

Society of American Foresters

Plateau Chapter

2016 Summer Meeting

The Society of American Foresters, Plateau Chapter will hold a summer meeting on **Wednesday, August 24, 2016** in Pittsfield, PA. The Chapter will meet at 12:30 at the USFS Forestry Sciences Lab, National Forge Road, Irvine, PA for an afternoon field tour. Our first stop will be on the DCNR Anders Run Natural Area to see some big trees, discuss new Bureau policies for natural areas, invasive species control, and the "Old Stone House." Cecile Stelter and staff from DCNR Bureau of Forestry will present. We will then proceed to property managed by Dave Miller of Allegheny Forestry, Inc. to discuss invasive species control and "lessons learned". Our next stop will be on a property managed by Forest Investment Associates where we will look at a recent oak partial harvest and discuss measures taken to protect a nearby eagle's nest. We will also stop briefly to discuss an ash pre-salvage harvest that was recently completed. Mike McEntire (FIA) and Brock Sanner (Forecon, Inc.) will host. Our final stop will be on Pennsylvania State Game Lands 143 near Pittsfield. Howard Wurzbacher and PGC staff will show us some low-dose herbicide spraying, ash pre-salvage, and wildlife habitat activities. As with past summer meetings, we will be carpooling to the stops so it will be important for participants to partner up with others in SUVs and crew cabs to help limit the number of vehicles on the tour.

At the conclusion of the tour, we will travel to the Brokenstraw Creek Campground where we will gather at the pavilion there for a picnic dinner, catered by Shawhouse BBQ & Catering, followed by a brief Chapter business meeting. The cost of the meal will be \$20.00 per person and includes choice of pulled pork or stuffed chicken breast served with BBQ baked beans, potatoes, corn, dessert, and drinks. Payment with your reservation is appreciated but not required.

Guests of SAF members are invited and encouraged to attend.

Reservations are due by Wednesday, August 17, 2016

Please make reservations by mail, phone, fax, or email to:

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Company/Organization: _____

Please reserve _____ meal(s) at \$20.00 each.

Pulled Pork _____ Stuffed Chicken Breast _____

_____ Payment Enclosed _____ Will Pay at Meeting

(Checks payable to: SAF, Plateau Chapter)