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April Featured Member

Our Featured Member of the Month is Business Gold member [Rappahannock Electric Cooperative \(REC\)](#). From smartphones, to smart televisions, to the now completely smart home – technology is advancing the way households live and the way they consume electricity. REC focuses on helping member-owners make smart, energy-efficient decisions every day.



Updates and Upcoming Events



VIRGINIA ENERGY EFFICIENCY COUNCIL
Spring 2019 Forum
Register Today!

May 9th, 1-5 pm

Richmond, VA

Don't miss out on the opportunity to shape the future of the VAEEC at the Spring 2019 Forum. The Forum is on **May 9th** from **1:00-5:00 PM** at the University of Richmond Jepson Alumni Center. Admission is **free** for members and \$25 for non-members.

Registration closes April 30th, so don't miss out. Check out our [events](#) page and [blog post](#) for more details, and we look forward to hearing your ideas and successes on May 9th!

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Spring 2019 Forum Agenda

12:30 - 1:00 pm

Registration & Networking

1:00 - 1:30 pm

Updates & Business Meeting

1:30 - 2:00 pm

Membership Spotlight

2:05 - 3:05 pm

Breakout Session

Blending Technologies to Maximize Building Efficiency

Rodes Boyd (Siemens), Nick Lange (VEIC),
Eric Oliver (2RW Consultants),
moderator: George Barnes (Trane)

Working Together to Increase Efficiency

Nell Boyle (Roanoke), John Morrill
(Arlington), Chris Smeets (Univ. of Virginia),
moderator: Bill Eger (Alexandria)

3:10 - 3:35 pm

Snack Break & Networking

3:40 - 4:50 pm

Interactive Session

Shaping VAEEC's Work

Collaborate with attendees, Board members, and staff to
influence the organization's strategic plan for the next three years

4:50 - 5:00 pm

Closing Remarks & Networking

Thursday, May 9th, 1:00 - 5:00 pm
University of Richmond Jepson Alumni Center
Richmond, VA



Member Spotlight

Share your success at the Spring Forum! We invite all current VAEEC members to speak - for up to one minute - about your accomplishments over the past year. Email info@vaeec.org by **May 7th** to secure your spot.

We also encourage all members to display any marketing materials on our Member Networking table, which will be located next to registration.

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VAEEC Member **Viridian** is hosting the first-ever Party for the Planet on **Saturday, April 27th**, from **11 AM to 3 PM** at the Historic Tredegar site. The event includes local music, arts and crafts, the Richmond Earth Day 5K *Race Without a Trace* along the James River, and exhibits and activities for both children and adults emphasizing sustainability, health and the environment. Admission is free and well-behaved, leashed dogs are also welcome. More details on the festival and 5K at www.partyfortheplanetva.com.

Also slated: "Building Sustainability Conference and Awards" on Thursday, April 25th. Conference tickets are \$45 and available at www.viridian.org.

And on Friday, April 26th, Viridian will conduct a free Building Sustainability Tour from noon to 3 PM with stops at an EarthCraft-certified single-family home and multifamily Virginia Supportive Housing project, as well as the LEED-certified Institute for Contemporary Arts at VCU.

VAEEC Member **Henrico County** will celebrate Earth Day on **Monday, April 22nd** from **3 to 5 PM** with a free Energy Fair at the Eastern Henrico Recreation Center, 1440 N. Laburnum Avenue. The event will provide information on energy and sustainability resources in central Virginia. Refreshments will be available, and free portable power banks for the first 100 attendees. [Drive Electric RVA](#) is co-locating their Earth Day event and will have a variety of electric vehicle models on display including the Tesla Model 3, BMW i3, Chevy Bolt, and the rare Hyundai Kona, among others. Some car owners may offer test rides, and also a local Nissan dealership will be on site offering test drives of a 2018 Leaf.



Almost 30 vendors will be on hand to highlight sustainability, green building, energy efficiency, LED lighting, solar power and recycling. Tech for Troops will collect used electronics, such as mobile phones, tablets, laptops and flat screen monitors, in any condition for refurbishment and donation to veterans. Soles4Souls will collect used shoes and clothing in any condition for donation to those in need. View their [event page](#) for more details!

Do you have a success story or upcoming event to share? Send it to info@vaeec.org to be featured!

Join Our Team

The Virginia Energy Efficiency Council is seeking a proactive, detail oriented multi-tasker for a six-to-nine month [Communications Assistant](#) opportunity. This is a part-time position with flexible hours. The assistant will work directly with staff to support the organization's communication and marketing needs, primarily via the creation of email campaigns, blog posts, e-newsletters, and social media content. A bachelor's degree or higher is required, and the ideal candidate is someone who can support the team from day one.



To apply, please send a resume, cover letter, and one page explanation of what energy efficiency means to you to info@vaeec.org. Know someone who would be a good fit? Feel free to spread the word!

Blog Posts and News



Recap of the Dominion DSM Hearing Before the SCC

The Dominion DSM case was held Wednesday, March 20th before the three Commissioners of the State Corporation Commission (SCC). This was the first case being heard by the new Commissioner, Judge Patricia West. As we explained in our prior [blog post](#), Dominion proposed 11 total DSM programs. The future looks bright for energy efficiency, as the SCC staff and Attorney General's office were "unopposed" to seven programs and had "remaining concerns" about the other four.

[Read More](#)



Virginia Ranks 10th in Clean Energy Hiring

Virginia ranked 10th in the nation in overall clean energy hiring, according to a new [Clean Energy Jobs](#) report published by the Energy Entrepreneurs (E2). With 42% of all energy jobs and 24% of construction jobs in energy efficiency, Virginia is among the leading states that are creating more opportunities for energy efficiency nationwide. Clean energy jobs have also outperformed the economy as a whole for the last four years, which is great news for our industry!

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New Members

The VAEEC Board and staff would like to welcome our newest members!



Renewing Members

Our work would not be successful without the continued support from our members!



News and Resources

[Albermarle Supervisors Get Update on Climate Plan \(Daily Progress\)](#)
[City of Fredricksburg Saves \\$1.8M by Going Green \(Free Lance Star\)](#)
[116th Congress Climate Debate Leaves Opening for Energy Efficiency \(ASE\)](#)

