



Carla Hardy WV Project CommuniTree Planting at Camp Frame

Summer camp is about having fun, spending time with new friends, and at Camp Frame in Hedgesville, planting trees!

Over the course of three days on June 20th through 22nd, youth 4-H campers planted a mix of 16 shade and flowering trees at Camp Frame.

Herb Peddicord with WV Division of Forestry led a class of 6 students each day, starting with an educational lesson followed by planting trees in small groups.

The trees were planted along a section of the trail that has been losing trees for several year due to storms, as well as along the trail that leads to the council circle.

Species planted include shade trees such as

sweetgum, red maple, sugar maple, and red oak, as well as flowering trees such as Carolina silverbell, flowering dogwood, and purpleleaf plum.

The camp caretaker has agreed to water the trees on a weekly basis with 5-gallons of water per tree.

According to the Project Leader, George Tabb Jr., “The most memorable part of the event was seeing the smiles on the faces of the young people following the completion of the project. As a result of this event, these young people can look back in coming years with pride and say “I helped to plant those trees at Camp Frame



when I was a camper. The camp certainly has benefited in that we now have 24 new and healthy trees on the property that will make the camp more appealing for years to come.”

This was the second CommuniTree planting at Camp Frame, with the first project taking place two years ago in [spring 2015](#).

Great job, campers!

A word from the Project Leader, George Tabb Jr.:

“The most memorable part of the event was seeing the smiles on the faces of the young people following the completion of the project. They learned so much about the proper planting and the care necessary to maintain the young trees. This type of education will benefit them when they become adults...”



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