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CFPA Shines a Spotlight on the Importance of Forestry

What happens when a group of dedicated educators walk into the woods in the middle of summer with CFPA? They come out better informed about sustainable forestry practices in Connecticut. They get inspired to join us in teaching about the value of woodlands to their K-12 students and they become better connected to Connecticut's land.

This August, CFPA's CT Project Learning Tree program* facilitated an exciting, forestry-based summer institute of learning for professional educators. Our Connecticut Forest Teachers' Tour was a full day of fun and learning in celebration of the United Nation's International Year of Forests. The Year of Forests promotes broader understanding of forest benefits to people, builds support for local forests, and supports sustainable forest management and conservation for the benefit of current and future generations.

Forests are an important teaching tool, and this specialized tour in Connecticut's Quiet Corner provided educators with an array of information and ideas. Our day began with a presentation at the Yale-Myers Forest (YMF), which showcased the entwined role that planning, management, and business have in forest conservation efforts. Our group enjoyed

a guided hike on the trails to learn about the history of land use in that area and land management for wildlife at YMF.

We next enjoyed a stop at another YMF location to watch an active timber harvest. We got to speak to the contractors harvesting the trees and learned how the trees were arranged for certain products and destinations. We were incredulous as we watched the harvesting machine pick up a tree as if it were a toothpick, place it on the ground, slice it and move on to the next tree. The amount of concentration, knowledge, and skill of the operator was intense and our group was thankful for the operator taking his time to chat with us and show us his machine at work.

Lunch was on the road in the vanpool with lots of chatting and interest in all that had been seen during the morning field trips. Next we had a fabulous, two-hour guided tour of Hull Forest Products. We learned how nearly all of

a tree is utilized at Hull for a variety of purposes: from wood flooring, to lumber, to sawdust for generating their own energy. Our group of educators enjoyed watching the heavy machinery and skilled workforce organize the harvested trees, strip the bark, turn the circular logs into rectangular planks, and much more. It was an eye-opening experience and an excellent lesson in sustainable forestry business. One teacher is planning to bring her afterschool group to Hull for

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**CT Project Learning Tree is sponsored by CFPA and the CT DEEP (Department of Energy & Environmental Protection).*



Connecticut Educators learn about sustainable forestry practices to teach students K-12 the value of woodlands. Photo: Andrew Breck

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From the Executive Director's Desk

One Percent for Connecticut

At times, I wish we could just bask in the afterglow of the tremendous legislative successes achieved in 2011:

- Securing Recreational Liability protection for municipalities on their recreational lands;
- Protecting 14,000 acres of 10 Mill forest conservation lands by making the transition into the second 50 years of the program easier for landowners;
- Establishing a Timber Harvest Revolving Fund that will allow DEEP forestry to recoup up to \$100,000 in harvest revenues to benefit forest management planning and implementation; and
- Continuing the Community Investment Act funding, which benefits historic preservation, open space, farmland preservation, and low-income housing priorities statewide.

We could not have accomplished these victories alone, and for these landmark successes we thank you as a CFPA supporter as well as the many individuals, conservation partners, and legislators who did yeomen's work on behalf of these conservation priorities.

Despite these successes, we are facing a fundamental problem in Connecticut that we must address. We are not investing in the programs essential to protect our air, water, forests, farms, wildlife, and other resources. In fact, recent reductions (which could have been worse without an agreement reached between the Governor and state employees unions), and expected further attrition has left the staff and funding for our natural resource protection agencies at historically low levels. Funding for conservation has barely kept pace with inflation for three decades, and now it has taken a step backward.

The federal funding picture may be even worse. Essential conservation programs that benefit Connecticut such as the Land and Water Conservation Fund, the Recreational Trails Program, Farm Bill conservation programs, and others have become partisan piñatas that are taking a beating in Washington.

We must do something here, now and together to start turning this tide!

We are asking our Congressional representatives in Washington to hold the line on these important programs, and in Connecticut we are asking that at least one penny out of every dollar in the Connecticut budget go toward protecting our water, air, wildlife, and land. Today, depending upon which programs are included in the calculations, the share of the state budget dedicated to protecting the environment is somewhere between 0.4% and 0.9%. Getting to 1% should not be so difficult.

Think about if you were asked the following question: "If you had one dollar to spend on various priorities to benefit Connecticut, how much would you pay to protect your clean water, air, wildlife, recreation, etc.?" Don't you think people would pay at least one penny for the foundation of a good, healthy life? Please help us as we look forward to 2012 by asking your legislators to support at least 1% for conservation.

Together, we can make a difference.

2011 Annual Fund

Will you leave Connecticut's forests, parks, and trails better than you found them?

At the Connecticut Forest & Park Association, we are motivated by this question every day. We benefit greatly from the work of our forebears. For over 100 years, CFPA members crafted and ushered into law measures that preserved many of the parks and forests we love, protected important open spaces, and created many hundreds of miles of trails that we maintain today for the benefit of all.

Sadly, a century's worth of conservation triumphs are now in peril due to state and federal budget crises. We must do more together to preserve the natural capital that has been built up over generations and now is in danger of being lost. We ask for your financial investment in this effort.

The Annual Fund is a source we depend upon. The needs loom large . . . the work is vital . . . but the rewards to all who love Connecticut's land, water, wildlife, and trails are incalculable. Take action to leave Connecticut better than you found it. Please be generous and support CFPA's Annual Fund today.

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their open house this fall.

Late in the afternoon, the educators visited Town Line Tree Farm, a private tree farm owned and managed by CFPA's forester Steve Broderick. We were in good hands with Steve as we hiked the wooded paths and learned about maple sugaring and managing a forest for wildlife. Viewing a small clear-cut, which is managed as a breeding site for the American woodcock, grabbed our attention. The woodcock is a small, plump woodland bird which needs shrubby areas alongside forested clearings and meadows for the males to sing and attract a mate as well as for the females to raise their young in a sheltered space.

Leaving Steve's tree farm was hard as we enjoyed his stories and knowledge. But another guided hike awaited the group in Hampton at the Goodwin Forest Conservation Education Center. There we enjoyed learning about the public/private partnership CFPA maintains with the CT DEEP in educating landowners, foresters, the public, and others about forest conservation and connecting people to the land.

Our tired, but enthusiastic group

enjoyed al fresco dining at the pavilion on the grounds of the Goodwin Center. The conversation was animated and full of sharing of ideas and reflection upon the day—not surprising for teachers. The group ended up staying until summer's sundown, such was their excitement. They left feeling charged about sustainable forestry in Connecticut and yearning to teach their students how to learn about our local lands. To view photos from the day's activities, visit CFPA's website. To support this and other CFPA programs, please consider giving to the 2011 Annual Fund (see above).

A New Walkable Hartford is on the Horizon

A dramatic vision for making downtown Hartford more walkable—including extending Bushnell Park to Main Street and creating gardens and restaurants in the space—is currently moving from concept to reality. This is not an idea that is just "nice" for the city to do; it is one that will result in economic growth. Studies reviewed by CFPA's WalkCT program have shown that people on foot spend up to 50 percent more than those using other modes of transportation. In

addition, vibrant streets with consistent pedestrian traffic may also help to reduce crime rates.

The Hartford project, known as iQuilt, has been in the works for four years and its rough form has been public since 2009. Details such as a redesigned Gold Street and Travelers Plaza, with an ice skating rink outside the iconic office tower, would be part of a continuous walkway connecting the Connecticut River with the state Capitol. Gold Street would be relocated and, in its place, public gardens would be planted. In addition, greenhouses—not just for growing plants, but to house restaurants and perhaps a banquet hall—would be built.

Hartford already has a variety of parks and greenways that can be incorporated into the project. A green corridor from Bushnell Park to the Riverfront can serve as a magnet for pedestrian visitors, and may eventually connect to other trails and open spaces in the city. This concept has proven successful in cities from San Antonio and Austin, Texas to New York City. In Connecticut, Waterbury, Norwalk, and Stamford are also working to put more people on two feet rather than four wheels. Change doesn't happen overnight, but it is coming.

Education Exchange

CFPA Launches Training Program for Volunteers

In many ways, CFPA is a volunteer organization. We rely on volunteers to steer our Board of Directors and various working committees, lead WalkCT Family Rambles, maintain the Blue-Blazed Hiking Trails, help care for the lands CFPA conserves, assist with mailings, talk to the public during fairs and outreach events...the list goes on. What CFPA hasn't had is a comprehensive orienta-

tion for all of its volunteers who give so generously of their time.

That's why on Saturday, October 1st we launched our inaugural CFPA Volunteer Orientation Training. The 2-hour morning session was designed to orient new volunteers and integrate current volunteers to CFPA's mission of conserving and connecting people to the land while showcasing the many benefits of volunteering for the Association. The event began with an overview of CFPA's history and programs. The participants

discovered ways to engage youth and families, and opportunities to enhance and restore Connecticut's outdoor recreational spaces.

Team-building exercises and hands-on activities were also key components of the session. The camaraderie among our hard-working and caring volunteers was apparent as individuals came together to form a cohesive team and learn more about the myriad programs and opportunities found at CFPA. After the general orientation, many volunteers continued their learning experience by staying for the WalkCT Family Guide Leadership Training in the early afternoon. If you missed these training opportunities, there will be another round of sessions in April. Details will be posted online at www.ctwoodlands.org in the spring.

Two Trained PLT Educators Named Teachers of the Year

CFPA is proud to announce that two CT PLT-trained educators were named Teacher of the Year for their school or district. We congratulate them both on their recognition and for the difference they make in the lives of their students.

CT Project Learning Tree (PLT) is a curriculum-based program that helps teachers and other educators teach their students how to think, not what to think, about the environment. Throughout the calendar year, CFPA leads hands-on professional development workshops to put these resources into the hands of educators. These educators take the lessons learned back to their school and implement them as part of their curriculum or afterschool program.

Lynn Kochiss, Woodside Intermediate School's Teacher of the Year (2011-2012), is a third grade teacher in Cromwell recognized for her dedication both inside her classroom and for her afterschool program. She seamlessly incorporates science into many disciplines and leads her school's Earth Club. We are lucky to have Lynn as one of our active WalkCT

Finding Flat Stanley* on the NET

I am one semester away from completion of a Master of Science in Park and Resource Management at Slippery Rock University. Having spent the last 7 years as a nurse, I have been taking advantage of the opportunity to pursue my other passion in life: the outdoors. When CFPA offered me an internship position earlier this year, I jumped at the chance. I struggled with the idea of working full-time, taking nine course credits, and doing an internship, but with my passion in hand I managed to pull it off.

In January 2011, I began working on the creation of Flat Stanley's CT Outdoor Adventure, a WalkCT Family Ramble series designed to get children outdoors exploring the New England Trail (NET) and expanding their curiosity of the environment. On these monthly rambles, children and their caregivers go on scavenger hunts, following clues to find the hidden Flat Stanley letterbox. I spent the winter scouting for family-friendly trail locations. My first hike was held in March with just one family joining me at Millers Pond State Park. More people participated as word about the outings spread. My greatest success was in June when over 20 people enjoyed the adventure.

It was rewarding seeing families explore the outdoors together, children proudly showing their discoveries, and their parents turning to me to find out what it was they had found. I realized it is okay not to have all of the answers, that allowing children to explore and inquire was a learning experience in itself.

This internship has been wonderfully inspiring. It has allowed me to pursue my passion for the environment and discover the nonprofit world. Spending time with CFPA staff and volunteers opened my mind to a new field. Every person I met was welcoming, passionate about their work, and taught me something new. They have inspired me to continue my work with the organization after my internship and graduation.

—Erin Lewis, CFPA Education and Trail Intern 2011



Erin Lewis leads a Flat Stanley's CT Outdoor Adventure. Photo: Ramble participant

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Family Guides as well as have her input to the Connecticut Environmental Literacy Plan steering committee. Lynn received training from CFPA on how to facilitate PLT to other educators and recently led a professional development workshop, which focused on curriculum-centered activities for early childhood special education teachers and their students. Lynn's passion for teaching and learning reaches both students and teachers as well as their families.

Carol A. May, ACES* Teacher of the Year (2011-2012), has been a powerful, high-energy educator for the past 31 years. Many years were spent teaching elementary students. With the desire to have a greater impact on more students and a growing passion for where technology could lead students, Carol became the technology integration teacher at ACES/Wintergreen Interdistrict Magnet School in Hamden. Carol has helped to write and implement two federally funded grants for Wintergreen. The most recent Green, Green Wintergreen, was recognized by the National Coalition for Technology and Education. The profile report was delivered to Congress in 2011 and was hailed as one of the top ten technology integration projects in the United States. It was through this grant

that Carol brought CT PLT to ACES and her school.

Carol and Lynn's enthusiasm for teaching and connecting with others is contagious and we congratulate both educators on their awards.

**Area Cooperative Educational Services (ACES) serves the 25 school districts in south central Connecticut.*

Goodwin's Legacy Lives on in a New Educational Display

As many members know, CFPA has partnered with the CT DEEP since 2008 to direct educational programs at the Goodwin Forest Conservation Education Center in Hampton. Formerly known as Pine Acres Farm, the Center and adjoining State Forest have been the site of pioneering forest and wildlife management for nearly a century. It was created by James L. Goodwin, one of Connecticut's first "homegrown" professional foresters (Yale, 1910), who practiced and furthered the science of forestry for 50 years before gifting the entire property to the state in 1964. Since that time, the Center has worked to carry out his vision by demonstrating and teaching about sound forest and wildlife conservation.

This nationally significant history

and heritage is preserved through a rich collection of historic photos, films, news clippings, forestry maps, and management records. Until now, however, this collection has been stored away and unavailable to the public.

Thankfully, that's all changed. At the close of summer the finishing touches were put on a new, educational, museum-style display in the Center's main building. Funded in part by a grant from The Last Green Valley, this permanent display tells the story of Pine Acres Farm/Goodwin Forest from birth to the present, and the important role that the Goodwin Center and Forest continue to play in the advancement of forest stewardship. The display includes historic photos depicting forest management operations, the farm sawmill, educational programs dating to 1928, 1938 hurricane damage, the role of fire on the landscape, and current educational and forest management activities. Forest cover maps dating to 1928 are also on display, along with a collection of digitized historic films dating to the early 1930s. All are welcome to stop by and take step back in time. The Center is staffed part-time and generally open Tuesday through Friday mornings or by appointment. Come on up and see us!

Give the Gift of the Great Outdoors!

In addition to supporting trails and Connecticut's conservation legacy, CFPA membership benefits include:

- Subscriptions to *Connecticut Woodlands* (magazine) and *CFPA News & Notes* (newsletter), and a copy of the annual Connecticut Trails Day booklet
- Invitations to special meetings, educational programs, and workshops
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Trail Mix

Take Note of the New Kiosks and Signs at Trailheads

CFPA's Marketing Director and Sign Committee Chairman, Marty Gosselin, has been busy making signs for the Blue-Blazed Trails. In an effort to raise better awareness for our trail system and to provide hikers with more trail information, we have launched a signing campaign. New kiosks have been installed at Mt. Higby and Tynan Park in Middletown, as well as at the Cockaponset State Forest parking area on Route 80 in Guilford.

Routed trail signs are also being installed, thanks in large part to the donation of a CarveWright router by Arnold Carlson (see page 7). New signs are going up all the time on Blue-Blazed Trails across the state. If you have recently been to a trailhead that would benefit from a trail sign, let us know!



The new Peg Mill Backpacking Shelter on the Narragansett Trail. Photo: Bob Andrews

a longtime CFPA volunteer from Preston, made it his mission to rebuild and upgrade the shelter to not only be more spacious but to also include a new roof and elevated floor made with materials that will ensure a long life.

Many contributed to the shelter's construction, including students from Eastern Connecticut State University (ECSU). Ten students joined CFPA volunteers to haul material into the shelter site, a long $\frac{3}{4}$ miles down the trail (no small feat!). Special thanks to CFPA's Eastern Roving Crew, local volunteers, and to Bob for all his hard work to bring this great new trail shelter into the system! For more information on camping in the Pachaug State Forest, visit the DEEP website.

Volunteer Rigging Crew is Ready to Roll

The Trails Committee is happy to announce the creation of our new volunteer rigging crew. Nine volunteers attended a day-long training in the methodology and safe operation of high-line cable rigging in May. The training was provided by Peter Jensen of Peter S. Jensen & Associates (trailbuilders.com). Participants gained experience safely moving large stones. Installing stone steps is the best, long-term method for armoring a trail against persistent erosion on steep terrain. Being able to use and evaluate equipment and speak with an expert was a great help when we purchased our own rigging gear this summer.

The new crew is looking forward to gaining additional experience by tackling some initial trail improvement projects this fall. Funding for the rigging equipment was provided by the Recreational Trails Program (RTP).

A New, Easy Way to Report Your Volunteer Time

CFPA has developed a new online volunteer time reporting system. Your hours are important as we demonstrate support for our trails, programs, and new initiatives. In fact, your volunteer time translates directly into funding for the organization. If you maintain a section of trail, are a family hike leader, serve as a board director, or volunteer at annual CFPA events, then your time can easily be recorded on our website. Please take a few moments to visit www.ctwoodlands.org/TimeReporting and report your hours. Thank you for all you continue to contribute to CFPA and its mission!

2011 CT Trails Day Celebration Draws Big Numbers

To say that this year's Connecticut Trails Day Celebration was a success, is an understatement. Thanks to the participation of more than 250 volunteer event leaders and over 130 organizations from 115 towns, there was an abundance of guided activities to choose from on June 4th and 5th. 193 trail events in total—making Connecticut's National Trails Day celebration the largest in the nation.

Over 2,000 participants enjoyed hiking, running, biking, paddling, geocaching, letterboxing, and trail work on more than 500 miles of trails. In addition to CFPA's appreciation of all the Connecticut Trails Day volunteers, we also thank the sponsors for their support. 2012 will mark the 20th year that CFPA has coordinated this celebration. If you would like to be a 2012 sponsor, please contact Jim Little at jlittle@ctwoodlands.org. To showcase your trails and lead a 2012 event, visit www.ctwoodlands.org to register.



The new trailhead kiosk on the New England Trail in Guilford. Photo: Marty Gosselin



Enjoy the Peg Mill Backpacking Shelter on the Narragansett Trail this Fall

Are you planning a backpacking trip in the eastern part of the state this fall? If so, be sure to visit the newly re-constructed Peg Mill Shelter on the Narragansett Trail. Thanks to an enormous volunteer effort, this shelter in the Pachaug State Forest in Voluntown, has been rebuilt and improved. The original shelter housed backpackers for many years but, with its dirt floor and low roof, was beginning to show its age. Bob Andrews,

In Appreciation Of Our Supporters

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CFPA thanks these generous souls for their continued support of conservation in Connecticut! To view the full list of this period's new members and volunteers, please visit www.ctwoodlands.org.

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Thank You Arnold Carlson

Mr. Arnold Carlson of Charlton MA, has helped CFPA realize its dream of being able to efficiently produce trail signs. After seeing an article about CFPA's Spring Workshop in a local newspaper, which featured a photograph of our routed trail signs, Arnie decided to donate a CarveWright sign router (photo Eric Hammerling [left] and Arnold Carlson [right]). His generosity has allowed CFPA to automate the sign making process, improve the quality of the sign, and, most importantly, increase the "speed of delivery." We can now envision a time when every trailhead and road crossing in the Blue-Blazed Hiking Trail System will have a sign! Again, Arnie—thanks for thinking of CFPA!



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information, and the latest events at:
www.ctwoodlands.org/events

Upcoming Events

Wed., Oct. 19 **Celebrate International Year of Forests with Tim Palmer**
7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Kroon Hall (Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies, 195 Prospect Street, New Haven, CT)

Join us as nationally acclaimed author/photographer Tim Palmer shares photographs and stories from his book *Trees & Forests of America*. Not only is Tim a talented artist and communicator, but he is also a committed conservationist who has shared his passion through 22 books written since 1980. This program is FREE due to the generous support of Prudence Pease Cutler in memory of R. Dennis Cutler and our hosts at the Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies. Please RSVP for planning purposes via (860) 346-TREE or info@ctwoodlands.org.

Tues., Nov. 22 **CT Forest Conservation & Research Forum: Celebrating the International Year of the Forest**
8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. at Kroon Hall (Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies, 195 Prospect Street, New Haven, CT)

Join us for an interesting, provocative, and participatory look at contemporary forest conservation issues. At this session we will be focusing on sustainable forest management as practiced in Connecticut and innovative funding opportunities for forest conservation. For more details about the event, visit www.ctwoodlands.org/forest-forum-2011.

Remember! The WalkCT Family Rambles take place the last weekend of every month.

Visit www.walkct.org/rambles for the current listings.