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FORESTERS ARE BUILDERS



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The greatest challenge foresters face today is to convince the general public that the forestry industry is not a destroyer of our natural resources. Foresters are builders, not destroyers. Granted, there have been abuses in the past and in my opinion, there always will be abuses. The abuses of the environment by the general public, such as city runoff, household garbage disposal, and untreated sewage, are far greater problems than any presented by general forestry. Unfortunately, the press presently doesn't recognize this point. Foresters should use this as emphasis to continually improve on good forestry practices.

In the past, foresters were pictured as tree cutters and planters associated with "Smokey the Bear". Foresters are much more than that and need to tell their story. Foresters need to think about what they do and emphasize their profession constantly.

A forester can inventory, improve, enhance, protect, use, prevent, select, sell, buy, obtain, review, and supervise. Anyone who has the ability to do all these things, and who does them, is classified as a "Mover and Shaker". Stand up and be proud! The profession is a good one.

I appreciate the opportunity presented to me to serve on the Alabama State Board of Registration for Foresters. The Board has been and is truly a professional group that supports forestry. My term has ended as it should and another Registered Forester is stepping forward to serve. I will always be willing to support the Board.

BUSINESS AS USUAL/Few Irregularities Noted

April and October of each year are busy months for your Board. Written and oral examinations are administered on a regular basis. During the meeting on April 27th, ten (10) applicants were licensed, based on having successfully passed the written examination, and four (4) licenses were issued to those passing oral examinations. This brings to 1553 the number of licenses issued since 1958. Roster information for each of the fourteen (14) foresters appears on the perforated insert in this issue of The REGISTERED FORESTER. In addition, three (3) registrants in Georgia were granted reciprocity for practice in Alabama. Their names are also in the Roster Update panel. Two Forestry Interns were certified bringing the number so recognized to 563. Three applications for reinstatement of licenses were reviewed and action postponed pending receipt of documentation with reference to Continuing Education credits. The Board considered alternative formats for publishing the Roster as a cost-saving measure. It was agreed that the least expensive format would be a two-column page, printed 5½" x 8½" with spiral binding. This necessitated a change in format for the Roster Update carried in each issue of The REGISTERED FORESTER. The Board unanimously approved the fee schedule for 1994-95 without change. Renewals will continue to be charged \$30, re-examinations will cost \$15 when applicable, application fees will remain at \$50, and \$10 will be charged to replace a lost or damaged certificate.

THE PUBLIC NEEDS TO KNOW



James R. Lowe
Chairman

James R. Lowe, Chairman
State Board of Registration

The practice of forestry in the South is rapidly becoming a public issue. Those groups opposing the harvesting of trees are vocal and are misleading the public with partial data slanted to support their agenda. We must convey to the citizens of Alabama the full perspective of the benefits that are derived from sound forest management to include the economic and environmental achievements that have been realized in the past half century. Who is better qualified to do this than the Registered Foresters of Alabama! Every person registered and licensed should find a niche where he or she can be proactive in helping their communities understand the dynamics of Alabama's woodlands. If we leave this important task to certain other groups, the economy and environment of Alabama will suffer and the gains realized will be diminished.

We have a legacy of accomplishments that gives credibility to our profession. It is a good story to tell and there are a number of arenas in which we can be proactive. We can:

¶ Participate in local civic organizations and be ready to speak for forestry at every opportunity.

¶ Be active in the Alabama Forestry Association and the Society of American Foresters and support their public education programs.

¶ Tell the public about the registration law in Alabama and its purpose to assure that only trained and competent foresters offer their professional services to Alabama forest landowners.

¶ Help the public understand that Alabama's forest is more extensive and vigorous now than at any time since the turn of the century.

¶ Tell the story about the cooperative effort of landowners, the Extension Service, the Alabama Forestry Commission, the Auburn School of Forestry, and the forest industry and how they converted a land worn out from marginal cotton and corn crops to a land that supports 66,000 jobs and 100,000 indirect jobs in the forest industry.

¶ Talk about Best Management Practices that preserve Alabama's soil and streams.

¶ Follow the lead of groups such as the Eagle Council in north Alabama and the Practical Environmentalist in south Alabama whose purpose is to provide factual information to the public.

Our forestry schools and forest research activities will continue to lead us to a better understanding of the complexity and dynamics of the forests resulting in greater accomplishments in the future. However, past achievements have been dramatic and the public needs to know. Do we want to turn the future over to "untrained activists" or keep it in the hands of trained professionals educated in natural resources? The answer is obvious, but the outcome may depend on the effort we, as individuals, put into communicating with our communities.

If you think the following "short facts" about Alabama are impressive, use them to tell people about them.

Short Fact	1952	1992
Forest area (acres).....	20.8 million	21.9 million
Volume (cords).....	260 million	360 million
Pine vs hardwood (percents).....	52% - 48%	46% - 54%
Annual cut (cords).....	5.5 million	12.5 million
Turkey population (numbers).....	20,000	400,000
Deer population (numbers).....	30,000	1,300,000

The 'short facts' cited above (plus many others) are both significant and valuable when used in the continuing communication effort between foresters and the public.

The size of the 1994 Roster has been changed to reduce publication cost. Persons licensed since the Roster was printed appear below. Remove this panel at the perforation and insert in the Roster. - Editor.

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GUNN, JOHN M., JR.....	1541	REES, JAMES F.....	1546
Forest Technician III Boise Cascade Corporation Business: 307 W. Industrial Rd. Jackson, AL 36545 Phone: 205/246-4461 Home: P. O. Box 27 Carlton, AL 36515 Phone: 205/246-9195		Forester Business: 1581 Slaterville Rd. Ithaca, NY 14850	

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TO LICENSE OR CERTIFY/Could be the Question

Members of the Society of American Foresters read in **SAFACTION**, Winter 1994 issue, that the SAF Council had approved a 'new' SAF Certified Forester (CF) Program. The (CF) designation is currently being trademarked, according to the article.

This issue is not new. One can question whether or not SAF certification has legal status in contrast to state law specifying that foresters must be licensed to use the title 'forester' and/or practice 'forestry'. In Alabama, at least, licensing seems to be the preference of the majority in the forestry profession. - ED.



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S. 198 BECOMES LAW

The Senate Bill, sponsored by senators Dixon and Corbett, was passed by the legislature, as amended, February 9, 1994.

The law continues the State Board of Registration - Foresters, provides for revocation of licenses not timely renewed, provides for institution of legal proceedings by the Board, and provides for administrative fines.

The legislative action followed the routine audit by the Department of Examiners of Public Accounts. It covered the period October 1, 1990 through September 30, 1993.

The official report was filed with the Chief Examiner and was reviewed by the Sunset Committee. It reported that the Board was 'in compliance with applicable laws and regulations of the State'. Further, it was pointed out that minutes of Board meetings reflect the official actions of the Board.

Non-consumable personal property owned by the Board was checked against records kept by the Property Inventory Control Division, State Auditor's Office, and no discrepancies were noted.

A financial analysis of cash receipts/disbursements for the same period was included for comparison purposes for the fiscal years 1991, 1992, and 1993. It was noted that the Board receives no appropriation and operates entirely on license application and renewal fees.

Apparent errors in the law and some changes made but not incorporated in the law, were corrected and the Board now has a corrected guide for its operations. - Editor.

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The Code of Alabama - 1975 requires that a Roster of Registered Foresters be prepared during the month of January in even-numbered, calendar years; hence 1994.

It shall show the names and places of business of all registered foresters who have qualified under this Act.

A copy of each Roster must be mailed to each person registered under the Act. A copy must also be placed on file with the Secretary of State. A copy must be furnished to the public on request.

The Alabama Roster of Registered Foresters was originally designed in a 4" x 7" size with spiral binding. Its growth in thickness has presented several practical problems connected with binding.

The Board decided that many Registered Foresters would like to have a way to 'keep it up to date' as new licenses were issued. This decision led to providing this information on a quarterly basis, on 'crack-and-peel' sheets suitable for adding to blank pages in the back of the Roster. This proved too expensive; about doubling the cost of the quarterly newsletter. Similar Roster Update information was then included in the printed newsletter, perforated for the purpose of removal and insertion in the Roster.

Now that the size and layout of the Roster has been changed, the perforated sheet in this issue was designed. If it needs changing, please notify the editor.



SCHOOL OF FORESTRY
Continuing Education Program

1994 Course Offerings

Short Course Series

Estate Planning for Forest Landowners (13 hrs) [Mobile]	July 18-19
Timber & Timberland Security (7 hrs) [Tuscaloosa]	July 27
Law for Foresters (12 hrs)	August 2-3
Developing a Competitive Advantage (10 hrs)	August 24-25
Emerging Issues Forum (5 hrs) [Gulf Shores]	September 10
Keys to Effective Negotiating (10 hrs)	September 28-29
Forest Roads (9 hrs)	October 5-6
Thinning Methods & Operations (12 hrs) [Tuscaloosa]	October 10-11
Harvesting Operations in Wetlands (12 hrs)	October 26-27
Urban Tree Selection & Management (12 hrs)	November 2-3
Managing a Longleaf Pine Ecosystem (12 hrs) [Andalusia]	November 9-10
Forestry Herbicides: Regulatory Compliance (12 hrs)	December 13-14



3 GOVERNOR FOLSOM FILLS VACANCY - H. Phillip Sasnett was appointed to a five-year term on the Board by Governor Folsom and was so notified by letter dated April 11, 1994. Phillip (L) was welcomed to his first meeting April 27th by Board Chairman Bob Lowe. Sasnett was born in Jacksonville, Florida. He earned his BS and MF degrees at the University of the South and Yale respectively. With the exception of three years in the Navy, he has worked for Gulf States Paper Corporation in a series of positions carrying increasing responsibility. He maintains membership in the SAF, Alabama Forestry Association, and holds Alabama License No. 614. Lowe appointed Sasnett chairman of the Rules & Regulations Committee, and Finance and Administration, a special committee. He received his indoctrination training as a member of the Board from Wilbur De Vall, R.F. and former Board member.

NOTES FROM THE VIOLATIONS COMMITTEE

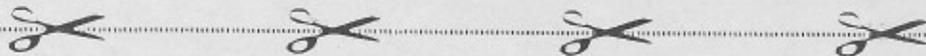
Bill Sahlie, R.F., Chairman

During the regular quarterly meeting of the Board on April 27, 1994, fourteen (14) cases involving alleged violations of the Alabama Code - Foresters were reviewed. Six (6) cases were closed after having been satisfactorily resolved. Eight (8) will remain open pending further investigation.

Fourteen (14) cases all involved foresters practicing without an Alabama license. The specific cases can be categorized as follows:

<u>Number of Cases</u>	<u>Type of Case</u>
7	Practicing forestry
3	Advertising forest management assistance
3	Using letterheads implying they render forest management assistance
1	Use of the title 'forester'

Assistant Attorney General, Gerrilyn Grant attended the board meeting during which violations were being reviewed and provided input for each case. As I have noted in my previous reports in The REGISTERED FORESTER as chairman of this committee, the number of cases seems to increase over time. We continue to ask that all Registered Foresters report any observed violations to the Board.



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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4 "SMOKEY BEAR WEEK" PROCLAIMED - Governor Folsom designated May 1-7, 1994 as a special week to recognize the 50th anniversary of the familiar bear and his program. Present for the signing of the proclamation were (L-R) Mike Smith, Chairman-elect, Alabama Division, SAF, John McMillan, President, AFA, Tim Boyce, State Forester, SMOKEY, John Yancy, Supervisor, Alabama National Forests, USDA, Forest Service, Bob Lowe, Chairman, State Board of Registration - Foresters, and (seated) Governor Jim Folsom. - Contributed photo)

**CONTINUING EDUCATION
POLICY**

ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS
 10 Hours
 Minimum 5-Category 1 or 2
 Maximum 5-Category 3-6
 Carry Over - 1 year
 Submitted with License
 Renewal
 Documentation Retained
 2 Years



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 Insufficient CE Credits

EXEMPTIONS
 Retirees
 Health Reasons

ACCRUAL OF CREDITS
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PROVIDERS
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 Other Licensing Boards

QUALIFYING CATEGORIES
 1. Professional Seminar
 Workshop, Short Course
 2. Course Work Development
 Preparation, Presentation
 3. Meetings or Programs
 Forestry Related
 4. Writings & Publications
 Beyond Job Requirements
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 Boards, Associations
 (Not Category 1)
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 Office in Forestry
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