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2015 SUMMER NEWSLETTER

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- Second Annual Soiree & Silent Auction

RSVP NOW! Second Annual Soiree & Silent Auction

This event is not to be missed! Come, bring a friend, enjoy the live music, beautiful view, delicious hors d'oeuvres, and tasty wine (beer available, too!).

Event Details

Thursday, September 24th, 6-9pm
Sweet Cheeks Winery
Tickets are \$15/ person
one glass of wine and a raffle ticket included

Music by Rusty Strings,
A combination of Old Time Traditional and Celtic returning from last year!

Register on-line: <http://conta.cc/1NdHn3e>



Silent auction items include OSU football tickets, Tokatee round of golf for four, a selection of tools, artisan crafted items, and gift certificates to local businesses.

Summer 2015

“INTO THE FOREST” WITH LANE COUNTY 4-H



Participants learned about reforestation and tried their hand at planting Douglas-fir seedlings at Bauman Tree Farm.

Forests Today & Forever partnered with Lane County 4-H to bring forestry to Lane County youth. With the generous funding by Oregon Forest Resources Institute (OFRI), FTF provided a series of forestry education programs called “Into the Forest.” The intent of the partnership is to establish forestry as an option for 4-H youth participation, and to give youth participants experiences that excite them and entice them to continue in forestry as a 4-H member and as a potential career path.

Like most programs getting started, our first year enrollment was lower than desired, however, this situation gave FTF a great opportunity to pilot the program to determine the best way to offer similar programs in the future. The five youth that participated had a fun, educational, and intimate experience at the tree farm. They learned to identify trees by OSU Extension agent Steve Bowers; they practiced basic forestry skills with landowner Tom Bauman, and learned about reforestation as they planted



Participants learned to identify trees of Oregon and pressed samples to create their own tree identification book.

Douglas-fir seedlings. The program culminated with sharing of their experiences in forestry.

Continuation of this partnership is dependent upon the willingness of an adult volunteer to spearhead a natural resources 4-H community group. This person will be a 4-H volunteer, but will work with FTF to make forestry education robust and prominent within Lane County. If you or someone you know would like to become a volunteer leader and support the continuation of this work, please contact us!

Are you interested in leading a natural resources 4-H group?



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SPRING 2015 FOREST FIELD DAYS SUMMARY

Six school districts in Lane and Linn counties brought a total of 1,160 students to Forest Field Days at Bauman and Happy Valley Tree Farms. Students were guided through the experience alongside 174 teachers and chaperones, who also learned about Oregon's forests and forest management. Timber, wildlife, recreation, soils, and streams are the topics the students explored. With new knowledge and skills, they returned to the classroom to work in small groups on management plans for a ficticiously inherited family forestland. Students negotiate, problem-solve, use mathematics, and apply what they learned in the field to create plans that are sustainable and realistic. Forest Today & Forever's intent is for students to develop a basic understanding of forest resource issues, understand considerations for managing forestland, and practice working with others to accomplish goals.

Forest Field Days is possible because of the generous donation of forestland by Tom Bauman & Lindsay Reaves (Lane County) and the Udell Family (Linn County). It is also possible due to the contributions of 82 volunteers, who generously dedicated over 800 hours this season. Thank you to landowners, and to the individuals and organizations who provided support through volunteerism! Below is a complete list of volunteers for the Spring 2015 season.

Thank You, Forest Field Day Volunteers!

Baker Surveying: Dan Baker
BLM: Pierino Castelli, Teresa Coble, Joel Detlef, Shawna Dao, Jessica Leroy, Joe Lynch, Luis Palacios, Jan Robbins, Sarah Wernecke
Coast Range Conifers: Ed Cummings
General Trailer Co.: Danny Bivens
Giustina Resources: Kevin Merritt
International Paper: Bri Butchart, Kristin Hadlee, Bryce Mason, William McMahon, Jeff Thompson, Sue Zeni
Linn Soil & Water Conservation District: Debra Paul, Kevin Seifert
McArthur & Associates: Roger Fearn
Nature Conservancy: Amanda Stamper
Northwest Community Credit Union: Dwight Dzierzek
NORTHWEST Land Surveying, Inc.: Rob Ward
Northwest Timberland Consulting & Surveying, Inc.: Harvey Christensen
ODF: Paul Clements, Robin Biesecker, Jim Ewing, Cynthia Orlando, Brian Peterson
OSU Extension: Robin Galloway
Port Blakely: Bonnie Glendenning
Talk About Trees: Leslie Bradner, Mary Loftin
Roseburg Resources Co.: Dave Cramsey, Ben Hainley, Robert Husleton
Triad Machinery: Susan McClure
Seneca Jones Sawmill Co.: Ashley Bridges, Kevin Tuers, Bill Wynkoop
Sperry Ridge Consulting: Dale Claassen
Starker Forests: Dick Powell
USDA, NRCS: Nathan Adelman, Jason Martin, Kevin Macquoid
USFS: Erick Larkin, Will Brendecke
Weyerhaeuser: Noelle Arena, Anna Grabhorn, Jess Laney, Denise Lindly, Scott Marlega, Tom McClellan, Tiffany Roddy, Shavonne Sargent, Steve Swanson, Susan Thompson, Jeff Yost
Other: Rita Adams, Michael Atkinson, Tom Bauman, Sue Bowers, Steve Cafferata, Wylda Cafferata, Paul Dodson, Joyce Gardener, Jim Hallstrom, Ray Hewitt, Bob Johnson, Val Kime, Ron Leonard, Jillian Mason, Mike McDowell, Randy Peckman, Jonathan Powell, Barrett Rankins, Jordon Ryder, Angela Seydel, Jim Simonet, Darrel Spiesschaert, Maryrae Thompson, Christy Tye, Denis VanWinkle

We apologize for misspellings, or if we have left off a name. Please do contact us, so we may correct!



Volunteer Amanda Stamper has a little fun teaching Forest Field Day students about wildlife adaptations at the Wildlife Station.



Kevin Tuers, Seneca Jones Forester, shares field technology with Forest Field Day students at the Timber Station.

CONGRATULATIONS TO FTF BOARD MEMBER, DAVE CRAMSEY

Dave Cramsey, past Forests Today & Forever board president and current board member, was awarded the Forester of the Year Award by the Oregon Society of American Foresters (SAF). This award is presented annually to a SAF member who is recognized by peers for contributing to both the profession and the public through application of professional skills and public service. Dave is an OSU graduate and District Manager at Roseburg Forest Products. As stated on Roseburg's Facebook page, "[Dave] easily exceeds all professional criteria and is a shining example of SAF's Core Values at work in our community." The board and staff of Forests Today & Forever is proud of Dave's accomplishment, and honored to have his great talent and passion represented on our board. Forests Today & Forever is a stronger organization because of Dave's commitment to and support for forestry education.



Dave Cramsey teaches Forest Field Day middle school students how to take a DBH.

TWO LOCAL BREWERIES SUPPORT FTF



**Elk Horn
Brewery**

Plank Town Brewing Company, located in Springfield, and Elk Horn Brewery, located in Eugene, were gracious hosts to fundraising events for Forests Today & Forever! Brewery fundraisers are exciting and worthwhile because they bring our supporters together in a fun and relaxed way, while generating some dollars for FTF's forestry education efforts. Each of these breweries donated 10% of sales generated during a four hour timeframe. We hope to continue these great partnerships going forward, and certainly would love to see YOU at our next event!

THANK YOU NEW SPONSORS & DONORS

Thank you to **Drago Brothers Logging** and **Roberts Supply Co., Inc.** for their support of Forests Today & Forever in the form of committed sponsorship! Dedicated funding on a quarterly or annual basis establishes the financial grounding for our forestry education programs, allowing us to plan into the future, serve new audiences, and improve existing programs.

We are thankful for the generous donations by the **Vogt Family Trust; Mason, Bruce & Girard;** and **Iron Horse Logging.** With their support, added to the support of many others, we are able to continue our mission of promoting forest stewardship through education.

How Can YOU Support FTF?

One way is to turn your shopping at Fred Meyer and Amazon.com into charitable giving to Forests Today & Forever. To learn how, visit: <http://foreststodayandforever.org/shop-support/>



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