

focus on
College of Forestry • Summer 2004
FORESTRY



Oregon State
UNIVERSITY

Dean

Hal Salwasser

Development Director

Lisa French

Managing Editor

Caryn Davis

Contributing Writer

Marie Oliver

Designers

Sandie Arbogast

Gretchen Bracher

Editorial Assistants

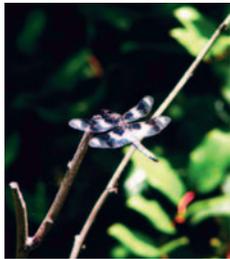
Michelle Delepine, Tristan Huff,
Amanda Reich, and Emily Thomas

How to Reach Us

College of Forestry
Oregon State University
154 Peavy Hall
Corvallis, OR 97331-5704
(541) 737-4271

caryn.davis@oregonstate.edu

www.cof.orst.edu



Cover —

*Dragonfly, Siltcoos/
Tabkenitch basin,
Siuslaw National Forest
(Caryn Davis)*

Focus on Forestry is published by the Oregon State University College of Forestry. Our goal is to keep Forestry alumni, friends, faculty, staff, and students informed about the College of Forestry and its many activities and programs.

All or parts of this publication may be reproduced with credit to the OSU College of Forestry. Oregon State University is an Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity employer and complies with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Gift funds provided to the OSU Foundation and the College of Forestry help pay for color reproduction of the *Focus on Forestry*.



CONTENTS

Dean's Column

College News

3 Feature: *Food and Fun Fills Fernhopper*

4 Feature: *Trust Creates Chair in Renewable Resources*

5 Feature: *Airshed Project Studies Ecosystems in Complex Terrain*

Student News

6 Feature: *Outstanding OSU Student Awards go to Forestry Students*

7 Feature: *Graduation 2004*

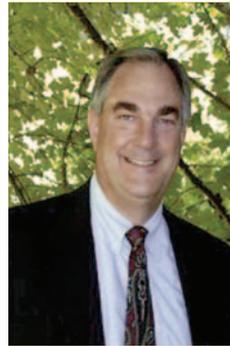
Alumni and Donor News

9 Feature: *Class Notes*

Outreach & Communications

16 Coming Events

Dean's Column



Summer provides a unique circumstance for those of us in forestry and natural resources related professions. Whether at work or at play, it is a time of year that brings us closer to the outdoors and the environment we study to manage and sustain. In keeping with the

spirit of summer, this issue of *Focus on Forestry* is about taking time for celebrations, reunions, and reminiscences among our College of Forestry friends and family.

On May 15, 2004, old friends and new gathered for our annual Fernhopper Day celebration. From the morning reception at Richardson Hall to bus rides, demonstrations and hikes in the woods, lunch at Peavy Cabin, and even some friendly logging sports competition, we shared good food and good company. The camaraderie continued at the evening Fernhopper Banquet, where we proudly congratulated our faculty, alumni, and student award winners.

At this year's banquet, we gratefully celebrated the tremendous generosity and spirit of our donors, particularly Mrs. Ruth Spaniol-Ketcham. It was truly a privilege to be able to name Professor Barbara Bond, Forest Science, as the first holder of the Ruth H. Spaniol Chair in Renewable Resources. Mrs. Spaniol-Ketcham's tremendous generosity in enabling the creation of this endowed chair both humbles and inspires us, and it is with gratitude that we acknowledge her gift. Through the appointment of Dr. Bond, we are able to recognize and honor the creativity, motivation, perseverance, and accomplishments of our dedicated faculty who seek to challenge themselves and their students.

At the Fernhopper Banquet two years ago, we began recognizing alums who have made outstanding contributions to the forestry profession and/or programs of the College with our Distinguished Alumni Awards. Barte and Bond Starker shared the first award, and last year, Marv Rowley was the recipient. This year we are very pleased to recognize six Forestry alums who have distinguished themselves in their careers: Stub Stewart (1932), John Poppino (1958), Jim James (1970), Jaime Pinkham (1981), Katy Kavanagh (1993), and Allan Czinger (1999). Read more about them and catch up on other alums in the return of the "Alumni News" section of *Focus*—a tradition we hope to continue in future summer issues.

On June 13, the College joined with the rest of the OSU community to celebrate the 2004 Commencement and honor our students. We are very proud to acknowledge their many achievements and accomplishments. We celebrate their successes and we wish them the very best and brightest of futures. Congratulations graduates!

We hope you are enjoying a productive and rejuvenating summer. We are taking the time to prepare for an exciting academic year ahead, to the return of our continuing students, and the arrival of the 2004-2005 annual ring cohort of new forestry students.

— Hal Salwasser

Food and Fun Fills Fernhopper

—by Michelle Delepine

The Richardson Hall knuckle was filled with College of Forestry alumni early on Saturday morning, May 15, 2004. Clutching a muffin or a cup of coffee, they were engaged in lively conversations with professors, students, other alums, or Dean **Hal Salwasser**. Many alumni hadn't seen each other for years and were busy catching up or reminiscing about their experiences together in college. The cluster of conversationalists nearly pushed the limits of the room before the Dean announced that it was time to board the buses to begin a day that only comes once a year, Fernhopper Day.

About the only thing the alumni took with them on the buses were their conversations. Steady streams of stories bounced back and forth between seat-mates, and often between seats, as people brought each other up to speed on what was happening in their lives.

The stories and buses came to a halt at the Oak Creek Research Facility, where faculty from the Forest Engineering Department described a research project that is investigating road system management and associated environmental effects on watersheds. Through diagrammatic posters and seeing the site first hand, alumni learned how the project is measuring road erosion into streams and working to identify practices that others can use to minimize sediment generation on their lands. Since the buses were parked on the road that was the subject of this project, alumni only had to turn their heads to see the project's data collection devices in

action, tall pipe-like gages planted in the ground that measure erosion deposits.

After venturing deep into the McDonald-Dunn Research Forest, the bus stopped at a site that was actively being harvested. A Forest Engineering faculty member and three students were on-site to describe their affiliated program, which provides students with experience in planning and conducting harvesting operations. Following the presentation was a demonstration where the crew brought three loads of logs up a steep hill. People were given the opportunity to investigate the logging site before the buses were reloaded.

Continuing through the forest, the buses came to the Forestry Cabin, where sandwiches and other lunch items were served. After lunch, Dean Salwasser led a discussion regarding the future uses of the college's research forests.

Walking or riding the bus, the Fernhopper group reassembled at the logging sports arena. Past College of Forestry Dean **George Brown** joined Hal Salwasser in an axe-throwing competition. The two agreed that whoever scored less would donate \$100 to the College of Forestry. After each event was demonstrated by Logging Sports Team members,

the events were open to anyone. By having the buses leave at different times, everyone was given the chance to go hiking.

The Fernhopper Banquet began at 5:00 PM in the CH2MHill Alumni Center. In addition to the group who went to the McDonald-Dunn forest, there were more students, faculty, and alumni from the College of Forestry. The buffet dinner preceded an awards ceremony. Among those recognized were honored alumni, teachers, and students. This year the student body chose **Connie Patterson**, lead advisor and program coordinator for Natural Resources, for the Julie Kliever Outstanding Mentor Award. **Paul Doescher**, Professor in Forest Resources and Advisor for Natural Resources, received the Aufderheide Award for excellence in teaching. Several students who were granted scholarships were called on stage to be recognized. Finally, a group of alums who graduated 40 years ago and earlier took the stage and, under the direction of Starker Chair **John Bliss**, led everyone in singing the alma mater to conclude Fernhopper Day.

Singers, led by John Bliss



Trust Creates Chair in Renewable Resources

— by Tresa Stevens

Mrs. Ruth Spaniol-Ketcham is a retired school teacher who lives in Stayton, Oregon. Mrs. Spaniol-Ketcham had a vision that ongoing advancements in science and education will be required to maintain and enhance the capability of Oregon's forests for countless future generations.

Almost 60 years ago, Mrs. Spaniol-Ketcham began buying timber land with her teacher's pay. Teaching was not the career she had planned for herself as an Oregon State student back in the early 1930s—she began her studies in accounting and journalism, but times were hard, and the few jobs available in those fields almost always went to men. She changed her major because “a girl couldn't get a job in any field except education.”

After graduation in 1933, she taught for a year at the high school in the mining town of Jacksonville, OR. “My students would mine gold under the streets of the town early in the morning,” she says. “Then they'd come to school at 8 o'clock and show me what they'd found.”

Mrs. Spaniol-Ketcham bought her first piece of timber land in 1944, upon the advice of her father, H.W. Currin, (OSU '03). She did not have quite enough money to purchase the 40-acre parcel, so she went in with her sister to purchase the piece. Later she inherited more timber land from her father. She and her husband continued to buy timbered property until the late 1980s.

In 1992, she donated 800 acres of timber land to the College, in the hope that her vision would become a reality. To quote her from the 1992 *Focus on Forestry*, “If there's any possibility of ensuring that Oregon will continue to be a forestry state, I wanted to help make it happen.”

“Her vision and foresight to create the Spaniol Charitable Remainder Trust has enabled us to fill the first of three expected Chairs that will bear her name,” says College of Forestry Dean **Hal Salwasswer**. “Mrs. Spaniol's generosity means that we will be able to permanently enhance our programs far into the future, while honoring the Spaniol family name.”

On May 15, 2004, at the 72nd Annual

Fernhopper alumni event, Salwasswer introduced the first holder of the Ruth H. Spaniol Chair in Renewable Natural Resources, **Barbara Bond**. Dr. Bond is a Professor in the Forest Science Department. She has earned a very impressive national and international reputation for excellence in her field. Her research interests tend toward the basic research end of the continuum, and have resulted in an exemplary record of publication, competitive grant success, and production of graduates (see story, page 4). As one measure of Bond's international reputation, one of her papers appeared in a 1998 Oxford

“Mrs. Spaniol's generosity means that we will be able to permanently enhance our programs far into the future, while honoring the Spaniol family name.”

— Hal Salwasswer

University Press collection of the 20 most important papers in ecology.

Dr. Bond is an active contributor to departmental, College, and University committees, and collaborates with others throughout the institution and internationally. She has been recognized twice by graduate students in Forest Science with the Outstanding Faculty Award, by the Dean with an award for excellence in teaching and mentoring, and by the OSU chapter of Phi Kappa Phi with an emerging scholar award.

Barbara has an impressive record and a strong reputation as an educator; she is an exceptional teacher with a proven track record at the secondary, undergraduate, graduate, and adult education levels. She has also made a significant contribution to developing new curricula for the Forest Science Department.

Of particular note is the mentoring model Barbara follows in her laboratory. Post-doctoral research assistants, graduate students, undergraduates, and high school students are linked together as a learning team, with Barbara providing

overall guidance. Post-docs and graduate students learn how to teach, and undergraduate and high school students have an exceptional research opportunity. Through this process, Barbara has earned a reputation as an effective role model, and has the ability and willingness to share her mentoring model throughout the College of Forestry and OSU.

Finally, Barbara has demonstrated a long-standing commitment to nurtur-



Mrs. Ruth Spaniol-Ketcham

ing a wide diversity of students. She feels a special responsibility for mentoring young women, and sees the opportunity to help women be more self-aware. She is a member of National Association for Women in Science, and co-representative of Women in Science and Engineering at OSU.

“While the College now has seven endowed faculty positions spanning every department in forestry, additional gifts to endow faculty positions are needed, as they are an essential component in our efforts to maintain and increase the margin of excellence found throughout the College for generations to come. Endowed chairs provide the research and salary revenue that helps us attract and retain star faculty, thereby maintaining our status as one of the top forestry schools in the nation,” says Salwasswer.

Airshed Project Studies Ecosystems in Complex Terrain

— by Marie Oliver

Much of what scientists know about ecosystem interactions, particularly exchanges of materials like water and carbon dioxide between plants, soils, and the atmosphere, is based on one-dimensional concepts and measurements. In other words, the conceptual models and measurements are based on the vertical movement of materials from the soil, through plants, and into the atmosphere. **Barbara Bond**, first holder of the Ruth H. Spaniol Chair in Renewable Resources and professor in OSU's Forest Science Department, is spearheading a pioneering study called the Airshed Project that is expanding these models to include a three-dimensional view.

The first goal of the Airshed Project has been to simply describe the physics of what occurs in airsheds in steeply sloped terrain. In a two-year pilot project, her team discovered many surprises in the dynamics of nighttime airflow patterns that she hopes will eventually lead to a better understanding of how complex terrestrial ecosystems respond to changes in their environment. In a new, and much larger, three-year continuation of the project, they hope to use their understanding of airshed physics to learn more about ecological processes in complex terrain.

Bond and her colleagues, including **Michael Unsworth** and **Alan Mix** in the College of Oceanography and Atmospheric Sciences and **Elizabeth Sulzman** of the department of Crop and Soil Science, are using measurements of nighttime airflow patterns and carbon dioxide in the air in much the same way that hydrologists use stream-flow patterns and stream chemistry to understand ecosystem processes in watersheds. The team is asking whether aerosols, gases, and other content in the air masses that move up and down a watershed can provide information about ecosystem processes in the basin.

Bond and her colleagues are hoping to use information from the nighttime airflow to understand some of the controls over ecosystem metabolism within complex, mountainous areas.

She notes that many of the tools traditionally used to measure and monitor ecosystem metabolism are difficult to use in complex terrain. One approach is to measure the isotopic composition of carbon in ecosystem respiration (living organisms “breathe out” CO₂ much like human beings exhale CO₂). Bond hypothesizes that the isotopic signal in the respired CO₂ contains information about the level of stress in the forest trees during photosynthesis, when the carbon in the CO₂ was initially “fixed”.

“We’re interested in looking at the CO₂ added to the air through ecosystem respiration,” says Bond. Respired CO₂ exits the airshed in a manner similar to the way chemicals dissolved in water exit watersheds, and scientists can measure its properties. Of special interest to Bond are the levels of $\delta^{13}C_R$ (the ratio of two stable isotopes of carbon: “carbon 13” and “carbon 12” in the respired CO₂). The sugars from recent photosynthesis in water-stressed plants contain higher levels of carbon 13, which is then respired into the river of air as it moves through a basin. The isotope signal does not reveal how much respiration occurs, but it can be used as a probe to learn more about the stress level of plants in the ecosystem.

One of the first things Bond’s team discovered is that the “river of air” created through processes of temperature inversion at night in a forested watershed is much deeper than what scientists had assumed as a result of previous studies in grasslands. In fact, the airstream in one of their study areas is at least 30 meters deep. (Thirty meters is the height of the sampling tower built by Bond’s team, so the exact depth has yet to be determined.) “The flow of this deep layer of air is predictable, just like the water in streams,” says Bond. “It is turbulent and well-mixed, much like a tumbling stream.” Because it is so well mixed, this swiftly moving airstream is ideal for taking samples that represent a mixture of air flowing over a large area in the watershed. They also found that the CO₂ concentration in the nighttime airflow is much higher than the air above the forest canopy. They estimate that at least 20%, possibly much more, of the



Dr. Barbara Bond

CO₂ respired in the entire ecosystem flows out of the watershed in the nighttime flow. In future studies, they will be testing the possibility of monitoring the rate of respiration in the ecosystem by measuring the CO₂ concentration, the rate of airflow, and other dynamics of the air drainage system.

Eventually, the team wants to study the sensitivity to climate change of forests on flat land as compared to the forests in complex environments. Bond also wants to explore the effect that this river of air—and all the spores, seeds, pollen, insects, and so forth that move with it—has on the vegetation as it moves up and down the watershed. Because this river of air is a different temperature, contains different CO₂ concentrations, and different humidity than the air above it, everything contained within it is experiencing a different environment, she says.

“I believe that all sorts of small organisms as well as organic material and pollen are mobilized through these cold air drainage systems, and this provides connectivity across the landscape that we’ve hardly begun to conceive of yet,” she says.

Outstanding OSU Student Awards go to Forestry Students



Ten graduate students from the College of Forestry were among the new members initiated into the Oregon State University Chapter 035 of The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi this year. Chapter President **Debbie Bird McCubbin**, Head Advisor, College of Forestry, welcomed initiates during the awards ceremony on May 6, 2004.

Phi Kappa Phi is the nation's oldest and largest all-discipline honor society. The Society's mission is "to recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others."

Outstanding students from across campus are nominated by the faculty for membership in Phi Kappa Phi. The College of Forestry proudly congratulates the following new members:

Christopher Scott Bielecki
Michael Chad Bolding
Joel Nathan Hartter
Terry Amanda Luecker
Hamish Douglas Marshall
Kevin J. McGuire
Danielle DeMersseman Smith
Ben D. Spong
Elizabeth Myers Toman
Willem Johan van Verseveld



Erin Heim; Ashley Swander; Associate Dean, Rebecca Johnson; Alex Johnson

—by Clay Torset

The Clara H. Waldo and E. A. Cummings Outstanding Student Awards honor outstanding undergraduates, chosen on the basis of academic excellence and superior extracurricular achievements during their college careers. Dr. Clara Waldo was a pioneer for women in education in the early 1900s and established the Waldo Prize for women, which was merged with the E. A. Cummings Award to recognize outstanding undergraduates of both genders. Eligibility to apply for this award requires a 3.50 cumulative grade point average.

Alex Johnson, a Natural Resources major from Portland, Oregon, has created a specialized option in his studies titled, Cultural Dimensions in Recreation. He intentionally combined courses that would synthesize social sciences, ethnic studies, and outdoor recreation, developing a solid context for his ambition to facilitate the involvement of communities of color in natural resource issues. He is the current ASOSU Director of Multicultural Affairs, a position in which he works to improve the opportunities and access for all students interested in diverse cultural issues and activities on campus. Alex is a multi-term president of the OSU Black Poets Society (an organization he helped organize), and a champion of tolerance building, diversity development, and cultural coalition building for the entire campus community. Alex will attend Portland

State University's Master's program in Public Administration and has his sites set on the Public Policy graduate program at Harvard.

Erin Heim is a Natural Resource major in the College of Forestry with a focus in Natural Resource Education and Outreach. Erin has a passion for the outdoors and for educating others on reducing the impact of humans on our natural environment. At OSU, Erin was selected as an Ambassador for Agricultural, Forestry, and Natural Resources, traveling to high schools in western Oregon to educate high school students about our natural resources and the environment. Erin committed a year to the Americorps National Civilian Community Corps, planting trees along the New River in North Carolina, building homes for low-income people in Charleston, and repairing the homes of the elderly in Hope, Alabama.

"To take a year away from my normal, comfortable life and immerse myself into an environment of giving to others every day was an accomplishment that will not soon be matched," said Erin. Her bright, upbeat personality and her commitment to educating others in the support of our natural environment is an inspiration to others.

Ashley Elaine Swander, Wood Science and Technology and Pre-Forest/Civil Engineering major in the College of Forestry, received honorable mention at the sophomore level. Ashley is from Salem, Oregon.

Congratulations to all honorable mention recipients and award winners!

Successful Forest Resources Graduate Students — Congratulations!

Christina Kakoyannis PhD

“Learning to Address Complexity in Natural Resource Management”

Michael Ahr MS

“Conservation Easement Education in Oregon: An Education Program for Landowners”

Fernanda Pegas MS

“An Analysis of the Motivations of Oregon Ranchers to Diversify into Agritourism”

Jonathan Thompson MS

“Historical Disturbance Regimes as a Reference for Forest Policy”

Successful Forest Science Graduate Students — Congratulations!

Admir Giachini, PhD

“Systematics, Phylogeny, and Ecology of *Gomphus sensu lato*”

Gancho Slavov, PhD

“Development and Application of SSR Markers for Measuring Gene Flow in Douglas-fir”

Zhiqiang Yang, PhD

“Early Secondary Forest Succession in Western Oregon: Patterns and Controls”

Dave Dreher, MS

“Effects of Input and Redistribution Processes on In-Stream Wood Abundance and Arrangement in Lookout Creek, Western Cascade Range, Oregon”

Emily Scott, MS

“The Use of $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ to Analyze Food Webs and Identify Source-Sink Relationships in Riparian Canopy Vegetation of the Oregon Coast Range”

Successful Wood Science & Engineering Graduate Students — Congratulations!

Scott Merrill Kent, PhD

“The Effect of Biological Deterioration on the Performance of Nailed Oriented Strand Board Sheathing to Douglas-Fir Framing Member Connections”

Ying “Shelly” Xiao, PhD

“Application of Green Fluorescent Protein (GFP) for Studying Interactions Between *Ophiostoma picea* and *Trichoderma harzianum* in Freshly Sawn Douglas-fir Sapwood”

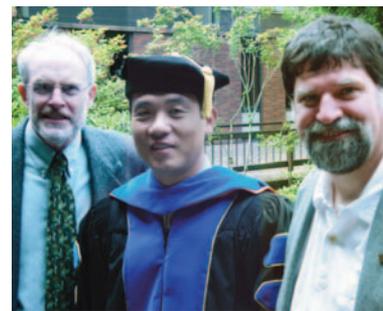
Adi Saputra, MS

“The Effect of Extractives and Compatibilizers on the Flexural Properties of Natural Fiber-Thermoplastic Composites”

Jon Thomas, MS

“Consumer Preferences for Decking Material”

Graduation 2004



Left to right: Evan Moye, BS, and Professor Loren Kellogg (FE); Lisa Neffendorf (right), BS (FE), and guest; Andrew Austill (green shirt), BS (FR), and guests; Professors Jeff Morrell, Tom McLain, and Jim Funk (WSE); Professor Jo Tynon and Fernanda Pegas, MS (FR); and Professor Tom Adams, Hoonbok Yi, PhD, and Professor Mark Harmon (FS).

Students, faculty, family, and friends gathered in the Peavy Hall Courtyard June 13th to celebrate OSU Graduation 2004 with the annual College of Forestry Commencement Brunch.

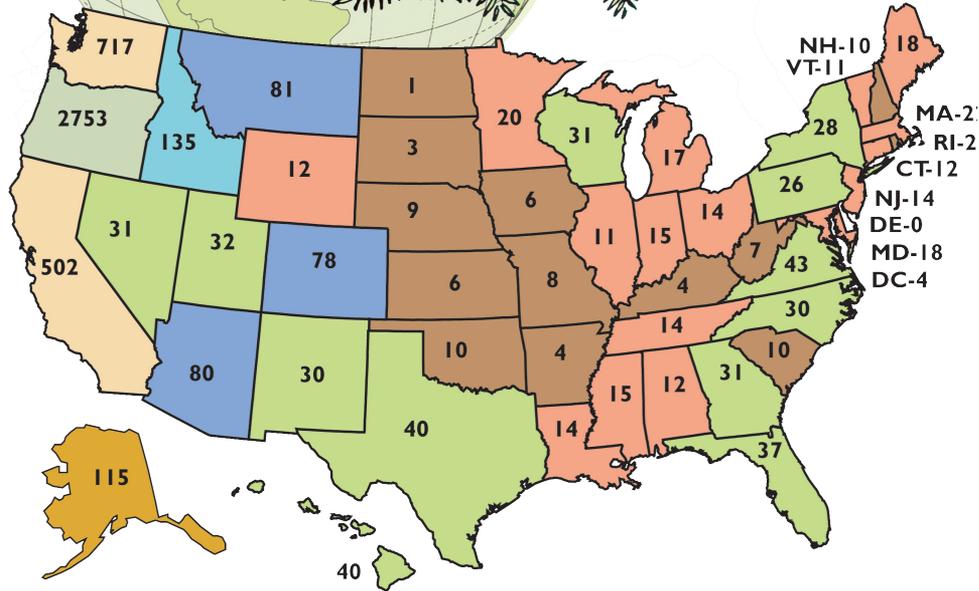
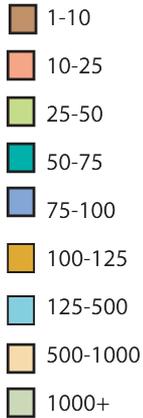
This year, 46 advanced degrees were awarded: Doctor of Philosophy (17), Master of Science (28), and Master of Forestry (1). The 21 women and 25 men earning graduate degrees represented 12 countries: Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Japan, Mexico, the Netherlands, New Zealand, the People's Republic of China, South Korea, Thailand, and the United States.

The 87 undergraduates receiving degrees represented nine states in the U.S. (California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Missouri, Oregon, and Washington) and three countries (Botswana, Japan, and the United States). By major, Bachelor of Science degrees were awarded as follows: Wood Science and Technology (5), Forest Engineering (14), Forest Management (20), Forest Recreation Resources (15), and Natural Resources (31). Two International Bachelor of Arts degrees were also awarded.

Congratulations to all our College of Forestry graduates!

WHERE IN THE WORLD ARE THE COF ALUMS?

OSU, College of Forestry
Total Graduates 5,407*



Outside of U.S.

Argentina	1	Japan	6	Turkey	2
Australia	3	Kenya	1	Uruguay	1
Austria	1	Malaysia	6	Zimbabwe	1
Bangladesh	1	Mexico	6		
Brazil	3	New Zealand	6	Military/APO	2
Canada	50	Pakistan	3	Territories	
Chile	7	Philippines	4		
Columbia	2	Portugal	1	American Samoa	1
Finland	5	South Africa	1	Guam	2
France	1	South Korea	7	Puerto Rico	1
Germany	7	Spain	1		
Ghana	2	Sudan	2	No Current Address	53
Great Britain	5	Switzerland	2		
Honduras	2	Taiwan	8		
India	1	Tanzania	2		
Indonesia	5	Thailand	7		
Italy	1	Trinidad	1		

*March 2004

Class Notes

1930s-40s

George T. Mueller, 1938 Forestry, "After graduation I passed the Junior Forester Exam. Still in the Depression years there were no jobs available. I went to work in engineering for Douglas Aircraft in El Segundo, CA. I became Chief Project Engineer for the A-4 Navy Skyhawk carrier-based airplane. After 35 years I retired in 1975. I would love to hear from my classmates." 2518 Graysby Ave., San Pedro, CA 90732

Gene Tower, 1938 Forest Management, 1944 Forest Products, "Since retiring, I have volunteered on projects, connected with forest products, in Brazil, Uruguay, Honduras, Portugal, Egypt, and Romania. In addition, I have worked as a consultant in Mexico and the US."

John A. Carnegie, 1939 Forest Management, "Still in Medford and still like it. I've found climbing Southern Oregon hills for over 30 years is hard on the knees."

John B. (Jack) Smith, 1939 Forest Management, "Ruth Lange Smith (BSS 1939) and I were married in 1939. She is 87 and has had a stroke. She is in a care facility in Lake Oswego. I had a long and successful career with the US Forest Service (1930-1970), retiring as an Assistant Regional Forester in Denver. Since 1970 I have been a tree farmer in Oregon. Was named Tree Farmer of the Year in 1993 in Columbia, and in Yamhill County in 2003. Ruth and I had 2 girls and a boy, and they have produced about 20 grand- and great-grandchildren for us. At age 90 I am still involved in Forestry."

Rodney O. Fety, 1941 Forestry, "Born—Portland, OR 6/13/15, MS—University of Washington—Economics 1954, Fraternity—Phi Gamma Delta, Married—Jean P. Fety 1942, Riverside Church, New York City, Military Service—1942-1946, North Africa, Sicily, Salerno, Normandy Employment—US Bureau of Land Management, Family—2 children, 5 grandchildren, 1 great-grandchild, Retired—1974, Medford OR."

Joseph Jaeger, 1942, "Rather than ramble, I am enclosing a brochure entitled Joseph Jaeger Academy of State Parks, which presents my major activities since departing OSU. Since retiring from State Park and legislative endeavors, I have become involved with Toll Roads and Bridges in Missouri and now serve as President and Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Lake Ozark Community Bridge Corporation. Wife's name is Elizabeth, married for 58 years. Military Service, US Army, 1942-1945, 87th Mtn. Infantry Div." Excerpt from Joseph Jaeger Academy of State Parks brochure:



Distinguished Alumnus, L.L. "Stub" Stewart

"Joseph (Joe) Jaeger was instrumental in the evolution of the Missouri state park system. As its longest tenured director, he guided the agency toward improved professionalism and needed expansion of the system.

"Beginning with his appointment as director in 1955, for a total of nearly 17 years, Joseph Jaeger oversaw the development and operation of the park system. He provided strong leadership, adding 25 parks and historic sites to the system, and elevating the level of staff expertise through education and training. He championed innovative projects such as the Braille Trail at Elephant Rocks State Park, and began the use of state park rangers for law enforcement.

"During the 1964-64 break in his tenure as state park director, he oversaw the development of a national park and historic monument system for the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. He left state employment in 1973, but was later appointed to the Missouri State Park Advisory Board, and served for another ten years, as both chairman and member.

"During his nearly 30 years of service to Missouri's state parks, he—more than any other individual—shaped the modern park system that Missourians enjoy today."

Jim Merritt, 1946, "82—still going but slower. 1939-1942—O.S.C. 1942-1945—10th Mountain Division Kiska North Italy. 1946-1950—Mt. Hood N.F. 1950-1952—Recalled to Korea. 1952-1977—Mt. Hood-Mt. Baker N.F. 1977—Retired to skiing and sailing and climbing. Wife—Marjorie E. Martin." PO Box 1075, Anacortes WA 98221.

Jack B. Shumate, 1947 Technical Forestry, "Retired after 34 years with USDA Forest Service and the State Department – USAID (Vietnam, 4 years). Son Jon retired from USFS last year with 36 years of service (graduate of Utah State). Grandson Russell graduated from Northern Arizona University, is a career forester for the State of Arizona (Fire Management). My other son Jim

Distinguished Alums — Lifetime Achievement Award

L.L. "Stub" Stewart, 1932

Loran L "Stub" Stewart has had a distinguished career in the timber industry, and has been involved in a wide variety of industry and public service activities. He received a BS in Logging Engineering in 1932. Along with brother, Faye Stewart, and other family members, he helped establish Bohemia Lumber Company as a national industry leader and served as president from 1946-1976. He helped pioneer numerous innovative approaches to logging. Stub was a valued member of the Forest Research Laboratory Advisory Committee for 28 years, and also served as Chairman. He has given wise counsel to three College of Forestry Deans and one interim Dean. He has been actively involved at one time or another with most state and national forestry organizations and with Oregon State Parks, where he spearheaded the Tillamook Forest Heritage Trust.

Stub has been a wonderful friend to the College of Forestry and to OSU. In 1978, he received the Distinguished Service Award from OSU. Around campus, you will also note the results of Stub's generosity: Stewart Auditorium in the College of Forestry, the LaSells Stewart Center (named in honor of his father); The Stewart Professorship for Gene Research (from Stub and Faye), and the L. L. Stewart Faculty Development Award.

Even though, at age 93, he's putting in fewer hours at the office, Stub Stewart still makes his opinions known around the State. He continues to be a powerful voice for Oregon forest and park issues.

Distinguished Alums — Lifetime Achievement Award

John Poppino, 1958

John received a BS in Forest Management in 1958 after a stint with the US Air Force. After graduation, he worked for the Forest Service for 30 years, serving on the staff in the Regional Office, a district ranger in Region 6 and as a project leader for forest inventory and analysis with the PNW Research station. At the PNW, he was instrumental in introducing handheld data recorders to forest inventory in the West.

John has been very active with the Oregon Small Woodlands Association, having served two terms as executive director, and has been the president for the past four years. He remains active in SAF activities on all levels and for the past 14 years has served the Portland Chapter by visiting schools and leading students on field days at Hopkins and Magness Memorial Tree Farms.

He has been a Master Woodland Manager since 1989, and in 1993, was honored as an Outstanding Master Woodland manager for Clackamas County.

is a District Judge in Utah. Family—wife, Avis, 2 sons, 7 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren.”

Alvin “Tyke” Sorseth, 1948 Forest Management, “Hi, All! Obviously, many years have vanished since ‘48, but that time seems like ‘yesterday’! I’ve been retired from the Willamette National Forest for 27 years (!), and Arlene and I have continued making Eugene our home. Our Small-Woodlands Tree Farm in Sweet Home takes up the ‘slack’. We’re blessed in having both our sons and one grandson living close by (other grandkids are scattered), and son, Steve (class of ‘67) *also* retired from the Willamette Forest four years ago! Whew! Time gallops! We do enjoy keeping in touch and send best regards to all. 3830 Ferry St., Eugene, OR 97405”

Earl L. Johnson, 1948 Forest Management, “I served in WWII, Korean War, and first six years of Vietnam War, flying as bombardier-navigator in B-24, B-36, and B-52 aircraft, all heavy bombers. Followed by two years of staff duty. Retired to Oregon, grade Lt. Colonel. Bought 300 acres of timberland for \$100 per acre. Vernonia, Elsie, Tillamook, Hillsboro. Practiced conservative forestry for 30 years. Sold all but 20 acres and retired to Cornelius. Two daughters, two granddaughters. “Best teacher—George H. Schroeder 1942-3.”

1950s-60s

Harold (Bill) H. Keil, 1950 Forest Management, “Am still writing and photographing as North American correspondent for Wood Based Panels International Magazine, published in England, doing about a dozen articles a year. Recent travel for the magazine has been to Niagara Falls, Ontario; Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan; Seattle; Medford; Boardman; and waypoints. Enjoyed the annual plywood seminar at OSU. We had our usual great skiing week at Sun Valley, two weeks in Italy last year, and we’re going on a Costa Rica tour in November. Gloria and I have 5 grandchildren, ages 2 to 13.”

Alfeo E. Minato, 1950 Forest Engineering, “Since the summer of 2003, I have been volunteering as a docent (tour guide) at the Evergreen Aviation Museum (home of the *Spruce Goose* and 45 other aircraft) at McMinneville, Oregon. I am there on Tuesdays and Fridays (8-5). Any alum that drops by will get a personal tour!”

Robert E. Peterson, 1950 Forest Products, “Still enjoying good health and retirement after 31 years with Pacific Corp. Do lots of traveling, enjoy our timeshares—ten weeks at Eagle Crest, four at Depot Bay, and four at Lake Chelan. The rest of the time we keep busy volunteering for the Red Cross, Loaves and Fishes, and Church. I do enjoy reading *Focus on Forestry*. The Forestry School has certainly come a long way forward since the 40’s and 50’s—keep it up.”

Col. Byron E. Madden USMC ret’d, 1953 Forest Management, “Spent 29 years in USMC, 12 years with Envipco before retiring to shores of 9600-acre Lake Anna in N. Central VA. Keep busy improving wildlife habitat on 240 acres of cut-over hardwoods and 240 acres of crop land—lots of deer. Active volunteer—water quality testing at Lake Anna, wildlife habitat improvement at MCB, Quantico, and hunter ed. instructor for 17 years. Blessed with great wife, 3 sons, and 6 grandchildren. Jean and I spend Dec-March in Winter Haven, FL. Can call me at (804) 448-2253.”

Dexter Heuschkel, 1955 “Regarding Dexter Heuschkel: He has been doing land development—trees and plant growth. Has been in Manila since 1940. Your school was great and has helped to work out many problems there.” His contact info is as follows: Dexter Heuschkel, #3 Cesar Virata St., BF Homes Paranaque, Metro Manila Philippines 1700

James (Jim) Fisher, 1956 Forest Management, “Retired in 1990 as Public Affairs Director with Oregon Dept. of Forestry and 34 years with Dept. Moved to 2nd home near Sisters, worked 5 years as Exec. Dir. of Sisters Area Chamber of Commerce. Continued part-time career as Public Relations Mgr. with daughter’s PR firm. Free-lance writer of articles for magazines and newspapers; author of three books on Gilchrist Timber Co., Starker Forests and OSU Dept. of Microbiology. Since 2003, President of Oregon State Fair Foundation. Dorene and I still enjoy Central Oregon life.”

Doug Morrison, 1956 Forest Management, “Over 30 years with BLM in Ore-Wash, including 20 years at the Ore. State office. Coordinated an acquisition and reciprocal rights program (Yaquina Head Lighthouse was one of the projects). At 77, my main interest now is golf, every morning when the sun comes up. My last league score was 38-37-75. I made the circle: Iowa, New Mexico, California, Oregon, and back to Iowa—wonderful life!!”

Larry Woodard, 1957 Forest Management, “I received my Masters of Ministry from Pepperdine University in December. I am currently a minister with the Cherry Lane Christian Church in Meridian, Idaho, after a 36-year career with the BLM.”

Wayne Bousfield, 1958 Forestry, “I have been doing some volunteer work for the U.S. Forest Service National Museum in Missoula, MT.

John J. Terpstra, 1958 Forest Management, “Mostly retired but still doing some seaport planning, following a full and enjoyable career that included 20 years US Army Corps of Engineers, several years in heavy construction contract administration, 15 years as Facilities Director and Executive Director of the Port of Tacoma and 7 years as a consulting engineer. My

wife of 46 years, Janet, and I have settled down in Port Ludlow, WA, and are taking advantage of being retired when “I don’t want to work.” I fondly remember my forestry education at OSU and how it prepared me so well to be a manager and leader in any profession I pursued.”

Barrat Scott, 1960 Forest Engineering, “In late 2001 I retired from management careers in logging engineering (Weyerhaeuser Co. in Springfield and North Bend, OR, and Champion International Corp in Lebanon, OR) and professional land surveying (various engineering and surveying companies in NW Washington). Linda, whom I married in December 1990, retired in 2001 from a career in secondary education, her last position being that of District Librarian. We live near Lake Whatcom in Bellingham, Washington (Lat. 48° 47’N, long. 122°25’W). Among our pleasures is spending time with our daughters, grandchildren and other family, and with friends. This past winter we spent 10 days in Kaua’i in Hawai’i—had a house in a quiet residential area, which certainly beats being in the tourist hotel “rat-race.” I was born and raised in the Islands. We enjoyed quite a lot of Geocaching—searching for Internet-listed caches using a handheld GIS receiver, maps and detailed instructions printed from Geocaching.com—found nine caches.” 1415 Lahti Drive, Bellingham, WA 98226-8879,

Donald Doyle, 1962 Forest Management, “Retired in 1998 after 35+ years with the Forest Service in R-6. Spent the last 20 years in Central Oregon. Mary Ann and I spend our summers at home in Redmond, OR, trying to master the game of golf and showing off our 1966 Mustang. Winters are spent at various places in Arizona, enjoying the sun. Stop by if you are in the area.”

Steve Fitch, 1964 Forest Management, **Vicki Fitch**, 1964 “Forestry Femmes”, “Enjoying our first year of retirement. Wrapped up wonderful Forest Service career in ‘95 including California, Washington D.C., North Carolina, Florida, and back to California as Supervisor of the Shasta Trinity NF. Fascinating assignments, great people including Congressional Fellow for Senator Domenici and the last 7 years with California State Assembly.

“Now it’s enjoying five grandchildren and sailing in NW and Alaska!

“Hey-Let’s band together and do something to preserve the memory of Cassey’s Dendro Forest behind the old forestry building before it gets wrecked.”

Michael D. Jackson, 1964 Forest Management, “Celebrated our 30th year of being Professional Forestry Services, Inc. in 2003. Continue to manage forest resource property for small private landowners. Over-regulation and estate taxes continue to dictate management plans. Most of our work is in



Distinguished Alumnus, Jim James congratulated by Forest Engineering Department Head, Steve Tesch

western Washington. Any Beavers are welcome to stop at our office in Tumwater, WA.”

Alan Defler, 1966 Forest Management, “I am approaching five years of retirement. It has been a marvelous time. We continue to live in Albuquerque, NM. My last several jobs with the Forest Service were in the Southwest Region as Forest Supervisor and Director of Aviation and Fire Management. It is a perfect place for us to call home. We continue to enjoy travel, wood-working, baseball, and friends. Fernhoppers are always welcome here.”

Tod Files, 1967 “At 60, I’m still pretty active. I serve as a Umatilla N.F. fire lookout for the four months of fire season. That income fuels a pretty active ski season. In my spare time, during winter, I update USGS quadrangles for the Interior Dept.”

Dale Stennett, 1967 Forest Engineering, “Still doing a variety of forestry activities for two D.R. Johnson Lbr. mills in eastern Oregon. Married to Corinne 35 years now; 3 grandkids. Pray for spiritual revival in our land—wisdom in forest management will follow. Keep in touch: 59880 Hwy 26, John Day, OR 97845, 541-932-4905”, drsten@ortelco.net

Ron Dinus, 1968, PhD Forest Genetics, “Though retired for some years, I maintain my commitment to research and education, mainly by involvement in volunteer work with a variety of forestry and agricultural organizations. Most significant is my volunteer teaching at a local high school. I give lectures on genetics, with emphasis on implications for forests and fisheries, arrange for other guest lecturers, develop hands-on learning exercises, and help coach FFA students in activities ranging from extemporaneous speaking through debates on forestry and agricultural

Distinguished Alum

Jim James, 1970

Jim received a BS degree in Forest Engineering in 1970. He joined Weyerhaeuser in 2002 as Director of Environmental Affairs for Sustainable Forestry. Jim is responsible for addressing environmental issues related to forestry and assisting with the coordination of sustainable forestry across all of Weyerhaeuser’s timberlands worldwide. Prior to joining Weyerhaeuser, Jim worked for Willamette Industries for 30 years, where he held a number of positions in engineering and timber management, and served as general manager from 1991-2002. Jim began his career working for several road-building companies.

Jim is a board member and past chairman of the Oregon Forest Industries Council, a member of various committees of the American Forest and Paper Association, a member of the South Santiam Watershed Council, and past board member of the Oregon Forest Resources Institute and Keep Oregon Green. Most importantly, he has been active on our Forest Research Laboratory Advisory Committee, first as a frequent observer and more recently as a member.

Distinguished Alum

Jaime Pinkham, 1981

Jaime graduated in 1981 with BS in Forest Management. After graduation he was hired by the Washington State Department of Natural Resources, where his duties included two assignments as a field unit manager. In 1984, he served on the department's legislative staff. While with DNR, he completed the Washington Agriculture and Forestry Leadership Program in 1988; this program triggered his interest to return his career to serving Indian Country. He left DNR in 1988 for a two-year assignment with the BIA in Portland before returning home to work for the Nez Perce Tribe in 1990.

Until December 2003, he was the Director of the National Tribal Lands Program for the Trust for Public Land (TPL) in Portland. Prior to TPL he spent over 12 years in various capacities with the Nez Perce Tribe in Lapwai, Idaho, including being twice elected to the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee as Treasurer. In addition he managed the tribal departments overseeing the fisheries, wildlife, forestry, agriculture, GIS, and cultural resource programs, where he was instrumental in the reintroduction of grey wolves to Idaho, acquisition of tribal ancestral homelands in northeast Oregon, and salmon recovery efforts.

His past national leadership positions include Chairman of the Board of Directors for the American Indian Science and Engineering Society; President of the Intertribal Timber Council; and Chairman of the Tribal Lands Advisory Council for TPL. Jamie is currently a consultant to the Institute for Tribal Government at Portland State University's Hatfield School of Government.

issues and business plan development to forestry/natural resources competitions. Rewards have been manifold, but the high point came this spring when FFA students awarded me an honorary chapter degree. Nice duty. I urge others to get involved with young people."

Bill Dryden, 1969 "Continue to work for Boise Cascade on forest stewardship/certification and public policy. Sue enjoys substitute teaching. Rachel heads to grad school this fall and Seth expects to graduate from Eastern Washington next March. The retirement bug has not struck yet. Must be that I am enjoying the work and especially the people at Boise's Timberland Resources."

1970s

Kenneth Galloway Jr., 1970 Forest Management, "I retired in February 2004 after over 29 years as the County Forest Manager of Hood River County Forestry Department. It was challenging and a lot of fun; the experience with Weyerhaeuser in Klamath Falls and Coos Bay were great training and the job was similar to the Senior Project for land management many of us had to do in groups in the 60's at the OSU School of Forestry. Some of the more memorable moments were the many land exchanges for consolidation, the many timber sales and all the activity involved in sale lay out, the logging, slash disposal, planting and now in many cases PCT; and then reviewing the harvest level and potential revenue. Judy and I will be spending more time with the five children and all of the grandchildren (currently nine with two due this summer), and work occasionally when the opportunity arises, continue OSAA Girls Softball umpiring and participating in the Portland Metro Barbershop Chorus on the District Board of Directors for the Evergreen District for SPEBSQSA."

2520 Montello, Hood River, OR 97031-1021,
Cell 541-490-6680 Home 541-386-1580,
kengalloway@gorge.net

Markku Sario, 1970 Forest Management, "Through a draconian series of events, I find myself the public defender for Grant County, Oregon, the population of which is 1.8 people per square mile. And loving every minute of it. This is as close as I'm going to get to being out in the woods and still practicing law."

Larry Sears, 1970 Forest Management, "I'm still the District Ranger on the Mogollon Rim Ranger District of the Coconino NF. Norell and I continue to enjoy God's blessings. Our lives are involved with our family and church. Greetings out there to Garen McCune and Carey Weatherly! Come see us in Happy Jack, Arizona."

Mike Hicks, 1971 Forest Management, "Doing well in NW Oregon, managing Boise

Cascades NW Oregon lands. Kids all out of school and a good crop of grandkids keeping Becky and I busy. Nine grandkids and nine llamas, all keeping things interesting.

"No end to challenges in managing timberlands in today's world, but that is what makes it all fun! Go BEAVES."

David K. Bateman, 1972 Forest Engineering, "Started Bateman Consulting in 2003. Doing cruise and appraisals and surveying boundaries so the correct trees get harvested. Also being a 3rd generation tree farmer on properties I've acquired and/or have been in the family. Got married to Karen in 2002, and we are hiding in the woods at the base of Snow Peak." 42755 Fish Hatchery Dr., Scio OR 97374, (503) 394-2051

Kenneth C. Ratliff, 1978 FE/FM, "I am now part of the Suncadia (Mountain Star) Resort team in Roslyn, Washington. Prior to this I was with Plum Creek for 10 years, and 13 years on national forests in 5 western states. There is still a huge pile of wood begging for either management or fire in the national forests! Too bad forestry is no longer a part of National Forest policy. Oh well, I am having fun building the largest new resort in the Northwest! Oldest son now an Idaho graduate, married! One other son in college, two daughters in high school, Ewa and I are doing well. Best wishes to many old friends! -Ken"

Dan Thorpe, 1979 Forest Management, "Since 1980, I have worked all over Oregon with ODE, the last 15 years in Medford. My wife Debby and I have 3 teenagers to get through OSU (hopefully). We are very much involved with our Church and the Ski Patrol at Mt. Ashland. I still enjoy chasing fires in the summer."

1980s

Jody Carlson Lewis, 1980 Resources and Recreation Management, "This summer Gary and I celebrate our 24th wedding anniversary. Gary still works at the post office and retired from the National Guard. I have been typing from my home for 14 years. Our oldest child, Lisa, just graduated from college and will be married July 17. April is finishing her 2nd year at OSU in Fish and Wildlife. Jeff is a senior at David Douglas High School in Portland."

Lynn Goodman Grams, 1980 Outdoor Recreation. Now a mother of two boys: Trevor, 8, and Brian, 5, Lynn and her husband, Craig, enjoy recreating in Alaska, where they have lived since 1980.

Terrence J. Sams, 1982 Resource Recreation Management, "Hello to all fellow environmental interpreters from the class of '82! I'm settled in the Portland area and keeping busy. I'm working outside my major, but enjoy time

spent out in nature, historic sights, etc. Here's to all those precious hours treading the hallowed paths of the McDonald-Dunn Forest—hurrah!”

Lisa (Van Camp) Reader, 1983 Forest Management, “Still living in Los Alamos, NM - watching the forest and community recover from the devastating Cerro Grande fire. The twins are 15 and Megan is 11. Husband Garth is still at Los Alamos National Lab. Household is one dog, one cat, one salamander, one fish, one horse, two ponies, three mules, 22 chickens! Come visit!”

Dr. Robert D. Mangold, 1987 Forest Science PhD, “I am currently Director of Forest Health Protection for the USDA Forest Service. This program delivers technical and financial assistance to state, private, and federal land owners regarding insect and disease management on forest lands.

“I live in Rockville, Maryland with my wife, Joan, and two boys, Gabe and Eli (16 and 14 years old). My e-mail is barbourmangold@hotmail.com.”

Dave Anderson, 1989 FRR BS; 1991 MS, “Greetings to all our friends from the '85-'91 period! Cathy and I live in Richland WA with our two children. We both work for Battelle at the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory. Advice to current students: Don't be limited by what others think your future will hold. Be open-minded about all your career options.”

1990s

Marlene Finley, 1990 Forest Resources, Outdoor Recreation MS, “I am pleased to be working with a network of outstanding colleagues sharing the distinction of an Oregon State University Forest Resources degree. It truly is a small world in outdoor recreation. Director of Recreation, Wilderness, and Heritage Resources, USDA Forest Service Pacific Southwest Region”

Rick DeFerrari, 1992, Forest Engineering, sends a new address: 616 Birch Street, McMinnville, OR 97128

Richard M. Edwards, 1993 MF Forest Engineering, “Opening wildfire mitigation business in Spring 2004 in the Aspen-Eagle-Glenn Springs, Colorado area, doing business as fire ready. Hope to eventually combine with forest engineering/management consulting under existing “High Country Forestry” company name.”



Distinguished Alumna, Katy Kavanagh

George H. Severson, 1993 Forest Management, “I am currently employed as a customer service rep for Helena Chemical Company. While I live in Klamath Falls, OR, my territory includes S. Oregon and N. CA. I'm married with two girls aged 7 and 9. Would love to hear any info about the whereabouts of Jill Hedgepeth. Haven't seen her since school! (541) 884-3841”

Hans Rudolph, 1995 Forest Management, “I recently was placed in charge of maintaining and updating the inventory database for Boise Building Solutions (Boise Cascade) in Southwest Oregon.

“Looking forward to seeing where all my classmates are and what they are doing.”

Marc Cannon, 1997 Forest Engineering, sends a new address: 159 Vermillion Rd., Kelso, WA 98626, Email: marccannon@aol.com

Joel Slate, 1998 Forest Engineering, Email: jrslate@hotmail.com, “I am currently in Stellenbosch, South Africa, doing consulting engineering projects and training South African forest engineers and harvesting contractors in safety, cable yarding techniques, reduced-impact logging, and production optimization.”

Julie (Maulding) Woodward and Chris Woodward, both 1999 Forest Management, “Wed on October 4, 2003. Julie works for Oregon Forest Resources Institute and Chris is a forester with the Oregon Department of Forestry. They reside in Lyons, Oregon.”

Distinguished Alums

Katy Kavanagh, 1993

Katy Kavanagh received her PhD from Forest Science in 1993. After completing her degree, she worked as a forestry extension agent based in Clatsop County where she blended an excellent research program with first-rate extension work. In 1999, she was hired by the University of Idaho, where she is currently an Associate Professor of Forest Resources.

Her areas of interest are silviculture, forest ecosystem processes and tree hydraulic architecture. She continues to serve on the Independent Multidisciplinary Science Team (IMST), which is charged with evaluating and reporting on the scientific basis for the implementation of the Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds.

Allan Czinger, 1999

Allan graduated in 1999 with a BS in Forest Products and a minor in Business Administration. He was the first College of Forestry graduate to also be awarded an International Degree and he obtained a minor in Russian Language. His international degree project was on the expansion of an Oregon lumber company's operations to Lithuania. After graduation Allan worked briefly in plywood production and then expanded his international interests as the International Marketing Director of the Softwood Export Council, where he had responsibilities for all international activities of the Council.

Allan recently moved on to work with Vanport International, where he is responsible for marketing, and new product development for Vanport's activities in China and the Russian Far-East. Allan's primary focus is the import and export of forest products between North America and China. He is fluent in the Russian language and has served as an interpreter and tour leader for Russian groups visiting Oregon. He is currently studying Mandarin Chinese at Portland State.

In Memoriam



Doug Decker photo

Elizabeth “Betty” Starker Cameron

June 24, 1920 – March 17, 2004

Elizabeth “Betty” Starker Cameron, matriarch of the family forest business, Starker Forests, passed away this spring. Betty Starker Cameron was a quintessential Oregonian, a devoted wife and mother, an avid outdoorswoman, a person who blended sound business principles with a stewardship ethic for natural resources, and a patron of the arts.

Betty Starker was born to Aubrey and Faye Ball Bond in Washington, D.C. She lived in Virginia, Hawaii, and San Francisco as a child before her family moved to Corvallis in 1935, where she was a member of the first graduating class of the current Corvallis High School in 1938. In 1942, she received a bachelor’s degree in landscape architecture from Scripps College in Claremont, Calif.

During World War II, Betty worked as a designer in an engineer model shop at Fort Belvoir, VA, creating scale models of strategic military sites. She also served as a recreation director for the Red Cross in Tinian and Guam.

Betty married Bruce Starker in July 1946. While he was in the military, Bruce Starker sent his paychecks home to his family to invest in forestland. Bruce’s father, T.J., had started acquiring forestland in the 1930s and turned it into a family business in 1971. Starker Forests is still very much about family, and Betty was very much involved. According to son Barte Starker, “She had more influence on how we manage our forests than any other one thing,” Betty brought a different perspective to logging practices, he said, that of how it appeared to the public.

Bruce Starker passed away in 1975. Betty married Jack Cameron in 1978, and was widowed for a second time in 1981. Despite these tragic losses, Betty retained her zest for living, her appreciation for the natural world, and her enthusiastic support for family and community.

Betty Starker Cameron supported many charitable projects, including

Starker Arts Park, The Majestic Theatre, the Valley Library at Oregon State University, Good Samaritan Hospital, and the Oregon Coast Aquarium. She also served on the boards of the Old Mill Center, Good Samaritan Hospital, the Oregon Coast Aquarium, the Children’s Farm Home, OSU Foundation, and Benton County Parks. She was the recipient of the community’s second Patron of the Arts award.

In 1995, Betty made a gift of 260 acres of forestland to the OSU College of Forestry. The gift led to creation of The Elizabeth Starker Cameron Demonstration Forest and to the establishment of the Starker Chair in Private and Family Forestry.

In addition to entertaining and spending time with her family, Betty enjoyed cooking, watercolor painting, fishing, snorkeling, identifying wildflowers and flower arranging. She also enjoyed flying small planes and was a member of ‘The 99s,’ a ladies pilots organization. She was also a member of the First Congregational Church, Pi Beta Phi, the Izaak Walton League, and the League of Women Voters.

“Betty Starker Cameron was a person who passed through Oregon during a period of great turmoil and much change. She left it not only a better place because of what she did and how she lived her life, but her legacy lives on in the people she nurtured and influenced and the programs and places she dedicated to high purposes,” said Dean Hal Salwasser.

Betty Starker Cameron is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Barte and Pat Starker, and their children, Sally and Wendy; son and daughter-in-law, Bond and Marilyn Starker, and their children, Jim and Anna; and a sister, Roberta Rainey of Corvallis.

Roy Silen

February 18, 1918 – January 24, 2004

Roy Silen, long-time Forest Service Research Geneticist and volunteer after retirement, passed away on January 24th while vacationing in the Cook Islands.

He was born in North Bend and lived in Oregon most of his life, including the past 50 years in Corvallis. He earned a bachelor’s degree in silviculture from Oregon State College in 1943, a master’s in forestry from Yale University, and a doctorate in forestry from OSU in 1956. During World War II he served with the Army’s 42nd Rainbow Division in Europe.

He joined the Pacific Northwest Forest and Range Experiment Station in 1946, and in 1954 became the first head of the newly formed Forest Genetics Research Project in Corvallis, where he served as a project leader for 30 years and made significant contributions to Christmas tree genetics. Although he officially retired in 1985, he continued as a volunteer scientist in his research unit until his death. He was awarded a National Exemplary Volunteer Service Award from the Forest Service in 2003. The members of the Genetics Team at the Pacific Northwest Research Station are particularly grateful to Roy for his leadership. He established a tradition of congeniality, cooperation, and egalitarianism within his team that continues to this day.

One of Roy’s most important accomplishments was the establishment of cooperative tree improvement in western Oregon and Washington, which eventually developed into an association of more than 45 cooperating landowners encompassing more than 15 million acres of forest lands, 70 breeding programs, 700 test plantations, and 20,000 parent-tree selections. These programs continue today as the Northwest

Tree Improvement Cooperative based at Oregon State University.

After retirement he started a seed orchard on his property west of Corvallis and supplied most of the seed used by Oregon and Washington Douglas-fir Christmas tree growers. In his late 70s, he started windsurfing and golfing, which he continued to enjoy until his death. He belonged to and volunteered for many social, environmental and financial organizations including a campaign for extra pollution controls at the Halsey paper mill. As one of his colleagues wrote, "Although Roy lived to be 85, he died young."

Survivors include his children, David and Joy Silen and Sandy Gell of Corvallis, eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife of 43 years, Ethel, in 1997. Memorial donations may be made to the Vina Moses Center, the OSU Thrift Shop, or the Nature Conservancy.

Edwin Walter Pierson

September 16, 1917 – December 9, 2003

Edwin (Ed) Walter Pierson passed away in Arcata, California on December 9, 2003 at the age of 86. Pierson was born on September 16, 1917, in Racine, Wisconsin. He attended the University of Wisconsin, Madison, for two years before transferring to Oregon State College (OSC), to study forestry. Pierson served as a B-17 pilot who flew 25 bombing missions over Europe during World War II. He was awarded the Purple Heart, Bronze Star, and many other medals and campaign ribbons.

Pierson earned both bachelor's (1952) and master's degrees in forestry from OSC and was inducted into Xi Sigma Pi forestry honorary. He received a National Science Foundation grant to pursue a PhD in forestry at OSC.

His academic career as a forestry professor spanned 27 years with his retirement in 1979. He was hired by Humboldt State College (now University) in 1953 to create a two-year forestry program. Total student enrollment was 16 with Ed Pierson as the sole faculty member. By 1967 the program had 330 students, ten faculty, and included two graduate programs in forest science and wood science. He was an outstanding teacher and role model, mentor, career counselor, confidant, and friend to hundreds of students who passed through his office door.

The first HSU Forestry Club Annual Ring yearbook was dedicated to Pierson and said: "We the members of the Forestry Club are proud to dedicate this, the first Annual Ring, to a man whose dedication to his profession and ability to 'get things done' is an inspiration to his students and colleagues alike. No forester will leave Humboldt (HSU) without an occasional memory of the man with the platoon sergeant's voice. Students who know him will vouch for the fact that he is devoted to turning out men as well as foresters." Pierson was the recipient of numerous awards including the Merit Award in Conservation by the California Conservation Council. Active in the Society of American Foresters, he was an early licensed forester by the State of California. Pierson also served on the Sierra Pacific Lumber Company Scholarship Foundation.

He is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Joan Margaret Howell Pierson (OSU '47), of Arcata, California, five children, and eight grandchildren. The family has established a scholarship at Humboldt State University to honor the life and work of Edwin Pierson. Memorial contributions may be made to the Edwin Pierson Forestry Scholarship. Checks should be made payable to Humboldt State University and sent to the HSU Gift Processing Center, One Harpst Street, Arcata, CA 95521-8299.

Justin James "Duke" DuCray '47.

July 7, 1916 – May 28, 2004

JJ. "Duke" DuCray died peacefully on May 28, 2004, surrounded by his children.

Duke graduated from Balboa High School in S.F., then moved to Susanville under the WPA program. He studied forestry and played several sports while attending Lassen Junior College, where he was known for his high energy and team spirit. WWII interrupted his studies. He served as 1st lieutenant in the US Army Medical Corps—174 Medical Battalion from 1941-45.

Duke resumed his education at Oregon State University and graduated in March 1947 with a degree in Forestry. Duke started his career in California in 1947 with the Department of Employment. He again served during the Korean War from May 1951 to May 1952. He returned to employment with the California Department of Transportation and retired in 1978 after 32 years.

Duke loved to coach his sons and their friends in Little League and school baseball and football. His other two passions were fishing and working with the Retirees Public Employees Association, where he was instrumental in getting the purchasing power increases and long-term care programs implemented at CalPERS.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Shirley, and stepson, Jim Day. He is survived by his six children, two stepdaughters, 20 grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren. Remembrances may be made to the American Cancer Society.

The above notice was sent by **David H. Roger**, Lt. Col., USAFR, Ret., Forest Products, 1948, who writes, "We both migrated to Sacramento where [Duke] first drove a taxi before going to work at a State office. We both retired from Calif. Dept. of Transportation. "I'm sending these for you to share with other grads and the Alumni Association."

Roger Q. Sherman '38

Roger passed away June 26, 2003. He was retired from PGE and a Major (USA-RET). He loved to travel in an RV and travel to Hawaii. He was a true "people person" and was dearly loved. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, ten grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter.

Andrew J. Paris '42

Andrew J. Paris passed away on January 30, 2004, surrounded by family. He was loved and respected by all who knew him. He was two months from celebrating 60 years of marriage to wife Dorothy.

Wade H. Howell '51

MS Forestry. Wade H. Howell passed away on June 10, 2003. He is survived by his wife, Dolores, four children, and three grandchildren.

Robert Dickson '54

Forest Products. Robert W. Dickson passed away on July 21, 2002, in Springfield, Oregon. He was 76.

J. Phillip "Phil" Carlson '60

Phil passed away on April 7, 2004, in Redding, California. He was born May 12, 1937, in Portland, Oregon. He majored in Forest Management at OSC. He was a Forest Service Land Staff Officer in the Six Rivers, Plumas, Lassen, and Shasta-Trinity national forests, and a U.S. Army veteran. Survivors include his wife, Patricia, three daughters, two sisters, and three grandchildren. Memorial contributions may be made to Shasta Co. Special Olympics, 2218 Ferry St. Suite D, Anderson, CA 96007.

Orientation and Annual Ring

September 24, 2004, 9:00 to 4:00, Peavy Hall 130, Orientation and Annual Ring, organized by the College of Forestry students, will provide a chance to become familiar with the history, traditions, and future outlook of the College. Please join us for continental breakfast, where you'll meet the dean, department chairs, advisors, faculty, and staff, and get to know fellow students. After breakfast, there's a brief tour of Peavy and Richardson Halls. Then it's out to the woods for a tour of McDonald Forest—with current students as your tour guides—followed by lunch at the cabin. In the afternoon, watch the Logging Sports team demonstrate their skills, then join in the fun if you dare! Please bring a change of clothes if you plan to try the “limber pole” at the Logging Sports Arena.

For more details and updated information through the summer, contact clay.torset@oregonstate.edu or visit <http://www.cof.orst.edu/cof/studserv/anring.php>

The 2004 Starker Lecture Series, “Society and Forest Health”

October 21, Char Miller, Professor and Chair of the History Department, Trinity University, Senior Fellow of the Pinchot Institute for Conservation, author of *Gifford Pinchot and The Making of Modern Environmentalism*, Co-Author of *The Greatest Good: 100 Years of Forestry in America*. Working title: “The Greatest Good: 100 Years of Forestry in America.”

November 4, Panel: Victoria Sturtevant, Professor of Sociology, Southern Oregon University; **Jack Shipley**, Applegate Partnership; **Marty Main**, Ashland City Forester. Working title: “The Role of Fire in Creating Proactive Community Involvement in Forest Management.”

November 18, Tom Knudson, Two-time Pulitzer Prize-winning investigative journalist with the Sacramento Bee, author of “State of Denial,” “Environment, Inc.,” and “Majesty and Tragedy: The Sierra in Peril.” Working title: “Conserving Ours, Consuming Theirs.”

December 2, James Agee, Virginia and Prentice Bloedel Professor of Forest Ecology, College of Forest Resources, University of Washington. Working title: “The Role of Fire in Forest Restoration.”

Outreach Event Calendar

August 15-20 Portland, OR

Balancing Ecosystem Values: Innovative Experiments for Sustainable Forestry

August 26-27 Corvallis, OR

Introduction to GIS Applications in Natural Resources with ArcGIS

September 16-17 Corvallis, OR

Advanced GIS Applications in Natural Resources with ArcGIS

September 27-28 Corvallis, OR

Lumber Quality Control and Process

September 29-30 Corvallis, OR

Lumber Quality Leadership

October 4-8 Corvallis, OR

The Basics of Accurate Forest Land Appraisal

October 18-21 Klamath Falls, OR

Ponderosa Pine: Management, Issues, and Trends

October 26-27 Binghamton, NY

Northeast Utility Pole Conference

To find out more, visit: <http://outreach.cof.orst.edu/> or contact the Forestry Outreach Education staff at (541) 737-2329.



Non-Profit Org.
U.S. Postage
PAID
Corvallis, OR
Permit No. 200

FOCUS ON FORESTRY

Forestry Communications Group
256 Peavy Hall
Corvallis, OR 97331-5704