

**George
Washington
Would
Have
Fessed-Up.**

If anyone tries to convince you that topping is good for your trees, they're telling a lie. Young George Washington was honest about ruining a healthy tree; unfortunately, not everyone is.

Topping—the drastic removal of large limbs—is destructive, brutal, mutilating, and senseless. Anyone who says otherwise is wrong.

Topping permanently destroys the tree's natural beauty and exposes it to disease and decay, often causing early death. And a topped tree will ultimately cost more to maintain than a properly pruned tree.

You can help protect your trees by hiring only professional arborists. Call the Arkansas Urban Forestry Council at 800-958-5865, or visit their website at www.arkansastrees.org.

EXPERTS AGREE

**DON'T
TOP YOUR
TREE**