98 Ice Storm Recovery Program
Help Is Avaliable

By Gail Michaels

By now, almost everyone is aware of the ice storms of January, 1998, which damaged nearly 17 million acres of rural and urban forests in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, and New York. 37 counties were designated Federal disaster areas. The affected areas include a large portion of the Northern Forest Lands study area, and southern and coastal areas of Maine and New Hampshire.

Meteorologists labeled this a 100 year event. Thousands of trees in dozens of communities were damaged or destroyed, and miles of trails and woods roads are littered with debris. Foresters, loggers, and users risk entering forests full of broken, dangling limbs. In many cases, the reduced value and the danger in these stands makes it unlikely they will be harvested anytime soon.

Mirroring land ownership patterns in the northeast, most of the damage was to private lands. Damaged acres are roughly as follows: Maine: 11,300,000; New Hampshire: 700,000; Vermont: 700,000; New York: 4,600,000. The White Mountain National Forest had nearly 200,000 acres of damage; the Green Mountain, 30,000. Of the total acres damaged, about 5 million are severe.

The states and the USDA Forest Service Northeastern Area have been cooperating on several aspects of the assessment and recovery:

Damage Assessment: Regional protocols for aerial and ground surveys have been developed and agreed to. States may collect information above and beyond the protocols. For example, Maine has flown roughly 2½ million acres at 1:9000 scale. Forest Health Monitoring, North American Maple Project, and Forest Inventory and Analysis plots in the storm footprint area will be re-surveyed. Urban damage assessment protocols are being developed now, coordinated by the Northeast Center for Urban and Community Forestry at U Mass.

Recovery Costs: States agreed on a common breakdown of estimated costs, which were compiled by the Forest Service into a regional product. Costs were estimated for Planning and Assessment, Recovery and Restoration, Monitoring, Technical Assistance, and Information and Education.

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In Memoriam
Arnold D. Rhodes
1913-1998

Arnold Densmore Rhodes, 85, of Amherst, Massachusetts, professor-emeritus of forestry at the University of Massachusetts, died on April 22 at Sunderland Nursing Home.

Professor Rhodes joined the faculty of Umass (in what is now the Department of Forestry and Wildlife Management) in 1939 and remained until his retirement in 1974. He was appointed Department head in 1957.

He managed forestry plots and research projects at the Mount Toby Demonstration Forest, where the Arnold Rhodes Natural Area was established in 1974. He previously taught applied forestry at Yale University and worked with the Civilian Conservation Corps in northern Georgia in 1934-36.

Born in Lancaster, New Hampshire he received his forestry degree from the University of New Hampshire in 1934 and a masters degree in forestry from Yale in 1937. Professor Rhodes was a 62 year member of the Society of American Foresters and belonged to the New England Society of American Foresters, the Massachusetts Forestry Association, and Xi Sigma Pi. He was a 10 year Town Planning Board member and served for 12 years as Chair of the Zoning Board of Appeals. He and his wife, Grace received the Millicent Kaufman Distinguished Service Award from the Amherst Area Chamber of Commerce in 1984.

NESAF Job Opening

It’s not as though NESAF will dissolve outright if we do not have a membership chair. However, without some prodding, new ideas, coordinated efforts, keeping track of current membership, and monitoring what national SAF is doing regarding membership, our efforts at maintaining a healthy membership within NESAF will be fragmented at best. The membership chair will work as liaison between the National office and NESAF Division/Chapter membership chairs. The Chair also keeps the Executive Committee updated on membership issues and status and maintains the membership records at the state society level. While NESAF membership has held at slightly under 1300 members for a couple of years, this position may very well gains in importance over the next several years due to the "aging” of our membership in general. Anyone interested should contact NESAF Chair Leo Laferriere (page 2) for further details.

Mission Statement

OUR MISSION AS FORESTERS IS TO BE RESPONSIBLE STEWARDS OF THE EARTH’S FORESTS WHILE MEETING SOCIETY’S VITAL NEEDS. THE CHALLENGE OF OUR MISSION LIES IN KEEPING FOREST ECOSYSTEMS HEALTHY AND INTACT WHILE CONCURRENTLY DRAWING ON THEIR RESOURCES. WE WILL MEET THIS CHALLENGE BY CAREFULLY MONITORING AND MANAGING THE EFFECTS OF NATURAL AND HUMAN FORCES ON THE FOREST. OUR DECISIONS WILL BE GUIDED BY OUR PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE, OUR COMPASSION FOR ALL LIVING THINGS, OUR DESIRE TO IMPROVE CITIZENS’ LIVES, AND OUR RESPECT AND CONCERN FOR THE ENTIRE FOREST ECOSYSTEM. BY ADVANCING FORESTRY SCIENCE, EDUCATION, TECHNOLOGY, AND THE PRACTICE OF FORESTRY, NESAF WILL PROVIDE THE LEADERSHIP TO ACHIEVE ITS MISSION.
Council's Commentary by Charles Levesque

I read a disturbing column from the southeastern SAF Chair-Elect Jim Doescher recently. Because some folks in SAF don’t see the future of the profession and the desired direction for SAF the same way as he does (I dare say many of those folks are probably from our New England SAF), he was essentially advocating for the southeast to secede from the rest of SAF. In fact, having sat next to SAF Immediate Past-President Harry Wiant for most of the recent June Council meeting, he confirmed some of this thinking and that those same folks had recently asked him to lead such a splintered group. Harry turned them down, not because he didn’t agree with their concerns about the direction of the profession and SAF, but because he believes we would be better off to work through our differences within SAF rather than outside. I agree with Harry on that one, but probably disagree on another major issue — that of what to do about the increasingly diverse membership SAF has (I really mean diverse technically and philosophically more than I do culturally, but the later is a very driver of the former).

It is a simple fact that, today, “foresters” do so many different things as professionals compared to what we were doing 20 or even 10 years ago. I’m an example of this. When I first entered the profession almost 20 years ago (yikes!), I thought I’d be spending my whole career as I’d started it — working in the woods for industry or as a consultant to private NIPF, or for the Forest Service. But a couple of interesting opportunities very early on led me to what I do now as a natural resource policy consultant — still affecting what goes on in the management of our public and private forests on the ground, where my heart is still focused.

I feel I am just as much a forester as when I was in the woods every day — I just affect the management from a different vantage point. And there are many others who are carrying out many varied careers. And there continues to be the strong backbone of the profession — those foresters engaged directly day to day in forest management of a specific piece of ground. In my mind, this diversity within the profession strengthens the voice of foresters, not weakening it — if we do it right by focusing on the many things we all agree on. And here is where Harry and I probably disagree.

So as SAF Council continues to work through development of a new strategic plan this year for the next 5 years (with a careful eye on the next 20), we need to keep this dilemma/opportunity directly in front of us. While doing this, we must keep the key external societal forces in the scope: the increasing and increasingly urban populace, the US population policy statement which expired in 1997. The Forest Policy Committee could not agree on a new one, instead relying on some vague and weak thoughts on the matter contained in older SAF documents. I made a strong pitch that we must have a serious discussion about this issue and will be working to move something forward. What are your thoughts on the subject?

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Please note my new address and phone number which now includes a Concord, NH number (page 2). I would love to hear your thoughts about SAF.

Enlist New Members

Council's Commentary by Charles Levesque

Conventions - Traverse City, Michigan in September (have you registered yet? If not and you don’t plan to attend I would like to know why); Portland Oregon next year; Washington, D.C. for the centennial year 2000; and we made a decision to hold the 2001 convention in Denver (Hawai‘i was runner up — that is the correct spelling by the way).

Many forest policy issues were reviewed, and a forest policy statement on population was left in limbo. The issues included: public lands, forest management certification, forest fragmentation, and Northeastern ice storm. A serious discussion occurred relative to our population policy statement which expired in 1997. The Forest Policy Committee could not agree on a new one, instead relying on some vague and weak thoughts on the matter contained in older SAF documents. I made a strong pitch that we must have a serious discussion about this issue and will be working to move something forward. What are your thoughts on the subject?

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In raising a family, when the children are young the parents lead them around, but fairly soon in the growing up process they begin leading you around. That's the case for my wife and I - our two girls are in Colorado and California. So it came to be that this time we journeyed to the Sierras. With thoughts of John Muir and the Gold Rush of 1849, we toured Sutter's Mill area, Donner Pass, Calaveras Big Trees State Park, the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias, and Yosemite - gorgeous sights and rich history.

On the technical forestry side, it takes a bit of adjustment to experience and accept the landscape after a prescribed burn - open and park-like, but charred residues everywhere. A close examination disclosed some seedlings, but the age difference between overstory and the seedlings is immense. And also immense are the trees - huge Sugar pine four to five feet in diameter and tall well beyond my ability to count 16 foot logs; beautiful Incense cedar so colorful with its burnt-orange bark and contrasting yellow-green staghorn lichen on its branches; and of course the Giant sequoias - great brown-red massive bulks with very delicate, but seemingly too little foliage to support this, the world's largest living organism. Even in rainy day clouds, these are magnificent monarchs in the mist. In one area, I noticed horsetails growing around the base of one Sequoia - two species sharing the common characteristic of remaining unchanged for thousands of years. We saw the Grizzly Giant, one of the oldest living Sequoias - at its base were newly sprouted seedlings with an estimated 2700 year age difference between parent and newcomer.

Yosemite's beauty is surreal and classically distinctive - glacial action created the vertically-faced monoliths - El Capitan and Half Dome and left behind the hanging valleys which produce the great Bridal Veil and Yosemite Falls - truly one of our earth's most magnificent landscapes. And the dynamics of weather are still there. In 1997, flooding covered the valley floor up to five feet over the roadway and took out part of the tourist and staff housing - as it turned out permanently. New quarters will be built, but elsewhere, and once again we've learned to stay out of the flood plain. In 1996 a 500 foot long 80,000 ton slab of granite broke off (exfoliation) just below 7214' high glacier point. On its way down, it bounced off bedrock, broke in two pieces, and creating a wind speed of 160 MPH, pulverized itself at the base of the cliff producing a 100' impact zone that looks like the Mt. St. Helens scene of several years ago. Our accommodations were near the base of Yosemite Falls, where melting of this year's heavy snowpack (220% of normal) and cascading water produced the uniquely pleasant and continual sound of distant rolling thunder.

Well, what's the point of all this commentary on family vacation? For me, it served to once again heighten the sensitivity I feel we all share regarding the dynamics and beauty of our natural resources. All of us who work with the land have within us a special and priceless attribute which enables us to see, understand, experience and appreciate the qualities of the land - from the silent tiny Sequoia seedling to the thundering cataclysms of Yosemite Falls.

And we know it best when we do not see, but rather behold a vision; when we do not understand but rather are overwhelmed; when we do not experience but instead are surrounded and overcome; and when we do not appreciate but are instead humbled. Only then can we live to the fullest. Understand the qualities you have - appreciate the gift - take time to practice its application - treasure it for all it can be for you. Make one of life's best investments - convey its values to others.

And we know the great privilege we all share. Stay in good health. Save time for places like Mariposa and Yosemite. Go there. Bring loved ones with you. Walk softly the land the millenniums created. Touch the trees - stand in the mist of the falls - hold hands together. Treasure this great gift you possess.

Foresters and Teachers

Each year the National Science Teacher's Association hosts an annual meeting with three days of intensive courses; a host of excellent national speakers; an exhibit hall with about 800 exhibitors; and teaching information in multiple forms. An average attendance in any given year is about 15,000 teachers. This year a New England forester presented biodiversity related PLT activities at the convention in Las Vegas in mid-April. Laura Dooley, DEM Forester in Massachusetts teamed with Karen Silvi from Norton High School in Norton to present some simple and inexpensive activities in biodiversity, including sampling techniques and a game.

With a title like "What is your biodiversity IQ? Teaching Strategies" and excellent information from the PLT curriculum guides, its no wonder that 120 teachers showed up for the half hour course. According to Laura "I mainly demonstrated hands-on activities for use by middle school and high school teachers to help explain biodiversity."

The NSTA Convention next year is in Boston and Laura has submitted a proposal for a three hour forestry session. Submitted proposals will be accepted or rejected by fall. Now 120 teachers understand the power and use of PLT which is available for both high school and elementary school. For further information contact your state PLT coordinator. For excellent testimonials about the value of PLT contact any number of NESAF members who use it in schools throughout New England.

Comments of the Chair

by Leo Laferriere

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Continuing Forestry Education
In the April issue of the News Quarterly, there was an excellent piece entitled "Let's Revitalize Working Groups." I hope you read it. I wish, as your Science Coordinator, that I wrote it, but I did not. I'm not sure who did. However, it clearly expresses the desire for more involvement by NESAF working groups in planning the Winter Meeting programs. We have a good model for such involvement, the National SAF Convention. Even before one convention ends, working groups begin planning the next year's technical sessions. Individual working groups sometimes plan a program but more often working group officers get together to design a program around a theme to which several working group can contribute. The result is strong science and technology representation throughout the national conventions. The working group technical sessions work well at the national convention--they could work well for NESAF too. So, as the article in April said, "Let's Revitalize Working Groups!"

Speaking of the Convention and the role of working groups, this year's convention is coming up soon, in Traverse City, Michigan, in September. As a native Michigander, I can assure you that you will be made to feel most welcome there and will enjoy the scenic beauty of the area. I hope those NESAF member who attend will take advantage of the excellent technical sessions and technical tours put on by the Working Groups at the national level. The technical sessions occupy two half-days of the convention and the technical tours a full day. Based on your experiences there, come home with ideas for greater Working Group involvement in NESAF.

Computers are playing an ever-increasing role in our lives. More and more people are getting e-mail addresses and surfing the net these days. In fact, e-mail is one of the easiest ways for you to reach me. My e-mail address is: jbrisset/ne_du@fs.fed.us. Of course, you can still reach me by phone, fax, or "snail mail", just see page 2 of this newsletter for those contacts. I look forward to hearing from you, by whatever means you chose.

Peter Hannah, Chair of the NESAF Winter Meeting Poster Display in Burlington in 99 says that it is not too early to be thinking about a poster for this meeting next March. Start gathering your data, photos, and other artwork. More detailed information will appear in the October issue of the Quarterly.

On a lighter note, Pete also mentioned that an informal folk and bluegrass session may occur on Tuesday evening of the Winter Meeting. Bring your instrument and your voice. Questions regarding either posters or bluegrass can be answered by calling Peter at 802-656-0682 or E-mail at Phannah@nature.snr.uvm.edu

IBA's Are Coming

The National Audubon Society has joined with a number of bird conservation organizations around the country and around the world to identify and protect the places where birds breed, overwinter, or stop on migration. They are classified as IBA's or Important Bird Areas and Vermont is the first New England State to be so honored with IBA designations. Initially launched as a Pilot Project in Pennsylvania, the effort quickly expanded to include New York State and this spring the first IBA's in Vermont were announced.

To qualify as an IBA, a site must meet one of several rigorous criteria; that is it must stand out from other areas because it has large concentrations of birds, important bird species (are or declining), or birds associated with a unique habitat. IBA's may be on public or private land, range from a few acres or several thousand, and be either protected or unprotected. At the 25th Annual Vermont Institute of Science Bird Conference in Burlington in June, VINS with Vermont Audubon announced the first five IBA's in Vermont. They included a State Forest, a State Wildlife Mange Area, a National Wildlife Refuge, an island in Lake Champlain, and a privately owned bird research area (IVINS). According to the information presented by National Audubon "once Important Bird Areas are identified, cooperative steps are taken to ensure their continued value as "safe havens" for birds. Local conservation groups, birdwatchers, public officials, and, most important, the private land owners or public land managers, come together to plan the best possible conservation strategy for the area. This strategy can involve the public purchase of key habitats from willing sellers, the creation of conservation easements on private lands, or simply the perpetuation of sound land-management techniques.

While this step has not officially proceeded in Vermont at this point in time. That is in fact the next step in the process now that IBA's have been officially identified. Others will surely follow in Vermont and with Audubon present in all other New England states, look for IBA's to be identified in your state.

Hancock and SFI Initiatives

Hancock Timber Resource Group has announced several policies and programs it is implementing in fulfillment of its obligation to the Sustainable Forestry Initiative. Hancock, a subsidiary of the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company invests in forest land for timber management on behalf of institutional funds. Hancock owns 2.8 million acres nationwide and is the 7th largest private forest owner in the country. It manages 670,000 acres of forest in New York, Vermont, New Hampshire, and Maine.

In August of 1997 Hancock sold a conservation easement to the US Forest Service on 2,754 acres of the company's land along the Androscoggin's eastern shore in a stretch between Milan and Errol, New Hampshire. This easement, funded by the Forest Legacy Program, completes the protection of the 13 mile Woods River Corridor preserving its scenic quality, restricting future development, regulating timber operations, protecting important fish and wildlife habitat and ensuring recreational access to the area. Other initiatives that Hancock is undertaking are: entering agreements with wildlife management agencies in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, and New York to manage certain sensitive habitats for deer, bear, osprey, heron, and other species; starting an aggressive program to re-seed log landings and road edges; maintaining snag trees and wildlife den trees; establish MOU's on wildlife management with the Ruffed Grouse Society, Wild Turkey Federation, National Fish & Wildlife Foundation · Partners in Flight and other groups; and established cooperative recreational trail management programs with the AMC on trails in Maine and New Hampshire.

Hancock has also established a "Stewardship Team" and a Northeast Advisory Council. The Stewardship Team is within the management structure of the company that oversees all forest management and actively promotes the principles of sustainable forestry to its field foresters. The Advisory Council meets periodically to review Hancock policies and discuss practices on an ongoing basis.
Observations from Brazil

By R. Bamber Marshall

My Brazil work, studies beginning in 1938 and on the ground beginning in 1962, became highly productive beginning in 1968 with the creation of south Brazil’s second forest which has been primarily our slash and loblolly pines. Now, after researching all North American commercial species relative to their potential adaptability and usefulness in southern South America and personally testing about twenty-five or thirty, I have persuaded some nurseries with new species that I believe will become the most valuable part of south Brazil’s third forests. I am planning the easiest conversion methodologies for the maximum areas typical of land use and ecological character, to be accomplished with less work than would be customary follow up for other land use in such situations. Every species I now work with, in addition to being a valuable wood locally and for export, must grow nearly one inch DBH and/or one meter in height per year. Anything less is an ornamental or considered understory for future consideration.

Extension of highways and other roads into tropical forests of Mato Grosso and other Brazilian tropical states south of the upper Amazon River has resulted in long-distance hauling of the more valuable tropical logs into the subtropical south, where they can be air-dried or kiln-dried and manufactured by European market standards. Thus, this subtropical forest region south of the Capricorn at elevations commonly between 1000 and 4000 feet, logically should sustain forests and manufacture forest products forever. Its local land, often recognized as being less productive in agriculture, is being reclaimed for increasingly productive and sustainably managed forests, admirably acceptable by UNCS&D (Rio 92) environmental objectives. Pine and other conifer monocultures will become less important as exotic and native hardwoods and species mixtures become established for high value and high production. In agroforestry practice, rather than fallow brushland following a single-year cash crop of corn, farmers can grow the cash crop corn as summer shade for seedlings of valuable forest trees. The second summer cash crop can be nitrogen fixing such as peanuts, thereby reducing weeding, and to whatever extent the peanuts are not harvested they will fertilize the fast growing trees.

Each year the landowner becomes more prosperous as a greater percentage of their land becomes valuable forest instead of fallow brushland. Everywhere the opportunity for imaginative silviculture is fascinating.

Mr. Marshall is an international consulting forester who has spent most of his forestry career practicing forestry in South America.
New Members

We sincerely welcome the following new members to the New England Society of American Foresters via original membership (N), transfer (T), or student (S).

Granite State Division: Philip Auger of Strafford (N), Lionel Chute of Washington (N), Enc Cole of Durham (N), Michael Lingley of Nashua (N), Robert M. Borg of Ossipee (T), Mark Ducey of Durham (T), George Fillian of Woodsville (T), Wayne Lewison of Center Harbor (T), Kevin Hathaway of New Market (S), and Robin Reed of Lebanon (S).

Green Mountain Division: Brian Parks of Moretown (T), David Haight of Burlington (S), Roger Hart of Burlington (S), Krista Reinhart of Burlington (S), and Tyson Trautz of Burlington (S).

Maine Division: Anthony Lyons of Wilton (N), Robert Sawyer of Ashland (N), Steven Shatz of Brunswick (N), Joseph Ely of Topsham (T), Eric Heitzman of Fort Kent (T), Douglas Robinson of Orono (T), Robert Wagner of Orono (T), George Carlisle of Bangor (T), Matthew Holley of Winterport (T), Stuart Lane of Lincoln (T), John Pratte of Sabattus (S), Winston Sinclair of Harmony (S), and Mathew Stedman of Canaan (S).

Yankee Division: Michael Kniec of Storrs, Ct (N), Cynthia Wood of N. Attleborough, Ma (N), Anne Fuller of S. Hadley, Ma (T), Justin Donahue of Carver, Ma (S), Kevin Donovan of Danvers, Ma (S), Chad Gauthreau of Ware, Ma (S), and Kris Rodenhiser of Salem, Ma (S).

Connecticut Chapter: Greg Arthaud of New Haven (T), Robert Kenny of New Haven (S), and Jonathan Wagar of New Haven (S).

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Thanks for the Help

This letter is in response to your request for information on the status of the Green Mountain National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (Forest Plan). We have successfully completed the Public Planning Group meetings in which we have identified and clarified issues that need to be considered in the revision of the Forest Plan. As you are aware, the first couple of meetings were slow to start and filled with strong feelings. The later meetings, including the most recent one in June, were much faster paced and with a good tolerance of opposing views. Issues were identified and opposing viewpoints were respectfully expressed and dialogue for good understanding.

While there is more editing to do on the issue papers, they are essentially completed. I am most pleased with the overall results. Folks did a great deal of work to make this happen and I remain optimistic that the future projects will be equally successful. At this time we are awaiting new regulations from the Washington Office of the Forest Service which will allow the Green Mountain National Forest to move forward with the Forest Plan revision efforts. Unfortunately, we have no update on when to expect to “go ahead”. Our last update indicated that we would be allowed to proceed this fall or winter.

We appreciate the Society of American Foresters participation in our process and look forward to your continued involvement. When we do get the green light to proceed, we will let you know our plans. You can be sure we will be asking for your participation as well.

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NESAF Members Tour
Norway and Sweden

Five New England foresters participated in the National SAF Tour to Norway and Sweden between May 6 and 16, 1998. William T. Bones of Wellesley, Massachusetts; Laura Dooley of Reading, Massachusetts; Marc Johnson of South China, Maine; George Carlisle of Sarasota and Bangor, Maine; and Hans Bergey of Hope, Rhode Island. Vermont and New Hampshire Tree Farmers Putnam and Marion Blodgett also participated. According to Hans Bergey "it was a professionally rewarding experience for all that took part in it."
Nominations, Nominations
Not Too Early
This fall will create vacancies on the Executive Committee for state representatives in Vermont, Maine, and Massachusetts as well as our Canadian representative. Qualified and interested people are out there and they need only be asked for participation. It is helpful to give a candidate a few days to consider the merits of the job (not to collect reasons to say no) and that can only be done if the candidate is asked early. It is not too early to start canvassing candidates in Vermont, Massachusetts, and Maine. For a really valid election it is even nice to have a couple of candidates for each office. The nominations for each of these offices should reach Dick Watt by September 15.

Leadership Academy For All
(Attend if Asked)
Two New England SAF members attended the National Leadership Academy this year in May. Craig Maclean of International Paper in Maine and Joel Streebing of Hull Forest Products in Connecticut attended this year's excellent program. According to Craig the leadership academy experience "is well worth the time and effort and should be required for anyone interested in SAF positions... It is an invaluable experience for SAF and a heck of a lot of fun." Food for thought for New England candidates next year. The only expense is the time and it is certainly worth that.

Arbor Day Celebration Honors
David M. Smith
The Yale Student Chapter of SAF celebrated Arbor Day by planting a tree in honor of David Martyn Smith, Professor Emeritus of Forestry. The White Fringetree (Chionanthus virginicus), was planted just outside the office in Marsh Hall, where Professor Smith still works after 50 years of dedication to Yale Forestry. Hundreds of students, faculty, and alumni joined Professor Smith in the celebration.

David Smith arrived on the faculty at the Yale School of Forestry in 1948. In 1954 he joined with Ralph Hawley as an author of The Practice of Silviculture. Now in its ninth edition, The Practice of Silviculture is used as the primary silvicultural text in universities across the country and around the world.

In 1973, Professor Smith presented a paper entitled "Maintaining Timber Supply in a Sound Environment" for the President's Advisory Panel on Timber in the Environment. This report was part of the deliberation eventually leading to the drafting of the 1976 National Forest Management Act. Professor Smith also served as associate editor for both the Journal of Forestry and Forest Science.

In the course of his six decades of teaching at Yale, Professor Smith has educated hundreds of graduate students, and worked directly with 36 doctoral students. Despite his retirement in 1990, Dave can still be found in his office in Marsh Hall, discussing the silviculture of mixed species stands, making students his first priority, just as he always has.

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David Smith (R) accepts his Arbor Day award from Student SAF member Alex Finkral, while SAF members Dr. Herb Winter (l), and Chris Elwell (back center) look on.
Connecticut

Certification Update - The next round of forest practitioners certification will be held in October. All exam applications must be received in the State Forester's office prior to September 1. A directory of practitioners is available upon request from the State Foresters' Office. The final draft of the "Regulations Pertaining to the Conduct of Forest Practices In the State of Connecticut" should be available in late summer for review and can be obtained by contacting the State Forester's office at CT-DEP-Forestry, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106 (860-424-3630) c/o Doug Emerthal.

Arbor Day Activities - Fred Borman and Larry Rousseau of the CT-DEP, planted a tree for Arbor Day at St. Brendan's School in New Haven. The Connecticut SAF donated a Callery Pear for the DEP sponsored Arbor Day Poster Contest. Nicole Sicignano's winning poster marked St. Brendan's third win in the last four years.

Forester's Fund Grant Put to Good Use - The Connecticut SAF's $500 grant matched by National SAF $500 was presented on June 6th at Peoples State Forest in Barkhamsted. Informational signs that trace the history of Peoples State Forest were unveiled at the 75th Anniversary Celebration sponsored by the Connecticut Forest and Parks Association. SAF members Bob Ricard, Rob Rocks, Dave Trykowski, Joel Bronson, Jim Gillespie, George Kiefer, Jim Pronovost, and Jerry Milne were on hand to demonstrate charcoal pit construction, portable saw mill operations, and horse logging. Timbers donated by Perma-Treat Corporation were used in the construction of the signs.

UCONN New Home Page - The University of Connecticut Cooperative Extension Service has a new home page at www.cnar.uconn.edu/ces/forest. The home page will have new publications listed and how you can order them. Currently listed is a new publication called Forests and the Connecticut Economy and a job announcement for a new Extension Educator among other things. This is a full time position and for more information - log on.

Newsmakers - Congratulations go to Tom Worthley of the Cooperative Extension Service for his recent appearance on the cover of the Journal of Forestry.

Peter Hannah, Chair of the NESAF Winter Meeting Poster Display in Burlington in 99 says that it is not too early to be thinking about a poster for this meeting next March. Start gathering your data, photos, and other artwork. More detailed information will appear in the October issue of the Quarterly.

On a lighter note, Pete also mentioned that an informal folk and bluegrass session may occur on Tuesday evening of the Winter Meeting. Bring your instrument and your voice. Questions regarding either posters or bluegrass can be answered by calling Peter at 802-656-0682 or E-mail at Phannah@nature.snr.uvm.edu

Rhode Island

SAF and Envirothon - The forestry component of the 98 Rhode Island Envirothon was sponsored by the Rhode Island Chapter. Paul Dolan again coordinated the forestry section of the competition and is hosting a forestry lesson for the winning team prior to their trip to the national competition.

Rural Lands Coalition Work Continues - Chapter members are involved in the continuing effort to update and revise the Farm, Forest, and Open Space Act. Agreement on the proposed changes could not be reached with the state tax assessors, so the effort will continue into the next legislative session. A grant was received by the Coalition to carry out creative zoning and planning initiatives in the South County area of the state, which is one of the three fastest growing areas in Southern New England, where open space lands are being lost at an alarming rate.

Red Pine and Scale - After monitoring the red pine plantations around the Scituate Reservoir for decades, former watershed manager and Rhode Island Chapter member Hans Bergey was disappointed to learn recently that the red pine scale (Matsucoccus resinosea) has finally arrived. Having worked its way through Connecticut and arriving in southern Rhode Island just a few years ago, the scale was detected in several stands in the southwest portion of Providence Water lands this spring by Forest Supervisor Rob MacMillan. Providence owns about 12,000 acres of forestlands, with about 2,000 acres in red pine. Harvesting of the red pine will increase dramatically in the next few years, presenting Providence Water with a public relations challenge.
Details have yet to be worked out regarding the relationship on May 5th. The acting slate of officers until the by-laws are approved by NESAF are: Chair - Charles Charon, Vice-Chair - Bill Rivers, Secretary/Treasurer - Joel Dumont. The purpose of this organization will focus on: organizing continuing education workshops; create policy statements; public relations promotion of forest management; to name a few. A proposal for a general purpose was considered as “By advancing both public awareness and professional competence, MSAF shall work to support both the right and the opportunity to practice professional forestry in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.” Invitations to attend this initial meeting were sent to 214 current SAF members who resided in Massachusetts.

Yankee Division Summer Meeting focused on wildlife. June 17 found Yankee Division members in Belchertown, Massachusetts sharing information with the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife. Dick DeGraff stressed structural diversity of age classes, patches, and mixed softwood and hardwood stands as examples of good diversity for wildlife. Tom O'Shea and Ann Marie Kittredge presented information on a modified approach to even-aged silviculture.

Of great interest was a Fish and Wildlife biodiversity initiative funded by the Open Space Bond Bill and implemented by the Forest Stewardship Program which provides funding for wildlife practices on private lands that include: creation of temporary and/or permanent forest openings; biannual mowing; controlling undesirable vegetation; and the reclaiming of old fields. These practices are to help provide the optimal blend of habitat types that will support the flora and fauna native to Massachusetts.

Outdoorswoman Course Offered - Massachusetts has joined 40 other states to help promote interest amongst women in the outdoors. In its third year, the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife program has interested women from 18 to 75 years young. Late August is the featured weekend and includes several activities aimed at helping the participant become more comfortable in a forested surrounding.

Tree Farm News - New officers for '98 include: Chair - Hugh Putnam, Vice Chair - Paul Catanzaro, Treasurer - Bob Lear, Secretary - Greg Cox. September 19 will find Tree Farmers attending the Woodland Owners Field Day at the Freeman Family Tree Farm in Brimfield. Events include the annual picnic, Tree Farmer of the Year award, forestry equipment and demonstrations, and a workshop on Chapter 61. Cost will be $10.

Linwood Lesure, Massachusetts only National Tree Farmer (1979), died in March at the age of 93. Lin was best known for his maple promotions efforts at the Eastern States exposition. He was the first Massachusetts resident named to the Maple Hall of Fame.

Forester Licensing Hearings Move Forward - Public hearings were held across the state on May 26 regarding the proposed licensing of foresters in Massachusetts. Written comments could also be submitted until June 5. While attendance last December was high, this latest round in total brought out only about two dozen people. According to the new regulations “as of October 1, 1998, no person shall hold him or herself out and engage in the practice of forestry in the Commonwealth unless licensed in accordance with M.G.L.C. 132, Sections 47-50”. As of recent meetings, that deadline will probably be pushed back to January 1, 1999.

Massachusetts Forest History On Display - DEM is celebrating the centennial of the state forests and parks. A series of events were initiated this spring which culminated with the rededication of the Mt. Greylock Summit on June 21. A century ago the legislature responded to public outcries for protection by purchasing 400 acres of land at the summit thus protecting it from clearcutting by encroaching loggers. This became the beginning of the present 285,000 acre forest and park system.

An effort by several foresters and a fine editing job by Charles H.W. Foster has produced Stepping Back to Look Forward: A History of the Massachusetts Forest. The collection of nine essays documents the forest history of the state and changes in the landscape over the last century. It is published by Harvard Forest and the 339 page book is available from the Massachusetts Forestry Association, PO Box 1096, Belchertown, Ma 01007.

Newsmakers - David and Anne Marie Kittredge found themselves describing “Do Nothing Forestry” in the Perspective column of the June issue of the Journal of Forestry. While creating some thoughts on how we have tried to interest those NIPF’s over the years, they present a case on the merits of having some land “do nothing.” An interesting column and well worth re-reading.

Forestry bill signed - After much legislative debate, a forest management bill was passed and signed by Governor August King on April 7th. The bill: requires the Bureau of Forestry to collect data and produce a biennial report on the state of Maine Forest; gives the Commissioner of Conservation the power to set more stringent standards for buffer zones around clearcuts; requires 250 foot buffers around clearcuts over 100 acres in size; requires management plans for clearcuts over 35 acres. In addition the largest landowners will be required to report on clearcuts over 75 acres, total acres planted, and total acres commercially harvested.

Hearings will be proceeding on many of the provisions which will be prepared by rule making by the Department of Conservation.

Spring Meeting Focuses on Ice Storm Damage - The Maine Division spring meeting included a field trip to the Winterberry Tree Farm in China, Maine. Two tour routes were provided which demonstrated the effects of the storm on stands and individual trees. As the groups toured and reviewed the damage on hardwoods and pine and fire trees many more questions arose than could be answered. The primary question was what do you advise landowners on what to do now. There are no certain answers, and it seems that answers depend on individual landowner needs and objectives.
SAPPI land sold - South African Pulp and Paper Industries, owner of S.D. Warren, has announced that it will be selling its 911,000 acres of Maine timberland. The holdings are in the west central Maine along the Kennebec River drainage, roughly in the triangle of Jackman, Greenville, and Bingham. SAPPI owns about 80 miles of frontage on Moosehead and Flagstaff Lakes. Additionally, the company will be selling its hydro and biomass generation plants at Westbrook and Skowhegan. The purpose of the sale is for SAPPI to concentrate on its core business of making fine papers. SAPPI said that it would only consider selling the land to "companies with a commitment to the practice of sustainable forestry and the ability to comply with Maine's forest practices law." Part of the sale includes a wood supply agreement to the Somerset Mill. SAPPI floated tentative offers before several potential buyers earlier in the year. Roughly six or seven made suitable initial offers and are in the second round of bidding. SAPPI purchased S.D. Warren in 1994 from Scott Paper Company, paying $1.6 billion, for its mills in Westbrook and Skowhegan as well as mills in Muskegon, Michigan and Mobile, Alabama and for the Maine timberlands.

Legal Aspects of Forest Explained - Two recent publications have examined the various legal aspects of forestry and tree growing in general. "The Law of Trees" was compiled for the Vermont Institute for Government. This four page newsletter details state laws governing public trees, boundary trees, and the bundle of rights due timberland owners. Additional information and a copy of the newsletter can be obtained at the Vermont Institute for Government in Montpelier 802-223-2389.

University of Vermont Thom McEvoy has recently written a book titled "Legal Aspects of Owning and Managing Woodlands." Topics covered include acquiring and owning forest land, managing and using forest land, taxation and estate planning, and ethics of forestry practices. The book is being published by Island Press and will be available this fall.

Exotic Pests and Wood - Senator James Jeffords has recently written to Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman expressing concern about the USDA policies and programs in place to safeguard the forest industry from the introduction of exotic pests. Senator Jeffords would like to see phytosanitary standards that require heat treatment for imported logs, railroad ties, and other large wood articles. Klin drying for solid wood packing material and improved treatment measures for woodchip imports. He asks that forestry professionals help support his position and write to Secretary Glickman. Introduced invasive species already cost the forest industry an estimated 4 billion dollars annually. Risk assessments have estimated the costs associated with the introduction of new alien pests could cost the forest industry $58 billion and devastate forest ecosystems.

Envirothon Continues Growth - On May 12, thirteen envirothon teams competed for the right to represent Vermont at the national championship in Michigan. Ginger Anderson and Gary Salmon were on hand in Cabot to implement the forestry exam. As usual it focused on measurements, proper use of tools (scale sticks and prism), dendrology, tree parts, with a few silvicultural terms and insects and diseases thrown in to keep everyone thinking. Overall the quality of knowledge and number of teams are slowly rising which will require more foresters available to mentor teams. Don't be surprised if a school gives you a call to help out a forestry team. For the second consecutive year the Vermont winner was Websterville Academy. The team amassed 441 points on team scores in forestry, aquatics, wildlife, soils, and an oral presentation on watersheds.

Arbor Day Foresters Busy - The first week of May found 7,700 elementary school students in 88 schools having Arbor Day celebrations. Although sponsored by the Vermont Urban and Community Forestry Council, many of the programs are Vermont forestry related thanks to the many foresters providing the programs. Once again International Paper Company provided white spruce seedling to each student to take home. The Division sponsored each of the five District Arbor Day poster winners by providing each with a $50 savings bond. A good time was had by all. Once again an opportunity to get the forestry message across if asked next spring.

Green Mountain Division

Tree Farms and Training - Steve Parker and Suzanne Terry of High Reach Farm in Danville have been chosen as this year's Outstanding Tree Farmers. High Reach Farm is a model of multiple use forestry, exemplary forest management, and diversity of forest products. Woodlot tours were given during a day long celebration of Tree Farming on Saturday June 27. The national Tree Farm program has tightened the Tree Farm certification parameters and inspection guidelines. The emphasis is now toward high quality Tree Farms rather than actual numbers of Tree Farms. Inspecting foresters will be trained with the new guidelines and issued an inspector's certificate identification card good for five years. For a copy of the new guidelines and information on inspector training contact Harry Chandler, Executive Director of Vermont Woodlands at 802-584-3333.


University of Vermont Thom McEvoy hat kürzlich ein Buch über "Legal Aspects of Owning and Managing Woodlands." Der Inhalt umfasst die Übernahme und Besitz von Waldland, die Verwaltung und Nutzung von Waldland, Steuer- und Erbschaftplanung und die Ethik der Forstpraktiken. Das Buch wird von Island Press veröffentlicht und ist für diesen Fall verfügbar.


Summer Series Focuses on SFI Issues - Seventy natural resource professionals attended the GSD/SAF summer forum on Mill Procurement Policies and Our Forests' Future. This was the third meeting in a series discussing current forestry issues in New Hampshire. Phil Bryce, panel moderator and State Forester introduced the five panel members by commenting on the changes that have occurred in the forest environment of New Hampshire and the quality of recent forest management and mill activities.

Brooks McCandlish, NEFCO forester, stated that mills have an obligation of responsibility because of their influence on forest harvesting through their mill procurement policies. The SFI is a good approach and a good start, but should be adopted by more mills (non AF&PA members) locally. He would like to see a real commitment by mills to discourage overloading of log trucks delivering gatewood to the mill, cleaner landings and no violations of timber harvesting laws. He felt that landowners are primarily responsible for sustainable forest practices, but mills can do better and provide a more positive public image.

Mark Driscoll, Pinetree Power plant manager, spoke about their commitment to forestry at their cogeneration facility in Bethlehem. He discussed their Timber Resources Enhancement via Energy (TREE) assistance program. Participating landowners that use a consulting forester and have a written management plan receive a premium price for delivered woodchips. In the past 12 years, the TREE program has enrolled 18,400 acres of forest and provided $150,000 to landowners. In a separate initiative, Pinetree Power will not accept chips from clearcuts of more than 75 acres, unless supervised by a forester.

Ceresimo Lumber Company General Manager Dan Harrison explained why his company has chosen not to be an SFI participant. He feels that the solid wood industry is different than the pulp industry and that AF&PA is dominated by the pulp industry. He feels that SFI is an image enhancement program that also unfortunately makes non-members appear to be guilty of poor practices. He is concerned that SFI could weaken the solid wood industry competitiveness, as well as push the perception that independent contractor loggers may be considered as employees of the mill. However, he does support logger training and certification efforts as well as industry promotion to the public.

Jim Emerson, Foresterics forester, noted that "legislation is the missing link in sound forest practices." Only equal rules for everyone, rather than voluntary participation, will provide true sustainable forest practices. He feels that SFI would not fit with the solid wood companies' mission.

Norm Hansen of Monadnock Forest Products explained why he supports SFI. AF&PA is the only national organization representing the industry. SFI fosters responsibility of the member companies and holds them accountable. Public perception of the industry needs improvement. Education and promotion of sustainability to the public is needed through press and media reports. Also, a need exists to publieize the BMPs and other positive things the industry has done. Voluntary standards, rather than regulatory rules, are better for the industry. The SFI strongly supports logger education and skills improvement. And lastly, the ongoing obligation to employees and customers to be advocates for sustainability is quite simply the right thing to do. He also announced that participation in SFI will soon be opened to non-members, such as landowners and mills, on a dues paying basis.

Completing the forum, Charlie Levesque, SFI coordinator in New Hampshire, announced that on July 1 there will be a toll free number the public can call for concerns about specific timber harvests. If an AF&PA member is involved as the landowner, operator or purchaser from the site involved, a direct follow up and response to the caller will occur. A recently published independent audit of SFI in New Hampshire is available by contacting him at 603-226-0012.

Activities for You - Explore Chocorua Forest Lands on July 25 from 10-3 p.m. in Moultonborough with SPNHF. The Ossipee Mountains sustained some of the worst ice damage this past winter. The Chocorua Forest Lands Partnership has undertaken ambitious timber and wildlife habitat improvements while cutting low-grade hardwood for kiln-dried campfire wood markets.

Get familiar with the Hay National Wildlife Refuge from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. on Thursdays in Newbury. Dates for visiting the area are August 20 - say goodbye to summer and August 27 - monarch migration.

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A paper and two posters were presented at the 1998 Canadian Botanical Association meeting June 27–July 1 in Saskatoon, SK. Dr. Mark Roberts presented a paper "Response of the Herbaceous Layer to Forest Harvesting in eastern North America". The posters "Composition of the Herbaceous Community in a Mixed Forest in the Hayward Brook Watershed, New Brunswick" by Hovey, Frego, and Roberts and "The Effects of Harvesting on the Species Composition and Diversity of the Herbaceous Layer in a Mixed Forest in New Brunswick" were also presented.

Quebec - Kim Lowell

Wood Tracking and Twin Blades: The Ministry of Natural Resources in April changed the method of tracking wood cut by companies having public lands contracts. With the aid of the Internet, MNR has established an electronic reporting system that individual companies are obliged to use. The new system will provide enormous benefits relative to all forestry activities in Quebec. The new system for example will reduce the time between measuring wood at a mill and billing from four months to just one month.

Sawquip International, Inc. of Lavaltrie - a company that specializes in the production of high performance equipment for the sawlog industry - has developed two new twin circular saws (18” and 26” blades). The innovative part of these saws is that a hydrostatic bearing allows vibration to be dampened sufficiently that high quality cuts can be made. The cost of the saw should be significantly less than that of twin band saws, plus the decrease in the size of the cuts will allow a 3% increase in sawn wood volume.

Ice Storm Info Available: Damage to city and forest trees in Quebec from January’s ice storm was extremely high. In response to the need for more information, the Ministry of Natural Resources has established a Web site to deal with commonly asked questions. The site is not devoted only to the damage, measures to be taken to limit the damage, or other ice news visit the following Web site:
http://leyva.sbf.ulaval.ca/verglas

University News: The 3rd International Symposium on Spatial Accuracy Assessment in Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences was held on May 20-22 in Quebec City. Approximately 110 people attended the event at Laval University. Proceedings will be published in book form before the end of the year by Ann Arbor Press. Information on obtaining a copy can be found at spatial.accuracy@scg.ulaval.ca

Newsmakers: The Centre for Research in Forest Biology at Laval has accepted two new researchers. Dr. Line Lapointe is a Biology Department member and her research interests are in plant nutrition and the allocation of resources in perennial forest plants. Dr. Louis Belanger is a Wood and Forest Sciences Department member with research interests focused on aspects of wildlife, silviculture, and biophysics relative to sustained yield and integrated forest management.
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