

Tree-mendous Adventures: A Family Day of Tree Education and Fun!

Saturday, September 7, 2024

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Rust Library

380 Old Waterford Rd NW, Leesburg, VA

Join the **VCE Loudoun Master Gardeners** for a family friendly day of **tree-mendous** fun – no registration required!

Celebrate Grandparents Day all weekend by bringing the whole family to Rust Library on Saturday, September 7. Discover the amazing benefits trees provide to our planet and our lives through engaging education presentations tailored for kids.

As you enter, you will pick up a **Passport** for your child to visit five stations. As your child learns about trees, the passport will be stamped at each station. It will take approximately one hour to visit all five stations. A reward will be available near the information table as you leave.

The information table will also offer a wealth of free knowledge about trees, including their diverse species, ecological significance, and practical tips for nurturing and appreciating these vital elements of our natural world.

Activity Stations:

- 1. Growing Strong Roots – The Role of Gravel Beds:** Gain insights into how gravel beds promote healthy root development for optimal tree growth.
- 2. Tree Anatomy:** Learn the basic parts, identification, and age of trees. Also, learn how to care for and protect your tree.
- 3. Tree Rings:** Use magnifying glasses to count the rings from the center of the tree to the bark and get an estimate of the tree's age.
- 4. Who Lives in Trees?** This storytelling session explores the magic of trees and the creatures that call them home.
- 5. Tree Value:** Trees provide countless gifts that enrich our lives. Join us in exploring the diverse assortment of impacts, benefits and products.

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