

13th Annual Watershed Cleanup Day



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CLEARWATER Conservancy

ClearWater Conservancy's Watershed Cleanup Day 2009 marked thirteen successful years of combating littering and illegal dumping in the Spring Creek Watershed and beyond. The beautiful, sunny day with near record temperatures in the mid-eighties drew an equally record-breaking number of individuals to the event. Nearly **550 volunteers** representing more than 25 organizations properly disposed of **214 tons** of trash collected from Centre County's roadsides, parks, streams, sinkholes, and forests! This total included 11 tons of tires, 7 tons of scrap metal, and 196 tons of other assorted trash. Since 1997, the Watershed Cleanup Day project has removed a grand total of **2,080 tons** of illegal waste from the landscape!

Fishermen, paddlers, students, 4-H groups, Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts, watershed association members, and representatives of the local business community, and individual citizens joined forces to clean up 54 sites in Centre County. Cleanup efforts in 2009 concentrated on 2 sinkholes, 5 illegal dump sites, and numerous roads, parks, and streams.



Photo: Nita Woodbridge

The Centre County Solid Waste Authority again partnered with ClearWater Conservancy to make Watershed Cleanup Day 2009 a resounding success. CCSWA employees were instrumental in the event planning process and the handling of logistics at the transfer station on Cleanup Day. In addition to providing technical support, the CCSWA sets aside money in a special fund to help cover the costs of environmental clean-ups. The CCSWA works hard all year round to collect, properly dispose of, and recycle Centre County's refuse. For more information about the CCSWA, please contact them at (814) 238-7005 or visit them online at www.centrecountyrecycles.com.



Watershed Cleanup Day 2009 was supported by financial or in-kind donations from the following: Bellefonte Borough, Benner Township, CCDAs Waters, Centre County Solid Waste Authority, College Township, Comcast, The Dansko Foundation, Ferguson Township, Giant Food Stores, G & R Excavating, Graymont, The Green Cleaning Team at Clean Sweep, Harris Township, Independent Recycling, Marion Township, Meiser & Earl, Inc., Milesburg Borough, Nittany Bank, Patton Township, Penn State University, Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, Ray A. Walker Trucking & Excavating, Rush Township, Spring Township, Stacie Bird, State College Borough, State College Borough Water Authority, State College Elks Club, Unionville Borough, Veolia Environmental Services, Veronesi Building & Remodeling, Walker Township, Wal-Mart, Wayne Township Landfill, Wegman's, and Weis Markets. Thank you to all who donated!

**To make a contribution to this important annual effort, please send donations to
ClearWater Conservancy, 2555 North Atherton Street, State College, PA 16803.**

Thank You to Our Many Volunteer Groups!

Bald Eagle Area High School	Maness Family
Bald Eagle State Park	Moshannon Creek Watershed Association
Bald Eagle Watershed Association	Nittany Grotto
Beech Creek Watershed Association	Penn State Cooperative Wetlands Center
BSA Troop #59	Penn State Environmental Society
CCDA Waters	Penn State Master Gardeners of Centre County
Centre Concrete	Penn State Office of Physical Plant
Centre County Conservation District	Penn State Outing Club
ClearWater Conservancy	Penn State University students
Comcast	PA Fish and Boat Commission
Cub Scout Pack #20	Ridge and Valley Outings Club
Cub Scout Pack #31	Sierra Club, Moshannon Group
Cub Scout Pack #45	Smithwick Family
Cub Scout Pack #67	Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited
Cub Scout Pack #375	St. Andrews Episcopal Church
Greener Footprint	Tussey Mountain Outfitters
Graymont	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Happy Valley 4-H Club	Walker Township 4-H Club
HRI, Inc.	Watson Family
Kissinger, Bigatel & Brower	
Lock Haven University students	

Watershed Cleanup Day Planning Committee

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to this year's effort:**

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Thank you to all of our volunteers and donors...past, present, and future!!!