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**EXPLORE POLLINATORS AND THE NATIVE PLANTS THEY NEED DURING THE
MONTHLY NATURE WALK ON SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2019**

PURCELLVILLE, Va. JUNE 21, 2019 — Join the Purcellville Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and the Loudoun Wildlife Conservancy for a free nature walk at the Chapman DeMary Trail on Sunday, June 30 at 1 p.m. This family-friendly walk and exploration, led by Virginia Master Naturalist Bill Cour, will focus on pollinators and the native plants they need to survive. [Register online to attend](#) this walk.

"The Chapman DeMary Trail is an easily accessible trail that is a great escape to nature. Loudoun Wildlife always enjoys sharing our knowledge and connecting people with nature," said Michael Myers, Executive Director of the Loudoun Wildlife Conservancy. The Chapman DeMary Trail is a 10-acre area considered to be the last stand of old-growth forest in the Town of Purcellville. It runs along the South Fork Catocin Creek, part of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed. The area is open to the public for environmental recreation, exploration, and education. The Town of Purcellville holds the conservation easement for this privately-owned property. The entrance and parking for the Chapman DeMary Trail is behind the building at 205 East Hirst Road in Purcellville.

The Discover Nature's Secrets guided nature walks are held the last Sunday of each month. Throughout 2019, walks will be led by experts from The Piedmont Environmental Council, the Virginia Department of Forestry, Loudoun County Tree Stewards, Loudoun Wildlife Conservancy, and a variety of other experts. Topics will include wildlife clues, wildflowers, natural dyes, native plants, pollinators, art and nature, tree identification, and more.

Learn more and register online on the Monthly Nature Walks page in the Events and Activities section of the Town of Purcellville's website at www.PurcellvilleVa.gov.

The Town of Purcellville, Virginia

Purcellville is an award-winning town of over 10,000 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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