SAF President Carl Stoltenberg presents the Technology Transfer and Extension Award to Alexander Dickson of the University of New Brunswick, Canada at the National SAF Convention in Rochester, New York.

SAF AWARD TO ALEX DICKSON

Six members of the Society of American Foresters received the Society's highest awards at its national convention in Rochester, New York, on October 17, 1988. The awards honor outstanding contributions in various areas relating to the forestry profession. The SAF Council, the Society's governing body, chose the winners from a distinguished field of nominees.

Selected for the Technology Transfer and Extension Award for 1988 was Alexander Dickson of Fredericton, New Brunswick. The award recognizes a member's outstanding achievements in facilitating the field application of research through technology transfer, implementation, and extension. Dr. Dickson is professor and coordinator of continuing education, Faculty of Forestry, at the University of New Brunswick and a member of the New England Society of American Foresters. Since joining UNB in 1976, Dickson has taught or supervised more than 70 continuing education courses ranging from wood-lot harvesting to computer applications in forestry, and from natural

THREE ELECTED FELLOW

Three NESAF members were honored in 1988 with selection to SAF Fellow. Abbott B. Ladd of Belgrade, Maine, Peter R. Hannah of Burlington, Vermont, and Thomas F. Quink, of Gilbertsville, Massachusetts, were selected for their outstanding service to both forestry and society. In 1988 only 57 members of the Society were elected to Fellow from a membership that totals 19,000 foresters. Peter Hannah is Professor of Forestry at the University of Vermont and currently on sabbatical at the Bent Creek Experimental Forest in North Carolina. Abbott Ladd was a tree farm family supervisor with the Boise Cascade Paper Group for 32 years and is currently the Executive Director of the Small Woodland Owners Association of Maine. Thomas Quink is Chief Forester with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management and was instrumental in the success of the 1988 NESAF Winter Meeting in Lowell. Congratulation to these three fine foresters.

NEW COUNCIL FOR REGION VI

Jane Difley, Northeastern Regional Manager for the American Forest Council and past Chair of NESAF has been elected to a three year term to the SAF Council for Region VI. She replaces fellow Vermonter Jim Wilkinson, whose term expired, in representing foresters from New York and New England. Jane holds a B.A. in English from Connecticut College and an M.S. in forestry from the University of Massachusetts. She has held a number of forestry positions throughout New England and will serve Region VI well in her new position.
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Comments Of The Chair - Ted Howard

Among the pages of this Quarterly you will find a draft of a policy statement dealing with maintaining New England's working forest in the face of increasing pressures for alternative land uses and increasing demands for more passive uses of the forested environment. This current draft is an outgrowth of the very successful NESAF annual meeting held in Lowell last March, and of many hours of Task Force work. But, to make this policy position most effective, your input is needed too! And, you'll get the opportunity at the Business Meeting at the New England Society of American Foresters meeting in Portland, Maine on March 15, 16, and 17, 1989.

At the Lowell meeting we all became more acutely aware of those pressures and demands. And, major land transactions in northern New England during the summer including an actual land auction at the Mount Washington Hotel at Bretton Woods, NH, brought the forest land use issue to the public's attention. Right now, a Governors' Task Force, a Northern Lands Study and the Northeast Forest Alliance are working on aspects of the issue. The media are interested too as evidenced by the extensive press coverage of the Diamond land transaction, the Northern Lands Study, and other forest land use concerns.

We foresters must now step forward as a unified professional group and become involved in these important land use issues. And, we need to make decision makers and the public know that we have the expertise to help guide sensible land use decisions. We can help identify issues as well as methods available for resolutions of conflicts. There is no more appropriate profession than forestry to be involved in these land use decisions.

This policy statement, when approved by the membership of NESAF, will be an important vehicle for carrying our message of wise use to the public arena. Our goals are to clearly identify the forestry profession as land use experts, to highlight the importance of the working forest in the socio-economic structure of all of New England, and to mobilize our profession into action.

The Task Force and the Executive Committee want your input. View the draft as a target for your criticisms. Help us make a better policy statement. Send comments to: Gibb Dodge, PO Box 775, Conway, New Hampshire 03818 and then come to the business meeting. Share your ideas and be involved!

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For the Tellers Committee:

Richard F. Watt
Edward B. Helget
Paul A. Deter
The NESAF recognizes the need for major changes in planning and management of the working forest as we approach the year 2000. Sound land use planning incorporating resource management principles is needed to ensure that forests can continue to provide the many benefits on which New Englanders depend. The Society is committed to providing reliable and appropriately presented resource information to landowners, the general public, opinion leaders, and decision makers throughout New England.

New England's working forest, which provides the living and economic base necessary to support the people of New England, requires effective multiple use planning and management. Conflicting demands resulting from population growth and development throughout New England continue to increase. And, there will be major forest ownership changes due to the ages of owners, tenure of ownership, and that forest land is a marketable asset as well as a raw material base.

Eighty-one percent of New England is covered in forest. Of this forested land, 61% is non-industrial private forestland, 30% is industrial forestland, and 9% is public forestland. This may change, however, as the older landowners are replaced by a younger generation, and as industry and other owners find it more profitable to sell portions of their lands than to keep them.

The population of New England has increased approximately 30% from 1950 to 1980 putting increased pressures on forest lands. As the population increased, commercial industries enlarged to serve the growing needs of the population. This development placed additional demands on existing lands, and has caused increased subdivision of lands and fragmentation of the working forest.

The supply of forestlands is becoming inadequate to meet all of the demands on it. As development continues, the fiber base is being reduced, lands are less accessible for recreation, some wildlife populations suffer due to fragmented habitats, and water quality is jeopardized by decreased filtration by forest soils and increased waste disposal. State and local governments have been reacting to these demands rather than anticipating and planning management programs to meet them.

Science and technology alone will not greatly change the carrying capacity of our environment. The New England forestry profession should renew its leadership role by providing reliable resource information, and by developing and evaluating alternative land uses to assure the stability of the working forest to meet human needs of the 21st century.

Forestry professionals have a key role in promoting land use planning based on sound biological and economic principles. NESAF members are committed to direct involvement in maintaining the working forest. We will apply our skills and actively participate in the planning, management, and implementation processes for all land uses and collaborate with other professional groups and the general public. Our ultimate goal is to maintain and improve the working forest.
I want to introduce you to the Northern Forest Lands Study—what it is, why we're doing it, and how you can participate.

The northern regions of New England and New York are characterized by vast tracts of privately held forest land. This land of northern hardwood and spruce-fir forests has long supported an economy based on forest products, and it has provided opportunities for hunting, fishing and other recreation by local residents as well as people from outside the region. The ownership of these large tracts of forest land could change in the near future possibly leading to new and different uses of the land.

Public concern in the region about potential land ownership changes led Congress, in September 1988, to ask the U.S. Forest Service to conduct a study assessing the existing situation and the potential impact of such ownership changes. And so the Northern Forest Lands Study began.

It is essential that people like you who have a stake in the future of this region—whether economic, recreational, or otherwise—be involved in this study. As study coordinator for the Forest Service, I welcome your thoughts and will make every opportunity available for people throughout the region to be heard.

COORDINATOR
Stephen C. Harper
Forest Service, USDA

WHAT WE HOPE YOU WILL DO!

1. Please give us your comments on the proposed vision statement (below). You can do this by attending a public meeting or sending your comments by mail.
2. Give us your ideas on how we can best achieve this vision.
3. Be prepared to give us more of your comments and ideas as the study progresses.

THE NORTHERN FORESTED LANDS OF NEW ENGLAND AND NEW YORK

The forest lands of northern New York, Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine have long served the public as an important economic and recreation base. As we look into the future, several generations from now, we believe these lands can continue to serve both landowners and the American public in many beneficial ways.

A VISION FOR THE NORTH COUNTRY

We will succeed in retaining the special character of northern New England and New York and the large forest tracts which now contribute to the economy of the region and the enjoyment of its people. Interspersed with the forests are lakes, rivers, crop, and pasture lands which provide attractive visual contrast.

The forests - including the air, water, soil, plants, and animals - will be healthy and beneficial for all to enjoy. A steady flow of wood fiber will supply a modern forest industry. Tourism and other industries will compliment a diverse economy.

Communities around the region will continue to be an important part of the working landscape. Development will occur in a planned manner, complimenting existing settlements and in harmony with the health and productivity of the region's forests. Citizens will benefit from good jobs and amenities.

People will continue to have many opportunities to enjoy a wide variety of outdoor recreation pursuits such as fishing, boating, hiking, crosscountry skiing, hunting, and snowmobiling. Large blocks of open space, connected by travel corridors, will provide these opportunities. People may pay a reasonable fee, but will otherwise be welcome to visit. Recreational use will exist along with forest management, and will be compatible with forestry activities.

Wildlife and fish will exist in healthy, diverse populations. Many opportunities will exist for people to view and harvest wildlife. Threatened, endangered, and rare species will be protected in order to survive and prosper.

HOW DO WE ACHIEVE THIS VISION?

Change is inevitable, and if we just take what comes the future may not be what we want. If we work together we can guide change toward the future we desire. We should discuss accomplishing this through private and public interests working in concert, across jurisdictional lines, over the long run.

How do you feel about this proposed "vision for the future"? What ideas do you have that would help make this vision come true? The more people participate the more likely we are to get what we want.
1989 WINTER MEETING - FORESTRY & WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT IN THE NORTHEAST: WHAT CAN WE AFFORD

INVITATION

To: All Foresters in New England

From: Maine Division, New England Society of American Foresters

Once again the Maine Division of the New England Society of American Foresters cordially invites you to attend the 69th Annual Winter Meeting to be held March 15, 16, and 17th at the Holiday Inn by the Bay in Portland. Portland offers a mix of unique shops, waterfront dining, and salt air strolling in historic neighborhoods. Just the change of scenery you need after a long cold winter! This meeting is sponsored jointly by SAF, the Wildlife Society and the American Fisheries Society. In addition, the Northeast Forest Pest Council will be sponsoring one of the technical sessions. We believe the program contains topics that are of interest to all natural resource managers and encourage you to attend. For the first time we are offering additional educational opportunities through a poster session where authors will display their work on 4' x 4' posters.

Please make your hotel reservations soon by sending the previously mailed reservation card. The meeting registration form should be forwarded separately to Lynn Cochran. Remember that your spouse or friend need not register for the meeting if they are not participating, but do need to register for the banquet. Please make every effort to register before February 14th as it will save you $10.00 and give the program committee an early estimate on attendance. Information about current events and places to visit in Portland will be available at the registration desk. Parking is available at nearby parking garages at rates of .65 - .75 cents per hour and Holiday Inn registrants can park at the Inn's facilities at no extra charge. Any questions concerning the Winter Meeting should be directed to Greg Foster, Arrangements Chair, at 207-892-6555 or Donna Cassese, General Chair, at 207-672-5512. See you in Portland in March.

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As I write this column 1988 is on the wane and my term as Chair of NESAF is coming to an end. As you read this, 1989 has begun and I now serve as Council Delegate for New England and New York SAF. I find myself looking over the year that's ending wanting to summarize it, to encapsulate it, for myself and for NESAF members.

The New England Society of American Foresters is an active society that depends on the time, energy and commitment of many volunteers. I'd like to highlight some of what we've accomplished together in 1988.

"Development in the New England Forest" was the theme of our winter meeting in Lowell, ably and profitably hosted by the Yankee Division. The meeting inspired policy chair, Ted Howard (NH), to convene a task force to look at the issue of development and to write a "white paper" addressing the concerns of the forestry profession with the hope of drafting a position statement. Gibb Dodge (NH) chairs the group and we now have a draft statement, "Maintaining the Working Forest," that will be presented to the membership at our 1989 annual meeting. If a position statement is adopted, our challenge in 1989 will be making it clear, to encapsulate it, for myself and for NESAF members.

Joe Mawson (MA) chaired an awards committee that recommended four awards, similar, but not identical, to the national awards. Tim Hawley (CT), chair of the communications committee, surveyed members and recommended names for the awards: the James W. Tourney award for outstanding achievement in service to NESAF; the Austin Cary practicing forester award; the Ernest M. Gould, Jr., technology transfer award; and the young forester award. The first recipients will be recognized at our Portland meeting in March.

Larry Smith (NH), membership chair, has worked persistently to retain present members and encourage others to join. As a result, our membership is stable - a great improvement from losing members! Larry and Dick Watt began the process of writing a membership brochure for New England that will be available in 1989.

Steve Broderick (CT), has chaired the education committee this year and is piloting a project in southern New England to encourage high school students to consider forestry as a career. Using the SAF/AFA brochure, "So you Want to be in Forestry," the project will work with guidance counsellors and science teachers to reach students.

We've had two technical conferences this year - in New Hampshire on northern hardwood silviculture and in Connecticut on white pine regeneration. There was also a working group tour in Maine this summer.

Grants were awarded to three divisions in 1988. The Yankee Division received $5,000 to print brochures advertising events for Massachusetts Forest Products Week. The Granite State Division was awarded $250 for plaques for 4-H forestry volunteers. Four hundred and eighty-six dollars was granted to the Green Mountain Division for co-sponsorship of two water quality workshops, hosting a legislative coffee and supporting "Teach-a-Plot" as part of Vermont Project Learning Tree. The grants have yet to draw on our reserves and they clearly stimulate valuable outreach efforts.

At the national convention in Rochester, New York, NESAF sponsored Robert J. Turner, a graduate student at the University of Vermont, as our representative to the "student speakout." Thoughtful comments from Robert's paper are printed in this Quarterly. We also helped sponsor a Project Learning Tree workshop for Rochester school teachers in conjunction with the convention. Thirty-two educators and three foresters participated.

I find myself looking over the year that's ending wanting to summarize it, to encapsulate it, for myself and for NESAF members. I've probably omitted things that ought to be included, but the above highlights show some of what's gone on in NESAF in 1988. The real action, of course, is at the local level where the divisions and chapter have been active with workshops, tours, displays and discussions on such issues as licensing and clearcutting.

Chairing NESAF has been rewarding. I have gained skills, learned some lessons and supported my professional organization. However, what I value most is the relationships I've formed with colleagues as we've worked toward common goals. I continue to be impressed with the time and energy our members devote to SAF. It may be a cliche, but the more I participate, the more I gain from my involvement and membership in our Society.

I look forward to serving as your Council delegate and I wish each of you the best in this new year.
Editor's Notes

I'm a firm believer in keeping an editor out of the paper unless the situation calls for either a thank you or an apology. This issue of the Quarterly calls for both.

The News Quarterly is only as good as the information provided it. A goodly portion of the "news" that gets printed comes from the seven correspondents representing each of the six New England states and Canada. It is these dedicated individuals that collected information from around the state or province in 1988, typed it up, and allowed the editor to tear it apart (literally) and make it into four issues of the News Quarterly. For that I am grateful and offer a sincere thank you to Leslie Sargent of New Hampshire, Yuriy Bihun of Vermont, Donna Peare of Maine, David Robb of Massachusetts, Timothy Hawley of Connecticut, Chris Modissette of Rhode Island, and Sandra Howland of Canada.

A major function of the editor is to present the news in a format not offensive to the reader. One of by goals is to present news in the Quarterly in a gender free format. I read all articles for publication in just that light. However a previously published article entitled "Forester Defined" appeared in the October 1988 Quarterly that escaped the editor's pen and appeared in a context not acceptable to several readers and the editor. I apologize for allowing a deadline to supercede my duties as editor and for allowing an article to appear that, with the modification of about a half dozen words, would have been acceptable to the entire readership. I promise to keep my editor's hat on more carefully in the future.

Elsewhere in this Quarterly you will find the results of the election of officers for 1989. Russ Reay and the Nominating Committee selected an excellent group of candidates and I'm sure those elected will fill their positions well. Forty-two percent of the ballots were returned, one percentage point higher than last year's election.

The 1988 National Convention was held in Rochester, New York and I was able to attend thanks to greatly appreciated financial assistance voted by your Executive Council. While there I also attended the HSD meeting to gain some insight into how this arm of SAF functions. The House of Section Delegates, composed of the Chair of each of the 34 State Societies, meets annually just before the National Convention and recommends to the SAF Council items for their action and concern. The HSD meeting concentrates its efforts on agenda items which are submitted to the national SAF staff. The Bethesda staff prepares comments on each agenda item, providing the delegates with costs of suggested changes in SAF procedures or new activities, and what, if any, consideration has already been given to such items in the past. Those agenda items that receive a favorable vote are considered at the next meeting of the SAF Council which is the governing board of the Society of American Foresters, setting broad policy direction and controlling budgets. NESAF did not submit any agenda items this year but has an official voice in such proceedings from its position as one of the 34 state society state societies.

The Rochester Convention was an excellent one, well-attended with outstanding speakers and many excellent concurrent sessions on a variety of topics conducted by the Working Groups. In short, the format was similar to that of NESAF's Annual Winter Meeting but on a larger scale to satisfy the diverse interests of the nearly 1,700 attending foresters. Several NESAF members attending the National Convention mentioned to me that our Annual Winter Meetings approach in quality that of the National in variety of timely subjects well presented by skilled speakers.

I believe that our Winter Meeting in Portland will be one worth attending. Particularly important is the inclusion and cooperation of the Maine Chapter of the Wildlife Society and the Atlantic International Chapter of the American Fisheries Society in formulating the program and obtaining speakers. To often we don't have discussion with other professionals whose actions and ours are often mutually dependent upon one another for the best management of natural resources. Here's a chance to discuss problems and solutions and to make new professional acquaintances who will widen our expertise in land management. Don't fail to put this mid-March meeting on your calendar!

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As a student about to launch into the profession of forestry, I find myself anticipating the challenge with great enthusiasm and with more than a little trepidation. My comments will address some of the values I find associated with this profession. My overall thesis is this: I contend that our formal and informal education as foresters concentrates too much on facts and not enough on the role of values and ethics. Our values, both individual and societal, exert a major influence on how we apply our knowledge to the challenges we face.

As students, we are bombarded with facts and information that we must integrate and use. We spend years practicing skills in a largely artificial and contrived setting until graduation certifies that we have learned well and are ready to tackle real problems. Then as practicing professionals we are quickly occupied by deadlines, profitability, or performance reviews. Our personal values are developed unconsciously as we travel this road; if our skills represent the vehicle by which we travel, our values are the roadmap. Seldom do we consider the process of value formation. I maintain that the solutions we choose to the challenges of our profession are based as much upon our personal values as they are based upon facts and data. Furthermore, I submit that the future of our profession is tied to our individual and collective values as strongly as it is tied to the GIS technology exhibited at this convention.

As our environmental problems grow in severity, our professional mandate becomes of even greater importance. Our responsibility to society is substantial. What I choose to do to improve our world, to benefit society, is based largely upon personal ethical positions. In most cases, those positions are constantly forming and reforming based on what I read and hear. The process is usually informal and unintentional. The point I make to you here is that there are times when it's useful, if not essential, to take a more formal look at this process. I think there are things we can do to encourage it and I offer the following suggestions towards this end.

In our schools we should promote more student debates on controversial issues. In addition, student organizations should consider inviting local professionals to sit on panels which examine the various sides of pressing environmental questions. I believe our schools do not offer enough opportunity for experiential learning. I'd like to see credit-bearing internships become part of the required curriculum in all natural resource fields.

I would like to see local SAF chapters discuss and adopt public positions on state-wide issues. I agree with those who feel that as individuals and as a profession we need to enter the political arena to advocate our ideals, but I must emphasize that the process of arriving at consensus is as important as the position adopted. Similarly, I would like to see the Journal publish articles in a point-counter-point format. Our national journal should provide a public forum for controversial questions.

Finally, conventions such as this are a perfect setting for a debate. Here we have gathered experts from many fields and, more importantly, we have reserved time from our busy schedules to think and learn. We have many sessions on science, some on education, but even in this election year, the political agenda of our profession is not represented.

In closing, I think it is important to mention some difficulties associated with these ideas on value identification. First, it takes a great deal of interest and effort to develop a well-integrated, objective, broad-reaching set of personal values that we can apply to challenges facing our profession. It is much easier to take a "go with the flow" or "don't rock the boat" attitude. Exercising one's values means accepting a certain amount of risk. On the other hand, it is an all too common criticism of foresters that we are too quick to jump to conclusions on an issue before listening to all sides of the debate. Understandably, we may be reluctant to release traditional forestry values in the face of ecological and political uncertainty. But I am not the first to suggest that this must occur for forestry to continue as a viable profession.

Robert J. Turner, a graduate student at the University of Vermont, was NESAF's representative to the Student Speak-Out Program held at the national SAF convention in Rochester, New York, last October. The above remarks were taken from his presentation. He has a BS degree in finance from the University of Connecticut and worked for a decade in the real estate field prior to entering the University of Vermont. He is planning to graduate in May with a Masters Degree in forestry. While in the forest management program he has focused his work on an econometric study of Vermont forestland property characteristics and their affect on parcel price.
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resource public relations to medicinal plants of the forest. He has also taught undergraduate courses on public relations in natural resource management, audio-visual communications, written communications, and illustrated public presentations, and has supervised graduate and undergraduate reports and theses.

A native of Scotland and a citizen of the United States, Dickson received his B.S. in Forestry from Aberdeen University, Scotland, and an M.S. and a Ph.D. from the State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry at Syracuse.

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Activity/Date/Location                  Contact Hours/Category

Fall Meeting - NH&VT Christmas Tree Assoc.; 10/4/86; Swiftwater, NH          1/I; 4/II
Annual Meeting - Massachusetts Christmas Tree Assoc.; 9/27/86; Monson, MA       1/I; 1/II
County Forester Meeting; 10/14-15/86; Essex, VT                              1/I; 5/II
15th Maritime Forest Nurserymen’s Workshop; 10/14-16/86; Baddeck Nova Scotia  12/I
Fall Field Meeting - CCTGA; 10/25/86; Voluntown, CT                         1/I
1987 Winter Meeting - Maine Christmas Tree Assoc.; 1/20/87; Augusta, ME      5/II
Winter Meeting - NH&VT Christmas Tree Assoc.; 1/28/87; Barre, VT             2/I; 4.5/II
District Training Session; 3/5/87; Newport, VT                              2/I
1987 Annual Meeting - VT Dept of Forests, Parks & Recreation; 4/14/87; Brownsville, VT 1/I; 3/II
Regional Insect Disease & Utilization Training Session; 6/9/87; Berlin, VT     5/I
Christmas in August; 8/11-15/87; Halifax, Nova Scotia                       8/I; 1.5/II
Fall Meeting - NH&VT Christmas Tree Assoc.; 10/3/87; Greenland, NH          1.5/I; 2/II
Tenth Annual Wood Identification Workshop; 1/3-6/88; Amherst, MA             19.5/I
NH-VT Christmas Tree Association Meeting ; 1/27/88; Barre, VT                4/I; 1/II
Drift Management Recertification Workshop; 3/17/88; Portland, ME            4/II
Vermont UVA Meeting; 4/14/88; Waterbury, VT                                 5/I
Approved Wood Measurement Training Program; 6/23-24/88, 1/5-6/89; Orono, ME  8.5/I
County Forester Quarterly Meeting; 7/13/88; Springfield, VT                  3/I; 1/II
Quarterly State Lands Meeting - FOREX; 10/18/88; Stone, VT                   4/I; 1/II
Wildlife Futures; 11/12/88; Bridgewater, MA                                 5/I
Freshwater Wetlands Conference; 11/14-15/88; Sturbridge, MA                  14/I
Lumber Kiln-Drying Seminar; 11/22-24/88; Fredericton, New Brunswick          17/I
A Growth Management Forum: Sustaining the Economic and Environmental Future of New England; 12/3-4/88; Medford, MA 12.5/II
District Quarterly Meeting and Training Session; 12/9/88; Essex Jct., VT      5.5/II
Forestry Financial Analysis Intensive Course; 1/11-13/89; Orono, ME          21/I

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Urban Forestry - The DEP Forestry Bureau held a 2-day strategy workshop to develop an urban forestry program outline. All Bureau foresters attended. Some aspects of the new program will be implemented immediately, but other parts will depend on funding. The DEP's budget is currently frozen.

The Forestry Bureau was awarded a $40,000 grant by the U.S. Forest Service for a Model City Urban Forestry program. The Bureau is seeking a city in which to develop a pilot program that can be followed by other towns. $25,000 of the grant will be spent to develop the model and $15,000 will be used for educational materials.

The Bureau also created an urban forester position. Forty applicants from across the country qualified for the position exam. Finally, the state forestry agency plans to take a more active role in Arbor Day in 1989 than in past years.

Voluntary Registration - State Forester Peter Babcock submitted names of those chosen to serve on the forester and logger registration boards to the Commissioner of DEP for approval. Yankee Division, SAF, elected Mike Ferrucci, Tim Hawley, George Stevens and Star Childs (alternate) to serve on the forester board. The Yankee Division also elected Bill Hull and Bob Hart (alternate) to serve on the logger board. Babcock is also developing a mailing list to send an application form to all foresters and loggers. DEP field foresters will assist in providing an opportunity for anyone to be registered.

Forest and Park Association - The Connecticut Forest and Park Association received a $48,000 bequest from the late Floyd H. Callward. Callward, who died on July 27, 1987, became a member of the Association in 1936 when he became Extension Forester at the University of Connecticut. He served as president of the Association from 1968 to 1973. Callward was a member of the SAF for more than 50 years. The bequest will be used for CFPA's educational programs.

CFPA sponsored a two-day Project Learning Tree (PLT) workshop for educators and teachers throughout the state last fall. Each of 35 participants are now PLT facilitators who will conduct workshops in their community for teachers, scout or 4-H leaders, Tree Farmers or foresters interested in educating children about the environment.

CFPA trail volunteers logged 3,624 hours of trail maintenance work during 1988. The volunteers maintain the 500-mile Blue Trail System in Connecticut under the Forest and Park Association's direction.

Tree Farm - About 70 people toured the 1988 Outstanding Tree Farm, owned by Robert and Wilma Visny of Coventry. The 52-acre Tree Farm was certified in 1964 when it was converted from a dairy farm. Each year for the past 20 years, the Visnys have donated seedlings to local sixth-grade students. The Tree Farm's annual harvest is now about 1,800 Christmas trees in addition to firewood and fence posts. The Visnys will conduct two Project Learning Tree workshops for teachers in March.

The Tree Farm committee is planning to sponsor a one-day workshop in communication skills for foresters prior to the Yankee Division winter meeting. "Connecticut Tree Farming: Concern for the land and care for the forest," is the new theme coined for Tree Farm communications.

High-Class Deer - Several residents of Mason Island in Stonington have collected $4,500 to pay for evacuating native deer. One of the island's largest landowners had planned to open his land for hunting because of the high deer population. Assisted by the Friends of Animals, some of the island's 300 human residents asked that relocation be attempted instead of the hunt and are donating money to the cause.

The hapless forest to receive the deer herbivores was not identified. Lyme disease is present on the island, suggesting that the deer may need to be dipped to kill any ticks on them. The DEP Wildlife Bureau, which must approve any trapping or interstate transport of the deer, has not yet received a specific proposal for the relocation.

The ones that got away - The South Central Water Authority held an "opening" for a five-mile trail network being incorporated into its fee-based recreation program. An estimated 500 people accepted the Water Authority's invitation to "Take a Hike" or enjoy a hayride. One permit holder told a local reporter, "After spending all week fighting the 'animals' with three-piece suits, I like to get out and look at the ones that got away."

Newsmakers - Jonathan Zeiner was hired as Watershed Supervisor and Forester for the Torrington Water Company. Zeiner is a 1988 graduate of Utah State and is originally from Torrington. He is currently working on a forest management plan for the utility, which owns 5,000 acres and five reservoirs.

Sam Hawley retired after 35 years with Great Mountain Forest. Trained as a technician at Michigan Tech, Hawley worked for the Conn. Park & Forest Commission at Mohawk State Forest and for Brown Company in Maine before accepting a position at Edward C. Childs' Great Mountain Forest.
Student Recruitment - Peter Condaxis, Chair of the Education Committee, has resolved to tackle the problem of declining forestry enrollments. In August, he met with UVM's new Forestry Program Chair, John Donnelly and with Katherine Stevenson who coordinates admissions recruitment for the School of Natural Resources to map out a strategy for involving SAF members in encouraging young people to enter the profession.

Establishing and maintaining ongoing communication with schools is a key as is correcting the misunderstanding about what foresters do. Many guidance counselors and parents are unaware of the diverse job opportunities open to forestry graduates and equate the forestry profession with low pay and limited options. The SAF booklet "So You Want To Be In Forestry" does an excellent job of countering this misconception as does a new video "Careers in Forestry" produced by the Forestry Media Center at Oregon State.

Copies of the booklet have been mailed to all Vermont school guidance counselors. The "Careers in Forestry" video is being adapted for use in Vermont and will be ready for distribution this spring. Peter has produced a roster of twenty SAF members statewide who have volunteered to contact school personnel about these materials. Anyone interested in joining this effort should get in touch with Peter or call Katherine Stevenson at UVM (656-3003).

Silviculture Training Completed - Over 120 logging operators completed the UVM Extension-State of Vermont F,P, & R, "Silviculture for Loggers Project." From all perspectives the project was a success and logger reaction was genuinely enthusiastic. Loggers successfully completed the project by attending three day-long workshops dealing with water quality, silvics, and silviculture. Each logger received a "certificate of completion," a log scale stick, and recognition via media articles. A brochure listing the graduates will be sent to consulting foresters, county foresters and other parties interested in using this information.

Thom McEvoy and Yuriy Bihun have been approved for additional funding to replicate the workshops in 1989 with Yuriy continuing as project forester. A technology transfer package for regional expansion of the project and additional workshops for loggers are being discussed with Joe Michaels, USFS State and Private Program in Durham, New Hampshire.

Convention Attendee - Amy Golodetz, a senior majoring in Forest Biology at UVM attended the SAF Convention as 1988's recipient of the UVM SAF Student Chapter award covering expenses to the meeting. The award is provided anonymously by a Vermont forester who wanted to express his faith in the upcoming generation of foresters.

Forest Market Study - Data gathering has been completed on a UVM-USFS econometric study on Vermont forestland property characteristics and their effect on parcel price. Heading up the study is UVM researcher Carl Newton and graduate assistant Robert Turner in cooperation with Forest Service economists Don Denis and Burlington station project leader Paul Sandak.

Workshop Well Attended - The last of three workshops in New England attracted 75 foresters and biologists from mostly Vermont and New Hampshire on December 6 in White River Junction. "Woodlands and Woodlots: Looking Beyond the Trees" focused on managing wildlife and visual resource values through forestry and interested nearly 300 people who took the course in 1988.

Division Winter Meeting - The 1989 Winter meeting will be held on Saturday, February 11, 1989 and will be dedicated to the issue of licensing foresters in Vermont. Don't miss it!!!!!!!

Newsmakers - Dale Bergdahl, UVM Forest Pathologist, was quoted in the November Scientific American and the October 25 Wall Street Journal for articles on pear thrips in New England.

Carl Reidel has been named to the Executive Board of the newly created Journal of International Environmental Affairs: A Journal of Research and Policy to be published quarterly by Dartmouth College and University Press of Vermont.

Don DeHayes, UVM Forest Geneticist, has been awarded a $25,300 research grant by the US Department of Interior, National Park Service to study genetic diversity of relict Jack Pine populations in Acadia National Park. William Moulton has transferred from the St. Johnsbury office to become District Forester of the Central District of Forests, Parks, and Recreation in Barre.

Dave Stevens has accepted a position as Chief of Marketing, Utilization, and Development, a newly formed position within Forests, Parks, and Recreation in Waterbury.

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Wood Consumption Figures - Wood consumption by Maine's paper industry has increased by less than one percent annually for the last 14 years according to figures just published by the U.S. Bureau of the Census. "The census figures also confirm that the industry has completed its shift away from total reliance on softwood species to hardwood to match the natural balance of what grows in Maine," observed H. A. Magnuson II, President, Paper Industry Information Office. "These statistics demonstrate the industry's foresight to modify its processes and apply sound forestry principles to its lands in order to reduce predicted shortfalls in wood supplies, particularly in the softwood spruce and fir species, which were hit so hard by a spruce budworm infestation during the '70s and '80s," Magnuson commented.

Maine held on to its second place ranking as a papermaking state in the 1987 Census statistics, but Wisconsin widened its lead over Maine by shipping 4,265,657 tons to its customers, compared to Maine's 3,251,670. Third place Washington and fourth place Alabama each shipped about 2.5 million tons in 1987. The top four states produced about one third of all U.S. produced paper. The next ten ranked states produced between one and two million tons each for the year.

Outstanding Tree Farmer Chosen - The Barth Tree Farm in Alna has been selected as the 1989 Southern Outstanding Tree Farmer by the Maine Tree Farm Committee in memory of Dr. Joseph Barth, Sr. Regretfully, Dr. Barth passed away shortly before the review process. His son, Nick Barth, will carry on the management and tradition of the Barth Tree Farm. The Barth forest land, which now consists of over 100 acres, was certified as a Tree Farm in 1959. As a result of Barth's good land stewardship, at least ten other area landowners have become involved in the Tree Farm Program, including the 1981 Maine Outstanding Tree Farmer.

All of the timber stand improvements and precommercial work are done by the Barth family. A farm pond was built for fire protection and run-off control, and a fish stocking program has been implemented. Hiking and ski trails are also maintained on the property. The Barth Tree Farm, along with a Tree Farm selected from northern Maine, will be inspected again to determine the 1989 Outstanding Tree Farm for all of Maine.

Boise Cascade sells timberland - With the sale expected to be completed by year-end 1988, Rumford-Boise Cascade Corporation announced recently that it has reached agreement with Stetson Timberlands, Inc., for the sale of 108,000 acres of Boise Cascade lands in northwestern Maine. Boise Cascade decided to sell the land because the area is located over 200 miles from its Rumford mill. At that distance transportation of the wood to the mill was economically unattractive. Boise Cascade continues to own over 660,000 acres of lands in Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont. Stetson Timberlands, Inc., intends to manage the lands under a long-term sustained yield basis, with timber management the primary focus for the ownership.

Education Seminar - Boise Cascade recently co-sponsored a forestry/Wood Harvesting Seminar and field trip with the Bureau of Vocational Education and Vocational Region 9. The full day seminar was designed to increase the awareness of high school administrators and guidance counselors of opportunities in wood harvesting. The seminar was well attended by representatives of four school districts and four vocational regions. Speakers included Bob Withrow, General Manager Wood Department of Boise Cascade, Si Balch, Chief Forester-Boise Cascade, Donna and David Smith, Smith Enterprises, Terry Meisinger, professional logger, Tim Hathorne, Bureau of Vocational Education and Greg O'Leary, WCUTFI. The proceedings were videotaped by the Maine State Library with each participating organization receiving a copy of the tape. Anyone wishing more information should contact Gordon Gamble, Forest Supervisor of Boise Cascade.

Permit Process Completed - Boise Cascade and the Maine Bureau of Parks and Recreation Snowmobile Division have completed the permitting process for all snowmobile trails on Boise's Maine timberlands. This year the permit covers over 140 miles of trail maintained by twenty different organizations in four counties and thirty-four townships.

Newsmakers - Thomas A. Morrison of Waldoboro has been named Acting Director of the Maine Department of Conservation's Bureau of Public Lands. Morrison replaces C. Edwin Meadows, Jr., who has been nominated by Governor McKernan as Department Commissioner. Morrison served as the Bureau's Resource Administrator until June of this year when he was appointed Director of the Forest Service's Insect and Disease Management Division.

Richard Sirken will join Georgia-Pacific in Woodland on January 1, 1989 as the Group Manager of Forest Resources. Sirken is a Society of American Foresters Fellow and past chair of the Michigan SAF. He holds a BS in Forestry (1972) and MBA (1974), both from the University of Missouri at Columbia.

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New Publication Released - The Department of Conservation is pleased to announce the availability of the report Clearcutting as a Management Practice in Maine Forests, which was prepared by the Irland Group for the Forests for the Future Program. This publication is available at no charge by calling 289-4902 or writing James F. Connors, Director, Forests for the Future Program, Maine Department of Conservation, State House Station #22, Augusta, Maine 04333.

Faculty Briefs - M.H. Schneider gave a presentation on the basics of wood combustion at a wood burning seminar sponsored by the Fredericton Fire Department on September 24. He also visited Madison, Wisconsin in October to present a poster on wood polymer composites at a Forest Products Research Conference sponsored by the US Forest Products Lab. On November 7, Dr. Schneider gave a seminar on wood polymer composites at a polymer chemistry seminar sponsored by the polymer chemistry and wood science department at Laval University in Quebec. On November 22-24 he was an instructor at a lumber kiln-drying seminar at the UNB Tweedale Centre for Industrial Forest Research in Fredericton. The seminar was sponsored by continuing education in forestry, Forintek Canada Corporation and the NB Department of Commerce and Technology. In December Dr. Schneider travelled to Uppsala, Sweden to present a paper on modelling wood particulate fuel drying at the International Energy Agency's Wood Fuel Handling and Drying Conference.

R. A. Douglas, forest engineer, delivered an invited presentation at the Society of American Foresters' Convention in Rochester, New York in October, entitled "Research and Development in Canadian Forest Transportation Systems." In October he also gave a seminar on geotechnical engineering in forestry and other heavy industries for civil engineering students at the University of Windsor in Ontario.

M. S. Jamnick presented a paper entitled "Some effects of Forest Land Classification on Calculated Timber Harvest Schedules," at a natural resource modelling and analysis conference in Halifax, NS in late September. In mid October he presented another paper entitled "Modelling NIFP Wood Supply in the Maritimes," at the Canadian Association of Forest Economists meeting in Baddeck, NS.

Norwegian Forestry Tour

When choosing a destination, travellers aren't often concerned with soil composition and tree size. But for six Norwegians who visited Eastern Canada recently, those were the deciding factors. The purpose of their trip was to study forest road planning, construction and timber transportation. During a two-day stopover in Fredericton, New Brunswick, the Norwegian delegation was hosted by the University of New Brunswick's forest engineering department. Since New Brunswick's climate, soils, trees and area of timber land are similar to Norway's, the two groups were able to compare notes on solving forest transportation problems.

Other stops on their tour included the University of Maine at Orono; Valley Forest Products Ltd., Nackawic, NB; Fraser Inc.'s operations at Plaster Rock, NB; and the Forest Engineering Research Institute of Canada, Montreal, Quebec. Members of the study group hope to use the information gained on this trip to help plan a three year forest transportation research program. The program, which is scheduled to begin in January, will be jointly supported by Norway, Sweden and Finland.

Continuing Education in Forestry - Proceedings of the 1988 Balsam Fir Update are now available from the Coordinator of Continuing Education in Forestry for $7.50. This is a professionally prepared and printed record of the latest technical information on a range of useful Christmas tree topics.

Upcoming Courses - The Department of Continuing Education in Forestry has three courses remaining scheduled for the winter of 1988-89.

1. Public Relations and Natural Resources Management, Feb. 12-16. This workshop will help participants anticipate and plan for external public relations challenges. Included in the program is "Facing the Media," a day-long session devoted to television interviewing techniques. This session may be taken separately. Registration deadline: Jan 23.

2. Forest Roads and Trucks, Feb 28-Mar 3. Hands-on soils engineering lab testing, use of microcomputer spreadsheets POWER and HLLCIM and seminar/discussion sessions are features of this workshop. Registration deadline: Feb 7.

3. Introduction to Linear Programming with Harvest Scheduling Applications, Mar 21-22. This seminar is intended for industry, marketing board and government personnel as well as individuals who are involved in the management of forest lands. No previous knowledge of linear programming is required. Registration deadline: Feb 28.

All courses will be held on the UNB campus or at the Hugh John Flemming Forestry Centre in Fredericton. For more information or to register contact: Coordinator Continuing Education in Forestry, University of New Brunswick, Bag Service #44555, Fredericton, New Brunswick E3B 6C2, Phone 506-453-4501.

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