

James RiverWatch



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James River
Association
Website

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JRA:

Only through the strong support of our members can JRA continue its efforts to protect and restore the James River for current and future generations to enjoy.

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Visit JRA's [Website](#) to find out about Volunteer Opportunities

Search

Use [GoodSearch.com](#) as your search engine with JRA listed as your charity and earn money for JRA while searching the Web!

Drink

When you buy Ukrop's Super Markets bottled spring water,

1st Annual Runoff Rundown

On Saturday, July 12, 2008, the James River Association (JRA) will host the first annual Runoff Rundown - a one-day event celebrating America's Founding River. The goal is for teams and individuals to collectively travel the entire 340 miles of the River, from the headwaters at Iron Gate to the mouth at the Chesapeake Bay. Through our combined efforts, participants and supporters will celebrate the heritage of the James River, increase awareness of the JRA, support efforts to improve water quality and use the River for recreational enjoyment. For more information visit the Runoff Rundown's website - www.runoffrundown.org.

The Runoff Rundown regional gathering will be held at the BlackFinn Restaurant in Richmond from 4-6 p.m. on Saturday, July 12. Parking is available adjacent to the restaurant for \$3 an hour, or there is surrounding street parking. The BlackFinn is generously donating appetizers and will offer drink specials. <http://www.blackfinnrichmond.com/>

JRA's Nature & Child Reunion Program



In April, JRA's Nature & Child Reunion started off with especially warm weather. The Reunion is a program that reunites children with the outdoors through a weekend camping

experience on Presquile National Wildlife Refuge. Throughout the weekend, middle school kids from the Boys & Girls Club

JRA receives part of the proceeds.

Join

Keep your membership up to date and encourage your friends to join. Check out our [website](#) for membership information!

Donate

We accept donations of Gifts of Stock, bonds and other investments. You can also donate through the [Donate Now](#) Link on our [Website](#).

To keep up with important events visit our [Calendar of Events](#) on our [Website](#)

West End and Hopewell, participated in activities such as team building, fishing, hiking, outdoor cooking and learning about James River ecosystems. Although the trip was interrupted - with a nice dose of showers - spirits weren't dampened too terribly. We are looking forward to the rest of a great season!

18th Annual Westover Lawn Party

JRA's 18th Annual Westover Lawn Party took place on Saturday June 7, 2008. The Westover Lawn Party is held each year at Westover in Charles City and is JRA's primary fundraiser. Hundreds of attendees braved the heat and helped us enjoy this fun filled event with music, a live auction, a silent auction, a great seafood bar and a variety of children's activities. Thanks to all of our volunteers and guests for making this our most successful event to date!



Extreme Stream Makeover: Horsepen Branch Public Meeting

The next Extreme Stream Makeover meeting is Wednesday, July 9, at 7 p.m. at Christ United Methodist Church. The meeting location is at 6818 West Grace Street (not far from Glenside Drive in the West End). To register or for more information, please send an email with your name and phone number to volunteer@jrava.org, or you can contact Michelle Kokolis at (804)788-8811 ext. 204.

The James River Association is a member supported, nonprofit organization that works to provide a voice for the James River and its natural resources. If you'd like to help us continue our work, please call us to find out how you can join or donate at

(804) 788-8811 Ext. 202

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