



Prince William 4-H

Our Clubs, Our Community



November 20, 2024

Upcoming Events

- Nov 29-Dec 3 - National 4-H Congress
- Nov 29-Dec 15 - 4-H & TSC Paper Clover Campaign
- Dec 3 - PW 4-H Club & Project Leader Training
- Dec 5 - PW 4-H Homemade Holiday Craft Night
- Dec 14 - Wreaths Across America Ceremony
- Dec 19 - PW 4-H Whisper Booth
- Dec 30 - PW 4-H Embryology Registration Opens
- Jan 7 - PW 4-H Club & Project Leader Training
- Jan 11 - Cloverbud Club
- Jan 14 - PW 4-H Association Meeting

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2024 TSC Paper Clover Campaign



Dates: November 29th - December 15th

Location: Tractor Supply, 10870 Balls Ford Rd., Manassas

Who Should Participate: All Prince William 4-H Clubs

[Click here to sign up!](#)

All Prince William 4-H Clubs are encouraged to choose a date to represent Prince William 4-H at Tractor Supply Company during the Fall/Winter Paper Clover Campaign. The campaign raises awareness of county 4-H programs as well as funds from TSC sales and donations for county events such as camps, State Congress, and other leadership opportunities. Clubs may have bake sales, sell popcorn, etc., and raise funds to directly support their club initiatives. Patrons tend to donate more when 4-H'ers are there in person, so let's rally and show our 4-H SPIRIT!

NEW THIS YEAR! 4-H 2024 HOLIDAY ORNAMENTS

Visit any Tractor Supply store nationwide and get your limited edition collectible 4-H holiday ornaments. Featuring three unique designs for 2024, these ornaments are sure to become a cherished family tradition for 4-H'ers for years to come. 100% of the funds raised from ornament sales will benefit National 4-H.



Wreaths Across America - Register by TODAY



Ceremony and Wreath Laying: December 14th at 10 AM

Location: Quantico National Ceremony

[Click here to volunteer and attend the ceremony.](#)

MUST REGISTER BY NOVEMBER 20TH.

On December 14th, Prince William 4-H Association will be helping National Memorial Cemetery at Quantico, Arlington National Cemetery, to **REMEMBER** and **HONOR** our veterans by laying Remembrance Wreaths on the graves of our country's fallen heroes. You can help to REMEMBER the Fallen, HONOR those who

Serve... TEACH our children the value of Freedom in three ways:

- **BY SPONSORING REMEMBRANCE WREATHS:** Sponsoring a veteran's wreath is a personal gift of gratitude and remembrance for someone who served this country so that we can be free. [Click here to learn more and sponsor a wreath.](#)
- **VOLUNTEERING ON WREATHS DAY:** [Click here to sign up](#) by Nov 20th.
- **INVITING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO JOIN YOU!**

PW 4-H Association supports WAA each year. Clubs receive a \$5 donation for each wreath sponsorship. Additionally, club members are encouraged to add December 14th, Wreaths Across America Day, to their calendars and plan to attend the wreath-laying ceremony at Quantico National Cemetery. PW 4-H is one of the approved groups granted permission to attend the increasingly popular ceremony. However, we do need to provide an anticipated number of attendees.

If you wish to donate to the PW 4-H Association, you can click on the red "Sponsor Wreath" box to sponsor a wreath under the PW 4-H Association page. If you wish to support a club specifically, scroll down to the bottom and click on the red "View or Members" box to see the list of PW 4-H clubs. Specific grave placement requests can be made by selecting "Custom" under wreath selection.



Prince William 4-H

TEEN CLUB



Sometimes community service turns into a party when teens are involved...and this was one of those times! Prince William 4-H Headquarters was groovin' to the beat while we cut, knotted, danced, snacked, chatted, and more. The teen club finished 13 fleece no-sew blankets for Project Linus in the hopes of keeping other local youth snugly warm this winter. Mrs. Lerch and Mrs. Strand even joined in the fun (and may have learned a few new moves). A HUGE 4-H THANK YOU to Betty Ann, Cara, Simon, Micheal, Lexi, and Ayden for donating fleece, as well as to those that have donated fleece to the "secret stash" at Headquarters.



Beyond Ready



It's a beautiful day in our neighborhood! Last Saturday, 23 Prince William 4-H'ers enjoyed a perfect Virginia fall day at the Bristoe Battlefield, hiking 2.2 miles on a family (and pup) friendly trail as part of our pledge to get outdoors and explore nature with 4-H. A HUGE 4-H THANK YOU to Terri McPherson for volunteering to help guide the 4-Hers and keep us on trail.

4-H OUTDOOR CHALLENGE





West Valley MCJROTC Narrowly Defeats Trigger Time 4-H Shooting Education Club

By Rebecca Ahrens, Trigger Time 4-H Club Reporter

November 20, 2024. In the sixth match of the season in the National Sporter Air Rifle League, Trigger Time competed against West Valley MCJROTC. West Valley defeated Trigger Time 1117.2 to 1109.7. The contributing team members were Rebecca Ahrens (286.8), Lexi Strand (284.5), Tanner Ridings (276.9), and Ayden Strand (261.5). The highest standing shots this week go to Lexi Strand (10.5), and Tanner Ridings (10.2). With a record of 2-4, Trigger Time is ranked 25th in the league, and 4th under Junior Rifle Clubs. Next week in the final game in the league season, Trigger Time will compete against Missouri Military Academy.

[Weekly Recaps](#) | [League Standings](#) | [Box Score](#) | [Trigger Time 4-H Team Page](#)



Prince William's Trigger Time 4-H Club In The News

It's always fun to see our Prince William 4-H'ers celebrated throughout Virginia and the United States! We spotted some of our Trigger Time 4-H Club youth in 4-H social media posts over the past week and want to share them with our local community. We're so proud of your hard work, determination, and the capable leaders that you are growing into!

Virginia 4-H
15h · 🌐

The #Virginia4H Shooting Education Ambassadors kicked off a new year of trainings! It was a weekend full of fun, learning and thoughtful discussions.

As passionate leaders, these 4-H Ambassadors work to promote shooting sports safety, education, and marksmanship across the state.

Thank you to everyone who made this training event a success! 🍀



LEXI STRAND & SAM ERICK



National 4-H Shooting Sports
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Positive youth development is intentional in 4-H Shooting Sports.

By highlighting their strengths, youth are supported in learning life skills and encouraged to engage in their communities. #OnTargetTuesday

photo: <https://www.bradmellema.com>



Beyond Ready



SAM ERICK

Prince William 4-H Youth Officer Training

Tackling leadership roles in 4-H is a tremendous opportunity for personal and professional growth for youth. Prince William 4-H Officer Training is an annual workshop that provides tips, tricks, tools, and more in an interactive, fun, and memorable experience. Staff and experienced peers demonstrate how to set goals, plan, organize, budget resources, keep records, work in a team, problem solve, and so much more.

Here are some of the activities from the night:

- 4-H'ers Tim Hirshey and Noah Richter started the night off with a game of Boss vs Leader. They talked about what it means to be a boss as opposed to being a leader.
- 4-H'er Noah Richer demonstrated parliamentary procedures by holding a mock meeting using trail mix ingredients. The members made motions and discussed the different foods they wanted in their trail mix. The discussion was fun, and their trail mix ended up with marshmallows, pretzels, M & M's, and a small amount of raisins. Peanuts were voted to be added as wanted. Pinto beans and olives were discussed but were voted as no.
- Once the mock meeting was concluded, the youth officers broke out into different rooms where the 4-H Association Board members of their equivalent positions reviewed important roles and functions of their volunteer jobs and tips for success. Youth had ample time for Q&A and to build relationships with peers.

A HUGE 4-H THANK YOU to the Prince William 4-H Association adult and youth board members and Noah Richter for volunteering their time to mentor the next generation of exceptional leaders.



PW 4-H Club & Project Leader Professional Development

SAVE THE DATE (choose 1):

Tuesday, December 3rd, 7-8:30 pm - or - Tuesday, January 7th, 7-8:30 pm

Location: PW 4-H Headquarters, Manassas

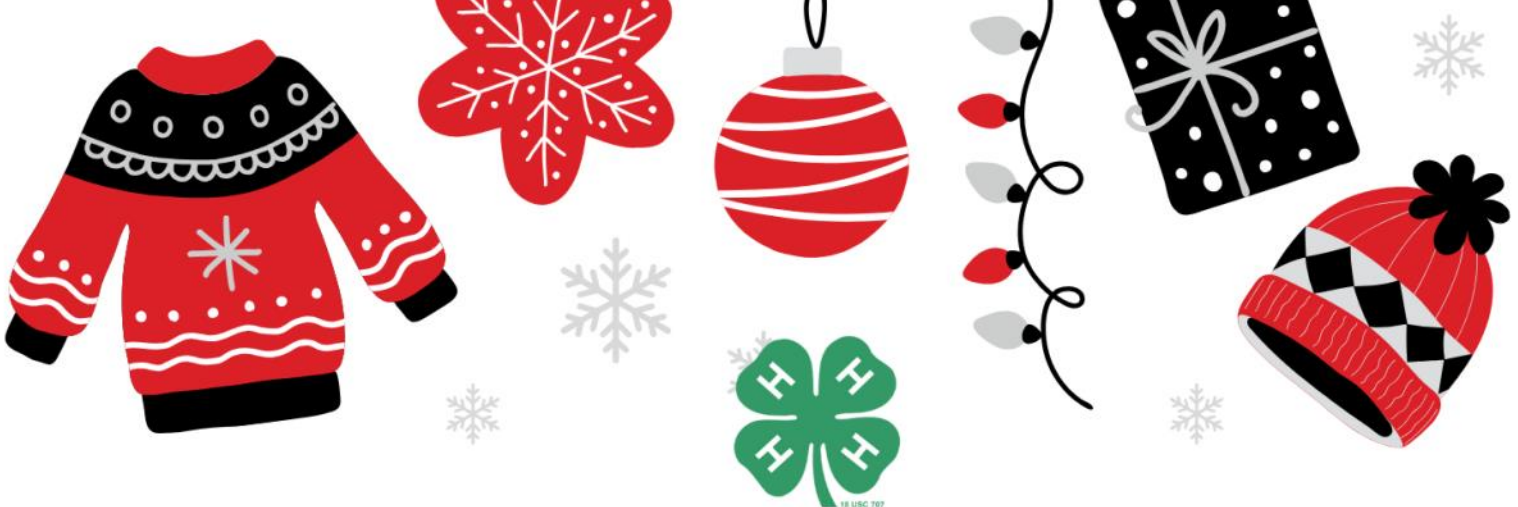
Who Should Attend: All PW 4-H Adult Club Leaders, Instructors, and Project Leaders

[Click here to register for the December 3rd training.](#)

Come network with others working with 4-H youth! In a world that constantly evolves, understanding and supporting the growth of our youth has never been more crucial. This session will provide valuable insights and strategies to empower young people to thrive and reach their full potential.

All Prince William 4-H adult volunteer leaders and instructors must attend one of 2 sessions offered.





Prince William 4-H

HOMEMADE HOLIDAY CRAFT NIGHT

Enjoy a family-friendly evening cookie decorating and making holiday crafts while snacking on apple cider, pizza and treats with your 4-H friends!

Thursday, December 5th

6-8 PM | Hope Lutheran Church
10391 Sudley Manor Dr.
Manassas

Please Register by Dec 1st
[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)



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Extemporaneous Speech
Dramatic Reading
Music Recording
Presentations
Public Speech
Voiceover
Podcast

Whisper Booth

 Prince William 4-H in partnership with the Prince William Central Library Makerspace is offering teens a unique opportunity to learn a new skill - audio recording in a whisper booth!

A whisper booth is a sound isolation space that is soundproof and reduces ambient noise. It's the perfect space to record professional audio projects, speeches, auditions, and more. The space offers state-of-the-art equipment such as headphones, microphones, and a sound control board. Trained teens have the opportunity to reserve space in the whisper booth at any time to utilize the equipment, practice, and produce audio recordings. Guess what you don't do in a whisper booth? *WHISPER!*

Register TODAY for this exciting experience !

Thursday,
December 19th

3:15 - 4:15 pm

Central Park Library
Makerspace
8601 Mathis Avenue
Manassas

Event is open to Prince
William 4-H'ers ages 14-18.

Registration is limited to 10
teens.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.



Prince William 4-H

Embryology Project

“The Beginning of Life” 4-H Project is designed to help youth obtain a better understanding of life and embryonic development. 4-H educational materials guide students through each step of the hatching process from preparing the eggs for incubation to building a brooder for the newly hatched chicks. Educational material address Virginia SOLs for math, science, English, life science, and computer technology. Prince William 4-H provides fertilized eggs, guides participants through training, supports participants during the hatch, and then collects the chicks to be sent to a local farm.

Prince William 4-H Clubs, Prince William County Schools, Manassas City Schools, Manassas Park Schools, and Homeschool Groups are invited to participate in this exciting 4-H project!

**REGISTRATION OPENS
DECEMBER 30TH!**

New date. Link coming soon.

RESOURCES:

- [Prince William 4-H Embryology Project Facebook Page](#)
- [Virginia 4-H Resources for School Curriculum Website](#)
- [VA 4-H The Beginning of Life Project Curriculum](#)

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IMPORTANT DATES

Embryology Registration
Dec 30th - Jan 31st

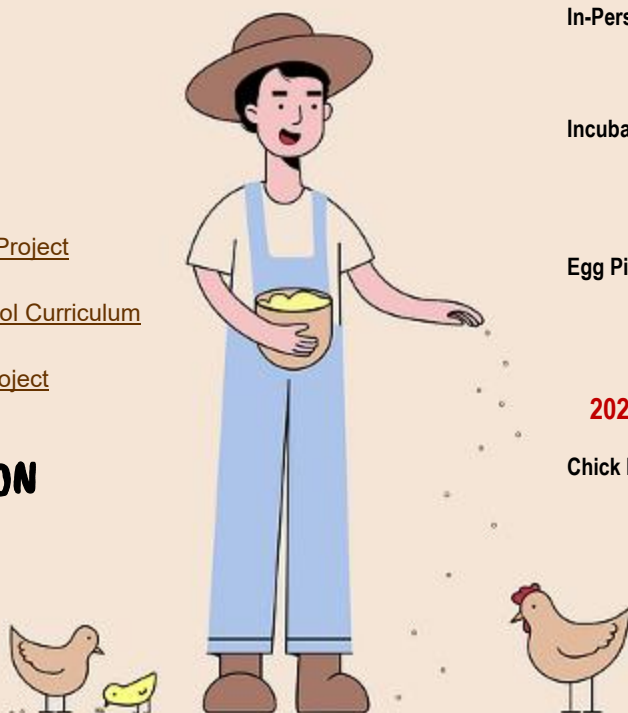
In-Person Leader Training
Feb 5 TBD
Feb 20 TBD

Incubator Pickup (if rented from 4-H)
PW 4-H, 8033 Ashton Ave, #105
Feb 13 1 - 4 PM
Feb 17 10 AM - 2 PM

Egg Pickup
PW 4-H, 8033 Ashton Ave, #105
Feb 24 4 - 6 PM
Feb 25 9 AM - 12 PM

2025 HATCH DAYS: MARCH 17TH - 21ST

Chick Drop Off
PW 4-H, 8033 Ashton Ave, #105
Mar 27 2 - 6 PM
Apr 1 12 - 3 PM



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2025 Virginia Association of Fairs Youth Scholarships & Poster Contest

YOUTH LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST

Who Should Apply: Teens who have worked with local fairs and festivals

[Click here for more information and to apply.](#) **Applications are due December 6th.**

The VAF Youth Leadership Scholarship Contest is for teens age 14-19 involved in a VAF-member fair or festival. Application, resume, essay and letter of recommendation from fair/festival leadership are due by December 6th. An in-person interview, prepared speech, PowerPoint presentation and extemporaneous speech occur on Saturday morning, January 4th, at the Williamsburg Lodge in conjunction with the VAF Annual Conference. \$9,000 in post-secondary education scholarships are awarded to the top 8 participants. Teens can compete multiple times if they do not win first place.



AG IT UP YOUTH POSTER CONTEST

Who Should Apply: Youth ages 9-13 with an interest in local fairs and agriculture

[Click here for more information and to apply.](#) **Applications are due by December 20th.**

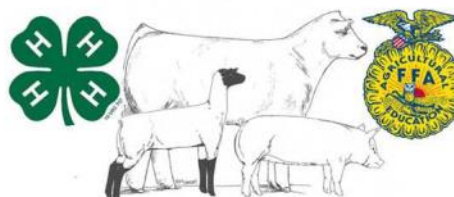
The VAF Ag It Up Youth Poster Contest is for youth ages 9-13. Youth can bring a tri board displaying how agriculture is a part of their fair or festival for a chance at 1st, 2nd and 3rd cash prizes.

SAVE THE DATE - 4-H/FFA Stockmen's Contest

The Corey Child's Memorial Stockmen's Contest, formerly known as the Skyline Stockmen's Contest, will be held at Virginia Livestock, LLC on Feb. 1st (snow date Feb. 15th). Registrations are due by January 24th. There is a \$5/person registration fee which includes lunch. Checks should be made payable to Warren County 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Association (VLA). More information, along with registration for the contest and YQCA will be coming soon,.

2025 "Corey Childs Memorial" Stockmen's Contest

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Virginia Livestock, LLC



Where: 2796 Rivermont Drive Front Royal, VA 22630

When: February 1, 2025

Snow date: February 15, 2025

Tentative Schedule:

Registration 8:00-9:00am

Stockmen's Judging 9:00 am

Lunch will be served at end of the contest (around noon)

Stockmen's contest results following the YQCA Program

Registration is \$5.00 per person; this includes lunch.

Please Register by January 24, 2025

Be on the lookout for online registration information coming in the near future.

Registration will be capped at the first 250 participants that register.

*** YQCA will only be offered to contest participants. Watch for YQCA registration coming in the near future. ***

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BLOCK AND BRIDLE

Hippology and Horse Judging Clinic

With Assistance from the Virginia 4-H Horse Program, including the AAQH Congress Top Five, Virginia 4-H All Star Judging Team,

January 25, 2025

Save the Date!
Blacksburg, VA

Virginia 4-H All Star Awards & Scholarship Applications



[Click here for application/nomination links and instructions.](#)

Award Applications and Nominations Due by December 31st at midnight.

Each year the Virginia 4-H All Stars recognize selected 4-H All Stars and award college scholarships during the 4-H All Star Midwinter Conference. The 2025 4-H All Star Midwinter Conference will be held in Virginia Beach, February 15-16, 2025. Please direct questions and send completed applications to Glenda Snyder at gsnyder@vt.edu. Nominations may be made by 4-H volunteers, unit (county/city), District or State Extension Faculty members.

Nominate a Virginia 4-H All Star!

- **WAYNE M. KEFFER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** - provides two \$1,000 college scholarships annually to college freshmen, sophomores, juniors, seniors, or graduate students of any age.
- **C. Dean Allen Award for Excellence** - Nominee must be supportive of the 4-H All Star Mission of Service, involve 4-H All Stars in the local 4-H program, have or encouraged a formalized Unit 4-H All Star Chapter, and/or provided 4-H International opportunities for youth and families in the unit or area.
- **Dottie Nelson Award for Excellence in 4-H International Programs** - The purpose of this award is to recognize initiative, growth, leadership and accomplishments in 4-H International programs by volunteer adult leaders. To encourage volunteers to take leadership in programs with emphasis on opportunities which broaden the horizon of participants.
- **Virginia 4-H All Star Hall of Fame** - The purpose of this award is to provide recognition for individual 4-H All stars who have been members of the Virginia Chapter of 4-H All Stars more than 15 years and have rendered outstanding service to the Virginia Chapter of 4-H All Stars, the 4-H Program, and other civic and community organizations
- **Bradshaw Service Award** - The purpose of this award is to provide recognition for individual active 4-H All Stars who have been members of the Virginia Chapter of 4-H All Stars for fifteen or less years and have rendered outstanding service to the 4-H All Star organization.



Virginia DWR Archer Open 2025



Date Saturday, January 11th,

Time: 8 AM - 8 PM

Location: Richmond Raceway Exhibit Hall, 600 E Laburnum Ave., Richmond

Who Should Attend: 4-H members participating in archery

[Click here for more information and to register.](#)

[Click here to register as an exhibitor.](#)

The Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR) invites the archery and conservation community to participate in the 2025 DWR Archery Open. This inaugural competition will take place Saturday, January 11, 2025 in Richmond, Virginia and will feature opportunities for youth and adult level competitors. Event proceeds will contribute to connecting people to conservation.

CONSERVATION EXHIBIT HALL: In addition to all tournament activities, Virginia DWR invites the public to visit the Conservation Exhibit Hall to connect with exhibitors from our conservation community!

Virginia 4-H Food Frenzy

Dates: January 17-19, 2025

Location: Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center, Appomattox

Who Should Attend: PW 4-H'ers Ages 9-18 are eligible to register as a participant. Teens/Adults may apply to volunteer at this event.

Cost: Participants (ages 9-18): \$125; Teen and Adult Volunteers: \$25

How to Register: Interested participants, teen volunteers, and adult volunteers should contact MaryBeth Lerch at PW 4-H **by Thursday, January 2nd.**

[Click here for more information.](#)

Youth have the opportunity to learn and practice food safety and cooking skills. Campers will explore different cooking techniques and work with professionals in the food service industry. Whether you're new to the kitchen or looking into careers in the industry, this is the camp for you!



Kids' Tech University at Virginia Tech

Dates: January 25, February 22, March 22, and April 5

Location: Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA

Who Should Attend: youth ages 9-12 as of Sep. 30, 2024, with a parent

Registration Fee: \$120/child. Needs-based scholarships are available.

[Click here for more information and to apply.](#)



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Meet brilliant scientists and engineers who'll unveil the mysteries of STEM. • Dive into interactive sessions that'll ignite your curiosity. • Get hands-on with mind-blowing activities led by VT faculty, staff, and talented undergrads. • Discover the magic of STEM as it relates to everyday life.

National 4-H

COVER BY 4-H: BE A WIND WARRIOR

[Click here for more information.](#) Grades 1-6. 30 min.

Take a load off! As energy superheroes, you and your friends have just moved into the Superhero Hideout on Energy Island, but you have a problem! Your superhero supplies are too heavy to move from the underground garage and into the hideout. Create a new way to lift objects by using the wind. Are you up to the challenge?

Limited Time: Free 4-H Discover Box! Get a FREE Wonder of Wind Power 4-H Discover Box by signing up for a CLOVER account and completing the "Be a Wind Warrior" activity. A code will be provided at the end of the activity to use at check out on Shop 4-H to claim your FREE 4-H Discover Box (a small shipping fee will apply). Limit 1 per customer, good through Dec 31, or while supplies last.

SAVE THE DATE! GIVING TUESDAY

Mark your calendars! This Giving Tuesday, we're rallying together to support 4-H youth across the nation. On December 3rd, get ready to help 4-H youth become Beyond Ready for life and leadership. Stay tuned for more details - let's make this Giving Tuesday unforgettable!



Virginia Association for Biological Farming



TASTE OF VIRGINIA EXPO & MARKET

Date: Saturday, January 11 from 2-8 PM

Location: The Hotel Roanoke, Roanoke, VA

[Click here for more information.](#)

The Taste of Virginia Expo & Market features sampling and sales of local to Virginia crafted foods, drinks, herbals, handicrafts and libations. A celebration of delicious and local Virginia foods, beverages, and handmade goods! The Taste of Virginia Expo & Market is free and open to the public, hotel guests and over 500 conference attendees of our 25th annual Virginia Biological Farming Conference. Returning this year to Taste of Virginia are cooking demos!

25TH ANNUAL VIRGINIA BIOLOGICAL FARMING CONFERENCE

Dates: January 10-12

Location: The Hotel Roanoke, Roanoke, VA

[Click here for more information and to register.](#)

The Virginia Biological Farming Conference brings together farmers, gardeners, eaters, educators, industry professionals, and advocates of sustainable, regenerative, biological, and organic agriculture. The three day Conference includes: Pre-Conference intensive workshops, 60+ concurrent sessions, locally sourced farm meals, book sales with author signings, and 50 tradeshow exhibitors.

Conference highlights include a youth and teen program for ages 5-17, a local farm tour, a silent auction and plenty of networking opportunities! Also featuring a regional networking meeting, fireside chats in an intimate space with a scheduled speaker, morning yoga for farmers, and a networking social with food and drinks.

The Taste of Virginia Expo & Market is a popular space within the Conference to enjoy samples and sales of Virginia food,

beverages and handicrafts and the new 'Farming is Funny' Comedy Show will be sure not to disappoint!

save the date!

7th Annual Prince William Native Plant Symposium

2025

Saturday, February 8

9 AM - 4 PM



Baltimore Oriole on Black Willow ©Julia Flanagan/NewEarthPhoto.com

Keynote Speaker:
Doug Tallamy
Renowned Author & Entomologist

Registration opens mid-November
Hybrid event in person or online

Verizon Auditorium
George Mason University
10900 University Blvd.
Manassas, VA 20110

**STOP MOWING,
START GROWING!**

A Native Plant Symposium for
Beginners & Beyond

Create a Beautiful Yard, Save Time
& Money, Improve Water Quality,
Build Habitat for Pollinators & Birds.

FARM FINANCE & CONSERVATION PLANNING SEMINAR

Hosted by the Virginia Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry
Join this free networking event for beginning farmers to discover farm financing options and cost share conservation opportunities. A free lunch will be provided by our sponsors.

December 12th, 2024

Laurel Ridge Community College
173 Skirmisher Ln,
Middletown, VA 22645

*In the Carl and Emily Thompson Conference Center
9:00 am to 2:30 pm

Presentations by:

- ▶ Horizon Farm Credit
- ▶ First Bank & Trust
- ▶ F&M Bank
- ▶ USDA- Farm Service Agency (FSA)
- ▶ Virginia Soil & Water Conservation Districts
- ▶ Virginia Cooperative Extension
- ▶ USDA- Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS)



REGISTER TODAY



Please register by December 10th, 2024 by emailing:

Josie.Rao@governor.virginia.gov or scan the QR code



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Questions: Contact Program Director, Joey Patterson at jpatt024@vt.edu

AIRFIELD 4-H CENTER



NOW HIRING



Position Available:

Outdoor Educator:

Airfield is seeking a self-motivated, energetic, outcome-oriented individual to assist with the expansion of educational programming opportunities. Interested individuals must be passionate about getting youth outside and positive youth development according to the 4-H and Airfield missions. The incumbent will work with a diverse audience to align and leverage a public and non-profit vision of bold intent and regional scope that will result in building youth and families being more connected to the outdoors and equipped with new life skills.

Applicants will be responsible for assisting with and leading hands-on, outdoor and environmental education programs year-round at the Southeast 4-H Educational Center in Wakefield, VA. This includes preparation and clean-up for educational activities and events throughout the school year, organizing and leading field trips, and assistance with 4-H summer camp programs, specialty camps, day camps, and Special Interest Clubs.

Job description, qualifications, pay rate, and instructions for applying can be found on the following weblink:

<file:///C:/Users/jpatt024/Desktop/Outdoor%20educator/Airfield%20Outdoor%20Educator%202024.html>

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact Joey Patterson at (757-899-4901) during business hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. to discuss accommodations 5 days prior to the event. *TDD number is (800) 828-1120.

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COUNTY**

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**2024-2025 PWC 4-H
Association Officers**

Youth Officers

Lexi Strand, President
Tim Hirshey, Vice President
Cara Grahn, Secretary
Ryan Nguyen, Treasurer

Adult Officers

Susan Wolf, President
Alan Lerch, Vice President
Shelby Kohn, Secretary
Sydney Nguyen, Treasurer

Committee Chairs

Fundraising Committee - Lauren Byrd
Recognition Committee - Alan Lerch
Membership Committee - 4-H Staff



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