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**FREE VIRTUAL WORKSHOP ON JANUARY 21 ABOUT HOW TO PRUNE YOUR TREES
AND HELP KEEP THEM HEALTHY**

Purcellville, VA, January 15, 2021—The Purcellville Tree and Environment Sustainability Committee is pleased to host the second of three virtual workshops about tree care featuring Jordan Herring, Senior Area Forester with the Virginia Department of Forestry. The upcoming virtual workshop will be held Thursday, January 21 at 7 p.m. Pruning trees the right way takes practice, but is critical to help manage their growth and encourage new growth of flowers, fruit, and foliage. Mr. Herring will share tips and best practices about how to prune trees, what time of year to prune based on the species, common myths, and what to avoid. [Register online](#) for this free workshop (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4BAEAC28A4FA7-tree>). When you register, you will receive the information about how to join the virtual workshop.

“We are fortunate to have Mr. Herring share his knowledge and experience with us so we can take better care of the valuable resource we have in our town trees.” said Purcellville Town Council member Joel Grewe, who serves as the Council liaison for the Tree and Environment Sustainability Committee.

The Virginia Department of Forestry protects and develops healthy, sustainable forest resources for Virginians. It protects 15.8 million acres of forest land from fire, insects, and disease, and manages 24 state forest lands totaling 68,626 acres for timber, recreation, water, research, wildlife and biodiversity.

The Town of Purcellville, Virginia

“Purcellville-your small Town, where history and progress intersect and people prosper,” is an award-winning town of over 10,000 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 50 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 13th year. The Town was reaffirmed as a AAA rated community by S&P Global Ratings, the highest credit rating possible, and is ranked “Safest City” in Virginia in 2020. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, which has been converted to a multi-use trail from Alexandria, VA to Purcellville, the Town 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 antiquing, equestrian activities, farmer’s markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at www.purcellvilleva.gov.

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