What Previous Year's Participants are Saying

"I am truly impressed by your knowledge. Program was excellent!"

"[Private landowner] gave a human real life aspect to this whole matter. Excellent choice of presenter."

"All speakers were excellent and well informed. Those who received 5's from me spoke to my beginner level and I could quickly understand and keep up with the topic. Food was excellent too."

"The sheer knowledge and professionalism displayed by each representative present at this event has been phenomenal. Never before have I experienced such persons with a passion for their careers as I have this weekend. It is with this that I send my sincere appreciation."



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About Holiday Lake 4-H Educational center 1267 4-H Camp Road Appomattox, VA 24522 434/248-5444 http://holidaylake4h.com/

Nestled among tall, whispering poplars and Virginia pines of the 19,000-acre Appomattox-Buckingham State Forest, and caressed by beautiful, clear, Holiday Lake, this 4-H Educational Center is the best kept secret in Virginia.

Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center is more than a meeting place or retreat camp--it is an experience of unforgettable memories! Located only 14 miles northeast of the town of Appomattox, Holiday Lake 4-H Center is within easy driving of many Virginia cities including Richmond, Lynchburg, Roanoke, Charlottesville and Farmville.

Outdoor recreational facilities include canoeing and/ or fishing on 150 acre Holiday Lake (Northern Pike, Bass, Blue Gill, Crappie, and Pickerel abound). A main fishing dock, three hiking trails -- one five-mile trail that follows the shoreline of the lake and two nature trails. The Center also has available two rifle ranges along with an archery range and skeet field, volleyball court, softball field, Jr. Olympic swimming pool (summers only), covered picnic area and an instructor-led high and low-ropes course for building self-esteem and team cooperation. Recreational equipment is provided.



6th Annual Forest Landowners' Retreat: Focus on the Forest



Join fellow forest landowners, the Virginia Department of Forestry and Virginia Cooperative Extension for an interactive weekend learning about actively managing your woodlands.

April 25-27, 2014 Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center, Appomattox



Funding for this event is provided in part by the Ballyshannon Fund, a donor-advised fund of the Charlottesville Area Community Foundation.

Important Dates & Times

- Early check-in (optional): Friday, April • 25, 6-8 p.m. Dinner on your own in Appomattox. Displays, information, and tree identification.
- Check-in: Saturday, April 26, 7:30 a.m. Breakfast and ice breaker.
- **Program end:** Sunday, April 27, 1:00 p.m. •

A variety of useful topics will be covered by natural resource professionals.

Topics include*

- Working with a forester
- Timber sales/preventing timber theft •
- Managing for quail/creating early • successional wildlife habitat
- Water quality ٠
- **Current forest research on hardwoods** ٠ and pines
- **Forest insect pests** ٠
- Wildflower ID .
- Introduction to forest measurements •

*A detailed agenda will be available closer to the program date. Specific topics may change.

Sessions will be both indoors and outdoors. Saturday evening there will be a video presentation and an optional natural history skills practical.

Questions? Contact Jennifer Gagnon jgagnon@vt.edu 540/231-6391

Lodging

On-site lodging is available for individuals and couples. Couples lodging is limited to 5 couples and will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. To maximize your experience, we strongly encourage participants to stay on-site.

If you prefer, there are hotels in Appomattox, a 35 minute drive from the 4-H Center. Budget Inn - 434/352-7451 Super 8 - 434/352-2339 A complete listing of lodging options in Appomattox, including Bed & Breakfasts, is available at: http://www.historicappomattox.com/

Important Information

- This program is designed for new or inexperienced landowners;
- Transportation to the field trip sites will be provided;
- Breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks will be provided Saturday; breakfast, lunch and snacks will be provided Sunday;
- Parts of this program will be held outdoors so please dress appropriately for conditions: closed-toed sturdy shoes, long pants, hats, jackets, rain gear are suggested;
- Don't forget your sunblock and bug spray!

Registration Forest Landowners' Retreat: Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center April 25-27 Please register by Friday, April 11 ■ \$65/person; \$95/couple with lodging & meals \$35/person; \$50/couple commuting (meals only) Name(s):_____ Address: City:_____ State:_____Zip:____ E-Mail: Phone: **Special Dietary Needs (please explain):** ***NEW!***

Register and pay on-line!

Visit http://forestupdate.frec.vt.edu and click on Landowner Programs for details! **OR** Mail check (payable to Virginia Tech Treasurer) and registration form to: Jennifer Gagnon 228 Cheatham Hall (0324) Blacksburg, VA 24061