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Chairman's Corner

WHO REPRESENTS TODAY'S WOODLAND OWNERS?

I noticed on the NYFOA State board agenda for this past month had: consideration of offering one of the 2 "national" organizations that presumably represent private woodland owners, space in the NYFOA magazine. This raised a question in my mind that we do some good research first and know who is doing what. I just received 2 spring magazines in the past month. One is called WOODLAND and the other NATIONAL WOODLANDS. The former references "sustaining America's Family Forests, and uses a logo that are the initials for "American Forest Foundation" and the logo is shaped like a Christmas tree. Are they the apparent heirs to what was the American Tree Farm Association? The latter, uses the initials in their logo as "NWOA" – National Wood Land Owners Association. Their logo symbol looks like the American eagle with head turned to the right. One of their major endeavors has been to provide affordable liability insurance for woodland owners. Interesting enough, this organization puts out a weekly

"National Woodland Owners" association in smaller letters beneath this square which is turned 90 degrees, like the former Tree Farm sign which had water, recreations, etc. on it. To lend a little more clutter to the number of "Woodland/Forest" organizations, I just received a special events program to be sponsored by the "New York Tree Farm Association". It is was good to see this organization still exists and is doing some very positive education and advocacy in our State and sponsored a special workshop in June. (I had my woodlands certified by them at least 15 years ago, and went through 2 recertification processes, but am not up to speed whether this is still being done or not.) And then I have another question --- does this mean this organization is nation-wide or state-specific?

email called the "Woodland Word". The logo on this weekly email is shaped like the traditional "American Tree Farm Association", but the wording on this is now: "Family Forest Owner", with

Actually the information coming from both organizations is showing more diversity and quality. My concern is that Woodland/forestry organizations, (and there may be others I am missing), are competing for "woodland owner's donations/money". Do we need multiple national organizations? Does NYFOA have a role to play here? Certainly more clarity pertaining to a mission and vision statement is needed and what are the ultimate objectives of each organization and how will the funding they receive via donations ultimately assist those of us who are woodland owners?

Mark Your Calendars—Upcoming NYFOA AFC Events

July 21 Summer Picnic & Annual Meeting July 16-22 July 30-August 5th September 22 (Rain Date 9/29) 10:00 AM

Long Point State Park Chautauqua County Fair Cattaraugus County Fair Wood's Walk at Jim Barber's

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Submitted by Bob Wood

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Cattaraugus County Fair

Submitted by Gayle Rembold

Monday, July 30th marks the opening day of the annual Cattaraugus County Fair in Little Valley. NYFOA – AFC (Allegany Foothills Chapter) plans again to promote sustainable and responsible forest stewardship with a display, information about our organization, useful educational information and materials, a wood-related quiz or two, a raffle of a few items (handmade, homemade and other), and a friendly visit with real forest owners.

Look for NYFOA in the Norton Conservation Building, just inside the Main Gate on Rte. 353 in the village.

Volunteers to man/woman our display and greet visitors are encouraged to sign up early. Contact Gayle Rembold at <u>gprembold@gmail.com</u>. The Fair runs through August 5th.

Chautauqua County Fair

Submitted by Tony Pingitore

This year our fair is July 16, 2018 through and including July 22nd. As always, we are looking for volunteers to man our display and items to raffle. It is good to have two or more people at our display all day each day. Working the display is fun and a is good way to introduce new people to NYFOA-AFC. Talking with passersby is a rewarding experience for both our visitors and our members. If you haven't done this before please consider giving it a try. You will like it!

If you would like to help, call Dick Vail at 763-0021 or 640-5860 or Tony Pingitore at 962-4041 or email me at tonyfp231@gmail.com.

If you can, please donate woodlot or outdoor themed items for the raffle. Handcrafted articles are more than welcome. Thanks!

Welcome New Members!!!

Lynn Cross
David Ensminger
John Manison
Brain Schaus
Norman T. Smith



The mission of the New York Forest Owners Association (NYFOA) is to promote sustainable forestry practices and improved stewardship on privately owned woodlands in New York State. NYFOA is a not-for-profit group of people who care about NYS's trees and forests and are interested in the thoughtful management of private forests for the benefit of current and future generations.

Summer Picnic and Annual Meeting

The NYFOA Summer Picnic will be held on Saturday July 21st at Audubon Society located on River Rd out of Frewsburg We ask that each family group bring their own table service, beverages and chairs. We will provide gas and charcoal grills, and the chapter will provide hamburgers, hot dogs and rolls.

The Audubon Nature Center covers over 600 acres and has a number of attractions. It is located at 1600 Riverside Rd, off Route 62 between Frewsburg, NY and Akley, PA. We encourage you to go to the Audubon Society website at www.audubonnc.com to learn more as well as to find the best route to attend.

Our chapter meeting will be at 11:30 and lunch. We welcome members to come earlier if they would like

At the Annual Meeting, we will be sharing the new Operational Guidelines for the AFC Chapter. These Operational Guidelines were approved by the Executive Committee this past May.

We hope you can make it!

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EVENTS CALENDAR

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Please email your comments to: jabot@fredonia.edu (Mike Jabot)

If you know of someone who has woodland, or is interested in wood lands invite them to join NYFOA-AFC. Feel free to show them your copy of the Newsletter and/or the N.Y. Forest Owner Magazine.