

# The Pinchot Eagle

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UPCOMING EVENTS

VOLUNTEER

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## MEET PAIGE STEFFY: NEW ASSISTANT PARK MANAGER

My name is Paige Steffy and I started as the Assistant Park Manager at Gifford Pinchot State Park on Monday, 7/14/25. I received my bachelor's degree in Geo-environmental Studies at Shippensburg University in 2020. I've worked in the Bureau of State Parks since March 2022, starting as a Park Manager Trainee and working full time in central office. I have been managing statewide programs like radios, camp leases, demolitions, safety, and water/sewer agreements. In my free time I enjoy spending time with my husband, Neil, my dog, Olive, and my cat, Sesame. I also enjoy playing video games like Fortnite, Legend of Zelda, and Tomb Raider. I like cooking cool new recipes and I recently (last year) took up fishing! I look forward to meeting and learning from everyone at the park!



# THANK YOU!



to the PA Outdoor Corps for your work in constructing and placing 25 new turtle platforms!



More information about the importance of turtle platforms can be found on page 2 of last month's [Pinchot Eagle](#).



## **TURTLE PLATFORMS HAVE BEEN LAUNCHED!**

See if you can find all 25 new platforms on the lake. (A few can be seen from boat launch 3). The hope is that these platforms will have about a 10 year life span. They have been constructed so that the float can be recovered and the stainless steel cable and anchor reused once the platform deteriorates.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PAOC IN  
**EPISODE 10** OF THINK OUTSIDE:  
BUILDING THE NEXT GENERATION OF  
CONSERVATION LEADERS WITH MIKE  
PIASKOWSKI



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PA Parks and Forests Foundation provides easy access to information about how to speak out to support our parks. Find out more [here](#) (scroll down for action alerts!)

# pinchot merch

**FRIENDS OF Pinchot**  
STATE PARK  
Pennsylvania Parks & Forests Foundation

**FOR SALE**

**Hooded Sweatshirts.....\$35**  
**Long-Sleeved Hoodies.....\$25**  
**T-Shirts (Youth & Adult).....\$20\***  
\*[Friends of Pinchot Members – \$16]  
**Tote Bags.....\$15**  
**Ball Caps.....\$15**  
**Beanies.....\$15**  
**PA Passports.....\$13**  
**Souvenir Patches.....\$5**  
**Bandannas.....\$5**  
**Stickers/Magnets.....\$4**

**CASH or CHECK\***  
only, please!

\*Check made payable to PPFF

## ITEMS FOR SALE AT CAMPGROUND BATH HOUSE 5 (B LOOP) ON AUG 30 FROM 9:30AM-12PM!

Wear your love of Pinchot on your sleeve or your water bottle! Purchase Pinchot Merch:  
April – Oct at the Campground Office  
(weekends only starting at noon on Fri.)  
**AND** Year-round at the Park Office



## be a friend

Not yet a friend of Pinchot?  
Make a yearly gift of as little as \$15 per year and support the park and get this newsletter delivered to your inbox monthly!  
Find out more [here!](#)

## MAKE A ONE TIME DONATION TODAY!

Your donations help to buy things like supplies for trail maintenance, turtle platforms new playground equipment and mulch, and supplies to monitor vernal pools.

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