

## Forest Landowners' Retreat Information

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 Jennifer Gagnon at 540-231-6391.

### **Dates**

August 26-28, 2016 (Check-in Friday for those lodging; program begins Sat.)

### **Location**

The retreat will be held at Airfield Conference Center located near Wakefield, in southeastern Virginia. A map and directions are included here. For more information, see <http://www.airfieldconference.com/>.

### **Arrival and Departure**

Registration for those lodging on site is Friday, Aug. 26, from 6 to 8 PM, at the Point Yancey Conference Room (see site map or follow signs). If you arrive later, you will find your room key in the Point Yancey Conference Room. Please eat before you arrive, as no meals will be served on Friday as part of the event. You may be able to eat at the 4-H Center's main dining facility, or you can eat in the nearby town of Wakefield. Commuters (not lodging) should plan to arrive Saturday morning by 7 AM for breakfast. The program ends Sunday, immediately after lunch.

### **Lodging**

Specific lodging assignments will be available at check in, according to the option you chose. Linens, pillows, and towels are provided.

### **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 here. There will be some walking on the Saturday field trip, but walks will not be long or strenuous. There will be opportunities for free time at the participant's discretion.

### **Medical Issues**

Please complete the enclosed medical form and bring it with you. For privacy, please seal 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.

**What to Bring**

- Comfortable clothes, including something suitable for walking in the woods. Long pants, and long socks you can tuck them into, are recommended, as it is tick and chigger season! Please check the weather forecast and bring appropriate clothes for the weather, including rain gear if needed.
- Closed-toed shoes or boots
- Toiletry articles (soap, shampoo, deodorant, shaving items, toothbrush, etc.)
- Any medications you require
- Sunscreen
- Insect repellent (did we mention ticks and chiggers?)
- Water bottle

**What NOT to bring:**

- Pets
- Firearms or ammunition
- Unnecessary valuables (*Airfield Conference 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 buildings.

**THANK YOU, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!**

## **Directions to Airfield Conference Center**

**15189 Airfield Road, Wakefield, VA 23888**

Take Route 460 to Wakefield. East bound traffic turn right at the signal light on Route 628. West bound traffic turn left at the signal light on Route 628. Go 5 1/2 miles on Route 628. Turn right onto Turkey Pen Road and go 3/4 of a mile. The Airfield Conference Center entrance is on the left.

**From Richmond, VA:** Take I-95 or I-295 South to Petersburg. Take Route 460 East toward Suffolk / Virginia Beach, VA. In Wakefield, turn right at the stoplight onto Route 628. Follow Route 628 for 5 1/2 miles. Turn right on Turkey Pen Road (Route 729) and go 1 mile. Turn left at the gate and follow Airfield Road to the Center.

**From Norfolk, VA:** Take I-264 or I-64 West to Bowers Hill area and pick up Route 58 West towards Suffolk. Follow Route 58 until you see the exit to 460 West. Turn on Route 460 West to Wakefield. In Wakefield, turn left at the stoplight onto Route 628. Follow Route 628 for 5 1/2 miles. Turn right on Turkey Pen Road (Route 729) and go 1 mile. Turn left at the gate and follow Airfield Road to the Center.

**From Courtland:** Take Route 35 toward Petersburg. 3 1/2 miles outside of Courtland, turn right onto Route 628 to Wakefield. Go about 12 miles. You'll come to the Airfield Lake spillway (leave Southampton County enter Sussex County). Continue for 1 mile and turn left onto Turkey Pen Road (Route 729) and go 1 mile. Turn left at the gate and follow Airfield Road to the Center.

**From Williamsburg, VA:** Take Route 31 (Jamestown Road) to the ferry. Off the ferry, continue on Route 31 to Wakefield. At the stoplight, continue straight through onto Route 628. Follow Route 628 for 5 1/2 miles. Turn right on Turkey Pen Road (Route 729) and go 1 mile. Turn left at the gate and follow Airfield Road to the Center.

**From Newport News/Hampton via the James River Bridge:** Take the James River Bridge to Smithfield. Follow Route 17 to Highway 258. At Ben's Church, turn right onto Highway 10/258. Go four miles, Route 258 turns left toward Windsor. Follow Route 258 about 2 miles. Turn right onto Foursquare Rd Route 620 toward Ivor. In Ivor turn right onto Route 460 go 6 1/2 miles to Wakefield. In Wakefield, turn left at the stoplight onto Route 628. Follow Route 628 for 5 1/2 miles. Turn right on Turkey Pen Road (Route 729) and go 1 mile. Turn left at the gate and follow Airfield Road to the Center.



**Beginning Forest Landowners' Weekend  
Retreat  
Aug. 26-28, 2016  
Airfield Conference Center, Wakefield, VA**



<b>Day &amp; Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
<b>Friday Aug. 26</b>			
6 – 8 p.m.	Optional check-in for on-site lodgers; Dinner is on your own; informal activities.	Point Yancey	
<b>Saturday, Aug. 27</b>			
7:30 – 8:15	Breakfast	Point Yancey	
8:15 – 8:30	Welcome and introductions	Point Yancey	Ellen Powell, VDOF
8:30 – 8:45	Welcome to the Woods Assessment	Point Yancey	Jennifer Gagnon, VT
8:45 – 9:30	Stewardship Plans/Cost Share	Point Yancey	Zach Dowling, VDOF
9:30 – 9:45	Break		
9:45 – 10:45	Timber sales	Point Yancey	Kea Turner, Turner Forestry LLC Lori Chamberlin or Katlin Mooneyham, VDOF
10:45 – 11:45	Forest Health	Point Yancey	
11:45 – 12:30	Lunch	Farm Fresh Pavillion	
12:45 – 5:15	Tour – Pine management, reforestation, prescribed burning, wildlife.	Big Woods State Forest, TNC Property	Dennis Gaston, VDOF
5:45 – 6:45	Dinner	Point Yancey	
6:45 – 7:45	America's First Forest: Carl Schenck and the Asheville Experiment	Point Yancey	
After 7:45	Free time/Games	Point Yancey	
<b>Sunday, Aug. 28</b>			
7:00 - 8:00	Breakfast	Point Yancey	
8:00 – 9:00	Wildlife You Want; Wildlife You Don't.	Point Yancey	Pete Aker, VDGIF
9:00 – 10:00	Pick: Forest Measurements or Tree ID or Intro to GPS	Outdoors	Jennifer Gagnon/Ellen Powell/Neil Clark, VCE
10:00 – 10:15	Break		
10:15 – 11:45	Pick: Forest Measurements or Tree ID or Intro to GPS	Outdoors	Ellen Powell/Jennifer Gagnon & Neil Clark
11:45-12:00	Landowner Assessment/Evaluations	Point Yancey	
12:00	Lunch and Safe Travels	Farm Fresh Pavillion	

**Health/ Emergency Form - Adult Programs**  
**(\*please bring with you to the program)**

**Event/ Date: Forest Landowners' Retreat, Aug. 26-28, 2016**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone # (\_\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Male \_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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

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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: \_\_\_\_\_

***This form may be sealed in an envelope to be opened only in case of emergency. However, please inform the program leaders of any medical conditions of which they should be aware, and let them know if you did not approve the photo release.***