



Teacher Ranger Summer of 2008

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Bard Rock

- It's a great day to go paddling on the Hudson.
- Launching from Bard Rock.
- The day started sunny but thunder storms shortened the outing.



The Launch

- The tide was out making the launch muddy.
- This quiet inlet over looks Norrie Point and is a great aquatic ecosystem to explore.



Paddling



- My daughter Allison is along for the trip to Presidents cove.
- Paddling with the current is easy!
- The trip back was more strenuous.
- Susanne Norris is leading the expedition.

Back on truck

- Back home and loaded on the truck.
- The day was a success and we all were tired.
- Notice the dark storm clouds in back ground.



FDR'S White Pines

- Ranger Paul is learning, get that tape level!
- This stand was off the Roosevelt Farm Lane.



Posting park property



- This assignment was under the supervision of Cathy Newhard
- Park property adjacent to the Farm Lane.

Break Time



- Back to the patrol car for more posters and a short break.

Balancing Act

- This stick determines which trees will be evaluated right and left of a line on the forest floor.
- Only white pines were being recorded.



Forestry Students

- I was fortunate to be able to work with three forestry students from the State University of Forestry at Syracuse.
- I enjoyed their company and learned some basics of forestry.
- Dave Hayes was instrumental in arranging this assignment.



From Orchard to crop

- Ranger Bob is showing me the finer points of cider pressing.
- It's a warm afternoon and time for a refreshing glass of cider.



Cider Squeezers

- It takes team work to make great cider.
- Of course we always drink our mistakes.



Hard At Work

- Ranger Bob is a true master brewer and had a full supply of apples for me to squeeze.
- Notice those beads of sweat forming.
- We had several people from Springwood tours stop to watch and enjoy the cider.



Clean The Press

- This session is done and it's time to clean up and put the equipment away.



A Time To Taste

- Finally it's our turn to have a drink of cider before day is done.

