

# Resource Seminars

## The American Chestnut: *Restoring Forest Majesty*

National Park Service  
U.S. Department of the Interior

Shenandoah National Park  
Education Division



### Program Description

#### **The American Chestnut: *Restoring Forest Majesty***

Saturday, August 22, 2009

Seminar runs from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The American chestnut once graced eastern forests in mighty splendor. This mighty giant all but disappeared over a century ago. Only remnant clues of its presence remain today. Meet with scientists, researchers, and park rangers to learn about the historical profile and current status of the American chestnut. Explore the cause of the chestnut blight and on-going genetic research. Learn about the chestnut breeding program and the steps *The American Chestnut Foundation* is taking to re-establish this majestic tree. This seminar will include field study and hands-on activities. The seminar will be held rain or shine.

### Registration

**The American Chestnut: *Restoring Forest Majesty*** seminar cost is \$30 per person. Space is limited to 20 participants. Reservations are required. To register, visit Shenandoah National Park's website: [http://www.nps.gov/shen/planyourvisit/resource\\_seminars.htm](http://www.nps.gov/shen/planyourvisit/resource_seminars.htm)

For more information, contact the park's Education Office:

Email: [shen\\_education@nps.gov](mailto:shen_education@nps.gov) or phone: 540-999-3500, ext.3489

### Resource Seminar Series

Resource Seminars are designed for those who want to get to know their national park a little more personally. Seminars provide a more in-depth experience to learn from scientists, researchers, educators, and other experts about resource issues and recreational opportunities in Shenandoah National Park. The Shenandoah National Park Resource Seminars are co-sponsored by the Shenandoah National Park Association and ARAMARK, the park's official concessioner.