## **APRIL 2015 Newsletter**

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# FALLS OF THE JAMES GROUP

New FOJG website!! virginia.sierraclub.org/foj

### Next Meeting--Wed. April 8, 2015, 7:00 Mosquitoes - Life Cycle, Habitat, Threats & Benefits Speaker: Charles "Wes" Robertson



Wes Robertson works for Henrico County's Engineering & Environmental Services Department, in their Standing Water initiative, a program to reduce the possibility of mosquitotransmitted diseases such as West Nile virus, and reduce human discomfort associated with mosquitoes, mainly the Asian Tiger Mosquito. Come learn how this pesky creature can be so intriguing.

image from http://news.vanderbilt.edu

### UR's Big Yard Sale coming in May. Volunteer sign-up form is <u>here</u>.

#### **SPRING EVENTS IN BRIEF**

**Sun., April 5:** Sierra Club booth at the Monument Avenue Easter Parade. Volunteers needed. Contact tamsmith47@gmail.com



It's a win-win-win Big Yard Sale: shoppers get great deals; thousands of items are not sent to the land fill; profits are used for other environmental projects! Don't procrastinate--volunteer now! Times, dates, places, and jobs are explained on the <u>sign-up</u> form. Fill out your work preferences, and hit DONE. Your selections will be sent to FOJG. Wed., April 8 Meeting: Mosquitoes - Life Cycle, Habitat, Threats and Benefits -- Speaker: Charles "Wes" Robertson.

**Sat., April 18:** Sierra Club booth at Earth Day, 11-5 Shockoe Bottom. Volunteers needed. Contact Catherine Welsh welshcm@verizon.net

**Fri.-Sat., May 15-16:** Great Big Yard Sale: University of Richmond. Volunteers needed prior to and during the sale. Put this on your calendar now!

**Wed., May 20:** Volunteer Appreciation Picnic and plant exchange.

Come volunteer: Do something you believe in. Have fun. Meet other committed folks. Learn a lot. Commit only for a limited time. Share your convictions. Know that you make a difference!

Help is needed April 5, 18 and for the Big Yard Sale in May.



#### FOJG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2015

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### Meetings are held at 7:00 pm on the second Wednesday of each month, September-November and January-April at the Jepson Alumni Center, University of Richmond.

#### Directions may be found at the FOJG website:

http://virginia.sierraclub.org/FOJ

All FOJG general membership meetings are free and the public is invited to attend.

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