

**Allegheny Society of American Foresters Winter Training
Morgantown, WV, February 20-22, 2019**

“EVOLVING FORESTRY”

Announcements:

Please enter the Reginald D. Forbes Art Show! (Contact Barb Breshock: breshock@hotmail.gov. Please donate to the Silent Auction--contact Melissa Thomas-Van Gundy (mthomasvangundy@fs.fed.us) if you have any interest or questions. Also, please consider sponsoring a student for this meeting!

PROGRAM

Wednesday, February 20, 2019

1:00 - 4:00 PM Pesticide Certification Training with Todd Hagenbuch and Bryan Rose, Arborchem Products, and Kimberly Bohn, Penn State Extension. Free for SAF members, \$50 for non-members.

12:00 - 5:00 PM Appalachian Timber Products Tour/WVU Sugarbush Operation, (Free, but advance registration required).

2:00 - 6:00 PM Registration Desk Open

2:30 - 5:30 PM Allegheny SAF Executive Committee Meeting

6:00 - 8:00 PM Icebreaker Social (Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar): Lakeview Conference Center

Thursday, February 21, 2019

8:00 AM Registration Desk Open Reginald D. Forbes Art Show (Photography, Flat Art, 3D Art), Exhibitors, and Silent Auction areas open. Breakfast on your own. Continental breakfast provided for individuals staying at the resort.

9:00 AM Welcome and Opening Remarks, Jamie Schuler, WV SAF Chapter past-Chair

PLENARY TALK

9:10 AM National SAF Updates and Accreditation Standards for Forestry in the Future, Terry Baker, SAF CEO

9:50 AM Student Introductions

10:00 AM Morning Break

PLENARY TALKS

10:15 AM Impacts of Tariffs on the Regional Forest Industry, Tripp Pryor, American Hardwood Export Council

11:00 AM USDA Forest Service Forest Products Modernization Effort: New priorities on the Allegheny and Monongahela National Forests, Mary Ann Fajvan, USFS Research Forester, Andrea Hille, Acting Ecosystem Management Staff Officer, Allegheny National Forest, and Linda Burke, Forest Silviculturist, Monongahela National Forest

11:45 AM – Student Leadership Award, Dennis Galway

12:00 PM *Lunch*

12:00 – 12:45 PM *Optional Student Lunch Session: Discussion of post-undergraduate career options: from graduate school to suggestions for private and government employment*

CONCURRENT SESSIONS (12:45 TO 2:45PM)

1: Silviculture/Forest Management

12:45 PM Fire in the NJ Pine Barrens, Nick Skowronski, USFS

1:15 PM Managing degraded woodlands, Kimberly Bohn, PSU Extension

1:45 PM Forestry for red spruce restoration in the Monongahela National Forest, Todd Miller, TNC

2:15 PM Recent Research Activities at the Fernow Experimental Forest, Melissa Thomas-Van Gundy, USFS Research Forester

2: Future of Forests—Impacts of Exotic Species

12:45 PM Status of EAB, HWA, BBD, and GM Hosts in the Mid-Atlantic Region: Data Dashboards for Broad-Scale Impact Assessment, Randall Morin, USFS

1:15 PM, Potential Impact of EAB on Forested Wetlands on the Chesapeake Bay, Agnes Kedmenecz for Jonathan Kays, University of Maryland Extension

1:45 PM Update on Forest Pests, Agnes Kedmenecz, University of Maryland Extension

2:15 PM Plant diseases in a warmer and wetter world: from Anthracnose to Zoospores. Matthew Kasson, WVU Plant & Soil Sciences

2:45 PM *Afternoon Break*

PLENARY TALK

3:00 PM Let's bring back couch burning. (And other thoughts on the supply and demand of wood products in the Northeast)." Alex Finkral, The Forestland Group

4:00 PM Summary Remarks, Todd Lotter, WV SAF Chapter Chair

- 4:15 PM College Quiz Bowl
- 6:00 PM State Executive Committee Meetings
- 7:00 PM *Banquet Dinner*
- 8:00 PM Banquet Dinner Presentation, Diversity and Inclusion in SAF, Susan Stout, Emeritus Project Leader and Research Forester, USFS, and Jamie Dahl, Forest Outreach Coordinator, Central State University Extension and McIntire-Stennis Program
- 8:30 PM Awards and Announcements

Friday, February 22, 2019

7:00 AM Chair's Breakfast and Presentation (included in your registration fee!)

Art Contest, Exhibitors and Silent Auction Areas Open

8:15 AM State Society Business Meetings

8:30 AM Allegheny SAF Business Meeting

CONCURRENT SESSIONS (9:30 TO 11:00AM)

1: Energy Impacts on Forest

9:30 AM Enhancing Wildlife Habitat on Oil and Gas Infrastructure, John King, WV DEP

10:00 AM Unconventional development: influence on forest resources and industry in WV,
Shawn Grushecky, WVU DFNR

10:30 AM Restoration of well pads, *Kelly Sitch, PA DCNR*

2: Climate and Forests

9:30 AM Changing forest distributions under climate change, Steven Matthews, OSU

10:00 AM Forest Soils in a changing climate. *Charlene Kelly, WVU*

10:30 AM

11:00 AM Morning Break

PLENARY TALK

11:15 AM Mine Land Reforestation using the Forestry Reclamation Approach (FRA),
Scott Eggerud, OSMRE

12:00 NOON Closing Remarks, Todd Lotter, WV SAF Chapter Chair