



## **4-H DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL Tuesday, February 7, 2012**

**This year, we will again, be the guest of  
Delegate Rich Anderson!**

### **WHAT:**

Visit the State Capitol in Richmond. Tour the House and Senate floors. Visit with our elected officials and learn about government in action. We will most probably have a special event on the Capitol grounds, but not sure what that will be as yet. Please, rest assured, it will be cool!

Visit Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in Afternoon – There is no charge to visit the general exhibits of this amazing Virginia museum. You may take pictures of general exhibits, but no flash! You may bring a sketch pad (no bigger than 18”x24”) – pencils only. We will have scavenger hunt papers for fun touring the museum. Go to [www.vmfa.state.va.us/](http://www.vmfa.state.va.us/) to get excited about this visit!

**WHO:** 4-H members age 9 and older may attend. Adult volunteers are needed as chaperones. We must have one adult accompanying every five children.

**WHEN:** Tuesday, February 7, 2012.

**TOUR BUS SECURED FOR EVENT!:** Bus will depart from the Cooperative Extension Office in Manassas at 6:00 A.M. We will also make an “eastern end of the county” pick-up at the Cracker Barrel parking lot in Dumfries on Rt. 234 near Rt. 1. We usually arrive around 6:30 AM at the Cracker Barrel stop and return to that stop by 5:30 PM. Bus returns at approximately 6:00 PM in Manassas. Times sometimes fluctuate a bit so stay close to your cell phone that day for slight changes. We have bus space for 44 persons. Non-4-Hers may attend this trip if space on bus is available. Register quickly because bus may fill quickly. Driving yourself is an option.

**COST:** \$30.00 per person. This covers bus transportation, and there is no charge for museum entry. The cost of the bus has risen again (cost of bus is \$1,090.00). We must fill the bus to come even close to breaking even, so please consider joining us. It is good to be together!

**SNACKS & LUNCH:** Please bring your own snacks and a bag lunch to eat on the bus before we go to the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. The bus company asks we bring food, which is not sticky and drinks with screw-on tops. There can be no gum chewing on the bus.

**REGISTER:** Registration Deadline is January 31, 2012. Registrations will be accepted by mail or in person. Note: The bus fills quickly! Make check payable to “Prince William 4-H”. Everyone who registers must submit a health information form. For more information, contact Linda King [llking@pwcgov.org](mailto:llking@pwcgov.org) or 703-792-4761 or MaryBeth Lerch [mberch@pwcgov.org](mailto:mberch@pwcgov.org) or 703-792-4536

**To Obtain a Letter for an Excused Absence:**

If requested, we will provide a letter to school principals detailing the educational nature of this activity and request an excused absence for students. The decision to grant an excused absence is the responsibility of the principal, not the 4-H program. Please provide the name and address or e-mail address of the school principal by January 21<sup>st</sup>, so we may issue a letter. Contact Linda King for this at lking@pwcgov.org.

**Dress for the Event**

Please dress appropriately for the occasion. Skirts, dresses or slacks are appropriate for girls, and a shirt and pants (a tie would be nice) for boys. No jeans or sweats. Wear comfortable shoes – we will do a lot of walking! Remember, you will be meeting adults in a working environment. Dress to present yourself well.

**Security Checks at the Capitol**

Due to more extensive security checks at the Capitol, children and adults are asked to leave all bags and backpacks on the bus.

**Tentative Schedule for the Day**

6:15 am	Leave Manassas Extension Office
6:45 am	Pick up at Cracker Barrel, Dumfries
9:00 am	Arrive in Richmond
9:30 am	Meet the legislators
10:30 am	Tour the Senate and House floors
11:30 am	Tour Capitol Grounds and Surrounding Areas (Not sure of particulars as yet)
12:30 pm	Lunch
12:45 pm	Drive to Virginia Museum of Fine Arts
1:30pm	Arrive Virginia Musuem of Fine Arts
3:30 pm	Depart for home!
5:30 pm	Approximate arrival time at Cracker Barrel, Dumfries
6:00 pm	Approximate arrival time at Extension Office

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**2012 4-H State Capital Day Registration Form**

(Forms may be returned by e-mail to lking@pwcgov.org with payment to follow by mail)

Please keep the top of this page for your own information.

Submit bottom portion by January 31<sup>st</sup> with payment .

Field Trip Fee: \$30.00 per person, make checks payable to “Prince William 4-H” (includes bus and movie on bus) This year, please bring your own snacks!

Name: Child/Children \_\_\_\_\_ Age(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Chaperone (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club \_\_\_\_\_ Leader \_\_\_\_\_

If taking the bus, you will board the bus in (circle one):    Manassas                  Cracker Barrel, Dumfries

Mail your registration to: Prince William 4-H, 8033 Ashton Avenue, Suite 105, Manassas, VA 20109, Attention: 4-H State Capital Day