OSWA NEWS

OSWA Annual Meeting- Neighbors Helping Neighbors

By Jim James, Executive Director

Neighbors Helping Neighbors is the theme for OSWA's 2012 Annual Meeting. It will be hosted by Washington County and will be held at Pacific University in Forest Grove on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday June 21, 22, and 23. Registration and brochures will be sent out in late April. Registration information will also be available on OSWA's website. A great program is scheduled with speakers focusing on four major topics: Updates on Current State Issues, Neighbors Helping Neighbors, How to Protect Your Investments, and New Programs to Assist Forest Owners. The three day event will begin with an OSWA Board Meeting on the evening of Thursday, June 21st. All OSWA members are always welcome at all OSWA Board meetings. Friday's activities will include an information packed program, the Annual Meeting luncheon, the Awards Dinner, and OSWA's annual Silent Auction. On Saturday there will be a Howdy Neighbor Tour on the 160 acre Hyla Woods, near Timber, belonging to the Peter Hayes family, Washington County's 2012 Outstanding Tree Farmers of the Year. The woods tour will be a collaboration between OSWA, Oregon Forest Resource Institute (OFRI), Oregon Tree Farm System (OTFS), and the Build Local Alliance (BLA).

There are several reasons why OSWA members should consider participating in this year's meeting besides the obvious interaction with friends and neighbors, great informational program, and entertaining Howdy Neighbor tour.

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

To provide opportunity to Family Woodland Owner by:

· Educating and informing the owners of forested tracts and the public regarding forestry and family forestland management issues.

· Providing a medium for the exchange of ideas about family forestland by land owners, public agencies, consultants and timber industry personnel.

· Serving as a forum to make recommendations for investigating and solving problems, and for improving forest management, harvesting, and marketing.

· Disseminating information on the establishment, growth, harvesting and marketing of forest crops produced on family forestlands, and to foster the wise use and protection of forests and encourage better forestry practices.

· Representing the owners of family forestlands to the general public and before legislative bodies and regulatory agencies.

· Complying with ORS Chapter 65 and as authorized by ORS 65.061.

TAKING A VACATION

As February turned into March, my husband and I went whale watching in Baja California. San Ignacio Lagoon is located about half-way down the west coast of Baja and there the Pacific Gray whales go to give birth, mate, and nurse their calves. This particular lagoon is about 16 miles long, three miles wide and full of 300 mature whales, mostly females with their calves. A few beta males are still roaming around, but the alpha males have gone, probably pleased with themselves.

Our trip (recommended by two OSWA members) was led by Dr. Bruce Mate, Director of the Marine Mammal Institute at OSU. San Ignacio Lagoon is protected by the Mexican government, allowing only scheduled visits by limited-size ships and no more than 16 small motorboats on the water at any one time. The motorboat limit (and other details) are managed by the licensed local Mexicans who are fishermen the other 8 months of the year. We can guarantee that whales do indeed come right up to your small boat, the mothers gently lifting the 15-foot calves up to be stroked. Calf skin looks and feels like a wet inner tube. The mothers' gray skin is by now covered with white barnacles, orange lice around the blow holes, and perhaps some scars from Orca or boat encounters. About ten percent of the whales are sociable, which is amazing considering that one hundred years ago we were still harpooning them. One wonders about their collective memory, or perhaps they've taken the high road and let bygones be bygones.

Most of the lagoon is off-limits to boats so the whales can find total sanctuary if they wish. In 1988 the President of Mexico established the Vizcaino Biosphere Reserve, protecting San Ignacio and Scammon's Lagoons. The protection here does not save the whales from other dangers as they make the 12,000 mile round trip back and forth to Arctic waters to feed. Only 50% of the calves live to return to southern waters.

However, as in any Paradise, there rises the threat of commerce. Because the lagoon is so salty, Japanese companies have had their eyes on harvesting the salt. Just north at Guerrero Negro is the largest salt production plant in the world. In 2000 Mitsubishi Corporation wanted to build a 500,000 acre facility at the San Ignacio and offered the residents huge inducements (homes, schools, etc.) to set up another such facility. For two years the residents debated this issue. Then President Zedillo and his children were invited to San Ignacio to touch the whales. He cancelled the project as proposed.
MESSAGE FROM JIM JAMES

Executive Director’s Comments

As we approach the halfway point for OSWA’s 2011/2012 fiscal year (April 30th is the halfway point) it is a good time to review our accomplishments and our strategies to meet OSWA’s 2011/2012 Work Plan and look ahead to 2013. OSWA’s Legislative Priorities for the 2012 short session were accomplished. We had two basic goals: make sure funding for OSU Forestry Extension and Oregon Department of Forestry were secured for the remainder of this biennium and to make sure the Wildfire Reduction Act was clearly on the minds of the Department of Forestry, the legislature, and the governor for action in 2013. I believe both were accomplished. State funding for OSU Forestry Extension and Oregon Department of Forestry were not dramatically reduced with state budget modifications and it is our understanding that the Department of Forestry will include provisions for the Wildfire Reduction Act when preparing their 2013/2015 Budget and that the governor has indicated support for them to do so. The 2012 legislature demonstrated support for the Wildfire Reduction Act, but as anticipated, did not have time in the short session to move it forward.

Some of the big ticket items remaining in this fiscal year’s Work Plan, excluding new issues that surface, include OSWA’s Annual Meeting, Four Howdy Neighbor Tours, more publications, and preparation for the 2013 Legislature. See attached articles for updates on the Annual Meeting and Howdy Neighbor Tours. Preparation for the 2013 Legislature still requires some effort from OSWA’s membership. The Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) has identified several items for 2013. They include continued support for the budgets of OSU Extension and Oregon Department of Forestry, the Wildfire Reduction Act, equity with Agricultural zoned properties to build pole buildings on forest properties to facilitate forest management and to have access to farm license plates for vehicles used to transport products from the forest. OSWA will continue to monitor actions of the Board of Forestry related to possible modifications to Oregon’s Forest Practices Act and follow the evolution of the Forest Roads Case (NEDC vs Decker) now being evaluated for review by the Supreme Court.

The next GAC Conference Call is scheduled for Tuesday May 8th from 7:00 am to 8:00 am. The GAC will be outlining the information we need to collect to be able to make our case with the legislature on equity with Agricultural zoned properties. We will also need to identify OSWA members who are willing to testify on these bills in legislative hearings next year. There will be some big issues for small woodland owners coming up in the 2013 Legislature, so stay tuned in and be ready to be engaged. Participate in the GAC Conference Call on May 8th if you can.

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Developers are still trying to obtain land even though there is a conservation easement in place.

It seems there’s no place or animal on Earth that can rest easy and not be pulled by the commerce vs. conservation struggle. This particular struggle is currently resolved in Mexico with the local fishermen perhaps earning even more from tourism while the resources of whales and lagoons remain intact. Only salt and tourist dollars are extracted from the resource.

Taking a vacation to a different natural resource gives you a new perspective on how resources can be creatively managed with local input.
Downed Trees Pose Access Problems for Firefighters

By Tom Fields, Fire Prevention Coordinator, ODF

With the 2012 fire season just around the corner, now is the time to prepare for what lies ahead. The region has endured some tough fire seasons in the last 10 years. And while we’ve caught a break in the last couple of years, the Oregon Department of Forestry and our partners will once again prepare for an eventful season in 2012.

While the region has received its fair share of rain (and snow) this winter, it won’t take long for landscapes to dry out and be primed for fire. Winter weather also brings with it some pretty severe weather in the form of wind storms. The combination of wind and heavy snowfall typically leads to numerous downed trees scattered across the countryside. As we approach fire season, these downed trees raise concerns over access.

The Oregon Department of Forestry, Forest Protective Associations, landowners and cooperators across the state take great pride in its fire suppression capabilities.

Our success stems from an aggressive initial attack system that keeps small fires from reaching catastrophic proportions. However, delays due to blocked access to a fire can make a huge difference. So, in short, we need your help.

As a landowner, please take the necessary steps to assure access roads to your lands are open this summer. When cutting trees or moving slides out of the road, keep in mind the width of large water tenders and lowboys with dozers. If you have numerous blocked roads, try to prioritize your work in the areas with the greatest fire risk, such as areas with a history of fires, either human-caused or lightning.

A timely initial attack is often the difference between minimal damage and hundreds of thousands of dollars of damage to your resources, not to mention costly fire suppression efforts. Thanks for your help and have a safe summer.
OREGON TREE FARM SYSTEM BRIEFS

2012 Oregon Tree Farmer Nominations are Due by June 1st

It is again time to nominate candidates for Oregon Outstanding Tree Farmer of the Year. Each OSWA Chapter can submit one candidate from each County the Chapter represents to the Oregon Tree Farm System (OTFS). Send all applications to Dick Courter using the forms he has provided. If you have not received a 2012 nomination package please contact Dick at genetechs@aaahawk.com.

Remember Dick Courter must receive all applications no later than June 1st to qualify.

Dick suggests these reminders to help facilitate the application process:

• Each OSWA Chapter can nominate only one candidate for Oregon Tree Farmer of the Year from within each County represented by the OSWA Chapter.

• Please make certain your candidate has an up to date management plan that conforms to current American Tree Farm Certification Standards. If you are uncertain what is required, please contact Dick or your local Tree Farm Inspector. Generally, an inspection within the past two years will suffice.

• Contact Dick directly with any and all questions about completing the application. Email: genetechs@aaahawk.com Phone: 503-297-1660

• Check candidate eligibility prior to submitting nomination on June 1. Dick will gladly help determine eligibility. Just call or email him.

• Assist your nominee in filling out the paper work. Please do not expect your nominee to complete the nomination by themselves.

• Make certain the individual named as nominator on the nomination form is the proper individual that can answer questions relative to the application and the named candidate.

• Note changes in the “green box” on the signature page to also include the items outlined on the “Check List” page and make certain the nominating forester has discussed each item with the candidate.

• Please be aware that the dates as outlined on the “Check List” are estimated schedules and not certain positive dates. Each candidate will be required to mutually agree upon a workable schedule with each team scheduling a visit.

• Please do not wait until the last minute. Get the application to Dick at the earliest possible date.

• It is desirable and preferable to use the 2012 nomination form even though you might have a form dated earlier than 2012.

It is OTFS’s goal to recognize twelve or more candidates for 2012. Help make it happen. Submit applications early. Start searching for your 2013 candidate.

2011 Outstanding Tree Farmer of the Year Tour

June 30th Klamath County

Phyllis and Jim Dahm’s, Whiskey Creek Timber Company is the 2011 Outstanding Tree Farmers and will host the Outstanding Tree Farmer of the Year tour on their property near Klamath Falls. The tour will focus on efforts to maintain a healthy forest, improve wildlife habitats, and provide economic, recreational, and family values. Contact Jim James for more information: jimjamesoswa@yahoo.com or 503-588-1813
Farm Bill & Tree Farmers: Your Burning Questions Answered

By Christine Cadigan

No doubt, you’ve heard about Farm Bill conservation programs before. But maybe you wrote them off, thinking that these programs don’t apply to you. In fact, the Farm Bill has several great tools that woodland owners can use to help manage their forests. After all, forest owners are farmers, too!

Do you want to manage your Tree Farm for either turkey or songbird habitat? The Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP) can help you do just that. Interested in thinning or burning to improve your forest’s health? The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) is the tool for you. Whether your priorities revolve around forest health management, invasive species removal, recreation, or wildlife, Farm Bill conservation programs give you the tools you need to achieve your management plan priorities.

The American Tree Farm System (ATFS) has several great tools for you to learn more about the Farm Bill and receive on-the-ground assistance you need. Visit www.treefarmsystem.org/farm-bill for more information and publications on which programs are best for your Tree Farm and how forests are faring in these programs thus far.

We’re also going one step further: ATFS is offering a month-long Forests in the Farm Bill helpline to answer all your questions, no matter how complicated. The helpline is open from April 1 to April 30. You can call directly (202.463.2734) between 9am and 5pm eastern or email experts (at farmbill@forestfoundation.org) and get all the answers you need. If we can’t answer your question right away, we’ll either do some digging or point you in the right direction. We look forward to talking with you!
IN MEMORY OF

**Bob Kintigh, Early OSWA Leader Passes Way**

*By Jim James*

Bob Kintigh, who advocated for his rural constituents in the state Senate for 12 years and was a tireless advocate for sustainable forestry, died at his home on March 21st of age-related causes. Bob was 90. He was an early leader and longtime member of OSWA. He took pride in the fact that he and his wife of 68 years, Margaret, were the only tree farmers to ever be named National Grand Champion Christmas Tree Growers as well as National Outstanding Tree Farmers of the Year. The latter honor, received in 2006 from the American Tree Farm System, recognizes outstanding sustainable forest management on privately owned forest land. In 1992, a Douglas fir from Bob’s farm in Cedar Flat east of Springfield earned a place in the Blue Room at the White House as a Christmas tree.

Bob planted his first tree, a white pine, on his father’s dairy farm in Pennsylvania when he was 10 years old — and spent much of the rest of his life planting, cultivating and cutting down trees. He often advocated for forestry and the needs of small-woodlot owners in opinion essays and letters to the editor. “After my Lord and my wife and family, trees have been the principal interest in my life,” he said in an interview in 2006.

Bob earned a bachelor’s degree in forestry at Penn State University, then served in the Navy during World War II as an officer on a destroyer in the Pacific. After his military service, he headed west and earned a master’s degree in forestry at the University of California, Berkeley. In 1957, he bought 160 acres of open fields, brush and stumps, with some stands of 15-year-old Douglas fir, at Cedar Flat, east of Springfield. He later named his acreage Kintigh’s Mountain Home Ranch. He also worked as a nurseryman and consulting forester. He and Margaret grew more than 700 varieties of rhododendrons and azaleas on their property, and were members of the American Rhododendron Society.

Bob was a three-term senator in the Oregon Legislature between 1987 and 1999. He was motivated to serve in the Legislature by his belief that “rural people in Oregon were not being represented at all. … Rural people were so disenfranchised; he wanted to represent the country people.” In his last Senate term, Bob led the Senate Agricultural and Natural Resources Committee and served as Senate president pro tempore. On his Facebook page, he claimed to be the only forester ever to serve in the Oregon Senate. On his Facebook page, Bob Kintigh said his favorite activities included going to church and visiting family members. He also said he enjoyed reading books about history, public policy and Christianity, and was proud to have served his country in the Navy.

**Wendell Walker, WCSWA Member Passes Away**

Long-time Washington County Small Woodlands Association member, Wendell Walker passed away on March 19th. He was a successful businessman and small woodland owner. His tree farm near North Plains showed his diligent and thoughtful approach to stewardship.

Wendell saw a need to help members in their woodland management and was an effective leader in establishing a tree seedling program and managed the project for many years.

Wendell participated in the Master Woodland Manager program of OSU Extension and he and his wife Barbara were strong supporters of the program, and established an OSU fund for the program’s support.

Wendell is survived by his wife, Barbara, and three sons and their families, and a sister and brother. Barbara has also been a strong supporter of the small woodland community.

**Bill McKinney Passes Away**

Our family forest landowner community has lost consulting forester and tree farmer William (Bill) McKinnie from Corvallis, Oregon who died of complications from a stroke on March 31, 2012 at the age of 59.

Bill knew from a young age that he wanted to be a professional forester, and moved north to attend Oregon State University where he graduated with a B.S. in Forestry in 1975. First employed as a forester for a short time by Georgia-Pacific in Toledo, he formed his consulting businesses ForEvergreen Woodland Management and Yaquina Forestry Services first in Otter Rock, and later back to Corvallis.

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Board of Forestry Appointments

By Jim James

On Feb. 10 the Senate Rules Committee approved Governor Kitzhaber’s appointments to the Oregon Board of Forestry. They are:

- Nils Christoffersen, executive director of the Wallowa Resources, a nonprofit organization in Enterprise, Ore., that works “to design and realize a new, healthier rural community.”
- Tom Insko, a manager for Boise Cascade in Elgin, Ore.
- Cindy Williams, a fishery scientist and director of aquatic science and conservation education at the National Center for Conservation Science and Policy in Ashland, Ore.

These new members will replace Peter Hayes, Jennifer Phillippi and Calvin Mukumoto, whose terms have expired. OSWA thanks Peter Hayes, a Washington County OSWA member, for his time and service on the board.

Four Howdy Neighbor Tours Scheduled for 2012

OSWA has four Howdy Neighbor Tours scheduled for this summer. Oregon Forest Resources Institute (OFRI) has again provided OSWA with a grant to conduct four Howdy Neighbor Tours in 2012. These tours are designed to provide participants with educational information about forestry related issues specific to family forests. OSWA members are encouraged to participate as well as interested parties from the general public. These tours can be a great membership recruitment tool. Three tours are scheduled for June and the fourth is still working on a date. It will be in August or early September.

- Linn County – June 16th a tour of Jim and Ed Merzenich’s Oak Basin Tree Farm near Brownsville will include information on pruning and thinning, invasive species, restoration of oak woodlands, managing habitat for Fender Blue Butterfly, and grazing to reduce fire fuels.
- Washington County – June 23rd a tour of the Peter Hayes family’s Hyla Woods near Timber will be associated with OSWA’s Annual Meeting on June 22nd in Forest Grove. It will be a collaborative effort between OSWA, OFRI, Oregon Tree Farm System (OTFS), and Build Local Alliance. Additional information will be included in the Annual Meeting Registration brochure which will be mailed to members in late April.

- Klamath County – June 30th a tour of Oregon’s 2011 Outstanding Tree Farmers of the Year, Phyllis and Jim Dahm’s Whiskey Creek Timber Company, near Klamath Falls. It will focus on efforts to maintain a healthy forest, improve wildlife habitat, and provide economic, recreational, and family values. This will be a collaborative effort between OSWA and OTFS. There is a discount rate of $80 plus tax set up at the Comfort Inn and Suites in Klamath Falls for Friday, June 29th, under the name of Oregon Tree Farm System, for those who wish to travel to Klamath Falls to participate in this event. The rooms will be held at this discount rate until May 30th. The Comfort Inn reservation number is (541) 882-1111. The tour buses for the tour will leave from the Comfort Inn.

- Lincoln County – August or early September tour Gene and Jessie Cooper’s forest near Eddyville. Gene has a small sawmill that he operates to saw his own logs and custom saws logs for others.

Information about the specifics on these tours will become available in advance of the tours. Mark your calendars and plan to attend if you can. OSWA plans to have more Howdy Neighbor tours in 2013. If your chapter would like to host a Howdy Neighbor Tour in 2013 please let Jim James know.
Board of Forestry, U.S. Forest Service leader explore collaborative opportunities for forest restoration

By Dan Postrel ODF

Building on recent funding that stepped up restoration work on national forests in Eastern Oregon, the U.S. Forest Service welcomes opportunities to join with the state in improving forest resiliency, the agency’s top Northwest official told the Oregon Board of Forestry on Wednesday, March 7th. “National forests are an important part of the landscape in Oregon, and are vital to environmental, economic and community health,” Kent Connaughton, the Forest Service’s Pacific Northwest regional forester, said. “I look forward to doing all we can, with the Board of Forestry and other partners, in charting the future role of these forests within that broader landscape.”

Connaughton briefed the board on the recently funded projects, totaling more than $6 million. Earlier this year, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Forest Service’s parent agency, announced $6 million in grants for projects in Oregon’s Malheur and Fremont-Winema national forests. The collaborative projects are expected to create as many as 350 new jobs. The agency also renewed funding for restoration on the Skyline project in the Deschutes National Forest, allocating $800,000. The funds were awarded in a national competitive process that required collaboration among multiple landowners, communities and interests. The participants in the funded projects made a compelling case, he said.

“The thrust of the work will be to accelerate restoration treatments that reduce fuels and increase protection to communities from wildfire,” Connaughton said. “The work will continue for 10 years, providing jobs and environmental benefits.” Sixty percent of Oregon’s 30.4 million forested acres are federally managed, primarily by the Forest Service. Recognizing the importance of federal lands in Oregon’s broader forest landscape, the board has proposed a set of actions—at the local, state, and federal levels—to restore the health of these forests and to reinvigorate rural economies.

“The Board of Forestry strives for a healthy, sustainably managed forest resource across all ownerships,” board Chair John Blackwell said. “As part of that commitment, we’ll contribute however we can to the vitality of the federal forests.” Governor John Kitzhaber has also identified federal forest issues as priorities, and is working with interest groups, Oregon’s congressional delegation, and state and federal agencies on solutions.

A long-standing policy of suppressing fire, a natural part of many forest ecosystems, combined with reduced harvests in recent years, has left many acres of federal forestland overcrowded, weak, and susceptible to insect and disease attack and to large, catastrophic wildfires. Increasingly, conservation groups, the timber industry and other interests are finding common ground, working with the Forest Service locally on projects that involve thinning, timber harvest, and other work that provides environmental benefits, as well as much-needed rural economic activity.

Financial Assistance Available in Writing Management Plan By Steve Vaught – ODF

The Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) currently has some funding available to provide cost-share assistance for a consultant to develop management plans. Only new plans are eligible. There is no financial assistance available to update a current Forest Stewardship/Oregon Tree Farm Plans. Private landowners must apply for Forest Stewardship/Oregon Tree Farm plan cost-share assistance through their Stewardship Forester using the application form at the bottom of the Forest Stewardship/Oregon Tree Farm webpage. Contact your ODF Stewardship Forester for further information.
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At this year’s annual membership meeting OSWA members will be electing two new Executive Committee members; a President Elect and a Second Vice President as well as being ask to approve some minor changes in OSWA’s Bylaws. Make your calendars and plan to attend.

At this time, OSWA has four Annual Meeting sponsors; Stimson, Lumber Co., Boise Cascade, Forest Capital Partners, and Weyerhaeuser. Thank you to these sponsors. We are continuing to look for additional sponsors for this year’s event.

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Bill touched so many landowners over the next 35 years of service. He handled all aspects of private forest land management, from timber cruising and inventory, to timber sales and appraisals, to forest management planning, to reforestation and silviculture, to land use issues, forest certification and carbon assessments. He helped many landowners make the transition to next generation owners, providing advice and guidance regarding their family lands.

He became interested in forestry abroad, and formed International Forestry Investments. He was part owner in a large, Radiata pine plantation on the east coast of the North Island in New Zealand, and oversaw all aspects of this forest from planting an old sheep pasture to a thriving, healthy plantation, and was a full member of the New Zealand Institute of Forestry. He worked with investors of forests in the Amazon Basin of Brazil, in Peru, Belize and Chile. He also facilitated the import and sale of tropical hardwood lumber into the U.S.

Bill was selected as the 2011 Lincoln Co. Tree Farmer of the Year for his exemplary practices on the 160 acre ATFS Certified Tree Farm owned by his mother located up Canal Creek east of Waldport, Oregon. He was long-time member of the Association of Consulting Foresters, and a Certified Forester and member of the Society of American Foresters. He was a qualified Technical Service Provider for forestry projects of the National Resources Conservation Service.

We will sorely miss Bill in our lives. Condolences to his family from all of us.
New Administrative Rule relating to Sudden Oak Death expands Boundary Area

By Jim James Executive Director

On March 20th, the Oregon Department of Agriculture adopted a new Administrative Rule for the quarantine of Phytophthora ramorum, known as Sudden Oak Death (SOD) in Curry County. SOD causes mortality in susceptible oak, tanoak, rhododendron, viburnum, evergreen huckleberry, and other susceptible plant species. In other susceptible plants it causes leaf spots, twig dieback, and/or stem cankers. Prescribed in the quarantine are methods for exclusion of commodities potentially affected by the disease and procedures for eradication of plant material known to be infected with SOD. Oregon has been attempting to control and eradicate this disease for more than a decade. Some significant changes include:

• The quarantine area was expanded
• Easing the restrictions for movement of Tanoak harvested within the quarantine area, but outside any known infection treatment site or new defined “generally infected area”.

Those wishing to learn more about the new Administrative Rule can contact the Oregon Department of Agriculture or the Oregon Department of Forestry. Operational guideline publications are currently being developed.

World Forestry Center Plans History of Logging Exhibit

By Maria Jeffrey - World Forestry Center Development Director

This year the World Forestry Center Discovery Museum will feature a special educational exhibit on the history of Oregon and Washington logging. The exhibit entitled ‘Timberrr! A Nostalgic Look Back at Working in the Woods’ will run from August 4 to December 31.

This historical exhibit will feature how the loggers of the last century cut the trees that built the cities of the Pacific Northwest.

Through informative text panels, vintage photographs and rare video footage, museum visitors will learn about how logging was achieved in a bygone age. The exhibit will provide individuals, families and school groups the opportunity to appreciate and learn about logging as a part of the industry and heritage of the Northwest.

The World Forestry Center is currently looking for partners to help sponsor the exhibit. Anyone interested in learning more about the event can contact Maria Jeffrey, WFC Development Director, 503-488-2111, Mjeffrey@worldforestry.org

The World Forestry Center is a 501(c)(3) non profit dedicated to educating people about the world’s forests and environmental sustainability. By visiting the museum, tree farms, and attending one helps to support this important mission. Learn more at www.worldforestry.org.
We have recruited 50 new and returning members from February to April!

Thank you to all the chapters and their efforts in growing membership!

At Large: 1
Benton: 4
Clackamas: 6
Columbia: 16

Coos Curry: 1
Jackson Josephine: 1
Lane: 4
Lincoln: 1
Linn: 7
Marion Polk: 3
Washington: 6
Yamhill: 1

Thank you! New & Returning Members

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Ties to the Land Workshop- A Facilitated Workshop on Succession Planning. Keeping Family Forests and Farms in the Family

This two-part, DVD-based interactive workshop explores Succession Planning — the human side of estate planning — providing effective tools families can use to decide the future of their land. Through presentations by two leading experts and practical exercises, the workshop coaches families to develop techniques and communications skills they need to address the tough issues.

The Lane Small Woodlands Association chapter encourages ALL landowners to attend and to bring along at least one member of the next (successor) generation.

Workshop Time & Location

Part A. Saturday...May 5, 2012...9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Part B. Saturday...May 26...9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Willamalane Community Center, Heron Room, 250 S. 32nd St., Springfield, Oregon

Cost: $10 per person for OSWA members, includes one Ties To The Land workbook per family.

Contact Sara Leiman, bsleiman@peak.org or 541-954-8338 for more information.