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**PURCELLVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD INTRODUCES
MONTHLY NATURE WALKS**

PURCELLVILLE, Va., January 8, 2018 — The Purcellville Parks and Recreation Advisory Board invites you and your family to join them for their new series of monthly nature walks starting on Sunday, January 28 from 1 to 3 p.m. at. Each of the walks will be led by local experts, usually at the Chapman DeMary Trail—the last stand of old-growth forest in Town and for which the Town of Purcellville holds the conservation easement. The Chapman DeMary Trail is located behind the building at 205 East Hirst Road in Purcellville.

The monthly series will kick off on January 28 with a forest interpretation walk led by the Virginia Department of Forestry. Throughout 2018, the Virginia Department of Forestry will lead four of the 12 walks, one each season. Area Forester, Kyle Dings, will show you what the forest is “doing” each season while sharing information about tree identification, wildlife habitat, ecology, and the watershed. Other local organizations and experts will lead additional walks with topics such as pollinators and monarchs, wildflowers, birds, water quality, and more. These will be held the last Sunday of each month.

Mark your calendar to join us the last Sunday of each month to walk with experts and discover nature’s secrets! Rain or shine. Bring your family. Learn more and RSVP on the Events and Activities page of the Town of Purcellville’s website at www.PurcellvilleVa.gov.

The Town of Purcellville, Virginia

Purcellville is an award-winning town of over 9,000 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 40 miles west of Washington, DC. Having received the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities, Purcellville continues to be honored for its green initiatives with most recently being the Tree City USA recipient for the 10th year. The Town was reaffirmed as a AAA rated community by S&P Global Ratings, the highest credit rating possible, and is recognized as one of the safest towns in Virginia. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, Purcellville has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiques, entertainment, farmer’s markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at www.purcellvilleva.gov.

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