



2019 Workshops

Register on-line now with Shenandoah County Parks and Recreation at www.scpr.info
for workshops occurring before June. For registration questions call them at 540-459-6777

Visit our website at www.fnfsr.org/upcoming-workshops/

February:

Build a Wildlife Box Workshop

When: Tuesday, February 26; 6:00-7:30 pm

Where: Strasburg High School; Strasburg, VA

Cost: \$15 per box

Choose from the following wildlife boxes at this evening workshop being held in partnership with Seven Bends State Park and Strasburg High School FFA. When registering, you can let us know which box you would like to make. Then you will build two boxes at the workshop, keeping one and donating one to the State Park. Visit: www.wildlifecenter.org/nestbox to learn about nest boxes, and choose one of the following: American Kestrel Box, Barred Owl Box, Bat Box or Tufted Titmouse Box.

March:

Build Your Own Rotating Compost Barrel

When: Saturday, March 16; 10:00 am-2:00 pm

Where: Strasburg High School; Strasburg, VA

Cost: \$35 per barrel

No experience necessary for this workshop being held in partnership with the Strasburg FFA, Lord Fairfax Soil and Water Conservation District and Sustainability Matters. You will build your own rotating compost bin using a large recycled barrel and a wooden stand. All hardware, tools, supplies and instructions will be supplied to help you build a backyard compost bin that you can take home and use the same day. Composting helps you save money by making your own organic garden fertilizer and it is part of the three R's of recycling: reducing, reusing and recycling kitchen and yard waste; and best of all it keeps waste out of the landfills.

Make and Take - Rain Barrel Workshops

When: Thursday, March 28; 6:00-7:30 pm

Where: Natural Art Garden Center, Toms Brook, VA

Cost: \$45 per barrel

No experience is necessary for this workshop. This is an easy do-it-yourself project that includes a recycled plastic barrel and simple conversion kit. Be ready to take your barrel home! They are large, but usually fit in a backseat. You will need to drill one hole in your downspout when you get home. Everything else can be done at the workshop. If more than one family member will be working on a barrel, only one person needs to register. Ages 6 and up may attend. Under 18 need a parent or guardian present.

April:

Make and Take – Riverside Fairy Garden

When: Thursdays, April 11 AND April 18;

6:00-7:30 pm (need to come both days)

Where: Natural Art Garden Center, Toms Brook, VA

Cost: \$45 per garden

No experience is necessary for this make and take project. You will receive a pottery dish, and all the supplies to make a miniature river and garden habitat for your fairies. You will also learn about native plant and animal species that live in or near the local streams and the North Fork of the Shenandoah River. If more than one family member will be working on a garden, only one person needs to register. All ages may attend. Under 16 need a parent or guardian present.

June: (camp registration opens May 1, 2019)

Shenandoah River Players Summer Camp

When: June 17-21, 2019; Time: 9:00 am-3:00 pm

(Field trip day(s) may be longer)

Where: U.S. Forest Service Office in Edinburg, VA

Cost: \$55.00 per student

This environmental education day camp is offered by Friends of the North Fork of the Shenandoah River for rising 1st-3rd graders (approximate ages 5-9). It is designed to instill a love of nature and outdoor play while teaching stewardship and caring for the environment. Students will learn about animals, trees, soil, plants, and water. They will learn and play in outdoor classrooms, visit the North Fork of the Shenandoah River and Stony Creek, and spend a day at Passage Creek on the Lion's Tale Trail in the National Forest.

Shenandoah River Rangers Summer Camp

When: June 24-28, 2019; Time: 9:00 am-3:00 pm

(Field trip day(s) may be longer)

Where: U.S. Forest Service Office in Edinburg, VA

Cost: \$55.00 per student

This environmental education day camp is offered by Friends of the North Fork of the Shenandoah River for rising 4th-8th graders (approximate ages 10-13). Students will become river scientists, visiting the North Fork of the Shenandoah River or Stony Creek every day. They will fish, kayak, meet animals with wildlife and fisheries biologists, collect river bugs, and other fun activities.