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Cover Story

The Maurice K. Goddard Pennsylvania Historical Marker was recently erected in front of the Rachel Carson State Office Building on Market Street in Harrisburg. Funds donated to the PA Parks & Forests Foundation pay for costs of the sign casting and erection. See the article on page 10 for more information. Photograph is courtesy of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR).

Chair’s Corner

By Mary Ann Fajvan, Allegheny SAF Chair



As I continue to harvest my fall garden, the cool nights remind me that the first frost will be here soon. During winter, the soil gets some rest and renewal and so do I. Speaking of renewal, our **membership** records for 2010 indicate that 111 of our members did not pay dues and will be listed as “inactive” until the end of the year. Twenty-six of these members are students! Please take a moment to check the membership website at:

www.eforester.org/members/member_central.cfm. Review the names on the inactive list and see if you know any of these inactive members, then give them a call.

Provide a friendly reminder that they have not yet paid their dues and that we will miss them if they leave SAF. Fall is also a great time to be recruiting new members, especially students. We need to remember to invite student members to our local chapter and division meetings and then get them excited about attending the **Allegheny SAF Winter meeting** (February 16-18, 2011, Clarion, PA) to participate in the student quiz bowl.

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I would like to welcome **Jonathan Keys** to the ranks of our hard working volunteers in Allegheny SAF. Jonathan has volunteered to become the new chair of the Allegheny Society Awards Committee, as **Howard Wurzbacher** steps down from 6+ years of dedicated service as past chair. The deadline for the two annual Allegheny Society Awards – **Forester of the Year and Robert W. Bauer Outstanding Service to Forestry Award** – is **December 15, 2010**. The purpose of the Forester of the Year award is to recognize current professional achievements in forestry and specific accomplishments or achievement within 2010. The Robert W. Bauer Outstanding Service to Forestry award recognizes achievement in the forestry profession and service to SAF and local or regional community activities over a career time span. We all know many foresters who are deserving of our recognition for their professional commitment and performance. Please take the time to submit a nomination to your Division or Chapter Chair before the deadline. Last year, we had no nominations and hence no awards were presented at the Winter Meeting. Applications and instructions for nominations will be included on our web page: www.alleghenysaf.org.

Hopefully, you are all taking advantage of the fall harvest. At our farm, appropriately named "Perseverance Farm," we are busy canning and freezing produce, filling the root cellar and cutting firewood. Pretty soon there will be venison in the freezer too and my tree seedlings will be happier! If you don't live on a farm, be sure to support local farmers and growers who sell produce at farmers markets and farm stands. Take advantage of delicious, fresh, local food; it may be another long winter! ❁❁

Miller to Receive National Award from Society of American Foresters

Courtesy of SAF National Office

David F. Miller, president of Allegheny Forestry Inc., will receive one of eight Presidential Field Forester Awards from the Society of American Foresters (SAF).

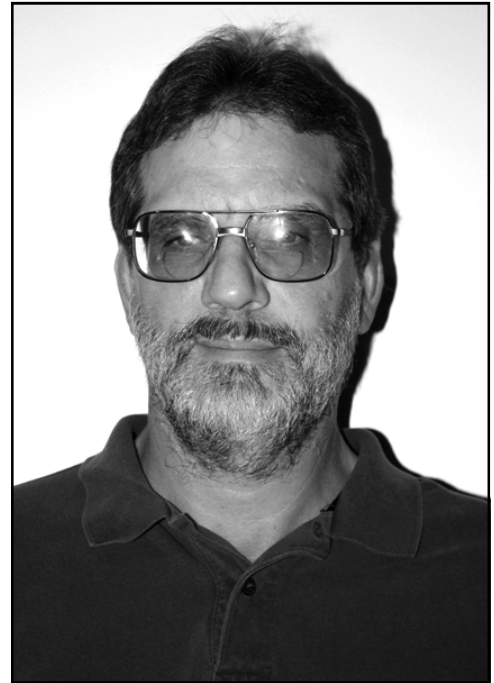
SAF's Presidential Field Forester Awards were established to highlight the important role that foresters play in the management of the nation's forest resource, and to recognize forestry professionals who have displayed uncommon talent and innovative

methods in the art and science of the profession. For example, Allegheny was among the first firms in the northwest Pennsylvania/southwestern New York region to use fixed-wing and helicopter aircraft in spray programs to control the spread of the gypsy moth in the 1980s.

Miller was recognized for his efforts to stay informed of the most up-to-date forestry research and practices and to apply what he has learned on the property under his management. He is a founding member of the Roach-Bauer Forestry Forum Committee and has served as its secretary-treasurer since 1988. Miller is a current member of the Pennsylvania Legislative Task Force on Forestry, and has been since 1999; he is a founding member of the Northeast Petroleum-Forest Resource Cooperative, and a Warren County 4-H Forestry-Wildlife Club Leader for 16 years.

In his service to SAF, Miller has served as secretary-treasurer, vice-chair, and chair of the Plateau Chapter; chair of the Pennsylvania Division; and chair of SAF's Deer-Forest/Farm Committee. He joined the Society in 1980.

Miller will receive the award during a ceremony at the forthcoming 2010 SAF National Convention, to be held November 27-31 in Albuquerque, New Mexico. ❁❁



West Virginia and Pennsylvania Teams Compete at National 4-H Forestry Invitational

West Virginia and Pennsylvania were among the fifteen state teams that participated in the 31st annual National 4-H Forestry Invitational from Sunday, July 25, through Thursday, July 29, 2010. At the Invitational, 4-H members competed for overall team and individual awards in several categories. Competition included a forestry written exam, tree identification, tree measurement, compass and pacing, insect and disease identification, topographic map use, the forestry bowl, and forest evaluation. The Invitational is held annually at West Virginia University Jackson's Mill State 4-H Camp and Conference Center near Weston, WV. Louisiana won the event; Arkansas and Tennessee placed second and third, respectively. The West Virginia team placed sixth and the Pennsylvania team placed ninth.



West Virginia (left to right):
Nathan Weaver, Sarah Rogers, Courtney Weaver, Sarah Ward, John Marple, Barbara McWhorter


West Virginia was represented by **John Marple**, and **Courtney and Nathan Weaver** of Weston, **Sarah Rogers** of Buckhannon, and **Sarah Ward** of Volga. **Barbara McWhorter** coached the team. **Pennsylvania**



Pennsylvania (left to right):
Alma Rooney, Madeline Erickson, Stephanie Beardsley, Philip Rooney, Luke Beardsley, Marcia Beardsley

was represented by **Luke Beardsley** and **Stephanie Beardsley** of Glen Rock, **Madeline Erickson** of Stewartstown, and **Phillip Rooney** of York. **Alma Rooney** and **Marcia Beardsley** coached.

4-H is a youth education program operated by Cooperative Extension Service of the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture and the state land grant universities. Nearly 100,000 young people are part of the National 4-H Forestry Program. The Farm Credit

Systems (FCS) and Chesapeake Energy Corporation sponsor this event. FCS is a government-sponsored enterprise created by Congress in 1916 to provide American agriculture with a dependable source of credit. Chesapeake Energy is one the largest producers of natural gas in the nation and the most active driller of new wells in the US. For more information on the Invitational, contact Dave Jackson, Penn State Extension at 814-355-4897 or visit <http://4hforestryinvitational.org/> 



District VII Council Report

By Kenneth Jolly, CF, SAF District VII Representative

This will be a rather brief Council Report, since Council has not met since the June meeting in Idaho that I reported on in the summer issue of the *Allegheny News*. However, there are a few items that I would like to bring to your attention in this report.

The first item that I would like to mention is the SAF National Election that is currently in progress. There are two outstanding candidates running for the position of SAF Vice President – **Mary Coulombe and Bill Rockwell**. You can read interviews with both in the September issue of the

Forestry Source, and, for those members who would like the chance to interact with the candidates more directly, visit the Facebook group page entitled “SAF 2010 VP Election” and connect with both Mary and Bill via Facebook. Please be sure to take a look at each of the candidate’s biographical information and their campaign statements, and then help to set the future direction of SAF by casting your vote in the election!

Another item I would like to highlight is the upcoming National Convention being held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, October 27-31. Once again, the Convention features a great line-up of General Session speakers and technical presentations and field tours, and I would encourage you to take a look at the Convention Agenda and materials and register for the Convention if you haven’t done so yet.

Finally, I wanted to let you know Council’s meeting schedule for the remainder of the year. The next Council meeting will take place in October at the Convention, and the final meeting of the year at the SAF Headquarters in Bethesda in December. The December meeting will be when Council makes a decision on the proposed dues increase that will be discussed at the House of Society Delegates (HSD) meeting at Convention. If you have any thoughts on the dues proposal, please be sure to communicate them to me or to anyone on the Allegheny Executive Committee by no later than the end of November. And as always, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding any SAF related items, or any suggestions you may have for advancing the mission of SAF... I always look forward to hearing from you! 🍁

The next newsletter deadline is December 15, 2010

Send articles in Microsoft Word format and photos as JPG files to Allegheny News editor Jack Winieski via email at ansaf@verizon.net

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National Dues Increase Scheduled for 2012

On June 12, 2010 the SAF Council voted to implement a 15% dues increase to begin with the 2012 membership year. After more than ten years without an increase, the adjustment will be reflected across all member types. This increase does not impact local dues.

Council felt it necessary to implement this increase to close budget gaps caused by continually rising expenses, and to create new programs and services. This action is being taken only after cost-cutting efforts and staff reductions had been implemented to the greatest extent practicable without negatively impacting member services. This included a 40% staff reduction during the period.

National membership rates would change to:

- * Member - \$153
- * Five Year Post-Graduation Discount - \$98
- * Retired - \$121
- * Student - \$40

SAF Bylaws state such an increase is the prerogative of the Council; however, it must be submitted to the House of Society Delegates for a period of feedback from membership. This will be an agenda item at the HSD meeting at the 2010 Convention in Albuquerque on October 27, 2010. Official announcements will be communicated through individual correspondence and in The Forestry Source. Please email any feedback to membership@safnet.org ❁

Grace Appointed PSU Goddard Chair in Forest Resources

Dr. James R. "Jim" Grace, former deputy secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (PA DCNR), has been selected as the new **Maurice K. Goddard Chair in Forestry and Environmental Resource Conservation**. His three-year term began on August 23, 2010.

Grace leaves responsibilities in PA DCNR, including the direction of the Bureaus of State Parks and Forestry, as well as the Bureau of Facility Design and Construction. Under his leadership as director of the PA Bureau of Forestry (from 1994 to 2007), the bureau incorporated the landscape approach to forest management on the 2.1 million acres of State Forest Land. Pennsylvania State Forests became the first public forest in the nation to become third-party certified by the Forest Stewardship Council.

The Goddard Chair is a faculty position unlike any other at Penn State, with a focus on providing leadership on public policy issues. The Chair is expected to spend half of his or her time on public outreach, a third on teaching, and the remainder



on other scholarly activity. The Chair was established in 1983 to honor Maurice K. "Doc" Goddard, Pennsylvania's "father of state parks." Goddard directed the School of Forest Resources from 1952 to 1955, and during his subsequent tenure in state government, serving under five governors, he succeeded in establishing a state park within 25 miles of every Pennsylvanian.

The establishment of the Chair reflects the desire of having an individual at Penn State who follows a tradition set by Goddard

himself: fostering dialogue on important environmental issues among government, industry, academia, and the general public.

Grace earned his PhD in Forest Resources in 1978 under the guidance of Dr. Russell Hutnik, a BS in Forest Management at the University of Vermont in 1970, and a master's degree. In 2004, Grace was honored as one of PSU's School of Forest Resources Outstanding Alumni. He will be teaching FOR 480, Policy and Administration, this fall. Grace can be reached at jrg@psu.edu or 814-867-4384. ❁

Maryland Forests Association Hosts Landowner Conference on Working Woodlands

Maryland Forests Association's 34th Annual Conference on November 5-6, 2010 will be held at the Gaylord National Conference Center in spectacular National Harbor just outside Washington, DC. MFA's Annual Conference is the place for forest landowners, natural resource professionals, and forestry advocates to gather for networking, learning, and fellowship. This year's event includes outstanding educational sessions, an exciting field trip to nearby Myrtle Grove Wildlife Management Area, and a unique and inspiring Keynote presentation on the Living Memorials of 9/11.

We all depend on a natural resource that has been around forever; a resource having components with life cycles measured in years, decades and even centuries. How it is managed DOES make a difference. Saturday's educational sessions will focus on Maryland's working woodlands. Participants will learn about the benefits managed woodlands provide, how to keep woodlands healthy and productive, and what programs are available to help landowners. From the mountains of western Maryland to the Chesapeake Bay, managing even a few acres of woodland is good for people, wildlife and waterways. In addition, state and national leaders in forest and natural resource management will present updates on issues of concern and take questions from the audience. Panelists include Maryland State Forester **Steve Koehn**, Maryland State Conservationist **Jon Hall**, and **Michael T. Goergen Jr.** of the Society of American Foresters. Continuing education credits will be offered for professional loggers, foresters and arborists.

The Friday evening awards banquet keynote, *Healing Landscapes: The Living Memorials of 9/11*, will be presented by **Erika Svendsen** of the US Forest Service Northern Research Station and the New York City Urban Field Station. With the 10th anniversary of 9/11 just a year away, Svendsen will share the extraordinary stories behind a few of the thousands of "Living Memorials" that were created to commemorate the tragic events of 9/11.

For participants who would like to get out in the woods, a guided field trip to Myrtle Grove

Wildlife Management Area in nearby Charles County is offered. Located in the forested bottomlands of Mattawoman Creek, Myrtle Grove WMA was once home to the Piscataway Indians. The 1,723-acre tract contains hardwood forests, wildlife plantings, natural and man-made wetlands, and early succession habitats that provide critical habitat for all types of wildlife.

Networking is always a big part of the MFA Annual Conference experience; as landowners and forestry professionals mingle to meet old friends, make new acquaintances, and share information and ideas. As always, the 2010 program will include plenty of time for networking, plus a variety of exhibits to provide additional inspiration and education. .

The Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center at National Harbor will provide a spectacular setting for the 2010 Annual Conference. National Harbor offers a wonderful array of shopping, dining and entertainment alternatives; add to that the many options in nearby Washington DC, and there is truly something for everyone. Spouses and families are welcomed and spouse tickets for the Friday evening Banquet can be purchased with Conference registration.

Maryland Forests Association warmly welcomes woodland owners, forestry professionals, and anyone interested in the future of Maryland's forests and woodlands to join us for our 2010 Annual Conference. Registration deadline is October 22, 2010. For more information about the conference contact MFA Executive Director **Karin Miller** at director@mdforests.org or call the MFA office at 301-895-5369. 🍁



An Invitation to Clarion

By Howard Wurzbacher

The Plateau Chapter will be hosting the upcoming **Winter 2011 meeting of the Allegheny SAF, February 16-18, 2011 in Clarion, Pennsylvania**. All members of the Allegheny SAF and guests are invited to attend; to enjoy the beauty of winter in northwestern Pennsylvania, the rich history of Pennsylvania's Cook's Forest region, and share fellowship among other forestry professionals. Clarion is located along Pennsylvania's I-80 corridor, and can be easily reached from the east, southeast, and all areas within the Allegheny SAF's five-state region.

The meeting will be held at the Clarion Holiday Inn, which has a reputation for excellent food and accommodations. The hotel will be dedicating their entire facility to our SAF meeting. Information about the hotel and highlights of the Clarion area and local attractions can be found at the Clarion Holiday Inn's website, www.hiclarion.com.

The **three themes** of the Allegheny SAF 2011 Winter Meeting will include **Silviculture**,

Recreation, and Prescribed Fire. A variety of dynamic speakers are planned to present informative and practical presentations on the three meeting themes, which will be applicable across a range of forestry interests and ownerships.

Current SAF President **Mike Lester** and Pennsylvania State Forester **Dan Devlin** will be featured among our list of speakers. The meeting will encourage critical thinking and interaction between presenters and attendees. The program for Thursday evening's awards banquet will offer an entertaining look back at the history of the area's forests. As always, the **Reginald Forbes art contest, student quiz bowl, vendor display area, and a silent auction** are planned as meeting activities.

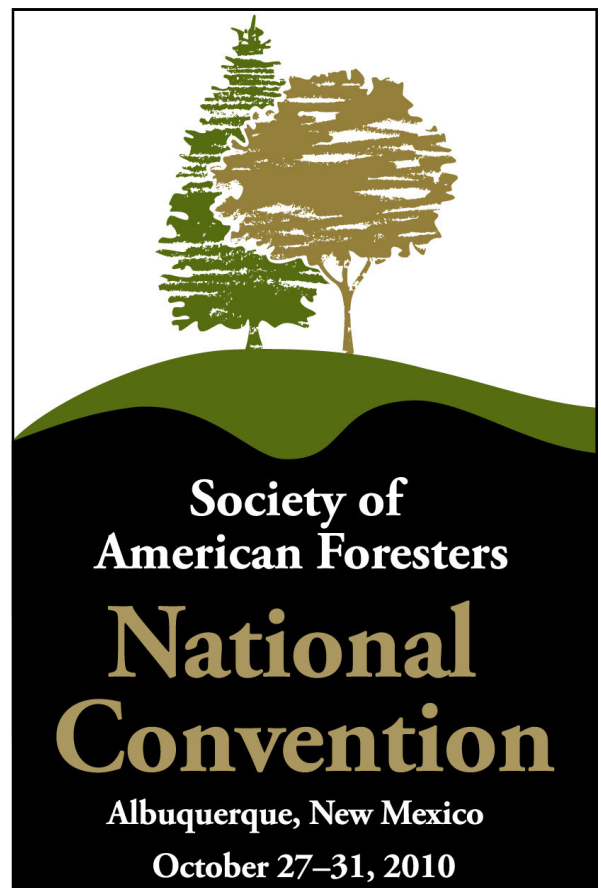
Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the Winter 2011 Allegheny SAF meeting. Come to share and gain knowledge, enjoy fellowship with other professionals, and participate with SAF's mission to advance the practice of forestry. ❄️

Penn State Mont Alto Forestry Graduate Featured on ESPN

New forestry graduate **Tim Benedict's** title-winning run at the Stihl Timbersports Collegiate Series was televised Friday, July 16 on ESPN.

As a member of the Penn State Mont Alto Woodsmen Team, Benedict won a saw-off to capture the title at the Mid-Atlantic Collegiate Challenge in April. It was held at the Pennsylvania College of Technology in Williamsport, PA. Benedict was selected by Mont Alto to go chop-for-chop and saw-for-saw in the four professional disciplines of the single buck, standing block chop, stock saw and underhand chop. He faced off against Daniel Jones from Haywood, as the two dominated the competition. As his prize, Benedict earned a \$1,000 scholarship from Stihl for his school, and advanced to its Collegiate Championship.

Penn State Mont Alto's Woodsmen placed second in the team competition behind Haywood Community College, Clyde, NC. For photos and complete event coverage, visit ESPN's Timbersports webpage <http://sports.espn.go.com/outdoors/timbersports/index> ❄️



New Public Use Map for the Penn State Stone Valley Forest

By Brent Harding, Rothrock Chapter Chair

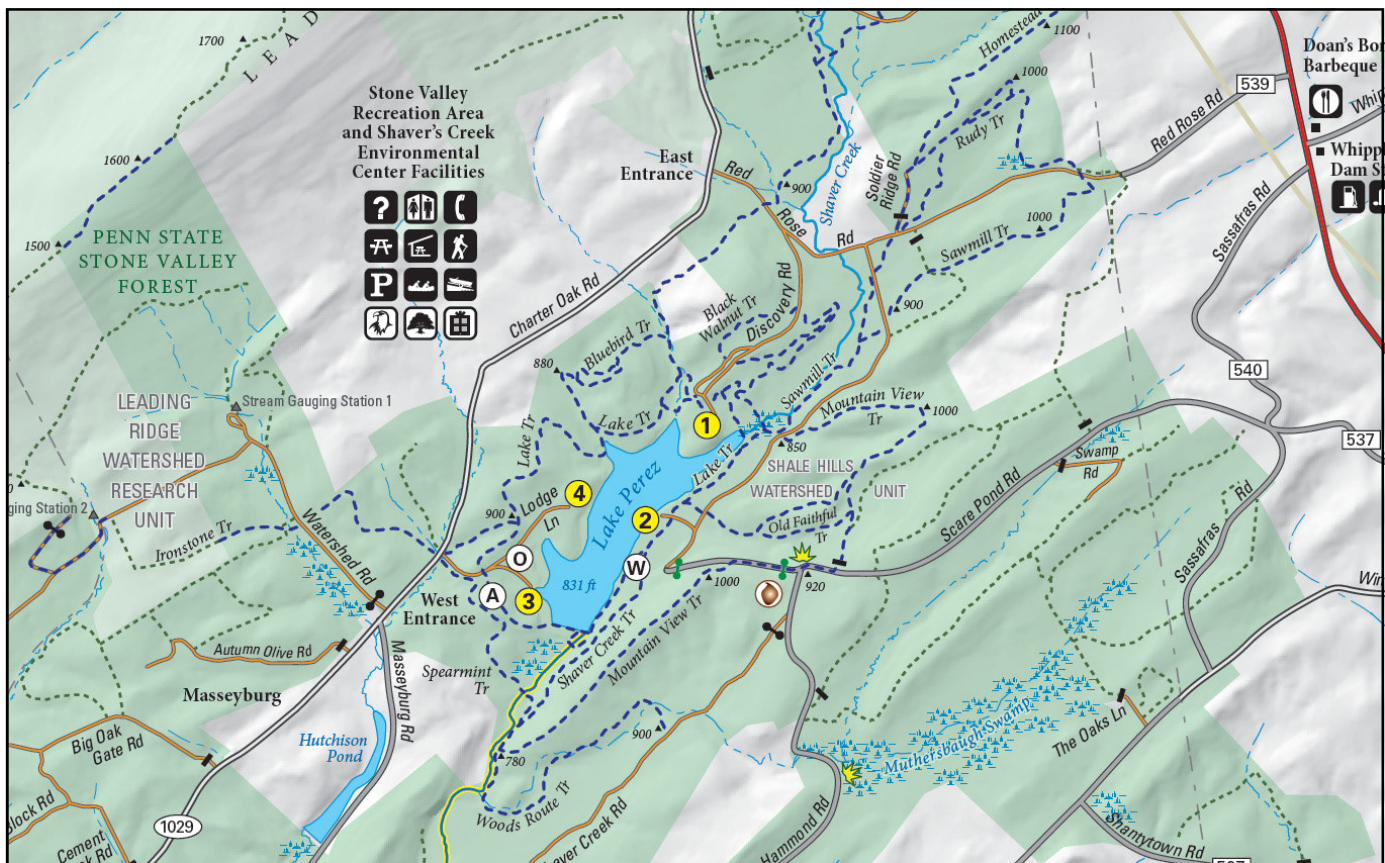
The Penn State Forestland Management Office released a new public use map for the Stone Valley Forest to the general public in the spring of 2010. The map was a joint effort between the Penn State Forestland Management Office Foresters and a private map design company, Purple Lizard Maps.

Accurate shapefiles that originated from GPS reconnaissance and GIS heads up digitizing were provided to Purple Lizard Maps. The Purple Lizard cartographers integrated our raw shapefiles with shapefiles from the Pennsylvania Spatial Data Access (PASDA) information-clearing house and a shaded relief background image. The result is an appealing 12" by 18" very user-friendly Purple Lizard map that covers approximately 40 square miles in northern Huntingdon and southern Centre Counties.

Full size color versions of the map can be found inside "The Stone Valley Forest" brochure.

Brochures can be obtained for free at the Central Pennsylvania Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Penn State Forestland Mgmt. Office, the Stone Valley Recreation Area, Shaver's Creek Environmental Center and on map boards throughout The Stone Valley Forest. Digital copies of the map can be downloaded from the internet at <http://sfr.psu.edu/facilities/fmo/public/map>. A georeferenced raster image of the map can be downloaded from the PASDA website at <http://www.pasda.psu.edu/>.

The Forestland Management Office is extremely pleased with the public response to the new map. If you are an owner or manager of a large landholding that has a need for a professionally designed detailed access or usage map visit <http://www.purplelizard.com> for information. 🍁



James Barresi, currently Assistant Director/State Forester of the state of New Jersey's Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) in Trenton, NJ has accepted the Biological Scientist position (S&PF-NA) in Newton Square, Pennsylvania.

WV's Tim Probert a Multiple Award Winner

Via the WVSFAF Summer Newsletter



Tim Probert, CF (above right) is a winner of multiple awards for his excellent work in reforesting mine lands. Tim received the **2010 Excellence in Reforestation Award for West Virginia** from the Appalachian Regional Reforestation Initiative for his 26 years of experience in reforestation of surface mined lands in West Virginia, Kentucky and Virginia. In July, the West Virginia Forestry Association also recognized Tim's contributions by presenting him with the **2010 WVFA Environmental Award**.

Tim has long served on the WVSFAF Woodlands Award Committee, and been involved in cooperative reforestation research; he has co-authored research papers and articles related to reforestation of surface mined lands. Through his employment with Pocahontas Land Corporation, Wagner Forest management, Gaddy Engineering, and Marshall Miller & Associates, Tim has worked on over 60 Forest Reclamation approach planting plans covering more than 20,000 acres. 🍁

In Memoriam

Two members of the Pennsylvania SAF Division, **Stanley M. Phillip** and **Foy W. Parsells** passed away this year. Anyone familiar with these members and their families, please contact your editor with information to publish in the Winter 2010-11 *Allegheny News*. Call Jack Winieski at 717-432-3646 or email ansaf@verizon.net 🍁

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State Historical Marker Honors Maurice K. Goddard, Champion of Pennsylvania's Natural Resources

The Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission (PHMC), together with the PA Parks & Forests Foundation (PPFF) and the Dept. of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR), unveiled an official State Historical Marker Friday, September 17, 2010 honoring Maurice K. Goddard (1912-1995). The Historical Marker stands in front of the Rachel Carson State Office Building in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, that houses both the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and DCNR.

It is fitting that the first Historical Marker honoring Dr. Goddard be erected here, "said Marci Mowery, PPFF President. "Maurice Goddard professionalized park and forest staffing via the civil service program, one of what Goddard considered to be his greatest accomplishments."

Goddard, considered the 'Patriarch of Pennsylvania State Parks,' was known for his blunt no-nonsense style and served under five Pennsylvania governors as Secretary of Forests and Waters and as the founding Secretary of the Department of Environmental Resources (1995-1979). He spent an unprecedented 24 years as a cabinet officer, realizing his vision of a park within 25 miles of every Pennsylvanian. Only six of Pennsylvania's 67 counties are without a state park. During his tenure, Goddard added 45 parks and 130,000 acres of parkland, gaining national recognition for Pennsylvania's state park system.

His legacy as a public servant also includes: a watershed-scale approach to water management; dedicated funding for natural resource conservation - the Oil and Gas Fund, Project 70 and Project 500



bond initiatives; and a profound influence on national conservation policy. Goddard also played an instrumental role in the formation of the Delaware River and Susquehanna River Basins Commissions.

A multi-year Maurice K. Goddard Legacy Project has been launched which will be unveiling 25 interpretive panels celebrating his life across the Commonwealth; Wykoff Run will be rededicated as the Maurice Goddard Natural Area at Wykoff Run; WITF-TV will release a 30-minute documentary on the life of Goddard which airs this November; and a leadership program for youth and young professionals is being developed in his name as part of the Legacy Project. 🍁

(Photos courtesy of Dave Hess)



(l to r) Front: Marci Mowery, Ken Wolensky, Dr. James Grace, R. Timothy Weston, Cindy Dunn. Back row: William R. Forrey, Sr., Dr. Michele Sellitto, John Hines.

Western Gateway SAF's Summer Meeting

By Robb W. Piper, Jr. CF, Chair

Members of the Western Gateway Chapter in Pennsylvania and their ladies had a summer meeting at "Off the Rak" restaurant in Ebensburg on August 26, 2010. All enjoyed the fellowship and a fine meal, then **Robb Piper**, Chapter Chair, called the business meeting to order. Previous meeting minutes were distributed and approved, and then a discussion about the membership and the state of the chapters followed.

Craig Ostheim brought a box of historic documents about the Western Gateway Chapter, which included the following interesting information: The Chapter was formed in September 17, 1970 from two counties out of the Plateau Chapter - Cambria and Indiana - and the remainder out of the Keystone Chapter - Allegheny, Beaver, Fayette, Green, Somerset, Washington, and Westmoreland counties. This action was taken based on the submitted petition and by-laws by vote of the Allegheny Section at the Executive Committee meeting held in Ocean City, MD. It was originally named the Southwestern PA Chapter. First officers were: **Donald Oaks**, Chair; **George Armstrong**, Vice chair; and **McKay Carson**, Secretary/Treasurer.

The name was changed by a membership vote to Western Gateway Chapter in 1978, when **E. Gary Scott** was Chapter Chair. So, that means this September we are celebrating our 40th Anniversary!

Summer meeting discussion also included potential chapter merges, the lack of meeting participation, and the membership enrollment in our Chapter and across the Allegheny Society. Low membership leads to low Chapter attendance and stresses of conducting a summer or winter meeting for the Allegheny Society. This brought out a suggestion that possibly several Chapters could go together to help each other when it's their turn to conduct an Allegheny meeting. We also discussed how some of the other state divisions in the Allegheny Society are having their own summer and winter meetings.

It was decided to continue as a Chapter and work to boost membership and meeting attendance. Local member dynamics of the Western Gateway Chapter have changed over the years with potential new membership existing particularly within State Government employees in the Chapter area. 🌸



West Virginia SAF Summer 2010 Meeting of Fun and Learning

By Mary Beth Adams

The West Virginia SAF Division held its summer meeting on September 2nd and 3rd at Hawks Nest State Park near Ansted, WV. Fifteen of the 51 participants chose to participate in a pre-meeting field trip to "Class VI Mountain River", part of an adventure resort, to partake in the forest canopy zip-line tour.

The adventurous group made their way along ten zips, five cable bridges, and one rappel while discussions of the hemlock woolly adelgid were mixed with the occasional triumphant whoop and holler. 🌸

Eighty-Eight Years of ANSAF Leadership

By Jack Winieski, *The Allegheny News* Editor

The following three lists point to the leadership of the Allegheny Society of American Foresters (ANSAF) from as far back as 1922 to our present leadership in 2010. I have compiled this list by suggestion from current Allegheny Chair Mary Ann Fajvan during the Winter 2010 Executive Committee meeting. If you recognize any errors, please bring them to my attention, via email at ansaf@verizon.net or by calling 717-432-3646.

Allegheny SAF Chairs

Gifford Pinchot	1922-23	Paul M. Felton	1962
John Foley	1924	Richard F. Haussman	1963
John A. Ferguson	1925	William S. Corlett	1964
Charles P. Besley	1927	Harold W. Geiger	1965
Joseph S. Illick	1928	Melvin J. Vorbach	1966
Willis M. Baker	1929	Earl H. Tryon	1967
George H. Wirt	1930	Benjamin B. Stout	1968
Reginald D. Forbes	1931	David W. Sowers	1969
Chapin Jones	1932	Silas B. Little	1970
Lewis E. Staley	1932	Kenneth D. Swartz	1971
Karl E. Pfeiffer	1933	Warren T. Doolittle	1972
J. M. Solan	1934	Wilbur E. Wolf, Jr.	1973
Harold F. Round	1935	David E. White	1974-75
Arthur C. McIntyre	1936	James C. Nelson	1976-77
Elwood B. Moore	1937	George R. Kemp	1978-79
George W. Dean	1938	Kenney P. Funderburke, Jr.	1980-81
Floyd I. DeWald	1939	Ronald J. Sheay	1982-83
William G. Edwards	1940	Robert W. Martin	1984-85
R. Lynn Emerick	1941	Richard A. Kennell	1986-87
James M. Morton	1942	William Scherer	1988-89
Edmund O. Ehrhart	1943	Robert LaBar	1990-91
G. Luther Schnur	1944-45	Harry V. Wiant, Jr.	1992-93
James D. Morton	1946	Mark C. Vodak	1994-95
Valentine M. Bearer	1947	Timothy A. Kaden	1996-97
Darrell B. Bonebrake	1948	Mark R. Webb	1998-99
Merwin F. Humphrey	1949	Michael B. Lester	2000-01
J. Ira Kolb	1950	Kenneth C. Kane	2002-03
Maurice K. Goddard	1951	Kenneth W. Jolly	2004-05
D. E. Hess	1952	Kim C. Steiner	2006-07
Adna R. Bond	1953	Kurt W. Gottschalk	2008-09
Austin N. Lentz	1954	Mary Ann Fajvan	2010-11
Arthur L. Bennett	1955		
	1956		
Ralph C. Wible	1957		
Wilber W. Ward	1958		
William A. Parr	1959		
Ronald A. Bartoo	1960		
George R. Moorehead	1961		

Allegheny SAF recognition awards have no recipient in some years for Forester of the Year and Outstanding Service to Forestry. Most of these blanks have occurred because there were no submissions of candidates for these awards. Let's strive to change that by nominating your deserving peers this year.

Allegheny SAF Award Winners

Year	Outstanding Service to Forestry*	Forester of the Year
1964	A. C. McIntyre	
1965	Reginald D. Forbes	Ralph C. Wible
1966	Elwood Moore	Laurence E. Stotz
1967	Maurice K. Goddard	Anthony D. Santoli
1968	D. E. Hess	Robert H. Rumpf
1969	Karl E. Pfeiffer	Donald L. Fogus
1970	A. W. Goodspeed	Samuel S. Cobb
1971	A. N. Lentz	
1972	Silas B. Little	
1973	George R. Trimble	Kenneth Willets
1974	Warren T. Doolittle	Robert D. Shipman
1975		
1976	George Moorehead	O. Lynn Frank
1977	Forrest H. Dutlinger	
1978	Benjamin A. Roach	Manual M. Gordon
1979	Wilber W. Ward	
1980	John F. Tillinghast	Kenney P. Funderbruke, Jr.
1981		
1982	Robert H. Bommer, Jr.	Joseph E. Barnard
1983	David A. Marquis	
1984	Richard F. West	James H. Parsons
1985	Earl H. Tryon	James Roberts
1986	Richard Thorpe	
1987	Kenneth L. Carvell	
1988	William S. Corlett	
1989		
1990	Robert D. Shipman	
1991	Henry DeBruin	Dwight Fielder
1992	Jonathan Wirth	Roger Sherman
1993	Jack Sturgill	Jack Perdue
1994		
1995	Peter Miller	Arlyn W. Perkey
1996		
1997	Wilbur E. Wolf, Jr.	David C. Plummer
1998	Kenneth C. Kane	John Benton
1999	Robert Bauer	David Gailey
2000	James E. Mallow	Michael F. Kay
2001	Harry W. Staley	Lawrence P. Walton
2002	John A., (Jack) Winieski	Michael J. Huneke
2003	Robert C. Webster, Jr.	Dorothy "Dot" Abbott-Donnelly
2004	Robert J. LaBar	Robert R. Williams
2005	Ned R. Karger	Francis O. Zumbrun II
2006	Duane L. Green	Kenneth J. Roberts
2007	M. Teresa Batchelor	
2008	Kip V. Powers	Steven W. Kalleser
2009		

* **Bob Bauer Outstanding Service to Forestry Award** as if 2003

These members, who were voted to the Fellow category by their Allegheny SAF peers, are recognized for their professional accomplishments, their contributions to the National SAF, and community service.

Allegheny SAF Fellows

<u>Member</u>	<u>Year Elected</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Year Elected</u>	<u>State</u>
Maurice K. Goddard	1963	PA	Roger L. Sherman	1998	WV
Forrest H. Dutlinger	1977	PA	Mark R. Webb	1999	PA
Laurence E. Stotz	1977	PA	Kurt W. Gottschalk	2001	WV
Stanley M. Filip	1979	PA	Joseph E. Ibberson	2001	PA
Lester D. McClung	1979	WV	Wilbur E. Wolf Jr.	2001	PA
Earl H. Tryon	1979	WV	Lloyd R. Casey	2002	PA
John F. Tillinghast	1979	WV	Timothy A. Kaden	2002	DE
Silas Little, Jr.	1982	NJ	James N. Kochenderfer	2002	WV
George R. Trimble, Jr.	1982	WV	Bruce Beal Brenneman	2003	WV
John L. Gray	1983	PA	James C. Finley	2003	PA
Kenney P. Funderburke, Jr.	1983	WV	Walter R. Rossman	2003	PA
Kenneth L. Carvell	1984	WV	Susan L. Stout	2003	PA
William S. Corlett	1984	PA	Eldon Thomas Plaughner	2004	WV
Harold W. Geiger	1984	PA	Mark C. Vodak	2004	NJ
David E. White	1984	WV	Terrance W. Clark	2005	MD
Jack E. Coster	1985	WV	Michelle Mauthe Harvey	2005	MD
Paul M. Felton	1985	PA	Mary Ann Fajvan	2006	WV
Eugene F. McNamara	1985	PA	Charles J. Newlon	2006	NJ
Richard F. West	1986	NJ	Michael B. Lester	2006	PA
Robert S. Bond	1987	PA	Stephen B. Horsley	2006	PA
Arthur L. Bennett	1987	PA	Kenneth W. Jolly	2006	MD
William H. Gillespie	1987	WV	William F. Brash	2007	NJ
Henry W. DeBruin	1988	MD	Peter H. Miller	2007	MD
David A. Marquis	1988	PA	Kim C. Steiner	2007	PA
Eugene P. Shreve	1988	WV	Steven F. Resh	2008	MD
Everette D. Rast	1988	WV	Robert W. Piper, Jr.	2009	PA
Calvin F. Glattfelder	1990	PA	George H. Pierson	2009	NJ
Rex F. Melton	1990	PA			
Robert D. Shipman	1990	PA			
Thomas G. Clark	1990	WV			
Harry V. Wiant, Jr.	1990	WV			
William D. Scherer	1990	MD			
Ronald J. Sheay	1991	NJ			
James C. Nelson	1992	PA			
Richard R. Thorpe	1992	PA			
Tunis J. Lyon	1993	MD			
Robert H. Rumpf	1993	PA			
William E. Kidd, Jr.	1994	WV			
Clay Smith	1995	WV			
Gordon T. Bamford	1996	NJ			
Arlyn W. Perkey	1996	WV			
Jack Winieski	1997	PA			

In Memory of Rex E. Melton

By Ralph Heilig, courtesy of Penn State RESOURCES Newsletter

Rex E. Melton, the fifth of six children, was born on a farm in Ozark, Missouri in 1921. His father died during the Depression when Rex was 12. He took on odd jobs to help support the family, working in a cheese factory, cracking black walnuts, and shooting rabbits for the local market.



Melton entered the University of Missouri in 1939. He was dating Margie Maddox at the time, and they married in 1942. That same year he joined the Army Air Corps. He was a First Lieutenant in the 454th Bombardment Group, piloting B-24 aircraft in the European and Mediterranean theatres where he flew 24 missions and was decorated with a Purple Heart, Distinguished Flying Cross, and Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters. He completed his B.S. degree in agriculture in 1946.

Melton earned a Master of Forestry in forest entomology at the University of Michigan in 1947, and that year was hired by Penn State Mont Alto. He taught dendrology, surveying, mensuration, and forest practices at Mont Alto from 1947 to 1955, and also taught at Blue Jay Camp from 1948 to 1954. In 1955 he became resident forester at the 6,300-acre Stone Valley Experimental Forest in Huntingdon County, and served as director of the forest until 1978. In 1966 he relocated to Ferguson Building at University Park to resume teaching and to help administer instructional programming. He edited the alumni newsletter from 1974 until 1988, when he retired as professor emeritus after 41 years of service.

Melton's devotion to academic advising and personal counseling of students was formally recognized in 1988 when he was awarded the Excellence in Academic Advising Award by the College of Agriculture Alumni Society. Alumni have also honored him by endowing a Founder's Tree in the Mont Alto Arboretum. Melton was an

elected Fellow in the Society of American Foresters, and a Golden Member.

Melton pursued many hobbies during his life. He tied his own fishing flies, hunted, played the harmonica, and practiced beekeeping, woodworking, and leather craft. He loved gardening, birds, music, and his family.

Melton was preceded in death by Margie, his wife of 63 years, and is survived by four children and their spouses, five married grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. *Contributions can be made to: Rex Melton Memorial Fund, Shaver's Creek Environmental Center, Penn State University, 3400 Discovery Road, Petersburg, PA 16669*

Following Rex's death, his family very generously donated a small collection of the flies that Rex had tied. Chuck Strauss volunteered his time and talent to construct a shadow box and mount the flies as a tribute to Rex.

It is our desire to offer this collection for sale to the highest bidder. Thus, we are using the *RESOURCES* newsletter [and *The Allegheny News*] to alert as many as possible about this one-of-a-kind memento of a beloved professor, friend, sportsman, and patriot. One hundred percent of the successful bid amount will be given to the Shaver's Creek Environmental Center, in memory of Rex Melton.



Those interested in bidding on the collection are invited to prepare a sealed written bid and mail it to Ralph Heilig, 532 Briar Lane, Chambersburg, PA 17202. Please mark the outside of the envelope "BID." Bid opening will be held Friday, October 22 at 11:30 a.m. at Heilig's residence. Bidders are invited to be present.

Bids for less than \$75 will not be considered. Bidders should include the bid amount, name, address, phone number, and email address. The successful bidder will be notified by e-mail, phone, or USPS as soon as possible and will have five business days to make payment. 🌸

Coming Events

October 2010

- 19 Handheld GPS Beginner Workshop
Northern Outreach Center, Garrett
Community College, Grantsville,
MD; cost \$50. pthomas@und.edu or
301-432-2767 x315
- 27-31 2010 National SAF Convention,
Albuquerque, NM. Registration at
www.safnet.org

November

- 5-6 MFA's 34th Annual Conference,
"Maryland's Working Woodlands"
Gaylord National Conference
Center, National Harbor, MD:
301-895-5369 or
director@mdforests.org
- 16 Handheld Beginner GPS
Workshop, Maryland 4-H Center,
College Park MD; cost \$50. Contact
carolt@umd.edu or 410-827-8056

December

- 15 Deadline for the Winter 2010-11
issue of *The Allegheny News*. Send
articles in Microsoft Word Format
to ansaf@verizon.net

February 2011

- 16-18 Allegheny SAF Winter Meeting
focusing on Silviculture, Recreation
and Prescribed Fire, at the Clarion
Holiday Inn, Clarion, PA. Please
see page 7 for information.

March

- 15 Deadline for the Spring 2011 issue
of *The Allegheny News*. Send articles
in Microsoft Word Format to
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Future Allegheny SAF Meetings

Summer 2011: MD/DE Division
Winter 2011-12: New Jersey Division

Future SAF National Conventions

2010: Albuquerque, NM – October 27-31
2011: Waikiki, Oahu, HI – November 2-6

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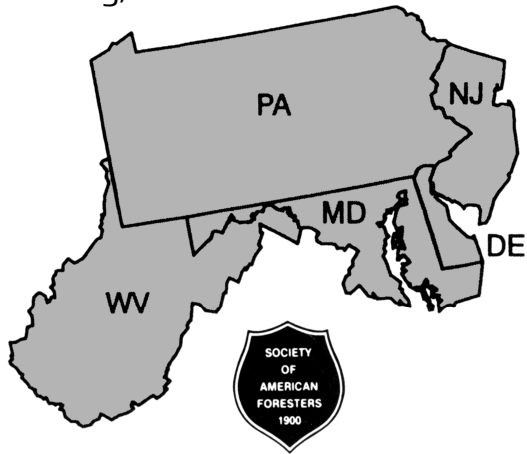
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