**Bicycle Tour of Blandy**
Saturday, September 8, 10 -11:30 a.m.
Join us on a 3-mile bicycle tour of Blandy’s Loop Rd. We’ll travel slowly and stop frequently to enjoy the sights. Bring your bicycle, water, helmet, and snacks, and dress for the weather. Meet in main parking area. Note: the Loop Rd is gravel.

FOSA members $8; nonmembers $10
Perfect for the whole family: $20
(No training wheels or dogs please!)

**Mindfulness in Nature**
Thursday, September 20, 6 -7:30 p.m.
Shell Fischer, Insight Meditation Instructor
Learn to slow down and draw on nature through guided meditation, silent walking, and personal reflection. Bring a blanket or mat and dress for the weather. Meet in main parking area.

FOSA members $8; nonmembers $10
Reservations Required — Space is Limited

**Exploring the Night Sky by Telescope**
Saturday, September 22, 6 -9 p.m.
Shenandoah Astronomical Society
Explore the night sky on the autumnal equinox. Shenandoah Astronomical Society members will guide us as we search the sky for constellations, stars, planets, and more. Bring binoculars if you have them, and dress for the weather.

FOSA members $8; nonmembers $10
Bring the whole family for $20

**Hawk Watch at Snicker’s Gap**
Monday, September 24, 9:30 a.m.-Noon
Dave Carr, Blandy Director
Hawks reach the peak of their southward migration in late September, and Snicker’s Gap offers prime viewing for this spectacle. Meet at Blandy’s parking lot and carpool to the site for some great hawk-watching. Dress for the weather, and bring binoculars, water, snacks, and a folding chair.

FOSA members $8; nonmembers $10
Reservations Required — Space is Limited

**Full Moon Hike**
Monday, October 1, 7 -8:30 p.m.
Explore the Arboretum under the full moon. Bring a flashlight, wear comfortable shoes, and join us as we explore the natural world at dusk and after dark. Perfect for the family, but no dogs please.

FOSA members $8; nonmembers $10
Bring the family for $20
Reservations Required — Space is Limited

**Ginkgo Talk, Tour & Sale**
Saturday, October 20, 10 a.m.-Noon
The ginkgo is much loved and used in landscaping, over-the-counter healthcare products, and even cooking. Join us for a program, tour, and plant sale featuring this “living fossil.” The morning will include a talk in the library (10 -11 a.m.) followed by a tour of our 325-tree ginkgo grove (11 a.m.-Noon). At this season it should be in fine color. If you join us for the tour, bring old shoes since ginkgo seeds have a rather unpleasant smell!

Ginkgo saplings will be available for sale!

FOSA members $15; nonmembers $20
Reservations Required — Space is Limited

**Ginkgo Talk, Tour & Sale**
Tuesday, December 4, 1 p.m.
Dave Carr, Blandy Director
Ginkgo saplings will be available for sale!

FOSA members $8; nonmembers $10
Reservations Required — Space is Limited

**Journey of a Holiday Tree**
Sunday, November 11, 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Ms. Wulf is an award-winning writer and historian who speaks worldwide on horticulture and history. Book signing and tea reception to follow.

Members $25; nonmembers $30
With copy of book: members $35; nonmembers $60
Co-sponsored by FOSA and the Colonial Dames of America, Chapter XXIII

**Blandy Movie Night: The Botany of Desire**
Thursday, November 1, 7-8:30 p.m.
Watch this PBS production of Michael Pollan’s creative, entertaining treatment of apples, potatoes, and tulips. Maybe these plants have manipulated us in order to become so widespread and successful!

Free — Donations accepted at door

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ArborFest
This annual event features vendors selling perennials, shrubs, trees, and fine items for the garden. Includes children’s activities, food, gardening information, and more.

October 13-14, 2012
9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. both days

Winter Young Naturalist Program
These programs are a great opportunity for kids to explore the natural world in winter. Programs run on alternate Saturdays from mid-January through mid-March.

Morning sessions (9-11:30 a.m.) are for 1st -3rd graders; afternoon sessions (12:30-3 p.m.) are for 4th-6th graders.

Watch for details later this year on our web site, on Facebook, and elsewhere.

Annual Seed Exchange
Saturday, January 26
Join us for a seed swap and information exchange in the Blandy library.
Check web site for details: www.blandy.virginia.edu

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