

DIRECTIONS AND MEETING LOCATION

Ferrum College Farm

- From Rocky Mount, take Route 40 west for 10 miles. Turn left on Ferrum School Rd; follow signs.
- From Woolwine, take Route 40 east for 22 miles. Turn right on Ferrum School Rd; follow signs.

GPS Address

600 Ferrum School Road
 Ferrum, VA 24088
 Then follow signs to farm.



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 434-292-5331 ext 240 during business hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to discuss accommodations 5 days prior to the event.

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	
Sponsoring Member - \$100 minimum	
Corporate Member - \$250 minimum	

Harlan White Scholarship Fund
 Amount \$ _____

*Please make check payable to VFGC.
 Remit with membership application to:*

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



2015 Basic Grazier School

Hosted by

Virginia Forage and Grassland Council
Virginia Cooperative Extension and
Natural Resources Conservation Service



Register now for this intensive, 2-day grazier school.

Limited to 30 participants
Preregistration ends April 20th.

May 5-6, 2015
Ferrum College
Ferrum, VA

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VFGC Basic Grazier School, Spring 2015

May 5, 2015		May 6, 2015	
8:00-8:15	Arrive and Register	8:15-8:30	Review of Day 1
8:15-8:30	Introductions and Program Overview	8:30-9:30	Grazing Economics – Dr. Gordon Groover
8:30-9:00	Introduction to Grazing Management – JB Daniel	9:30-10:15	Grazing arithmetic—getting stocking rates right – JB Daniel
9:00-9:45	Forage Species for Grazing Systems – Dr. Chris Teutsch	10:15-10:30	Break
9:45-10:00	Break	10:30-11:15	Managing annual forages within perennial grazing systems – Sean Duff
10:00-10:45	Basic Soils and Fertility for Grazing Systems – Sean Duff	11:15-12:00	Basic Forage Quality and Animal Nutrition – Dr. Mark McCann
10:45-11:30	Plant Growth and Grazing Management – Dr. John Fike	12:00-1:00	Lunch
11:30-12:30	Lunch	1:00-3:00	Pasture renovation – Sean Duff Field Exercise: Farm assessment and developing a grazing system layout to meet goals.
12:30-2:30	Plant Identification, Pasture Condition Scoring, Estimating/ Measuring Standing Forage and Graziers Arithmetic		
2:30-3:30	Developing a Grazing System: Fencing and Water Options for Improved Grazing Management – Cynthia Martel and Travis Bunn		
3:30-4:30	Pasture Allocation Exercise with Livestock	3:15-4:15	Groups present grazing plans
5:00-6:30	Dinner and Guest Speaker	4:15-4:30	Adjourn and Review Pasture Allocation



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Program Registration

No refunds for cancellation after April 20, 2015

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

Address _____

_____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

County _____

Daytime Phone _____

Email _____

\$100 early registration per attendee

Registration cost covers:

- Grazing manual
- Grazing stick
- Forage crop pocket guide
- Two lunches & one dinner

After April 20, 2015

\$125.00 late registration per attendee

Early registration must be received by April 20, 2015

Make Check Payable to: VFGC

Mail Check and Registration to:

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Margaret Kenny
3599 Indian Oak Road
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Grazier School Trainers

Travis Bunn, Va Coop Ext., Patrick Co., Works with all aspects of farm systems, with special emphasis on forages, fences, and watering systems.

Dr. Mark McCann, VA Tech, Extension Beef Cattle Specialist Conducts research designed to improve animal performance and resource use while reducing environmental impacts.

J.B. Daniel, USDA-NRCS Grassland Agronomist Promotes full productive use of VA grasslands through conservation practices and improved management.

Sean Duff, Va Coop Ext., Franklin Co. Helps producers implement and manage forage production in annual and perennial cropping systems.

Dr. John Fike, VA Tech, Extension Forage Specialist Conducts research on forage and livestock production with a focus on silvopasture and bioenergy crops.

Dr. Gordon Groover, VA Tech, Extension Economist Farm Management, Helps answer the questions, "Is this profitable?" and "under what conditions is this not profitable?"

Cynthia Martel, Va Coop Ext., Franklin Co., Works with all aspects of farm systems on conventional and pasture-based dairies to increase farm profitability.

Dr. Chris Teutsch, VA Tech, Extension Forage Specialist, So. Piedmont AREC, Conducts applied forage research focusing on ways to extend the grazing season and reduce conserved forage needs.

Questions? Please contact:

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