

James RiverWatch



May 2010

The James and Me Video Contest

[James River Association Website](#)

How would you inspire someone to keep the river clean and healthy for the future? Create a 25-second Public Service Announcement (PSA) to protect the river. The 2010 theme is "Don't Trash the River!" You could win \$1,000.

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The James and ME Video Contest is open to high school and college students and professionals throughout the James River basin. We will accept entries from March 15 - June 7, 2010.

[Get more information>>](#)

Secrets of the James

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What secrets does the James River hold? Stop by the James River Association's website to see [what wetlands do for the James...](#)

Easy Ways to Support JRA:

Join
Keep your membership up to date and encourage your friends to join. Check out our [website](#) for membership information!

While you are there, read about this month's Wildlife of the James feature animal, the Prothonotary Warbler [>>](#)

Upcoming Events

Chickahominy Water Trail Festival - May 29, 2010

JRA is excited to announce the creation of the newest addition to the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Water Trail. Learn about the unique history and natural beauty of the Chickahominy or sign up for the Race to Rockahock and put your paddling mettle to the test. [Read more »](#)

Only through the strong support of our members can JRA continue its efforts to protect and restore the James River for current and future generations to enjoy.

Volunteer

Visit JRA's [Website](#) to find out about Volunteer Opportunities

Search

Use [GoodSearch.com](#) as your search engine with JRA listed as your charity and earn money for JRA while searching the Web!

Donate

We accept donations of Gifts of Stock, bonds and other investments. You can also donate through the [Donate Now](#) link on our [Website](#).

To keep up with important events visit our [Calendar of Events](#) on our [Website](#)

Rain Barrel Workshop Wednesday, May 5, 6:30 - 8pm at Forest Hill Presbyterian Church. For more information visit the JRA Calendar [>>](#).

2010 Runoff Rundown

Have you signed up for the **3rd Annual Runoff Rundown** yet?

On July 10, 2010, river enthusiasts from across Virginia will paddle, boat, tube, sail or otherwise cover small sections of the James River such that, taken in concert, the entire length of the James River - all 340-miles - will be traversed in one day. River runners may observe water quality, view wildlife and simply enjoy the river. Friends and family can sponsor individual river runners.

Visit www.runoffrundown.com for more information!

Westover Lawn Party

We hope to see you at the 20th annual Westover Lawn Party on Saturday, June 5!

To honor Westover and Fred and Muschi Fisher, we are asking our friends to consider making a special gift in support of the James River Association's "Future of the James" fund. When you make a gift of \$250 or more, you will receive your choice of either a limited edition silk tie or silk picture frame created exclusively for JRA by Peter Blair.

For more information, to make a donation, or to purchase tickets for the Westover Lawn Party, please contact Sherrie Tribble at (804) 788-8811, ext. 202 or stribble@jrava.org.

For your convenience we accept Visa and MasterCard. For more information or to purchase your tickets online visit our website [>>](#)

Tools to Protect the Land You Love

The Partnership for Smarter Growth, Chesterfield Supervisor Marleen Durfee and Powhatan Supervisor Carson Tucker will hold a free public event to help landowners learn how to protect their land through a land conservancy or a purchase or transfer of development rights. May, 11, 2010 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Cosby High School Auditorium, 14300 Fox Club Parkway. For more information call The Partnership for Smarter Growth, 644-4774.

Book Signing

A new novel highlights the struggle to save appalachian rivers.

George Ivey, a author of "Up River: A Novel of Attempted Restoration," will participate in a reading and book signing at Books and Co. in Lexington, Virginia, May 11, 2010

To learn more, go online to www.georgeivey.com/upriver

Making Summer Plans?

Interested in a great day camp?

JRA and Maymont team up to introduce campers to the natural side of Richmond. Explore the James River by canoe, fish for aquatic creatures, hike through natural habitats, soak up some of Richmond's unique history, enjoy an overnight adventure on Presquile National Wildlife Refuge and more!

[For more information...](#)

The James River Association is a member supported, nonprofit organization that works to provide a voice for the James River and its natural resources. If you'd like to help us continue our work, please call Sherrie Tribble to find out how you can join or donate at
(804) 788-8811 Ext. 202

If you have any questions/ comments about the James RiverWatch please email awilliams@jrava.org.

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