

Virginia Forage and Grassland Council

It is now the time of the year to renew your membership to the Virginia Forage and Grassland Council (VFGC). If you have not been a member for the last year or two, then please consider the value of rejoining this organization. We have also included in this mailing information on **VFGC Winter Conferences for 2021**. Please note the farm membership category, which can include up to two people on the same working farm for only \$40 per year.

Why Should I Join the VFGC or renew my membership?

The primary purpose of the VFGC is to promote the value of forages in Virginia through local and regional conferences and tours, various publications, sponsoring research trials, awards to outstanding producers, and working with other state and national organizations. As a member of the VFGC you are entitled to early notices for most regional forage conferences and summer tours including the **Annual Virginia Grazing School** that is being held around the state. You will receive "**The Forager**," a quarterly publication to provide you with up to date forage information. You will be among the first producers in the state to obtain results of research trials designed to help you run a more profitable operation.

Remember that your VFGC membership is a two for one deal, in that you also receive a full year membership with the **American Forage and Grassland Council (AFGC)**. Your \$25 VFGC membership enrolls you in Virginia's premier forage organization and allows you to be part of the only unified voice representing forages in this country. AFGC members have representation in Washington and can receive a weekly update on agriculture legislation and political activity within the House and Senate. As an AFGC member you will receive the national AFGC monthly publication "**Progressive Forage**". Your membership supports the development of new forage educational literature like the recent publication "Understanding Forage Quality." AFGC members can attend national forage conferences at reduced prices such as the AFGC Annual Meeting. You will also be represented on boards of numerous organizations that affect forage agriculture such as the Council for Agricultural Science and Technology (CAST), National Forage Testing Association (NFTA), Grazing Lands Conservation Initiative (GLCI), The Forage Foundation and others.

Most importantly, by joining the VFGC you are showing that you place a high value on forages in your farming operation. I encourage you to send in your membership form today.

Jim Tate
President, VFGC

MEMBERSHIP or RENEWAL APPLICATION
VIRGINIA FORAGE AND GRASSLAND COUNCIL

*Please take note of the **expiration date indicated on the label below**. According to our records, this indicates the year your VFGC membership is **paid through**. If you owe membership dues, please fill out the application and send it in or bring it along with your dues to a VFGC conference.*

(Please Print Changes Below)

Please “x” Appropriate Box

<u>Membership Renewal</u> →		<u>New Membership</u> →	
Name:		Company:	
Street Address:		City <u>and</u> State:	
Telephone:	Fax:	Zip: (very important)	
E-mail:			

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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
Individual Lifetime Member - \$1,000+ donation to VFGC for the Harlan White Legacy Scholarship Fund or David A. Fiske Innovator Scholarship Fund	

Please check all that apply:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Beef | <input type="checkbox"/> Dairy | <input type="checkbox"/> Federal Agency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equine | <input type="checkbox"/> Sheep | <input type="checkbox"/> Ag Business/Industry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Goat | <input type="checkbox"/> State Agency | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

What topic would be of most interest to you for an advanced one-day meeting?

Membership form on-line at www.vaforges.org

Please make checks payable to VFGC. Remit with membership application to:

**Ms. Margaret J. Kenny
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Crewe, Virginia 23930**