



New York Forest Owners Association

Central New York Chapter

COVERING CAYUGA, HERKIMER, MADISON, ONEIDA,
ONONDAGA & OSWEGO COUNTIES

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UPCOMING events of interest

This is an abbreviated newsletter - If you have announcements or other contributions of interest to our members, please send to randi.starmer@gmail.com for the next newsletter

August 17 (Saturday) , *CNY-NYFOA Luncheon picnic* from 11AM - 3 PM at Carl Stearns farm in Nelson NY. There will be a tour of the sugar house at 11 AM and lunch at noon. Please bring a side dish to pass. NYFOA will supply grill meats. Consulting forester, Jim Curtis, will give a tour of the wood lot where there was a recent harvest. Stearns Farm is on Stearns Road (off of Erieville Road (Rt. 67) in Nelson NY. For more information call Carl at 315 345 0800.

September 14 -Annual fundraising native plant sale by the Habitat Gardening in CNY (a chapter of Wild Ones). Some items (potted trees & shrubs) need to be pre-ordered. Sign up for newsletter for details at info@hgcny.org. or <https://www.hgcny.org/native-plant-sales/>

September 21 - Time 10-12 noon (light lunch to follow)
Location: Kinne Woodlot, Leach Rd, Town of Eaton, NY... approx 2 mi south of Morrisville)
Highlights: Re-visit this previously unmanaged 19-acre woodlot several years after completion of an NRCS EQIP project, a USFW vernal pools project, additional work and erection of 4 deer exclosures. Witness the impressive changes that come with sunlight and deer protection (!) and hear about some lessons learned and challenges that remain.
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Steve will send specific directions to those coming.

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Odds and Ends

Don't forget to check out the state NYFOA website for activities including woods walks throughout the state at <https://www.nyfoa.org/EVENTS>. Also check the "RESOURCES" page for documents of interest. For example, check out the following upcoming EVENTS

From August 6- 8, the Western Finger Lakes Chapter of NYFOA will have a booth with forestry information at the Empire Farm Days in Seneca Falls (2973 State Route 414)
Check out
<https://www.nyfoa.org/events/western-finger-lakes-events/wfl-empire-farm-days-seneca-falls-ny>

The statewide NYFOA Fall Meeting is scheduled for Sept 28th at the John Boyd Thacher State Park (west of Albany). There will be nationally recognized speakers on a variety of Forest management related topics in the AM and a Board meeting after lunch. Details to be available later at
<https://www.nyfoa.org/events/statewide-events/nyfoa-fall-meeting>

Every year our CNY-NYFOA chapter awards an annual \$125.00 scholarship to a local high school student matriculating at ESF. This year's Dixon Scholarship was awarded to LaFayette High School graduating senior
Taylor Sierra Watson

Ralph reports that the NY DEC is trying to get an estimate of the bear population in Onondaga and Madison County. So, if anyone sees a bear and especially could get a picture of the bear the DEC would appreciate hearing about it. You could contact DEC directly or a game warden. A cell phone picture helps since they can then see if it's the same bear traveling or a different bear.

A tree stump that should be dead is still alive; here's why -- ScienceDaily
<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2019/07/190725150952.htm>

The Trees Might Save Us Yet -
A new study suggests that restoring forests could help reverse global warming.
<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/07/22/opinion/trees-global-warming.html>

Please welcome new CNY-NYFOA members
Thomas & Patricia Benedetto, Fred Hudson,
John Kerniski, Tom Warchol, Pat Gorham,
Brielle Dailey, and Martha Link

Reminder of other resources for forestry related information

Cornell Forest Connect website is an education and applied research program of Cornell University and Cornell Cooperative Extension. The goal of ForestConnect is to support the sustainable production of private woodlands in New York (and beyond) through the provision of educational assistance. ForestConnect is a broad and deep program with numerous colleagues, cooperators, and partners
<http://cornellforestconnect.ning.com>

PA Forests Seminars - most seminars are available after broadcast at
<https://ecosystems.psu.edu/research/centers/private-forests/outreach/pa-forests-web-seminar-center/archive>

My Woodlot which includes miscellaneous forestry related resources and upcoming events (including a Chainsaw Sharpening and Maintenance Workshop on August 3
Start at <https://www.mywoodlot.com>

NYDEC = New York State Department of Environmental Conservation - for forestry info you may want to start at
<http://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/309.html>

Do you have wild parsnip in your fields or meadows? We have cut 100's (maybe around 1000) of these weeds this year. They use every trick in the book to set seed for another generation and seeds can remain viable up to 4 years in the seed bank. Be wary - the sap is a serious skin irritant. Here are some bad photos of some of ours that we had not yet cut...

FOR much better photos, information and comparison with other similar species, go to The New York Invasive Species Information Web Site. It is a great source of information on problem plants

http://nyis.info/invasive_species/wild-parsnip/



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We are still looking for someone to serve as Vice Chairman of CNY-NYFOA. Please Contact Dan, Sandy, Randi, Rich or Bruce if you have any interest in volunteering for this position . Their contact information is on the first page of this newsletter

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