

# Virginia Forest Landowner e-Update

June 2019

## Featured Events

### Beginning Landowner Retreats

- September 19-21,  
Providence Forge
  - Registration  
opens in July

### Preparing for Generation NEXT

- August 9-10, Farmville
  - Register on-line
  - Register by  
mail
- September 27,  
Lebanon
- September 27-27,  
Harrisonburg
- November 9,  
Providence Forge
- December 5-6,  
Roanoke
- Registration opens 2  
months prior to  
programs

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details!

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Good morning Forest Landowner e-Update Subscribers,

Summer is here. Campus is quiet. Lightning bugs are flashing. My vegetable seeds are in the ground. It is hot and has only rained once in the past 10 days. Seems like every year it rains right up until I plant the garden. Then we get droughty. We've been watering the tomatoes (because they are the only real reason I have a garden), peppers, and peas, and our greenhouse is in full operation (growing strawberries, greens, and various root vegetables). But everything else is languishing. Hopefully we'll start getting some regular afternoon showers soon.

In invasive species news, earlier this week VDACS established a quarantine for the [spotted lanternfly](#) in Winchester City and Frederick County Virginia. The population has expanded from 1 square mile in 2018 to 16 square miles in 2019. Please help slow the spread of this potentially destructive pest by abiding by the quarantine. [VDACS press release](#). [Quarantine details](#).

In good news, for the first time, endangered red-cockaded woodpecker chicks have hatched at the Big Woods Wildlife Management Area in Sussex County. [Read the full story and see photos](#).

We hope you'll have time this summer to join us at one or more of our upcoming landowner education events. We have lots of opportunities for you!

See the [VFLEP Events Calendar](#) for a complete listing.

## Featured Upcoming events

### Beginning Landowner Retreats

These 1.5 day-long programs cover the basics of woodland and wildlife management – using classroom, field trip, and hands-on presentations. There will also

## Virginia Department of Forestry

Learn about cost-share programs, forest management options, buy seedlings, and find your local forester.

## Virginia Sustainable Forestry Initiative State Implementation Committee

## The American Tree Farm System

## Virginia Forestry Association

## Forest Stewardship Program

## USDA Forest Service

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be plenty of time to interact with natural resource professionals to get all your property-specific questions answered.

- September 19-21, [Providence Forge](#)
  - Registration opens in July

## Preparing for Generation NEXT

Learn how to pass your land and your legacy on to the next generation, while keeping it intact, in family, and in forest.

## **Two-day Workshops**

- August 9-10
  - [Longwood University](#), Farmville
  - \$60 for up to 2 people from the same family
  - \$30 for each additional family member
  - Register [on-line](#)
  - Register [by mail](#)
- September 27-28
  - [Shenandoah Valley Electric Coop.](#), Harrisonburg
  - Registration opens in July
- December 5-6
  - [Springhill Suites](#), Roanoke
  - \$70 for up to 2 people from the same family
  - \$35 for each additional family member
  - Registration opens in October

## **Half-day Workshops**

- September 27
  - [Russell County Conference Center](#), Lebanon
  - \$15/person, includes lunch
  - Registration opens in July
- November 9
  - [New Kent Forestry Center](#), Providence Forge
  - Registration opens in September

## 2019 Tree Farm Dinner Series

Join Tree Farmers, woodland owners, and natural resources professionals for a half-day tour of a Tree Farm, an opportunity to learn about the Virginia tree

Farm Foundation, dinner, and fellowship with others who care about the land.

- September 13-14, Monterey\* (Highland County)
- October 8, Mineral (Louisa County)
- (Rockbridge County)
- (Bedford County)

### **2019 Fall Forestry & Wildlife Field Tours**

Join Virginia Cooperative Extension and partners for a full-day learning about sustainable woodland & wildlife management practice on private lands. This year, we'll also have an urban forest tour on which you'll learn about using urban wood waste, the importance of urban forests, and management opportunities.

- October TBA, Fredericksburg City/Spotsylvania
- October TBA, Floyd
- October TBA, Charlotte
- Registration will open in August

Our friends with **Blue Ridge PRISM** also have a number of invasive species workshops scheduled this summer and fall. Learn how to identify common invasive species and control methods.

- June 5, Boyce
- June 10, Charlottesville
- June 19, Nellysford
- October 9, Charlottesville
- October 29, Nellysford
- November 5, Boyce

All workshops are from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. and cost \$25/person. Visit the [Blue Ridge PRISM website](#) to register.

Hope to see you out and about!

Jennifer

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