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I'LL DO WHAT I CAN

Otis M. Beach, R.F., Manager
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It is time to stand up and be counted or go hang up your cruiser vest. It is time for all foresters to get active, to go public, to tell folks what we do, and to be proud of it. I know it is not the nature of foresters to stand up and speak up, but we must. We are a bunch of introverts who would rather be out cruising timber, marking boundary lines, planting trees, or getting logs than talking to the public. But, unless we get active in the public/political arena, other folks are going to make rules and write the laws with which we will have a hard time living.

No one knows your business better than you. You have a professional education and probably many years experience. Your experience is wide and varied. You have done it all at one time or another and you have done it well. You have fought bugs and tornados and fires and won most battles, but you will sit around and let a little old lady from Puducka or Younkens or somewhere else tell you how to run your business.

The "extreme environmental" movement has come to Alabama. But, the practical environmentalists (that is us) have been here for years. There are people out there who are shouting about the deplorable condition of Alabama forests. We should be shouting just as loud or maybe a little louder about how great our forests are. Alabama's forests are getting better and better and no one seems to notice...maybe because we haven't told our story.

I may not be able to do much but I'll do what I can. I was talking to a seemingly radical fellow out in west Lauderdale County. He started lecturing me how we should save the beautiful virgin forest in that part of the county. I started lecturing right back as to how west Lauderdale was clearcut at the start of the Civil War to furnigh fuel wood for steam boats. Only through the diligent efforts of Mother Nature and some hard working professional foresters, are there any trees out there now.

Another guy was telling me one day that we have to save the Bankhead National Forest. I promptly asked 'from what'? When the Bankhead was established it was mostly abandoned, eroded farm land and if it hadn't been for foresters there wouldn't be any forest today. Well, that shut him up for a while.

I may not be able to do much but I'll do what I can. I hope you will do the same.
'Mike' Beach, Chairman, Alabama Division, SAF

Merry Christmas  Happy New Year

POINTS OF INTEREST

Bob Lowe, R.F., Chairman

State Board of Registration for Foresters



*James R. Lowe
Chairman*

The Alabama Forestry Commission under the leadership of Cynthia Page is in the process of developing a "Forestry Speakers Bureau" staffed with volunteers from throughout the State. (See article on page 4 of this issue) This is a very worthwhile endeavor by the AFC and the SBRF expresses its appreciation to Cynthia, Don Burdette, Pam Sears, and other members of the Education Division staff who are involved in the development of this bureau. The SBRF encourages each registered forester to support the program by serving as a volunteer speaker and by informing civic, professional, and educational organizations in their community about the SPEAKERS BUREAU.

The SBRF has developed a presentation on Alabama's Registration Law for Foresters. It is designed to help foresters and landowners gain a better understanding of the law and its application. It would be appropriate for use at SAF Chapter meetings, ACF meetings, and landowner meetings.

Licenses are to be renewed each year by September 30th. Licensees who fail to meet this deadline date may renew their licenses prior to December 31st by paying a 'late fee' of \$20 in addition to the \$30 renewal fee. Licenses will be revoked after December 31 if not renewed. Please refer to Administrative Rule 310-X-3-.07, page 157 of the current edition of the Roster of Registered Foresters, which provides directions for renewal of revoked licenses.

During fiscal year 1993-94, the SBRF examined 39 applicants for registration. Thirty-five licenses were issued. In addition, 14 foresters licensed in other states, were granted reciprocity privileges.

Jim Spears will complete his five-year term as a member of the SBRF, January 6, 1995. On behalf of all Board members, I express sincere appreciation to Jim for his service to the Board and the profession of forestry.

Bob Lowe, Chairman

THREE REGISTERED FORESTERS INDUCTED HALL OF FAME



Jim Spears (L) Registered Forester and Board member received his certificate of induction from Robert E. Lee during the annual meeting of the Alabama Division, SAF. Jim retired from Champion International and lives in Atmore, Alabama.



Dr. Emmett F. Thompson (R), Dean, School of Forestry, Auburn University, was presented his framed induction certificate by L. Keville Larson. Dr. Thompson has been head of forestry at Auburn since 1977. More than 100 SAF members were on hand.



Charles A. Pigg (L), retired Assistant State Forester of Alabama, received his induction certification from his former boss, C. W. 'Bill' Moody. Charles served a 5-year term on the Board and also as Board Secretary.

ROSTER UPDATE
Fall 1994

The following applicants for registration were licensed by the Board October 26, 1994. Please remove this panel and insert it in your copy of the 27th Roster of Registered Foresters - Alabama.

Name and Address	License No.	Name and Address	License No.
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BROWN, PERRY S..... Area Forester James River Corporation Business: P. O. Box 126 Bellamy, AL 36901 Phone: 205/392-5046 Home: Route 1, Box 1090 Linden, AL 36748 Phone: 205/289-8876	1571	FUTCH, CHRISTOPHER S..... Timber Buyer/Forester Rock Springs Land and Timber Company Business: 1704 Highland Pl. Opelika, AL 36801 Phone: 205/567-9865 Home: P. O. Box 686 Tallassee, AL 36078 Phone: 205/745-5202	1565
BURROW, MICHAEL D..... Executive Administrator Alabama Forest Owners Assoc. Business: P.O. Box 104 Helena, AL 35080 Phone: 205/987-8811 Home: 929 Clark Mountain Rd. Bessemer, AL 35023 Phone: 205/491-7524	1570	ROZIER, RAYFORD L..... Vice President Rozier & Associates, Inc. Business: 117 Guinevere Dr. Albertville, AL 35950 Phone: 205/891-4719 Home: 117 Guinevere Dr. Albertville, AL 35950 Phone: 205/891-4719	1567
CULP, DARRYL L..... Senior Forester International Paper Co. Business: P. O. Box 37 Centreville, AL 35042 Phone: 205/926-4811 Home: P. O. Box 154 Brent, AL 35034 Phone: 205/926-4436	1569	TRAVIS, EDWARD F..... Owner & President Edward F. Travis Company Business: 9201 Cottage Hill Road Mobile, AL 36695 Phone: 205/633-8885 Home: 9960 County Road Mobile, AL 36695 Phone: 205/633-7772	1564

TWENTY-SEVENTH ROSTER

OF

REGISTERED FORESTERS

1994-95



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HOW DO YOU MOTIVATE PEOPLE?

People who lack motivation seldom do a super job. Perhaps the answer to motivation lies in the findings of experts. If motivation is to work, consider five needs to be fulfilled. Remember, MOTIVATION MUST COME FROM WITHIN!

First, consider 'economic security'. Second comes 'emotional security'. This is followed by 'recognition'. 'Self-expression' is basic to communication. Finally, 'self-respect' is what everyone wants; to be treated as an individual, not a statistic. - Anonymous.



Dear Forestry Leader:

The Alabama State Board of Registration for Foresters solicits your support in assuring that the forestry community in Alabama adheres to the Alabama Code concerning the registration and licensing of foresters. For a copy of the 1975 Code of Alabama, please contact the Board's office.

The forester's registration and licensing law was passed to help assure that the forest landowner received forestry recommendations and plans on his timberland that were prepared by trained, competent and experienced graduate foresters. This is even more important today with the technology advances in forestry and in the application of the ever growing environmental regulations.

Please review your operations to assure that you are in compliance. Points to consider include:

- Use of title "Forester" on letterheads, business cards, advertisements and reports only if the individual is a registered forester in the State of Alabama.
- When you engage forestry consultants, assure that they employ registered foresters and that they perform all forestry work under the direct supervision of registered foresters.
- Assure that forestry services, or advice, provided by your organization for landowners is performed under the direct supervision of registered foresters.
- Review your forestry staff and encourage every graduate forester to become registered and licensed in Alabama.

The Board sincerely appreciates your action on this very important issue.

Sincerely,

James R. Lowe

James R. Lowe, R.F.
Chairman



It's The Law



Act 533 of the 1957 Alabama Legislature created the Board and gave it certain powers. Some were essential during the early years. Others became necessary to meet current needs. Some have been used to administer the law.

The Board adopted an official seal in January 1958. It executed its first contract in February 1958. Bylaws were adopted in March 1958. The first rules were adopted in November 1958. Many other powers were used during the formative years so that the Board could become functional.

§34-12-35, 1975 Code of Alabama, which appears on page 141 of the 27th Roster, outlines other powers. Included are issuing of a subpoena which was done in October 1975. A license was revoked in January 1984 and another suspended in October of the same year. Vacancies on the Board not filled by the governor have been filled by Board action. Under the authorization to negotiate contracts, the Board has done this with one State agency and more than one individual.

Routinely the Board must set fees. Election of officers must be an order of business each July. Reports are required annually. Duties of officers are set forth in the Bylaws. All funds received from any source must be deposited in the Forester's Fund. The Board may accept gifts, bequests, and donations and did accept a contribution from the Alabama Forestry Council in order to get started.

Other powers of the Board are in the law but few remain to be used. A Board member may administer an oath of affirmation to a witness. Hearings are also provided for and several are a matter of record.

Without the power to make contracts, the Board would have lost much time in the early years. - ED.

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SPEAKERS BUREAU/Visuals Being Prepared

The Board has reviewed visual aids prepared for the purpose of giving talks to professional and public groups. They consist of transparencies for over-head projection and slides. An outline of the law governing foresters' registration and licensing appears on each set. Anyone desiring to use them for a public presentation can borrow them by contacting the Board. Speakers can give their own interpretation of the law without the use of notes. The outlines are diagrammatic and easily followed.

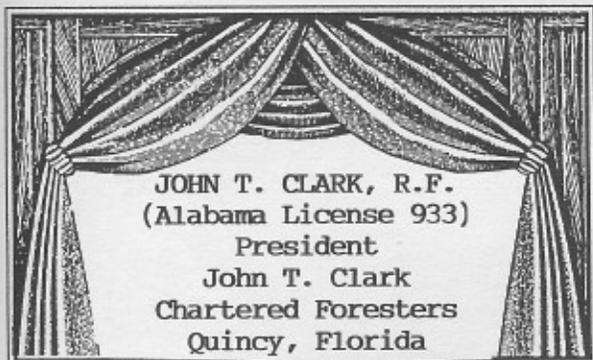
VIOLATIONS/Reported and Handled

H. Phillip Sasnett, Chairman
Violations Committee

Of the six violation cases pending at the October Board meeting, two were closed satisfactorily due to deletion of the title "Forester" from either advertising or business letterhead; one remained open until the individual is licensed; one use of the title "Forester" without a license was referred to the Attorney Generals Office (AGO) for handling; one practicing without a license was turned over to AGO for prosecution; and one case of practicing without a license is being handled by the Board pending satisfactory resolution. Two new cases were reviewed; one use of title was resolved satisfactorily and closed; the second, a report of unprofessional conduct in the practice of forestry was reviewed and is pending additional investigation.

To quote from Section 34-12-2, 1975 Code of Alabama and as stated on page 132 of your 1994 Roster of Registered Foresters, registration is required, "In order to benefit and protect the public, no person in either public or private capacity shall practice or offer to practice forestry, unless he shall first have submitted evidence that he is qualified so to practice and shall be registered by the Board..."

Phil Sasnett, Chairman



Many potentially happy and successful people are imprisoned in the ivory of defeat and despair. One needs only to work miracles with praise. We pause to reflect on one who has passed on to the greater life knowing that his appreciation of life accelerated his accomplishments. As a man, he went on to bigger things while working miracles by painting visions of things to come. He practiced his art - forestry!

BOARD MOVES INTO ANOTHER YEAR/Officers Take New Responsibilities

Chairman Lowe opened the October 26, 1994 meeting, the first in his second term in office, by appointing committee chairmen. His report appears on page 2 of this issue. Other business that is routine during most regular meetings includes the review of new applications for registration. Eleven were checked for compliance with the law. Reciprocity when granted is recorded by motion and four were approved. A single application for Forestry Intern was approved bringing the total certified to 582. Three applicants passed the oral examination and five a written exam. Oral examination panelists will continue their two-year terms. They are Mark Elliott, Kent Hanby, Mark Thomas, and Steve Nix. It has required 1,153 motions to conduct the business of the Board since January 1958. - Editor.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM
(Detach and mail to address below)

NAME _____ LICENSE NO. _____

OLD ADDRESS _____
(city) (state) (zip)

NEW ADDRESS: Business _____
Residence _____

NEW TELEPHONE: Business () _____ Residence () _____

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PREACHING WHAT WE PRACTICE

Cynthia Page, Division of Education
Alabama Forestry Commission

"A squeaky wheel gets the oil," so let's "Squeak out!" Foresters have long worked in the woods, being content knowing that they are benefiting nature and mankind. With all of the pressures brought on by the demands of a misinformed public, however, we may not be able to effectively and efficiently continue to manage the resource as we have in the past.

The Alabama Forestry Commission and the Alabama Board of Registration for Foresters are undertaking a joint project -- creating a statewide speaker's bureau which will be sent to schools and chambers of commerce around the State. Companies, consultants, or just those who have an interest in promoting our chosen field are strongly encouraged to contact Pam Sears, 513 Madison Avenue, Montgomery, AL 36130, phone (205) 240-9368, and put your name on the list!

You may be interested in only addressing one aspect of forestry -- wildlife, recreation, timber production -- and that's all right! You may also only be interested in a certain geographical area. Just let Ms. Sears know and we'll get rolling.

The Forestry Commission has developed several slide presentations, videos, and exhibits which can be checked out. When you turn in your name, we'll send you an updated list of any materials that are available.

Let us hear from you soon! We must carry our own banner, knowing that what we do is honorable in our profession!

Cynthia Page, Contributor



PAST BOARD MEMBER RECOGNIZED - T. Waymon Paul (R) was presented a certificate of appreciation by Board Chairman Bob Lowe for five years of service as a board member. Paul's five-year term ended in 1994 following his year as chairman. The presentation was made before an audience of more than 100 during the annual meeting of the Alabama Division - SAF in Orange Beach.

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