

**Historic Rivers Chapter – VMN
General Membership Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2012**

The January General Membership Meeting of the Historic Rivers Chapter of the Virginia Master Naturalists was held in the Human Services Building, Multipurpose Room, 5249 Olde Towne Road, Williamsburg, VA. The meeting began at 6 p.m.

Program: The movie, "Bugs of the Underworld" showed extraordinary underwater footage following the life cycles of mayflies, stoneflies, caddisflies and other amazing bugs! The video by Ralph and Lisa Cutter won the Telly Silver Award for cinematography at the International Wildlife Film Festival.

General Membership Meeting:

-2012 Board Election. Contact Shirley Devan if you are interested in serving on the board. The nominating committee will be meeting in February and the election of the new board members will be held at the March General Membership Meeting.

-2011 Historic Rivers Chapter Annual Report. Many thanks to Shirley Devan and the team for developing the exceptional year-end report. Congratulations to all the members who worked the countless hours this year to ensure the continued success of our projects and programs.

-Service Hours. Effective January 1, 2012, members may now count their travel time for service projects as part of their certification and milestone service hours. Please use the new code, **A - Travel Time for Volunteer Service Projects Only**.

-Membership Dues for 2012. Membership dues of \$25.00 are now due for the 2012 year. Exception: Cohort VI's 2012 membership dues were included in their training fees.

-Volunteer Service Projects. Check the website and calendar for recurring and upcoming activities.

--Friday Frolics at York River State Park has resumed from 1-3 p.m.

--Bluebird Box monitoring will be starting in the Spring. Contact Sara Lewis if you are interested in participating.

-Advanced Training. Check the website and calendar for upcoming training opportunities.

-Field Trips.

--VA mountain geology weekend trip is being planned for the last weekend of April 2012.

Respectfully submitted:

Patty Maloney, Co-Secretary