The Dauphin County Woodland Owners Association has planned this day long conference to provide private forest landowners with forest management strategies to promote sustainable forestry. Topics include: pest and disease; timber management; invasive species control; timber stand improvement; and habitat management for wildlife and forest health issues.

Speakers represent diverse forestry related professions including: professional foresters, plant pathologists, botanists, entomologists, wildlife biologists and forest land managers.

Pre-registration is requested to assist us with conference planning. Conference registration is free and includes morning refreshments. If you would like to join us for lunch, $10.00 will be collected during morning registration.

The Dauphin County Woodland Owners Association is a non-profit organization of individuals interested in sustainable woodland management practices which encourage the diverse use of forests for timber production, wildlife habitat, watershed protection, and recreation through education and technical assistance.

Your participation in this conference and other Dauphin County Woodland Owners Association Programs is greatly appreciated. We hope to see you in March.

Mike Thomas, DCWOA President & Andy Brought, Dept. of Conservation & Natural Resources, Bureau of Forestry

Today forests cover 59% or 16.7 million acres of Penn’s Woods. Of this total, 29% (4.6 million acres) are publicly owned and 71% (11.9 million acres) are owned by 738,000 households. We all can count on these lands for timber, habitat, clean water and air, and recreation. These woodlands are a major connection to the natural world for all residents of the Commonwealth.

This conference is presented to assist you when making decisions necessary for the best management of woodland, and maximizing benefit to wildlife. Whether your family owns private woodland or you are an interested resident who enjoys our public forests, anyone is welcome to attend our functions.

Contact the Dauphin County Woodland Owners Association at DCWOA@live.com or visit them on the web at www.dcwoa.org
Conference Agenda

8:30 - 9:00 a.m.
Registration
(Coffee and Danish)

9:00 - 9:05
Welcome - Mike Thomas
Dauphin County Woodland Owners Association President

9:05 - 9:55
History of the Appalachian Trail
Cindy Radich - Susquehanna ATC
Stretching from Maine to Georgia, come learn more about the greatest trail in America.

9:55 - 10:45
History of the Civilian Conservation Corp
John Eastlake - DCNR (retired)
Do you understand the impact of the CCCs during the Great Depression?

10:45 - 11:00
Break

11:00 - 11:50
Spotted Lanternfly in PA
John Baker – PA Dep. of Ag
Damaging to grapes, hops, orchards, hardwoods, and plant nurseries; this pest is extreme trouble!

11:50 - 12:30
Lunch

12:30 - 1:20
Promoting the Golden Winged Warbler - Emily Heggenstaller
Indiana University/NRCS
Golden Wing Warbler habitat and sustainable forestry can go hand-in-hand.

1:20 - 2:10
Do It Yourself, Backyard Forestry
Ryan Davis - Alliance for the Bay
Discover how to manage a 5 acre (or less) woodlot.

2:10 - 3:00
Forestry Consultants: What They Do and Why Hire One
Dana Dowling - Consulting Forester
How do I harvest my forest the right way?

3:00
Wrap up