

## 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. Please note the farm membership category, which can include up to two people on the same working farm for only \$40 per year. Also included in this mailing is the brochure for the upcoming **VFGC Winter Forage Conferences for 2023**. Look that over and consider register and attend at a location near you!

### 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.

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. 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 will meet and network with other producers and support professionals to help you achieve your farm operation goals. I encourage you to send in your membership form today.

Sincerely,



Keith Tuck  
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**

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

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<b>Individual Member</b> - \$25 for 1-year membership	<b>Individual Member</b> - \$65 for 3-year membership
<b>Farm Member</b> - \$40 – includes 2 people for 1-year membership	<b>Farm Member</b> - \$100 – includes 2 people for 3-year membership
	<b>Corporate Member</b> - \$250 minimum
<b>Individual Lifetime Member</b> - \$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](http://www.vaforges.org)***

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

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