

Directions

WEYERS CAVE COMMUNITY CENTER

682 Weyers Cave Road, Weyers Cave, VA 24486

From Interstate 81, take exit 235

Travel east on Weyers Cave Road (Rt. 256) for approximately 1.5 miles Weyers Cave Community Center will be on the left

WYTHEVILLE MEETING CENTER

1000 E Main St., Wytheville, VA 24382

- From I-81 North (Bristol/Abingdon): Take Exit 72 to I-77 Exit 41.

- From I-81 South/I-77 North (Roanoke or Hillsville/Galax): Take Exit 72 to I-77 Exit 41.

- From I-77 South (Bluefield): Take Exit 41.

- Then, from all directions:**

- Peppers Ferry Road to

- Community Boulevard, left turn in front of Comfort Suites.

OLDE DOMINION AGRICULTURAL COMPLEX

17983 US Hwy 29S, Chatham, VA 24531

Travelling South from Lynchburg: travel approximately 42 miles on 29 South. Bypass the town of Gretna and continue on 29

South. Just outside of Gretna you will pass a large Shell gas station on the left and then travel approximately 1 mile and Olde Dominion Agricultural Complex will be on the right. If you get to the Chatham exits, turn around and come back.

Travelling North from Danville: Travel approximately 22 miles. Bypass the town of Chatham, travel approximately 3 miles, pass the state police office on the left and the Olde Dominion Agricultural Complex will be just past it on the left.

MADISON FIRE HALL

1223 N Main St, Madison, VA 22727

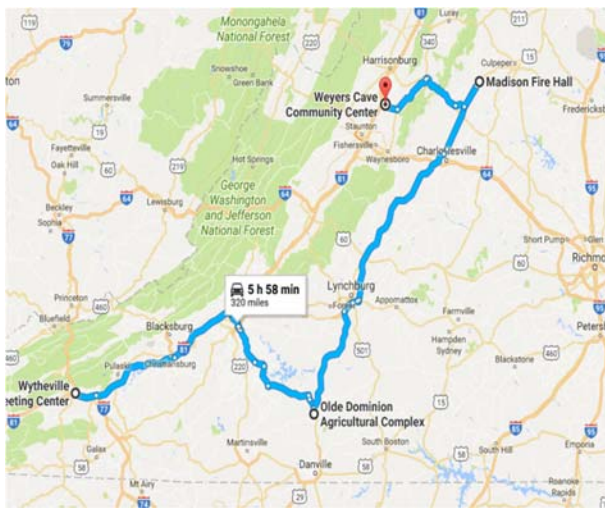
From Culpeper, Virginia

Head south on S Main St toward E Culpeper St 0.6 mi

Continue onto US-29 BUS S/Madison Rd 1.4 mi

Turn right to merge onto US-29 S toward Charlottesville 13.8 mi

Slight right onto US-29 BUS S



VFGC Membership or Renewal Application

Name _____

Address _____

City State Zip

County _____

Daytime Phone _____

Email _____

Individual Member - \$25 for 1-year membership	
Individual Member - \$65 for 3-year membership	
Farm Member - \$40 – includes 2 people for 1-year membership	
Farm Member - \$100 – includes 2 people for 3-year membership	
Corporate Member - \$250 minimum	

Please make check payable to VFGC.

Remit with membership application to:

Ms. Margaret J. Kenny
VFGC
3599 Indian Oak Road
Crewe, VA 23930

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact Margaret Kenny 434-818-5545 during business hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to discuss accommodations 5 days prior to the event.

3599 Indian Oak Road
Crewe, VA 23930



2018 Winter Forage Conferences

Hosted by

Virginia Forage and Grassland Council
and Virginia Cooperative Extension

This conference is partially funded by Virginia NRCS through the CIG program.



January 29

Wytheville Meeting Center,
Wytheville

January 30

Olde Dominion Agricultural Complex
Chatham

January 31

Madison Fire Hall
Madison

February 1

Weyers Cave Community Center,
Weyers Cave

Place
Stamp
Here

2018 Winter Forage Conferences

Wytheville, Wytheville Meeting Center 1/29/18

Chatham, Olde Dominion Agricultural Complex 1/30/18

Madison Fire Hall, Madison, VA 1/31/18

Weyers Cave, Weyers Cave Community Center 2/1/18

If it Don't Make Dollar\$, It Don't Make Sense: Adapting in a World of Change

8:30 - 8:55	Registration
Morning Theme - The Challenges and Opportunities in our Changing Industry	
8:55 - 9:00	Presidents Welcome – Alan Spivey
9:00 - 10:15	Better Grazing: Lessons on Efficient Forage Management from the Best in the World, Dr. Dennis Hancock, University of Georgia
10:15 - 10:45	Break and Visit with Sponsors
10:45 - 11:45	From Tobacco, to Cattle, to Grazier: Making it Work in the Real World – Keith Tuck, VFGC 2017 Forage Producer of the Year, Bedford County
11:45 - 12:00	Business Meeting and Forage Producer of the Year
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch and Visit with Sponsors
Afternoon Theme - Solutions For Your Farm and Future	
1:00 - 1:30	Producer Speaker – Changes in Management Provides an Opportunities for Production, Marketing and Soil Health Wytheville – John Fant, Summerfield Farm Chatham – Ronnie Nuckols Madison – Tim Tobin, Swallow Hill Farm Weyers Cave – Norman Bower and Tim Mize
1:30 - 2:30	The Technical Revolution: Tools and Techniques Worth Considering in 2018 and Beyond, Dr. Dennis Hancock, University of Georgia
2:30 - 3:30	Economics of Change, Dr. Deidre Harmon, NC State University
3:30	Wrap Up, Adjourn and Surveys

J. B. Daniel
j.b.daniel@va.usda.gov
(434) 392-4171 x 115

Questions about the program?

David Fiske
dafiske@vt.edu
540-377-2255



www.ext.vt.edu

Virginia Cooperative Extension programs and employment are open to all, regardless of age, color, disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, political affiliation, race, religion, sexual orientation, genetic information, veteran status, or any other basis protected by law. An equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Issued in furtherance of Cooperative Extension work, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Virginia State University, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture cooperating. Edwin J. Jones, Director, Virginia Cooperative Extension, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg; M. Ray McKinnis, Administrator, 1890 Extension Program, Virginia State University, Petersburg.

Program Registration

No refunds for cancellation after January 2, 2018

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

Address _____

_____ City State Zip

County _____

Daytime Phone _____

Email _____

Check which meeting you will attend:

- Wytheville Meeting Center, Wytheville
- Dominion Agricultural Complex, Chatham
- Madison Fire Hall, Madison
- Weyers Cave Community Center, Weyers Cave

\$35.00 early registration per attendee

After January 2, 2018

\$50.00 late registration per attendee

Student Registration \$15.00 per student

Harlan White Scholarship Fund

Amount \$ _____

Early registration must be post marked before January 2, 2018

Make Check Payable to:

VFGC

Mail Check and Registration to:

2018 Winter Forage Conference

Margaret Kenny

3599 Indian Oak Road

Crewe, VA 23930

Keynote Speaker Dr. Dennis Hancock

Everyone handles change differently. Whether its changes in market conditions, weather patterns, production technology or generational change in the management on your farm operation, you have to be ready and watching to stay ahead of the curve to ensure your short and long-term success.

Dr. Dennis Hancock, from the University of Georgia, will be the keynote speaker at this years' conference as he frames some of the challenges and opportunities in our changing industry and offers practical solutions for you and your farm in the future! (photo Dennis here).

Mr. Keith Tuck, Bedford County producer and 2017 VFGC Outstanding Forage Producer of the Year, will be the featured producer speaker sharing his story of change from tobacco, to cattle, to grazier and how his family made this transition work in the real world.

This conference will feature a local producer from each region of the state as they share their experience of grazing demonstrations under the title, Changes in Management Provides Opportunities for Production, Marketing and Soil Health.”

Dr. Deidre Harmon, originally from Galax, VA, now the Livestock Extension Specialist at NC State University, will offer practical economic considerations for implementing tools and techniques outlined in an earlier presentation, under the title, Economics of Change, to wrap up the day.

Review the detailed agenda below complete with presentation titles and times of all the speakers of the day. REGISTER early to take advantage of the early bird price of \$35 postmarked before by January 2, 2018. Any registration received after that date is \$50. We hope to see you there!

Please visit the VFGC web site (<http://vaforages.org>) for additional details and



United States Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service