



## FOJG's Top-Notch Fall Events

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### Meeting October 14: A Triple Feature!

#### 7:00: Promoting Sustainability in Indonesia and Other Third World Countries

by **Marlaine Smith**, Parks Operations Manager, City of Richmond



Marlie Smith will tell of her Indonesian experience examining outdated programs of agriculture and water uses. Learn how some of these programs were turned around by new insights and the discovery of much older, common-sense synergies.

#### ALSO: Update on VA political candidates

#### AND Plant Swap at 6:00 -- before the program:

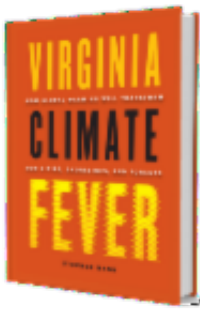
Bring a plant and take a plant. Or bring a bunch, take a bunch. Or just take some plants. What an opportunity for plant-lovers! Meet in the parking lot in front of the Jepson Alumni Center. (Cancelled if raining.)



### November 3: Election Day

The Sierra Club's Virginia Chapter has endorsed a number of candidates for Virginia's House of Delegates and Senate. View the list of the Chapter's [endorsed candidates](#) and information about the [endorsement process](#). See you at the polls!

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**Meeting 7:00, November 11:  
Virginia Climate Fever--How Global Warming Will  
Transform our Cities, Shorelines & Forests**  
by **Steve Nash**, Environmental Research Scholar at  
University of Richmond



**Save Sun. afternoon, November 15:  
Explore Historic NE Richmond by Bicycle**

John Zeugner will repeat his popular ride/tour starting at the Barton Mansion and weaving through Barton Heights, Shockoe Hill Cemetery, Cannon Creek Bikeway, and more. Details in next month's newsletter.



**EFF Contest Entries Being Accepted**

Richmond's Sixth Annual RVA Environmental Film Festival (RVA EFF), to be held the first week in February 2016, has started its planning. The week-long event will showcase films designed to raise awareness of environmental issues relative to all residents of our planet. As part of it, the RVA EFF Committee is pleased to announce that the Sierra Club Falls of the James will once again sponsor the Local Film Contest and finance the contest prizes. This is in addition to the SCFOJ's continued RVA EFF founding sponsorship.

Last year, the second year for the contest, Friends of The Rappahannock won the top \$1,000 prize for their film, 'Rappahannock'. Several runner-up prizes were also awarded.

Virginia filmmakers are encouraged to submit entries. For submission information for the second annual RVA EFF Local Documentary Contest and more information in general on the RVA EFF 2016, please visit:

<http://rvaenvironmentalfilmfestival.com/contest/>



**Tues., December 8: Save the Date!**

**Sierra Club FOJG Holiday Dinner**

7:30 p.m.

at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden.

[GardenFest of Lights](#) included.

Details to follow

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## AMAZING RAISE RESULTS



Many thanks to the 30 donors who contributed over \$5000 to Sierra Club Foundation during this year's Amazing Raise. Funds included a \$500 prize won by Gill Sigmon for his success in a 5K kick-off race.

Pictured supporters are (l to r) Mary Crutchfield, Kendyl Crawford, Eric Vrabel, Andrew Payne, Joe Brancoli, Gill Sigmon, Tamara Smith, Glen Besa, Charles Gerena, and Corina Beall.

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### Calendar of Events: Fall 2015

**Oct. 14 Meeting:** Marlie Smith on Sustainability in 3rd World Countries

**Nov. 3:** Election Day

**Nov. 11 Meeting:** Steve Nash, author of *Virginia Climate Fever*

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**Nov. 15 Bike Ride:** Led by John Zeugner through NE Richmond

**Now through Dec. 10:**  
Environmental Film Festival  
entries accepted

**Dec. 8 Holiday Dinner:** at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden



Sierra Club's Falls of the James Group general membership meetings are free and the public is invited to attend. Meetings are held at 7 pm on the 2nd Wed. of each month, September-November and January-April at the Jepson Alumni Center, University of Richmond.



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