Celebrate Fall 2011 at Your State Arboretum

Botany for Gardeners
Thursday, September 1, 10 a.m.-Noon
Blandy Staff
Understanding plants makes us better gardeners and stewards of nature. Learn about basic plant biology, including water and nutrient uptake, capturing sunlight, growth, and more. Handouts provided.
FOSA Members $8, Nonmembers $10
Registration Required—Space is Limited

Invasive Species Art
Tuesday, September 13, 2-3:30 p.m.
Seth Goldstein and Paula Stone
It’s easy to resent Oriental bittersweet as it grows up and over native trees, killing them in the process. But what to do? Learn of one solution conceived by two artists who use the contorted stems of this vine in original and remarkable artwork.
FOSA Members $8, Nonmembers $10

Backyard Woods Workshop
Saturday, September 17, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Virginia Cooperative Extension
Learn how to create and improve woodlands around your home in a one-day workshop co-sponsored with the Dept. of Forestry and Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay. Fee includes Resource CD and a copy of The Woods in Your Backyard.
Individual: $20; $25 per couple
To register: www.forestryforthebay.org/events.cfm

Programs in Blandy library unless otherwise noted.

James Madison’s Montpelier ~ Charter Bus Trip ~
Thursday, September 22, 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.
Montpelier, the Madison home in Orange, Va. has been painstakingly restored. With the gardens, lawns, and landmark forest, there is much to see here. Join us on guided tours of the mansion and property. Stroll the grounds and learn more about the life of James and Dolley Madison.
Meet in main Blandy parking area by 7:15 a.m.
Price includes luxury tour coach, entrance fee, tour, and driver’s tip. Bring your lunch or dine in the café on the grounds.
FOSA Members $85, Nonmembers $95
Reservations are Required

Full Moon Hike at Blandy
Tuesday, October 11, 7-8:30 p.m.
Blandy Staff & Volunteers
Explore the Arboretum at night under the full moon. Bring a flashlight, wear comfortable shoes, and join us as we explore the world of nature after dark. A program for the whole family.

The Future American Landscape: Getting off the Turf Treadmill
Thursday, October 20, 7-8:30 p.m.
Neil Diboll
President, Prairie Nursery
The traditional American landscape is an ecological, economic, and energy disaster. Vast amounts of fertilizers, pesticides, water, and carbon are used to maintain these artificial environments. Learn why native plants are the best solution to this growing problem.
Program is Free!
Stimpson Auditorium, Halpin-Harrison Hall Shenandoah University
Co-Hosts: Virginia Working Landscape Group, Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute, Shenandoah University, Piedmont Environmental Council, Native Plant Society.

Opportunities to Conserve Migratory Birds
Wednesday, November 2, 1-2:30 p.m.
Steve Holmer
Director, Bird Conservation Alliance
Hear about initiatives to conserve habitat for migratory birds and efforts to reduce threats during their amazing journeys twice each year.
FOSA Members $8, Nonmembers $10

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400 Blandy Farm Lane, Boyce VA 22620

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