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#### 2017 Alumni Weekend

Friday, March 17 Percival Hall Social - 6 pm

Saturday, March 18
Percival Hall
Lunch 11 am - 1 pm
Membership Meeting and
Exec. Comm. Meeting 1-2 pm

Banquet
Saturday, March 18
Erickson Alumni Center
Social Hour 6-7 pm
Silent Auction 6-7 pm
Buffet & Awards 7-9 pm



## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Jim Harrold ('71)

Sincere thanks go to everyone who made donations to the Flood Relief

Scholarship. Donations exceeded \$5000, and scholarships were awarded to Justin Harless (FRM freshman) from Rupert, WV and Kevin Lambert (W&F senior) from Elkins, WV who were affected by the June 2016 floods in West Virginia. Both students received their scholarships in January to help with education expenses in the spring semester. They will be recognized along with other Alumni Association scholarship recipients at the 2017 Alumni Banquet.

The upcoming Alumni Weekend activities are scheduled for March 17 and 18, 2017 beginning with a social in Percival Hall on Friday evening at 6 pm. Light refreshments will be served and all alumni, faculty, students, spouses, and guests are welcome. This event is always fun as folks move around the room to greet old friends and share stories of their WVU days. On Saturday, from 11 am to 1 pm, we will have an informal luncheon with hamburgers, hotdogs, and picnic food items. Again, all alumni, faculty, students, spouses, and guests are welcome. At 1 pm, there will be a general alumni membership meeting. Our special guest this year will be Dean Daniel Robison. He can answer

any questions about the future of the WVU Division of Forestry and Natural Resources. A brief meeting of the Alumni Association Executive Committee will follow the general membership meeting. Activities for the 2017 Alumni Banquet will begin on Saturday evening with a social hour and silent auction in the Erickson Alumni Center at 6 pm, followed by dinner and the awards ceremony at 7 pm. The cost to attend all Alumni Weekend events is only \$50 per person. Please contact Clay Lohan in the Division Office at calohan@mail.wvu.edu or 304-293-**5741 to register.** More details about lodging for Alumni Weekend are on page 3.

Tony Tomkowski has volunteered to collect and hold items for the silent auction. Please contact Tony at atomkows@wvu.edu or Clay Lohan at 304-293-5741 to donate one or more items. All proceeds from the silent auction go to student scholarships and student organizations. Let's make this year's silent auction the best ever!

Please remember to send your personal updates on the FeedBack and FeedForward form on the back of the newsletter. See you all on Alumni Weekend!

Jim

## **NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR**

#### Dr. Robert C. Burns

- The new Division website launched in December was created by the Davis College Communication Team and University Relations to focus on undergraduate recruitment.
- In 2015-16 the Division had \$3.87 million in research funds focusing on water and environment; energy and biomaterials; recreation monitoring and assessment; wildlife and fisheries; and forest education.
- The Davis College Career and Internship Fair was October 12, 2016. Of the 44 employers, 19 were directly related to Division programs. The fair was in the new Agricultural Sciences Building and had a high attendance in comparison to recent years.
- Dr. Denny Smith, Nancy Moody and Rita Dudley in the Davis College have retired.
- Dr. Christopher Lituma joined the wildlife and fisheries program as an assistant professor focusing on applied conservation research related to bird populations.
- Dr. Sophan 'Steve" Chhin joined the forest resources management program as an assistant professor of quantitative forest management in December 2016.
- Dr. Jingjing Liang, assistant professor of forest ecology, was lead author of "Positive biodiversity-productivity relationship predominant in global forests," published in the October 14, 2016 issue of Science.
- Dr. Jingxin Wang was one of three faculty selected as 2015 Benedum Distinguished Scholars in recognition of the high caliber of their research and scholarly activity. Dr. Wang gave his campus presentation on October 4, 2016.
- Dr. Kaushlendra Singh is the program coordinator for wood science and technology as of January 2017.
- Dr. Gregory Dahle led a group of WVU students in planting trees around the Morgantown Public Safety Building on November 1, 2016.
- The energy land management program has 105 undergraduate students as it begins its fifth semester of existence.
- WVU Society of American Foresters sold a new high of 86 Christmas trees, 36 more than 2015.
- Bridget "Birdie" Hawkins, a recreation, parks and tourism resources senior, led the WVU campus team for Outdoor Nation's Campus Challenge to get the most people outside and active. WVU ranked 31st out of 90 schools nationally in our first year in the competition.
- Matthew Hunter, a forest resources management student, was a Davey Arbor Grant Scholar for 2016.
- Jesse Mestrovic, a WVU recreation parks and tourism resources alum, started a new position of Director of Parks and Strategic Planning for the City of Wheeling, WV.

#### **2017 Alumni Weekend Lodging Options** 10-studio block Residence Inn - Marriott 2046 Willowdale Road Reserve by 3/3/17 (304) 599-0237 Pool \$114.00 Full complimentary breakfast Ramada Inn 10-room block 20 Scott Avenue Reserve by 3/3/17 ask for WVU Natural Resources Alumni rate (800) 834-9766 Complimentary hot breakfast \$79.00 Hilton Garden Inn Ask for WVU Division of Forestry group rate 150 Suncrest Town Ctr. Pool (304) 225-9500 Individual reservations \$101.00 Hampton Inn 10-room block 1053 Van Voorhis Road Reserve by 2/17/17 ask for Natural

(304) 599-1200

\$102.00

Resources group rate

Complimentary hot breakfast

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## **Shop on Amazon and Benefit** the Forestry Endowment Fund

If you are an Amazon shopper, you can support the WVU Forestry Endowment Fund. Amazon will donate 0.5% of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the fund. This is an easy way to help the fund grow. To do this, you must go to smile.amazon.com and sign into your Amazon account, select the WVU Forestry Endowment Fund as your charitable organization and start shopping. This donation is made by Amazon, and it does not increase the price you pay.

Share this information with your relatives and friends and help the fund grow painlessly.

## WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF NATURAL RESOURCES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

### **Outstanding Alumnus/Faculty Nomination Form**

Outstanding Alumnus/Faculty Nomination Form			
	Outstanding Alumnus	Outstanding Faculty	
Nominee:		Year Graduated/Program:	_
Address:		Telephone No.:	
Nominated By:			
Address:		Telephone No.:	

Please attach a cover letter stating why you believe the nominee deserves this honor, and a resume or curriculum vitae listing the nominee's achievements.

**Criteria for Outstanding Alumnus Award Nominations:** (1) Nominations are accepted from Alumni Association members and non-members; (2) All graduates of the School of Natural Resources, both living and deceased, are eligible for nomination; (3) Nominations should include a written description of the nominee's accomplishments; (4) Nominations received by December 31 will be considered for the current year; (5) Nominations remain active for three years; (6) No alumnus may receive this award more than once.

Criteria for Outstanding Faculty Award Nominations: (1) Nominations are accepted from Alumni Association members and non-members; (2) Current and former faculty members, both living and deceased, are eligible for nomination; (3) Nominations should include a written description of the nominee's accomplishments; (4) Nominations received by December 31 will be considered for the current year; (5) Nominations remain active for three years; (6) Nominated faculty who are members of the Alumni Association Executive Committee may not vote; (7) Not more than one Outstanding Faculty Award will be given each year.

Contact George Tabb, Jr. ('72) for more information: getabb@comcast.net

### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

As of January 31, 2017, our active membership stands at 609. This is a little below the number in the last newsletter as we had to drop 18 individuals who had not renewed in 2016. The number will increase with the addition of the December graduates. Alumni from the Classes of 2013, 2014, and 2015 received complimentary one-year Alumni Association Memberships. Their continued support in the form of annual membership dues, Life Memberships, and donations to scholarships are appreciated. Membership is on a calendar year basis. We have 357 LIFE Members - a growing membership category.

New members who have paid their dues for the first time, or have paid after a short hiatus since the last newsletter or have not been previously reported are:

Susan Z. Dziubek, '72 E. Richard Gibbs, '67 Richard A. Johnstone, '76 Gideon Lawer-Yolar, '15 James P. McMahon, '79 Adam G. Spaur, '15 Jeff Whitlock, '13 Michael D. Wiblin, '66

Alumni who made a donation and the designate use of the funds are listed below. We sincerely thank them for helping make the year ahead a success.

James B. Harrold, Sr., '71 Logo Design

George A. Freeland, '63 3 Bills Scholarship

David G. Lilly, '68 Flood Scholarship & Newsletter

Mark D. Whetzel, '80 Alumni Weekend

James H. Brown, '53
Tryon & Flood Scholarships

Barbara A. Breshock, '79 3 Bills Scholarship

Steven E. Rensma, '61 H. Clay Smith Memorial Scholarship

Douglas S. Powell, '76 H. Clay Smith Memorial Scholarship

Paul S. Frank, Jr., '78 Kenneth Carvell Special Scholarship

#### General Fund

Rudy Williams, '83 W. David Kolb, '50 John Perez, '82 David F. Gunderson, '74 Paul L. Davis, '59

#### Flood Scholarship

Adam G. Spaur, '15 Russell C. McKittrick, '83 David J. Atkins, '96 Harry M. Middleton, '63 Joe McNeel, '79 Luke P. Sergos, '74 Gerald A. Balmert, '02 Michael D. Wiblin, '66 Bruce P. Beerbower, '72 Ralph P. Glover, Jr., '62 Joe S. Smith, '72

#### Newsletter

David L. Andres, '75 James L. Pitt, '73 Thomas D. Mayer, '71 John D. Konkle, II, '68 Donald E. Ball, '57 Frank E. Burchinal, '68 Al Barker, '64 John T. Lucas, '62 Chris G. Kappa, '82

Donald Phares, '64 Jeffrey Spohn, '93 Gene F. Sentz. '63 Robert S. Baldwin, '93 L. Thomas Jones, '61 Ray R. Hicks, Faculty Ret. Leonard L. Tennant, '69 Robert Beanblossom, Support Paul J. Litwin, '67 Douglas N. Toothman, '70 David G. Lilly, '68 Wayne L. McBee, '59 William C. Beacom, '67 Anthony B. Hopp, '64 John E. Perry, '65 Robert C. Kellison, '59 John R. Cannon, '66 Brent T. Scott, '56 Arthur J. Yagel, III, '77 John R. Dixon, '54 Walter D. Smith, '63 James R. Fazio, '64

Alumni who became Life Members since the last newsletter:

Aaron W. Plaugher, '95 -#352 Douglas J. McLaren, '69 - #353 Neal R. Fisher, '73 - #354 E. Richard Gibbs, Jr., '67 - #355 Michael D. Wiblin, '66 -#356 Susan Z. Dziubek, '72 - #357

## FLOOD RELIEF SCHOLARSHIP

#### Letter of Thanks

To: School of Natural Resources Alumni Association

I wanted to personally thank Jim Harrold, Robert Barricelli, and everyone involved with the Flood Relief Scholarship I received. I took a job working on the Elk River in Clendenin, WV over the summer to research the Diamond Darter. For us to work the discharge flow needs to be at around 300 cf/s, and when the flood hit it raised the water to an all-time high over 80,000 cf/s. The water was 36 feet high, and took out the grocery store, all the road around our apartment, and the gas station we used. This put me out of work and emptied my bank account. On top of that, my vehicle transmission and several other components blew as the fall semester started, and I had to get another loan on top of my student loans. My student refund had to go into the money I still owed on my vehicle. I can't afford to live on campus and had to have a way of transportation. I'm from a very low income family who I must help support, so I didn't have anyone to fall back on.

Due to the tragic events of this thousand-year flood and funding, I missed a lot of class and had to work extra hard studying along with trying to fit some work into my schedule. I was once again with an empty bank account, and I had no money for rent or food right when I received this wonderful gift. With this money, I could pay my rent and utilities for the remainder of the semester. As I'm running my own research and in all upper level classes trying to graduate in the spring, this amazing scholarship has given me the opportunity to focus on achieving my goals and even perhaps given me hope and motivation at a time when I was feeling truly defeated. There's a lack of words to describe how grateful I am, so again, thank you so much for the support.

Sincerely,

Kevin Lambert Wildlife and Fisheries Senior Elkins, WV



#### **Please Join Your Alumni Association!**

Your dues build scholarship funds and sustain this newsletter.

#### **Obituaries**

Edward C. Murriner (FRM '68) from Hurricane, WV passed away November 22, 2016.

Galen D. Stover (FRM '57) from Macon, GA passed away August 25, 2016.

Raymond M. Kimble (FRM '51) from Ashland, VA passed away October 17, 2016.

### FEEDBACK AND FEEDFORWARD

#### **Alumni News**

#### 1950-59 -

**W. David Kolb** (FRM '50) from Tigard, OR is 92 and still fairly active. He walks 3 or 4 miles at least twice a week. He writes, "We moved to an assisted living facility last March, about a mile from our former home. Many of our friends live here, too. Jane grew up in Morgantown and is 88. I retired from the US Forest Service in 1980."

Bill Gillespie (FRM '52) from Charleston, WV is still at it.

**Gerald LaRue** (FRM '57) from Germantown, OH is glad to hear **Jim Baker** (FRM '56) is still kicking around. He asks, "If there are any more alumni from our graduation class, please stick a note in the next issue of the Newsletter."

#### 1960-69

**Curtis G. Foreback** (FRM '61) from Clay, NY enjoys keeping in touch with old classmates **Steve Rensma** (FRM '61), **Tom Jones** (FRM '61), and **Gary Mitten** (FRM '61).

**George Freeland** (W&F '63 and MS '66) from Columbia, TN continues planting, pruning, cutting, and watering the trees at the 67-acre Columbia Academy campus.

**Michael D. Wiblin** (FRM '66) from Ashland, VA let us know that fellow alumnus **Ray Kimble** (FRM '51) passed away in October 2016. Thank you Michael.

**Frank A. Jernejcic** (W&F '67) from Morgantown has been retired for 2 years after 45 years with the WV DNR. He started a timber rattlesnake distribution project in and around Coopers Rock State Forest. He has documented 150 encounters, painted rattles on 30 snakes, and had 1 recapture.

#### 1970-79 =

**Bruce P. Beerbower** (RPT '72) from Hickory, NC is lead naturalist and Director of Visitor Services at Catawba Science Center. He received the Master Front-Line Interpreter by the National Association of Interpretation in 2015. He has been married since 1978 and has 4 grown children who all enjoy the outdoors. He sends thanks to WVU instructors Joe Hutchison, Tony Tomkowski, Bill Wylie, and Betty Bartholomew for preparing him for a 41-year career as a naturalist and science educator.

**Ed Cunningham** (WS '74 and MS '76) from Key West, FL retired in October, 2016. He worked for 15 years in New Jersey and 16 years in Illinois as a utility forester. He stays active as a part-time park ranger at Fort Taylor State Park and a consultant with Tree Priorities (treepriorities.com).

**Dave Gunderson** (FRM '74) from Burlington, NC is still cruising and marking timber 2 days a week. He writes,

"Although my pace has slowed, my passion for the forest has not."

**Richard A. Johnstone** (FRM '76) from Wenona, MD writes, "We just purchased our Chesapeake Bay home to enjoy fishing, crabbing, boating, and hunting AND teaching our grandkids to appreciate the bounty of nature that God has provided."

**Teri Batchelor** (FRM '78) from Chestertown, MD has worked almost 38 years with the Maryland DNR Forest Service helping private landowners manage their woodlots. She lives in Kent County's Eastern Shore with her husband of 35 years, Ted.

**Barb Breshock** (FRM '79) is getting more familiar with the duties of Assistant State Forester and has been the Forest Management Program Manager for a little more than a year. She doesn't know if or when she will fully adjust to the constant state of flux in the WV Division of Forestry.

**Dwight Gerding** (FRM '79) from Hookerton, NC left teaching at Wayne Community College and went to Enviva Biomass at their Sampson County Pellet Mill as a fiber supply forester.

#### 1980-89

**William Ostaff** (MSF '80) from Glenville, WV will be 66 in February, now a shepherd with a flock of sheep and a collie.

Mark D. Whetzel (FRM '80) from Romney, WV writes that his daughter Lyndsay is a 2nd year physical therapy graduate student at WVU Medical School.

**Tom Knowles** (RPT '81) from Irmo, SC is Director of Grounds Management at the University of South Carolina and consulting arborist helping folks manage urban and tree resources.

#### 1990-99

Roger (FRM '90) and Michelle (W&F '92) Timbrook from Clifton Forge, VA write, "We are adjusting to life as empty nesters. Our oldest daughter got married in April, and our youngest daughter is attending Radford University."

**William A. Janowsky** (W&F '92) from Westminster, CO just finished his 25th year with the federal government. He is the Acting Program Fisheries Leader for the Rocky Mountain Region.

#### 2000-09

**Daniel J. Ryan** (W&F '08) from Bellefonte, PA is encroachment biologist with the PA Fish and Boat Commission. He married Lexis Butler in September, 2016. She is a Purdue University grad and a soil technician with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service.

# FINANCIAL REPORT January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016

January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016  CHECKING ACC	—Suomittea by Raiph G	over, ircusurer
Balance Forwarded (January 1, 2016)	36N1	\$17,009.62
Income		\$17,009.02
Alumni Dues - Regular (136)	\$2,445.00	
Life Memberships (10)	1,750.00	
Contributions	985.00	
Newsletter Sponsorship (Life Members) Silent Auction	2,525.01	
	1,027.50 10,260.00	
Forestry Banquet	•	
Flood Scholarship	2,965.00	
Alumni Tailgate	40.00	
Interest	22.33	
Passthru Donations	355.00	
Logo Project	1,200.00	
Other	795.00	
Total Income	\$24,369.84	
Total Revenue		\$41,379.46
Disbursements		
(01/04) Michael McKinney (Tryon Scholarship)	\$2,000.00	
(01/04) Mary Murdock (Marti-Lou Glover Scholarship)	1,925.00	
(01/04) Michael Adkins (Shreve Scholarship)	500.00	
(01/04) Ethan Fusion (SNR Alumni Scholarship)	500.00	
(01/04) Peter Jennings (SNR Alumni Scholarship)	500.00	
(01/04) Anthony Molinaro (SNR Alumni Scholarship)	500.00	
(02/02) Postmaster (3 rolls stamps)	147.00	
(03/14) Toni Jones (March Newsletter)	250.00	
(04/18) S&S Teamwear and Trophies (Plaques)	129.00	
(04/18) Postmaster (2 rolls stamps)	98.00	
(04/23) Edd Bills (Reception Supplies Reimbursement)	50.94	
(04/27) WVU Foundation (Passthru Donations)	260.00	
(04/27) WVU Forestry Endowment Fund (Passthru Donations)	50.00	
(06/10) WVU Alumni Association (Forestry Banquet)	4,706.90	
(08/01) Patrick Whitehouse (Tryon Scholarship)	2,000.00	
(08/01) Tyler Plum (Shreve Scholarship)	500.00	
(08/01) Dylan Allen (SNR Alumni Scholarship)	500.00	
(08/01) Garrett Stafford (SNR Alumni Scholarship)	500.00	
(08/01) Frank Pancake (SNR Alumni Scholarship)	500.00	
(08/10) Toni Jones (July Newsletter)	250.00	
(08/22) Shaffer's Printing Inc (July Newsletter)	1,000.00	
(08/29) WVU Forestry Endowment Fund (Passthru Donations)	35.00	
(09/09) WVU SAF (Silent Auction)	400.00	
(09/09) WVU Forest Products Soc. (Silent Auction)	95.25	
(09/19) Little Fish Design Co., LLC (Logo Development)	1,500.00	
(11/04) Postmaster (5 rolls stamps)	235.00	
(11/21) Toni Jones (December Newsletter)	250.00	
(12/13) Morgantown Printing and Binding (December Newsletter)	196.40	
(12/17) Shaffer's Printing, Inc. (December Newsletter)	1,025.00	
(12/28) WVU Forestry Endowment Fund (Life Membership Fund) <b>Total Disbursements</b>	1,750.00 \$22,353.49	
BALANCE ON HAND (December 31, 2016)	φ22,000.49 _	\$19,025.97

#### **WVU Division of Forestry**

## **ENDOWMENT FUND REPORT**

—Submitted by Ralph Glover, Treasurer

The WVU Division of Forestry Alumni Endowment Fund was formed by the WVU Division of Forestry Alumni Association in 1969 for the purpose of providing scholarships for students enrolled in the programs of the Division of Forestry and Natural Resources. It operates totally with contributions from alumni, friends and other interested individuals and companies. Only the revenue earned from the invested donations can be expended for scholarships. It is overseen by three Trust Committee Members appointed by the SNR Alumni Association and serve at no pay or expense reimbursement.

As of the June 1, 2016 quarterly bank statement, the WVU Forestry Endowment Fund has a total value of \$909,680.14. The three endowed funds within the overall fund are the General Fund with \$383,339.76, The W. C. Percival Memorial Fund with \$190,341.98 and the George Myles Memorial Fund with \$335,998.40. So far this year, there have been 14 donations for a total of \$2,450.00.

On February 29, the Trust Committee met to interview students for scholarships for the 2016-17 scholastic year. Four scholarships of \$2,500.00 per semester were awarded, two from the General Fund and one each from the Percival and Myles Funds. In addition, freshman and

transfer scholarships were selected by the scholarship selection committee of the school. These scholarships are for \$500.00 per semester. There was also one scholarship from the Myles Fund which continued from the previous year so there will be a total of 7 scholarships in effect for the 2016-17 scholastic year.

The General Fund has several memorial funds in it. They are the Asher W. Kelly Memorial Scholarship, the Thomas G. Clark Memorial Scholarship, the Orris D. McCauley Memorial Scholarship, the H. Clay Smith Memorial Scholarship, the Kenneth Carvell Special Scholarship, the Herman G. Yeager Memorial Scholarship, the Earl G. Tryon Memorial Scholarship and the Tilden Norris Memorial Scholarship. None of these funds are sufficient to sustain an annual scholarship so they are awarded on a rotating basis.

Donations may be designated for the General Fund or any of the other funds. If undesignated, they are credited to the General Fund. Donations to the fund can be sent to the WVU Forestry Endowment Fund, 806 Daverton Road, Charleston, WV 25303. Copies of the annual report for the fund can be obtained from the same address.

## ALUMNI ASSOCIATION LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND ON DEPOSIT WITH THE WVU FORESTRY ENDOWMENT FUND

TOTAL PRINCIPAL - Dec. 31, 2016	\$21,580.00
Deposited December 29, 2016	1,750.00
Deposited December 30, 2015	2,600.00
Deposited December 29, 2014	1,825.00
Deposited December 24, 2013	4,275.00
Deposited March 26, 2012	1,575.00
Deposited April 10, 2011	4,900.00
Established April 22, 2010	\$4,655.00

## ALUMNI ASSOCIATION LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND ON DEPOSIT WITH THE WYU FOUNDATION

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND TOTAL	\$46,896.34
Operating Funds Available	3,954.20
TOTAL PRINCIPAL - December 31, 2016	42,942.14
Change in Principal (02/17/97-12/31/16)	(967.86)
Deposits since February 17, 1997	33,760.00
Established February 17, 1997	\$10,150.00

## **COMING SOON!**







NEW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRODUCTS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT OUR 2017 ALUMNI WEEKEND ACTIVITIES. ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS.

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Please help sponsor an issue of the Newsletter. We need \$1,500 to sponsor an issue. Let's make it happen! Please send a \$10 donation, and all money will go to the production and distribution of the Newsletter. Donors will be recognized in the sponsored issue. Larger donations from alumni-owned businesses are welcome!

#### Send form and check to:

WVU School of Natural Resources Alumni Association 806 Daverton Road Charleston, WV 25303-2311

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2016-2017

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Phone: (304) 269-4831 www.cruisecontrolsoftware.com/

Mountain Air Services (March 2008) P.O. Box 188 Horner, WV 26372 Phone: (304) 269-1979 www.mountainairservices.com/

Penn Virginia Resource Partners, Inc. (March 2010) Elkins & Charleston, WV www.pvresource.com

Paul M. Jones Lumber Co. (July 2011) Snow Hill, MD

Phone: (410) 623-1556

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Gary Miller ('78) and Toni Jones ('98)

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### **MEMBERSHIP NOTICE**

Join Today!

Dear School of Natural Resources Alumnus:

We now have 609 active members in the WVU School of Natural Resources Alumni Association. This means there are over 2500 members who are receiving the Newletter but are not paying dues. If you are an active member, you receive an invoice in November of each year (or when dues are due if you pay multiple years). You then receive a membership card and decal after returning your check. If you are one of the non-paying members, you can use this form to become an active member. For only \$15.00, you can help support your Alumni Association and help us reach our current goal of 600 dues-paying members. The School of Natural Resources will match the \$15 dues for first-time members. Please join today and your \$15 dues provides \$30 of support for the Alumni Association. Remember —your dues go primarily toward student scholarships and publishing the newsletter.

You may wish to become a Life Member. This avoids the annual renewal drudge; 357 alumni have selected this option. You can pay the fee in a lump sum (\$250) or over a 3-year period (\$100, \$75, and \$75).

As in the past, contributions will also be accepted for special use (Newsletter, Student Support, Alumni Weekend, Operating Fund, Cruiser, etc.). Simply include it in your check and indicate the use you desire. While you are returning your dues, why not add some news about yourself for a future Newsletter.

Ralph P. Glover, Jr., Treasurer



#### I want to become a member!

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP	LIFE MEMBERSHIP
\$15.00 Annual Membership	\$250.00 (Lump Sum)
for Years Membership @ \$15.00/year Additional Contribution of to be used for	\$100.00 1st (Payment Method) \$75.00 2nd \$75.00 3rd \$125.00 (Over 65)
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Class of: Major:	
Address:	
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## **FEEDBACK AND FEEDFORWARD**

#### February 2017- Submission Form

We need your help in collecting and updating addresses and information about School of Natural Resources alumni and friends. Please fill in the form and return to WVU School of Natural Resources Alumni Association, PO Box 6125, Morgantown, WV 26506.

NAME	GRADUATION YEAR
ADDRESS	MAJOR
CITY	DEGREE
STATE ZIP CODE	PHONE
EMAIL ADDRESS	
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