

# REMEMBERING OUR PAST, PLANNING FOR OUR FUTURE

Southern Forest Nursery Association



Asheville, North Carolina

July 21-24, 2008



### Monday, July 21<sup>st</sup>

- 1:00PM Southern Forest Nursery Management Cooperative Contact Meeting (Separate Registration)
- 1:00 Conference Registration Desk opens
- 6:30 Icebreaker Reception in the Overlook Ballroom

### Tuesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>

- 7:00 AM Breakfast Buffet in the Mt. Pilot Room
- 7:00 Late Registration
- 8:00 Welcome and Housekeeping — Mt. Pisgah/Mt. Roan Ballrooms
- 8:15 *Exploring North Carolina 'Cradle of Forestry'* — **North Carolina Public Television Production**
- 8:45 *Outlook for Blight Resistant American Chestnut* — **Dr. Paul Sisco**, American Chestnut Foundation
- 9:15 Nursery Profiles: *North Carolina DFR's F.H. Claridge Nursery* — **James West**, Nursery Manager  
*GH Weyerhaeuser Nursery* — **Lucy Walker**, Nursery Manager  
*Bodenhamer Farms and Nursery* — **Louie Bodenhamer**
- 9:45 *North Carolina's Christmas Tree Industry* — **Jill Sidebottom**, North Carolina State University Cooperative Extension
- 10:15 Exhibitor Introductions and Door Prizes
- 10:30 Break with Conference Exhibitors in the Mt. Mitchell Room
- 11:00 Board Buses to Linville River Nursery
- 12:30 Lunch at the North Carolina Division of Forest Resources' Mountain Training Facility (Provided by NCDFR)
- 1:30 Welcome from State Forester **Wib Owen** of North Carolina
- 1:45 Tour of Linville River Nursery
- 5:00 Return to Crown Plaza

*Evening is on your own to explore Asheville*

### Wednesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>

- 7:00AM Breakfast Buffet in the Mt. Pilot Room (Provided by Arborgen)
- 8:00 Housekeeping — Mt. Pisgah/ Mt. Roan Ballrooms
- 8:15 *How Much are the Loblolly Pine Seedlings You Grow Really Worth?* — **Steve McKeand**, Director, North Carolina Tree Improvement Cooperative

- 8:45 Hardwood Weed Control Panel: *Three nursery managers discuss their successes and failures at controlling unwanted weeds in hardwood seed beds.*  
**Allan Murray**, Arkansas Forestry Commission  
**Roger Jacob**, Iowa DNR Forestry  
**Mike Arnette**, Arborgen
- 9:45 Exhibitor Introductions and Door Prizes
- 10:00 Break with Conference Exhibitors in the Mt. Mitchell Room
- 10:30 *State of Hardwood Weed Control* — **David South**, Professor, Southern Forest Nursery Management Cooperative
- 11:00 *Seedling Morphology and Outplanting Success in Bottomland Hardwood Afforestation* — **Emile Gardiner**, Center for Bottomland Hardwood Research, USDA Forest Service
- 11:30 *Root Dips* — **Tom Starkey**, Research Fellow, Southern Forest Nursery Management Cooperative
- 12:00 Lunch Buffet in the Mt. Pilot Room (Provided by Weyerhaeuser)
- 1:00 Board Buses to *Biltmore Estate*
- 1:30 Forest History Tour at *Biltmore Estate*
- 2:30 Self-guided Tours of Biltmore House, Gardens, and Winery
- 6:00 Social, 'Pig-Pickin' Buffet, and Bluegrass Entertainment, provided by 'Backstreet', at *Lioncrest on Biltmore Estate*
- 9:00PM Return to *Crown Plaza*

### Thursday, July 24<sup>th</sup>

- 7:00AM Breakfast Buffet in the Mt. Pilot Room
- 8:00 Housekeeping — Mt. Pisgah/ Mt. Roan Ballrooms
- 8:15 *Stunt Nematodes (Tylenchorhynchus claytoni) Impact on Southern Pine Seedlings and Response to a Field Test of Cover Crops* — **Michelle Cram**, Plant Pathologist, Forest Health Protection Unit, State and Private Forestry Branch of the USDA Forest Service
- 8:45 *Updating the Interim Guidelines for Producing Longleaf Pine Seedlings in Containers* — **Kas Dumroese**, Research Plant Pathologist, USDA Forest Service, Southern Research Station
- 9:15 *Acorn Storage: Can You Really Fool Mother Nature?* — **Kris Connor**, Project Leader, USDA Forest Service, Southern Research Station
- 9:45 Break with Conference Exhibitors in the Mt. Mitchell Room
- 10:30 *How Might Bio-fuels, Carbon Credits, Reforestation Incentives, etc. Affect Future Seedling Demand?* — **Bill Hubbard**, Southern Regional Extension Forester
- 11:30 Business Meeting (with door prizes)
- 12:00 Adjourn

### Field Trip Descriptions

#### Tuesday, July 22

We will visit the North Carolina Division of Forest Resources' Linville River Nursery. At this 'high country' nursery the Division grows Fraser Fir for the tremendous Christmas tree industry in the state as well as Eastern White Pine for both reforestation and Christmas trees. Growing both greenhouse and bare root seedlings, as well as being the location for one of the Division's genetically improved Fraser Fir orchards, the nursery facility should prove an interesting trip.

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Our second half day trip will include a forest history tour at the Biltmore Estate, the largest privately owned home in America. Professional forestry began in the United States, when Gifford Pinchot was hired to manage the estates forest landholdings in the late 19th century. Following this tour, registrants and paid guests will have the opportunity for a self guided tour of the Biltmore house, gardens and winery. Our tour to Biltmore will conclude that evening with dinner and some 'foot-stomping' bluegrass music at the estate.

### REGISTRATION FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE & ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

### Registration

	AMOUNT
ON OR BEFORE JULY 10	\$350 _____
AFTER JULY 10	\$400 _____
EXHIBITOR	\$500 _____
GUEST FOR ICEBREAKER	\$20 _____
GUEST FOR BILTMORE (includes house, garden, and winery tour/dinner/entertainment)	\$90 _____
GUEST TROLLEY TOUR	\$19 _____
AIRPORT SHUTTLE (NO CHARGE)	
TOTAL	_____

### Payment Methods

- Please make check payable to:  
WFCA  
4033 SW Canyon Rd.  
Portland OR 97221, USA
- Purchase order # \_\_\_\_\_
- Charge to:                      MC                      VISA                      AmEx  
(please circle)
- Account # \_\_\_\_\_
- Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_  
(on back of card)
- Register online at [www.westernforestry.org](http://www.westernforestry.org)

## 2008 Western Forest and Conservation Nursery Association Meeting

 Western Forestry and  
Conservation Nursery Association

### General:

North Carolina is excited about hosting this Joint Conference of the Southern Forest Nursery Association and the Northeast Forest and Conservation Nursery Association. The event will be held at the Crown Plaza Resort in Asheville, North Carolina. Our theme for the 2008 conference is **'Remembering our Past, Planning for our Future'**. The southern Appalachian area around Asheville is rich in forest and seedling nursery history. It is also one of the changing landscapes to which we find our industry adjusting for the future. Please join us for some mountain hospitality.

### Lodging Information:

Conference activities will be held at the Crown Plaza Resort located at One Resort Drive, Asheville, North Carolina. The resort may be reached from the South or West via Exit 3A off I-240 and from the North or East via Exit 3B off I-240. A block of reduced rate rooms is available at the Crown Plaza by calling 800-733-3211 or at [www.ashevillecp.com](http://www.ashevillecp.com). Single or double rooms are \$89 plus tax. Mention 'SFN' to get the reduced rate. After June 21, 2008, the reduced rate may not apply. The resort offers golf, tennis, and swimming. There is a downtown shuttle service available at no charge. An airport shuttle for Asheville Airport will be available through the conference at no charge. If needed, please check this service on the registration form and contact [laura.gurley@ncmail.net](mailto:laura.gurley@ncmail.net) or phone (919)731-7988x200 with flight itinerary before July 10. This is a firm deadline for this service.

### Registration:

The registration fee is \$350 if received by July 10, 2008 or \$400 if received after July 10, 2008. This per person registration includes the icebreaker reception, three breakfasts, two lunches, daily refreshments, and a ticket to the forest history, estate, and winery tour plus the dinner banquet and entertainment at Biltmore Estate. (Additional tour/banquet tickets to Biltmore may be purchased). Registration by credit card or purchase order is available online at [www.westernforestry.org](http://www.westernforestry.org). To register by mail, print out the conference registration form and complete. Make checks payable to WFCA.

### Exhibitors:

We have set up an excellent exhibit hall adjacent to our registration area and the main conference hall. This location will give exhibitors maximum

visibility. Morning breaks will be set up in the exhibitor hall and the hall will be open during the initial registration hour of 5–6pm on Monday, July 21. Exhibitor registration is \$500. This registration includes one conference registration as well as one six foot skirted table, two chairs, and electricity. If you need more information on exhibit and sponsorship opportunities please email [laura.gurley@ncmail.net](mailto:laura.gurley@ncmail.net) or phone (919)731-7988x200.

### Field Trips/Tours:

We are planning 2 half day field trips. On Tuesday we will visit the North Carolina Division of Forest Resources' Linville River Nursery. At this 'high country' nursery the Division grows Fraser Fir for the tremendous Christmas tree industry in the state as well as Eastern White Pine for both reforestation and Christmas trees. Growing both greenhouse and bare root seedlings, as well as being the location for one of the Division's genetically improved Fraser Fir orchards, the nursery facility should prove an interesting trip. Our second half day trip will include a forest history tour at the Biltmore Estate, the largest privately owned home in America. Professional forestry began in the United States, when Gifford Pinchot was hired to manage the estates forest landholdings in the late 19th century. Following this tour, registrants and paid guests will have the opportunity for a self guided tour of the Biltmore house, gardens and winery. Our tour to Biltmore will conclude that evening with dinner and some 'foot-stomping' bluegrass music at the estate.

### Spouse/Guest Activities:

In addition to the beautiful mountain location, the Asheville area has numerous other attractions. Spouses/Guests will be able to purchase a ticket to many of our conference activities. (Listed on the registration form). In addition, we have put together a trolley tour of historic Asheville for Tuesday afternoon. This will be a live, narrated tour lasting 2 \_ hours. The price of the tour is \$19/person and includes transportation from and back to Crown Plaza. 25 people are needed for this private tour. Please pay for the tour with registration. Learn more about the tour at [www.ashevilletrolleytours.com](http://www.ashevilletrolleytours.com). The conference hospitality suite will also be open each morning from 8:00–9:30am for spouses/guests offering coffee, juice, pastries, and fruit.

### Society of American Foresters CFE Credits:

Conference attendees will be eligible for CFE credits through the Society of American Foresters. Forms will be available at the conference.

Register online at [www.westernforestry.org](http://www.westernforestry.org)

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