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Chesapeake Forest Champions Honored for Efforts to Conserve Trees

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Conserving forests is critical to clean water, and honoring the champions of these vital habitats is central to the work of the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay. At its ninth annual Chesapeake Watershed Forum, the non-profit organization, with support from the U.S. Forest Service, recognized four Chesapeake Forest Champions: a public charity that demonstrates sustainable forest management to children and adults, a partnership that promotes volunteerism in planting urban trees, a private forest owner who engages women in working wooded lands and the founding director of Maryland's largest environmental center.

Across the watershed, [forests](#) are disappearing at an average rate of 100 acres per day. This can mean fewer habitats for wildlife and more pollution flowing into rivers and streams. But the examples set by Chesapeake Forest Champions act as reminders of the local action that can



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restore the region's resources.



The [Evergreen Heritage Center](#) was named Most Effective at Engaging the Public. The public charity was founded in 2008 and sits on a 130-acre Maryland estate that pre-dates the Revolutionary War. Its 108 acres of forestland have been managed under state guidelines for 65 years, and in 2000 earned the title Tree Farm of the Year. Dedicated to education, the organization offers field studies to students, professional development courses to teachers and conservation workshops to the general public. Its [outdoor learning stations](#) explore forest ecology, soil and water conservation, and climate change, while its heritage [hoop house](#) and [sawmill](#) demonstrate the art of forestry from start to finish and meet demand for local wood products.



Ready, Set, Go!
Are You Ready To Start A Business?

This workshop is specifically designed for small businesses in the planning phase of building a company. You will learn the "nuts & bolts" of becoming an entrepreneur! Additional information is shared with the participant on the SBDC, its' services, what one can

expect when entering the business world, the business plan, finance management, funding sources, marketing...a guide to beginning a successful future in a business world.

November 10, 2014
27 S. Water Street, Community Center
Frostburg, MD 21532
10:00 am - 11:30 am

Free of Charge!
Register by clicking [here](#)

For more information, call 888.237.9007, ext. 2



TAM's 2014 Annual Conference & Tradeshow

The [Transportation Association of Maryland](#) announces its 26th Annual Conference & Tradeshow, "Powered by the Stars" at Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay Golf Resort, Bay & Marina in Cambridge, Maryland, December 2-5, 2014.

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