing Pines - Peter Eales,
VDOF

11:45 AM – 12:30 PM

LUNCH

12:45 – 4:45 PM

Tour of Appomattox-Buckingham State Forest (Hardwood
Management, Water Quality, Wildlife Options) – Tom
Zaebst, VDOF

4:45 - 5:30 PM

Free Time

5:30 – 6:30 PM

DINNER

6:45 – 7:45 PM

Invasive Plant Management – Jason Fisher, VCE

Sunday, Mar. 19

7:15 – 8:00 AM

BREAKFAST

8:00 – 8:15 AM

Quick tour debriefing; door prizes

8:15 - 9:15 AM

Wildlife Management - Katie Martin, VDGIF

9:15 – 10:15 AM

Field Sessions: ½ of group in Forest Measurements, ½ in

Tree ID

10:15 - 10:30 AM

BREAK

10:30 – 11:30 AM

Field sessions repeat: groups switch

11:30 - 11:45 AM

Wrap up and evaluations

11:45 AM – 12:30 PM

LUNCH...and safe travels home!