

Family Stream Day 2013

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Visit their web sites
www.loudounwatershedwatch.org
www.loudounnature.org

Poster, Prose & Photo Contest

Winners announced
at 12:30pm

Thank You!
Loudoun Wildlife Conservancy
for donating the prizes



Loudoun Environmental Stewardship Alliance
& Loudoun Watershed Watch

present an **X-Stream-ly
Awesome**



educational event for all

12th Annual
**FAMILY
STREAM DAY**



October 19, 2013
11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Hosted by **LOUDOUN WATER**
44865 Loudoun Water Way
Ashburn, VA 20147
(off Loudoun County Parkway)



Passbook Owner's Name Here

Station 1: Your Watershed Address

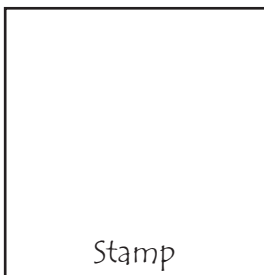
by: Piedmont Environmental Council

www.pecva.org

What is a watershed? Do you know your “watershed address?” Check out the watershed maps of Loudoun County and mark your address with a pin. Local streams carry runoff to the Potomac River and Chesapeake Bay. Discover what you can do to protect Loudoun’s streams. Pick up information on how you can help and get involved!



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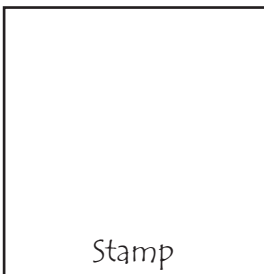
Station 2: People and Wildlife Living in Harmony

by: Loudoun Wildlife Conservancy

www.loudounwildlife.org

See our table display of live critters found in Loudoun streams and ponds. Take a nature trail walk led by experienced Naturalists. Identify plants and animals that live in the area.

Nature walks are 45 minutes long and begin at 11:30am, 12:45pm and 2:00pm.



Station 11: Make Your Mark

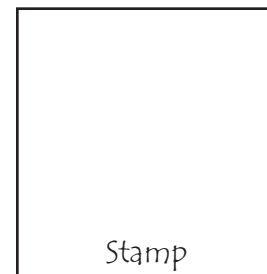
by: Loudoun County, Department of
General Services, Storm Water Management

www.loudoun.gov/stormwater

Find out how you can let your neighbors know where the rain goes and that it's important not to throw or dump anything down the stormdrain. Stormdrains flow to our creeks, streams, rivers and the Chesapeake Bay. The Town of Leesburg and the Loudoun County Dept. of General Services have programs to help you mark stormdrains in your neighborhood with “Don’t Dump, Drains to River” labels.



Come try your hand at the storm drain throw.

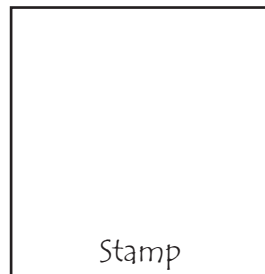


Station 12: Can the Grease

by: Loudoun Water

www.loudounwater.org

Are you Clogging Your Pipes? Sewer overflows and backups are commonly caused by fats, oil and grease (FOG). Grease gets into the sewer from household drains. The grease blocks sewer pipes, causing health hazards and leading to expensive repairs. It also damages the environment. Help keep your pipes and streams clean by creating FOG containers out of ordinary soup cans. Pick up a couple of grease bags to place inside your grease catchers.



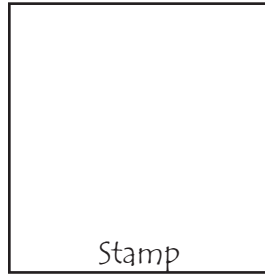
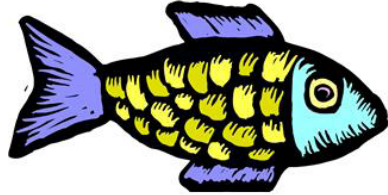
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Station 9: Fish Prints

by: Loudoun County, Department of Building & Development, Water Resources Team

www.loudoun.gov/water

Learn to appreciate the fish that live in our watersheds! Using a model of a fish, use paint to block print fish with different shapes and different scale patterns.

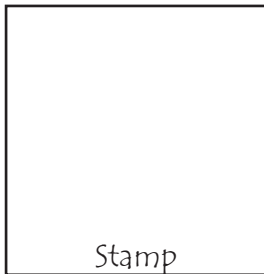


Station 10: Monitor Our Water

by: Loudoun Watershed Watch

www.loudounwatershedwatch.org

Join in the more than 250,000 people in 66 countries who monitor local waterways as part of World Water Monitoring Day. Learn how to conduct a core set of water quality parameters including: temperature, acidity (pH), clarity (turbidity) and dissolved oxygen (DO).



Loudoun Environmental Stewardship Alliance
Visit our table for more information.

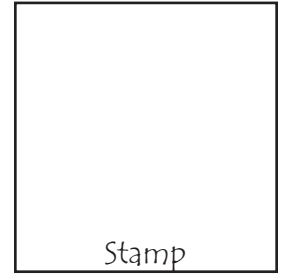
LESA is a voluntary coalition of individuals representing nonprofits, schools, governments and corporations with a common interest in environmental education and stewardship.

Station 3: ecoLogic H2O

by: The Nature Generation

www.NatGen.org

Play a fun game about water and water quality! Answer a variety of questions from The Nature Generation's Education on Energy and the Environment games to learn things such as how plants help water quality, how creatures in a stream can help you determine the health of the waterway, and more!

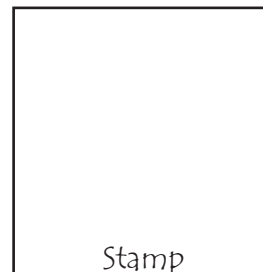


Station 4: Keeping Dirt in its Place

by: Loudoun County, Department of Building and Development, Erosion & Sediment Control Team

www.loudoun.gov/erosion

Sediment is the # 1 pollutant of surface water and greatly affects our water quality. An interactive town and farmland model allows participants to see how disturbances to land, by farming and new construction, cause large amounts of soil to run off into our creeks, rivers and the Chesapeake Bay destroying the fish, native vegetation and quality of the water.

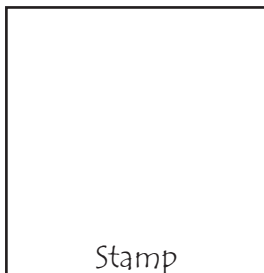


Station 5: Soil Erosion in a Bottle

by: Audubon Naturalist Society - Rust Sanctuary

www.audubonnaturalist.org

In this activity kids will use recycled materials to create their own erosion experiment and learn the concept of erosion caused runoff. We will also observe potential problems caused by water running over pervious and impervious surfaces.



Station 7: Identify A Tree

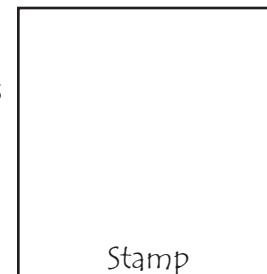
by: Loudoun County Master Gardeners Tree Steward Team

www.loudouncountymastergardeners.org

Maple, Sycamore, Pine, Birch: what do you have in your backyard? Play the tree leaf ID game and see what they tell you. Check out true/false tree facts and get all your tree questions answered. See how trees help produce healthy streams and good water quality by decreasing runoff and increasing stormwater filtration.



Many publications are available on topics such as: How to Plant Trees, Managing Winter Tree Injury, Trees for Wet & Dry Sites, Better Tree Choices for VA Landscapes.



Station 6: Make Your Own Watershed

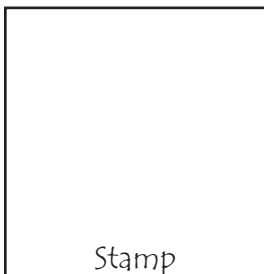
by: Claude Moore Park

www.loudoun.gov/claudemoorespark or 571-258-3700

Watersheds are the lands that collect the water when it rains and then drain into our streams, rivers and bays.

Make your own paper watershed model. Where should we build the schools, homes and stores? Discover how these decisions affect how clean our water can be.

“Riparian Geocache” and find a hidden treasure along the trail celebrating healthy waters and the life they support.



Station 8: How Clean is this Stream?

by: Goose Creek Association

www.goosecreekassn.org

Water that looks clean may actually be polluted. Did you know clean water supports different “bugs” than polluted water does? View our samples of stream water, find the macroinvertebrates that are living in them to determine which water sample is cleaner. Learn what homeowners

can do to protect our streams and rivers.

