



National Capital Society of American Foresters



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Chair's Corner

We have another New Year before us to create opportunities and meet challenges; another year to develop our visions, our strategies and our actions both personal and professional. And, yes, another year to continue serving as volunteers for NCSAF.

Speaking of volunteers for NCSAF, I am pleased to report that we have a number of excellent professionals who have come forth to volunteer their service both in elected and appointed positions on your executive committee for 2007. Namely, Eric Norland, chair elect; Doug Powell, treasurer; Donna Gehlhaart, secretary; Mary T. Bates, communication chair; Jennifer Plyler, newsletter editor; Jim Culbert, membership chair; John Witherspoon, audit and tellers committee's chair; Loren Ford, program committee chair; Rick Cooksey, policy committee chair; Laura Schweitzer, fundraising chair; Corbin Newman, nominating committee chair; Timothy Resch, phonathon chair; Dick Fitzgerald, Wild Acres liaison and, Denise Ingram, science and technology coordinator.

All committees still need more members. I believe that "many hands will make the work lighter for all of us." So, please decide where you would like to volunteer and contact one of the committee chairs above. Otherwise, we will call you!

On Saturday, January 13, 2007, your executive committee held our annual organizational and planning session from 9am-12:30pm at the national Society of American Foresters headquarters in Bethesda, MD. You can find more detail information on some of those committee actions reported in this publication by each of the committee chairs.

As your chair, a major focus for me in the coming months will be on providing leadership for the updating of our Strategic Plan and outcomes and monitoring the progress of our Society in terms of meeting those outcomes. Another focus will be on serving as your NCSAF's official delegate to the House of Society Delegate (HSD) and as a convener. I will be reporting any actions and pertinent information to the executive committee and the membership at large.

Open lines of communication are most important to our Society; therefore your executive committee will be available to you either by phone, e-mail and/or by mutual face-to face meeting. Please let us hear from you!

Again, I am very excited and most honored to serve as your chair for NCSAF this year and I look forward to meeting each and every one of you at our monthly luncheons, forums, briefings, wine tastings, young foresters evening socials and/or just one on one.

Wilhelmina B. Bratton
Chair

Thoughts from NCSAF's Immediate Past Chair

Happy New Year! As we roll right along into 2007, I find myself reflecting on the past year. NCSAF held its first annual wine tasting. We also held many luncheons featuring speakers ranging from high profile politicians to folks working on the ground. Once again, the National office honored us by asking for our help in cleaning up Wild Acres and in encouraging members to remain members through the annual Phonathon. Wilhelmina Bratton and I attended the House of Society Delegates meeting at the SAF Convention in Pittsburgh and met other leaders from around the country also involved in their local chapters and state societies within SAF.

Personally, this year was an incredible year of growth and experience. I came to more extensively understand SAF and the value it provides to its members and to society. I was also provided with many opportunities to grow, as a member, a forester, a leader, and a professional. This was due entirely to the support and wisdom of members and leaders on the Executive Committee of the NCSAF. I thank you and those leaders for giving me the opportunity to expand my abilities and work with and on behalf of the NCSAF.

As we move into 2007, I am excited about our new Chair, Wilhelmina Bratton, taking the reins. Wilhelmina has made a tremendous beginning by including members in the leadership of NCSAF who have previously been uninvolved. She has also done some reorganizing of leadership positions so that the membership of NCSAF is better served and so that we, as a state society, better serve National SAF. I look forward to the coming year and to all that the incoming leadership team and 2007 membership may accomplish. Myself, I've committed to doing fundraising and coordination of gatherings and events for members, so please get in touch with me if you have ideas related to those activities.

Thank you again for being an organization of which I am proud to be a member. Have a wonderful 2007.

**Laura Schweitzer
Immediate Past Chair**

Just Say "YES!"

Greetings! I'm honored by your votes and the election results that have landed me in the chair elect position for NCSAF. And I'm equally delighted to work with and support our incoming chair, Wilhelmina Bratton, in whatever ways I can. Although she and I work in different agencies, I have seen her nearly every Wednesday at the Forest Service for the past five years. She is a skillful, articulate, and dedicated servant leader. Running for chair elect was the furthest thing from my mind until.....I was asked. Funny how many of us don't volunteer, but respond when asked.

NCSAF is unique in many ways. Just as there is no other city in the world like Washington, DC, there is no other chapter in the country like NCSAF. A great many of our members have national responsibilities and are leaders in their own organizations. Picture the potential of a chapter comprised of national leaders from industry, government, trade, non-profit, and professional organizations. The caption to the picture is, of course, "Busy, busy, busy!" But if you could carve out just a little bit of time for your professional society, we would all benefit. Your experiences, opinions, and perspectives matter!

So, when your NCSAF Executive Leadership Team calls you and “pops” the question, “Would you be willing to _____?”, we hope you will say YES. If you are waiting to be asked, call me at (202) 401-5971 and tell me how you would like to help out. There are lots of opportunities, both large and small. Many hands make for light work.

I look forward to serving with Wilhelmina and working with the executive leadership team. And I’m looking forward to meeting you, the NCSAF members, most of whom I do not know yet.

Best wishes!

Eric R. Norland
Chair Elect

District VII Council Report ***Membership and Dues: Your Help Is Needed***

The New Year is an opportunity to look ahead, make a fresh start, and try to do better than the last. For SAF, I think that the New Year will bring some tremendous opportunities to continue to broaden the public’s support of sustainable forestry, to find new solutions to land and resource management problems, and to build or expand your professional knowledge and experiences. I think that SAF is a strong and viable organization of people who seek to extend their personal professional capabilities and to advance sound, sustainable management of forests and forested lands.

SAF has done a lot of work over the last few years to learn what its members need and want from a professional society. This spring at the March SAF Council meeting, the Council will further discuss some options for making changes to the membership and dues structure. The proposals are designed to make joining SAF easier and more understandable, help to retain members, and reduce the confusion over dues. The proposals have been circulated to society, division, and chapter chairs to allow for discussion among the members.

I think that the membership categories are not conducive to attracting people who qualify for membership, but who may not be practicing forestry per se. For example, I have asked recreation managers why they are not members of SAF and they tell me that they don’t think they qualify (even though they may have a forestry degree). Such instances are lost opportunities for membership.

I also think that our dues structure is too complicated and seems to be a disincentive to retaining members in the 20-30 age groups, as well as difficult to explain to potential members.

I believe that SAF can continue to be THE professional organization for forestry and an organization of people who are engaged in other aspects of land and resource management. I don’t see it as “either-or” situation.

As you can see, I have my own thoughts about these issues, but I very much need to hear from you, individually and from your chapters, divisions, and state society. Please let me know your thoughts and ideas. This is very important to you and the Society. You can email me at coulombe@cox.net or call me at (202) 761-1228. HAPPY NEW YEAR

Mary J. Coulombe
District VII Council Representative

Wine Tasting and Auction

Please join us for the 2nd Annual NCSAF Wine Tasting and Auction on Thursday, January 25th at the Ballston Park Condominium Party Room. The festivities will begin at 5:30 pm, with the auction starting after 6:30 pm. Each guest should bring one bottle of wine to share (cost should not exceed \$25/bottle).

Do you have any unwanted household items? Any Holiday or Christmas gifts that don't fit with your decor, lifestyle or general likes? Are you looking for a tax write-off? Do you have any hidden talents (e.g., cooking, painting, etc.)? Donate to the auction! Please call Dwight Fielder at (202) 452-7761, E. Lynn Burkett at (202) 785-6594 or Laura Schweitzer at (202) 737-1944, x219 to call in your auction items. We'll compile a preliminary list of items to distribute prior to the auction.

Directions: Metro (recommended) - Take the orange line to Ballston station. Cross Fairfax Drive and continue on N. Stuart Street one block to Ballston Park Condominium (1050 N. Stuart St.) on left. Signs will direct you to the party room door on the first floor.

Driving - Fairfax Drive can be accessed by I-66 (Glebe Rd Exit) or Washington Blvd. (Rt. 27). Stuart Street is between Taylor and Randolph off of Fairfax Dr.

**Laura Schweitzer, chair
Fundraising**

NCSAF Programs 2007

Here are a few programs NCSAF is working on and or confirmed for the upcoming year:

On February 8, Marcia Patton-Mallory, Forest Service Biomass and Bioenergy Coordinator in the Chief's office, will talk about the agency's Woody Biomass Utilization Strategy.

The new Forest Service Chief (and SAF member) Gail Kimbell is confirmed for March 8.

The NCSAF Program Committee has developed what we hope you will find to be an informative and entertaining program of luncheons. Also, the executive committee has requested that our program format be expanded to also include some longer policy forums to allow a more in-depth treatment of policy issues and the opportunity to feature presenters representing different sides of issues. Let me know if you are interested in helping with policy forums, or if you are interested in different formats, such as field trips. If members indicate their interest and are willing to help plan and participate, then the program committee will try to accommodate your wishes. Please contact me at (703) 605-4478 or lbford@fs.fed.us if you have program ideas, and especially if you're willing to help with our committee.

**Loren B. Ford, chair
Program and Issues Forum Committee**

Congressional Outreach Scheduled for Capitol Hill

NCSAF will be hosting a Congressional outreach on the Hill the evening of February 28th. The purpose of the event is to highlight the benefits of private forests and the challenges that landowners face, touching on:

- 1) The value of private forests – ecological (clean water, clean air, etc.), economic (timber, recreation, etc.), social (vibrant rural economies, jobs, etc.);
- 2) Connections between rural forests and urban needs (e.g., water);
- 3) The need for assistance to private landowners in order to protect public benefits; and
- 4) How the upcoming Farm Bill reauthorization could help overcome the challenges to maintaining forests.

Nonindustrial timberland owners will share their on-the-ground experiences and stories. Rick Cooksey recently joined the cadre organizing the event. Other organizers include Nadine Block, Laura Schweitzer, Ian McFarlane, and Darci Birmingham,. NCSAF members will be invited to attend the event. Further information will be available at the February 8th NCSAF meeting. Invitations to NCSAF members will be sent out in early in February.

Darci Birmingham
Congressional Liaison

It's That Time of Year Sign Up for the Phonathon Now! *Phonathon 2007 Volunteers Needed*

The NCSAF 2007 Phonathon for the Society of American Foresters is Tuesday April 17, Wednesday April 18 and Wednesday, April 25, 2007 from 5:30 PM to 9:00/9:30 PM at the national "Wildacres" office of SAF at 5400 Grosvenor Lane, Bethesda, MD 20814-2198.

Annually, NCSAF assists the national office of SAF in contacting members and former members who have failed so far to renew their SAF membership for 2007. It's a great opportunity to help our professional Society and at the same time gives us an opportunity to think through why we belong to and support SAF. It sometimes provides an opportunity to talk to old friends and colleagues, which is always a great deal of fun. We use a phone bank set up by SAF in their conference room and using low evening long distance rates, we work our way across the US by time zones. The "young" foresters of NCSAF are organizing to focus their group on a single evening to be determined.

The national office provides light snacks and beverages so you can come directly from work. Notes Carol McKernon, SAF member services manager, "The Phonathon is probably one of the most important things we do here for membership retention." If anyone needs help with transportation contact Tim Resch, phonathon chair, and we will work out something. The national office is a short (for a forester) walk from the Grosvenor Metro Stop. To volunteer, please call (703) 470-3166 or e-mail: tresch@att.net. Bring a friend. This is a great way to meet and work with your fellow NCSAF members.

Tim Resch, chair
Phonathon

Wanted: NCSAF Webmaster Volunteer

After getting the NCSAF Web site (See <http://www.ncsaf.net/>) up and running, Brian Keightley, needs to turn over the responsibility to another volunteer that has Web management skills, has access to Web management software and has the interest in improving and managing the NCSAF Web site. Tim Resch, who meets some level of the three criteria will be managing the site in an interim bases. Contact Tim at (703) 470-3166 or tresch@att.net if you are interested in serving as webmaster.

Treasurer's Report

This year we will be keeping NCSAF membership more informed about our financial situation with regular reports in the *DC Forester*. To start this off, I'll give a brief report of what happened in 2006 and then provide the budget for 2007 that was approved by the executive committee at its January meeting.

In 2006, we had income of \$18,314 and expenses of \$11,461 for a net gain in assets of \$6,853. There were two items that explain most of this windfall. The first was that we decided to close our separate Science Day account and share the proceeds with the Soil and Water Conservation Society, since we were the two professional societies most involved in Science Days in the past. That netted NCSAF \$3,222. The second was that we received an initial grant for congressional outreach from the Foresters Fund for \$2,600. Due to various scheduling difficulties, that grant money will not be expended until 2007, and once it is we will receive an additional \$650 for the balance of the grant. So we closed the year with a very healthy banking account balance of \$8,990, and with the various certificates of deposit held by NCSAF, our total assets were \$24,992.

The audit committee is now reviewing the 2006 financial records, and will report on its findings in the next issue of the *DC Forester*.

Turning to this year, here is the initial budget:

2007 NCSAF Budget

Income

Auction	\$2,000.00
Dues Disbursement	\$3,000.00
Grant from Foresters Fund	\$650.00
Interest	\$750.00
Issues Forum Income	\$300.00
Luncheon Receipts	\$3,100.00
Raffles	\$500.00
Total Income	\$10,300.00

Expenses

Awards-Recognition	\$250.00
Congressional Outreach	\$5,250.00
Foresters Fund	\$500.00
Holiday Party	\$3,000.00
HSD Assessment	\$150.00
Issues Forum Expenses	\$500.00
Leadership Academy	\$1,500.00
Luncheon Meals	\$3,000.00
Mailing	\$350.00
Web Site	\$90.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$200.00
Total Expenses	\$14,790.00

Difference - \$4,490.00

As you can see, we are planning to draw our balance down some, which explains why expenses are budgeted to exceed income. The “Dues Disbursement” income item is dues money that we individually pay to the National SAF for NCSAF, and then the national office sends it back to our local society. The “Congressional Outreach” item is for hosting a dinner in February, which is supported by both NCSAF and a Foresters’ Fund grant (mentioned above). The “Leadership Academy” item is for support for this national SAF training program. There is the possibility that the academy may not be held in 2007, so this budget item may be reduced by the executive committee later in the year.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Treasurer, Doug Powell (dougpowell@fs.fed.us), or any member of the executive committee.

Doug Powell
Treasurer

NCSAF Membership Update

As of the end of December 2006, NCSAF had a total of 294 members, which were nine members short of our membership goal of 303 members for the end of 2006. The NCSAF has an invigorated executive committee in place to serve you in 2007, and we hope that this will help expand our membership and activities.

The following NCSAF membership changes occurred in November and December.

New

Margo Dawley, American Forests

Reinstated

Hammed A. Massaley

Kirsten J. Spainhower

Transferred In

Eric C. Berg, CF – from Snake River Chapter

Arlen E. Ricke – from New Mexico Chapter

Bret A. Robinson – from Skyline Chapter

Transferred Out

Ann Hooker Clarke – to Monterey Bay Chapter

Margaret Y. Mitchell – to Green Mountain Division

SAF Membership Changes Being Considered

A presentation was made to the SAF Council at their June meeting, and to House of Society Delegates in October, regarding a recently completed analysis of SAF membership dues, policies, and membership categories. As part of this analysis, there are several proposed changes to SAF membership. These proposals include:

- Simplify membership categories to those of student and member
- Allow all members to vote
- Change national dues to three categories – member (\$133), retired (\$105), and student (\$35), with a transitional new professional rate of \$85 for students who continue their membership after graduation during the first five years
- Count student membership in the total membership years
- Continue the golden member benefit, but make receiving the *Journal of Forestry* optional for \$25
- Create one local unit fee, for new members only, on the SAF application
- Abolish the endorsement requirement for new members on the SAF application

SAF Leaders have been asked to discuss these changes with the general membership, and provide comments to council by March 12 so that council can use this information during their Spring meeting.

I propose that NCSAF hold one or more special meetings in February for members to learn more about these proposals and be provided an opportunity express your thoughts about them. For this to be set up, there needs to be an expression of interest from NCSAF members. Those interested should contact me by the end of January with your desires for locations, days, and times. Meetings will be set up according to the level of response. Please e-mail if you are interested in meeting. My e-mail is jculbert@fs.fed.us

I have a copy of the presentation slides and analysis document. Members may contact me to obtain a copy.

**Jim Culbert, chair
Membership Committee**

NCSAF to Support Foresters' Fund

I'm very pleased to announce that at our January 13 planning meeting for 2007, the NCSAF Executive Committee decided to dedicate the proceeds of all of our 2007 raffles to the SAF Foresters' Fund, with a minimum contribution of \$500.

The goals of the SAF Foresters' Fund are to provide funding for projects that:

- Promote education to enhance public understanding of the role of professional foresters in forest resource management;
- Conduct forest policy activities; and/or
- Strengthen state societies, divisions, and chapters in achieving the mission of the Society.

State societies, divisions, and chapters can apply to the Foresters' Fund for project grants. Grants must be sponsored, supervised, or organized and involve the active participation of SAF members. NCSAF has been the recipient of Foresters' Fund grants in the past, most recently a grant of \$3,250 to support our congressional briefing to be held early this year on the need to keep Working Forests Working. Your participation in the briefing is welcome, and needed. Information on the briefing is presented elsewhere in this edition of the *DC Forester*. And your participation is also needed at our program events throughout the year, especially your contributions to the raffle for this great cause.

**Loren B. Ford, chair
Program and Issues Forum Committee**

A Review of NCSAF Programs in 2006

The 2006 NCSAF luncheon programs kicked off last year in April with a presentation on the Healthy Forests Initiative and Implementation of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act by Forest Service National Fire Plan Coordinator and NCSAF member Rick Prausa and Zach Stevenson, executive director of the Applegate River Watershed Council from Oregon. Zach was in town as part of "Week in Washington" sponsored by the Pinchot Institute, American Forests, and the Forest Service Cooperative Forestry staff.

In June, Dr. Gary Evans gave a presentation on the Multi-Institutional Natural Resources Web-based Distance Learning Consortium. The consortium includes six forestry schools from across the country, including Virginia Tech, where Gary is Director of the Natural Resources Distance Learning Program, as well as a NCSAF member.

The July luncheon featured Dr. Greg Reams, National Program Leader of the Forest Service Inventory & Analysis Program. Greg explained the evolution of the FIA Program to allow continuous inventory currently in 46 States, an increase from 5 States in 1999 with only a doubling of the budget. Incorporation of forest health monitoring plots in the FIA plot network has contributed to federal and State efforts to identify forests at risk of wildfire and to determine priority

areas for treatment of hazardous fuels under the President's Healthy Forests Initiative. FIA data is used as a basis for estimation of carbon budgets in the Nation's forests. FIA continues to maintain a strong partnership with the states, and three new mills have recently been opened in South Carolina based on FIA data on timber availability. Future FIA program developments will monitor urban forests, which will expand the inventory to non-forest areas, since urban areas are generally not classified as forested.

A presentation on potential forestry provisions for the 2007 Farm Bill was scheduled for August. Unfortunately, our scheduled speaker didn't appear, so NCSAF members Ian MacFarlane and Louise Milkman, and SAF at-large member Larry Wiseman from the American Forests Foundation, provided excellent impromptu presentations on policy options that had been identified.

The September luncheon featured Forest Service Associate Chief and NCSAF member Sally Collins who presented information on Forest Service initiatives to evaluate ecosystem services provided by forests. Sally enthusiastically identified opportunities for the agency and partners to promote market-based approaches for conservation and stewardship of forests by private landowners. This provides a promising additional tool to keep working forests working and prevent conversion to other land uses.

The Secretary of Agriculture has identified marketing of ecosystem services as a measure to improve the economic viability of private farms and forest that will be discussed during deliberation on the 2007 Farm Bill. Sally stressed that while ecosystem services markets can help to conserve air and water quality, wetlands, endangered species, greenhouse gases, and development rights, they require a high degree of validity and public confidence.

Our final luncheon speaker of the year was Mike Mitchell, from the Forest Service San Dimas Technology Center in San Dimas, CA. Mike explained that the SDTC consists of a cadre of engineers, foresters, technicians, writers, publishers and public affairs specialists that work in project teams to work on engineering problems and development innovative solutions encountered by national forests and Forest Service partners. Specifically, Mike presented a DVD video, "Engineering Technology Against Invasive Species," developed in collaboration with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

The video introduces the general public as well as road and highway maintenance personnel to strategies and techniques for minimizing and combating the spread of invasive plant species. Mike and NCSAF member Mike Ielmini, invasive species coordinator on the Forest Service Range Management staff, explained that the SDTDC is seeking partnerships to develop the next in the informational video series dealing with forest management systems for timber harvesting and mitigating the spread of invasive species across the Nation.

**Loren B. Ford, Chair
Program and Issues Forum Committee**

New Member Profile

Margo Dawley

In the DC Forester we are highlighting our new members by asking them to introduce themselves. So please give a warm welcome to Margo Dawley, our newest member to NCSAF.

Margo Dawley is a recent graduate of Claremont McKenna College in Claremont California where she majored in Economics, Environment and Politics. Her senior thesis topic was “Oats, Peas, Beans and Barley Grow: the Economics, Environmental and Political Issues of Organic Farming.” Her best experiences in college were studying abroad in Costa Rica. She got to “whomp” (the technical term for catching lizards according to the scientist supervising the project-see photo to right) lizards and wade waist deep in swamp water.



Margo’s love for the environment and farming comes from growing up on a cattle ranch in northern California. It is a forty minute, seven miles of dirt road, commute to the nearest town. Her family manages the ranch using Holistic Management, so she grew up considering the effect of management decisions on the entire ecosystem – including people and their finances.

From playing “house” in the wild grapevines along the creek as a kid to sitting under a big oak tree for shade in the hot California summers to hearing the wind whistling through the trees in the Sierras, Margo has always loved trees. She’s not just a tree hugger though – her other hobbies include making jewelry, walking and reading.

Washington D.C. is Margo’s current home where she works for American Forests as coordinator of the Global ReLeaf program and the Big Tree Registry and has a twenty minute metro commute that she thoroughly appreciates. She is also learning new city hobbies like playing connect four and trivial pursuit with her roommates. But of course she misses the West Coast and makes frequent trips to there to visit family, friends and the oaks and grey pines on the family ranch.

Margo can be reached at mdawley@amfor.org or (202) 737-1944.

2007 NCSAF Calendar of Events

Date	Description	Contact
January 25	Wine Tasting, Ballston, VA	Dwight Fielder Laura Schweitzer
February 8	Biomass Utilization/ Bioenergy Dr. Marcia Patton-Mallory	Loren Ford
February 15	Executive Committee Meeting	Wilhelmina Bratton
February 15	Deadline for <i>DC Forester</i>	Jennifer Plyler
February 28	Congressional Briefing on Capitol Hill	Darci Birmingham
March 8	Abigail Kimbell Chief of the US Forest Service	Loren Ford
March 15	Executive Committee Meeting	Wilhelmina Bratton
March 15	Deadline for <i>DC Forester</i>	Jennifer Plyler
April 11	Impacts of Globalization on Forestry in the U.S. Dr. Roger Sedjo	Loren Ford
April 16	Deadline for <i>DC Forester</i>	Jennifer Plyler
April 17	Phonathon Wild Acres	Tim Resch
April 18	Phonathon Wild Acres	Tim Resch
April 19	Executive Committee Meeting	Wilhelmina Bratton
April 25	Phonathon Wild Acres	Tim Resch
May 10	Developments in Forestry Certification Bill Banzhaf, president, Sustainable Forestry Initiative Inc.	Loren Ford
May 15	Deadline for <i>DC Forester</i>	Jennifer Plyler
May 17	Executive Committee Meeting	Wilhelmina Bratton
June 7	SAF and Forestry in the U.S. John McMahon, President, SAF	Loren Ford
June 15	Deadline for <i>DC Forester</i>	Jennifer Plyler

2007 NCSAF Calendar of Events (*continued*)

Date	Description	Contact
June 21	Executive Committee Meeting	Wilhelmina Bratton
July 12	International Forestry Research Dr. Frances Seymour, Director-General, Center for International Forestry Research (CIFOR) *	Loren Ford
July 19	Executive Committee Meeting	Wilhelmina Bratton
August 9	Summer Intern Forum TBD*	Loren Ford
August 15	Deadline for <i>DC Forester</i>	Jennifer Plyler
August 16	Executive Committee Meeting	Wilhelmina Bratton
September 13	Forestry in 2007 Farm Bill Chairman Collin C. Peterson (D-MN) *	Loren Ford
September 17	Deadline for <i>DC Forester</i>	Jennifer Plyler
September 20	Executive Committee Meeting	Wilhelmina Bratton
October 11	Changing Role in Forestry Education & Extension Dr. Steven Daley-Laursen, Dean, College of Natural Resources, U. Idaho *	Loren Ford
October 15	Deadline for <i>DC Forester</i>	Jennifer Plyler
October 18	Executive Committee Meeting	Wilhelmina Bratton
November 8	Conservation Education Dr. Safiya Samman *	Loren Ford
November 15	Executive Committee Meeting	Wilhelmina Bratton
November 15	Deadline for <i>DC Forester</i>	Jennifer Plyler
December 6	Executive Committee Meeting	Wilhelmina Bratton
December 13	Holiday Party*	Wilhelmina Bratton
December 17	Deadline for <i>DC Forester</i>	Jennifer Plyler

**Tentative*

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