Sorry this is late but working on a new computer, printer laptop and wndows 8 has been time consuming and frustrating for old man.

Had a great turnout and event Oct 13<sup>th</sup> at EK School and Herb Bullocks forest, horse logging, sawmill operating and much more with a great lunch. Thanks to Herb and all who made this such a wonderfull experience, even nice weather. Sure would have loved to been there but Daughter home from Pitt Pa.

Richard Gast did a super job with a powerpoint presentation on "cutting/managing woodlot for firewood" in Jan at the Learning Farm. Steve Sherwood did it at the "St Law Maple Producers Day" at Governeur HS. Then Richard did it again for the 1<sup>st</sup> annual "Franklin County Maple Producers at Brushton/Moira HS. If you missed it try to make it next year. All were well attended and got lots of good comments and visibility for NAC.

We just had a chainsaw class by Prof Emeritus Wayne Allen from ESF Wanakena (Ranger School) with 42 in attendance. We feel we need to do another at the CCE Farm, and would like to do some first aid classes. We also hope to do the same in Franklin County if you are interested call me.

Bring a friend, neighbor, kin but a potential member!

May 11<sup>th</sup> is 50 year anniversary for NYFOA and we kick off with a WW at the Smallidge Forest 9am in Crown Point from I- 87- x 28 to NY-74E @12 miles left on Corduroy Rd, goes to Creek Rd after few miles, left on Hamilton, ¼ mile rt Treadway Rd, ½ mile to 4-way take rt on Breed Hill Rd, ½ mile up steep hill, past house on rt, down curvy rd, sharp rt into drive. From 9N to 4 way in Crown Point, CO Hgwy 2,

to White Church Rd, to Breed Hill Rd, up a hill past corn fields left at 199 Breed Hill Rd. This is to be a don't miss.

May 18<sup>th</sup> A & J Bouchard Farms, there are 2 farms to visit here and we will meet at the farm at 498 Ryan Road Churubusco, NY and start the tour at 9am. They have 2 farm/forests, windmills, hydro and more. This should be an interesting day with a lot to see.

Sep 14<sup>th</sup> Is Eric n Beverly Lawson. The address is 239 Kingdom Dam Lane. East on Lincoln Pond Road from ETown, cross the Northway and go ¼ mile further to Kingdom Dam Lane. 9/10 mile on KDL then left onto dirt road driveway 1,000' to Kindervolk. This will start at 9am, and a great experience

Sep 7th The Audubon New York will be conducting a workshop at ESF Wanakena (Ranger School). This will be a day session with morning classroom on forest management for birds and afternoon visiting forestry sites that demonstrate bird habitat. There will be refreshments/lunch furnished. This will be for @50 including students so registration may be necessary. AGAIN WATCH THE WEB NAC FOR MORE FOLLOWUP ON THIS AND OTHERS!

White Ash accounts for 10-15% of the total hardwood lumber manufactured in New York by volume and 7-10% by value.

Remember always check nyfoa,org, chapters nac for updates and more information on happenings.

Welcome new members Shien Lei & Robert Dickey Norfolk, Dennis Easley Chazy, Sheridan Goutermout Copenhagen, Rick Lynn CT, Gavin MacKellar Canton, Amy Tresidder Oswego, David Trithart Potsdam.