



# 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

*Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center, Inc.  
Appomattox-Buckingham State Forest*

## 2007 Highlights

The 61<sup>st</sup> annual Holiday Lake Forestry Camp was another fun-filled, learning-packed success. Ninety campers from 47 counties joined us this year, representing a 38 percent increase over 2006. The core classes were

tree identification, forest measurements, timber harvesting, wildlife management, tree improvement, forest ecology, forest management, environmental protection, and reproducing the forest. Other experiences included a field trip to Greif Brothers' paper mill, an afternoon of arboriculture demonstrations, exploratory classes, sports and Lumberjack competitions, and special evening programs. By the time the campers have gazed down into a vat of wood pulp, hung from a tree in rope gear, and used a fire rake on a real prescribed burn, they surely have a new perspective on trees and forestry!



*Planning for stand management*

Comments on camper evaluations indicated that most campers significantly improved

their knowledge of forestry and other natural resource subjects. Many were surprised to learn that forests can be managed and still benefit a healthy environment. The campers took home excellent resource materials and were encouraged to share their new skills with others. The top 10 campers (as scored academically throughout the week) received awards of outdoor recreation supplies. The top-scoring camper, Ethan Osborne from Grayson County, also received a \$100 savings bond for his efforts.

Four teachers, representing elementary through college instructors, also attended forestry camp for professional development this year. In addition to all of the camp classes, they attended Project Learning Tree sessions each afternoon. They were extremely pleased to have learned so much that they could use with their students.

This year's program featured, for the first time, a Forestry Field Day for campers' parents. Twenty-five parents experienced short versions of tree identification and forest measurement classes and toured Appomattox-Buckingham State Forest to see forest management in action. They took home information to use on their own property and to share with neighbors.

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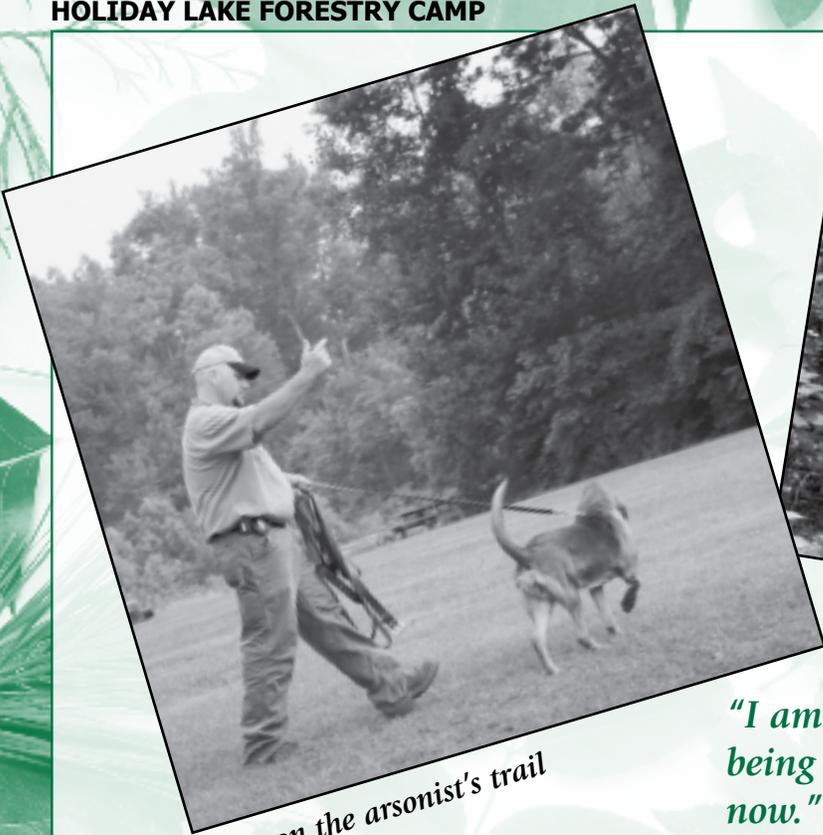
[www.dof.virginia.gov/edu/camp.shtml](http://www.dof.virginia.gov/edu/camp.shtml)

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*Roxy on the arsonist's trail*



*Parents tour the State Forest*

*"I am considering being a forester now."*

*"I learned how much foresters care about the environment."*

*"Before, I thought that forestry was boring. I was wrong."*



*Just hangin' around*

*"They made learning fun...by teaching us in a hands-on forest environment."*



*Bow saw competition*



*Increment boring is never boring!*

## 2007 CAMP STAFF

### Administration

**CAMP DIRECTORS**

Drew Arnn – VDOF, Pittsylvania County  
 Alan Craft – VDOF, Alleghany County  
 Gale Washburn – VDOF, Lunenburg County  
 Denny McCarthy – VDOF, Region 5

**CAMP COORDINATOR**

Ellen Powell – VDOF, Charlottesville

**CAMP REGISTRAR**

Becky Woodson – VDOF, Charlottesville

**CAMP MEDIC**

Paul Reier – VDOF, New Kent, Charles City and Peninsula

**4-H CENTER LIAISON**

Nate Mahanes – Holiday Lake 4-H Center

### Instructors

Environmental Protection ..... Hylton Haynes – VDMA, Fort Pickett  
 Reproducing the Forest..... Robbie Lewis – VDOF, Accomack County  
 Tree Identification ..... Amy Bigger – Smurfit-Stone Corporation, Keysville  
 Forest Measurements ..... Randy Ogle – Smurfit-Stone Corporation, Powhatan  
 Timber Harvesting ..... Billy Newman – EnviroFor LLC, Nelson County  
 ..... Terry Brennen – VDOF, Appomattox-Buckingham State Forest  
 Wildlife Management ..... John Wright – VDOF, Bath and Highland counties  
 Tree Improvement, Nursery Mgmt... .. Paul Reier – VDOF, New Kent, Charles City and Peninsula  
 Forest Ecology and Management ..... Patti Nylander – VDOF, Augusta County  
 ..... Erik Filep – VDOF, Orange County  
 Project Learning Tree..... Ellen Powell – VDOF, Charlottesville  
 ..... Elizabeth Smith – Tazewell County Public Schools  
 Skeet Shooting..... Ned Cain – Quality Deer Management Association  
 ..... Art Kasson, Ali Gerstenmaier and Frances Schmidt – Volunteers  
 Archery ..... Mike Christian – Holiday Lake 4-H Center  
 Wilderness Survival ..... Dirk Hillegass – VDOF, Pittsylvania County  
 ..... Chris Fields-Johnson – VDOF Intern, Region 3  
 Low Ropes Initiatives..... Katie Bracher – Holiday Lake 4-H Center  
 Canoeing ..... Jennifer Lane – Holiday Lake 4-H Center  
 GPS & Aerial Photo..... Hylton Haynes – VDMA, Fort Pickett  
 Map and Compass..... Shannon Lewis – VDOF, Halifax County  
 ..... Tom Snoddy – VDOF, Spotsylvania County  
 Stream Analysis ..... Leticia Villareal – Holiday Lake 4-H Center  
 Wildfire Tactics and Equipment..... Alex Williamson – VDOF, Halifax County  
 ..... Kirby Woolfolk – VDOF, Nottoway County

*“We have learned many new things dealing with the importance of the forest industry and, I’m sure, a new respect for it.”*

### Program Presenters

Arborist Demonstration ..... Bartlett Tree Experts (Alan Jones and staff), Charlottesville  
 Lumberjack Field Day ..... Gale Washburn – VDOF, Lunenburg County  
 Bloodhound Tracking Team ..... William Neff & Roxy – VDOF, Lee County  
 Game Warden Presentation..... Richard Howald – VDGIF, Appomattox  
 Paper Mill Tour ..... Marvin Tinsley – Greif-Riverville LLC

### Counselors

Jay Bassett – VDOF, Sussex County  
 Carl Belew – VDOF, Charlottesville  
 Beth Doty – VDMA, Fort Pickett  
 Chris Fields-Johnson – VDOF Intern, Region 3  
 Erik Filep – VDOF, Orange County  
 Hylton Haynes – VDMA, Fort Pickett  
 Dirk Hillegass – VDOF, Pittsylvania County  
 Debbie Howe – VDOF, Charlottesville  
 Matt Kimbler – VDOF, Scott County  
 Todd Kready – VDOF, Bedford County  
 Robbie Lewis – VDOF, Accomack County  
 Shannon Lewis – VDOF, Halifax County  
 Derek Mays – Amherst County Public Schools  
 Janet Muncy – VDOF, Charlottesville  
 Billy Newman – EnviroFor LLC, Nelson County  
 Patti Nylander – VDOF, Augusta County  
 Kathleen Ogilvy – VDOF, Hanover County  
 Jon Pine – VDOF, Culpeper County  
 Brian Schneider – VDOF, King William County  
 Adam Smith – VDOF, Campbell County  
 Karen Snape – VDOF, King George County  
 Tom Snoddy – VDOF, Spotsylvania County  
 Elizabeth Smith – Tazewell County Public Schools  
 Brad Wireman – VDOF, Middlesex County  
 John Wright – VDOF, Bath and Highland counties

## 2007 Holiday Lake Forestry Camp Sponsors

We gratefully acknowledge the contributions and services of the many groups and individuals whose generous support makes Holiday Lake Forestry Camp possible. Donations to the scholarship program allow campers to attend at a minimal personal cost. The 50 staff members and presenters served as "in kind" contributors who were paid by their employers or truly volunteered their time.

### Agencies

Virginia Department of Forestry  
 Virginia Department of Game & Inland Fisheries  
 Virginia Department of Military Affairs

### Business & Industry

Amelia Lumber Company  
 Aylor Forestry  
 Bartlett Tree Experts  
 C & L Logging  
 EnviroFor LLC  
 Forest Resources Management  
 Glatfelter Pulp Wood Company  
 Greif - Riverville LLC  
 Henrico County Farm Bureau  
 Huber Engineered Woods  
 Lindsay Hardwoods  
 MeadWestvaco Corporation  
 Morgan Lumber Company  
 South Rivers Forestry Consultants LLC  
 Smurfit-Stone Container Corporation  
 Virginia Farm Bureau  
 Weyerhaeuser

### Organizations & Individuals

Association of Consulting Foresters  
 Ned Cain  
 Charlottesville Area Community Foundation - Ballyshannon Fund  
 Bealeton-Remington Ruritan Club  
 Float Fishermen of Virginia - Randy Carter Chapter  
 Powhatan Junior Woman's Club  
 Quality Deer Management Association - Shenandoah Chapter  
 Society of American Foresters - Robert E. Lee Chapter  
 Society of American Foresters - Skyline Chapter  
 Virginia Forest Products Association  
 Virginia Sustainable Forestry Initiative State Implementation Committee  
 Virginia Forestry Educational Foundation  
 Virginia Tree Farm Committee

### Soil & Water Conservation Districts

Appomattox River SWCD  
 Blue Ridge SWCD  
 Chowan Basin SWCD  
 Culpeper SWCD  
 Halifax SWCD  
 Henricopolis SWCD  
 Holston River SWCD  
 James River SWCD  
 Lake Country SWCD  
 Lord Fairfax SWCD  
 Loudoun SWCD  
 Mountain SWCD  
 Mountain Castles SWCD  
 Natural Bridge SWCD  
 Peaks of Otter SWCD  
 Pittsylvania SWCD  
 Robert E. Lee SWCD  
 Shenandoah Valley SWCD  
 Tazewell SWCD  
 Thomas Jefferson SWCD  
 Three Rivers SWCD  
 Tidewater SWCD

## Budget Summary

### Income

Forest Industry/Business (17)	\$4,460
Soil & Water Conservation Districts (22)	\$3,950
Foundations, Associations, Organizations & Individuals (13)	\$15,797
Virginia Department of Forestry	\$1,880
Camper Registration Fees	\$5,400
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$31,487*</b>

\* Remaining funds will be used for 2008 camp promotion, supplies and equipment.

### Expenses

4-H Center Fees (Meals, Lodging, Facilities, Administrative)	\$21,112
Transportation	\$600
Notebooks, Nametags, T-shirts, Other Supplies	\$3,812
Equipment replacement	\$1,500
Academic Awards	\$561
Annual Report/Publicity	\$2,671
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$30,256*</b>

# Announcing 2008 Forestry Camp

The 2008 Holiday Lake Forestry Camp will be held June 16-21. The camp is open to any boy or girl aged 13 to 16 who has an interest in natural resources and who has not attended before. The nomination process will begin in January. For more information and on-line nomination, visit [www.dof.virginia.gov/edu/camp.shtml](http://www.dof.virginia.gov/edu/camp.shtml)



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