

Friends of the North Fork of the Shenandoah River 2010 Workshop Series



This year Friends of the North Fork will again be offering classes through the Shenandoah County Parks and Recreation Department. To see how to register on-line, visit their website at: http://www.shenandoahcountyyva.us/parks_new/index.php or call their office at 540-984-3030. You can also get up-to-date information on the Friends of the North Fork website: www.fnfsr.org or call us at 540-459-8550.

Learn How to Make a Rain Garden

April 1 (Thursday), 6:30 pm-8:00 pm— \$10 for *FNFSR* members, \$15 non-members
Natural Art Garden Center, Toms Brook, VA

Instructors: Jim McGlone, Department of Forestry and Lynn Phillips, Garden Center Owner
In this workshop, you will learn how to create your own rain garden using a variety of native plants and wetland edge vegetation, such as wildflowers, sedges, rushes, ferns, shrubs and small trees. A rain garden is a planted area that is designed to absorb rain water runoff from roofs, driveways, walkways, and lawns. Rain water is collected and stored in the rain garden, and is allowed to soak into the ground, as opposed to flowing into storm drains, streams and the Shenandoah River, which causes erosion, water pollution, flooding, and less groundwater. Some rain garden plants will be offered for sale at a discount by Natural Art Garden Center for participants.

Make and Take Your Own Rain Barrel

(Sponsored by Woodbury Financial Services)

Rain Barrel Workshop - May 20 (Thursday) - 6:30 pm-8:30 pm
Mt. Jackson Town Center, Mt Jackson, VA

Rain Barrel Workshop - May 26 (Wednesday) - 6:30 pm-8:30 pm
Natural Art Garden Center, Toms Brook, VA

Rain Barrel Workshop – September 8 (Wednesday) – 6:30 pm-8:30 pm
Town Park, Town of New Market, VA
\$39 for *FNFSR* members, \$49 non-member

In this workshop you will receive a recycled plastic barrel from Clean Virginia Waterways that you will use to build your own rain barrel. During the workshop, you will drill holes, install the faucet and complete other tasks to allow a barrel to catch rainwater for use around your house. This workshop series is being conducted through the generous support of Woodbury Financial Services in Mt. Jackson, Virginia.

Learn How to Compost

June 12 (Saturday), 1:00 pm— \$10 for *FNFSR* members, \$15 non-members
Instructor Susie Wilburn – Location: 3397 Hillcrest Drive, Toms Brook, VA

Composting is the ultimate way to recycle kitchen, yard, garden and pet waste, instead of putting it in the landfill, and is the cornerstone for organic gardening. Come learn about the many methods of indoor and outdoor composting - how to use some of your garbage for good – at this interactive workshop.
You will leave with lots of ideas and a composting sleeve for use in the kitchen.

Make and Take: Healthy Home Products and Gifts Workshop

November 3 (Wednesday), 6:30 pm–8:30 pm— \$10 for *FNFSR* members, \$15 non-members
Learn to make money saving handmade products you can give to friends and family as holiday gifts.
Location: Fort Valley Nursery, Woodstock, VA

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