

# Northcentral Pennsylvania Conservancy

*Conserving and enhancing the lands and waters of Northcentral PA*



***Thank you for conserving and  
enhancing the lands and waters  
in the region.***

## **Conservation Stories Because of You:**

- Frontage Along Pine Creek Added to Tiadaghton State Forest
- NPC's Land Stewards in Action



## Frontage Along Pine Creek Added to Tiadaghton State Forest

Thanks to your continued support, another section of Pine Creek is now open for everyone to enjoy. The 11.3-acre property you helped conserve last year is now officially part of the Tiadaghton State Forest.

With 1,500 feet of creek frontage, this site gives paddlers and anglers a quiet spot to pause along the shore. It also borders the Miller Run Natural Area, creating a larger block of connected habitat for wildlife and expanding a stretch of conserved land in the Pine Creek Valley.

This addition will help the Bureau of Forestry access the area as they care for the surrounding forest, making it easier to manage invasive species and maintain healthy woodlands.

We're especially thankful to NPC member and friend George Durrwachter, whose support and connections helped move this project forward. Thank you, George, and every single member and partner who made this possible!

**Because of you, another piece of Pine Creek's natural beauty is conserved for today and for generations to come.**

*"Adding this property improves our ability to manage invasive species, monitor forest health, and maintain access to a large block of public land. We're grateful to NPC and its members for helping expand the Tiadaghton State Forest in a way that supports both conservation and recreation."*

*— Tom Casilio, Forest District Manager, Tiadaghton State Forest*



*Is that Bigfoot or Reneé wandering the woods? Thanks to you, the Tiadaghton State Forest just got a little bigger, giving wildlife (legendary or otherwise) more room to roam.*

## Your Membership Helped Connect People to Conservation!



*Paddling the West Branch Susquehanna River.*



*Forest Bathing with Deep Green Journey at The Summit: Center for Wellness, offered in partnership with the Loyalsock Foundation.*



*Creating a community "Water Quilt" at the Blossburg Memorial Library.*



## NPC's Land Stewards in Action

July and August kept NPC's Land Stewards busy! From conservation easements to classrooms, your Land Steward team was able to travel across the region visiting NPC's conservation easements and working with volunteers, landowners and partners to share hands-on conservation lessons with the community.



*Zaner Conservation Easement, Columbia County.*

Last year, a major storm swept through Columbia County, downing several trees along Fishing Creek on land owned by the Fishing Creek Sportsmen's Association (FCSA). Thanks to our members, NPC helped conserve this land in 2007.

Earlier this year, NPC connected FCSA with grants to clear invasive plants and prepare for replanting. Native Creations Landscape Services, Inc. treated the area this summer and will return this fall to plant native trees, keeping this important streamside forest thriving.



*Nicholas Conservation Easement, Tioga County.*

At the Nicholas Conservation Easement, our Land Stewards teamed up with a local forester to measure a giant Red Maple tree that could be one of Tioga County's largest. Each of NPC's 54 conservation easements brings its own special value, so it was very exciting to have a potential champion tree in our midst!



*Worlds End Day, Sullivan County.*

The always-popular stream table was back in action for Worlds End Day! This hands-on model shows how streams form, move, and change over time. Together with our partners at the County Conservation Districts and the Clean Water Institute, and with funding from the First Community Foundation Partnership of Pennsylvania and the Loyalsock Creek Watershed Association, NPC uses this tool to spark curiosity about healthy watersheds.

Special thanks to William Kosmer Photography for capturing NPC volunteer, Marc Lewis, and Land Steward, Jesse, in action.



*Axe Factory Conservation Easement, Clinton County*

Days in the field often bring plenty of wildlife sightings for NPC's Land Stewards. On a recent visit to a conservation easement, they spotted a porcupine waddling through the woods. These quilled climbers are highly dependent on trees for food and cover.

Thanks to your support, wildlife (like porcupines) have safe places to call home across NPC's conserved lands.





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### UPCOMING EVENTS

Additional details will be available at [npcweb.org](http://npcweb.org), the NPC facebook page, and through email updates.

- **September 28** – Songs Celebrating Coal Miners featuring Van Wagner, Blossburg
- **October 12** – Little Pine State Park Fall Festival, Waterville
- **October 12** – Blossburg Fall Festival, Blossburg
- **December 2** – Giving Tuesday
- **January 1** – First Day Hike at Coal Creek, Blossburg



The W&L Subaru Paddle Happy Jumbo brought together paddlers for a guided paddle on the West Branch of the Susquehanna!

From live music and lunch at Milton State Park to a generous donation supporting NPC's conservation work, the day offered an opportunity to connect with the river and each other.

Thank you to our partners at W&L Subaru and Bad Adventures for making it all possible!