



# Virginia Forest Landowner e-Update

September 2015

## Upcoming Events

- **September 11, Rappahannock & Madison Counties**  
**Quail and Pollinator Habitat Field Day**
- **September 14 & 21, Natural Bridge**  
**Family Forestland Short-course: Focus on Land Transfer to Generation NEXT**
- **September 18, Waynesboro**  
**Reveling in the Magnificence of Trees**
- **October 3-4, Cumberland**  
**Central Virginia Beginning Landowner's Weekend Retreat**
- **Fall Forestry & Wildlife Field Tours**
  - **October 8 – Franklin/Southampton County**
  - **October 16 – Nelson County**
  - **October 23 – Wythe/Smyth Counties**
- **October 24, Madison**

## Good morning Forest Update Subscribers,

We have so many fabulous educational events planned for you this fall. It will be a busy couple of months, but I look forward to traveling around our beautiful commonwealth and hopefully seeing many of you again (or for the first time)!

### Upcoming Forest Landowner Education Events:

Please consider joining us for one of these upcoming events:

- Thinking about the future of your land? Who will manage it after you are gone? Do they share your conservation values? These are tough issues. Learn how to talk about them with your family at the **Family Forestland Short-course: Focus on Land Transfer to Generation NEXT in September in Natural Bridge**.
- If you are a new woodland owner, or someone new to managing your woodlands, join us for one of our two upcoming **Beginning Landowner Weekend Retreats**, Classroom, field trips, and hands-on activities will teach you the basics. A wealth of resources will be provided to get you started.
- And, as always, we are extremely proud to offer, for the 39<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, the **Fall Forestry & Wildlife Field Tour**

## Natural Hardwood Charcoal Making Demonstration

- **October 25, Montpelier Station**

## Working Woods Walk

- **November 13, Front Royal**

## Forest Botanicals: Working Together to Build a New Supply Chain

- **November 14, Abingdon**

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Visit the Events Calendar for details!

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**series. Registration is open** for all tours. This year's tour locations and dates are as follows:

- October 8 – Franklin City/Southampton County
- October 16 – Nelson County
- October 23 – Wythe/Smyth Counties
- On October 24<sup>th</sup>, Madison County will introduce its first ever Fall Harvest Festival. While enjoying the festivities, stop by to see a demonstration of how to make hardwood charcoal and taste test samples of local meat cooked over this charcoal.
- If you are a woodland owner and grower of forest medicinals, join VCE and partners at the workshop: **Forest Botanicals: Working Together to Build a New Supply Chain**. Learn about the complex and little understood forest botanical supply chain and the opportunities and challenges facing forest-based growers (and buyers) of native medicinal plants. November 13 in Front Royal or November 14 in Abingdon.

## Upcoming Real Estate Professionals Events

- **Real Forestry for Real Estate (RFRE)**
  - October 14 – **Roanoke Area Association of Realtors Office, Roanoke**
  - November 16 – Richmond Area Association of Realtors Office, Richmond
  - November – Williamsburg
  - November – Bristol
  - November - Danville
  - November – Ashburn
  - January 14 – New River Valley Association of Realtors Office, Christiansburg

All RFRE participants will receive copies of our new publication, **Welcome to the Woods! A Guide for New Virginia Woodland Owners**, to deliver to their land-buying clients.

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Visit the **VFLEP Events Calendar** for a complete listing of upcoming landowner events.

Follow the Virginia Forest Landowner Education Program on Twitter (**@VFLEP**) and Facebook (**www.facebook.com/VFLEP**). The trivia question for September will be posted at 9 a.m. on the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month on the Facebook page. Be with first with a correct answer, and win a VFLEP ball cap! I'm seeing lots of folks sporting these stylish caps!

All the best!

Jennifer

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