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## James RiverWatch



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### Wild Game Tasting and Upland Dog Training Seminar

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A Wild Game Tasting and Upland Dog Training Seminar will be held March 26 and 27, 2011 to raise funds for habitat restoration along the James River. The James River Ruffed Grouse Chapter and JRA are hosting this event at Sabot Hill Farm in Goochland. More details [here](#).

### Green Homes Makeover Update

On March 12<sup>th</sup>, a beautiful spring day, volunteers and JRA staff converged on the Midlothian home of the Green Home Makeover Essay Contest winner to plant 161 plants, including native shrubs, grasses, and perennials. Work included planting a rain garden, installing raised bed planters for vegetables, spreading mulch for a future playground area and planting smaller rain gardens located at two downspouts.



A native foundation planting was also installed near the permeable paver patio, which was installed this past fall as part of the Green Home Makeover. The 15 volunteers included Virginia Master Naturalists from the Pocahontas Chapter, several community members, and the Farsin family including their son, Ruhan, who wrote the winning essay.

members can JRA continue its efforts to protect and restore the James River for current and future generations to enjoy.

JRA would like to thank the local partners that participated in the project including Dominion, BioForm Landscape Architecture & Environmental Design, Eagle Bay, Pete Rose Inc., Rock Creek Innovations and Shade & Wise.

[For more information on the Green Home Makeover visit our website. >>](#)

### Volunteer

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## James River Ecology School



Seeking to give school children life-long memories and lessons about the James River - *and get their feet wet* - the James River Association plans to construct an education facility in partnership with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at Presquile National Wildlife Refuge, a 1,329-acre, uninhabited island in the James River between Richmond and Hopewell.

Read the press release. [>>](#)

Learn more about this exciting new education opportunity. [>>](#)

## Wildlife of the James

Learn about the Spring Peeper in this month's "Wildlife of the James" feature [>>](#).



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