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KWOA 2012 Annual Meeting - Summary of Presentations

Editor's note: Many thanks to Portia Brown, new KWOA Assistant Secretary, for providing much of the following re-cap of several of the annual meeting sessions.

The KWOA Annual Meeting convened April 10-11 at Pennyrile State Resort Park.

KDF Presentation

Leah McSwords, Director, Kentucky Division of Forestry, provided a brief history of the Division, which is now in its 100th year. Some points that stood out:

1. The original director of the Board of Forestry quit due to lack of financial resources to carry out the work. The Garden Club of America stepped in by lobbying to protect trees and they got money to name a State Forester/Director

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- 2. The Forest Conservation Act of 1998 initiated work with forest landowners and forest industries to institute Best Management Practices.
- 3. The devastation of the Morgan County nursery in the March 12, 2012 tornado. KWOA and citizens of Kentucky need to support the Division in helping to rebuild this resource for future generations.

Pennyrile Forest Overview and Tour

The Pennyrile State Forest in Hopkins, Christian and Caldwell counties was the site of an

outstanding educational
forestry
program
provided
by the
Kentucky
Division
of Forestry to
KWOA
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on April 10. The 15,000 acre state forest surrounds the Pennyrile State Resort Park, where the annual meeting was held. The state forest was acquired in the 1920's and presented to KDF to operate and manage about 50 years ago.

Jim Bryan, KDF and Pennyrile State Forest Manager, is the manager of this training operation which includes a newly constructed educational training facility. This facility has several offices and lodging facilities, a modern class-

Greeting from the Head Hickory Nut

Pete T. McNeill Jr., 85, of Flemingsburg recently passed away. Pete was well known for his dedica-



Pete and Anna Lou McNeill

tion and leadership in the forestry industry and his consulting efforts with agricultural and rural development around the world. Among his many accomplishments, he was one of the founding members and treasurer of the KWOA. He was also recognized as a national tree farmer of the year. Pete has had a positive influ-

ence on everyone in his midst. Efforts are underway by the Woodland Owners Association to establish a memorial in his behalf.

National Outstanding Tree Farmer

While we all do our part to conserve our country's greatest asset, we are proud to honor individuals who go above and beyond in their commitment to responsible forest management. The ATFS recognizes the superior stewardship of its members through the annual Outstanding Tree Farmer of the Year recognition program. These landowners are recognized for their remarkable efforts to enhance and sustain their forests and for spreading the practice of sustainable forestry. Mr. Charlie Williams, a Hart County woodland owner, is recognized as one of the four regional outstanding tree farmers at the national tree farm convention in 2012. We salute Mr. Williams as he represents Kentucky and the southeast region of the U.S. as an outstanding tree farmer. The Regional Outstanding Tree Farmer of the Year is sponsored by STIHL, Inc. Henry Duncan attended the national tree farm meeting in support of Mr. Williams.

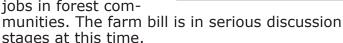
KWOA salutes KDF! Beshear Proclaims 2012 as Year of Kentucky's Forest

This year, the Kentucky Division of Forestry (KDF) is celebrating its 100th anniversary. Governor Steve Beshear signed a proclamation declaring 2012 as 'The Year of Kentucky's Forests.' KDF's yearlong celebration of its centennial will include informational displays at the capitol, participation in fairs and festivals across the Commonwealth and historical presentations to various groups throughout the year.

2012 Farm Bill

The current farm bill included significant improvements for woodland owners, supporting conservation and good forest management. The 2012 farm bill should also include a focus on enabling good

forest management and conservation on private woodlands and also support the creation and maintenance of forest dependent jobs in forest com-



Educational Opportunities

Thanks to Perry and Margaret Sebaugh, Edmondson County for hosting an outstanding woodland field day on their farm in May. Be reminded and check the dates and sites of the several educational opportunities being offered by the UK Department of Forestry this summer and fall. Don't forget to check out the KWOA website (kwoa.net), Woodland Magazine (UK) and the news in this newsletter for the many forestry activities available.

Leadership and meetings

KWOA is pleased to have several new and energetic members on the KWOA/KWOF boards. (See listing of board members). The board meets the third Thursdays in August, November, February and May. The 2013 annual meeting is scheduled for April 9-10 at Blue Licks State Park near Robertson, Mason and Fleming counties. Put this on your calendar. All members are invited to attend any and all of these KWOA/KWOF meetings.

Have a safe and pleasant summer!

Henry Duncan, President KWOA

Honoring Pete McNeill and Other Kentucky Forestry Leaders

Representatives from several Kentucky forestry organizations met recently with the family of Pete McNeill, noted forestry ambassador and leader, who passed away last month. This group expressed interest in establishing an endowment to support the advancement of forestry education by funding students at the University of Kentucky's Forestry Department in the College of Agriculture. The group is working to finalize the details of this endowment, which will ultimately honor Pete, and at the request of the family, other leaders from the forestry community in perpetuity. For more information contact Billy Thomas at billy.thomas@uky.edu or 859.257.9153.

Kevin Galloway, KDF, presented with **KWOA 2012 Outstanding Forester Award**

In recognition of outstanding professional services, Kevin Galloway, Service Forester, Kentucky Division of Forestry, Northeastern Kentucky District, was presented the Kentucky

Woodland Owners Association's Outstanding Service Forester Award during the KWOA annual meeting at Pennyrile Forest Resort State Park on April 10, 2012.

Mr. Galloway was assigned to the Northeast Kentucky Forestry District in 1992 and has provided high quality forestry educational and demonstration work and advice for the woodland owners in that district. He has prepared numerous comprehensive

forest management plans that provide professional management guidelines for local woodland owners. These plans identify marketable timber, provide management techniques to improve growth rate and stress the balance of timber harvest with fish, wildlife, natural environment and overall forest health. He instills in woodland owners the importance of following comprehensive woodland management plans.

Mr. Galloway is responsible for other projects including training workers in proper timber selection and harvest skills, thereby reducing damage and pollution to the woodlands in local watersheds. He serves as a resource person for woodland fields days for students, foresters and loggers. These field days bring welcome attention to proper woodland management and provide the public with knowledge regarding the importance of the forest in our society.

Kevin Galloway engages participants in discussing how the forest grows and matures. "Many people just use their woodlands for recreation," he says, "but managed timber can be more profitable as well as serving to improve woodland's recreation opportunities. Proper

management provides for a more healthy woodlands to enhance wildlife and improves water quality." Mr. Galloway conveys how woodland owners' actions can affect every part of the environment from

the trees and soil to water quality and wildlife habitats. He emphasizes that woodlands are the most underutilized resource in eastern Kentucky.

Local woodland owners have shared just how much they have learned from Kevin Galloway. "He is extremely knowledgeable, enthusiastic, amazingly dedicated - a profoundly professional forester who is respected by all who know him and with whom he has

worked."

Bob Gossett presented KWOA 2012 Outstanding Forester award to Kevin Galloway, Kentucky Division of Forestry.

Kevin Galloway brings credit to the Kentucky Division of

Forestry and Kentucky Woodland Owners Association by his professional representation of the industry and positive promotion of woodland management.



Senator Joey Pendleton presents Senate citation and Kentucky Colonel certificate to Mr. Kevin Galloway, KWOA 2012 Outstanding Forester.

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room and kitchenette. It will accommodate employees, students, interns and researchers on overnight trips while working in the area.

Best Management Practices trails, including forestry management structures and practices, are used for training master loggers, forestry students and groups like KWOA. Multiple harvest tracts are located throughout the timber that demonstrates various harvest, TSI and multiple management practices. Of particular interest is the management being carried out in areas damaged by tornados, pine leaf beetle and other perils.

Bryan shared valuable insights on the challenges of managing the state forest for the multiple goals of timber, preservation of barrens, wildlife and recreation (including horse, bike and hiking trails as well as hunting and camping). Bryan told attendees about specific initiatives to open the canopy for hardwood regeneration.

Later in the afternoon participants toured the site and saw a post-harvest site. Jim and his staff were also terrific hosts for the meeting. KWOA members were pleased to learn more about this outstanding operation and were appreciative for KDF's hospitality.

Tree Evaluation and Timber Sale Considerations Chuck Cortney, logger from Muhlenberg County and KFIA board member, shared harvest and marketing information from his logging experiences. His guidelines as to the value of various logs was informative and educational. Chuck also informed the woodland owners of the potential problems with the transport of logs over county and state highways. Pending weight limits may prove to discriminate toward woodland sales and marketing opportunities. We were challenged to visit with local and state officials concerning this situation.

Invasive Species Update/ Forest Health Task Force Report

Joe Collins, entomologist with the University of Kentucky, reported on specific invasive species and activities of the forest health task force. We received updates on six exotic pests:

1. Emerald Ash Borer (EAB), discovered in Kentucky in 2011 and in 2012 it was found in Hardin County near West Point. Three wasps from China have been released as a biological control in Kentucky. There are

- other diseases that affect ash trees (Clear Wing Borer and Ash Yellows). The EAB is distinctive in that it starts at the top of the tree and works down; so, by the time you see it at eye level it's too late. The purple traps are really a monitoring device to see if the EABs are present; they do not actually control the pest. EAB kills a tree in three to five years. For an EAB Identification Guide complete with website references for more information to to www.KyStateEnt.org and www.emeraldashborer.info. Go to www.beetlebusters.info to report sightings.
- 2. Thousand Cankers Disease (TCD) affects black walnut and butternut. Like EAB, TCD works down from the top of the tree. The beetles are tiny (less than 2 mm - estimate 35 per square inch). The beetle and the canker coalesce; a fungus on the beetle causes the disease. You have to catch the beetle and culture the pathogen to be sure what you have. Most finds so far have been on trees that were already stressed. TCD was found in Virginia, Tennessee and Pennsylvania in 2011. Target traps were set in Southeastern Kentucky in 2012; the new trap is very effective and has been placed in 15 to 20 sites.
- 3. Hemlock Wooly Adelgid (HWA) has already infected 90% of the Hemlocks in the Shenandoah National Park region and 98% in Eastern Kentucky. Estimates are that it takes four to six years for an infected tree to die in Kentucky (it is four to ten years north of us and three to six south of us). The loss of hemlocks will have serious effects on our woodland ecosystems. For example, hemlocks shade and help cool trout streams. Their loss will impact many species. There is a systemic treatment that lasts three to five years but it is very expensive. So, the focus is on bio-control using the Laricobius nigrinus beetle. This lady beetle was collected, screened and released in Kentucky at the Pine Mountain Amphitheater and Lodge and at Red River Gorge. Dr. Richard McDonald in Banner Elk, North Carolina has been using the beetle since 2004 and now the beetles are reproducing; this means it will be cheaper to collect and transport the beetles to infected sites in the eastern US. Recently the beetle larvae were found at Pine Mountain so we may even be able to collect locally in the future. This is good news for hemlocks.
- 4. Asian Longhorn Beetle (ALB) is not here yet.

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So far the closest sighting is Bethel, Ohio (about 30 miles from Cincinnati). It was accidentally introduced by way of woody packing material. ALB prefers maples and makes dime sized holes in infested trees. USDA is mandated to cut down and remove infected trees (fall and spring only) at no charge but there is no program for replanting.

- 5. Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB) is a garden pest that sometimes get inside homes where it can be a huge problem; Collins gave an example of thousands found behind book cases. The insect has a white strip on its antennae. It attacks crops like corn, pecans, fruits and vegetables. It has been found in a few counts in Kentucky. There are maps on the internet and here is a link to a fact sheet http://www.massnrc.org/pests/pestFAQsheets/brownmarmoratedstinkbug.html.
- 6. Bean Plataspid attacks soybean stem and is another home invader. Fortunately it is not yet in Kentucky.

Forest Products Certification Center

Chris Will from the Center for Forest and Woodland Certification gave an update on this

third party verification system of sustainability standards between the landowner and public markets. Chain of custody (COC) certification involves tracking every step from the land through the sawmill on the way to the retail



market. The CFWC is now open to woodland owners, loggers and forest products industries to participate in certification in a sustainable and affordable manner.

USDA Farm Bill and Forestry programs report Jerry Adams from NRCS gave us an excellent explanation of the current status of various programs under the farm bill. The report included detailed statistics on the number of applicants, various stages of applications and finding amounts for EQUIP, WHIP, FSI and brush management program practices. The first sign-ups for the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) began in 2012. They have 16 applications for 3800+ acres with an average payment of \$3/acre. The funding is based on

enhancement chosen and focus seems to be on pollinator habitat.

Timberland assessment and property taxation committee report

Jeff Stringer, UK Forestry Department, reported on the forest land assessment project. The issue is that the county PVAs use a variety of assessment methods that are not consistent and often result in an improper assessment of the productive value of our woodlands. He met with the Department of Revenue and asked them to provide better guidance to county PVA offices for family woodland/forest owners. A Plan to Establish Guidelines and Tools for Property Value Assessment of Certified Woodlands in Kentucky was given to Commissioner Tom B. Miller of the Department of Revenue prior to the meeting and copies were available at our meeting. The document proposes the use of a timber production model ("managing woodlands for woodlands") as the most appropriate means for valuing family owned, non-industrial woodlands. It notes the relatively low cost of certification, the ease of implementing this model at the county PVA offices, the assurance of fair and equitable valuation and the minimal impact on county tax revenues that this model provides. Basically, Dr. Stringer said that certification was the easiest way to prove the long term value of woodland management work by owners. This in turn would help prove the value for tax assessment purposes.

Natural Resource Photography

Tom Barnes, UK, gave a very thoughtful and inspiring presentation on the art of nature photography. Barnes provided several tips for taking better pictures:

- > Take a picture with your mind first; ask yourself why you are taking this picture so you know what you want to say before you click the camera.
- > Flowers are feminine forms that are accentuated with soft light.
- > Use lines, curved or linear, to lead to the subject. Shapes, form, patterns make design out of chaos.
- > Shibui (Japanese term for highly refined elegance) is essentially simplicity.
- > "If you can't make it good, make it big!"
- > Using three primary colors together is a simple way to achieve a successful result.
- > In photographing wildlife keep the animal's eye in focus. Give critters room to move, a place to be heading, in the composition.
- > Using a flash on butterflies brings out the scales and colors.

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- > Sidelight gives us texture and contrast.
- > With patience we become a better photographer and a better naturalist.

Biomass and woodlands update

Larry Love gave a short presentation on biomass business concepts. Nothing truly viable at this point but the ideas being pursued involve short rotation non-invasive woody crops (black locust and sycamore). If you want to pursue this type of practice, professional advice is needed. Ken Negray of New Page said their market for using biomass is very limited at this time. He also spoke on the various certification programs (FSC, SFI and ATF) and said customer demand for certified paper is increasing. Normally Wickliffe sources wood chip from a 170-200 mile range but is now going as far as 500 miles due to client demand for certified product. FSC is currently in highest demand due to market structure. Kentucky Division of Forestry put out a paper on Recommendations for Harvesting Woody Biomass in October 2011; copies were available at the meeting.

Forestry Scholarship Award

Perhaps one of the most encouraging aspects of our meeting was the presence of a large



Doug McLaren presented Kayla Price with the KWOA scholarship.

group of **UK** Forestry students who demonstrated enthusiasm and growing knowledge for the future of our woodlands. The new KWOA scholarship recipient, Kayla Price, was present and shared a bit about her passion for

forestry. Henry Duncan said we hope to continue having forestry student groups join us. The two way interaction is surely beneficial.

Credits:

Newsletter editor – Karen Marshall Mailing – Kentucky Forest Industries Association KWOA website – Karen Marshall

Woodland Management Focus for Woodland Owners Short Course

Managed woodlands are healthy woodlands, which can enhance the landowner's experience by attracting more wildlife, producing a cash crop of valuable timber and providing a place for family recreation. The 2012 Woodland Owners Short Course will cover all those aspects—for both novice and experienced landowners.

Most woodland owners are not aware of the wide variety of organizations and programs available to help them care for their woodlands, said Billy Thomas, UK Cooperative Extension forester.

"Some of the biggest obstacles woodland owners face are understanding their property's potential and finding people who can help them accomplish their objectives," he said. "The Woodland Owners Short Course puts landowners in contact with professionals who can help them achieve their particular management goals."

More than 10 Kentucky forestry, wildlife and natural resource organizations work in partnership to plan, conduct and evaluate the one-day course, which is offered once in each of the three geographical regions of the state. Local planning committees have developed the regional programs with local needs in mind, so each region's course will vary slightly from the others. In Eastern Kentucky, the course is scheduled for Aug. 4 in the Whitley County Cooperative Extension office in Williamsburg. The course in Western Kentucky is scheduled for Aug. 11 at the Marshall County Cooperative Extension office in Benton, and in Central Kentucky the course will take place Aug. 25 at Cedarmore Camp in Bagdad.

Two concurrent tracks, Gold and Green, target either the seasoned woodland owner or those who are just beginning. Landowners who might just have acquired woodlands or who are beginning to think about management and wondering what their options are should enroll in the Green Track, while more experienced woodland managers can register in the Gold Track. Past graduates of the short course will

KWOA Meeting Welcomes New Members, Elects 2012 Directors and Officers

Three distinguished individuals become new KWOA members during the annual meeting: Senator Joey Pendleton was presented an honorary KWOA membership.

Ms. Whitney Meadows, Field Representative for U.S. Senator Rand Paul, Louisville, joined KWOA

and also made a significant contribution to the KWOF Scholarship fund. Throughout the meeting she participated in the many of the discussions and pledged the Senator's support toward KWOA issues.

Mr. Tim Hughes, Kentucky Department of Energy, joined KWOA and reported that bio fuel issues and programs will have a significant impact on woodland owners.

KWOA membership elected the following new board members:

East zone - Jack Stickney, Irvine and Yancy Clark, Danville

Central zone - David Hartman, Bowling Green and Jerry Brown, Louisville

West zone - Lyndle Barnes, Caldwell County



New board
1st row: L to R: Doug McLaren, Secretary, Jack Rentz, Vice President, Robert 'Bob'
Gossett, Fleming County, Treasurer, Henry Duncan, President, Portia Brown, Assistant
Secretary.

2nd row: L to R: Lyndle Brown, Caldwell County, Director, Yancy Clark, Boyle County, Director, Jerry Brown, Jefferson County, Director, David Hartman, Warren County, Director

New officers for 2012:

Jack Rentz – Vice President (former assistant treasurer)

Robert 'Bob' Gossett, Fleming County - Treasurer

Portia Brown, Louisville - Assistant Secretary

Ken Arney, Forest Service, attended Annual Meeting

Ken Arney, U.S. Forest Service Deputy Regional Forester from Region 8 in Atlanta, attended the KWOA annual meeting and assisted in the initiating of the new KWOA/ KWOF board members and officers into positions with KWOA/KWOF.

Arney's job is to oversee all the state and private forestry programs for which the Kentucky Division of Forestry receives grant funds. Leah MacSwords, Director, Kentucky Division of Forestry, reported that Ken was pleased to have an opportunity to visit with some of Kentucky's active forest landowners and hear about issues and concerns of Kentucky woodland owners.

Senator Joey Pendleton speaks at Annual Meeting

Senator Joey Pendleton was the banquet speaker and emphasized that although he is a dairyman in Christian County, he and others throughout society recognize the importance of our woodlands and the proper management and protection of forestland. He pledged to represent woodland owners as he serves on the various agriculture, appropriations and revenue committees. He encouraged KWOA to maintain close communications with elected officials. He recommended the use of electronic communications to insure fast turn round responses. Senator Pendleton was presented a good luck horse shoe from Keeneland training barn and a complementary membership to KWOA. He can be contacted at: joey.pendleton@lrc.ky.gov

Governor Beshear Proclaims 2012 as the Year of Kentucky's Forests

Division of Forestry Celebrates 100-Year Anniversary

This year, the Kentucky Division of Forestry (KDF) is celebrating its 100th anniversary. To help commemorate KDF's Centennial and to acknowledge its employees both past and present, Gov. Steve Beshear signed a proclamation this week declaring 2012 as 'The Year of Kentucky's Forests.'

"I commend the Kentucky Division of Forestry and its employees for serving the Commonwealth with purpose, dedication and commitment for the past century," Gov. Beshear said. "Through fighting wildfires, providing technical assistance to landowners and communities and protecting forest health, Kentucky is committed to ensuring the sustainability of our forests for another hundred years and beyond."

KDF, originally known as the Board of Forestry, was established in 1912 by the Kentucky General Assembly to protect forest resources from being destroyed by wildfire and depleted from over-harvesting. Although KDF has changed considerably over the years, the initial priorities have remained the same – protecting forests from wildfire, assisting landowners with forest stewardship and producing tree seedlings for reforestation projects.

"This is a significant milestone for our agency and for forest conservation in our state," said Leah MacSwords, director of KDF. "A century of hard work and dedication by the division employees has helped sustain our forest resources for a multitude of benefits including scenic beauty, clean air and water, wildlife habitat and an economically-important forest industry."

The men and women of KDF are not only dedicated to the fire protection and steward-ship of nearly 12 million acres of forestland in Kentucky, they also work with the forest products industry; they train, license and regulate master loggers to assure good water quality; they assist communities with reforestation and urban forestry planning; they maintain two seedling nurseries and they manage nine state-owned forestlands using sustainable forestry practices.

KDF's yearlong celebration of its centennial will include salutations during the State Arbor Day Ceremony, informational displays at the capitol, participation in fairs and festivals across the Commonwealth and historical presentations to various groups throughout the year.

For updated information and to learn more about the division's past, present and future, please visit the website at http://forestry.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx.

2012 spring tornado destroys KDF nursery in Morgan County

Buildings, equipment and tree seedlings were destroyed by the damaging tornado that struck Morgan County in March 2012. The adjuster declared seven buildings along with content, including tools and other equipment, a total loss. Two other buildings and equipment were a partial loss. Many of the larger nursery trees were destroyed and the new seedlings are in need of maintenance but there is limited equipment with which to work. The cleanup costs for debris removal including all the downed trees is both time consuming and expensive.

Based on listed fixed assets and building databases (not including seedling loss) the total estimated loss exceeds \$1.5 million. Most of the damaged vehicles belonged to the U.S. Forest Service. The nursery building, equipment and contents are covered by insurance that will also cover cleanup and debris removal as well as replacement of buildings, equipment and contents. "The insurance should provide enough to build back our nursery operations," reports Leah MacSwords, Director, KDF.

To see the photos before and after the tornado hit the MCN as well as some shots of the clean up, click the link to the Kentucky Division of Forestry Facebook page. https://www.face-book.com/pages/Kentucky-Division-of-Forest-ry/261039753930985

Woodland Owners Short Course continued

also find valuable information by returning to the course through the Gold Track.

Depending on the track and the region, sessions will cover such topics as tree identification; tree planting; crop tree management; native warmseason grasses; wildlife food plots; woodland health threats; wildlife habitat management; salvage harvests and improve storm-damaged woodlands; conservation reserve program and wildlife corridors; woodland certification benefits and opportunities; forestry and wildlife; timber harvesting and sales; wetland reserve program and water quality plans, to name just a few.



Each short course begins at 9 a.m. local time and concludes around 4:30 p.m. Lunch is included. Preregistration is strongly encouraged as space is limited. Sessions are \$20 for individuals, \$30 for couples.

The 2012 Woodland Owners Short Course is the result of a partnership between UK Cooperative Extension Service, UK Department of Forestry, Kentucky Division of Forestry, Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, Kentucky State University, Kentucky Tree Farm Committee, Kentucky Woodland Owners Association, Kentucky Natural Resources Conservation Service, Kentucky Forest Industries Association, the Sustainable Forestry Initiative and the Kentucky Chapter of the Association of Consulting Foresters of America Inc.

For a detailed listing of course topics at each location and to register, visit the short course website at http://www.ca.uky.edu/forestryextension/WOSC.php. Registration can also be done via phone by calling 859-257-7597.

Register on-line at www.ukforestry.org

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East Region	West Region	Central Region	
Whitley County	Marshall County	Franklin/Shelby Counties	
August 4	August 11	August 25	
Green Track	Green Track	Green Track	
Gold Track	Gold Track	Gold Track	

Mail your registration form to:

Woodland Owners Short Course UK Forestry Extension 216 T. P. Cooper Building Lexington, KY 40546-0076

Register on-line at: **www.ukforestry.org** Information contact:

859.257.7597 or visit www.ukforestry.org

University of Kentucky's Spring Student Recognition Program

During the afternoon of April 26 the seniors of the Senior Capstone Class of the University of Kentucky's Forestry Department made their annual power point presentations of a 400 acre property which was this year located in Casey County. The property was divided into three equal parcels and the student groups were asked to spend the semester collecting and processing the data for a workable forest management plan for the owners of the property.

Later in the evening, during the annual Spring Student Recognition Program, Henry Duncan, representing KWOA, praised the students for developing these well designed, thorough and workable forestry plans. "Forest management is the cornerstone of KWOA's mission statement" Duncan commented.



Senior Capstone Class - UK Forestry Department

During the awards dinner, Duncan had the opportunity to re-present the KWOA Scholarships and the Kentucky Colonel Certificates to the forestry student recipients that were first presented at the KWOA annual meeting at Pennyrile State Forest in early April.

2011 winner: Megan A. Buland - Home County: Fayette County 2012 winner: Kayla D. Price - Home County: Johnson County

Bill Green, KWOA Member, Recognized for Long-term Dedicated Efforts

Senator Joey Pendleton presented a Kentucky Senate citation and a Kentucky Colonel certificate to Mr. William

Senator Joey Pendleton presented a Kentucky Senate citation and a Kentucky Colonel certificate to Bill Green.

H. (Bill) Green to recognize his long time dedicated efforts in behalf of KWOA.

Mr. Bill Green was one of the Kentucky Woodland Owners Foundation Directors. He was one of the organizers of KWOA in 1995 and served on its initial Board of Directors. Mr. Green has also

served as Vice-President and as Secretary of this organization. He continues as a KWOA/F member.

In 2001 Green was designated a Master Tree Farmer. He has served as an agriculture educator throughout his career. With advanced degrees in Agriculture from Purdue and the University of Kentucky, he served as County Extension Agent for Agriculture in Graves County Extension Center, Mayfield for 35 years, earning numerous honors and recognition. He worked with the National Association of County Agriculture and Westvaco on a Forestry Training and Awards Program.

Bill is a member of the Kentucky Nursery Association and an America Tree Farmer. He is currently a part time farmer, nurseryman and does custom tree planting.

He and his wife, Millie, live in Mayfield. They have three sons, a daughter and nine grandchildren.

Taylor Farm part of First FSC Certified Family Forest in KY

Clifton Taylor, KWOF board member, and wife Barbara Taylor are part of a three family owned forest that is the first Family Forest in Kentucky to be Forest Stewardship Council certified.

For more information about joining the Center for Forest and Wood Certification's group Forest Management certificates go to http://www.forestcertificationcenter.org/FM.



KWOA is dedicated to promoting economically and environmentally sound forest management.

Visit our new Web site...www.kwoa.net to learn more.



2012 Calendar of Events

August 4, 2012 **East Region Woodland Owners Short Course**Whitley County Extension Office
859.257.7597 or www.ukforestry.org

August 11, 2012
West Region
Woodland Owners Short Course
Marshall County Extension Office
859.257.7597 or www.ukforestry.org

August 16, 2012 **KWOA/F Quarterly Board Meeting**KFIA Office

Frankfort

August 25, 2012

Central Region

Woodland Owners Short Course
Franklin/Shelby counties
Cedarmore Camp
859.257.7597 or www.ukforestry.org

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