

# SOUTHERN MARYLAND RC&D

NEWSLETTER

Spring 2013



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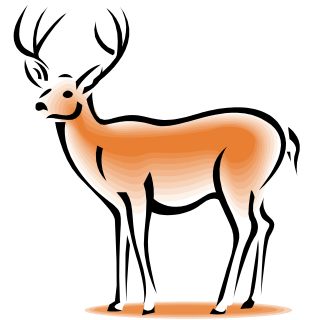
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*All RC&D programs and services are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis, without regard to race, age, marital or familial status, political beliefs or disability.*

## Farmers and Hunters Feeding the Hungry

Using funding from a grant received from the Community Foundation of Southern Maryland, RC&D teamed up with the Southern Maryland Chapter of Farmers and Hunters Feeding the Hungry (FHFH) to meet the needs of our region's underserved populations. FHFH is a non-profit organization that enables hunters and landowners to donate harvested deer by raising funds to process the meat and coordinate its delivery to area food pantries. This grant not only provided high protein meals to hungry people, it also encouraged control of the abundant deer population in Southern Maryland. The over-population of deer in close proximity to the ever increasing human population is resulting in the diminishing of habitat, considerable crop damage on agricultural lands, and dangerous conditions on the roadways.



This past year, the grant funds from the Community Foundation of Southern Maryland were used to process a total of 83 deer at two local establishments; Chuck's Butcher Shop and Rick's Place. Steve White, Coordinator of the Southern Maryland FHFH, provided management for the project, coordinating all activities and tracking the number of deer donated, the cost and place of processing, and the pounds of meat delivered to specific food pantries. It is estimated that 3,922 pounds of meat were donated to area food pantries.

## Welcome New Board Members



# Welcome!

We would like to welcome three new board member to Southern MD RC&D. Jill Lee is a representative of the Calvert County Forestry Board. Danielle Crocker is a Calvert County Student Representative. Charlie Sasscer is a St. Mary's County Student Representative. We look forward to working with them on various projects.



**VOLUNTEER  
BE A MEMBER OF THE RC&D BOARD**

**RC&D Seeks Student  
Members!**

The Southern Maryland RC&D Board has exciting and rewarding opportunities for high school juniors to serve on our Board! We currently have vacancies for Charles and Anne Arundel county representatives. A successful applicant should be a junior and should have project ideas to bring before the board. One student representative will be chosen from each county for this unique position. If you or someone you know would like to serve on our Board, please contact the RC&D office at (301) 475-8427 ext. 6.

**Grant Writing Training**

Grant Writing USA will present a two-day grants workshop in Upper Marlboro MD, April 18-19, 2013. The special tuition rate will be \$395 (regularly \$425) which includes the two-day grants workshop, class workbook and accompanying resource CD that's packed full of tools and more than 200 samples of winning grant proposals. Please use code "Friends" to receive the \$30 discount off full price at registration. Seating is limited and online reservations are necessary. Complete event details including learning objectives, class location, graduate testimonials and online registration is available [here](#).

**Southern Maryland RC&D Announces Mini Grant Funding Opportunities**

The Southern Maryland Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Board has announced that applications for the mini grant program are available. Projects selected for funding will assist RC&D in implementing its Annual Plan and Area Plan which are both focused on community development, land conservation, land management and water management in Charles, Calvert, St. Mary's and Anne Arundel counties. The maximum amount for each mini-grant award is \$500. The Southern Maryland RC&D Board will accept applications at its office in Leonardtown via email, fax or regular mail. The mini grant program will operate

on a rolling basis throughout the fiscal year (July 2011 to June 2012) while funds are available. Applications are due the 1<sup>st</sup> of every month. Visit the website at [www.somdrd.org](http://www.somdrd.org) for more information about RC&D. Call the RC&D office at 301-475-8427 ext. 6 or email [denitra.brawner@somdrd.org](mailto:denitra.brawner@somdrd.org) if you are interested in applying and would like to receive an application.



## Congratulations to Science Fair Winners

Chair Pat Pinnell and Secretary/Treasurer Bruce Young recently judged the St. Mary's County Science Fair and chose the following students to receive awards from Southern MD RC&D:

Senior First Place—Rebecca Wolf—Energy's Future: Is it Underwater

Senior Second Place—Michael Lopez—Hydrokinetic Energy System

Junior First Place—Finnegan O'Neill—Crops and Soils Erosion on a Hill

Junior Second Place—Clayton Crownover—Solar Cude

Board Members Olga Walter and Jill Lee volunteered to judge for RC&D at the Calvert County Science Fair and chose the following students to receive awards from Southern MD RC&D:

Senior First Place—David Alman, Rohan Raman & Sage Muffley—Personal Power: Application of Wind Turbines in Low Energy Situations

Senior Second Place—Kimberly Lopez—Zapped? What are Electronics Doing?

Junior First Place—Liam Dobbins—The Effects of Wind Speed & Turbine Diameter on Power Production

Junior Second Place—Stefan Hernandez—Weather Factors that Cause Fog

Office Associate Denitra Brawner and Gary Jackson volunteered to judge for RC&D at the Anne Arundel County Science Fair and chose the following students to receive awards from Southern MD RC&D:

Senior First Place—Elizabeth Schepens—How Does Your Boat Fuel Affect Our Bay's Plants?

Senior Second Place—Harlee Tripp—Cleansed or Contaminated

Junior First Place—Caitlin Keller—The Heat Is On! The Greenhouse Effect

Junior Second Place—Elizabeth Keller—Do Step Ponds Improve the Environment?

Office Associate Denitra Brawner and Gary Jackson judged the Charles County Science Fair and chose the following students to receive awards from Southern MD RC&D:

Senior First Place—Taylor Stark—Impervious Surfaces

Senior Second Place—Claudia McGuire—The Effectiveness of Different Types of Riprap on Sand Erosion

Junior First Place—Mikie Gonzales—How the pH of soil Affects Water

Junior Second Place—Calla Ziebell—Do Additives Affect Growth?





## Open RC&D Board Positions

Southern Maryland RC&D is currently searching for Board Members to serve our communities. There are a total of seven open positions, with representatives needed for the Charles Forest Conservancy District Board, Charles County Student, County of Anne Arundel and Anne Arundel County Student. Additional Board Appointed positions are also open.

Board Members serve for a period of three years and have numerous opportunities to develop both professionally and personally, working with a talented group of professionals from Southern Maryland's four-county area.

For more information, please contact the RC&D office at (301) 475-8427 ext. 6.

## RC&D Tech Updates

**Donate Now Online!** Southern Maryland RC&D can now receive your tax-deductible donations online securely and easily via PayPal. If you've been considering making your charitable donation to Southern Maryland RC&D, but just haven't had the time to print and mail the donation form, please take advantage of this fast, safe, and easy method of payment online by clicking the Donate button to the right and follow the links from our homepage. Or, for those who prefer traditional mail or would like to make an anonymous donation, the printable donation form is still available online at [www.somdrcd.org](http://www.somdrcd.org) or by contacting our office at (301) 475-8427 ext. 6.



**Publicize Your Event!** Southern Maryland RC&D now has an events calendar on our website featuring activities happening in Southern Maryland. Please visit the calendar often at [www.somdrcd.org/calendar.php](http://www.somdrcd.org/calendar.php) to see what might be happening in your neck of the woods. Or, if you have an event you'd like to add, please let us know by calling (301) 475-8427 ext. 6 or emailing [somdrcd@somdrcd.org](mailto:somdrcd@somdrcd.org)!



What if Southern Maryland RC&D earned a donation every time you searched the Internet? Or how about if a percentage of every purchase you made online went to support our cause? Well, now it can!

[GoodSearch.com](http://www.GoodSearch.com) is a new Yahoo-powered search engine that donates half its advertising revenue, about a penny per search, to the charities its users designate. Use it just as you would any search engine, get quality search results from Yahoo, and watch the donations add up!

GoodShop.com is a new online shopping mall which donates up to 30 percent of each purchase to your favorite cause! Hundreds of great stores including Amazon, Target, Gap, Best Buy, eBay, Macy's and Barnes & Noble have teamed up with GoodShop and every time you place an order, you'll be supporting your favorite cause.

And if you download the GoodSearch – Southern Maryland RC&D toolbar, our cause will earn money every time you shop and search online - even if you forget to go to GoodShop or GoodSearch first! Add the Southern Maryland RC&D toolbar at <http://www.goodsearch.com/toolbar/mode/>

Alternatively, here's the format for a link that will pre-select Southern Maryland RC&D on the GoodSearch homepage: <http://www.goodsearch.com/?charityid=928562>. You can also click the GoodSearch icon below.

As always, Thanks for your continued support!

## 2013 Annual Awards Dinner

The Southern Maryland RC&D Annual Dinner will be held on Thursday, April 11, 2013 at King's Landing Park located at 3255 King's Landing Road Huntingtown, MD 20639 at 6:00pm. If you wish to attend please fill out the registration form below and send it in with payment by March 27th.

### AGENDA

- 6:00 PM** .....**Social Time**
- 6:30 PM** .....**Dinner**
- 7:15 PM** .....**Introduction of Guests and Presentation**
- 8:00 PM**.....**Award Presentations**
- 8:30 PM** .....**Adjourn**

TEAR OFF AND RETURN

### REGISTRATION FORM

Return by March 27, 2013

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

No. Attending \_\_\_\_\_ X \$25.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Buffet includes: Crab Balls, Peeled Shrimp, Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Corn, Green Beans, Rolls, Tea, Coffee and Soda.

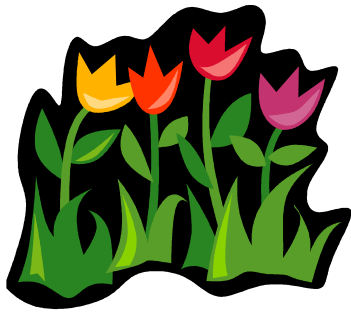
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Please note that there are no refunds after March 27.

## Dates to Remember...

April 11 - Southern Maryland RC&D Annual Dinner, King's Landing Park, Huntingtown, MD

April 21 - Leonardtown Earth Day Celebration

June 13 - Southern Maryland RC&D Quarterly Board Meeting



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