



THE ROOTS

Fauquier County Cooperative Extension

NATURE NAVIGATORS SUMMER DAY CAMP

There are still a few spots open for our 2025 Nature Navigators Summer Day Camp taking place June 9th-12th! Come join us for days filled with a mix of hands-on activities where kids get to learn about creek ecosystems, go on nature walks to identify the plants, animals and trees that live there, make art with various outdoor materials, play nature related games and more! If you are interested in registering your child for this camp, please contact Sam Wiese at bsaman4@vt.edu.



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Calling all photographers!

Do you have a photo of a Fauquier County landscape that you want featured in our newsletter? Email your photo submissions to Meredith Day at meredithday@vt.edu

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Warrenton, VA 20186
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2025 LOUDOUN-FAUQUIER 4-H CAMP UPDATE!

2025 LOUDOUN-FAUQUIER 4-H CAMP

TRAININGS UNDERWAY

- TALT (Teen Adult Leadership Training)
 - March 7-8
- Camper Registration
 - Fauquier Boy Spots FULL
 - Limited Fauquier Girl Spots Remaining
 - Last day to register: May 31
- Teen Counselor Trainings
 - April 13
 - May 18
 - June 1st
- LOUDOUN-FAUQUIER JUNIOR 4-H CAMP
 - June 15-19

IT'S ALMOST CAMP TIME!

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Camp planning is in the home stretch. We are getting down to the wire, finalizing plans, ordering supplies for classes, and wrapping up our teen trainings. Our teens attended their 3rd training last weekend where we covered topics including roles & expectations, camper supervision, and diversity and inclusion. Teens have also nominated their Great Bear, selected the 2025 camp t-shirt design & colors, and picked our camp theme days. In addition to our teen training, we also hosted our annual Adult Volunteer training last Sunday. Our volunteers are looking forward to making 2025 an amazing camp year!

THE ELEANOR HAZEL 4-H AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM WRAP-UP!

Our Series 4: Jr. Scientists had fun learning about the water cycle with Project Wet, Extracting Strawberry DNA from Ag in the Classroom, learning about the Scientific Method, and learning about Environmental Science with Project WILD! We look forward to bringing this program back for the 2025-2026 school year!

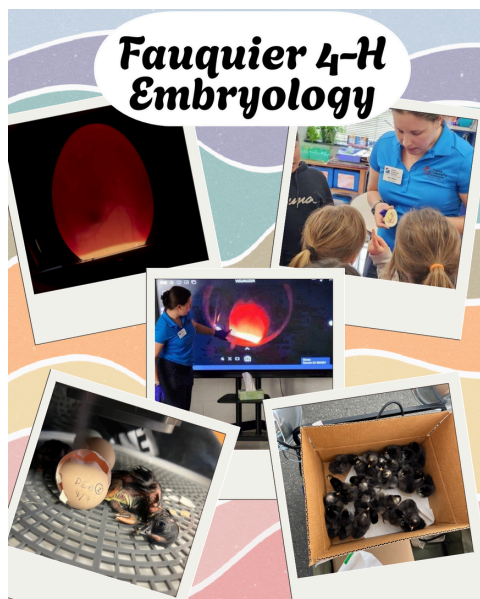




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FAUQUIER 4-H EMBRYOLOGY UPDATE



Both rounds of our Fauquier 4-H Embryology program are officially wrapped up! Incubators and fertilized chicken eggs were placed in 65 classrooms across Fauquier County this spring for students to learn about embryo development and hatch chicks out in their classrooms. Fauquier 4-H staff went into classrooms and taught candling demos to see the developing embryos in real time! Chicks were picked up at the end of May and rehomed to local 4-H families.

REGISTRATION OPEN: JR EXPLORERS SUMMER DAY CAMP

SUMMER 4-H DAY CAMP

JR EXPLORERS

9am - 1pm | 06/30 - 07/03
1st - 5th Graders
The Fauquier County VCE Office
24 Pelham St. Warrenton VA 20186

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

\$25 PER CAMPER

Project WILD
K-12 Curriculum & Activity Guide

Project WET
Curriculum and Activity Guide 2.0

Volunteers Needed

For more information Please email rhollins@vt.edu

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Campers will participate in STEM experiential learning activities while learning about earth science, environmental science, and much more! Using equipment designed for budding scientists and engineers, participants will explore the depths of the unknown by creating a telescope, designing a Mars rover, deploying an ocean robot, and more! Students will use concepts including robotics, mechanical engineering, computer science and mathematics. Beyond having fun, students will learn about inquiry, observational and problem-solving techniques while also developing life skills such as collaboration, communication, and critical thinking.

When: June 30 - July 3

Where: Fauquier VCE Office 24 Pelham St Warrenton VA 20186

Time: 9am - 1pm

Who: Rising 1st - 5th Graders

Registration Link:

<https://forms.gle/GpbNKaTsUw4xyDJY9>



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NEXT GENERATION ENTREPRENEURS MARKET ON JULY 5TH!

Be on the lookout for our Next Generation Entrepreneurs at the Warrenton Farmers Market on July 5th! Come on out and support our youth vendors – some favorites from last season and some new! First Saturdays May – September. Find us in the upper Parking Lot A (corner of Lee and Ashby St) at the Warrenton Farmers Market. Stay tuned on Facebook and Instagram for updates!

FAUQUIER 4-H NEXT GENERATION ENTREPRENEURS		FIRST SAT
		MAY 3
		JUNE 7
		JULY 5
		AUG 2
		SEPT 6
8 AM - 12 PM		Warrenton Farmers Market Parking Lot A Corner of Lee and Ashby St. Warrenton, VA 20186



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FAUQUIER COUNTY FAIR IS QUICKLY APPROACHING!

Fauquier County Fair is right around the corner! SAVE-THE-DATE and make plans to come out to the fair! Keep an eye out on social media and email for building and barn entry information in the coming weeks!



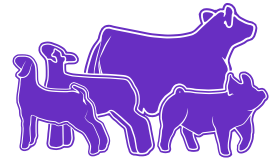
JULY 16-19

6209 OLD AUBURN RD.

WARRENTON, VA 20187

THE READY RING

FAUQUIER LIVESTOCK SHOW & SALE



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2025 SHOWMANSHIP CHAMPIONS!

2025 HOG SHOWMANSHIP SUPREME

CHAMPION



WESTON PROPPS

Congratulations!



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2025 GOAT SHOWMANSHIP SUPREME

CHAMPION



MATTHEW BASS

Congratulations!



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Showmanship class ranking are based on the performance of the showman - how well they present their animal and themselves around the ring.

2025 BEEF SHOWMANSHIP SUPREME

CHAMPION



HOLLY CHAMBERS

Congratulations!



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2025 SHOWMANSHIP

CHAMPIONS

HOG

Senior Champion: Ali Yankey
Senior Res. Champion: Garrett Norman
Junior Champion: Austin Butler
Junior Res. Champion: Annie Romine
Novice Champion: Weston Propps
Novice Res. Champion: Blake Johnson

BEEF

Senior Champion: Holly Chambers
Senior Res. Champion: Ali Yankey
Junior Champion: David Marley
Junior Res. Champion: Brent Miller
Novice Champion: Austin Butler
Novice Res. Champion: Bryce Johnson

SHEEP

Senior Champion: Leslie Linton
Senior Res. Champion: Ali Yankey
Junior Champion: Jameson Revard
Junior Res. Champion: Willa Price
Novice Champion: Caitlin Saykaly
Novice Res. Champion: Charlotte Grove

GOAT

Senior Champion: Matthew Bass
Junior Champion: Caitlin Saykaly
Junior Res. Champion: Evan Saykaly
Novice Champion: Charlotte Grove
Novice Res. Champion: Logan Saykaly

Congratulations!



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2025 SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP SUPREME

CHAMPION



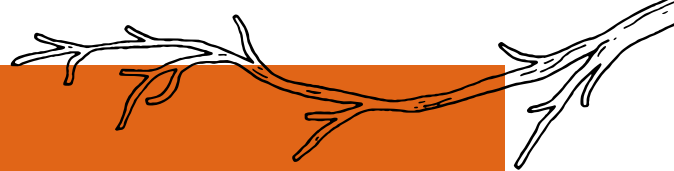
JAMESON REVAR

Congratulations!



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Photos by Pat Nye and Gracie Campbell



PROCRASTINATORS' COMMERCIAL PESTICIDE APPLICATOR RE-CERT

The Carver Center
9432 N. James Madison Highway
Rapidan, VA 22733

Re-cert credits will be available for the following:

Virginia categories: 3A, 3B, 6, 8, 10, Registered Tech, Private 90 (intended for sod growers)/91

Maryland categories: 2, 3A, 3C, 6, 8, 10, CORE, PVT

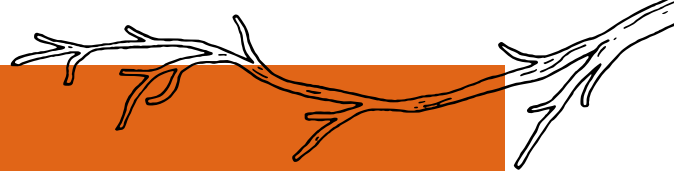
West Virginia (category=credits): 3-8, 4A-8, 6-8, 7-8, 11-9, 12-9, 13D-4

DC (category=credits): 00=4, 3A=4, 3B=4, 7A=4, 7B=4, 8=4, 9=4

June 20, 2025 from 9 am to 4 pm

Cost: \$55





Small Ruminant Field Day

Loudoun County & Fauquier County Extension

Saturday, June 14, 2025

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Georges Mill Farm

11873 Georges Mill Road
Lovettsville, VA 20180

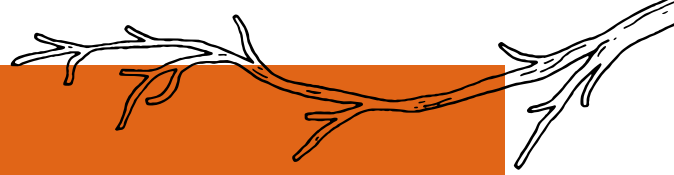
Register: bit.ly/43o5CuP



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TREE HIGHLIGHTS

For June I am highlighting a southern magnolia tree at St. Luke's Church in Remington. St. Luke's Church is on Church Street in the Town of Remington and the magnolia is in the front of the church.

Tree: Southern Magnolia – *Magnolia grandiflora*

Location: The west side of Church Street, on the right side of the walkway leading up to the front of St. Luke's Church.

Age: Not sure when this tree was planted, from its size I would guess in the 1940s. It is not the largest magnolia around, but it is a beautiful specimen with two trunks.

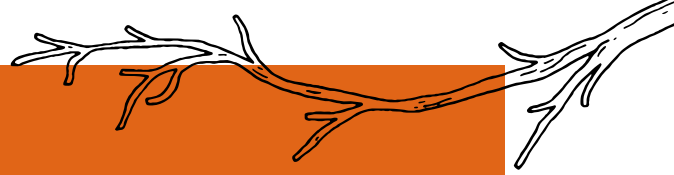
Size: the tree appears to be about 30 feet tall and 35 feet wide.

This evergreen broad leaf tree with dark green glossy leaves has large white flowers that can be one foot across and are very fragrant throughout the summer. The tree sheds old leaves through much of the summer, so shedding leaves does not indicate a problem with the health of the tree.

This tree is native to coastal North Carolina south to Florida and along the Gulf Coast to east Texas. Early English plant collectors were able to take seed back to England where southern magnolia became popular in European gardens. Today it can be found around the world in gardens with a similar climate.

If you have a tree that you would like to have highlighted, please reach out to Tim Ohlwiler at tohlwile@vt.edu!



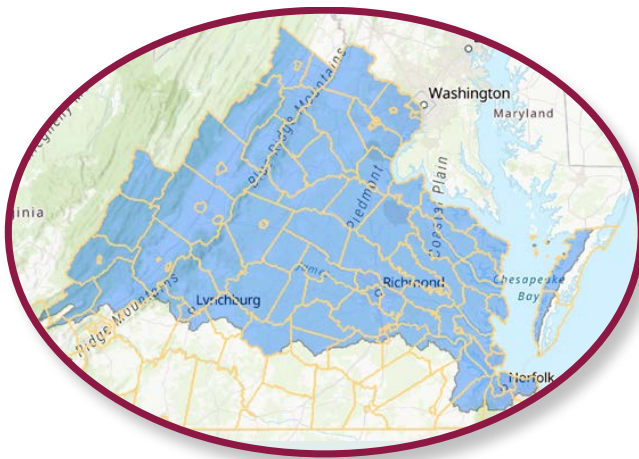


Are you a farmer in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed?



We want to hear from you!

Farmers are vital stewards of our natural resources. Share how you are already taking steps on your farm to protect Virginia's land and waterways by completing the Virginia Farm Agricultural Best Management Practices survey.

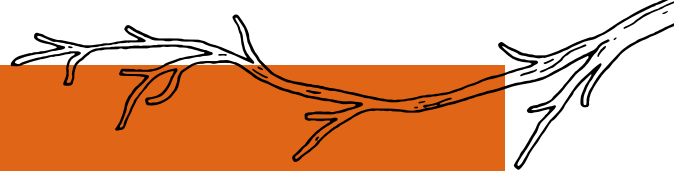


Scan the QR code to complete the survey. Survey ends **June 30, 2026**.

For more information visit:
bit.ly/4jnUuTp or contact your local Virginia Cooperative Extension or participating SWCD office.

Participating Agencies:





UPCOMING EVENTS

SMALL RUMINANT FIELD DAY

Saturday, June 14th 11 AM-3 PM

Georges Mill Farm

11873 Georges Mill Road

Lovettsville, VA 20180

Register at: bit.ly/43o5CuP

HOW TO INATURALIST

Thursday, June 26th 6 PM

24 Pelham Street,

Warrenton, VA 20186

Presented by Bert Harris, Ph.D, Co-Director at The Clifton Institute and Adjunct Professor

PROCRASTINATORS' COMMERCIAL PESTICIDE APPLICATOR RE-CERT

Friday, June 20th 9 AM-4 PM

For more information please visit

<https://culpeper.ext.vt.edu/>

PATTERNS IN PLANTS

Thursday, July 10th 6 PM

24 Pelham Street,

Warrenton, VA 20186

Presented by Eleanor Harris, Ph.D, Co-Director at The Clifton Institute and Affiliate Professor

CLOVER CALENDAR

June 1 | Camp Counselor Training

June 7 | NGE Market

June 9-12 | Nature Navigators Day Camp

June 13-14 | NOVA Spring Fling Dairy Goat Show

June 15-19 | Junior 4-H Camp

June 23 | State Livestock Judging Contest

June 24-27 | State 4-H Congress

June 30-July 3 | Summer Day Camp

July 5 | NGE Market

July 15-19 | Fauquier County Fair



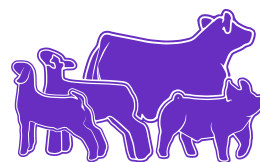
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SHOW & SALE CALENDAR

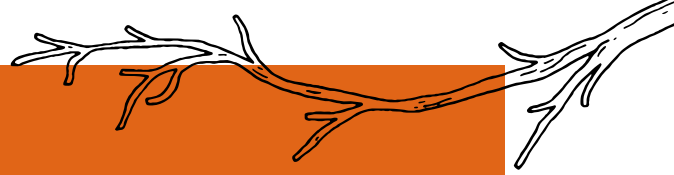
June 8 | Awards Meeting

June 8 | Record Books DUE

June 8 | Thank-You Notes DUE



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