NATIONAL FOREST PLAN PRAISED

The Management Plan for the Green Mountain National Forest was officially presented to the public on January 16, 1987 by Steve Harper, Forest Supervisor. This plan marks the end of several years of working with the public to develop a Forest Plan which embodies the special qualities of this 325,000-acre area. Harper emphasized that "today also marks the beginning of a new dialogue with our publics. In the future we will be discussing how well we are able to carry out this Plan and whether the Plan needs to be amended to keep up with changing conditions, knowledge and expectations. If we have a successful Forest Plan, it is because we listened to what the public was telling us. We know that the Plan is to be successfully implemented we must continue to listen to all the people that care about this National Forest.

The Plan reflects the public's vision of what the Green Mountain National Forest is best suited to provide. In keeping with this vision, Harper reported that "the new Plan emphasizes good scenery, backcountry recreation and improved wildlife habitats. Trails for hikers, cross-country skiers and snowmobilers will be numerous, but few new roads will be built."

Timber will be managed on about 47% of the forest, where existing roads provide good access and soils are productive. The major thrust of timber management will be to provide a variety of habitats and wildlife and to provide high quality sawtimber for Vermont's industry.

National and State Conservation groups called the ten year Plan the best in the nation and praised its emphasis on protection of public land and wildlife. "Putting this plan in a national context, its philosophy is the best in the country," said Sarah Muyskens, Northeast Regional Director of the Wilderness Society. "The GNF staff has asked the very question conservationists would have then asked: what is the value of these lands, now and in the future, to the American people. Given the lack of other public lands available in the region, the plan's emphasis on backcountry recreation, wildlife habitat, pristine watersheds and wilderness is the right long-term answer."

Forest Supervisor Harper emphasized that the success of the plan is due largely to public involvement at all levels. "We believe the new Plan provides the long range vision and management direction this National Forest has ever had. Future generations will be indebted to the many people that thoughtfully helped shape the Plan's policies while keeping future options open. They made our job at the Forest Service relatively easy; all we had to do was listen."

Steve Harper, GNF Supervisor, explains plan at news conference.

NESAF ADOPTS FIVE-YEAR PLAN

A highlight of the NESAF Winter Meeting in Burlington was the adoption by the Executive Committee and the membership of a Five Year Plan. As Peter Hannah, major author of the plan, said upon its acceptance "the adoption of the Five Year Plan is a big step forward. We may be the first State-Multistate Society to have such a plan of action." "We have considerable reserve funds, about $19,000, that should be wisely spent in meeting the objectives of furthering our profession and benefiting society." In developing a Five Year Plan of activities to serve the membership and society as a whole, three high priority areas were identified; continuing education, communicating with the public, and improving our image.

The Divisions and Working Groups now have the challenge of planning projects and submitting proposals for funding. A proposal can be submitted at any time for review at the next scheduled Executive Committee meeting. The Executive Committee will meet on June 11, September 22, and December 8.

Over $6,000 is available to NESAF for grants to fund proposals within New England. The Divisions have a pool of $5,000 available to draw from with a $1,000 limit per grant. Working Groups have $1,000 budgeted in grant money with $300 available per project. Student Chapters have $500 available with a $100 cap per project.

A proposal should be one to two pages long and include: the applicant, title, objectives of the project, justification, intended audience, budget (identify major categories), cost to consumer, and other support information. A written evaluation report is expected after completion of the project.

We are fortunate to have reserve funds and this plan of action gives us an opportunity to do some exciting projects. The membership and Peter Hannah should be commended for developing and accepting this plan. We all look forward to the future accomplishments available under this action.
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1987 Winter Meeting Highlights

1986 OUTSTANDING FORESTER AWARD
Cliff Swenson Jr. - Brewer, Me

FELLOW AWARDS
Cliff Foster - Me
Ray Wood - Me
Maurice Wing - Me

50 YEAR CERTIFICATES
Michael Pochan - Conn
Raynor Brown - Me
Ken Jones - Me

SPECIAL AWARD
TO:
Harry Chandler - 1986 National Tree Farmer
St. Johnsbury, Vt
US Forest Service - Plaque
NESAF - Book
Both honoring Harry for Management Work

"Foresters and land managers should be vigilant, credible, and present viewpoints with concrete evidence, not sensationalism."
(Talk from Harry Chandler, Changing Needs And Expectations of Forest Landowners)

Foresters can address regional and global pollution problems by: (1) Showing and supporting the importance of monitoring the forest resource; (2) Keeping in tune with information as it becomes available.
(Address on "Changing Atmosphere And Forest Health" by Dr. William Smith, Yale School of Environmental Studies.

"I'm happiest on the job when I'm not aware of my gender."
(Comment from Women and Men on the job: Walking a Mile in Each Others Shoes)

ENTERTAINMENT

Governor Madeline Kunin Welcomes 235 Foresters To Vermont And To The 67th NESAF Winter Meeting

Larry Henson, Assistant Chief of the Forest Service presents talk on Need For Change in terms of technology, budgets, and public perception of our roles as Foresters.

Quentin Hack presents award to Russ Reay "In Appreciation For Service As Editor Of The News Quarterly, 1978-1986."
This column of comments will be a pot pourri from which you readers may select topics of interest. I wish to correct the spelling of "pot pourri" and found that the second definition, "a miscellaneous collection," fits OK. Then, with that definition, "a potpourri of prices used for scent" may or may not be fit. If these comments stink then so be it. Further, Webster states that it is a French word meaning "pot of rotten flowers." The English are so2mehow different.

New York SAF members and others forested had two excellent potpourri at meetings in New York and New England. The programs at both these conventions were fine and offered CPE credits, training opportunities, and the experience of participating in SAF functions with fellow foresters. The New England meeting at Rochester was attended by about 150, and initial plans were discussed for the National SAF convention to be held there in 1986. The New England meeting at Burlington was attended by about 250 people who enjoyed Vermont hospitality and the stimulating sessions on leadership. As your representative to the SAF Council I appreciated the opportunity to participate in these affairs and to meet with the two Executive Committees.

My ongoing (writing) about participation calls to mind a subject on which I held forth a couple of quarters ago. We continue to hear the complaints that SAF is not doing anything for you. I answer to that is, "get active and participate in some of the many programs and opportunities which the Society offers." Then you will find out what SAF can do for you. Not all of us can attend the national conventions, nor every one of our state meetings. But many can participate in some of them. And there are chapter and division meetings, working group activities, SAF sponsored research programs, and meetings of the various offices or committees on which to serve. If your interests run only to a periodic pay check and a six pack in front of the tube, then maybe SAF can do a lot for you. But if your interests run to personal and professional improvement, contributions to the profession, and to society as a whole, if you are stimulated by association and fellowship with some very fine men and women, then SAF can do a lot for you. If you are not participating, you are the loser. And so is SAF! Try it!

Women in forestry is a subject I identified in my first commentary as one having a high priority for me. It has received my public and private support and promotion to the point where I have been asked by SAF members as being a "female chauvinist." I plead guilty. My defense is that women in forestry are the best thing to have hit the profession since the GI bill. After all, women make up over 50% of the population. They are an increasing proportion of the private forest landowners and thereby influencing in business, commerce, politics, environmental issues. Women bring a different perception, attitude, and viewpoint which may help the profession. Viva la difference! What other justification do we need? It is only fair, just, and beneficial that women and others be professionally included in forestry. It needs them.

Personally, I hope and urge that female foresters always retain that difference, that essence of femininity, which distinguishes the gender. Girls - women - let us handle the Ramsey roles in forestry. You take the other less travelled road, and that will make all the difference.

The SAF Council's spring meeting will be held at Bethesda from April 29-May 2. The tentative agenda calls for discussion and/or action on such issues as: procedures for dealing with service forestry issues (still not hot in some regions); review of relationships with RNRFP; revisions to the standard minimum by-laws; review of ensuring SAF position statements; consideration of Task Force reports; review of policy actions and legislative issues; approval of major SAF awards for presentation at the National meeting; reports from SAF division heads; review and action on a report from Committees on Financial Management, which includes SAF budget status, various SAF funds, and audit financial statement, etc.; and a variety of membership services. If any member has questions, comments or suggestions which your representative can carry to the Council, please get in touch.

Bob Fiske, Old Town, Maine, former Region VI representative to the Council, and a candidate for SAF Vice President, has announced that he again is running for that office. You will be hearing more from Bob with respect to his candidacy in the months to come. I urge you to find out about his qualifications and that of others who will be running. Learn about their philosophy, their ability, their past performance, and their philosophy, their abilities. VOTE for the person in whom you have the greatest confidence.

Last fall after the 1986 SAF elections, I asked one member if she had voted. The answer was: "No because I did not know anything about either of the candidates and was not going to vote for someone I don't know." Well, fair enough, but I did not and still do not think that to be a fully satisfactory reason. I think that we should make the effort to find out about those people who are offering themselves as candidates and then make a reasonable, conscious decision on how to vote for the "best" person. All will be qualified, but some may be more qualified or better qualified than others. It's up to us to make that determination and then to exercise a member's right and responsibility to vote. It's not too early to be thinking about who you will vote for next fall. It could make a big difference.

Caribou Update

The star performer of Maine's privately funded Caribou Transplant Restoration Project have reportedly adjusted well to their new surroundings at the University of Maine holding pen in Orono. Since their initial capture and transport to Maine last October, the Caribou have fattened up on a diet of pellet food, and an assortments of tree lichens. Unfortunately 5 of the 27 caribou captured due to stress, disease, or other factors. Eventual plans call for the calves, which will be born this spring, to be released in Baxter State Park after spending a year with their mother. In response to the restoration project, a bill has been introduced before the legislature setting a $2,000 fine and a 30 day to 6 month jail term for harming a Caribou. For more information contact Caribou Transplant Fund, Maine Audubon Society, 118 U.S. Route One, Falmouth, Maine 04105

SAF Dues And IRS

More information has become available regarding SAF membership dues and the new tax law. Beginning with dues paid in 1987, the first $25 of your dues will be considered a business expense in the Miscellaneous Deductions category. Remember, however, that the new law stipulates that only miscellaneous deductions over 2 percent of your adjusted gross income will be actually deductible. All dues over $25 will be fully deductible as a charitable contribution.
Lignin Secrets Unfold

Raymond Young, a wood chemist from Wisconsin, has discovered a new way to process pulpwood that may cut paper mill energy and production costs by 80 percent or more, cause virtually no air or water pollution, and double pulp yields. Young's method, called the ester pulping process combines water, acetic acid, and ethyl acetate thus creating a remarkable solvent for dissolving lignin - the glue that holds wood fibers together. The process not only recycles the chemicals that separate wood fibers, but also produces some of the chemicals needed to process pulp. These innovations dramatically reduce operating costs and pollution.

Young and Biodyne Chemicals, Inc., a Neenah firm in Wisconsin for which Young consults, are developing an ester-pulping pilot plant expected to produce 10 to 15 tons of pulp per day. He hopes the plant will be on line within six months to a year. If all goes well Young predicts that "most Wisconsin mills will probably incorporate the process in the future."

For years, scientists have been looking for a better way to pulp wood. Young acknowledged that his discovery owes as much to good fortune as scientific insight. "I was working with acetic acid as a pulping solvent," Young said, "and was consulting with Kenneth Baierl, a chemical engineer at Biodyne, who was looking at ethyl acetate. My son, Tim, who was helping me, misunderstood directions and added acetic acid to an experiment with ethyl acetate. When we saw how well the combination worked, I could see the wood chemistry ramifications, and Baierl envisioned how neatly the system would work in terms of industrial chemical recovery. So here we have a situation where specialists are conducting a systematic inquiry and are fortunate to have just plain dumb luck intervene."

(Vermont Forest Exchange & Information Bulletin, Jan 87)

Candidate Announces

Robert B. Fiske of 57 Bradbury Street, Old Town, Maine 04468 has decided to present to the membership his candidacy for the office of Vice President and President-Elect of the Society of American Foresters. His three years of service on the SAF Council prompted a desire to further serve the Society in this most important leadership office.

Additional information on all the candidates will appear in later issues of the Quarterly.

Dates To Remember

The dates of the Executive Committee meetings for NESAF for 1987 are:

June 12, Durham, NH
September 22, Durham, NH
December 8, Springfield, MA.

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See you in Minneapolis, October 18-21.

Check your June Journal of Forestry for complete registration information or call the SAF national office at (301) 897-8720.

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Historian Seeks Info

One of the 1986 Executive Committee decisions of historical importance (excuse the pun) was the appointment of an official Historian. Nancy Gordon reports that her schedule will allow her to begin working on a NESAF History (from 1970 forward) sometime in 1987. She intends to review all the News Quarterly's during that period and identify a list of themes and/or issues which were important. She will then embellish that information via personal interviews with longstanding, active NESAF members. Those with ideas or suggestions can contact her at PO Box 594, Amherst, Ma. 01004

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Executive Director's Report

Richard Watt

This report is really an Annual Report to the membership for on April 1, 1986 I began my duties as Executive Director. Let me give you some statistics that I have generated. I have driven 5,269 miles to attend meetings. I have made 152 phone calls and received nearly that many in return. These numbers signify that I had to keep an expense account and I will flesh them out somewhat to give you some insight into what they signify.

I have met with the officers of every Division at least once for the Executive Committee meetings. I have attended membership meetings of each Division, except Maine, at least once. (I will have seen you members in Maine in early April by the time you read this report).

The Nominating Committee asked for help in recruiting candidates, and I did so. I also prepared and mailed the ballots for the Annual Election, NESAF. The Chairman acquiesced to my suggestion that I go to the Bethesda Office, SAF, to fulfill the need for a permanent contact between that office and NESAF. Because the Winter Meeting was in Burlington this year, I was ideally suited to help the Planning Committee prepare for this important event, acquiring knowledge that should allow me to help with future meetings.

What are my impressions of the workings of the NESAF and its Divisions? I am even more strongly convinced that the NESAF is a very active Society with strong Division programs and able officers. Our latest membership figures from Bethesda give us 1,345 members, a small but significant increase from a year ago. It is especially significant in light of a slight decrease nationally. We are now in fourth place nationally, displacing the Northern California SAF. This large membership gives us the resources, both financial and personal, to engage in worthwhile programs, workshops, and meetings. This slow but continuing growth indicates that NESAF members are finding their memberships valuable for professional growth and success.

Call For Fellows

SAF Fellows are elected from within their state societies. Fellows exemplify outstanding contributions to forestry and to the Society. This encompasses their contributions to the application of forestry, to education, to research, and to the advancement of the profession and the Society. Nominations for Fellows should be received by May 31, 1987. There is no limit to the number of Fellows that can be nominated or elected from a particular state society. The high standards of the honor should be kept in mind in selecting Fellows.

The nominating petition with accompanying signatures and biographical sketches must be in the hands of the SAF Executive Vice-President by May 31st of this year for consideration as Fellow in 1987. The specifics for nominating a Fellow can be found in the March Journal of Forestry.

Red Oak Workshop

Plans are being finalized for a workshop on how to regenerate and manage Red Oak. The one day field session will be held on Friday, May 22nd. This follow-up to the 1986 workshop in Concord will feature visits to two high quality Red Oak stands in Rockingham County, New Hampshire.

Discussion leaders will include: Rod Jacobs, USFS, on regenerating Red Oak; Walter Shortle, USFS, on infectious and non-infectious diseases of Red Oak; Bob Edmonds, UNH Coop. Ext., on processing Red Oak for value; Bill Leak, USPS on stocking levels and intermediate treatments; and Sid Pilgrim and Jim Spielman of SCS on soil-site relationships.

All those interested in this Workshop should contact Stan Knowles, Extension Specialist, Forestry, Pettee Hall, UNH, Durham, NH 03824 for additional details and registration information.
Chairman's Comments - Quentin Mack

I'm pleased to be able to report significant progress on both emphasis items mentioned in my last report. Thanks for your support of the Five Year Grant Proposal and for the credit that has to go to Pete Hannah for his perseverance. Now the real work begins. There is a schedule of Executive Meetings for the remainder of the year later in the Quarterly. If proposals are made in advance of those dates, I promise that I will act on the very next meeting. I hope to be able to report selections in the next Quarterly. I heard a couple of good ideas at the Granite State Meeting and several other Division members have made suggestions. I know they're out there so get them in. We will then provide the money to make them work.

Secondly, we're in the process of finally developing a comprehensive job description for the Executive Director's position. The first reading will be made at the June Executive Meeting. I'm very satisfied with the benefits I see from this position and I'll quickly point out that they are a result of Dick Watt as an individual not because of leadership. Thanks for all of the effort Dick.

There were a couple of noteworthy meetings that I was able to attend. The greatest was the colloquium entitled "Forestry Education at the Cross Road" held at the New England Center at UNH. (Hey that's okay, I had to look it up too.) There were about a dozen excellent presentations including one from our executive Vice President, Ron Christenson, and another from our State Forester, Jack Sargent. Forestry is a long and lasting food for thought but to summarize in one sentence: the group felt that a solid technical forestry education should be the primary objective of Forestry Schools and "Continuing Education" should begin immediately upon graduation.

Technology Coordinator's Report

Peter Hannah

Next year the Winter Meeting will be hosted by the Yankee Division and will be held in Massachusetts. Tom Quink is Program Chair for the meeting. A theme has not been selected but Tom envisions concurrent technical sessions with potential for Working Groups to significantly contribute to the meeting. Tom would like to see the sessions focus on current issues (eg. water quality, solid waste disposal, etc.). Working Group leaders interested in hosting a technical session should submit an issue they wish to address to Tom in the near future. Tom will evaluate how they fit in with the theme and provide other information that may help with your planning. I hope there will be a good response to this offer. Write Tom at 84 Church Street, Gilberville, Massachusetts 01031.

Working Group leaders should consider using the News Quarterly to communicate with their members to request ideas for Working Group sessions, workshops, or summer field trips. A good idea will warrant applying for support monies from the Working Group $1,000 Grant Fund to help make it a top-notch program.

Max McCorsack, Silviculture Working Group Chair, is willing to lead an 11-day group field tour on silviculture in northern Maine, probably in late July. Ten or more participants may be required to make the effort worthwhile. Contact Max at the University of Maine.

A majority of the Winter Meeting Survey were submitted. In tabulating the fourteen listed categories, the first priority was weighted by feedback from the cover of the Quarterly. The top priorities are: (1) Economic analysis of silviculture and management (222), (2) Analysis of logging road equipment and forest fire (188), (3) Use of PC in growth and yield (179), (4) Chipping (178).

In the "treating the public category", the selections in order of preference were: writing articles (264), talks to service organizations (192), field days (134), and book reviews (44). These results should provide some topical ideas for Divisions, Working Groups, and Student Chapters to think about in planning future activities and workshops.

Later I attended the Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Forest Fire Protection Commission. The CONFAC is the only international forest fire protection organization in the world. This is the third meeting I've attended and I would urge all of you with an interest in fire prevention or suppression to contact your State Forester for information on next year's meeting. This year's theme is "Safety in Suppression" with emphasis on personal fitness was particularly meaningful to those of us that tend to look "back" on youth! Another area that has been occupying lots of our time is filling our standing committees. At this point I will give you a partial list of the committee leaders. I must admit that I find it hard to harass members into "volunteering" time away from jobs, family, and community to serve the profession. Won't you make it easier and ask to serve? No, well expect a call anyway! Here's progress to date --- opportunities exist on all:

- Policy
- Jane Difley
- Steven Broderick
- Membership
- Hervin Stevens
- Technical Coord.
- Peter Hannah
- Communications
- Jane Difley
- Awards
- Joe Hawson

The one thing that I'll never get used to is the contradiction of time delay and compression that comes with this column. At the beginning of the year you get four opportunities to share your news and prejudice. Sure you love nature; so don't afraid to act human first and forester second.

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GRANITE STATE Division

Winter Meeting of Granite State Well Attended

More than 140 members and guests attended the Winter Meeting held at the Kings Court Inn in Campton on February 13. The business meeting made a special appropriation of $500.00 for the Kendall S. Norcott Memorial Scholarship Fund. Final budget approved for 1987 totaled $5,450.00.

A forest forum on "The Natural Resources Agenda in New Hampshire" was presented by Alan Crabtree and John Sargent, Directors of New Hampshire's Fish and Game Departments and Division of Forests and Lands respectively. Peter Steer of L.R. McCoy & Co. presented an interesting commentary on the pulse of the market. He reviewed the results of the new tariff on Canadian lumber... which he feels muddled the waters more than clarified them.

Awards were presented to John Ferguson, Hillsborough County Forester, as Outstanding Forester of the Year. This award is presented annually for service to the profession based on the following criteria: (1) "to the person who has labored long and hard in the vineyard without ever setting the world on fire" and (2) "to the forester who may have set the world on fire through a particular action or set of actions over a shorter period of time." Outstanding Student Awards were given to Reta LaFord of the 4 year UNH School and Roger Hartgen of the Thompson School at UNH. Awards are given to students nominated by their peers and faculty for outstanding achievement.

The afternoon program featured John C. Barber of the National SAF Ethics Committee who presented a talk on "Loose Canons on the Professional Ship." This was a most timely talk as foresters continue to struggle for public approval and recognition of their professional status.

County Forester Advisory Boards Re-activated

The New Hampshire County Forester Advisory Boards have been re-activated through the efforts of Jack Sargent, Director of the Division of Forests and Lands. These boards are charged under RSA 220:3 "to advise and assist the State Forester and further to act as representatives of local concerns and issues." Anyone interested in board activities or members of local boards check the Jan/Feb issue of the Timber Crier or contact the N.H. Timberland Owners Association or the Division of Forests and Lands in Concord.

Timberland Owners Sponsors Tour

The N.H. Timberland Owners Association is sponsoring a tour of England's woodlands and wood product facilities. The tour will leave Boston June 5 and return June 14. It is limited to 25 people and will plan sufficient time for sight-seeing as well as technical subjects. Interested parties should contact NHTOA at 54 Portsmouth Street, Concord 03301 or phone 603-224-9699. Deadline for sign-up is early May.

New Hampshire Outstanding Tree Farmer Named

Richard and Dorothy Warren of Barrington, New Hampshire have been named Outstanding Tree Farmers for 1987. They have managed their 243 acre tree farm for almost 40 years and have done an excellent job of management and publicizing the Tree Farm Program.

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Ownership Change at Beebe Wood Products Mr. Robert Welch of Woodbine Inc. of Connecticut has recently purchased facilities at Beebe River, N.H. The sawmill is now employing 30 people on a one shift per day schedule while the old box shop now manufactures glued panels and moldings. The resident manager at Beebe is Bernie Germeroth, well known in forest industry circles. Steve Shaughnessy is resident forester and log buyer. The company name will remain the same. Woodbine has a large retail facility in Windham, Connecticut.

Production Up at Temple-Eastex Phil Bryce, Wood Procurement Manager for Temple-Eastex, states that the facility in Claremont has doubled its production over the past year. This is due largely to new equipment which allows faster and better processing. Needless to say they are looking for more wood to meet the increased demand.

People in the News Ken Sutherland Sr. has recently been named Executive Director of the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Districts. He will provide staff assistance to the statewide organization in such areas as long and short term planning. He will represent the Association at meetings, legislative hearings, workshops, financial areas, as well as other statewide activities.

Robert Pearson, Merrimack County Forester, is leaving his duties in Merrimack County to join his family in a joint agricultural enterprise in Millbury, Massachusetts.

Allan Ryder recently left his position with International Paper Company as a forest technician to join the Patten Corporation in Littleton, N.H.

Rich Kinder of North Haverill has left Temple-Eastex and is doing private consulting forestry work. He is working closely with John O'Brien of Orford, N.H.

County Forester for 1986 Named Don Black, Strafford County Extension Forester, has been recognized by his colleagues, cooperators and peers as 1986 County Forester of the Year. As a result, State Forester, John E. Sargent has nominated Black as the 1986 Cooperative Forest Management Forester in the Northeastern area.

As County Forester in Strafford County for UNH Cooperative Extension since 1971, Black has provided outstanding multiple-use forestry education and technical assistance to landowners, foresters, loggers, and youth. These conservation efforts have resulted in over 650 landowners properly managing 40,000 acres of forest land throughout the county. Four of these owners have been proclaimed New Hampshire Tree Farmers of the Year and three went on to be judged New England Outstanding Tree Farmer. These top tree farmers credit Don's forestry know how, enthusiasm, and dedication to his job for their recognition.

YANKEE Division

Rhode Island by Chris Modisette

Rhode Island Chapter Meeting The first meeting of 1987 was held at Walt Gould's camp in Wakefield, Rhode Island. Significant discussion ensued on the following topics: membership development on a local and National SAF level; use of Yankee Division and New England Society grants for Chapter efforts; issues of acid deposition on forests, loss of open space (specifically forests to development), and effects of gypsy moth on forests; involvement of the Chapter in statewide Arbor Day ceremonies; and special recognition awards for contributions to forestry at a Chapter level.

Mr. Fred Reisman of Trimtown Road, North Scituate was voted the Yankee Division Youth Award candidate from Rhode Island for outstanding forest management work accomplished on his parent's property and with the local FFA program.

Hans T. Bergey represented Region VI at the SAF National Membership Conference held March 6 & 7 at the National Headquarters. The purpose of the conference was to consider recommendations, innovations, and actions which can be taken to sustain and improve membership within SAF.

The Chapter voted to continue the annual dues assessment at $10.00.

R.I. DEM Tom Bourn has been promoted to the position of Principal Forester and is currently in charge of federal programs as they relate to Service Forestry, Fire Protection, Insect & Disease, and Urban Forestry Programs.

Providence Water Supply Board Richard Blodgett has been recently hired by the PWSB in the position of Land Management Specialist and will coordinate the section of the watershed management program dealing with non-departmentally owned lands and the impacts of their use on water quality. Mr. Blodgett is a graduate of the University of Vermont and the Yale School of Forestry and comes to the PWSB from the US Forest Service in Delaware, Ohio.
NEWPEX '87 SUCCESSFUL IN BOSTON "Numerous positive comments from exhibitors and attendees alike deemed the Northeast Wood Products Expo 87 a success" stated James MacArthur, chairman of NEWPEX, Inc. The second annual regional trade show attracted 65 booths of wood products, wood components and industry services. More than 700 attendees from all over the USA and several foreign countries viewed the promotional display during the two and a half day show at the Marriott Copley Place in Boston during late February. Planning is underway for an expanded and modified "88" show. For further information call MacArthur or Dave Fraser at 617-727-3184 or Dame Associates at 617-482-3596.

Mass Forestry Association Update January of this year marked the Massachusetts Forestry Association's first year as a professional, full-time, organization under its new name and new director, John Nute. The year saw MFA nearly double its membership and institute a regular, bimonthly newsletter. According to Nute, MFA's 87 plans include continuation of membership recruiting, continued cooperation with other conservation groups on natural resource issues, tracking and review of environmental legislation, greater public exposure and outreach to advance MFA's goals of "... promoting education, stewardship and advocacy for forest land conservation throughout Massachusetts."

MacArthur Represents Northeast in Marketing Effort James MacArthur, DEM and M&S Specialist was selected by the USDA Forest Service and the Northeastern Association of State Foresters to represent the twenty Northeastern States on the planning team that is developing a National Marketing and Utilization Initiative for the U.S. Congress. MacArthur is planning the 87 session. Thus far the planning team has prepared two draft documents: a Marketing and Utilization Initiative Report, and a Marketing Initiative Bill which has been submitted to Congress.

DEM Forests and Parks Under the DEM Acid Rain Study Grant, the U. Mass. Department of Forestry and Wildlife recently hired Dr. Gretchen Smith as the new project manager to continue research and field studies of the air pollution/acid rain deposition problem in Massachusetts. Her special interest is in the effects of ozone and air pollutants on plants. Through the use of color infrared photography to identify and map forest areas under stress, Dr. Smith, in cooperation with DEM foresters and Insect & Pest Supervisors, will conduct site visits to these areas to further define the causes of the stress. The photo survey has revealed that an extensive area on Mount Greylock, the state's highest peak, has experienced low to moderate mortality of unknown cause.

In another phase of the study, Dr. Bill Manning, U. Mass plant pathologist is investigating root pathogen associations on several field plots in red spruce and sugar maple stands on Mount Greylock. He has isolated several mycorrhizal and potential root rot fungi that will be tested for pathogenicity in the lab and greenhouse. A separate research project by Dr. Donald Mader of U. Mass will compare current growth trends in red pine, white pine, and sugar maple with data obtained 20 to 30 years ago.

The Mt. Grace Conservation Trust purchased the Lawton Tree Farm in Athol on December 29th for eventual acquisition by DEM in 1987. This acquisition was a significant first piece of business for the new land trust which assists public agencies in eastern Franklin and northern Worcester County areas. The Lawton Property was formerly Massachusetts Tree Farm #1 and DEM will ask for that number when reinstated.

Chief Forester Tom Quink and Carl Herrmann of DEM will be working with Pete Garret of the Forest Service and the Mass. Christmas Tree Assn. on a tree cloning project as part of the Bureau's tree improvement program.

Douglas Leab has been promoted to Resource Conservation and Development Forester for the four western counties in the Berkshire-Pioneer RG&D area. Richard Valkourt of Phillipston has been appointed as Assistant Forester in Region 3 (Worcester County). Steven Hubner of Williamston has been hired as Assistant Forester in Region 5 (Berkshire County).

Yankee Forest Cooperative Project The YFCP is in the process of hiring a forester to assist the three state service foresters within the project area with the deluge of inquiries resulting from a very successful multi-media promotional campaign. The Forest Marketing Sub-Committee is developing a secondary industry directory for the project's tri-state area. YFCP foresters have met with staff members of the Soil Conservation Service regarding interaction in future projects, including the possibility of an RG&D project exclusive to the YFCP demonstration area.

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Tree Farm & MAPF To Sponsor Communications Skills Program

Christina Petersen and Doug Leab are project coordinators for this intensive one-year effort to provide foresters with the communications skills and confidence needed to promote Tree Farming to private landowners. Operated in conjunction with MAPF meetings and activities, the project began with a half-day pilot workshop on April first at the Narutowicz Club in Ware. For more information about the program, contact Chris at 413-545-2665.

Tree Farm News

At the annual Tree Farm Inspectors Luncheon in February, Mary Wigmore of New England Forestry Foundation was honored as the 1986 Outstanding Tree Farm Forester. Keith Ross of Atlantic Forestry Service was awarded a Silver Hardhat and Jeff Carney of New England Woodland Management was awarded a Bronze Hardhat for their activities in certifying new Tree Farms. Guest speaker Jay Healy discussed current forest management and policy issues from his unique perspective as both a state legislator and owner of Mass. Tree Farm #2 in Charlemont. Chairman Dick Kulis reports that the Mass. program completed 100% of its 86 required re-inspections.

New Extension Forester Appointed

David B. Kittredge Jr. is the new Extension forester in the Department of Forestry and Wildlife Management at U. Mass/Amherst. Dave received his PhD in silviculture from Yale in 1986 and was a post-doctoral Fellow in Forest Management at U. Conn. prior to this appointment. His experience includes a stint as consulting forester in New Hampshire and as Manager of the Yale School Forests.

Consultants Corner

The Land Concern Ltd. has officially opened for business in its newly renovated office on the Mohawk Trail in Shelburne. Dave Celino is the newest forester on the staff and he joins Ned Childs, Russ Richardson, and Linda Roth who have been working together for almost a year.

Workshops for your Calendar

There will be a workshop on "Wildlife Habitat Management for Foresters" on May 12 & 13 in Charlemont. This workshop for practicing foresters will introduce the COVERTS Project to Massachusetts. For further information contact U. Mass Cooperative Extension.

Doug Leab, Berkshire-Pioneer RC&D Forester, announces a demonstration of small-scale cable yarding techniques and equipment on May 7 & 8. Workshop fee is $8.00.

A workshop on logging safety and productivity is scheduled for June 4 at the Upton State Forest and June 5 in Northampton. Soren Erickson, internationally known expert on chainsaw use and safety, will conduct both sessions. The fee is $30.00 and registration will be limited. For more information call Doug Leab at 413-586-5442.

Information Available

Warren Archey of Cooperative Extension announces that the USFS hydrological model "Brook" has now been adapted for use on IBM-PC and Digital. Rainbow microcomputers. Program users can analyze quantitatively the hydrological effects of various combinations of land management goals, including erosion and sedimentation predictions. Copies of the program on floppy disk and the manual entitled "User's Guide to a Model for Estimating the Hydrological Effects of Land Use Changes" are available for $10.00 from Warren Archey, Cooperative Extension, Pittsfield (Digital Version) and David Miller at U. Conn for the IBM version.

DEM Region 2 recently received an award from the Middlesex Conservation District for outstanding cooperation in compilation of The Woodland Management Guide for Massachusetts. DEM forester Chuck Pernaa co-authored the guide and copies are available for $6.00 from the Middlesex Conservation District, 40 Nagog Park, Acton, Mass. 01720.

The 1987 Primary Wood Products Industry Directory is now available. For a free copy contact Dave Fraser, MAU Forester, PO Box 173, Lancaster, Ma. 01523.

The DEM and the Eastern Massachusetts Wood Producers Association have organized a promotional campaign to encourage marketing of eastern white pine. DEM has committed $20,000 of Federal funds per year for a two year period to the campaign. Stay tuned for further developments.

GREEN MOUNTAIN Division

by Gary Salmon

Forest Plan: A Commitment to the Future

Just weeks after the presentation of the Green Mountain National Forest Plan, the State Department of Forests, Parks, and Recreation presented the Vermont Forest Resources Plan, a commitment to the future. According to the Rutland Herald this ten year plan for Vermont's forests calls for more intensive management of private lands for fuel and timber while preserving public land for recreation and wildlife. The plan released in February and the product of five year's planning by state and private foresters, says a future energy crisis will make timber prices and transportation costs will make Vermont's million acres of forest an increasingly valuable resource. The report also warns that as more city-dwellers move to Vermont, the pressure on woodland for a variety of uses will increase.

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Meetings and fine representation on the are undecided, but we all wish her the very best. William Guenther, a former consulting forester and Forest Technician for the County Forester position} replacing the retired Gil Cameron. Bill's first priority is developing a good working relationship with consultants. As he points out, the commitment and service to the Brighton will end this phase of her career on March 31.

People in the News The New Hampshire/Vermont Chapter of the Soil Conservation Society of America recently presented an Honor Award to Norman Hudson for his outstanding contributions to the wise use, protection, and management of Vermont's forests and to conservation education. The Society recognized Norm for 13 years of outstanding service (1957-1970) as County Forester; for establishing and organizing Conservation Education Field Days in Washington County, which later spread to other counties because of their value; for professional service to other natural resource organizations in Vermont; and for dedicated service in protecting Vermont's forests and assuring their wise use and management.

At the February Winter Meeting of the Green Mountain Division in Burlington, the Division awarded a "Citation of Service" to Sam Hudson for his high level of commitment and service to the Society of American Foresters throughout the years. Sam's work has led directly to two successful Green Mountain Division hosted Winter Meetings and fine representation on the NESAF Executive Committee for the last few years.

After eight years of devoted service to forest landowners of the State, Deb Brightmon will end this phase of her career on March 31. She has been the Chief Administrator, exponent, statistician and coordinator for the Current Use Program since the inception of the program and her departure will create a serious void. All who have known or worked with Debbie will miss her. Her plans for the future are undecided, but we all wish her the very best.

William Guenther, a former consulting forester and Forest Technician for the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation, has been promoted to the Windham County Forester position, replacing the retired Gil Cameron. Bill's first priority is developing a good working relationship with consultants. As he points out, the many private foresters in Windham County work with many more landowners and much more land than a single county forester. He will also work to maintain personal contact and attention to people enrolled in the Use Value Program. A further priority is to integrate forest planning into Regional Commission Plans and to work with municipalities in protecting their forest lands. Bill can be reached in West Brattleboro at 257-7967.
Biomass Update Two more biomass-powered, electric generating plants are now operational bringing the total of the new plants in operation in Maine to five. The Cranageable Steam Co. in Greenville, Maine, recently completed successful start-up tests on its 700 tons/day plant. Central Maine Power is buying power from the 15 mw unit. The company recently announced plans for two more plants, to be built in West Stewartstown and Swansea, N.H. Electric power began flowing from the Jonesboro, Maine plant of Babcock-Ultrapower in late December. The 25 mw plant is selling power under a 30 year contract to Bangor Hydro. It is expected to use 270,000 tons of wood per year.

New biomass plants now operational in Maine are located in Enfield, Chester, Sherman Station, Greenville, and Jonesboro. Still under construction is the 16 mw plant in Athens owned by Gorbell-Thermo Electron Power Co., which is scheduled to be operational by fall of 1987, and the 30 mw plant in Fort Fairfield owned by Fairfield Energy Venture, L.P., which is scheduled to be operating by December 1987. Another biomass project by the same company is also under way in Stratton, Maine.

As reported earlier one of the spin-off issues of the biomass industry is that of how to dispose of the thousands of tons of wood ash. A brochure entitled Wood Ash from the Greenville Steam Company’s Biomass Boiler - Questions and Answers about the Farm Recycling Program describes how one company is handling the waste. The publication is available by writing to the Resource Conservation Services, Inc., 18 State Street, Bangor, Maine, 04401.

Industry Great Northern Paper Company announced the reinstatement of their reforestation program, nursery operation, and vegetation management program. They will plant 800,000 trees this spring and will produce another 1.2 million seedlings at their nursery for planting on 1500 acres in 1988. Champion International paper mill executives in Bucksport are hoping that a repeat performance of Boise Cascade’s strike last summer by paper union workers in Rumford, doesn’t happen to them. Negotiations between the unions and Champion will commence March 23rd for a new three year contract. At issue are some of the same items that crippled Boise’s plant and sent quarterly earnings plummeting. "Flexible Manning" is what Boise called it, and the "team concept" is Champion’s term for a labor regime that allows management to assign workers from one union to a job normally reserved for another union member. Labor says that job security is threatened by such an arrangement and management says it’s necessary to remain competitive in the paper market.

In other industry news, Boise Cascade announces that Jessica Josephs, Forest Economist in Rumford, has accepted a position of Lease Manager in DeRidder, La., while Joe Horn, Supervisor of Systems Analysis in Boise, Idaho has accepted the Forest Economist position in Rumford.

Former Scott Paper Company Woodlands Manager Robert LaBonta was confirmed by the Maine legislature and will serve as the new Commissioner of the Department of Conservation.

Ed Meadows of Seven Islands Land Company has been named to a second term as one of four representatives of the forest industry on the Project Learning Tree National Planning and Advisory Council.

State News In a recent state-wide poll sponsored by Maine Department of Conservation’s "Forests for the Future Program," 61% of Maine residents think that State government should do more to solve problems facing Maine’s forests. A telephone poll interviewed 714 households who were asked a series of questions to measure public concern and knowledge of Maine’s forest problems. Forty percent believe that the most important problem is over-cutting. Twenty - one percent think that of a variety of threats listed, acid rain is the greatest threat. Twelve percent listed management as the biggest problem and two percent saw no problem at all. Maine people value forests most highly as wildlife habitat, secondly as a place for recreation, and fourth as a source of income. The poll showed that Maine people are concerned about the future of the forest products industry.

A new law enacted during the last session of the legislature requires that forest landowners who planted trees, harvested wood, or undertook any forest management activities during the past five years, are required to file a report with the Maine Forest Service. The report requires information on the amount of acres involved in chemical and mechanical thinning, stand conversion, and other forest activities. Size of clearcuts and chipping operations must be reported also.

Thomas Doak has been appointed Director of Planning for the Department of Conservation’s Bureau of Public Lands. Doak will be responsible for developing multiple use plans for Maine’s 450,000 acres of Public Reserved Land.

University of Maine Mark Housewart has been appointed acting Associate Dean of the University of Maine College of Forest Resources. His previous position was that of Professor of Entomology at the University of Maine and serving with the Cooperative Forest Research Unit.

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Private Sector  Fewer loggers are working in Maine according to the Maine Department of Labor. In a recent article in Loggers News, a 1500 person drop in logging employment between October 1985 and October 1986 was noted. Reasons cited for the decline were: a shift in employee status to subcontractor status, increased mechanization, reduced markets, and formation of multiple companies.

Canada  by Sandra Travers

Kenneth Brown Honored  Kenneth Brown, former Deputy Minister of Natural Resources and a UNB alumnus, has been inducted into the Forestry Hall of Fame of the Association of Registered Professional Foresters of New Brunswick. He was honored at the Sylvicon '87 banquet on February 17. During his career he held posts as Assistant Chief Scaler and Director of the Photogrammetry Division for the Department of Lands and Mines. He was secretary to a forestry committee which recommended the establishment of the Maritime Forest Ranger School in Fredericton and also played an integral part in the first complete aerial survey of the province for the purposes of mapping and forest-policy development. He is a charter member of the Association of Professional Foresters of New Brunswick and was appointed a "life member" in 1970. At that time he was chairman of the New Brunswick Forestry Committee. A plaque containing a photograph and citation honoring Mr. Brown will be displayed in the Central New Brunswick Woodsmen's Museum in Boisetown.

New Faculty Member  The Department of Forest Engineering welcomes Dr. T. D. Needham, a specialist in applied silviculture from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, Virginia. Dr. Needham has accepted a position as Assistant Professor. His research interests include soil/site evaluation; site classification and interpretation for silvicultural prescription; site productivity; and stand regeneration, development, and structure.

Wood Science and Technology Group  UNB's Wood Science and Technology Group continues to provide a valuable link between the university and industry as the scope of its research and development work expands. This year the Group holds contracts worth $100,000 with 24 companies in Canada and the U.S.—a 50 percent increase over last year. Partner companies include Winchester, Grohmann Knives, and Calato, the maker of Regal drumsticks.

This Group, which is in the process of forming an institute, is one of only three facilities in Canada with wood product capability. The other two, owned by FORINTEK, are located in Ottawa and Vancouver. The Group's research and development efforts are concentrated in three main areas: wood testing, process improvement, and new product development. Particular expertise is offered in wood coatings technology, wood plastic composite technology, wood gluing, wood drying, plastics technology, secondary wood processing, and wood and timber strength testing.

The Group's most recent venture is a contract with Faber and Company, a Quebec snowshoe manufacturer. Dr. Marc Schneider, Director of the Group, and his staff are day-to-day involved in the process to breed his product with plastic. They will then design a new plant for the company. This project, partially funded by the National Research Council, demonstrates how the university, industry, and government are working together to apply new technology to the workplace and then pass the benefits along to the consumer. The Group is trying to help change the traditional Maritime selling economy toward a finished product manufacturing economy. "Our work not only benefits the industry, but is good for the whole economy," says Dr. Schneider. "Value added to the raw lumber is 10 to 15 times."

Dr. Schneider is looking forward to the Groups move from its campus location to new quarters in the recently completed UNB building at the Hugh John Flemming Forestry Complex. The new facility contains an industrial area with a dry kiln and a pilot plant for producing plastic impregnated wood. It also houses three well equipped laboratories: a new product development lab, a lab for fabricating polymers and small-scale chemical research, and a physical testing lab which contains a state-of-the-art Instron strength testing machine. These new facilities will provide the Wood Science and Technology Group with an increased capacity for research and development and will also strengthen the university's bond with industry for the benefit of all.

Continuing Education in Forestry  The Department of Continuing Education in Forestry has a number of courses slated for Spring of 87.

Public Relations and Natural Resource Management  April 27-30. This four day workshop will deal with how to anticipate and plan for the challenges of external communications and public relations; how to cope with the unexpected; and how to supervise those in similar circumstances—all without specialist staff or a big budget. Hands-on and role playing techniques will be used.

Role of Wood-Supply Analysis in Management Planning  May 6-7. A workshop intended for government, industry and private-land foresters concerned with wood-supply analysis as it relates to forest management. Its purpose is to lead participants to an understanding of the roles and skills necessary to design and implement a management plan.
CFE Update

ACTIVITY/DATE/LOCATION


Wood Products Markets; 3/17/87; White River Jct., Vt.

Woodland Dollars and Sense; 4/8/87; Sturbridge, Ma.

New Hampshire County Extension Foresters Training Session; 4/16-17/87; Durham, NH.


Prescribed Burning in New England; 5/7-8/87; Peru, Vt.

Wildlife Habitat Management for Foresters; 5/12-13/87; Charlemont, Ma.

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Is There A Difference!!

This issue of the News Quarterly, aside from the change in format, also has a redesigned masthead and banners to match. As Editor, I'm always interested in improving the image and content of the News Quarterly. It takes readers with an interest in those improvements also, to help make those changes possible. It also takes talent. I thank sincerely Dave Fraser for his art work and talent in making these changes possible. Dave is a Marketing Forester with the Massachusetts Division of Forests and Parks and a freelance graphic artist on the side. As important is the fact that he is an interested(7,7),(992,993)

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